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Descriptive List

Identity Statement

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Context

Creator(s):

Fitzgerald, Seamus LLD (b1896 - d1972)

Archival History

The collection was donated to the Archives by Patrick A. Fitzgerald, Seamus Fitzgerald's son, in 1992.

Biographical History

Born 1896. Joined Irish Volunteers in 1914 and was interned following 1916 Rising; active in Sinn Fein and IRA 1918-1922; early member of Fianna Fail Party. Active in Old IRA Mens association. Served as a Town Councillor in Cobh Urban District Council. Member of Cork Harbour Commissioners. Involved and appointed to various organisations such as local chambers of commerce, the campaign for Cork airport, Aer Lingus and Aer Rianta, Governing body of UCC, Local Appointments Commission, various Trade Unions and Employers organisations. Owner of Fitzgerald and Company. Held Directorships of Rushbrooke Cork Dockyard, Verolme Dockyard and Irish Steel and others. His interests included the Irish Language and music.

Fitzgerald was a nationalist who channelled his patriotism into day to day efforts to establish Ireland as a modern nation, especially in the economic sphere. He was responsible for countless efforts to attract foreign industry to the greater Cork area, and support and maintain indigenous operations. He worked tirelessly through the many organisations he was a member of, such as Cork Harbour Commissioners, Cork Chamber of Commerce and the Irish Tourist Association, to combat complacency in the drive for industrialisation. One of his

greatest personal achievements was his securing of Verolme Industries (Dockyard) for Cork. He was also instrumental in the establishment of Cork Airport, a facility he saw as vital for Munster development. His ability and commitment were recognised also on a national level and he was appointed as a Director to the boards of Aer Lingus and Aer Rianta. However he devoted most of his energies to his native Cobh and the greater Cork area.

Content & Structure

Scope & Content

The personal papers of Seamus Fitzgerald.

Section 1 'Early Political Affiliation' contains material relevant to Fitzgerald's activities as a member both of The Irish Volunteers and of Sinn Fein. The Volunteer material is divided into contemporary items and later recollections. Preserved here are letters to Fitzgerald received during his 1916 internment in Frongoch camp and an especially poignant group from Fitzgerald home to his mother. Letters from fellow internees also survive. Amongst the later material subsection VIII contains requests from ex-Volunteers for Fitzgerald to vouchsafe their recollections for pension purposes. Gathered also by Fitzgerald are copies of statements given by friends of his to the military historian, Flor O'Donoghue. Fitzgerald had himself planned to write a memoir of those events but it never came to fruition. His research is however preserved here.

Section 1, Subsection C (Sinn Fein) details Fitzgerald's early political activity which saw him elected to the Second Dail in 192. Preserved here also is a testimonial from Michael Collins, then Minister for Finance, paying tribute to Fitzgerald's energy and determination. Sinn Fein electoral material and items relating to the parties organisation, including the Sinn Fein Courts are also contained here. Fitzgerald, a committed Republican, was interned again from 1923 to 1924 this time by the Free State Government. Material relating to this and to the general treatment of Republican Prisoners is described in subsections VI and VII.

Section 2, Later Political Affiliation, records Seamus Fitzgerald's 50 year commitment to the Fianna Fáil party. He was instrumental in the early organisation of Republicans and the establishment of Fianna Fail in Cork and was to remain for decades one of it's main motivators. The documents preserved record his involvement with the party from 1926, his spearheading of the 1934 reorganisation in Cork, and his participation in party affairs including elections until his death in 1972. Fitzgerald, himself, stood for election five times in the Cork City and Cork East constituencies, being elected twice for short terms. As did other politicians Fitzgerald spent a lot of time dealing with the problems, complaints and requests of constituents. Preserved in Section 2 V is a unique body of correspondence resulting from the voluminous demands made by post on Fitzgerald's time and energy. Pleas for help with job applications, pension rights, discrimination, imagined and on-imagined wrongs, intercessions with government bodies all received an answer. Fitzgerald investigated each case and made detailed inquiries before lending his support or his name. He grouped these letters and his copy replies together in massive files, in some cases keeping replies from Government Departments separate as evidence of his huge postload. The requests did not end with Fitzgerald's terms in the Dail, but as he was known as a man of

influence in many circles they continued to arrive. Those letters post dating 1960 have been closed at the request of the donor to save any possible upset.

Preserved alongside material relating to Fitzgerald's own election campaigns are documents and paraphernalia relating to Fianna Fail's electoral campaigns in Cork including an interesting group of 'battle songs'. Electoral propaganda belonging to other parties was also collected by Fitzgerald and is also preserved. His commitment to Fianna Fail was rewarded by a term in the Senate from 1934 to its abolition in 1936. Section 2 Subsection B here reflects Fitzgerald's associations with other Republican organisations and his concern for their aging members. He was a member of the Cork Old IRA Mens Association and appears to have been on good terms with its founder General Tom Barry, and have lent his support to many Republican memorials and Commemorations.

Section 3 is devoted to Fitzgerald's Public Service,

beginning with A his activities as a member of Cobh Urban District Council and B his fifty year long tenure as a member of the Cork Harbour Commissioners. The material relates to the day to day operations of both these bodies and both contain material relating to Haulbowline Dockyards and Cork Airport. Fitzgerald as a member of the Harbour Board was during the period of the Second World War or Emergency, involved as an officer in the organisation and drilling of the Cork Maritime Inscripton and Competent Port Authority. He retained memorabilia (message forms, order sheers) relating to War Games between the Maritime Inscripton and the Local Defense Force.

Section 3 Subsection C records Fitzgerald's activities as first a founder member of Cobh Chamber of Commerce and then its Cork counterpart. It was through the Cork Chamber that Fitzgerald helped establish the Cork Economic Development Council which was instrumental in attracting foreign investors to the Cork area. There survives a large body of correspondence relating to this. Amongst the unsuccessful ventures was an application by to establish a cycle factory in Ireland, an offer rejected by the Government. This section of the collection reflects very strongly Fitzgerald's unwavering efforts to promote new industries and bolster those already established. This commitment is also reflected in Subsection D, in his support for the establishment of an airport for Cork. This was a project he pursued from the 1930's when plans for both an aerodrome and a seadrome were being mooted. Again his membership of a number of complimentary bodies helped him push this project. Cork Airport was finally opened at Farmer's Cross, Ballinhassig, just one of the many sites considered. Early proposals and reports are preserved in this section.

His involvement as a director of both Aer Lingus and Aer Rianta is reflected in Section 2 Subsection E, mainly in the form of copy minutes and reports. There is an interesting group of material dealing with the establishment of Aer Lingus and Fitzgerald's involvement with this.

Section 2 Subsection F details Fitzgerald's activities as a co-opted member of the Governing body of University College Cork up to 1971 and as a member of the Finance Committee of the College. As an acknowledgement of his dedication and drive Fitzgerald was awarded an honorary degree by UCC in 1949. Memorabilia from the ceremony and letters of congratulations are preserved. As a well known and trusted public figure Fitzgerald received a number of political appointments. Subsection G contains material from two, his

participation for a number of years as a member of the ESB Superannuation Tribunal and his service on the Local Appointments Commission. His sense of fair play also made him a trusted negotiator and arbitrator as can be seen in Subsection H where is preserved dealings with both Employer's organisations and Unions. The final subsection here H records Fitzgerald's involvement with the Irish Tourist Association which was later malgamated into Bord Failte.

Section 4, Business Involvements, records Fitzgerald's activities as a prominent Cork businessman. Section 4 Subsection A details concerns that he was in ownership or part ownership of Fitzgerald and Co., the Electrical Engineering and Goods shop he founded in partnership with his brothers, was his main base in Cork. Preserved here in A II are details of tenders offered and plans for early electrification projects undertaken, including Tralee County Hall and Limerick District Hospital. These provide a useful insight into the manner of rural electrification at that time. Fitzgerald was for a time also involved in running the New States Hotel in Cobh (Commodore Hotel) and the Lido Cinema in Cork but neither venture proved successful. However subsection B, Directorships, contains records of Fitzgerald's achievements as a director of Rushbrooke Dockyard, Verlome Cork Dockyard and Irish Steel. Much of the material relating to Cork Dockyards Limited revolves around repeated attempts from the 1920's onwards to place the dockyard on a secure footing, thus ensuring employment in the Cobh, Passage and Haulbowline areas. After a period of closure in the late 1930's the dockyard was reopened with great hope in 1941 , but never managed to become fully independent of state support. Foreign experts were brought in to help revitalise the company, a move not always approved of by the local people. A section of material is preserved relating to local complaints about William L Kok, Chief Engineer, at Rushbrooke. These centred around the fact that he owned a rather powerful motor boat which was felt to be inappropriate for an alien to operate around the Irish coast during the Emergency. A letter from Fitzgerald attesting to Kok's integrity appears to have finished the matter.

Rushbrooke was taken over in 1958 by Verlome Dockyards, thanks largely to efforts by Seamus Fitzgerald, Dr. Baddy of the IDA and Brian Gallagher the Irish Ambassador to the Hague. The bringing of Verlome to Cork was one of the high points of Fitzgerald's career. Appointed a Director in 1959 he was instrumental in securing Irish Government support for the company. Preserved in the collection is material relating to the general administration of Verlome Cork Dockyards from its opening in 1958 to Fitzgerald's retirement in 1970. The move to Cork by Verlome was almost universally welcomed but there were one or two dissenting voices. Union relations were always tricky at Verlome and an interesting letter from Erskine Childers reveals support for Verlomes stance against some Union demands. Documents relating to ship orders, company finances, relations with the Irish Shipping Co. and Union negotiations are all preserved here. It must however be stressed that these papers do not provide a history of Verlome Cork Dockyards but rather reflect the surviving evidence of Fitzgerald's involvement with the company.

Seamus Fitzgerald was also pivotal in the opening in 1939 of Irish Steel Limited, and material relating to this is contained in Section 4 Subsection 3. Preserved in Fitzgerald's correspondence is evidence of the company's rocky existence and dependence on government support. An interesting body of documents relates to the tribulations of William Masqeik, Chief Engineer at Irish Steel, who as a German National faced many bureaucratic problems during the Second World War, not least when he attempted to purchase a small farm in Co.

Cork. Again Fitzgerald appears to have ironed out the situation, but Masqueik left bemoaning the attitude of company bosses who would not take his advice on steel production. Contemporary newsclippings collected by Fitzgerald refer to the activities of Irish Steel and some Union troubles.

The final subsection in Section 4 contains brief records of Fitzgerald's investment in Foilseachain Naisunta Teoranta and the Southern Star newspaper.

Section 5, Interests and Patronage, reflects Fitzgerald's interests outside the business world and also his generosity in giving of his support financially and otherwise to charitable organisations. He was involved in establishing the company Gaedhealachas Teoranta; a limited company set up to build and invest in Irish language schools and was also a lifelong member of Conradh na Gaeilge. He was also involved in supporting and organising the yearly Tostal festival in Cork. His presidency of the Cork Orchestral society proved unharmonious when in that capacity he welcomed to his home the Fine Gael Taoiseach John A. Costello. He was accused by members of local F.F. Cumainn of turning his back on the Party and letters both supporting and denouncing him were sent to Eamonn de Valera. Also preserved are a large number of the correspondence relating to circulars and requests for support sent by charitable and voluntary organisations to Fitzgerald together with his copy replies.

Section 6, Personal and Family Life, contains mementoes, correspondence and appointment diaries belonging to Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald was apprenticed in HM Dockyards Haulbowline and references and other documentation from that period is contained here. He was suspended in 1916 as a result of his arrest for Volunteer activities, but was reinstated. Preserved in Subsection B are groups of general correspondence between Fitzgerald and friends and family members. Subsection C Family Memorabilia contains items such as Birth Certificates, the marriage certificate of Seamus and May Fitzgerald. Here also are a series of appointment diaries kept by Fitzgerald which contain notes of meetings and travel plans, but do not contain all such appointments Fitzgerald would have been presumed to have.

The papers of Seamus Fitzgerald are unique in that he straddled so many spheres, cultural, political revolutionary and commercial. As they do not provide a full record of the various bodies and projects, but rather the surviving record of Fitzgerald's involvement with them. He was a man of seemingly endless energy and motivation with a strong sense of fair play. His brand of nationalism was first and foremost a practical one and his legacy was to help establish Cork as an area capable of handling industrial development and to have assisted in the development of perhaps the most formidable political organisation in Ireland. Researchers interested in the evolution of the Irish state particularly with regard to industry and the organisation and development of Fianna Fáil should find the Seamus Fitzgerald collection invaluable.

Arrangement

Main sections of the Collection:

SECTION 1: EARLY POLITICAL AFFILIATION

A IRISH VOLUNTEERS- CONTEMPORARY MATERIAL

- B IRISH VOLUNTEERS -RECOLLECTIONS
- C SINN FEIN
- SECTION 2 FIANNA FÁIL
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- B LATER REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATIONS
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- A COBH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
- B CORK HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS
- C CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE
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 - 3 LIDO CINEMA
- B DIRECTORSHIPS OF-
 - 1 RUSHBROOKE CORK DOCKYARD
 - 2 VERLOME CORK DOCKYARDS
 - 3 IRISH STEEL
- C INVESTMENT IN-
 - I Foilseachan Naisunta Teoranta
 - II Southern Star Newspaper
- SECTION 5 INTERESTS AND PATRONAGE
- SECTION 6 - PERSONAL AND FAMILY LIFE
- A EARLY LIFE
- B CORRESPONDENCE
- C MEMORABILIA
- SECTION 7 PHOTOGRAPHS

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The arrangement of the collection reflects Seamus Fitzgerald's methodical grouping of related materials, and the correspondence especially reflects his original groupings. Some order was imposed by the archivist to better define particular areas of Fitzgerald's interest and activities. The interrelationship of his various roles, politician, businessman, public servant, is reflected so as to give a clear impression to the researcher why Fitzgerald was in a unique position to influence and champion.

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APPENDIX I

National Elections Contested By Fitzgerald

May 1921 - (Sinn Fein) Elected to the Second Dail until June 1922

Sept. 1927 - (Fianna Fail) Defeated

1943 - (Fianna Fail) Elected

1944 - (Fianna Fail) Defeated

1945 - By election - (Fianna Fail) Defeated

Senate Terms Served

1934 - to abolishment of Senate in 1936

APPENDIX II

Abbreviations Used In Text

C.D.L. : Cork Dockyard Limited
C.E.D.C. : Cork Economic Development Council
C.H.C. : Cork Harbour Commissioners
Co. : County
C.U.D.C. : Cobh Urban District Council
E.S.B. : Electricity Supply Board
F.F. : Fianna Fail
I.T.A. : Irish Tourist Association
Mss : Manuscript
T.D. : Teachta Dála
U.C.C. : University College Cork
V.C.D. : Verlome Cork Dockyards

List of Items and Descriptions

SECTION 1: EARLY POLITICAL AFFILIATION (1916-1969) (190 items)

A **IRISH VOLUNTEERS- CONTEMPORARY MATERIAL**

I **Letters to Seamus Fitzgerald while interned, 1916**

i **From M. Cotter**

1 13 June 1916

Letter to Seamus Fitzgerald in Wakefield Camp from M. Cotter, 7 Albert Terrace, Queenstown, (Cobh, Co. Cork), passing on the best wishes of Lilly Twomey and Dan Collins. Request to be remembered to fellow prisoners. Envelope marked passed by Censor.

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ii **From Patrick Fitzgerald**

2 1916

Letters from Patrick Fitzgerald to his brother Seamas in Wakefield and to their mother Alice informing them of his efforts in Dublin to secure Seamas's release. A deputation has been sent to Mr. Asquith and he is hopeful, but does not wish to put down too much on paper.

2pp

iii **From Alice Fitzgerald**

3 19 June 1916

Emotive letter to Seamas from his mother Alice counselling him to keep his spirits up for fear "you will make me worse than what I am". She hopes his friends will be sent to the same place so they could be company for him. Inquirers are her letters getting through and assures him all efforts are being made on his behalf. His father has not been told of Seamas's arrest "God is good and Blessed Mother you may be home before him yet". Again counsels him not to despair and expresses her longing for news of him.

iv From William Fitzgerald

4 16 June 1916

Letter to Seamas from his cousin William in Durham City, informing Seamas his letter escaped the censor and was passed on by the Mother Superior at Wakefield, he comments "It is impossible for me to try, and console you after reading your letter" adding "What wrong did you ever do that you should be made to suffer so much, and to think that I was compelled to join the B. Army and my countrymen being victimised like they are". Moves on to mention he received a letter from Jim Holland who was sent a letter and a pound of tobacco from Paddy "the day of the battle". He assures Seamas he is a martyr in a splendid cause and wishes they could trade places. The English papers won't listen to pleas of clemency from Priests, but two are writing to Mr. Redmond for a general release. Asks to be remembered to all with Seamas.

4pp

v From Ann Hannan

4a 13 June 1916

Letter from Ann Hanan, Queenstown writing to show "some of the cailini have not forgotten ye". Asks after M. Leahy commenting sardonically "I hope that ye will not be too fat when ye come out". Informs him the League branch is closed and was very gloom after their arrest. In a PS she cautions him "Do not tell anyone that I wrote to you as I would not like it to go round".

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vi From Michael Hennessy

5 14 June 1916

Tattered letter from Michael Hennessy, Queenstown, in parts indiscipherable. Inquires how Seamas is, and who he is able to see at the prison, and instructs him to report any, ill-treatment "your countrymen at home will not have it". Adds there is a great movement for their release and attacks "those parliamentary wretches".

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vii From Michael []

6 28 May 1916

Letter from Michael, interned in Richmond Barracks, Dublin. He expresses surprise that Fitzgerald is still in Wakefield and comments he is being very well treated himself "cannot complain about anything". Attached is a newsclipping reporting on the triumphant return to Queenstown of James Fitzgerald and Michael Leahy after their release.

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viii Poem

7 3 May 1916

Poem initialled 'A.C.' "To Ireland"
Well may your skies be dark, dear land
Well may you weep today
The bravest of your sons, dear land,
Have bled for you

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II Letters home from Fitzgerald

i To his Mother, Alice Fitzgerald

8 26 May 1916

Letter from Seamus in Wakefield to his mother, explaining new privileges allow him to write more often. They are also allowed to walk and talk in pairs for nearly an hour " a blessing after such isolation". He requests a pencil and a stamped addressed envelope to write home and also "about 1/2 lb butter every week, a large cake, home made preferable, twice a week, a piece of cooked bacon or pork, some hard sweets like bullseyes etc., and such like". He cautions no tins are allowed and requests the food as soon as possible. He would also like some volumes of Cassells Educator to be sent on so he can use the time profitably and also his prayerbook and rosary beads. Closes with a warning not to put letters in parcels. Sends love to all at home.

9 30 May 1916

Letter from Seamas to his mother complaining he has not received any of her parcels and cautioning her to not now send on his "outside clothes" as they might not reach him before his release. Prisoners are being released daily in lots of 20, and he mentions a prisoner named O'Brien was given his ticket home only to be turned back as he was the wrong O'Brien. He had a visit from a nurse who was informed of their whereabouts by the Rev. Mother Superiorness of Queenstown. Inquires if she has sent on the Cassell's Educators and some eatables "as I am sorely in need of them" Remarks on the beautiful weather and sends his best wishes to all at home.

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10 5 June 1916

Letter from Seamas thanking his mother for the parcel from which the bovril was confiscated as he could not make it up. Mentions a visit from a local nun and discusses her anxiety over whether 'Patrick' was saved or not from the wreck of the 'Black Prince', expressing relief his father (a seaman) was not involved. Conditions in the prison are improving somewhat and they are allowed time for exercise and chat. Miss Simcox, daughter of an ex-Lord Mayor of Cork came to visit him, and Michael Leahy (see has arrived. They are hopeful of release for the King's Birthday. Mentions he noticed the Daylight Savings Bill is in operation.

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11 10 June 1916

Letter from Seamus to his mother; he received no letter from her but got a parcel of biscuits from Bob commenting "Only for what we receive from outside we would never be able to live here at all". One hundred men have been transferred to Frongoch "concentration camp" and he doesn't know if he will have to go. There has been no word about his appeal and he fears the Queenstown Police are blocking it. He has lost his appetite and has become very melancholy musing that those involved in the fighting have been set free and the innocent ones are still imprisoned. Complains he never got the food he requested and comments he read of Patrick's death in the Cork Examiner. "It is a terrible blow to us all".

(copy letter)

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12 13 June 1916

Letter from Seamus to his mother complaining he has heard no word from her as it is sometimes a fortnight before he receives a reply to a letter, adding the letters sent out to

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family members are really for her. He has been moved to the top of the building where it is bitterly cold and states as the prison diet is insufficient he has to rely on parcels and visitors. The Superiorness of the local convent gives him a sandwich daily but he longs for bacon or ham. Remarks two fellow prisoners died, but he himself is in the best of health. He cannot understand why he has not been released. "There is blundering somewhere or else

the police must be revenging themselves on those whom they have a grudge against". Exhorts his mother to be strong and that God will welcome Patrick into his everlasting Kingdom.

(copy letter)

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ii Letter to his Aunt and Uncle

13 5 June 1916

Letter from Seamus to his Aunt and Uncle thanking them for their welcome letter and describing Wakefield as "a rather dirty sleepy little manufacturing town, corresponding to practically what Carlow is in Ireland". He also describes the prison layout; for large halls each containing four wards with 40 to 60 cells (he is in C Hall, No. 1 ward, Cell No. 27 (1/27). Main meals consist of black coffee "very objectionable stuff", horseflesh with one potato, two tablespoons of beans and some soup, breakfast and supper dry bread but he comments "still mind you it is better then what we got in Cork". Adds they were kept in Solitary Confinement for 23 1/4 hours each day for two weeks. Closes with remembrances to friends and a request for Miss Carroll to write.

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III Letters from Frongoch Internees

i From Leo Ring

14 [1916]

Letter from Leo Ring in Frongoch to Seamus Fitzgerald in Cobh, thanking him for the welcome letter and

parcel. He and his "companions in misery" are well adding "we are just pulling the devil by the tail here I can assure you we had some exciting times on and off". He heard of the welcome Seamus and Michael Leahy (see) got

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when they returned home commenting "Queenstown must be proud of her rebels". Adds he has so many calls to write but so few letters are allowed he is in a quandary, requests a Christmas Card "that would suit a young lady" to be sent on.

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ii From Michael Stames

15 26 October 1916

Letter from Michael Stames in Frongoch thanking Seamus for his letter. Mentions the death of a friend and comments "I told Paddy B, about Miss Sheehan but I didn't tell him you were meeting her every night" and jokes "You better look out when Mick gets home".

The bag of vegetables he sent arrived to everyone's delight but due to the length of the journey (9 days) the cabbage had spoiled. Mentions Leo Ring (see /12 above) is well and says hello adding "When you are writing to Liam give him my love!" He mentions other prisoners adding "Don't worry about us being kept here. The longer they keep us the better it will make the spirit of the people at home". Internment he feels is another British gaffe "in the history of their bungling".

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iii Letter from []

16 [1917]

Letter to Seamus from 6 Longwood Avenue, Dublin (signature illegible). The writer comments wryly he would prefer to be back in Frongoch "office work is not as nice as the fatigues". Most of his company are now back bar a few who may be used as hostages, he mentions a few he doesn't expect to see "until the next scrap". All acquitted themselves with honour even though D. Price "Chief Spy here" tried to get men to implicate others. Relates account of the shooting of Pierce (Padraig Pearse) told to him by Fr. Augustus OSFC. Jokes he has not heard from Mick Leahy (see above) "writing is too serious an occupation for Michael the fickle". He was invited to give a statement about his treatment while interned but responded "not arf". Invites Seamus to visit and see "how not to use artillery". The Police although fed up with the military are turning a blind eye to them and civilians were treated roughly for the fortnight of the rebellion. His mother fell ill on his return from stress.

4pp

IV Letter from Maire Nic Suibhne

17 14 July 1915

Letter from Marie Nic Suibhne to Seamus stating "We cannot all be heroes and fill a hemisphere with some great deed of daring" adding "There's always noble service for noble souls to do".

1p

V Letter from an IRA Volunteer

18 9 January 1923

Letter from an IRA Volunteer to Commandant Seamus Fitzgerald requesting leave on grounds of his mother's illness. "I have done my best while in the service of the IRA and were it not for the illness of my mother, I would never apply for this permission".

1p

VI Contemporary Newspapers

19 26 September 1914
21 November 1914

Copies of Fianna Fail A journal for Militant Ireland.

7 items

20 28 November 1915

Copy of The Spark "To keep the fires of the Nation Burning".

pp

21 4 March 1916

Copy of Irish Volunteer Edited by Eoin MacNeill

4pp

- PR6/
 22 15 September 1917
 30 August 1919
- Copies of Ar H-Eire (New Ireland)
- 2 items
- 23 25 May 1918
- Copy of The Herald
- 6pp
- 24 23 November 1918
- Copy of An Saoghal Gaedhealach
- 16pp
- 25 15 October 1920
- Copy An t-Oglach "The official organ of the Irish Volunteers".
- 4pp
- 26 30 April 1922
- Copy of Na Daoine Macanta "The Plain People"
- 1pp
- 27 Copy of Eire 'The Irish Nation'
- 28 1916
- Clippings reporting on the threat of arrest for Fitzgerald as Chairman of Queenstown Council and a subsequent arrest attempt. Clipping of report of conditions in Frongoch Military Camp.

VII Quarter Master Records 4th Battalion, No. 1 Brigade

28a March 1922 - January 1925

File kept by Fitzgerald as Quarter Master of the 4th Battalion Cork No. 1 Brigade, detailing requisitions of food and other items "July 13th, 1922. August 1922 Patrick

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Barry 25 40 Boots" and "October 1923 J. Murphy, Main St., Midleton 24, 36 Funeral". Also details arms returns noting amounts of small arms and ammunition for some. Also details of Battalion subscriptions to the Prisoner's Dependents Fund.

VIII Memorabilia

29 December 1914 - May 1915

Bullet peppered target cards used by Cork Volunteers Firing conditions (distance, visibility) are recorded and the names of the marksman is noted beside each bullet hole.

37 items

30 1916

Prayer to St. Jude [sent to Fitzgerald while interned]

1p

31 29 May 1922 - []

Memorandum from the CS "George Ward" at Passage West detailing serial numbers of Webley revolvers.

Tattered blank Travelling Permit to leave the city of Cork. Signed SE Dalton, Major General. Requisition form for a telescope and seven overcoats for Quater Master Seamus MacGearailt, 1st Southern Division Cork No. 1 Brigade 4th Battalion.

3p

IX Requests to Vouchsafe Pension Applications of Ex-Volunteers.

i From Thomas Cotter

32 March 1938

Letter to Fitzgerald from Thomas Cotter, 656 East 166 Street, Bronx, New York detailing his services in the IRA with reference to his application for a pension. He joined Carrigtwohill "D" company Irish Volunteers in 1917 and gives details of raids up to March 1920. Recalls

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ambushes and skirmishes and names spies he executed in 1921 and those who assisted him. He was arrested in October 1922 and took part in the general hunger strike November 1923. He was released December 1924. Also cover letter informing Fitzgerald he gave his name as a reference for the pension application.

7pp

ii From Daithi

33 28 December 1937

Letter to Fitzgerald from Daithi, 1310 Ardee Avenue, Bronx, New York, describing his life in America and thanking Fitzgerald for his help with the pension application. He lives in the suburbs so his children will be safe from traffic and it takes him 1 1/2 hours to get to work in the city. he earns \$40 a week for 45 hours but adds expenses are very high. He has been following Fitzgerald's career in the newspapers and is glad he is doing so well. Encloses a photograph of his family.

4pp, cmx cm

iii From George Keating

34 []

Letter to Fitzgerald from George Keating, Brooklyn, New York requesting his advice on employment prospects in Ireland and help with his pension application. Fed up with "American Communism" which is gripping the country he wishes to return to Ireland.

1p

iv From Joe Kiely (See also 50)

35 26/27 August 1938

Letter from Joe Kiely, Middlesex, England, thanking Fitzgerald for looking into the matter of his pension "I must have written about fifty letters to different people, about that pension without result". Encloses an application letter for a position as clerk in Haulbowline as requested

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v From David O'Brien

36 3 April 1936

Letter from David O'Brien, 1157 Mace Ave, Bronx requesting a statement from Fitzgerald confirming his military service for his pension application. Details his service and internments. Mentions fundraising efforts for a memorial plot at the Old Church, Cobh and requests a "newsy letter" once in a while.

(Also copy letter)

6pp

vi From Patrick O'Connor

37 [1950's]

Letter from Patrick O'Connor, 367 Concord St., Lowell, Massachusetts requesting Fitzgerald's help with his pension application. He worked in Sean O'Moore's office in Cork City Hall in 1920, and secured a job in the National Land Bank with Fitzgerald's help. He emigrated after the sale of the bank and gives an account of his 27 years in Lowell. He intends to use his pension money to revisit Ireland and requests advise on securing maximum benefit. Gives details of his service 1917-1921.

9pp

vii From Thomas H. O'Shea

38 Letter from Thomas H. O'Shea, 590 East 137 Street, N.Y. requesting Fitzgerald to confirm his statement of service in the Volunteers and IRA. Details the account of his activities he submitted to the Department of Defense.

2pp

viii From Fitzgerald's own applications

38a 1941 - 1942

File of correspondence and submissions attesting to Fitzgerald's service record as Battalion Quartermaster, 4th Battalion 1st Cork Brigade from 30th June, 1922 to September 1922. Details bomb making activities in 1921 and 1922. Mention is also made of the service records of Cromac Cullinane, Michael Leahy and David O'Brien in the I.R.A.

B IRISH VOLUNTEERS -RECOLLECTIONS**I Copies of Statements to Flor O'Donoghue****i By Michael J. Burke**

39 1947

Typescript copy of detailed statement by Michael J. Burke, "Inver" Rushbrooke, Cobh, given to Flor O'Donoghue of the Bureau of Military History, recounting his introduction to the Independence movement in 1915, and his admission to the Volunteers in 1917. Details Volunteer activities including an abortive attempt to raid Balycurk Aerodrome and the capture of Carrigtwohill Barracks, up to 1922.

35 pp

ii By Seamus Fitzgerald

40 1947

Two typescript copies of Seamus Fitzgerald's initial statement to Flor O'Donoghue detailing his activities as a member of the Irish Volunteers, 23 April 1916 to January 1923. Recounts in point form activity in the Volunteer Hall, Sheares Street, Cork over the Easter weekend 1916 and his subsequent arrest and internment; activities in organising arms and the use of his shop at 19, East Beach, Cobh as a despatch office. Recalls abortive plans to assassinate Sir John French when he visited Cobh in 1920. Describes involvement in bomb making up to the Civil War and his arrest in September 1922 and release July 1924. Lists references submitted. Also 2 MSS. draft of statement.

37pp

41 1947

Second and more detailed statement of Volunteer activities by Seamus Fitzgerald. Recounts events after the split with Redmonites, and describes the march from Cobh

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to Volunteer Headquarters in Cork on Easter Saturday. Details activity up to 1920 and his election to Cobh Rural District Council and subsequent harassment by Black and Tans. He then moved to Cork to organise Dail Eireann Publicity for Cork City and County.

7pp

42 5-10 December 1947

Correspondence between Seamus Fitzgerald and Flor O'Donoghue discussing Fitzgerald's statement (see above) Includes 1 September 1944 Copy of letter sent by Fitzgerald to Michael O'Leary discussing Cobh Volunteers and Easter Week.

3pp

iii By Michael Leahy (see also 51)

43 1947

Typescript copies of the Statement of Captain Michael Leahy, Haulbowline, concerning Volunteer activities 1912-1916. Names those present at the Cobh Volunteers inaugural meeting 14 December 1913 and their early dispute with the A.O.H. and the split over Redmonds call to join the British Army. Details events of Easter 1916 and their march to the Volunteer Hall in Cobh.

7 items

44 1947

Typescript copy of supplementary statement by Michael Leahy detailing his activities after his release from Frongoch 1916. (Poor Condition.

31 pp

45 12 May 1947-
17 February 1948

Correspondence file between Florence O'Donoghue and Captain Michael Leahy regarding his statement to the Bureau of Military History.
Includes 12 May 1947 First draft of his statement.

4 items

iv By Domhnall O'Ciosain

46 20 November 1947

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Copy letter from Seamus Fitzgerald to Domhnall O'Ciosain, Headmaster, Passage West Technical Institution inquiring about his recollections of pre 1916 Volunteer activity.

47 1947

Mss. statement by Domhnall O'Ciosain detailing his recollections of the founding of the Cobh Volunteers 1913. Describes their early drilling "The onlookers were much more numerous than the volunteers"; the split over John Redmond's Woodenbridge Speech and events leading up to Easter 1916. He was suspended from the Volunteers in March 1916 and so cannot describe the events of Easter week.

7pp

v By Michael Walsh

48 20 November 1947

Copy letter from Seamus Fitzgerald to Michael Walsh, Pilot, inquiring about his recollections of the scuttling of the Aud in 1916.

1p

49 1947

Mss. and typescript copies of the statement of Michael Walsh, Pilot, Cobh regarding the sinking of the 'Aud' Easter 1916.

5 items

II Correspondence between Seamus Fitzgerald and others recalling Volunteer activities

i Commandant James Brislene

50 9 December 1933

Copy of letter sent by Commandant James Brislene to the Irish Echo, New York, correcting the assertion by Edward Crotin of Charleville, Co. Cork ("well known member of the Blueshirts") that he was a Volunteer since 1916.

2pp

ii Desmond Cornwall

51 16 March 1965

Letter to Fitzgerald from his cousin-in-law Desmond Cornwall, Portlaoise, detailing his father's last illness. Recalls in 1916 when DeValera was under sentence of death it was Cornwall's father who pressed the American authorities to act.

2pp

iii Joseph Kiely (See also 34)

52 10 March 1966 - 22 December 1967

Correspondence between Joseph Kiely, London and Seamus Fitzgerald. Kiely recalls their days as Volunteers in Cobh "They were good old days even though our own people were against us" and has no regrets "after all we did not fight for self-glorification or political advancement but rather for an ideal".

3pp

iv Michael Leahy (see also 41)

53 7 March 1935

Letter to Fitzgerald from Michael Leahy in San Pedro discussing Fitzgerald's recollections of their Volunteer days which he plans to discuss more fully on his return to Ireland in April. Mentions he never became an American citizen and is unsure of his passport status. Also letter posted in New Jersey on same trip.

2 items

54 9 June 1969

Copy letter from Seamus Fitzgerald to Michael Leahy enclosing an Extract from a Colonial Office file taken by a friend from the Public Record Office in London which was not to be made public for 75 years after 1916. The extract is from file no. c.o.904/23(4) and records correspondence 13 April 1916 - 4 January 1920 relating D.I. DE Armstrong's surveillance of Cove (Sic) and Haulbowline and especially Seamus (James) and Paddy Fitzgerald and Michael Leahy noting on 9 September 1916 that Seamus "is not

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considered dangerous. His term of internment has a salutary effect on him". There is a cover letter for the extract for Paddy Fitzgerald.

3 items

55 10-23 February 1971

Copies of a letter from Fitzgerald to Leahy enclosing a clipping from the Evening Echo (10 February) detailing Martin Corry's (ex T.D.) account of the capture of arms from H.M.S. Upnor in 1922 "this is the last straw with respect to Corry's megalomania". He is determined that the credit go to Michael Burke (see 37) the true instigator. Also further clippings of responses to the article.

6 items

v Peadar O'Donnell and Cristoir de Baroid

56 7 October 1967 -
29 January 1968

Correspondence between Fitzgerald, Peadar O'Donnell, Upper Drumcondra Road, Dublin and Cristoir de Baroid discussing a document Fitzgerald drew up in Harepark Camp 1924 on co-partnership manufactory's. Includes 27 January 1968 an enquiry by Fitzgerald to O'Donnell as to why when the Four Courts were under siege did not trade unionists under Cathal O'Shanon take more appropriate action. O'Donnell replies 29 January 1968 that O'Shanon was pro-treaty. Includes copy of Harepark document.

5 items

vi From P. O'Neill

57 2 August 1944

Letter to Fitzgerald from P. O'Neill describing the armouring of a train by Boilermen Easter Saturday 1916. He asserts no Boilermen from Haulbowline was involved and gives technical details of the armouring.

2pp

vii Eithne Golden Sax

58 5 September 1960 -
29 June 1962

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Correspondence file between Eithne Golden Sax and Seamus Fitzgerald regarding the re-patriation of the papers of her father, the Nationalist Peter Golden.

3pp

III Research by Seamus Fitzgerald on Irish Volunteers

59 1 February 1961 -
13 May 1961

Correspondence between T.W. Cronin of Roche's Row, who has lent Fitzgerald some papers and Seamus Fitzgerald. Cover letter returning the documents suggests they belong in a museum.

3 items

60 17 February 1969 -
22 December 1969

Correspondence file relating to Fitzgerald's abortive attempt to write a history of Cobh Volunteers.

Includes Correspondence with Anglea Burke, Cobh regarding the military statement of her late husband Michael (see 37+53) (9 May 1969) and 22 December 1969 reminisces of Sean Daly, Youghal, Co. Cork of the attack on the Four Courts and the organisation of IRA brigades in the Cork area.

11 items

61 15 April 1969 -
17 May 1969

File relating to material about Charlie Hurley who was killed at Upton, Co. Cork by British Forces, 19 March 1921. Sent by Fitzgerald to Liam Deasy, Kimmage Road, Dublin.

Includes A copy cover letter 20 September, 1963 sent by Fitzgerald to Florence Begley enclosing a letter from Charlie Hurley to Fitzgerald dated 1916. Hurley's letter expresses his happiness at Seamus's release and the pride he feels in his comrades. He stresses they must never forget those who died.

9 items

62 28 July 1969
8 November 1969

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File relating to the article "East Cork's story for 1920" submitted by Fitzgerald to the Capuchin Annual Includes several drafts of the article which relates the major activities of the 4th Battalion, Cork No. 1 Brigade during the struggle for Independence.

14 items

63 [1916]

Typescript list of men from Cork City and County departed after the Rising. (Extracted from lists published in the Irish Times Handbook.

5pp

64 []

Two MSS. of speeches by Seamus Fitzgerald giving a personal account of events leading up to and immediately after the Truce.

38pp

IV Mo Sceal Fein

65 []

MSS notes by Seamus Fitzgerald on Cobh Volunteers. Also MSS. document "Mo Sceal Fein" detailing his involvement with events leading up to and following Easter 1916. He speaks of his own arrest, when on transfer to Cork prison he was jeered at by a crowd "of women and girls of the not too lower class".

His trecht in prison and the dreadful solitude of a prison cell, and his transferral to Frongoch.

61pp

V Donations of Memorabilia

66 19 March 1966

Letters from D. O'Donoghue, Crawford Municipal School of Art, Cork, to Fitzgerald acknowledging receipt of a Volunteer Uniform Tunic.

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67 21 June 1971

Receipt from the Cork Public Museum acknowledging Fitzgerald's deposition of a Gebr. Mauser Obernoorf Rifle from the Howth Gun Running 1916.

1p

VI Newspaper Clippings

68 1925-1963

File of newspaper clippings relating to /Irish Volunteers and early IRA activity.

6 items

VII Obituaries

68a [] - 25 January 1969

Obituaries written by Fitzgerald for (1) a fellow Cobh Volunteer Sean Culhane (2) for Michael Burke.

7pp

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I Testimonial from Michael Collins

69 15 November 1919

Handwritten testimonial for Seamus Fitzgerald from Michael Collins declaring "I am sure he is well fitted for the public appointment which he seeks" and speaks admiringly of his "energy and arbour"

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(Dail Eireann headed notepaper)

1p

II Government Share Issue 1920

70 29 August 1919-1920

Photocopy of letter to Fitzgerald from Michael Collins discussing organisation of De Day locus. Blank application form for Government Share Issue Bonds issued by Michael Collins as Minister for Finance also file of government bonds, most are sold in the Doneraile area of West Cork for amounts varying from £1 -£5.

c18 items

71 []

Typescript declaring "The Government of the Republic cannot recognise the 'Free State Minister for Finance' as the legitimate registering authority for the Republican loans" referring to the Dail loan 1919 and 1920.

1p

III Second Dail 1921 -192

i Official notices and correspondence

72 October - December 1921

Circulars to Dail Deputies informing them of sittings. Also circular urging Deputies not to let their names be used in business ventures which may prove unsound and bring the Dail into disrepute. Also entrance tickets to Dail.

41 items

73 November 1921 - March 1922

Letterbook kept by Fitzgerald detailing constituency matters.
Includes 28 November 1921 a letter to W. Cosgrave regarding Pension rights for Civil Services.

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12/2/22 A letter to 'Tomas' expressing his disappointment at the support given for the Treaty by Tomas Cumann 2/2/22 letter of resignation from the Cobh Rural District Council.

9/2/22 letter to Sean T. O'Ceallaigh detailing his feelings towards Michael Collins economic policies.

27pp

74 10 January 1922

Circular letter from the Honorary Secretary of the Catholic Total Abstinence Federation of Ireland reminding Dail Deputies of "the urgent necessity of putting a rigorous restraint on the drink traffic during the present transitional period".

1p

75 12 January 1922

Circular from Auther Griffith, Chairman of the Irish Delegation of Plenipotentiaries requesting deputies attendance at a meeting to give formal approval of clauses 17 and 18 of the Treaty between Great Britain and Ireland.

1p

76 2-6 February 1922

Letters from Colm O'Murchaoha, General Secretary, Dail Eireann advising of rescheduling of a meeting of the Dail due to the "railway situation".

2pp

77 23 February 1922

Letter from Sean T. O'Ceallaigh advising of a meeting of the Dail Republican Party on the 27th.

1p

78 11 March - 19 April 1922

Circulars to Republican Deputies advising of meetings and the "Uphold the Republic Fund".

4 items

79 10 April 1922

Letter from Eamonn DeValera informing Seamus Fitzgerald he has no objection to the resolutions mentioned and didn't wire as he doesn't wish to interfere. Adds he has only one draft of the Constitution which he suspects is O'Rahilly's.

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80 4 May 1922

Telegram from Piper junior arranging to meet Fitzgerald.

2pp

ii Notes by Seamus Fitzgerald

81 [1922]

Jotter mostly blank, containing notes on contesting the Dail stating "if Republicans are in a minority then that minority intend to enter the Free State Parliament". Also notes on army reaction.

3pp

iii Memorabilia

82 August 1921

Postcard showing the Dail in session.

83 1926

Copies of Decrees No. 1 of 1926, No. 2 of 1926, No. 3 of 1926 establishing the validity of the Second Dail. Also MSS.

i Resignation

84a []

Typescript copy of "Proposed Treaty of Association between Ireland and the British Commonwealth".

5pp

84b 13 February 1929

MSS. by Fitzgerald headed 'Michael Collins Article Two' attaching Collins position on the Treaty issue.

IV Sinn Fein Election Material (1919-1925)

i Material relating to election organisation

85 15 February 1919

Typescript cover letter from Sean Ua Ninon, Sinn Fein, Dublin, enclosing a scheme for selection of Candidates for Local Government Elections.

1p

86 1919

Booklet 'PR Proportional Representation Expended and illustrated by a Registration Officer.

52pp

87 19 September - 11 October

Letters to Fitzgerald from Sean Nolan, Dyke Parade Cork, concerning the appointment of Michael Hennessy and P. O'Donoghue as organisers.

4 items

88 24 February 1922

Letter from Liam O'Manachain requesting [Fitzgerald] to meet him to organise the Macroom constituency.

1p

89 1 April 1922

Note from Daithi Ceannt arranging to meet Fitzgerald in Midleton, and naming the Free State Election Agents for Fermoy.

1p

90 Circulars appointing Fitzgerald as Personating Officer for East and North-East Cork and requesting his attendance at a meeting to discuss the forthcoming elections.

2pp

91 [1923]

Republican Election Leaflet attacking the Free State Government. Also copy of extracts from The Nation relating to Sinn Fein.

6pp

92 9 October 1923

Republican Propaganda Song

"Christmas Eve you know was on a Sunday and everything was nicely passing by
When the Staters in an accidental was on a tunnel cast their eye".

1p

93 August 1924

Circular to each Comhairle Chondae discussing the collection of Revenue Scheme.

1p

94 12 September 1924

Letter from [J. Murphy], Farranfore, Co. Kerry, discussing the distribution of cards Fitzgerald sent down to him and the difficulty of getting people to think about economics. Adds he is back in school and is finding it very dull. He requests copies of Fitzgerald's Foundry Scheme and report on industries and promises to inform him of any openings for his business in the area.

2pp

95 February - March 1925

Messages re. Election Campaign sent by Eamonn Donnelly (Sinn Fein Director of Elections) to Seamus Fitzgerald.

3pp

96 8 April 1925

Circular letter from Eamonn De Valera thanking Fitzgerald for his wire of congratulations on the Sinn Fein Election result in the North East.

1p

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97 [1925]
- MSS "Memorandum on the Present Situation "an anti-Free State Broadside by Fitzgerald (written on reverse of leaflets advertising Gecophone wireless.)
- 2pp
- 98 [n.d.]
- Circular advising a Republican convention to forward candidates for the East and North East Cork Constituencies.
- 1p
- 99 [n.d.]
- Sinn Fein report on organisation and procedure for the approaching local government election.
- 6pp
- 100 [n.d.]
- Copy of letter from Sean Brady to T. Kelly, instructing him to tell certain people to come down as "an attempt is being made to run two Republican Candidates".
- 1p
- 101 [n.d.]
- Election leaflet for the Sinn Fein National Panel; Fitzgerald, Kent and Hunter.
- 1p
- 102 January - July 1922
- File of Bills from Cobh Firms incurred by Sinn Fein MSS record of sums due.
- 11 items
- 103 August 1924 - March 1928
- File relating to debts incurred by Republicans during the Political campaign's 1920-1922 which they announced in public newspapers would be paid. Includes summons against Fitzgerald for printed costs of £4 from 1922, lodged by N.J. Franklin & Co. of Cove, 17 December 1926. Also letter 6 January 1928 from Fitzgerald to Mr. Michael Easer of Killworth declaring "I have been

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inundated with bills from people all over the constituency for every election" adding "I can assure you that I mean to fix things but want you to recognise my right to protect myself by making other people do their (sic) part."

ii Material relating to Election Finances

104 16 October 1924

Printed Statement of Accounts 22 May 1923 to 30 June 1924. Also Balance Sheet 30 June 1924.

2pp

105 14 May 1925

Letter from MP Collvet, Sinn Fein Director of Finance, discussing [Fitzgerald] application for a refund of his election deposit.

1p

106 26 June 1925

Letter from Liam S. Paye, Fermoy to Seamus Fitzgerald discussing his Standard Finances after the Parliamentary election of November. He has been threatened with a writ and was forced along with D. Kent and P. Murphy to borrow £83 to satisfy the Bank. He advises Fitzgerald to get his deposit fees back as soon as possible.

1p

107 9 July 1928

Note from M. Twomey, 25 South Mall, Cork, acknowledging receipt of £3 from Seamus Fitzgerald, as the sum due from Sinn Fein.

1p

108 14 July 1920

Receipt for payment of costs of a case brought before the Parish Arbitration in which 6/ less 1/ costs was awarded to the Plaintiff A. O'Dubhgail.

1p

109 27 August 1921

Copy declaration by the Minister for Agriculture (Art O'Conchubhar) appointing Seamus Fitzgerald to hear and determine issues involved in the dispute over lands at Garryduff, Co. Waterford.

- 110 August 1921 - June 1922
- Copy of letter to Art Conchubhir requesting an arbitrator to be sent down to the Aghada Agricultural Labour Dispute, a cover letter to Seamus Fitzgerald (5 June 1922) for £3 expenses incurred in connection with the dispute.
- 2pp
- 111 3 October 1921
- Circular from the Registrar of East Cork requesting a detailed report on the condition of each court in the district.
- 1p
- 112 16 January - 18 March 1922
- Letters advising Seamus Fitzgerald of the sitting at the District Court and venues at which he is to act as Arbitrator.
- 5 items
- 113 24 January 1922
- List of 21 civil cases to be heard at a sitting of Midleton District Court.
- 1p
- 114 25 January 1922
- Agenda of days cases for the sitting of the Cove (Cobh) District Court.
- 1p
- 115 March - June 1922
- Material relating to a land dispute held before a Sinn Fein court between the Barry family of Ballydaniel, Co. Cork and Jeremiah O'Neill also of Ballydaniel.
- 6 items
- 116 1922
- Newspaper clipping reporting on the settlement of a strike by Agricultural Labourers due to the intervention of Rev. D. Scannell cc and Mr. J. Fitzgerald, T.D.
- 1p

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117 [1922]

Notes regarding the need for a Dail Order to transfer a Public House License, and on motor taxes for heavy motors on County Roads. (Notepaper of Republican Police Headquarters, Cork, No. 1 Brigade.

1p

118 July 1928

MSS. documents concerning an agreement by David Hughes, Cobh and Timothy MacCarthy, Cobh to place their dispute in the hands of the Sinn Fein Courts. Judgement orders that Hayes voluntarily hand over the hay from the disputed land.

3pp

ii Reaction to the Treaty

119 [1921]

Circular to District and Parish Justices, Registrars and Parish Clerks from E.S. O'Duggan, Minister for Home Affairs informing them they are to stay at their posts and continue their work.

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120 27 December 1921

Copy of a Resolution issued by the South Cork Sinn Fein Executive approving of the Treaty.

1p

121 27 December 1921

Letter from the Secretary, Bartlemy to Fitzgerald informing him of a resolution by the people of Bartlemy to accept the Treaty.

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122 30 December 1921

Printed copy of a resolution passed by the Mallow Rural District Council calling for ratification of the Treaty.

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123 2 January 1922

Letter from Michael Breathnach, Youghal Town Clerk, informing Fitzgerald the Youghal Urban District Council have resolved to vote in favour of ratification of the Treaty.

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124 24 January 1922

Letter requesting Fitzgerald to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland.

1p

125 24 January 1922

Letter from Sean O'Mordha, Comhairle Cheanter Chathrach Corcaighe Sinn Fein informing Fitzgerald that their delegate have been instructed to vote against the Treaty at the forthcoming Ard-Fheis.

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126 27 January 1922

Tattered circular issued to all Sinn Fein Clubs on the present position of the County. MSS notes on reverse.

3pp

iii General Organisation

127 [n.d.]

Printed copy of the constitution of Sinn Fein

8pp

128 [n.d.]

List of Sinn Fein Cumann secretaries for Cork County. (Michael Fitzgerald - Seamus's brother is the Cove Secretary.

1p

129 February 1920

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Circular memoranda regarding the establishment of co-operative firms.

2 items

130 29 January 1922

MSS. copy of a resolution sent to Fitzgerald by Seamus Ward, Midleton, Co. Cork, calling for the handing over of the bodies of Tom Kent and other shot in Cork Barracks for "Christian internment in the tombs of their fathers"

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131 18 March 1922

Circular in Irish from Domhnaill O'Ceallachan, Lord Mayor of Cork.

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132 9 June 1922

Draft cover note from Fitzgerald to the Minister of Defense, R. Ui Maolitha.

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133 1924

Entrance card for the Sinn Fein Ard Fheis.

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134 2 December

Letters from Maire Nic Suibhne, Sinn Fein advising Fitzgerald of a meeting of Deputes and enclosing a cheque for expenses of £2:11:0 incurred travelling from Cork to Dublin.

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135 4 March 1925

Circular advising of a meeting of Sinn Fein Comhairle na dTeachtai.

1p

136 9 March 1925

Copies of reports submitted to the Sinn Fein Ard Comhairle.

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137 8 May 1925

Circulars regarding local meetings and debts sent to the Secretaries of each Comhairle Ceantar of Sinn Fein.

21 items

iv Material regarding debts incurred

138 2 - 29 June 1922

Invoices of goods supplied by Fitzgerald Bros. Newsagents, Tobacconist, 16 East Beach Cobh to A Company IRA.

Includes 2 June OS Maps of Cork and District @ 3/
12 oz. Malta Flake 10/

9 June 20 Ph/s Lanlins 10's

13 items

139 1924

Requisition forms and Invoice for bicycles for Na Fianna Eireann from M. O'Keeffe, 7 Harbour Row, Queenstown. Also introductory note for a cycle mechanic who is to inspect damage reported by O'Keeffe.

16 items

140 2 February 1925

Late letter from James Cashman to the O/C 4 Battalion Cork no. 1 Brigade informing him he has put in a claim of £50 compensation for "2 fat cattle" driven off by Republican forces 5 July 1922.

2pp

v The Republican Press

141 19 December 1924 - June 1928

File relating to Fitzgerald's activities as a collector for the Republican Press.
Includes 19 December 1924 letter to R. Brennan, Republican Daily Press detailing his organisation of subscriptions and adding "Do not expect wonders from me, but

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I will certainly do my very best. You know, of course, that I am trying to work a business. sometimes."

8pp

V Internment (October 1922-)

i Letter from Seamus Fitzgerald to his mother

142 9 April 1923

Letter in poor condition from Seamus interned into his mother. He is anxious about Michael who is not well. He received her parcels but will need less in future as appetites diminish in the summer he requests 50 cigarettes, 2 matches and 6 razor blades. Comments on [his brother] Patrick's employment and the death of a neighbour, also his compensation claim from Cork County Council.

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ii Letters from Ciss O'Connor to Seamus Fitzgerald

143 10 October 1922

Letter to Seamus Fitzgerald from Ciss O'Connor, jokingly inquiring if he thought she'd forgotten about him. She heard news of his arrest while visiting her sister in England remarking at least it put an end to suspense. General opinion in England is very much against Ireland and Americans she met on the boat home were anxious to hear about the situation but not to visit. Mentions her surprise at "Machusla" getting engaged "of course these things do not interest you!!!" and jokes she'd walk a mile to throw confetti at his wedding, adding "This refers to an argument we had one evening on both sex and man's everlasting constancy." The business is doing well and she inquires if he needs anything commenting "I expect you've quite a number of adopted sisters looking after you". Exhorts him to write.

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144 [1922]

Letter from Cis O'Connor at the Rob Roy Hotel, Cobh informing Seamus that Teresa Donegan is also writing to him (see also. Cobh has been hit by 'flu and

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she inquires after his health and if he is really growing a moustache "no comment." Gives news of mutual friends and teases about Theresa's "soft spot" for him. Signs off "yours very much as usual".

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145 31 October 1922

Letter from Cis O'Connor, Fitzgerald's father told her about his move and that he is getting on all right and she comments it must be like school days being allowed only to write one letter a week. She doesn't expect a letter and teases him about his reserve joking he could write a book "The Silent Judge" Recalls the time she wrote a screen play and sent it to London where it was plagerised "Thank heaven I don't trust anyone now". Again requests him to let her know what he would like sent.

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146 19 December 1922

Christmas Card sent by Ciss O'Connor

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147 6 January 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor explaining she hadn't written as she wasn't aware he could receive letters. She has been spending some time with Allen "Certainly he is the most despicable man I know, and has no mercy for man, woman, class or creed" and is close to hitting him, adding she wishes she could chat with Fitzgerald about it. Sends best wishes for the New Year.

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148 10 January 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor in Liverpool rebuking Fitzgerald good-humourdly for not keeping her informed of his transfer. She counsells him to have faith in prayer and inquires with whom he is now billeted. Promises to send on items to keep out the cold and orders him not to grow a moustache again. She states he should write a book on his experiences.

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149 11 February 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor detailing how to use the needles wool and other rug making material she sent. Mentions a false rumour of a truce swept Cobh. She is

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living on her own and somewhat down, commenting "It's a dreary existence because everything to my mind is business jealousy". Someone stopped visitors to their boat warning them to watch their cash, but she comments "People will have no luck for their malice" and declares she will do her best for Michael [Fitzgerald]. Mentions the accidental shooting by a Free State patrol of the eldest of the Roches. She had a letter from May Buckley inquiring about him but she hasn't written back.

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150 1 March 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor giving news of Fitzgerald's mother and commenting on how well he made the bags "You are really marvellous I did not think any of your sex possessed such patience". Adds there is talk of peace and comments how she would like to see them all home again. She gives some local news and fumes about her brother-in-laws lack of patriotism. Very few American's are visiting Cobh, and she likens them to peaches in summer.

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151 4 July 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor apologising to Fitzgerald for not sending on a parcel that week, as her sister got married. Called on to make a toast at the wedding breakfast she proclaimed to " remarking people were quite taken aback. Gives general news, she is not interested so is not going to the Cork Show and remarks life is going on as normal in Cobh "the usual Saturday night musicians still waste their lungs, trying to make a few pence". She declares she fell in love " with one of your sex" who had beautiful blue eyes and no moustache "Roughly speaking he was about one year old".

152 7 July 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor to Fitzgerald bemoaning she has just heard he cannot receive parcels even though she was sending some regularly. She inquires about his health and pokes fun at his new name "Seamus". Gives local news and sends on good wishes.

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153 10 July 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor teasing Fitzgerald for not writing to her and exhorting him not to criticise her letter as at least they show she cares. Muses would she know him if she saw him and encloses a small mirror so he can see his moustache. There was a fire

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recently in King Street, Cobh, resulting in pandemonium as there was not a hose to be found. Mentions President Cosgrave visited Cork and Miss Lonegan is to arrive soon and she has taken up fortune telling. May D. of Macroom wrote inquiring why the silence but Ciss doesn't feel like writing back. She told Teresa Lonegan that Seamus was to be released in July to be married and hasn't yet put her straight. Inquires what he needs sent and threatens to use strong language unless he tells her.

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154 26 August 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor informing Seamus of a public speech in Cobh by Maire McSwiney (see also "She is certainly a beautiful speaker and must be very clever to remember all she said". she wishes him success in his nomination adding she has had masses offered for him at Mount Mellery. Strikes have closed most of the shops in Cork, and emigration is rising. she promises to send parcels and wishes him luck in the election.

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155 24 September 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor explaining her brother has been seriously ill and so she was unable to write. She has heard D. O'Brien was released and inquires if Seamus has had any word of release, adding at least he is in no danger. She has been trying to get away for a break but is too busy. Three liners left Saturday for America full of those acting "as if they can never leave the old country quick enough". Inquires after his moustache and promises to send a larger mirror so he can view himself more fully. Inquires also is he now curling his eyelashes (Note by censor "any further letter exceeding 400 words will be confiscated").

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156 1 October 1923

Incomplete letter from Ciss O'Connor (also with warning of confiscation by the censor) answering his welcome letter. She teases he still doesn't write often even with so much time on his hands. Gives news of Joe Stacks brother's return. Mentions the bad fog that hit Cobh, and the failure of the 'Scythia' to reach Liverpool.

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157 4 October 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor declaring "This is a note of real abuse!!" She has heard he can receive parcels of butter and rashers and demands to know why

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didn't he tell her bemoaning "I'm sure everyone else sent you sensible things but myself". Thanks him for the letter received.

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158 7 October 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor thanking Seamus for his letter and joking he shouldn't be afraid to write as she is "harmless". She exhorts him to keep his spirits up and consoles him he has the same ideals as Pearse. She understands 12 months of captivity must take their toll but assures him brighter days are ahead. She has sent a special petition for him to the Little Flower Novena. Gives news of his parents and other locals adding the Regatta committee are being fired for the use of the promenade.

5pp

159 23 October 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor detailing the contents of a parcel she sent on, and she hopes he is feeling better mentally and physically. Gives news of neighbours, and D. O'Brien recently released. Sir James was very pleased with the wire Seamus sent to him and showed it to her. Inquires what he would like sent on as she is now in England where there is no strike.

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160 29 October 1923

Incomplete letter from Ciss enclosing a bottle of Lourdes water. She hopes he is in good spirits and is not too physically weak (he is on hunger strike. She is having a Novena of masses said for him at Mount Mellery and states she has not forgotten the help he gave her when she was "sorely troubled".

2pp

161 2 November 1923

Letter from Ciss O'Connor in Liverpool to Seamus. She is delighted that the Hunger Strike is over and will refrain from commenting on it. She has sent him some beef extract to help him get his strength back, and mentions other items she has sent. Inquires as to what else he may need and sends her best wishes.

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162 15 January 1924

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Letter from Ciss O'Connor commenting on his sight of the "world outside" and exhorting him to have hope for the coming year and to enjoy his own company. She got a long letter from May Cronin but was not impressed and is still not on good terms with her. Closes with good wishes.

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163 27 January 1924

Letter from Ciss O'Connor commenting on a book Mind Power and Privileges she is reading which she intends to pass on to him. Teases she told Teresa he was home and married but she wasn't believed and gives news of the return of other internees. She and Paddy feel they will make a huge fortune from the inventions they are discussing. Inquires after other prisoners.

3pp

164 14 April 1924

Letter from Ciss O'Connor in Liverpool apologising for not sending a parcel. She remarks he is still unsentenced so they can be hopeful of release. She met Maire MacSweeney (see above) who looked wonderfully well remarking "It was quite an honour to get the introduction".

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165 25 May 1924

Incomplete letter from Ciss O'Connor to Seamus joking

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he will be left with 10lbs of tea on his hands. She passes his message on to Sir James, who wishes to be remembered to him. The papers are now very hopeful for the release of internees. She got a card from his brother on holiday in Jersey and inquires teasingly was it he who sent the card with "such beautiful sentiment" to Teresa.

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166 23 June 1924

Note from Ciss O'Connor to Seamus explaining she will continue to send parcels until she hears he's in town. she is very vexed with him but nonetheless wishes him a speedy release. Asks to be remembered to some people "and don't think of mentioning me to yourself."

167 [n.d.]

Letter from Ciss O'Connor writing as if a secretary requesting Mr. Fitzgerald to on the messages of her employer to "Seamus". She has sent over a parcel to him but could not get any nice sweets due to strikes in the shops. She declares herself to be everything a secretary should be "Cannot use a typewriter! Write whatever comes into my head! and look on life in general as a huge joke". she informs him in the last twelve months. Closes jovially wishing him the best.

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168 [n.d.]

Incomplete letter from Ciss O'Connor to Seamus. She came into Cork to post some cigarettes to him and is sitting in the Victoria Hotel. Comments it's been done up since they were last there. She has interrupted a couple by the fire "but the day is so bitterly cold, it's up to them to push off, if my presence is marring their happiness.

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169 [n.d.]

Latter part of letter from Ciss O'Connor informing Seamus she is having a novena of masses said for his release and exhorting him to keep his spirits up. A joking P.S. declares "Don't waste paper thanking me for parcels! Don't ever tell me what's you'd like!"

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170 [n.d.]

Incomplete letter from Ciss O'Connor in Liverpool thanking Seamus warmly for his letter. She is glad he is in better spirits and jokes about the contents of the parcels she sent him.

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171 [n.d.]

Letter from Ciss O'Connor in Liverpool sending Christmas greetings to Seamus. She knows he is feeling upset at not being released but assures him his turn will come soon. Thanks him for his letter and kind words to the "Gypsy Circle" and resolves not to say anything unkind as it is Christmas "Your opinions and mine over the parcel question are like two knives crossed."

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172 [n.d.]

Note from Ciss O'Connor stating she has sent on a parcel of cigarettes and sweets.

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iii Note from Patrick Fitzgerald

173 6 October 1923

Statement of Income and Expenditure of Fitzgerald Brothers Mechanical and Electrical Engineers Cobh sent to Seamus while in internment camp. Also clipping of public notice of Compensation (Personal Injuries) Commission which is receiving applications.

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iv From Michael Stames

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Letter from Michael Stames, Section 1 Wing 2, Female Gaol Cork describing life in the Gaol. He hasn't seen some friends in other wings for five weeks and he is the only representative of Cobh in his wing. Macrone helps pass the time and he has made several bags, mats, frames and rings. Requests to be remembered to mutual friends and mentions Jacho Harding was recently released "Poor beggar was sick a long time, ever since the hunger strike in Cork Jail". He is in good form enquiring "what about our compensation claim Jim". Eva [his wife] is doing well with their business and comments on sales of publicity material for "The Shied". When he hears of a big picture coming he gets the advertising for it and the Coliseum announces this on the screen. He supposes Seamus heard about Alec and the Strike "The poor beggar is all the time falling in for it".

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v From various

175 [n.d.]

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Postcard sent to Seamus, Block 12 Newbridge Camp, Kildare from S.H.B., St. Mary's Hill, Poignton sending good wishes for Christmas and urging courage.

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176 [n.d.]

Latter part of letter to Seamus from "your very sincere friend May". She still owes him for the Macs he gave her and resolves to give him a cheque on his return. She inquires after his health and depression and requests him to save parcel stamps for Maggie. She encloses some scapulars which she knows he will wear with great faith.

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177 [n.d.]

Letter from, "Stisso" on board a railway carriage marvelling that she has at last tracked him down and that he is in an internment campus "it is not in your nature to hurt anyone". She reminds him of where they met and a restaurant they visited. Inquires repeatedly why he never wrote to her but hopes to see him again.

4pp

178 [n.d.]

Joint letter from Theresa Lonegan and her sister "Chips". She teases him about his vanity and declares "I am breaking my heart at not seeing you on my visit to Erin". Chips then takes over and accuses Theresa of being "unusually intoxicated". After some banter Theresa takes over and jokes about their longing for him. She blanks out some lines so as not to exceed the word limit. Closes with a big kiss "like the one from Fermoy Dance".

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179 [n.d.]

Unwritten postcard featuring a cartoon of a sad girl with the caption "I wonder if you miss me as I miss you?"

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180 [1923]

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Telegram to Seamus interned in Kildare "Hope this finds you with love [the Gypsy Circle]

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181 1923

Christmas and New Years Greeting Card from Alice.

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182 [n.d.]

New Year Greeting Card from "me, to you".

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183 [n.d.]

Poem sent to Seamus while interned
"When all the world's asleep astnore,
and daylights gently dawns astnore
A vision fair, I seem to see,
A cherished love and memory."

1p

VI Material relating to internments of Republicans

184 6 October 1922

Bulletin issued by Fitzgerald as Vice/Comdt Prisoners to men in No. 2 wing alerting them to a period of increased surveillance by the Free State Guards and restricted movement. He calls on the men to stay disciplined assuring them "Don't believe for a moment

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that I do this to facilitate the Free State Guard. We still have weapons left us and we will use them against any display of Free State militarism.

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185 November 1922

MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on the treatment of Republican Prisoners attacking the new regulations disallowing parole and citing instances where requests to visits

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to dying relatives were refused. Also draft letter complaining about the conditions of prisoners quarters and other official complaints.

5pp

186 13 January 1923

Declaration by Domhnall O'hicidhe, The Camp, Newbridge No. 884 T Block to 2nd Lieutenant J. O'Hara. As "a disciplined soldier of the IRA" he is refusing to stand and talk with O'Hara in the compound. Any message must be given to Comdt. Seamus Fitzgerald to pass on.

1p

187 22 May 1923

Copy letter from Eamonn DeValera to Fitzgerald discussing the organisation of Republican prisoners, "I suggest that the most intelligent and most energetic be arranged in small groups according to constituencies or better perhaps Sinn Fein Comhairle Ceanntar". He outlines the appointment of secretaries to each group to elect a general secretary which he sees as a golden opportunity for organizing support when released "You realise also what a saving of time and expense it will mean and how valuable the lists will be to us when those form all the jails are co-ordinated and out together.

3pp

188 11 August 1923

MSS. copy of essay "Partition it's causes and effects" by Peadar Twomey, Newbridge Internment Camp.

9pp

189 1924

Two copy books used by Fitzgerald at Harepark to record notes from (1) Irish classes (2) French classes (1) also contains later printed material relating to the learning of Irish. Also jotted notes (3) listing prisoners and their billeting in huts and blocks.

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190 [n.d.]

MSS. "Routine for Republican Soldiers while in Cork Prison"

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1. Men turn out of bed (except sick men) at 8.30 a.m.
2. Breakfast 9 to 9.30 a.m.
5. Men on fatigue duty clear up landings.
12. All complaints, requests, applications to see doctor to be made in person to adj. at his cell between 10 and 10.30 a.m.

Typescript document compiled by Fitzgerald at Hare Park Camp "Report of Sub-Committee on manufacturing; also copybook containing MSS. "A case for co-operative Manufacturing Production".

2pp

190

(a) 8 May 1923

Typescript copy of Maire McSwiney's speech "Collapse of the Hunger Strike".

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197 12 July 1927

Copy of letter from Seamus Fitzgerald to the Cork Examiner attacking an article containing "a most insidious attack on those who do not see eye to eye with you politically and their misreporting of his remarks concerning a vote of condolence to the family of Kevin O'Higgins. He encloses the text of his remarks which he request to be published.

3pp

198 22 May 1928 - 6 June 1928

File relating to attempts to establish the Fianna Fail organisation in East Cork. Includes Drafts of letters by Fitzgerald (1), (2) and letters to headquarters in Dublin (5 June 1928) revealing tensions between Fitzgerald and Martin Corry the T.D.

5 items

199 21 June 1928

Letter to Fitzgerald from R. O'Breandain discussing the "miserable" return on the quota for shares in the Irish National Press in East Cork. The returns in North Cork increased from 10 to 50% due to the efforts of Don Corkery T.D., and he enquiries if Fitzgerald could devote some time to the work.

1p

200 5 March 1929

Typescript copy of a letter from Seamus Fitzgerald to Martin Corry T.D., detailing his plan to establish a Fianna Fail club in Cobh, and demanding the return of the letter circulated by Sean Hegarty at the last Senate selection "If there is any bit of loyalty in you I should not have occasion to write to you for it at all". Adds a copy of the letter will be sent to Sean Lemass.

1p

201 23 April 1972

Notes by Fitzgerald "Fianna Fail 1926 onwards".

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II General Reorganisation 1934

202 4 August 1934

Circular letters from Fianna Fail inviting attendance at a "private meeting of old fighters in the Republican cause" to discuss re-organisation.

3pp

203 4 August 1934 - 17 October 1934

Correspondence file between Seamus Fitzgerald and Seamus O'Daimhin, Ard Runaire Fianna Fail relating to the re-organisation of Fianna Fail in Cork.

24 items

204 17 August 1934

Circular advising of a meeting of the Douglas Cumann reorganisation and the election of new officers.

1p

205 August 1934

Membership lists for Cork Cumainn, City and County.

10 items

206 22 August 1934 - 6 March 1935

Correspondence file between Seamus Fitzgerald and Sean de Barra, Midleton Arms Hotel, concerning the organisation of the Comhairle Ceanntar (Aghada). Includes letter from Sean de Barra (6 March 1935) expressing reservations about a Branch of the Transport Workers Union "it is composed of a majority of Blue Shirts with some discontented Fianna Fail supporters". Also letter (22 August 1934) discussing discrimination against members of Fianna Fail.

10 items

207 23 August 1934

Letter from Seamus O'Daimhin to Fitzgerald discussing Cork City re-organisation. Refers to Thomas McDonnell's failed claim and the visit of Sean O'Leary to Dublin.

2pp

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208 24 August 1934 - 28 September 1934

File of documents forwarded by the Thomas MacCurtain Cumann Blackpool detailing meetings and election of officers. Includes 11 September 1934, a call to bring pressure on Cork Corporation to employ locals in the Blackpool area building scheme.

7pp

209 25 August 1934

MSS. minute of meeting to re-organise the Liam Healy (NW) Cumann, giving details of elected officers.

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210 29 August 1934

MSS. minute of meeting to reorganise the Lough Cumann, giving details of elected officers.

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211 August 1934

Letter from Walter Furlong reporting of a meeting to re-organise the PH Pearse Cumann giving details of elected officers.

2pp

212 11 September 1934

Minute of meeting to establish the Evergreen Cumann, listing attendance.

3pp

213 21 September 1934 - 17 December 1934

Minutes of the standing committee of Cork City Comhairle Ceantar detailing the re-organisation of Cork City Cumann.

25 items

214 6 October 1934 - 15 December 1934

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Letters to David O'Brien, Barrack Street, Cork regarding submission of Hon. Treasurers report for audit to the Comhairle Ceanntar.
- 2 items
- 215 October 1934
- Copies of reports by Honorary Secretaries of Cork Cumainn to the Comhairle Ceanntair.
- 14 items
- 216 October - November 1934
- Circulars sent to Cumainn Secretaries regarding organisation.
- 3 pp
- 217 14 November 1934
- Copy letter from Seoirse Ua Buachalla, Runare, Comhairle Ceantar to Miss D. Forde, Honorary Secretary Douglas Cumann requesting her to call a committee meeting to discuss their failure to submit a Secretaries Treasurers report.
- 1p
- 218 23 November 1934 - 7 December 1934
- MSS. minutes of meetings of Cumainn Registration Officers with copy of report to improve electioneering. Also report of AGM of the Brothers Sheares Cumann Blackrock and notice of cancellation of the AGM of the Countess Marcienez Cumann all signed by Sean Ua Laoghare.
- 5pp
- 219 25 November 1934
- Cover letter from C. Foley, Douglas Cumann, enclosing a list of local residents possibly interested in joining Fianna Fail.
- 4pp
- 220 28 November 1934
- Copy letter from Seoirse Ua Buachalla to the Honorary Secretary, Patrick Murphy, Cumann Inniscarra, requesting a list of members and discussing the deterioration of the Cumann.
- 1p

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221 6-19 December 1934

Typescript letters from Tadhg O'Brien, The Bungalow, Carrigtwohill reporting to Fitzgerald on visits to Cumann in Cork County and noting numbers and enthusiasm.

2 items

222 13 December 1934 - 11 February 1935

File of correspondence between Fitzgerald and Seamus O'Daimhin regarding the re-organisation of the Mallow Comhairle Ceantar. Fitzgerald as requested attended a meeting of the Comhairle reporting 16 December 1934 "I failed to dissipate the atmosphere of distrust and enmity that existed between what I would term a worker's section and what I would term a trader's section."

Includes copy letter 2 February 1935 to V. McCabe, Honorary Secretary, Mallow Comhairle Ceanntar angrily rebuking allegations of irregularity at the Mallow A.G.M.

4 items

223 17 December 1934

Copy letter to Hugo Flinn T.D. and T.P. Dowdall T.D. inviting both to the inaugural meeting of the newly elected Comhairle for 1935.

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224 1934

Registration forms and Cork City Comhairle Ceanntar rules for Cumainn.

3 items

225 1934

Rough MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on A.G.M.'s of Cumainn.

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226 [1934]

MSS. Report of the re-organisation scheme 3 months into its inception.

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226a [1934]

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Typescript notes in point form [by Fitzgerald] on how to bring the disaffected of the I.R.A. and A.C.A. into Fianna Fail. Discusses make up of each body.

2pp

III Cork County Advisory Body

227 2 April 1933

Draft and copy of statement by Seamus Fitzgerald on "The continued existence of the County Body".

2 items

228 7 April 1933 - 25 March 1934

Documents relating to the organisation of the Cork County Advisory Body. Includes Circular advising of first meeting 7 April.

13 items

229 [n.d.]

Incomplete typescript letter from Tadhg O'Brian, Honorary Secretary Cork County Advisory Body, outlining it's aims and progress.

1p

230 2 September 1933

Agenda for General meeting of the Cork County Advisory Body. Some MSS. jottings.

1p

231 16-17 November 1933

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Seamus O'Daimhin, Honorary Secretary, Fianna Fail inquiring if as Chairman of the Cork Advisory Body should he allow his name to be used in a press appeal for subscriptions to finance Republican candidates in the 6 counties election (request made by Tom Barry. Guarded reply from O'Daimhin suggests non-acquiescence.

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232 December 1934

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Lists of dates of A.G.M's of 15 Cork Cumainn.

3 items

233 7 May 1934

Copies of resolutions regarding The Distribution of Ranches and Unoccupied Farms; the Lobster and Cray-fish Industry, Goleen, Co. Cork.

3 items

234 11-13 October 1934

Letters from Seamus O'Daimhin requesting details of Cork Cumainn from Seirse Ua Bhuachalla.

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235 1935-1939

Documents, mainly bank statements relating to the Advisory Body of Finances.

6pp

236 7-10 July []

Typescript of meetings of the Advisory Body.

2pp

237 25 March []

Agenda for AGM of Advisory Body.

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238 [n.d.]

Note of books issued to Cumainn by the Advisory Body.

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239 Circulars issued by the Advisory Body urging the citizens of Cork to ignore calls by E.S. Cussen, Secretary of the County Cork Land Annuities Defense Association for support.

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240 [n.d.]

Newsclippings on reports of Advisory Body meetings.

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IV General Involvement of Fitzgerald (by year)

i 1928

241 26 June 1928

Letter from the Honorary Secretary Fianna Fail thanking Fitzgerald for forwarding particulars of the Cork City Management Bill.

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ii 1929

242 7 March 1929 - 12 June 1929

Letters from government departments responding to submissions by Fitzgerald.

2 items

243 26 February 1929

Copy of letter from Fitzgerald to Hugo Flinn T.D. detailing the political victimisation of Michael Burke and Michael Fitzgerald (Seamus' brother) of Cobh. Also typescript of diary of arrests and searches made by the Civic Guards and C.I.D. against the men and a newspaper clipping referring to their arrest.

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iii 1930

244 26 May - 19 June 1930

Letter from Fianna Fail Head Office requesting Fitzgerald to arrange a reception for DeValera's return to Ireland. He is travelling on the George Washington which will stop in Cobh. Also letter from Kathleen O'Connell, De Valera's secretary thanking him for his efforts.

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iv 1931

245 9 December 1931 - 22 January 1932

Correspondence relating to Fitzgerald's efforts to establish a new Cumainn Cobh. Includes 10 December 1931 letter revealing his frustration at dealing with far off officials.

10 items

v 1932

i East Cork Dail Ceanntair

246 5 March 1932 - 2 October 1932

Minutes and circulars advising of meetings

16 items

ii Ard Fheis

247 Programmes for Ard Fheis (9 November), also incomplete copy of constitution passes at the Ard Fheis. Fianna Fail

3 items

248 5 January 1932

Letter from M.P. Spillane, Church Street, Cloyne to Fitzgerald discussing the need for re-organisation in the Riverstown area, but counselling caution. Encloses list of Election Staff for the Fermoy area.

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249 2 March - 25 April 1932

National Collection - Documents relating to the organisation of the collection, also MSS. report by Fitzgerald on the collection.

16 items

250 30 August 1932

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Copy of letter to D. Kilty, Secretary Cork County Comhairle Ceanntar from S. O'Brien, Chairman, Riverstown Cumann advising him the secretary of the Dail Ceanntar is ineligible for his post.

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251 6-21 September 1932

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Gerry Boland, Parliamentary Secretary to the President discussing the appointment of an Emigration Officer for Cobh.

4 items

vi 1933

i East Cork Dail Ceanntar

252 5 March 1933

Copy of Chairman's address

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ii Ard Fheis

253 Programme for Ard Fheis and copies of Fianna Fail constitution.

7 items

iii General Business

254 7-13 March 1933

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to the Chairman Cobh Cumann asserting his right to retain membership even though he has moved to Cork. He was refused re-election as Chairman of the Dailceanntar as Cormac Kilty, Secretary Cobh Cumann had asserted he had left. Also letter from Kilty saying he was mis-quoted.

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255 9 March 1933

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Letter to Fitzgerald from Alfred O'Rahilly, U.C.C. cancelling his agreement to speak at a Fianna Fail function "not being a member of Fianna Fail in fact disagreeing strongly with the apathy of that party in some matters". Remarks a recent speech of his at a similar function evoked great resentment "Hence him through, I prefer my liberty."

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256 4 May 1933

Front page of Irish Press "Rejoicing in Dail as the Oath is abolished" (oath of allegiance to British Crown.

1p

257 22 June 1933

Copy of Press Notice issued by the Department of Agriculture "Threshing and Cleaning of Home Grown Wheat etc."

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258 28 June - 27 July 1933

Letters from Cormac Kilty, Secretary Seamus O'hAthchuirn Cumann to Fitzgerald discussing the appointment of a caretaker to the Cobh Military Huts. A resolution was passed by the Cumainn of lack of confidence in Fitzgerald due to his action in the matter and a call made for his resignation.

2 items

259 3 April 1933 - 6 September 1934

Letters to Fitzgerald from Tadhg O'Brien, Secretary Riverstown C.C. discussing his resignation from party affairs due to family responsibilities.

2 items

260 October - December 1933

Political Victimization File relating to the Political victimizals of Vincent O'Leary. Includes: submission by O'Leary that he was denied a post by Cork Corporation as a result of his activities against the Free State in the Civil War.
15 December 1933 - letter from the Department of Local Government and Public Health stating they were to find any evidence of political victimisation.

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vii 1934

261 1934

Copy of Memorandum for the information of Producers and Approved Distributors of Peat (Turf) produced by the Peat (Turf) Development Scheme.

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i East Cork Dailceanntar

262 Typescript document detailing finances of the East Cork Dailceanntar including election expenses.

9pp

ii Ard Fheis

263 1934

Material relating to Ard Fheis.

7 items

iii General organisation

264 7 February 1934

Letter (marked confidential) from Liam Foley to Fitzgerald discussing William Kent T.D.'s claim for compensation from the Kent Estate, which is being contested by the State. Foley feels Kent would like Fitzgerald to act as a go-between but comments "personally I do not know what he is up to as I really could never understand this man".

1p

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265 11 February 1934 - 11 December 1934

Correspondence file relating to general administration of Cork Comhairle Ceanntar. Includes 2 March 1934 letter from Liam Foley, Fermoy Comhairle Ceanntar reporting on the Blueshirt position in that area. 12-25 October, correspondence regarding protests at the employment of ex-soldiers or RIC men as rate collectors since they already have pensions.

Includes

November 1934 - letters relating to the involvement of Cumainn in the parade to commemorate the Manchester Martyrs. 12-25 October 1934.

c50 items

266 October - December 1934

Minutes of the Cork Borough Comhairle Ceanntar; copies of Honorary Secretaries report; Mss. address by Seamus Fitzgerald to the year's final meeting.

14 items

267 November - December 1934

Relief Work Correspondence regarding the gathering of names of those available for Christmas relief work from each Cumainn.

Includes 3 December 1934 Copy of letter to Sean French, Lord Mayor of Cork enclosing the names of five men eligible for Corporation relief work.

14 December 1934 letter from Seamus Fitzgerald to George Buckley Honorary Secretary Comhairle Ceanntar declaring effective action regarding "the two Blue Shirt labour Exchange temporary appointments" (see below).

5 items

268 7 November 1934 - 10 December 1934

Correspondence between the Cork Borough Comhairle Ceanntar and various government departments concerning the appointment of two non-Republicans to posts in the Cork Labour Exchange.

14 items

269 1934

MSS. copy of resolution by the Roger Casement Cumann calling for the banning of British Propaganda films. Also MSS. notes on same.

3pp

270 13 October 1934

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Poster issued by the Department of Agriculture advertising the Triennial Election of Conservators for the Cork District. Also copy of Regulations for the conduct of the elections.

2 items

271 5 December 1934

Criminal Law Amendment Bill - Documents relating to the Bill including circulars from the Irish Women's Citizens and Local Government Association and the Women's Social Study Guild outlining amendments. Also booklet "The legal Protection of Girls" by RS Devanse SJ.

4 items

272 December 1934

Ticket stubbs for subscriptions used as entries to a draw notes of bills paid also in stubbs.

3 items

273 1934

Typescript note from Peadar [Fitzgerald] to George detailing a meeting of Fianna Fail in Cork "most wearisome business - Oh Politics!" Mentions business conducted.

1p

viii 1935

i East Cork Dailceanntar

274 October 1935

Invoice and bills from the Lee Press for £72:9:3 against the East Cork Comhairle Dail Ceanntar.

9 items

ii Ard Fheis

275 1935

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Circular detailing procedures for; programme of Ard Fheis and copy Honorary Secretary Report.

3 items

iii National Executive

276 29 March 1935

Programme for Quarterly Meeting, including report by Fitzgerald on Party Organisation in East Cork.

4pp

277 1935

List of members of National Executive (Fitzgerald is constituency delegate for Cork SE.

2pp

IV General Administration

278 4 January - December 1935

Correspondence file relating to general administration of Cork City Comhairle Ceanntar.

Includes 31 January 1935, letter to Fitzgerald from the Secretary Department Local Governments and Public Health discussing the Citizenship Nationality Bill.

20 November 1935 letter from Tadhg O'Brien, Carrigtwohill discussing the rise in popularity of Fianna Fail in that area.

14 items

279 20 December 1935

Front page of the Irish Press featuring a photograph of Fitzgerald with R.F. O'Connor, County Surveyor and E. Gayer, General Manager Cork Harbour Commissioners.

1p

280 1935

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Copy of Nurses and Midwives Pensions Bill.

6pp

281 September 1935

Agenda for Republican Congress.

11pp

ix 1936

i Ard Fheis

282 Circulars and Programme for the Ard Fheis. Also copy of Honorary Secretary's Report.

28pp

ii National Executive

283 6 February 1936

Declaration signed by Fitzgerald agreeing to keep National Executive proceedings confidential.

2pp

284 1936

Copy of Attendance Record of the National Executive.

1p

iii South East Cork Comhairle Dail Ceantar

285 6-20 February 1936

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Correspondence between Fitzgerald, Sean de Barra and Paddy Kenefick, Ladysbridge, discussing the organisation of the SE Cork Comhairle Dail Ceanntar.

5 items

286 24 April - 16 May 1936

Circular advising of meeting and Secretaries report of a meeting of the SE Dailceanntar.

3pp

287 September - October 1936

Yarn Manufacture Documents relating to proposals enquiring into the manufacture of yarns. Includes Report by the SE Dailceanntar committee and correspondence between Fitzgerald and the Department of Industry and Commerce.

5pp

iv General business

288 8 September 1936

Invite to the opening of the new City Hall in Cork by President De Valera. Also copies of Souvenir Programme.

3 items

289 1936

Booklet containing speeches by DeValera on 'National Discipline and Majority Rule'.

31pp

x 1937

i National Executive

290 1 February 1937

Copy minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of Fianna Fail National Executive.

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1p

ii South East Dail Ceanntar

291 2 February 1937

Circular advising of meeting

1p

292 21 February 1937

Copy letter of welcome from the SE Dail Ceanntar to "Mr. President." "Chief of our organisation."

1pp

iii General business

293 31 January 1937

Printed copy of canty totals for the 1936 National Collection.

2pp

294 1-25 February 1937

Cork City Convention of Organisation. Includes (1 February) list of Cumainn; (25 February) letter to Seamus Daimhin detailing expenses incurred.

4pp

295 15 September 1937

Sponsorship cards for a competition to guess the time on a stop-watch with cover letter from Macroom Comhairle Ceanntar.

3 items

iv Carrigaline Comhairle Ceanntar

3 January - 7 February 1937

296 Copies of minutes of meetings.

xi 1938

297 21 January 1938

Letter from the Department of the Taoiseach acknowledging Fitzgerald's good wishes for the success of the London Conference.

1p

298 30 January 1938

Copies of a lecture delivered by Hugo Flinn T.D. to a conference of Fianna Fail Delegates in Cork on "Unemployment Assistance and Unemployment Relief Works."

2 items

299 7 February 1938

Circular from S. Lehane Captain of the South Cork Area Volunteer Force to Fianna Fail Cumainn requesting recruits "Eire is rising from her knees."

1p

300 22 July 1938

Provisional Cancer Council letter from Department of Local Government and Public Health informing Fitzgerald of the inaugural meeting. MSS. notes by Fitzgerald costing the establishment of an office.

2 items

301 1 June 1938

Two copies of a speech to the S.E. Cork Convention detailing grievances against the outgoing Dail Deputy.

2 items

302 11-12 July 1938

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Spike Island Souvenir brochures and newspaper clippings recording the handing over by British Authorities the fort at Spike Island.

21pp

303 25 September 1938

Typescript copy of Honorary Secretary's Report, City Hall Cumann.

pp

ii Newsclippings

304 13 January - 24 June 1938

Clippings relating to Fianna Fail.

6pp

xii 1939

305 10 March 1939

Postcard in Irish from Cormac congratulating Fitzgerald.

1p

306 17 June 1939

Invite to Garden Party at Arus an Uachtaran.

1p

307 7 July 1939

Typescript copy of a report in the Cork Examiner of a meeting of Irish Nurses discussing their Pension Scheme attended by Fitzgerald.

1p

308 11 July 1939

Letter from Caitlin Bean Ui Clerigh, thanking Fitzgerald for his congratulations on her election as Dublin's Lord Mayor. MSS. annotation urges him to visit.

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1p

308

(a) 1 September 1939

Draft of note from Fitzgerald to Eamonn de Valera "In the present crisis I offer you my resources and services to command as you may require them for our country's need."

1p

309 21 September - 12 October 1939

Circular for and minutes of meetings of the Cork Anti-Partition Council.

3 items

310 17 October 1939

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Seamus Daimhin relating to the case of Mortimor O'Shea, a native Irish speaker dismissed as a school attendance officer due to insufficient English.

Xiii 1940

311 19 January - 28 April 1940

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Pat Monahan, 3 Ellis Quay, Dublin concerning Monaghan's compulsory retirement. He requests Fitzgerald to intercede on his behalf with the Minister for Defense, Oscar Traynor. In his reply (26 February) Fitzgerald mentions the 15 Shares he has in the Southern Star which he did not subscribe to.

5 items

312 April 1940

Circulars advertising the plight of Republican Prisoners on Hunger Strike in St. Bricin's Hospital - "De Valera forbids prayers for Hunger Strikers."

5 items

313 7-9 July 1940

Correspondence relating to attempts to have the murder charge against Tomas MacCurtain Junior dropped.

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Includes 7 July an impassioned plea for help from Mrs. E. Weddalla, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow to Fitzgerald "It is terrible to think that our Republican Government are about to end that young life."

Also copy letter from Fitzgerald to Maire McSweeney assuring her he has done all he could. The matter deeply moves him but as he is a member of the Defense Forces he cannot allow his name to be used.

4 items

314 17 September 1940

Reply from the Department of Industry and Commerce acknowledging receipt of Fitzgerald's letter and assuring him the matter will be attended to.

1p

315 30 September 1940

Notice from Fianna Fail Head Office informing Fitzgerald the Taoiseach, Eamonn De Valera will be attending a public meeting in Cork on October 6th.

1p

316 December 1940

Extremely long letter to Fitzgerald from Sean O'h-Aitrheadha (John Hartnett) of Carrigwohill writing from

Cork Prison mulling over his grievances against Fianna Fail and the Republican movement and requesting assistance with employment on his release.

24pp

xiv 1942

317 29-30 October 1942

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Sean Lemass, complimenting him glowingly on recent speeches and promising Fianna

Fail members in Cork will acquit themselves with vigour if there is an election.

Proposes the use of gramophone records to record candidates speeches due to paper shortages. Copy reply from Lemass states he has noted and passed on the suggestions.

2pp

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xv 1943

318 25 January - 15 February 1943

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Seamus Daimhin, Honorary Secretary Fianna Fail regarding attempts to recruit new members in Cork.

6 items

319 13 May 1943

Letter from the Department of Local Government to T. O'Sullivan T.D. informing him steps are being taken to increase the enumeration of nurses as referred to in his letter.

1p

320 16 June 1943

Letter from Sean McEntee, Minister for Local Government and Public Health enclosing for Fitzgerald a copy of a letter sent to the Cork Examiner criticising William Dwyer. McEntee adds "If they do not publish it, perhaps you would ask them why.

2 items

321 17 June 1943

Letter from Sean McEntee warning Fitzgerald "The Communist element has captured the Labour Organisation in Dublin and enclosing information about James Larkin Junior and John de Courcey Ireland which he hopes would be useful "Fighting the Labour candidates in your constituency."

2pp

322 September - October 1943

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and F.J. Daly, South Mall, Cork, discussing the usage and running of the Fianna Fail premises in Cork. Also notes on same.

4 items

323 4 October 1943

Clipping from Sunday Independent "Fianna Fail reply to Labour."

1p

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324 18 October 1943 - 29 April 1944
- Letters from the Department of Justice informing Fitzgerald of the release of named internees.
- 18pp
- 325 7-30 December 1943
- Documents relating to the A.G.M. of the Cork Borough Comhairle Ceanntar.
- pp
- 326 28 December 1943
- Note in Irish from Sean O'hUadhaigh to Fitzgerald thanking him for his letter and wishing him season's greetings.
- 1p
- xvi 1944**
- 327 4 January 1944
- Note from Seamus O'Daimhin acknowledging receipt from Fitzgerald of the names of officers elected by the Cork Borough Comhairle Ceanntar.
- 1p
- 328 January - February 1944
- Documents relating to subscription for the rental of a new base for Fianna Fail in Cork.
- 3pp
- 329 16 October 1944
- Circulars for "An Cumann Ealadhan"
- 4 items
- 330 1944
- Printed copy of Dail debate by Sean Lemass concerning the Transport Bill, and pamphlet supporting it.

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13pp

331 1944

Newspaper clippings relating to Irish politics.
Includes (3) article marking the retirement of De Valera's secretary Kathleen O'Connell.

4pp

xvii 1945

332 11 January 1945

Rules of Macradh Fail (Young Fianna Fail.

3pp

333 17 May 1945

Autographed printed copy of De Valera's broadcast to the Nation on conclusion of war in Europe.

8pp

334 June 1945

Invite with copy reply from Fitzgerald to a reception in honour of the President in Dublin Castle.

2pp

xviii 1946

335 20-26 November 1946

Letter from Ned Hourigan, Private Secretary, Minister for Lands inquiring if Fitzgerald would advertise in the new periodical to be launched by the Department The Blueprint or North Cork Newsletter. Copy reply from Fitzgerald suggesting a change of name and advertising rates.

2pp

336 1946

Copy of Constitution and Rules of Fianna Fail.

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2 items

xix 1947

337 27 March 1947

Letter from the Minister for Social Welfare thanking Fitzgerald for his congratulations on his appointment. Mentions he hopes to be busy working on the comprehensive Scheme for the next few years. Sends regards to Mrs. Fitzgerald.

1p

338 23 July 1947

Invitation with copy acceptance for Mr. & Mrs. Fitzgerald to visit Aras An Uachtaran.

2pp

339 20 August 1947

Letter from Sean Moylan to Fitzgerald discussing his plans to produce a Fianna Fail organisation paper to publish matters unsuitable for the Irish Press.

1p

340 15 December 1947

Copy of letter from Fitzgerald to Gerard Boland, Minister for Justice giving a recommendation on behalf of Tom Crofts that Martin Harvey be appointed Sheriff for Cork City.

1p

xx 1948

341 9 February - 2 March 1948

Correspondence file relating to Donations to Fianna Fail by Cork businessmen.

7 items

342 4-5 March 1948

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Sean Lemass as Managing Director, Irish Press discussing the wishes of Lemass'

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former bodyguard to set up their own Cumann. He feels with proper supervision the group would not get too independent. Mentions records of donations (see 341 above) and refers to the Cork Examiner as "dastardly anti-national". Lemass' reply supports the new Cumann.

2 items

343 29 May 1948

Circular for National Collection.

1p

344 [1948]

Copy of draft Constitution for Ireland.

117pp

xxi 1949

i Ard Fheis

345 June 1949

Copy of Honorary Secretary's Report.

5pp

ii General business

346 January - February 1949

Two copies Fianna Fail, Dublin North East.

21 items

347 12 April 1949

U.S. Committee on Foreign Affairs Printed extracts of the crings giving the statements of John M. Costello, also letters from Mike Manstead, US Congress and Senator Pat McCarren enclosing reports of testimony by representatives of the American league for an undivided Ireland.

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1950

348 16 May 1950
(See also 349)

Copy letter from Fitzgerald as President Cork Orchestral society inviting Taoiseach John A. Costello to a reception in his home on the occasion of his visit to the Cork Ballot.

349 2 July 1950

Copy of Typescript letter sent to Eamonn De Valera from a person at St. Finbarr's Seminary, Farranfore discussing Fitzgerald "as an individual whose rights have been grossly violated by that local band of witch-finders and orthodoxy-mongers which was once the Cork Fianna Fail organisation". He recalls Fitzgerald's record A Volunteer and the lack of appreciation given him by Fianna Fail. As Chairman of the cork Ballet Corps he "did his obvious social duty" and welcomed the Fine Gael Taoiseach John A. Costello, "And for that he is Excommunicated".

2pp

350 1950

Copies of statistics for the Cork Comhairle Borough from the Census of Industrial Production.

5pp

1951

351 13 January 1951

Minutes of a Comhairle meeting.

3pp

352 19 January 1951

Letter from Eamonn De Valera responding to Fitzgerald's views on the Inter Party coalition "I agree that the Government is being bitterly attacked. I do not think, however, that it will fall". With reference to taxation he adds "No Government depending on sectional support can deal with this situation as it should be dealt with.

1p

353 May 1951 - April 1953

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Copies of 'Gleas' a monthly bulletin issued by Fianna Fail.

13 items

354 May 1951

Subscription Circular for the Cork Borough Constituency.

2pp

355 12-16 June 1951

Copy letters from Fitzgerald to Tom Mullins, Government Secretary and Gerry Boland, Minister for Justice discussing candidates for Minister for Agriculture. 16 June Fitzgerald warns Martin Corry is angry at being passed over and is threatening to resign his seat.

2pp

1952

i Ard Fheis

356 23 October 1952

Circular for delegates and copy of National Secretaries Report.

5pp

ii General business

357 1952

Membership and Subscription Card for Fitzgerald.

6pp

358 25 January 1952 - 13 December 1952

Circular letters advising of and minutes of Comhairle meetings.

11 items

359 February 1952

Clippings relating to the Tourist Bill.

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3pp

1953

360 2-3 January 1953

Letter from Fianna Fail Headquarters to Sean P. O'Sulleabhan enclosing receipt for 10/reg. fee for the Kevin Barry Cumann, Cork and wishing it success.

2pp

361 19 February 1953

Clipping from the Irish Times "Government in Office but not in power".

1p

362 10 June - 9 December 1953

Correspondence file relating to Fianna Fail organisation.
Includes letter from Michael Fitzgerald (brother) Radio and Electrical Engineer, Cobh complaining he has not been paid for PA hire.

6 items

363 March - October 1953

Copies of Gleas, Monthly Bulletin issued by Fianna Fail.

9 items

364 1953

Clippings of articles relating to Fianna Fail in Government.

2pp

1954

365 Correspondence file between Fitzgerald and Jack Lynch discussing drafting of a circular requesting subscriptions.

8 items

366 10 January 1954

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Typscript copy of 'Points from Mr. de Valera's Speech' at a Fianna Fail Convention in Cork.

4pp

367 14 January 1954

Clipping from Irish Times 'Minister's advice for 1954' referring to Erskine Childers, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs.

1p

368 26 February 1954

Two copies of a letter from Fitzgerald to Thomas Mulling, General Secretary, Fianna Fail, enclosing the article requested for the Sunday Press and detailing his record of achievements.

3pp

369 16 March - 14 April 1954

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Professor James Hogan, Ballintemple, Cork discussing Coalition Governments.

4 items

370 1954

Typscript copy of a newspaper report of a speech by Fitzgerald on employment.

1p

1956

371 23-24 July 1956

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Gerry Boland, T.D.,

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enclosing advertising for 'The Minister Vending Machine' which he describes as "a new American type 'Racket' of sales organisation". They are prohibited in South Africa "because there would be every likelihood that they could be too readily adapted for the sale of narcotics or drugs". Reply states the matter has been placed in the hands of the Minister for Commerce.

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1957

372 21 February 1957

Clipping from the Irish Times "Dr. Browne Resigns from Fianna Fail".

1p

1958

373 7 January 1958

Letter from J.C. Costello, Consulting Engineer to Fitzgerald agreeing he should be the one to pass on letters to the Lord Mayor.

1p

374 20 January 1958

Letter from Richard Jago, Lord Mayor Cork, acknowledging receipt of Fitzgerald's letter which he has passes on to the City Manager.

1p

375 6-10 March 1958

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to the Private Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce regarding payment of a Florist's Bill.

2pp

376 8-29 October 1958

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Eoin Neeson of the Sunday Review regarding meeting for a discussion.

4pp

377 1958

Copy pamphlet 'The Northern Catholic - an Inquiry' by Desmond Fennell.

24pp

1959

378 5 June 1959

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Copy letter of condolence from Fitzgerald to Councillor Sean McCarthy, Lord Mayor Cork, offering condolences on the death of his brother.

1p

379 January - September 1959

Proportional Representation Documents from the Proportional Representation Society, London and the PR Research Group Cork Fact-Finding sub-committee.

6 items

1961

380 4 July 1961

Letter of thanks from Tony Barry, Lord Mayor of Cork to 'Seamus & May' for their message of congratulations and he invites them to visit at City Hall.

1p

1962

381 21 July 1962

Invitation from the President and Mrs. de Valera to a Reception at Alas an Uachtaran.

1p

382 20 October 1962

Newsclippings of a civil rights meeting at City Hall, during which Fitzgerald, Gus Healy, T.D. and Sean O'Se walked out because of derogatory remarks about Jack Lynch.

2pp

1963

383 18 July 1963

Printed copy of Parliamentary Debates of Dail Eireann.

200pp

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1967
- 384 25 April 1967
- Circular from Criostoir de Baroid for the 'Save the West' campaign.
- 1p
- 1968-1969
- 385 10 December 1968 - 21 March 1969
- File relating to Comh-Chomhairle Choircaighe Study Group on Industrial Democracy.
- 3 items
- 389 12-21 November 1969
- File relating to submission of names by each Cumainn for men available for labouring work who are in receipt of Unemployment Relief.
- 19 items
- 390 [1969]
- MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on the revitalization of Cork Fianna Fail.
- 1p
- 391 [1969]
- List of names and amounts of money headed 'M.S.P.2 was originally granted.
- 2pp
- 1970
- 392 17 January 1970
- Excerpt from the Kerryman reporting on the Fianna Fail Ard Fheis.
- 1p
- 393 24-28 January 1970
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Taoiseach Jack Lynch offering support for his "Ard Fheis Stand on the

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Partition Issue". Recalls how in 1918 he was sent to Ulster to speak for Sinn Fein in the General Election "I studied the Ulster situation very closely then and continued to do so up to the present day". Although European minded he is primarily concerned with the independence of my own country". Reply from Lynch thanks him for his "Kind and encouraging comments".

2pp

394 1970

Draft of Document containing proposals regarding Northern Ireland.

2pp

395 29 May 1970

Clipping from Irish Times discussing the 50th anniversary of Fianna Fail. Includes photo from 1938 of De Valera reclaiming Spike Island; Fitzgerald is in the shot.

1p

1971

396 1-6 January 1971

Copy letter from Fitzgerald extending New Year's greetings to Taoiseach Jack Lynch. Comments "Your year of office must have been the hardest that any Taoiseach could have experienced since the Emergency years of the War, and you have considerably strengthened your position throughout the country. Reply thanks him for his greetings and support.

2 items

397 July 1971

Clipping of report on Conor Cruise O'Brien's refusal to attend a reception commemorating Erskine Childers, and a typescript copy of a letter from Fitzgerald to Cruise O'Brien, 20 July 1971 stating "I was astounded at your use of this occasion to engage in a lengthy pro-British survey of Anglo-Irish relations back to 1916" adding I must express my shame that you gave such offence to those who worked so hard in the Independence Movement 1914 to 1921.

2 items

[n.d.]

398 30 April []

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Letter to Fitzgerald from Eamonn Ahern, Dungarvan discussing when they could meet and urging him to take confidence. Adds in a postscript Corry (Martin Corry) did not consult him when forming C.C. and Clubs.

2pp

399 [n.d.]

Copy of memorandum submitted by Liam Foley, Fermoy County Council calling on the government and the Fianna Fail organisation to state definitely their attitude towards the IRA.

2pp

400 [n.d.]

MSS. report from the Leo Murphy Cumann on seizures by the County Sheriff in the Ballincollig Area.

3pp

401 [n.d.]

Circular 'Reasons for joining Fianna Fail'

1p

402 [n.d.]

'Aide Memoire' of James R. Leshford, Assumption Road, Cork. Details his history of working for Ireland and personal achievements, his unwavering loyalty to Fianna Fail and his bitterness over his success in running the Cork Union being claimed by Conradh na Gaeilge.

[Setting out credentials as a Fianna Fail Candidate]

1p

403 [n.d.]

Pamphlet issued by Maria Duce "To put Christ back in the constitution".

4pp

404 [n.d.]

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Brief standing orders for Fianna Fail's 50th Anniversary public speaking competition. 3pp
- 405 [n.d.]
Poster 'Englands "Generosity" What Sir William Watson Says' Munster News Printers, Limerick.
- 406 [n.d.]
Typescript list of nominations for National Executive Committee of Fifteen. 1p
- 407 [n.d.]
Printed card with photograph of Austin Stack who topped the Poll in Kerry in 1923 with 10,305 First Preference votes. 1p
- 408 [n.d.]
Copy of article 'Ireland's Danger and National leadership' by Captain Henry Harrison, discussing the forthcoming general election in the contest of the "death struggle between our Christian civilization and the naked materialism of Karl Marx. "Up de Valera". 5pp
- 409 [n.d.]
Programme for Mass welcoming Lord Mayor Hugh Coveny to his parish church. 2pp
- 410 [n.d.]
MSS. notes for a speech on county relief schemes. 2pp
- 411 [n.d.]
Notes on cue cards by Fitzgerald attaching W.T. Cosgraves failure to broadcast a national address.

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2pp

412 [n.d.]

Rough and incomplete drafts of speeches with the theme of economic development through Fianna Fail.

4 items

413 [n.d.]

MSS. copy of a speech by Seamus Fitzgerald given at a Cork Anti Partition meeting.

4pp

414 [n.d.]

Jotted notes on "Ratification".

1p

415 [n.d.]

Draft of a letter to the Cork Examiner rebutting an article attaching the Fianna Fail decision not to take the Oath of Allegiance.

6pp

416 [n.d.]

Newsclippings of a report of addresses to a Fianna Fail meeting at Glounthane. Includes speech by Fitzgerald.

V Correspondence Requesting Favours and Intercessions

1921

417 30 November 1921

Letter from the Department of Education stating they have received assurances that the Principalship of Brooklodge National School is open for Mr. McCarthy.

1p

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1922

418 3 June 1922

Acknowledgement by the Department of Defense of Fitzgerald's letter of the 31st May, stating the matter will be looked into.

1p

419 5 June 1922

Letter from Liam O'Riordain (10th Batt.) Ballycotton to Fitzgerald discussing the commitment of O'Riordain's brother to the struggle for Independence "with the inevitable result that his work suffered accordingly". Requests a loan of £200 to purchase a motorized fishing boat.

2pp

1927

420 20-29 June 1927

Correspondence file relating to an application for, and allocation of assistance from the Irish White Cross for a Mrs. Walker.

4pp

1932

421 21 November 1932

Correspondence relating to attempts to attempt to halt the eviction of E.P. Lynch, Vice Chairman Youghal U.D.C. for non-payment of rents to the Board of Works.

2 items

422 11 December 1934 - 5 November 1935

Correspondence regarding requests for Fitzgerald to intercede with government departments (11 February); compensation cases (25 February), Garda appointments (4 March); pleas for assistance job applications 11 February. Also government replies.

77 items

422

(a) 11-12 May `1935

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Blistening letter by Fitzgerald to a man who offered him money for his help. In securing a job at Dunlops Factory, Cork "you dared to suggest paying me for any trouble". Also letter of object apology from the individual concerned.

2pp

423 19 December 1934 - 17 July 1935

File of replies from Government Ministers to intercessions and requests by Fitzgerald, also notes by Fitzgerald recording his Volunteer's daily correspondence on behalf of petitioners. Requests include Land Commission problems 19 December; Garda transfer 17 January; Army Cadetships (24 January).

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424 25 May 1937 - December 1946

Correspondence file relating to requests for jobs and intercessions with government departments and local authorities.

Includes 9 October 1939 Note from the Department of Justice stating all communications re. Garda recruitment should be sent to the Garda Commissioner. 12 May 1942 Note of thanks "for what you have done at my request" from Donal Corkery the writer.

20 items

425 May 1947 - 30 March 1951

Correspondence concerning requests for favours mainly job applications.

Includes September - October 1947 correspondence regarding John Whelan of New York who wishes to return to Ireland. Tom Barry interceded to find him a job but "it seems he is not on very friendly terms with some of your top men in the government".

50 items

426 10 February 1948 - 7 June 1958

Letters from the Registrar of the Office of the Words of the Court to the Calnan family, Ballintemple, Co. Cork.

2pp

427 10 July 1950 - 4 December 1950

Correspondence concerning requests for favours, mainly jobs.

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Includes 21 July 1950 Reply from Fitzgerald to a request from St. Vincent De Paul "When I tell you that I interview a few men like him every week of the year, you will realise how lopsided this whole world is. Includes request by Fitzgerald to the Department of External Affairs (5 October 1950) requesting the speedy issue of

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the passports he applied for as he will be going on pilgrimage to Rome earlier than expected. Due to his accommodation of requests from the Department he feels "consideration may be given in a reciprocal way to my request".

19 items

428 5 January 1951 - 1 August 1952

Correspondence concerning requests for favours mostly job applications.
Includes 20 August - 8 September Efforts by Fitzgeerald for an old Maritime Inscription Colleague to have him included on a training cruise of the L.E. Macha.

64 items

429 12 January 1952 - 2 December 1952

Correspondence concerning request for favours and intercessions mainly job applications.
Includes 4 November 1952, a letter to the Minister for Health requesting additional finance on behalf of the Nuns of St. Maries of the Isle, Mercy Hospital Cork. 11-12 August intercession with the City Traffic Superintendent, Aer Lingus, arranging an alternate booking for a priest.

83 items

430 21 October 1952 - 12 December 1956

Correspondence concerning of requests for favours mostly jobs.
Includes 26 July 1956 Request from Florrie O'Donoghue for positions for Old IRA men.

26 items

431 27 January 1953 - 10 December 1953

Correspondence concerning requests for favours mostly jobs.
Includes 11 September 1953 Request for help getting a late reservation a Ship of United States Lines.

43 items

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432 19 January 1954 - 6 December 1954

Correspondence concerning requests for favours, mainly job requests.

51 items

433 31 January - 30 November 1955

Correspondence file concerning requests for favours, mostly jobs.
Includes 22 October 1955, a request from Jack Lynch for Fitzgerald to find work for a young man.

30 items

434 15 February - 20 December 1957

Correspondence file concerning requests for favours, mainly job placements.
Includes 6 December 1957 strained reply from Fitzgerald to one applicant "I must hereby advise you not to be indulging in such long lette writing."

46 items

435 9 January - 13 December 1958

Correspondence file concerning requests for favours, mainly job placements.

30 items

436 2 February - 4 July 1959

Correspondence file concerning requests for favours, mainly job placements.

26 items

437 17 May - 23 November 1960

Correspondence relating to requests for favours and intercessions.

15 items

438 1 January - 4 November 1961

Correspondence relating to requests for favours and intercessions.
Includes 31 May letter to Gus Healy requesting him to approach Oscar Traynor regarding the promotion of a Garda.

PR6/

1 May 1961 - letter from the Lord Mayor of Cork thanking Fitzgerald for his efforts on behalf of a young man "I feel that given a chance he will turn out to be an excellent citizen and I appreciate deeply your co-operation.

42 items

439 6 February - 29 October 1962

Correspondence relating to requests for favours and intercessions.
Includes 23 August 1962 letter to Charles J. Haughey, Minister for Justice regarding a Garda Transfer.

15 items

440 9 June 1963

Letter of thanks to Fitzgerald for assistance in securing a job with the Irish Sugar Co.

1p

441 7 May 1964 - 20 September 1966

Correspondence regarding requests for favours and intercessions.
Includes 7-25 May letters from Jack Lynch, Minister for Industry & Commerce and Sean McEntee, Minister for Health, requesting efforts to be made to secure a job for an ex-patriate returning home.

14 items

442 4-14 October 1967

Correspondence concerning requests for favours and intercessions.
Includes 4 October a request from Jack Lynch, Taoiseach for a position in Verlome Dockyard for a Cobh man.

8 items

443 10-31 December 1970

Correspondence relating to Fitzgerald's proposal of an applicant as Pharmaceutical Chemist in the Army Medical Corps.

5 items

444 22 February 1971

PR6/

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to the Personnel Office, Verlome Cork Dockyards requesting to be notified if men whom he has referred to the Dockyard apply for jobs, adding "in no way do I wish to prejudice your own decisions."

1p

445 [n.d.]

Correspondence file relating to requests for favours and intercessions mostly regarding jobs.

Includes letter from an ex-internee requesting Fitzgerald help secure him a job "Knowing that your name stands good in this city."

Includes letter from a resident of the Old Blackrock Road railing against "The MISUSE and DRINKING of Public money" by corporation workers on the Old Blackrock Road who are regularly found "DRUNK AND ASLEEP."

8 items

VI Election Material

1927

446 21 May 1927

Letter from John Jermyn, Solicitor enclosing for Fitzgerald a cheque for £150 his deposit for Candidature to the General Election 1921.

1p

447 May - June 1927

Newspaper clippings referring to Fianna Fail electioneering.

3pp

448 13 September 1927

Letter to Fitzgerald from Lill, 154 West End, Mallow discussing electioneering. Remarks it's no wonder he's exhausted and that it worried her to think of him out all night in the open car, but they will soon be victorious and they both can have a good rest. She was posting bills all day and missed a call by Martin Corry berate her for circulatory leaflets stating "J. Barry No. 1." she doesn't see that she's done wrong as "Martin canvassed No. 1 in his own and your area" and states Corry canvassed for himself alone while Fitzgerald spoke for all the candidates. Corry's visit upset mother greatly and she declares "were it not for the cause and you Seamus I would pack up this very day." Wishes him good luck.

449 21 October 1927

Copy typescript letter from Fitzgerald to Miss L. Willis, Honorary Secretary North East Cork C.C. Fianna Fail, informing her he will not be at the meeting in Fermoy as financial losses during the election mean he must spend more time at his business. He is bitter about his lack of success at the polls "I hardly deserved the fate of being placed at the bottom of the poll. This would have not been the case if some of my colleagues had not been overzealous for personal success."

1p

1928

450 11 August 1928

(a)

Bill for £6:12:6 from the Lee Press for election material.

1p

1931

450

(b) Circular letter from Fianna Fail advertising a meeting to discuss how to help "old fighters in the Republican Cause" "bring their movement to a speedy victory".

1p

1932

451 8 February 1933

Copy of typescript letter from Fitzgerald to M. George Power M.C.C.U.D.C., Fermoy, discussing arrangements for his election campaign.

1p

452 9 February 1932

Letter from G.J. Power (Fianna Fail Officer, Fermoy) discussing election organisation and a visit by de Valera. Mentions the difficulty of collecting levy's for election.

1p

1933

PR6/

453 11 January 1933

Copy letter to the Honorary Secretary Fianna Fail from Fitzgerald reporting on the grievances felt by W.R.Kent which led him to decide to stand as an independent in the forthcoming election.

2pp

454 4 February 1933

Letter from James Tierney, Limerick Election Staff, informing Fitzgerald they will provide 2 guineas expenses for his talk.

1p

455 2 April 1933

Copy of statement on election organisation given by Fitzgerald to a meeting of Cork County Fianna Fail.

2pp

456 5-7 June 1933

Letter from Sean [] enclosing an agenda of the Fianna Fail Convention in Cork calling for a panel of 5 to be put forward for the General Election. Requests Fitzgerald to chair the meeting.

2 items

457 [1933]

Incomplete typescript of speech attaching Cumann na Gaedheal. Election Propaganda.

1p

458 1933

Specimen Ballot paper with Fianna Fail candidates in Bold. Fitzgerald gives Corry No. 1, Pat Murphy No. 2, Pat O'Brien No. 3.

459 1933

Leaflet for T.P. Dowdall, Hugo Flinn and Sean French (Fianna Fail).

1p

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1934

460 13 May 1934

MSS. draft and typescript copy of speech by Fitzgerald to a Fianna Fail Public Meeting, Grand Parade Cork to honour Eamonn de Valera. Rally's support against Blueshirts.

2 items

461 27 May 1934

Copy typescript letter from Fitzgerald to the Chairman Cork City Comhairle Ceanntar discussing his refusal to go forward for selection as a candidate in the municipal elections. He objects to the lack of a structured Fianna Fail panel on the Corporation. 1p

462 Circular letter from Tadhg O'Brien informing candidates in Local Government Elections that he has been appointed Fianna Fail Director of Elections.

1p

463 8-9 June 1934

Copy letters from Fitzgerald to John Barry M.C.C., Charleville, Co. Cork and Vincent McCabe, Buttevant refuting the allegation that Mr. McCabe was not wanted as Director of Elections in Mallow and stressing the need for restraint in travelling expenses. He cites the Cobh area which has "been fixed up WITHOUT ONE PENNY BEING SPENT ON CARS".

2pp

464 [1934]

Copy of Fianna Fail booklet "Scheme of Election Organisation " marked for Private Circulation only.

40pp

465 1933-1934

File of bills and receipts relating to Fianna Fail Election Expenses.

20 items

466 1934

PR6/

Bills and receipts for Election Expenses incurred by the East Cork Dail Ceanntar in the County council Elections.

8 items

PROPAGANDA

467 1934

Copy of Booklet "The Way to Pearse" a speech by De Valera.

40pp

468 1934

Election Posters and circulars.

6 items

1935

469 8 April 1935

Letter to Fitzgerald from Sean de Barra, Minister na Corainn discussing a tour of cumainn and public meetings. Mentions constituency matters in need of attention.

3pp

470 26 June 1935

Municipal Election Card requesting votes for Sean French "On Ment Alone".

1p

1936

471 18 May 1936

Copy letter to the Honorary Secretary, Cork City Comhairle Ceanntar Fianna Fail informing him J. Buckley, P. McGrath and J. Donnelly were chosen as candidates for the Municipal Election.

1p

1937

472 31 January 1937

Printed copy of County Totals for the 1936 National Collection.

PR6/

1p

473 15 June 1937

Newsclipping "Fianna Fail's Campaign" reporting on public meetings held after masses in Ballincollig and Ovens, Co. Cork.

1p

474 17 June 1937

Typescript letter to Fitzgerald from Tadhg O'Brien, Honorary Secretary South East Cork Comhairle Dail Ceanntar detailing arrangements for weekend meetings in the area. Mentions there is only one mass in Glenville on Sunday 20th so there would be a good congregation. MSS. notes by Fitzgerald.

475 June 1937

List detailing venues and speakers for public meetings 27-29 June in Co. Cork.

1p

476 12 July 1937

Invoice of Election Accounts for Cobh Urban Council Elections and Gael Election 1933 from the Lee Press to Fitzgerald showing a debt of £62:9:3.

1p

477 11 August 1937

Circular authorising representatives to collect for the 1937 election fund.

2pp

1938

478 1 June 1938

Circular letter sent to the South East Comhairle Cork Fianna Fail objecting to the re-selection of the sitting Deputy.

1p

479 5-11 June 1938

PR6/

List detailing venues and speakers at Fianna Fail Public meetings in Co. Cork.

1p

480 10-11 June 1938

Letters enclosing donations to the Fianna Fail election fund from (1) Joh Logan & sons, Midleton, (2) Brigid NicCarthaigh U.C.C., (3) John J. Quinn, Old Blackrock Road, Cork.

3pp

481 22 July 1938

Typescript letter from Fianna Fail, Dublin discussing the embarrassingly low poll for Miss Pearse and outlining action to ensure such a result never reoccurs.

1p

Opposition Propaganda

482 1938

Election brochure on behalf of Jerry Hurley - Labour.

2pp

1939

483 [1939]

Typescript with MSS. annotations detailing Seamus Fitzgerald's credentials and achievements. (For use for party publicity.

2pp

484 [1939]

Fianna Fail produced newspaper 'Notes for Speakers and Canvasser'.

3 items

1943 - Election campaign of Seamus Fitzgerald

i Party Organisation

485 31 March 1943

Circular issued by Fitzgerald on behalf of Fianna Fail rallying support for the forthcoming General Election.

PR6/

1p

486 21 April 1943

Letter from Seamus O'Daimhin urgently inquiring as to the most suitable date for the holding of the convention to select candidates for the Cork Borough.

1p

487 5 May 1943

Receipt for £100 paid to the County Registrar.

1p

488 Cover letter from Seamus O'Daimhin enclosing a copy of the Fianna Fail Election Manifesto.

2 items

489 25 May 1943

Letter from Dick Wallace, Wallace Express, 20 Marlboro St., cork discussing his decision to "place friendship before Party" in the forthcoming election. also mentions son of an old friend Fitzgerald may help to get a position in the airlines.

490 June 1943

Nomination papers for Seamus Fitzgerald proposed by Patrick Kiely and Pa McGrath.

2 items

491 5 June 1943

Cover letter issued to Fianna Fail candidates enclosing details of government activity to be used in electioneering.

1p

492 1943

Jottings of reports on election canvassers detailing activities.

3pp

ii Speeches by Seamus Fitzgerald

- PR6/
493 26 February 1943
- MSS. draft of speech given at a meeting of Fianna Fail County Councillors.
- 3pp
- 494 31 May 1943
- Copies of speech on Fianna Fail and Irish Industry given at Douglas Street, Cork.
- 6 items
- 495 1943
- Notes in Irish for an election rally.
- 1p
- ii Election Propaganda
- 496 1943
- Fianna Fail booklet "Ireland 1932 to 1942" "A story of Great Achievements"
- 32pp
- 497 1943
- File of Fianna Fail election leaflets, circulars and newsheets for F.J. Daly, Walter Firlong and Seamus Fitzgerald.
- 19 items
- 498 1943
- Copies of Fianna fail rally songs "Vote Them All", "Legion of the Rearguard"; initialled "Armed for the battle kneel we before thee, Bless then our labours [] of the brave". Also more general songs "The banks of my own lovely Lee".
- 26 items
- iv Opposition Material
- 499 1943
- Election pamphlets, leaflets and cards for Fine Gael, Labour, Aithiri na h-Aiseirigh, Clan na Poblacha and Gabriel Buckley.
- 10 items
- 500 19 April 1943

PR6/

Typescript copies of a speech made by William Dwyer (Fine Gael) at Birr, Co. Offally attaching De Valera's economic policy.

6pp

501 1943

Circular letter from fine Gael to Messr. Fitzgerald & Co., requesting a subscription.

1p

502 1943

Copies of anti Fianna Fail songs, election material for O'Driscoll
"Oh Mary, this Irelands a wonderful sight
They say Fianna Fail is to blame for its plight,
They don't sow potatoes, it's all about wheat,
'Grow this' and 'Grow that' - but there's not much to eat'

4 items

v Election to the Dail

503 28 June 1943

Documents relating to Fitzgerald's entry to the Dail (1) Outline of religious services available for the opening of the Dail. (2) Official notice of election.

2pp

vi Letters of congratulations

504 28 June 1943

Letter of congratulatory on entry to the Dail from Eamonn de Valera.

1p

505 June 1943

File of telegrams and letters of congratulatory.

43 items

1944

506 1944

PR6/

Fianna Fail election leaflets directed towards the working class vote.

3pp

507 9 May 1944

Fianna Fail propaganda newspaper on the Transport Bill.

8pp

508 1-8 June 1944

Correspondence sympathising with Fitzgerald on not being re-elected. Includes from Alfred O'Rahilly "I am sorry and I am glad". "Democracy is certainly erratic! But I am glad for your own sake you couldn't stand the pace".
Includes 3 June copy reply of letter from Fitzgerald to Gerry Boland optimistically asserting there is plenty more work for him to do.

5 items

509 3 June 1944

Typescript of letter marked 'not sent' from Fitzgerald to De Valera ruefully commenting there was no chance Cork City could return 3 Fianna Fail T.D.'s and recommending changes in party tactics if PR is to be continued.

2pp

510 3 June 1944

Draft of letter from Fitzgerald to Mrs. Dowdall thanking her for her election work on his behalf and missing on his defeat.

2pp

1945

i Municipal elections

511 17 February 1945

Copy of Report of the Sub Committee of Cork Comhairle Ceanntar dealing with procedure for the forthcoming municipal elections.

pp

ii General Election

512 31 March - 24 April 1945

PR6/

Correspondence relating to the organisation of a Convention of Cumainn delegates to elect general election candidates.

3 items

513 1945

Notes in Irish by Fitzgerald supporting Sean T. O'Ceallaigh's bid for the Presidency.

1p

514 1945

Newsclipping of a pro O'Kelly rally featuring a photograph of Eamonn de Valera leading a procession through Cork. Fitzgerald is visible behind de Valera.

1p

515 1945

Electioneering material on behalf of O'Kelly. Includes leaflets and coat stickers.

9 items

516 21-26 June 1945

Replies and congratulations on election sent by Fitzgerald to Sean T. O'Ceallaigh, Prionsias Mac Aodhagain and Sean Lemass.

3pp

517 6 July 1945

Letter of thanks in Irish from Sean T. O'Ceallaigh to Fitzgerald in recognition of his campaign work.

1p

1946

518 1 June 1946

Typescript of Election Address to Electors of Cork Borough by Pa mcGrath (Fianna Fail).

3pp

519 June 1946

PR6/

Transcripts of election propaganda on behalf of Michael O'Riordan, Socialist Candidate.

7pp

520 [1946]

Copy of voting pattern for election, showing Fitzgerald not elected. Also jottings of some on reverse of note from Leslie Bean de Barra enclosing material for his wife 6 June 1946.

2 items

1947

521 8 November 1947

Letter marked personal to Fitzgerald from [], Fianna Fail Head Office, Dublin, reflecting Fianna Fail must address a new power base "some 200,000 people are on the register who never saw a Tan, never lived under the Cosgrave regime and who don't care one damn about where anyone was in '16 '22 or'39". Urges new candidates to appeal to the "food and dance crazy" youth.

2pp

522 14 [] 1947

Note to Fitzgerald from [] declaring they should make "a strong fight" for Martin Harvey, as his rival who has no claim on them was given such strong support.

1p

523 [1947]

Election pamphlet by Fianna Fail attaching the PR system and calling for a strike vote in the forthcoming referendum.

1p

1948

524 22 January 1948

PR6/

Typescript copy of detailed letter sent by Fitzgerald to the Cork Examiner commenting on the article by Alfred O'Rahilly "Thoughts on the General Election" in which some references were made to himself. He attacks O'Rahilly's assertion that an election is not needed, arguing with the threat of Russian Militarism a strong government is needed "with de Valera at its head".

20pp

525 30 January 1948

Clipping of election advertisement for Fianna Fail taken from the Cork Evening Echo.

1p

526 1948

Election leaflet for Clann na Poblachta.

1p

1949

527 23 April 1949

Letter from C. O'Connor, Cork Borough Constituency Fianna Fail informing Fitzgerald he is to be present at the Public Meeting in Patrick Street, Cork at which Sean McEntee will speak "of course you realise that there is no escape from this". Requests him to arrange for a loudspeaker from Fitzgerald & Co.

1p

1951

528 May 1951

Receipt books for subscriptions to Cork Borough election 1951 fund.

5 items

529 [1951]

Election pamphlet on behalf of Fine Gael candidates, Stephen Barrett, Dr. T.F. O'Higgins and Michael Sheeha.

2pp

1952

PR6/

530 29 November 1952

Circular from Fianna Fail Head Office to the secretaries of each Cumainn reminding them to make sure members are registered to vote in the upcoming local elections.

1p

1953

531 30 December 1953

Draft of letter by Fitzgerald to his Cumainn agreeing to have his name put forward for the March 15th by-election.

2pp

532 1953

Typescript 'Reflections' by Fitzgerald musing on the result of the by-election in Cork East 18 June where Fine Gael outpolled Fianna Fail.

4pp

533 [1953]

Two copies of election leaflets highlighting Fianna Fail's contribution to Industry and Cork Airport.

2 items

534 1953

Official copies of Public Notices of the results of elections in respect of (a) 1948 General Election (b) 1951 General Election (c) 1944-1953 Bye-Elections. also notes by Fitzgerald on same.

128pp

1954

535 7-17 January 1954

File of telegrams and letters congratulating Fitzgerald on his selection as a candidate for the Bye-election. Includes 7 January 1954, letter from a constituent assuring him of 6 No. 1's from his family, followed 7 February by a letter requesting a job for his son.

PR6/

11pp

536 16 January 1954

Note referring to offer by [] Twomey of Ballinlough of use of his car for the By-Election.

1p

537 23 January 1954

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Eamonn de Valera discussing the Draft election address for the Cork By-election sent by Jack Lynch. Encloses a draft address which he feels is better than his son's which was rushed.

2 items

538 4 February 1954

Letter to Fitzgerald enclosing a list of Day Canvass's 11 February - 3 March.

2pp

539 20 January - 12 February 1954

Letter with copy reply from F.M. Dooley, Honorary Secretary, Garda Siochana Pensioners Organisation requesting Fitzgerald to state his attitude towards the demands of fixed incomes for pre 1950 Guards. The reply states he is in sympathy but "cannot commit by party to any steps that they may decide to take to redress your grievances".

2pp

540 1 February 1954

Circular sent to all Dail Candidates by the organisation for Retire Officers and servants of Local Authorities regarding their pension demands. MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on same.

1p

541 12-23 February 1954

Letter from Maurice Horgan, Custom & Excise, Wexford enclosing poems for Fianna Fail publicity (not in collection. Copy reply from Fitzgerald explains there are no funds to order poems but suggests he sent them to the Sunday Press.

2pp

PR6/

542 17 February 1954

Note from General Tom Barry to Fitzgerald "No Party an am I but I would like you to have this small subscription of £3 to help you in your fight.

1p

543 17 February 1954

Copy of letter from Fitzgerald appointing Martin A. Harvey, Solicitor as his election agent.

1p

544 March 1954

Draft of circular calling on young people to attend a meeting to purpose a Fianna Fail Candidate. Reverse contains a glowing reference for James Keane, Montenotte.

3pp

545 1954

Reports from the Kevin Barry Cumainn on their activity during the By-Election (Paddy A. Fitzgerald is Chairman.

5 items

546 6 March 1954

Copy of report criticising all aspects of the Fianna Fail electoral organisation.

2pp

547 12 March 1954

Copies of letter to the Cork Examiner by fitzgerald thanking all those who supported him and attaching Fine Gael policies.

4pp

ii Speeches by Fitzgerald

548 1954

Copy of speech by fitzgerald for the opening of the Fianna Fail campaign.

PR6/

2pp

549 January - February 1954

Copies of speeches by Fitzgerald made during his electoral campaign. Also notes on same.

23 items

iii Election Propaganda

550 May 1954

Election leaflets and cards on behalf of Fianna Fail candidates.

22 items

551 1954

Copies of Fianna Fail Election Poster 'Don't cut a stick to beat yourself'.

46 items

552 1954

Typescript of songs for rally's including 'The Coalition Cat'
There is a little pussy cat, Coalition is her name,
Instead of watching rats and mice, she's out for bigger game,
Her head stands out for Labour, her body's Fine Gael,
Her legs for Clan na Poblachta, she's an Independent tail.

9pp

553 1954

Copies of Fianna Fail "By-Election news for Canvassers and Speakers.

14 items

iv Opposition Propaganda

554 1954

Electoral material for Fine Gael and Labour.

6 items

555 May 1954

PR6/

Circular requesting a subscription to their electoral fund issued by the Labour Party.

1p

vi Newspaper clippings

556 January - March 1954

Files of newsclippings relating to the By-election Campaign.

33 items

vi Memoribelia

557 1954

Large poster for Dail By-Election.

1pp

1955

558 21 November - 21 December 1955

West-Cork By-Election Fund - Correspondence relating to Fitzgerald.

4 items

559 18 February - Huly 1956

North Kerry By-Election - Correspondence relating to same.

3 items

560 1 October 1956

Cover letter to Fitzgerald from Padraig Partry, Chief Executive Officer c/o Sherman Crawford Technical Institute enclosing signed nomination papers for officials and candidates.

1p

Election Propaganda

561 July 1956

- PR6/
 Fianna Fail election newspaper and election card for John Galway.
 5pp
- 562 July 1956
 Electoral material for Sean P. Twomey, Independent.
 6 items
 Newspaper clippings
- 563 July - November 1956
 Newsclippings reporting on 1956 By-Election.
 18pp
 1965-1966
- 564 1965
 Copy of 'Statistical Data for lecture on Elections and Representation in Ireland'.
 Also total of counts for Cork Constituency for 1965.
 3pp
- 565 1966
 Fianna Fail electoral leaflets proposing de Valera for President.
 3 items
- [1970's]
- 566 [1970's]
 Fianna Fail election Poster "lets make it your kind of country".
 1p
 Undated Material
- 567 [n.d.]
 Copy of typescript letter to Fitzgerald explaining the writer's reluctance to act as
 Treasurer for the Election Fund due to his disillousionment with Fianna Fail
 economic Policies.

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2pp

568 [n.d.]

Drafts of a letter from Fitzgerald to 'Tom' discussing his view of Fianna Fail's ability to win an election, and steps needed to improve the party.

3pp

569 [n.d.]

Letter to Fitzgerald from a Fianna Fail activist arguing his name should be nominated for the Senate and knocking other candidates. Mrs. Dowdall "is like a plumed peacock flitting from function to function" adds "I feel somewhat ashamed that I have had to write this letter.

4pp

570 [n.d.]

Draft of letter by Fitzgerald detailing his position on being selected as a candidate by the Cork City Constituency Convention.

2pp

571 [n.d.]

Printed list of Polling Districts in Cork City and Environs and notes of names of Fianna Fail activists.

4pp

572 [n.d.]

Circulars from Fianna Fail Cork Borough Constituency soliciting support for their election fund.

2pp

573 [n.d.]

MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on Fianna Fail policy in relation to topics such as Elections, Social Policy and the Economy.

2pp

PR6/

574 [n.d.]

Incomplete MSS. of article by Fitzgerald referring to a publiciste of Cobh residents who request less Imperial news.

1p

575 [n.d.]

Partly illigible MSS. "To the Electors of East and North Cork".

1p

576 [n.d.]

Circulars relating to the Bill to enfranchise women under 30.

2pp

Election Propaganda

Fianna Fail

577 [n.d.]

Fianna Fail electioneering material. Includes leaflets, circulars pamphlets. Also propaganda material for

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Fitzgerald including 'The man for Cork' "Our leader De Valera sends out the call again and rebel Cork shall answer by putting Seamus in."

29 items

Other Parties

578 [n.d.]

Electioneering material for Clan na Poblachta, labour and Independents. Includes (1) Subscription form on behalf of Michael O'Riordan, Socialist Party.

VII Senate

i Early Nominations

PR6/
579 September 1928 - 30 October 1928

File relating to Fitzgerald's nomination by the East Cork Comhairle Dailceantar as a candidate to be chosen by Fianna Fail to contest the Senate Elections.
Includes Nomination from Comhairle (1); Draft acceptance letters by Fitzgerald (2); Handwritten letter from de Valera commiserating on his not being chosen "I know you will understand and that you will continue to give your energies to the service of our cause" (6).

6 items

580 7-13 January 1932

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Eamonn de Valera regarding a document circulated by Sean Hegarty in 1928 to certain Fianna Fail T.D.'s to induce them to vote against his candidature to the Senate. Martin Corry then further circulated the document. He informs de Valera that Corry has tendered his apologies and acknowledges the charges were groundless. De Valera's reply states he is pleased the differences have been resolved.
Includes MSS. points by Fitzgerald detailing slights received from Corry.

3 items

ii Nomination and Selection

581 29 February - 2 March 1933

Copy letter from members of the Cobh Fianna Fail Cumainn to Gerald Boland requesting him to place Fitzgerald's name before the President for the Senate vacancy "We think his record in the National Struggle is second to none and his ability universally known and acknowledged in the south of Ireland". Reply states selection has already been made.

2 items

82 September 1934

File relating to the nomination of Fitzgerald to stand for the Senate by the East Cork Comhairle Dailceantar.
Includes (20 September 1934) letter from Fianna Fail Chief Whip informing Fitzgerald of his selection.
Includes (20 September 1934) letter from William Kent T.D. assuring Fitzgerald of his support.

10 items

583 5-7 December 1934

PR6/

Letters of congratulations on his election sent to Fitzgerald.
Includes (5 December) letter from [Woods] of the American Consular Service.

4 items

ii Senate Activity

584 1 November 1934

Copy of report from the Prices Commission of wheat Prices.

9pp

585 December 1934

Copy of Census Production Statistics on Engineering and Implement Trades.

1p

586 12 December 1934 - 14 May 1936

Copies of Seanad Eireann Orders of the Day - 12 December 1934, 19 December 1934, 1 August 1935 and 14 May 1936.

4 items

587 1935

Notebook containing details of Fitzgerald's correspondence relating to constituency problems. Mainly responses to requests for help with jobs and pensions.

17pp

588 12 January 1935

Circular sent to Fianna Fail Senators from the Chief Whip stressing the importance of their attendance at all meetings as there is a majority of one vote against the government.

2pp

589 17 April - 22 May 1935

File relating to activities of the Joint Committee to report on the future management of the Oireachtas Restaurant.

10 items

PR6/

590 25 July 1935

Copy of Senate amendments to the widow's and Orphan's Pensions Bill 1935.

1p

591 July 1935

Letters from Seamus O'Daimhin informing Fitzgerald of the meeting he is billed to speak at, at Ballinasloe, Co. Galway. MSS. note adds Hugo [Flinn] will be travelling from Cork.

3 items

592 21 August 1938

Letter to Fitzgerald from the Honorary Secretary Irish National Gas Board thanking him for his efforts to obtain relief from import duty for coal used by the Gas Industry.

1p

593 1935

Reports on Agricultural Conditions in Saorstát Éireann.

2 items

594 December 1935 - 16 January 1936

Letter from the Department of Lands to Fitzgerald informing him enquiries are being made regarding the case of Martin Desmond, Clonmult, Co. Cork. Also jotted notes by Fitzgerald on same.

2 items

595 1936

Copy of National Maternity Hospital Dublin (Charter Amendment) Bill.

8pp

iv Dissolution of Senate 1936

596 19 May 1936

Copies of Notice to Senators requesting them to assemble for a group photograph of conclusion of business. Notes on reverse of (1) [Listing Senators]

PR6/

2pp

597 30 May 1936

Notice to Senators that the Mouse is to be abolished by the King's assent to the Constitution Bill 1936.

1p

iv Later Nominations

598 26 March 1938

Two copy letters to Eamonn de Valera from [], explaining that Seamus Fitzgerald was nominated by the South-East Cork Dail Ceanntar to the Senate Industrial Panel, but the National Executive placed Dan Corkery T.D. (Macroom) on the Panel. Feelings are running high in Cork that Fitzgerald "the second chief Citizen" should not be passed over.

2pp

599 1944

Drafts of a letter by Fitzgerald discussing proposals to nominate him to the Senate after his recent electoral defeat. (Written on reverse of a letter from his auditors.

3 items

600 12 June 1944

Letter to Fitzgerald from Sean Ma Carthaigh outlining the points he made to the Taoiseach and others when proposing Fitzgerald's nomination to the Senate.

2pp

601 16 June 1951

Copy correspondence relating to Fitzgerald's nominating by South East Cork Comhairle Dailceantar for election to the Senate and his preferences for Senate Sub Panels.

2pp

602 25-27 June 1951

Letters of support from T.D.'s for Fitzgerald's nomination to the Senate.

3pp

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602a 8-13 May 1957

Correspondence relating to calls for fitzgerald's nomination as a Senator. Includes copy letter from Fitzgerald to Taoiseach Eamonn de Valera explaining he does not wish for a nomination as "I, have been disappointed in the failure of our Senate to secure a more meritorious position in the counsels of our people".

2 items

B LATER REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATIONS

I Old I.R.A. Men's Association

i General Correspondence

603 22 January - 5 February 1935

Correspondence relating to the Old I.R.A. Men's Association support of the Barrahourin Turf Society's complaint regarding the diversion of a road through their area of North Cork.

2pp

604 7 June 1943

Circular informing all members that the Old I.R.A.'s Men's Association have decided to support Walter Furlong (F.F.) in the forthcoming election.

1p

605 7 May - 7 June 1947

Correspondence file relating to fund raising by the Association for the George O'Reilly fund.

7pp

606 17 November 1951

Circular letter with copy reply from Fitzgerald regretting he will be unable to attend the meeting of Old I.R.A. and associated organisations but conveys his support.

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607 18 May 1952

Letter from the Old I.R.A Men's Association informing Fitzgerald they are having a Mass said for his late mother (Alice.

1p

608 April - 11 November 1952

Correspondence file relating to meetings of and subscriptions donated by Fitzgerald to the Old I.R.A. Benevolent Association. Includes Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Michael Burke Cobh (see) enclosing forms to sign for service medals (11 November.

10 items

609 November - 11 December 1953

Circulars from the Old I.R.A. Benevolent Association and copy reply from Fitzgerald hoping to attend their annual dinner.

3pp

610 1953

Seamus Fitzgerald's membership card for the Old I.R.A. Men's Association, Cork.

1p

611 26 March 1958

Copy of Rulebook of County Cork Old I.R.A. Benevolent Association, also subscription receipt for Fitzgerald.

2 items

612 September 1970

Circular from the County Cork Old I.R.A. Benevolent Association advertising a Commemoration Ceremony in St. Francis Hall, Sheares Street (Old Volunteer Hall) and Mass.

1p

613 [n.d.]

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Booklet 'Claims of the Old I.R.A.' prepared by the Old I.R.A. Pensions Committee.

8pp

614 [n.d.]

Circular outlining the Aims, Organisation and Membership Criteria of the Cork Old I.R.A. Men's Association.

1p

ii Material relating to General Tom Barry

615 29 July 1948

Newsclipping from the Sunday Independent of a photograph of Cork's Lord Mayor and General Tom Barry at a Garden Party for Kermesse Week.

1p

616 Post 1949

Material relating to allegations circulated by Clan na Gael I.R.A. veterans against Tom Barry, Malachy Conan and Jerry Lennon. Barry is stated to have 'deserted the Irish Republican Army when England was in her Greatest Difficulties'; Lennon and Conlon are charged with having "sworn Allegiance to the British King". Includes Clan na Gael Circular (1), also a circular refuting the accusations (2) and a cover letter from Kathleen O'Connell stating copies were sent to the Chief (de Valera).

3 items

616a 3-8 July 1952

Copy correspondence between Tom Barry and the organisers of an event to commemorate the Anglo-Irish Truce in 1951 in which he outlines his reasons for non co-operation with the planned events.

2pp

617 16 September 1968

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Tom Barry discussing Brian Lenihan's Dail Statement concerning the interview he gave to the Daily Telegraph which gave offense to Nationalists. Includes copies of the Dail Report 11 July.

4 items

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618 31 October 1968

MSS. notes by fitzgerald concerning statements by Peadar O'Donnell, Dan Breen and Tom Barry. (Also notes referring to U.C.C.)

1p

619 8 November - 15 October 1969

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Commandant Michael Leahy (see also , Cobh, enclosing a letter sent to Tom Barry from Mrs. Mairin Callahan of Dublin comparing the fine monument at Kilmichael "I always feel it must have a shattering effect on the hundreds of British tourists who slow down when passing to investigate" and the minute cross in an inaccessible yard marking the site of the Clonmult Ambush. Fitzgerald's letter agrees with Barry's suggestion the monument should be removed to the roadside.

2 items

620 []

Mass card for General Tom Barry.

1p

II Other Organisations

621 December 1949

Letter in Irish enclosing leaflet for Seadairt na Saoirse.

2pp

622 8 November 1954

Invitation to I.R.A. and Fianna Eireann meeting. Copy reply from fitzgerald stating he is unable to attend.

2pp

623 6 May 1958

Invitation with copy letter of regret to the A.O.H. show.

2pp

624 July 1969 - 21 October 1970

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File relating to Lory na Laoch (IRA veterans. Includes circular seeking donations for their tour of West and East Cork battle sites. Also letter from Guinness Group Sales declining to subscribe due to other commitments.

3 items

625 [n.d.]

Circular appeal from the National Aid Association of Republican Prisoner's Dependents Fund.

1p

626 [n.d.]

Circular "In Jail for Ireland" detailing internees in British Prisons.

1p

III Republican Memorials

i General Material

627 [1943]

Circular from the Easter Commemoration Committee informing of a Commemoration Ceremony at Macroom. (MSS. notes on reverse by Fitzgerald.

2pp

628 20 April 1944

Copy of will of James J. Walsh obtained from the Probate Registry 1948 detailing legacy's to the Lord Mayor of Dublin and the County Manager of Cork for Republican monuments to be erected.

6pp

629 June 1945

Programme for 'Aeridheacht Mhor Seachtmhan an Airm i gCorcaigh'.

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4pp

630 22 June 1945 - 3 July 1946

File containing minutes and circulars relating to the Thomas Davis Centenary Committee.

34 items

631 23 July 1945 - 14 September 1945

Correspondence relating to the activities of the 'Thomas

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Davis Centenary Commemoration Committee'

Includes 23 July 1945 - Copy letter from General Tom Barry (see above) to Alfred O'Rahilly, President of the Committee asserting it is "unrepresentative and unsuitable". Also clippings from the Cork Examiner relating to the publication of Barry's letter.

27 items

632 [1945]

Correspondence between P.J. Hartnett, Acting Curator, Cork Public Museum, Seamus Fitzgerald and Justice George Gavin Duffy regarding items lent by Gavin Duffy for the Museums Davis Exhibition.

633 1945

File of memorabilia, circulars, incitations, guides and booklets for activities relating to the Thomas Davis Memorial.

21 items

634 1946

Copy of Exhibition Guide for 'Cogadh na Saoirse 1916-1946 at Cork Public Museum.

4pp

635 October - December 1952

Material relating to the Liam Cox Memorial. Includes copy of Fitzgerald's Speech at the unveiling of the monument to Cox.

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- 20 items
- 636 1959
- Material relating to repatriation of the remains of Rev. Fr. Albert OFM Cap. and Rev. Fr. Dominic, OFM Cap.
- 3 items
- 637 21 March 1960
- Typescript documents 'Reflections on the Morality of the 1916 Revolution by Brother Brendan OFM Cap.
- 14pp
- 638 17 March 1963
- Booklet commemorating the visit by Eamonn de Valera to the Memorial for the Cork No. 1 Brigade, Republican Plot, St. Finbarr's, Cork.
- 639 8 November 1965 - March 1966
- Correspondence files relating to the organisation of activities to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Easter 1916. Includes extract from the Minutes of a Special Meeting of Cork county Council (28 april 1916) of a resolution assuring the King of their loyal support. Also typescript speech a prelude to "An Evocation, by Verse and Music of the Spirit of 1916.
- 27 items
- 640 3 April 1965
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Pdraig Walsh, Clonakilty, enclosing a subscription for a memorial to Michael Collins "I was with him in Frongoch in 1916 and was a colleague of his in the Second Dail. We disagreed afterwards but I always held him in esteem as one of the greatest Irishmen of his generation".
- 1p
- 641 March - October 1970
- File relating to a commemoration ceremony to honour Tomas MacCurtain, Terence MacSwiney, Michael Fitzgerald and Joe Murphy, Cork Volunteers. Includes Copies of Seamus Fitzgerald's speech on Michael Fitzgerald. Also circular eliciting support for the re-naming of the Cork County Hall "Terence MacSwiney County Hall". Also correspondence relating to the Derry Barry Memorial at Riverstick.

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17 items

642 13-26 February 1971

Letter from Paddy Higgens, Howth, Co. Dublin to Fitzgerald discussing the 50th Anniversary of the Clonmult Rout. Also copy letter from Fitzgerald to Michael Leahy discussing the lack of organisation for the ceremony. Also booklet commemorating Brigadier Cathal O'Murthile.

3 items

ii Speeches and statements by Seamus Fitzgerald

643 1971

Copy of speech marking the 50th Anniversary of 1921.

2pp

643a 1938

MSS. text of a speech by Fitzgerald discussing the Irish economy given at the opening of an Industrial Exhibition. Also cover letter from Tom Dowdall of Dowdall and O'Mahony, Cork commenting on the excellence of the Speech.

8pp

644 [n.d.]

MSS. of Speeches "to do honour to the memory of two gallant Corkmen who gave their young lives in the cause of Irish Freedom".

3pp

645 [n.d.]

MSS. of Speech to "citizens of Tipperary" honouring those who died.

645a [n.d.]

MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on the type of government system Ireland might have had "If Sinn Fein had won a united victory in 1921". Discusses also decentralisation of Government Departments.

5pp

646 22 December 1971

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Letter from Donall Farmer, RTE to Fitzgerald thanking him for his comments on the programme 'The Treaty Debate' and informing him a portion of his own speech will be broadcast, 3 January 1972.

iii Memorabilia

647 [n.d.]

Memorial card for Maire Nic Suibhne, with a note from his sister Eithne thanking people for their masses and prayers.

2 items

IV Publications

i Printed Books

648 1958

Two copies of pamphlet "Partition Today A Northern Viewpoint" by Norma Gibson.

2 items

649 October 1974

Community Report - Bulletin Published by the Dublin Office of the European Community.

pp

650 October 1976

Copies of 'The Ward' and 'Hibernia' magazines featuring articles on Loyalist ulster.

2 items

651 []

Two copies of booklet 'A New Departure in Northern Policy Appeal to the leaders of National Opinion' by Ernest Blythe.

2 items

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652 []

Copy "Ireland upon the Dissecting Table Connolly on Ulster and Partition".
Published by the Cork Workers Club.

68pp

ii Newsclippings

653 August 1935 - June 1966

Newsclippings of articles dealing with Northern Ireland and IRA activity there,
mainly from the years 1955 and 1966, from Irish and British Newspapers.

29 items

SECTION 3 PUBLIC SERVICE (1920-1971) (378 items)

A COBH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

I Early Involvement by Fitzgerald (1921-1922)

654 8-24 February 1920

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and the Queenstown Young Men's Society (1) he explains that as Chairman of Queenstown Urban Council he cannot attend their meeting (2) R. Cooney of the Society informs him they will not be giving him the stationery contract.

2 items

655 17 April 1920

Copy of letter sent by Fitzgerald while on the run, as Chairman of C.U.D.C., giving instructions to the Town Clerk for Council business in his absence. He is mainly concerned with the increased immigration traffic through Cobh. Also copybook headed "Local Government Studies on Election 1920 to Cobh U.D.C." it includes some copy correspondence such as a letter, 21 April 1920, to a Miss Murphy at Cumann na mBan urging that organisation "to check in every possible way the terrible emigrant name". He suggests traders boycott emigrants to help steer the tide.

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656 1920

Copy of statement by Fitzgerald as Chairman C.U.D.C. regarding arrests in the hope to "concentrate publicity on the cruel system of ruthless oppression practised by the English Government on our citizens". Also notes on agenda for C.U.D.C. Also copy of document by Fitzgerald outlining a scheme of co-partnership to foster employment.

7pp

657 4 January 1922

Printed Minutes of an adjoined meeting of the Committee of the county council to discuss the Poor Law System.

4pp

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658 7 January 1922

Letter from M. Ua Maoldoinnaigh, 28 St. Patrick's Square, Cobh, congratulating Fitzgerald on his speech and "mainly stand in An Dail" and requesting him to inquire as to why his appointment as Clerk of the Parish Council was not approved.

1p

659 22 April 1922

Draft of letter from Fitzgerald to D. Quaid, President Cobh Workers Council, clarifying his comments at the conference between the Transport Workers Union and the Cobh Urban District Council.

2pp

660 10 March 1922

MSS. report by Fitzgerald on the economic situation of Cobh.

3pp

661 [1922]

Draft of letter by Fitzgerald stating the vote to pass a 'Peace Resolution by the C.U.D.C. was not unanimous as he voted against it, declaring "Unit can not be achieved on the basis of the treaty".

1p

II General Activity of C.U.D.C.

i Minutes and reports

662 August 1920 - August 1941

Typescript minutes of meetings of Cobh Urban District Council.

23 items

663 [1935]

Draft by Fitzgerald of Chairman's Report to C.U.D.C. outlining the achievement of the year.

1p

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664 1935-1939

File of material relating to C.U.D.C. Includes a report on the Cobh Water System [1938]; matters relating to a dispute over the crown on the Royal Cork Yaught Club Flag 1938; Report on the County Forestry Scheme 1937; Relief works on the Cork and Passage Railway.

13 items

665 25 September 1939

Copy of memorandum of a Conference between the Department of Supplies and The Importers and Refiners of Mineral Hydrocarbon Oils.

2pp

666 1947

Report on attendance at the Municipal Conference, Arklow, Co. Wicklow. MSS. notes on reverse.

5pp

667 []

Copy of Report on the Scheme to abolish the Workhouse System and for the future Institutional Treatment of the Poor of the County and City of Cork.

6pp

ii Council Activities

668 []

Copy of speech on C.U.D.C. motion to purchase ground rents.

6pp

669 []

File relating to reports on rail and road services for Cobh.

6pp

670 []

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Notes by Fitzgerald on the calculation of superannuation allowances to Employees of Local Authorities.

2pp

671 11 May 1938

Draft of Fitzgerald's address to Eamonn de Valera on behalf of C.U.D.C. on the occasion of the handing over of the Forts. He hopes "may it not be long until Ireland is seen wholly Free and Gaelic".

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672 1 September 1939

Copy of declaration by C.U.D.C. on the outbreak of war.

1p

iii Cobh Tourist Development

673 1926 - 1928

Material relating to the founding of the 'Cove Tourist Development and Local Improvement Association'. Later the Cobh Tourist Association.

5 items

674 1938

Copies of the Valuation Bill 1936 and the Tourist Traffic Bill 1938 debated by Cobh Urban District Council.

2 items

675 []

Draft of circular promoting the objects and organisation of the Cobh People's Regatta Association.

2pp

iv Local Rates

676 1933 - 1935

Copies of the Poor Rate Estimates for years ending 31 March 1934, 31 March 1935.

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2 items

677 1936

Printed copy of General Estimate of Rates for Cork and a copy of Cork County council Estimate of Rates. MSS. annotations.

2 items

678 1938

Notes on rates paid and wages received in England. Also statistics on British unemployment.

2pp

679 []

Draft of a letter by Fitzgerald to a local paper responding to criticisms of Cobh Urban Rates.

2pp

III Correspondence

i General

680 27-28 February 1929

Copy letter from Fitzgerald, Chairman C.U.D.C. to Mr. Sharpe, Manager, Queenstown Dry Docks, Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. Ltd. inquiring about their ability to build a vessel for the City of Cork Steam Packet Co. Reply states they receive @ £5,000 p.a. worth of work from the Steam Co. and do not wish to discuss the matter in case the Chairman of the Steam Co. would take offense.

2 items

681 16 January 1934

Copy of typescript letter from The Cobh Town Tenants Association addressed to Joseph Carroll, Agent Rushbriik Estate explaining that due to the economic downturn they cannot meet their rents.

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2pp

682 1 July 1937

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to David Frame, Hammond Land Foundry, informing him of his itency in Dublin.

1p

683 5 March - 6 May 1940

File relating to meetings of C.U.D.C. Includes correspondence relating to Fitzgerald's complaint to the Sunday Independent over an article headed 'Government launch complaint at Cobh'.

9 items

684 7-10 December 1940

Correspondence relating to a request from the Secretary of the Department of Industry and Commerce for numbers of available skilled men in the Cork Harbour District.

2 items

685 12 May 1941

Copies of letter sent by Fitzgerald on behalf of C.U.D.C. to Sean McEntee, Minister for Industry and Commerce regarding the use of Rushbrook Docks for repairs to Irish Ships.

2 items

686 31 January 1948

Letter to Fitzgerald from Phil O'Neill (Republican Councillor C.U.D.C.) apologising for his behaviour on the night of Fitzgerald's public speech, but declaring he is still "indignant at the corrupt practices of local Fianna Fail adherents", who is asserts stock local firms with their own choice of employees as a result of which local firms are corrupt and inefficient. Rants especially about Englishmen being given highly paid jobs in Rushbrook and gives examples of incompetent work practices at the Steel Mills. Also note by Paddy Fitzgerald giving Seamus background information on O'Neill.

6pp

687 28-29 July 1950

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Correspondence between J. Lawton, Director Coleman's Stores, Cobh and Fitzgerald discussing the outcome of Coleman's case against the Rushbrooke Estate. Fitzgerald agrees the whole matter should be left to C.U.D.C.

2 items

688 10 September 1951

Letter from Fitzgerald to Arthur Powell, Cobh Town Clerk excusing himself from a C.U.D.C. meeting with Sean Lemass due to a Director's meeting at Rushbrooke Dockyard which he could not miss "In view of the possible repercussions of the shipping strike on the activities of Rushbrook Dockyard.

1p

689 30 June - 4 September 1952

Cover letters from Arthur Powell enclosing (1) Record of business transacted by the Manager at his meeting (2) letter from Proless Wats on methods for the Chlorination of Cobh's water supply (see below.

4 items

690 10-16 January 1953

Circulars from Arthur Powell (1) concerning proposed improvements to Cobh's water supply (2) advising of the opening ceremony of the Council Housing Scheme at Newton. Copy reply from Fitzgerald regrets he is unable to attend.

4 items

691 4 April 1968 - 17 July 1968

Correspondence between Fitzgerald, Patrick O'Mahony C.U.D.C. and the Bishop of Cloyne, John J. Ahern, regarding a new usage for the Yaught Club premises. Fitzgerald proposes a Technical School or Garda Barracks.

2 items

692 25 July 1968

Photocopy of telegram from C.U.D.C. congratulating Verlome Cork Dockyards on securing an order for a new Ferry boat.

1p

ii Threatening Letters

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693 January 1951

Postcards and a letter to "Councillor Fitzgerald Electrician Shop near Singers Cork". They attach Fitzgerald's attitude towards "a great and honoured

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lady" (2) Veronica the Vice-Chairman of Cobh U.D.C. The letter states her photograph is displayed in a local shop "it is the most beautiful photo I have ever seen you will roast with jealousy". They are written in a rambling immature hand.

3 items

694 1952

Letters received by Cobh Town Clerk signed 'Justice Must Be Done', the writer threatens acts of sabotage "unless justice is done to those effected in Carrigtwohill" including poisoning and blocking the water mains of Cove (SIC) Midleton and Carrigtwohill cutting off of the E.S.B. Supply "scientifically". the second letter states the time has come to put the threats into action.

2 items

IV Electioneering Material

i Letters of Support

695 August 1924

Letter from Cobh F.F. Cumainn assuring Fitzgerald of their support for his candidate as Chairman of C.U.D.C.

1p

696 29 May 1944

Letter from Michael Sheehan, Honorary Secretary Cork and Blackrock Fisherman's Association to Fitzgerald expressing the unequivocal support that organisation has for him.

1p

ii Election Circulars

697 1934-1950

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File of circulars and leaflets for F.F. candidates (including Fitzgerald) to C.U.D.C.
7 items

698 26 June 1934
Pamphlet urging support for Michael Fitzgerald in the Cobh U.D.C. elections.
2 items

699 [n.d.]
Election leaflet for Fine Gael.
1p

iii Results

700 1947
MSS. total of votes cast in C.U.D.C. election.
1p

701 [n.d.]
MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on results for various C.U.D.C. elections, also official returns.
7 items

V Newsclippings

702 1922-1965
Newsclippings relating to the activities of C.U.D.C.
15 items

B CORK HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS

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I General Involvement

i 1920-1923

703 6 April 1920

Circular giving agenda for meeting of Cork Harbour Commissioners. MSS. notes on reverse by Fitzgerald on Sinn Fein and what it represents.

4pp

704 8 January 1922

MSS. memorandum discussing the connection of Cork Harbour Commissioners and Rushbrooke Docks.

2pp

705 20 September 1922

Printed copy of CMC Engineer's Report on re-building Fishguard Berth Wall, Penrose Quay Breach, North Custom House Quay Breach and alterations to the Custom House Stores.

4pp

706 April 1923

Printed copy of reports from CHC Engineer's and General Manager discussing the proposed Dry Dock.

12pp

707 15 May 1923

Printed report from CHC on Cork Harbour.

12pp

708 December 1923

Printed copy of CHC Engineer's Report on Tivoli Reclamation Scheme. (see below)

10pp

ii 1924

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709 March-May 1924

Tivoli Reclamation Scheme Copy of and Documents relating to the Report by Ernest Catham on the scheme.

3 items

710 7 May 1924-3 October 1934

Ballast Wharf - Material relating to the decay of Ballast Wharf Cobh.

3 items

711 10 June 1924

Printed Copy of CHC Engineer's Report on Mud Pumping.

6pp

712 1 July 1924

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to J.J. Horgan, Chairman CHC explaining his reasons for voting for Saunders as Assistant Harbour Engineer, the major factor being he was the only Republican applicant and very few positions are open to republicans who will not declare loyalty to the Free State Government.

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713 25 July 1924

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to [] inquiring should he sign the declaration accepting office to the CHC before a Free State District Justice or complain against the procedure.

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iii 1925

714 23 March 1925

Copies of CHC Engineer's Report on River Improvements.

8pp

715 27 May 1925

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Copy of CHC engineer's Report on improving Barge Attendance on their Dredger.
4pp
- 716 16 September 1925
Report by James Price to CHC reporting on repairs to No. 1 Hopper (small vessel)
1p
- 717 30 September 1925
Report from CHC Engineer on Estimates of Cost for Tivoli Reclamation Scheme.
2pp
- 718 1925
CHC end of year Report.
9pp
iv 1927-1928
- 719 1 June 1927-13 August 1927
Copies of Engineer's Reports on the workings of the Dredger Loughmaha. Also notes by Fitzgerald on same.
4 items
- 720 June - July 1928
File relating to claims by Fitzgerald that he was denied re-election to the Harbour Board by Free State Prejudice and attaching in particular Commissioner Philip Monaghan.
11 items
- 721 16 August - 27 October 1928
Doelis Resumption Committee
File enclosing documents and correspondence relating to the attempt to prevent closure of the Queenstown Dry Docks Shipbuilding and Engineering Company.
10 items

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1930-1936

722 Copy of report of CHC Sub-Committee on Rushbrooke Docks.

8pp

723 14 September - 12 November 1930

Letter plus draft from Fitzgerald as Chairman CHC to Eamonn de Valera, President Executive Council, outlining the possibilities for heavy Industry in the Cobh area and enclosing a copy of his statement on the subject made at a recent luncheon of CHC. Reply from P.S. O'Muireadhaigh, Private Secretary, discusses government views on the different possibilities including a seaplane and aeroplane base.

3 items

724 16-19 October 1934

Copy correspondence between E. Gaynor, General Manager CHC and Messrs. Haulbowline Industries who are disputing Tonnage Dues.

4 items

725 6 December 1934

Copy of minutes of a CHC meeting.

4pp

726 23 January 1935

Copies of letters from R.F. O'Connor, Cork County Surveyor to the Secretary Inter-Departmental Committee on Public Works discussing (1) scheme to reclaim land of Belvelly for an aerodrome (2) Proposals for relief works on a road to replace the old Cork and Passage railway line.

2 items

727 1-6 February 1935

Letter to Fitzgerald from A. Maguire, chairman Cork Harbour Board discussing his resignation in protest against the £100 increase voted to the collector of dues. He feels "the only hope for the Harbour Board is to do what has been done in the

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Corporation, namely, the appointment of a Manager or a Commissioner to take hold of the whole concern" (2.

2 items

728 29 July 1935

Invitation to Fitzgerald, CHC, from the Directors of Dunlops to a dinner to celebrate the opening of their new factory.

1 item

729 December 1935

Documents relating to new regulations on registering Tonnage and Tonnage rates for ships over 20,000 tonnage. Includes Details of passenger carryings and tonnage of ships in Cork Harbour 1934/35.

4 items

1936-1938

730 6 February 1936

Letter Fitzgerald from Alfred O'Rahilly, Registrar U.C.C. who has been asked to recommend a candidate for the position of Harbour Board Solicitor.

1p

731 7 July 1936

Agenda for meeting of CHC, with some MSS. notes on same by Fitzgerald.

6pp

732 8 September 1936

Invitation to a luncheon hosted by the Lord Mayor to celebrate the opening of Cork City Hall.

1p

733 9 December 1936

Letter from Con O'Leary, Chairman F.F. Comhairle Ceanntar congratulating Fitzgerald on his election as Chairman of the Cork Harbour Board "which we believe is the greatest victory achieved since the first capture of the Lord Mayoralty of Cork".

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734 26 April 1937

Copy letter to Sean Lemass, requesting him to meet a deputation representing Cork Dock Interests to discuss a proposal to cut off sea-borne imports into Cork.

1p

735 21 March 1937

Menu for lunch to celebrate the inaugural sailing of the Anchor Line Cobh to USA service.

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736 1937 - April 1947

Correspondence file between Fitzgerald and Senior Civil Servants regarding proposals to establish an operating Dry Dock at Haulbowline.

25 items

737 11 July 1938

Material relating to celebrations to mark the formal handing over by the British Authorities of the Naval base on Spike Island.

3 items

738 December 1938

Personalised Christmas Cards for Fitzgerald as Chairman of the CHC.

2 items

1939

739 7 February - March 1939

Material (mostly newsclipping) relating to the visit to Cork Harbour of the German Naval training Ship "Schlesion", and the refusal of the Lord Mayor to welcome it because of German Press references to the late Pope. Includes letter (1 March 1939) from R.J. Daly, Daly & Foley Shipping Agents supporting Fitzgerald's welcome of the ship "The Germans are a very fine race and it is their affair entirely as to what form of government they wish for themselves".

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740 26 May 1939

Letters sent to CHC and the Minister for Industry and Commerce from [] London House, London concerning the lack of a wireless Telegraph and Radar Station in Eire for communication with ships in the Irish Sea.

2 items

741 17 June 1939

Invitation to Fitzgerald as Chairman CHC to a Garden Party at Aras an Uachtaran.

1 item

742 30 August 1939

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to E. Gayer, discussing the movement of supplies and ships in the event of war and the bypassing of the Port of Cork.

2pp

743 6 September 1939

Copy of minutes of a meeting of CHC.

8pp

744 15 September 1939

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to S. Leydon, Secretary Department of supplies discussing the possibility of acquiring the cargo of two oil tankers in Cork Harbour. He suggests using the vessels themselves as cheap storage by offering them anchor for the duration of the war. Also MSS. jottings on petrol and benzene supplies.

2pp

745 September - October 1939

Details of passenger traffic for 9 months ended 30 September and Cargo figures for the Fishguard Service January - October 1939.

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746 8-21 November 1939

Copy minutes of a CHC meeting and a report of the deputation to T.J. Flynn Assistant Secretary, Department Industry and Commerce to discuss Cork Port during the war. Also copy agenda of meeting 21 November.

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13pp

747 10 November 1939 - 1940

Correspondence file relating to deputations made to Fitzgerald as Chairman of the CHC to use his influence to put pressure on the Government regarding the hunger strikes in Arbour Hill, Prison. Includes (1) Letter from Donncaid O'Criostan, Cork IRA calling on Fitzgerald to support demands for the release of all Republican prisoners. Also letters from Cogha MacCarthaigh (2) and A. O'Matghanlna giving Fitzgerald details of the Hunger Strikers and a copy letter from Fitzgerald to de Valera discussing his handling of the matter.

8 items

748 29 November 1939

Incomplete copy of minutes of a CHC meeting to consider a report on its own running.

3pp

749 29 November - 4 December 1939

Circular letter inviting relevant bodies to send representatives to a meeting of the Cork Harbour Board to discuss the effect of war conditions on Cork Port. Also copy of Harbour Board statement read at the meeting and jotted notes by Fitzgerald.

4pp

750 1 December 1939

Circular letter from Eugene Gayer to Harbour Commissioners advising against expenditure on Relief Works that year.

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751 4 December 1939

Income and Expenditure accounts of the CHB 1930-1940.

2pp

1940 - 1946

752 17 January 1940

Copy minutes of a meeting of C.H.C.

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4pp

753 17 January 1940

Copy letter from F.O.C. Saunders, Harbour Engineer to Eugene Gayer, General Manager CHC discussing the condition of the Albert Quay wall.

2pp

754 4 April 1940

Copy of memorandum from the Department of Industry and Commerce to the CHC requesting facilities be made available to the 4 Sweedish Destroyers accompanying the Sweedish Steamer "Patricia" en route to Sweden. Also copy letter from Arthur Powell, Cobh Town Clerk requesting the Council's good wishes be passed on to the officers of the Destroyers.

2pp

755 [1940's]

Typescript of Resume of Seamus Fitzgerald from the Chairman's Room, Harbour Office Cork.

1p

756 [n.d.]

Typescript notes on plans to bolster trade in Cork Port during the war. (1) Try to get Eire declared a safety zone for American Shipping.

1p

757 22 May 1943

Site Plan for Proposed Amenity Scheme at Blackrock Harbour.

1pp

758 6 July 1943

Typescript "Port of Cork" by Seamus Fitzgerald.

3pp

759 19 March 1946

- PR6/
Copy of statement by P. Monahan, City Manager to the CHC's regarding co-operation in planning with the Corporation.
2pp
- 760 1946
Copy of summary of Tonnage and Goods due to the Harbour Commissioners and rough notes on post war Harbour Rates.
2pp
- 1947 - 1952
- 761 31 October 1947
Copy of letter from The Southern Capital Oil Company to S. Gayer, C.H.C's informing him they wish to take up an option to lease a 2 acre site at Tivoli from the Commissioners.
1p
- 762 13 July 1950
Letter from Robert McCone & Sons, Tralee assuring Fitzgerald of the firms support for his nomination to the Harbour Board.
1p
- 763 19 March - 18 July 1951
Documents relating to Haulbowline Oil Jetty giving estimates of size and depth of water.
3 items
- 764 2 September 1951
Note from [] enclosing a plan of the Cylinder placings for the new jetty at Haulbowline.
2pp
- 765 8 May 1952
Menu for lunch hosted by the Lord Mayor in honour of the visit to Cork by Mr. & Mrs. James A. Fahy of New York.

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2pp

766 17 December 1952

Copy letter of protest from the General Manager CHC to Liffey Dockyard Co.; A.C. Horne & Co.; The Cork Worker's Council and the Cork Council for Irish Unions regarding the transfer of the Greek vessel 'Nereus' from the port of Cork to Dublin for repair. Also newspaper report from the Cork Examiner referring to the incident.

2 items

1954 - 1958

767 February 1954

Copy minutes of a meeting of CHC's, with MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on reverse.

6pp

768 4 November 1954

Letter from Eugene Gayer, General Manager CHC reporting on the reduction of services, especially telegraphic services, in the Cobh Post Office.

1p

769 15 March 1956

Circular from Eugene Gayer advising of a meeting to discuss a compensation claim, and a Union Claim for increased differentials for Engineering Members. (MSS. notes on reverse by Fitzgerald refer to the setting up of the cork Economic Development council. Also typescript of rates.

2 items

770 10 August 1956

Copy of Directive from the Department of Industry and Commerce referring to the 1947 Memorandum by the Harbour Commissioners regarding the establishment of a Free Port in Cork. It states that the matter was dropped due to lack of support from potential customers and the substantial expenditure involved. Also report marked 'Private and Confidential' advocating Cork as a Free Port site.

13pp

771 19 August 1957

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Letter from Daniel [O'Dea], Managing Director The Kerryman requesting Fitzgerald's opinion on a recent article calling for an Irish Passenger ship to operate a cross-channell service from May to September.

1p

772 1957

Booklet "The Development of the River Port of Cork City" by F.O'C Saunders.

30pp

773 30 August 1958

Dinner menu commemorating the visit of the 'Amerigo Vespucci'.

2pp

774 10 October 1958

Letter from Tadhg Manley, Upper Glanmire, Cork congratulating Fitzgerald "on your faith in Cork Harbour and your feracity and perserverance till you get results." Also copy minutes of a CHC meeting where a vote of thanks was taken in recognition of Fitzgerald's efforts in getting Verlome to Cork "this development

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would stand as a monument to his practical patriotism over the years.

2pp

775 15 November 1958

Letter from E. Gayer informing Fitzgerald he has been appointed by the Harbour Commissioners to represent them at the A.G.M. of Cara (Irish Language Organisation. Encloses Cara Circular.

2 items

1960 - 1967

776 19 September 1960

Copy of Acting Harbour Engineer's Report of work in progress. MSS. annotations by Fitzgerald.

2pp

- PR6/
777 19 September 1960
- Copy of minutes of a meeting of the Harbour Commissioners. MSS. notes by Fitzgerald.
- 2pp
- 778 6 November 1961
- Incomplete report of a conference held by the Harbour Commissioners.
- 2pp
- 779 19 December 1961
- Cover letter from J.J. Blachard, Staff Officer Harbour Office, Cobh, to Eugene Gayer enclosing a list of pilots expenses and allowances. Also copy of Pilotage (Amendment) Bill 1961.
- 3 items
- 780 4 January 1962
- Copy letter from the Harbour Engineer to Eugene Gayer reporting on the notice required to be given to the Birhenhead corporation on the termination of the Charter of the "Bidston".
- 1p
- 781 15 September 1962
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Tom Doyle, Chairman CHC requesting to be particularly associated with the vote of condolence to the family of the late Donal Og O'Ceallach and that his remarks be passed on to the press for publication.
- 1p
- 782 1962
- Partial copy of minutes of a meeting of the CHC.
- 1p
- 783 1962
- Article "The Development of shipbuilding in Cork Harbour" by P.G. Martin.
- 11pp

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784 17 June 1963

Invitations to the ceremony at the City Hall, Cork to witness the conferring of the Freedom of the City on John F. Kennedy, 28 June, 1963.

2 items

785 28 May 1965

typescript copy of eulogy on the death of the recently retired ex-Chairman of CHC.

2pp

786 18 September 1967

Draft of address by Fitzgerald to the CHC special meeting of Public Bodies discussing of the B&I Line Car Ferry proposals.

1p

787 20 November 1967

Letter enclosing programme from the Students Representative Council, U.C.C. to the General Manager and Secretary Cork Harbour Commissioners inviting him to their teach - in weekend on "The State of the North".

2 items

1970 - 1971

788 January - February 1970

File of letters, newspaper clippings and votes of congratulations commemorating Fitzgerald's 50th year of service to the Harbour Commissioners. Includes Copy of extract from the minutes of the first meeting he attended 4th February 1920, and copies of Fitzgerald's speech to the Harbour Commissioners marking his 50 years.

23 items

789 5 April 1971

Copy letter from the Cork Harbour Commissioners to Seamus Fitzgerald expressing "their deep regret on the death of your husband".

1p

Undated

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790 [n.d.]

Incomplete draft with corrections of speech "Chuan agus Claadhport Chorcaighe."

1p

791 [n.d.]

Copies of Seamus fitzgerald's statement as Chairman Cork Harbour Commissioners on the future of the Steel Industry at an A.G.M. of Irish Steel Limited. Also Chairman's Statement.

3 items

792 [n.d.]

MSS. notes on carriers in the Irish Sea.

1p

793 [n.d.]

Typescript copy of summary of negotiations concerning the proposed repair of Brian Boru Bridge.

8pp

794 [n.d.]

Port of Cork Handbook.

14pp

Newsclippings referring to Cork Harbour Commissions.

795 1890 - 1960

Files of newsclippings relating to Cork Harbour Commissioners.

11 items

II Cork Maritime Inscription And Local Defence Force

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i War Games with Local Defense Forces

796 October 1940

Notebook containing carbon duplication of messages for the LDF No. 33 "Watch A Your lamp it keeps going off". No. 35 "Lorry of Troops past down Summerhill Firing. Have any news".

35pp

797 18-20 October 1941

Local Defense documents message forms, delivery docket, Unit Journals the Maritime Inscription. Includes Message Forms detailing every movements and instructions "Message read from Monkstown. they understand enemy is in Carrigaline. Ready to evacuate LDF to Passage if necessary" (19 October No. 12.

c 60 items

798 18-20 October 1941

Maritime Inscription documents, message forms, delivery docket and rough notes relating to war games held with the LDF "16.50, 19 October 1941 "Blackrock Castle Captured", details of codes etc. used.

c 90 items

799 November 1940 - October 1941

Newsclippings for the Evening Echo (13 November 1940) and the Cork Examiner (14 October 1941) referring to the organisation and drilling of the Maritime Inscription Force.

3 items

ii Competent Port Authority

800 14 June 1940 - 14 September 1940

Diary kept by Fitzgerald recording the organisation and drilling of the Competent Port Authority. Daily missions and activities are recorded. "Tuesday 18 June 1940 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. By small tug-boat an inspection of

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Harbour Entrance and leading lights. Landed Carlisle and inspected Eastern Channel leading lights.

c 60pp

801 6 - 28 September 1968

Letter from A.T. Lawler to Fitzgerald confirming his application for an Emergency Medal, as an ex-officer of the Marine Service Competant Port Authority was successful, and enclosing a letter to that effect from the Department of Defense. Also Certificate of Service.

3 items

C CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

I Cobh Chamber Of Commerce

802 27 May - 2 June 1932

Circular advising of a meeting to establish a Cobh Chamber of Commerce; MSS. notes by Fitzgerald listing likely participants and circular advising of the launch of the Chamber. Also letter from Arthur Powell, cobh Town Clerk regretting he will be unable to attend the meeting.

4 items

803 2 June 1932

Letter from the Department of Industry and Commerce congratulating Fitzgerald on the successful formation of Cobh Chamber of Commerce.

1p

804 1 September 1932

Letter from [] Graham's Terrace, Cobh, to the Chairman Cobh Chamber of Commerce, inquiring about regulation regarding the establishment of a biscuit factory by an "outside firm".

1p

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ii Cork Chamber Of Commerce

i Correspondence

805 8 January 1951 - 5 August 1961

Correspondence file relating to activities of the Cork Chamber of Commerce. Includes 8 January 1951, copies of a letter from Fitzgerald to Eamonn de Valera reiterating the points he made at a meeting of the Cork Chamber of Commerce and the Minister for Industry & Commerce on crises in the international Economic scene and the danger of strikes at home. Includes 6 April 1961 copy of a statement by Lt. Gen. M.J. Costello to Tuam Chamber of

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Commerce berating industries that hire girls at a lower rate than men and so keep the bread winner out of work.

19 items

ii Meetings

806 11 January 1951

Agenda for Quaterly meeting at the Executive Council of the Association of Chambers of Commerce of Ireland 17 January, also minutes of meeting 18 October 1950.

3pp

807 February 1956

MSS. notes on address given to a meeting of the Cork Chamber of Commerce by Most Rev. Cornelius Lucey, Bishop of Cork.

1p

808 3 April - 2 August 1956

Circular letters informing of meetings and minutes of Cork Chamber of Commerce, some with MSS. notes by Fitzgerald.

5 items

809 16 November 1956

Copy of Budget Recommendations submitted to the Association of Chambers of Commerce of Ireland.

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1p

810 [n.d.]

Partial copy of minutes of a meeting of Cork chamber of Commerce discussing offers by a Hotel to sell them their premises.

2pp

811 iii Memoribelia
1956 - 1957

Newsclippings reporting on the appointment of Fitzgerald as President Cork Chamber of Commerce. Also calling card for Fitzgerald.

9 items

812 23 June 1957

Article by Fitzgerald as President Cork Chamber of Commerce "Economic Development Councils are vitally needed" published in the Sunday Press. Also draft.

7pp

813 [n.d.]

Booklet advertising The Economist Intelligence Unit of Ireland Ltd., Business Research and Advisory Services.

6pp

814 [n.d.]

Brochure advertising a Pageant of Progress of Irish Industry and Agriculture to be held in London by Irish Exhibitions Ltd.

9pp

III Cork Economic Development Council

i Establishment

815 13 March - 2 August 1956

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File relating to the establishment of the Cork Economic Development council.
Includes drafts and final copy of a circular inviting interested parties to the inaugural meeting. Includes Document "Reflections on the setting up of a CEDC" outlining its aims and structure.

7 items

816 7 April 2 August 1956

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Dr. J.F. Beddy, Chairman Irish Industrial Authorities advising him on the formation and aims of the C.E.D.C.

3 items

817 15 May 1956

Copy letter sent by the Chamber of commerce to Most Rev. Dr. C. Lucey, Bishop of Cork informing him of the

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establishment of the C.E.D.C. which hopes to "exercise the strongest bias in favour of development in the county towns rather than in the city."

2pp

818 23 May 1956

Notes by Fitzgerald on the organisation of the CEDC on reverse of a letter from the Advertising Manager Landmark discussing advertising by fitzgerald & Co.

2pp

819 [n.d.]

List of members of the C.E.D.C., also draft statements by Fitzgerald on the development of the C.E.D.C. and the role of Development councils in general.

4 items

ii Minutes and Reports

820 16 March 1959

Copy minutes of a meeting of the C.E.D.C.

1p

- PR6/
821 20 February - August 1961
- File of circulars advertising meetings of the C.E.D.C. with draft of minutes 8 August.
Minutes for meetings 27 April, 1961, 31 August 1961.
- 19 items
- 822 6 July 1961
- Copy report from Fitzgerald to J.B. Coughlan, Secretary Cork Chamber of
Commerce, detailing the activities of the C.E.D.C., sent in case he would be unable
to attend that evening's meeting.
- 1p
- 823 4 December 1965
- Summary for C.E.D.C. of a meeting of the Officer Board.
- 3pp
- 824 iii Correspondence with Foreign Industrialists
29 April 1957
- Letter to the C.E.D.C. from Hausten Canning Co., Sweden enclosing their Export
price list of canned fish and declaring "and we hope that any of your members is
interested in import from Sweden in this line".
- 2 items
- 825 22 February - 20 April 1960
- Correspondence relating to an unsuccessful attempt by the C.E.D.C. to attract Herman
C. Starck to establish a branch of his Freight business in Cork. Also includes
correspondence on Starck's wish to set up a refractory in Cork.
- 18 items
- 826 27 August - 8 November 1960
- Correspondence file between Helsingborg Frys and the C.E.D.C. regarding the
former's wish to set up a new industry in Ireland.
- 7pp
- 827 5-7 November 1960

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Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Liam Collins, Solicitor, Clonakilty, Co. Cork regarding the establishment of a Plastics Industry by a German Firm. Collins thanks him for his assistance stating "It would appear that Pdraig Walsh was quite correct when he advised that Seamus Fitzgerald is a man who would and could help us a lot."
- 3 items
- 828 26 July 1961
- Copies of a letter from Fitzgerald to the Managing Director, Clarkson engineering Ltd., Werwickshire, England putting forward the proposal that they should build their new factory in Cork rather than Germany.
- 3 items
- 829 16 December 1961 - January 1962
- Letter from Thomas A, Terchman, Thermoplastische Fabritiatieur inquiring about legal conditions to be bet when opening a factory in Ireland. mentions he would be employing "only unskilled, female workers". Copy reply specifies regulations.
- 4 items
- 830 29 December 1961 - 28 February 1962
- Correspondence file between Thomas Thompson & Son Ltd. and the C.E.D.C. concerning an abortive bid to build a steel ball factory in Ireland. The business was located to Southern Italy.
- 7 items
- 831 6-9 February 1962
- Correspondence between Timothy Murphy, Surrey and the C.E.D.C. regarding his proposed establishment of a tiling factory in Ireland. Includes copy of Patent Specification No. 23,045 for Murphy's Improved Method and means for lining wall, ceiling, floor or other surfaces.
- 7 items
- 832 [n.d.]
- Copy letter from Guenthar Hartmann informing of a change of address to 15 Duke Street, Dublin.
- 1p
- 833 1964

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List of correspondence files of the C.E.D.C.

2 items

iv General Correspondence

834 1-15 June 1956

Correspondence relating to the drafting of a Questionnaire devised by the C.E.D.C. to establish the viability for industries of Cork towns and districts.

5pp

835 8 May 1957

Letter from N.M. Griffin, Waterford Glass Ltd. thanking Fitzgerald for his assistance during Griffin's visit to Cork to study the C.E.D.C. and promising to keep him informed of any similar development in Waterford.

1p

836 August 1961

Letter from S.M. Breathnach, Chairman, Development Publications Ltd., Dublin inquiring if Fitzgerald could purchase a copy of the Cork City and County Directory for them.

1p

837 5 August 1961

Letter from A. O'Scoilaidhe, Secretary Irish Institute of Secretaries inquiring if he could have 185 copies of the C.E.D.C. publication "Cork Facts for Industry".

1p

838 29 March - 7 April 1962

Copy letters sent by Fitzgerald to S.F. Thompson, Thompson & Co, Cork, regarding discussions with James Daly & Son, Cork concerning the 'Cork Makes it' Exhibition.

2 items

v Publications

839 [1966]

Drafts of booklets designed to promote Cork and outline the Chief attractions of participating in the growing industrial development in Cork City and County.

5 items

- PR6/
840 [n.d.]
Mock up of Brochure "Opportunities for Industrialists Cork City and County".
7pp
- 841 [n.d.]
Draft of Community Monograph produced by the C.E.D.C. to highlight the attractions for industrial or commercial organisations at the Bailecarrig area of Co. Cork.
20pp
- 842 31 May - 15 July 1966
Letter from James Elliott, Dowdall O'Mahony & Co. Ltd. discussing the printing and distribution of the C.E.D.C. booklet. Copy reply from Fitzgerald inquires when is the printing bill to be settled and when will the rest of the brochures arrive.
2 items
- vii Ancillary Material
- 843 18 September 1934
Copy of circular 'To all firms interested in Ireland' issued by the Federation of British Industries, Manchester, warning potential investors that the Irish political scene is shaky and "serious trouble is likely to break out before very long". It suggests all accounts should be made payable in English pounds to prevent losses in case of depreciation of the Irish Currency.
1p
- 844 1855 - []
File of notes by Fitzgerald on the C.E.D.C. and Industry in general. Includes notebook containing jottings on the industrialisation of British cities [Journal of a trip].
17pp
- 845 1961
List detailing new industries in Ireland with Foreign Participation 1955-1961.
5pp

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846 January 1962
- Newspaper clipping outlining changes in the Regulations regarding Technical assistance Grants to Promote Productive Efficiency in Industry.
- 1p
- 847 []
- File of government publications on Irish Industry and Agriculture.
- 9 items
- IV Involvement In The Establishment of Local Industry**
- i Correspondence regarding proposed industries.
- 848 January - 8 June 1933
- Correspondence regarding a proposed Cement Factory to be established in the Cork area. Includes memo by R.F. O'Connor, County Surveyor recommending Little Island for the site.
- 5 items
- 849 25 April 1935 - 8 May 1935
- File relating to investigations on the adoption of Native Oil Bearing Plants as a new Irish Industry. Includes correspondence between Prof Joseph Reilly (Department of Science U.C.C.) and Edward McLysaght discussing the potential of the idea.
- 8 items
- 849a 5 June 1935
- Copy letter to the Department of Industry and Commerce supporting an appeal by Messrs. O'Connor Bros. of Cork to import Saloon motor cars.
- 1p
- 850 24 June 1935

- PR6/
Copy letter from Mitsubishi Shoji Haisha Ltd. to the Department of Industry and Commerce inquiring as to which part of their proposal to set up a cycle factory was unacceptable to the Minister.
- 1p
- 851 15 February - 6 August 1937
- File relating to proposals to establish a Chrome-Leather Tannery at Passage West, Co. Cork. Includes 6 August 1937 letter from Captain Mackey, Passage West confirming the effluent from such a factory would be harmful to wildlife but detailing ways of processing it.
- 15 items
- 851a 27 January 1953
- Correspondence between Fitzgerald and R.P. Keyes of Messrs. Keyes Drapers, Bantry regarding the promotion of Industry in Bantry.
- 60pp
- 852 1 February - 14 March 1938
- Letters from C.W. Loveridge, Cloyne Colloidal Clay Co. Ltd. to Fitzgerald (1) detailing the finances of the company (2) inviting him to a lecture on the company. Copy reply from Fitzgerald regrets he cannot attend but he asserts government money could not be better spent than on companies such as Loveridges.
- 3 items
- 853 13 June 1939
- Letter to Fitzgerald from 'JCD' in France discussing the possibility of Lobitos Company securing the Petrol concession, and recommending he get in contact with J.W. Lane.
- 2pp
- 854 1-8 June 1940
- Copy letters from Fitzgerald to the Department of Industry & Commerce outlining his proposals for the rescue of Douglas Mills, Cork.
- 2 items
- 855 15 October 1943 - 25 April 1944

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File relating to efforts by Fitzgerald to secure a quota of woollen goods for Irish Waterproofs Ltd., Cork. Includes Correspondence with Prices Tailors Ltd. who had agreed to share their quota (25 April 1944.

9pp

856 5-28 March 1946

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Desmond McAteer, Consulting Engineer, regarding the purchase of National Minerals Ltd. to prospect for coal in the Slieverdagh Mountains.

8pp

857 28 February 1947

Letter from [] Hallinan, Cork Milling Co. enclosing a telegram from a firm in Gibraltar requesting a quotation for a supply of cement. Hallinan comments "I suppose he thinks I am a cement merchant. Perhaps under the circumstances he might be excused because the flour we are producing at present is not unlike it."

2 items

858 25 June 1948

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Dr. J. Ryan T.D., Minister for Agriculture inquiring about the development of post war fisheries. Reply states it is too soon to discuss matters in depth.

2 items

859 23-26 February 1951

Letter from Eamonn O'Neill, James O'Neill & Sons Ltd., Kinsale requesting names of people to contact who could be interested in bringing industry to Kinsale. Copy reply from Fitzgerald is not hopeful "Kinsale is very much out of the way with no rail connection and this is a great disability."

2pp

860 21 April 1952

Copy of letter from Fitzgerald to Jack Lynch to Parliamentary Secretary to the Government informing him of the interest of F.E. Cassidy (Irish Industrial Supplies Ltd.) in establishing a small factory to manufacture Tungsten Filament Lamps in a Gaeltacht area. Also Articles of Association of An Foras Tionscol and the Undeveloped Areas Act 1952.

3 items

- PR6/
861 17 February 1959
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Michael F. Ronayne, Waterford Iron Founders congratulating them on the success of their Irish-made Kitchenware product.
- 1p
- 862 19 January - 1 March 1961
- Correspondence file relating to discussions with Dr. J.P. Beddy, Chairman IDA and other interested parties
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- regarding the proposed establishment by the Stevenson International Corporation of New York at a modern mill in Ireland.
- 32 items
- 863 2 July - December 1960
- File relating to efforts by the Fermoy Development Association Ltd. assist the establishment of a Carbon Brush Manufactory by a German Mr. Doenges. Includes report on carbon by the Cork Scientific Council.
- 15 items
- 864 [n.d]
- MSS. notes by Fitzgerald regarding Industrial Development attached to newsclippings (1) of a proposal to set up an industry in Skibbereen to manufacture electrical appliances (2) profiling Ivan Allen and his development of the 400 acre farm at Ballymaloe, Co. Cork.
- 6pp

V Cork Oil Refinery

- i Cork Harbour Oil Wharves Ltd.
- 865 9 September 1932
- Copy of letter from Fitzgerald to Hugo Flinn T.D. enquiring if he wants him to probe into reports that the Directors of Cork Harbour Oil Wharves wish to enter into

- PR6/
discussion with the government for a petrol monopoly, in return for which they would erect a refinery in Cobh and employ 200 people.
1p
- 866 2-5 January 1939
Confidential letter to the Department of Industry and Commerce from J. Varley Refinery Manager, discussing estimates of costing for underground storage for petroleum products. Mentions he discussed the matter with Senator Fitzgerald with a view to locating a suitable site near Cobh. Also letter to Fitzgerald (5 January) enclosing information on Cobh from "Harrisson's Tabulator".
4pp
- 867 25 April 1939
Confidential Report presented by Cork Harbour Oil Wharves to the O.P.W. regarding the renewal of Haulbowline jetty. Also copy memorandum to the Department of Industry and Commerce on the same subject.
18pp
- ii Post War Involvement
- 868 4 February - 29 August 1947
File relating to an application to the O.P.W. regarding the establishment of a Petrol Storage Terminal at Haulbowline. Includes application to rebuild Haulbowline Jetty and remove the hulk "Colleen".
4 items
- 869 20 May 1947
Copies of letter from Fitzgerald to Pa McGrath T.D. discussing the possibility of establishing a Refinery at Haulbowline and alterations needed to the Cork Harbour Oil Wharves jetty.
4pp
- 870 24 May 1947
Cover letter from j.H. Verley enclosing information relating to the Haulbowline Storage Capacity and the Cobh Depot Storage Capacity.
3pp
- 871 19-22 December 1950

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Copy correspondence between Eugene Gayer, General Manager, Cork Harbour Commissioners advising Mayor M.A. O'Connor, Southern Capital Oil Co. the Commissioners rejected his advertising proposals for the Tivoli Site expresses surprise.

2 items

872 19 February 1951

Minutes of special meeting of Cobh Urban District Council to consider the position of Haulbowline Oil Refinery.

2pp

873 [1951]

Draft of a document by Fitzgerald 'Haulbowline Oil Storage Facility and Oil Refinery'. Also Mss. notes on shipping.

4pp

874 31 January - 5 April 1951

Correspondence file between Fitzgerald and J.H. Varley regarding the termination of leases at Cork Harbour Oil Wharves Ltd. and efforts to revitalise the company.

11 items

875 9 July 1951

Receipt from CHC of expenses for meeting with the Minister for Defense regarding Oil Bunkering facilities at Cork Harbour. Also copy CHC report of meeting to discuss bunkering of vessels in Haulbowline.

2pp

876 [1952]

Copies of Report on the Haulbowline Oil Storage Facilities and Oil Refinery.

6pp

877 1954

File relating to data on ships which discharged cargo in Cork and proceeded to a cross-channel port for oil bunkering.

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3 items

878 19 February [195]

Letter from shamrock Petrol Ltd. thanking fitzgerald for his letter and enclosing a cheque for expenses.

1p

879 [n.d.]

Copy proposals for the Establishment by and in the Irish Free State of a National Industry in respect of Petroleum its Products and Substitutes.

24pp

D CORK AIRPORT

I Early Efforts to Establish an Air Facility at Cork

880 October 1928 - October 1936

File kept by Fitzgerald relating to efforts to establish an Airbase for Southern Ireland. Includes 16 October 1928 from Hugo Flinn T.D. commenting on Col. Russell's report naming Spike island as the most suitable site. Includes 8 October 1928 CHC Engineer's report on Aerodromes for sea and aeroplanes; 20 October 1936 County Surveyor's report on the Rushbrooke and Midleton sites.

21 items

881 27 July 1929

Copy of draft regulations regarding Aerodromes sent by the Department of Industry and commerce to the Cork Harbour Commissioners.

5pp

882 July 1933 - June 1938

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and R.T. O'Connor, Cork County Surveyor regarding efforts to establish an air base in Cork. Includes Reports by O'Connor (4 July 1933; 1 December 1935; 15 June 1936 supporting a site at Midleton. Includes

- PR6/
letter from O'Connor (19 July 1934) enclosing copy of his scheme to establish an Irish flying Company; Aer Lingus Eireann.
- 19 items
- 883 10 April 1934
- Copy minutes of a meeting held at 25 Patrick Street, Cork at which Fitzgerald as Chairman of Cobh U.D.C. stressed the importance of an Airport for Cork.
- 3pp
- 884 20 November 1934
- Incomplete copy of a letter from Atlantic Airways, Construction and Navigation Company, England to C. Harrington, Cork Town Clerk discussing proposals for the company to set up in Cork.
- 1p
- 885 4 April 1935
- Typescript Carbon of a letter to the Minister for Industry and Commerce from Fitzgerald inquiring if he should continue negotiations for a chartered service with U.S.A. lines in light of Cork City Manager's application for a licensed Aerodrome facility.
- 1p
- 886 7 October 1935
- Copies of letter from Fitzgerald to the Department of Industry and Commerce stating the estimate for the Proposed Aerodrome will not exceed £60,000. Reply acknowledging receipt.
- 3 items
- 887 17 December 1935
- Circular informing of meeting of CHC to include a discussion on establishing a seaplane base in Cork.
- 1p
- 888 19 February 1936
- Extract from CHC minutes discussing their support for a technical report on an Airport for the city and Port of Cork to be commissioned.

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- 1p
- 889 27 March 1936
- Letter from Philip Monahan, City Manager thanking Fitzgerald for the copy of the report of his interview with officials of the Department of Industry and Commerce.
- 1p
- 890 2 November 1936
- Letter from Seamus O'Daimhin, Ard Runandhe F.F. informing Fitzgerald, Mr. John Herlihy Editor-in-Chief of the Irish Press has acknowledged inadequate publication of the Cork meeting to discuss Aerodrome and Seadrome facilities. He has been asked to assure Fitzgerald it will not happen again.
- 1p
- 891 1936
- Printed Memorandum "North Atlantic Air Route" by C.H. Clendinging exposing an attempt "by Highly placed officials of the State to create a monopoly for the benefit of Imperial Airways to the exclusion of companies registered in Great Britain."
- 6pp
- 892 10 January 1926 - 6 August 1937
- File relating to the production of a consultant's report by Messrs. Ghanier, Gilbert-lodge on the viability if an aerodrome in Cork. Includes copies of the report (19 June 1936); Incomplete letter from Ghanier Gilbert-lodge to R.F. O'Connor discussing the requirements a seadrome site (15 October 1936); correspondence regarding estimates for the Midleton aerodrome site.
- 33 items
- 893 11 February 1937
- Letter from the Lord Mayor's office inviting Fitzgerald to a conference to consider the proposed aerodrome.
- 1p
- 894 20 May 1937
- Copy from the United States Lines Cobh Office to Fitzgerald pressing the case for an aeroplane service at Cobh.

- PR6/
- 2pp
- 895 31 May 1937
- Copy minutes of a meeting of the Cork Local Authority Joint Airport Committee.
- 2 items
- 896 4 June 1937 - 5 January 1938
- Correspondence file between Fitzgerald and Sean O'hUaidhaigh of Aer Rianta discussing the possibility of an Airport for Cork. Includes 10 November 1937 Copy of a report outlining the case for Air Services from Cork to the Continent. Includes 17 November 1938 A report by the United States Maritime Commission on Trans Atlantic Aer Services.
- 12 items
- 897 4 June 1937
- Letter from Bryan O'Donnell, The Irish Dunlop Co. Cork, telling Fitzgerald he feels it "highly desirable" to have Air Travel Facilities in Cork.
- 1p
- 898 8 February 1938
- Letter from [] of the Irish Tourist Board enclosing a copy of "Aircraft and the Merchant Marine" and his correspondence with Mr. Dempsey on the subject. Remarks the publication has great publicity value. "It is the only readable and interesting report that I have seen on any aerial subject.
- 1p
- 899 11 May - 19 July 1938
- Circular letters inviting the recipients to a meeting of the Cork Local Authority Joint Airport Committee.
- 3 items
- 900 1943
- Draft of speech in Irish and English by Fitzgerald on the Port of Cork suggesting economic planning involving an Airport.
- 6pp
- 901 21 September - 20 October 1943

- PR6/
Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Government Departments concerning Cork Airport. Includes 20 October a letter from Sean Lemass stating "The construction of such an Airport will necessarily be a project for post war development.
- 4 items
- 902 [n.d.]
Notes by Fitzgerald and partial reports on Cork's potential for an Airport.
- 7pp
- 903 [n.d.]
Covering letter for copy letter from the Department of Industry and Commerce to the Cork City Manager discussing the Governments 1939 Survey of Cork to choose an airport site.
- 2pp
- 904 [n.d.]
Part of Ordnance Survey 6" map highlighting an area to the North East at Cobh, as a possible airport site.
- 1p
- 905 [n.d.]
Copy of lecture on the 'Growth of Civil Aviation in Ireland' given under the auspices of the University Extension Committee, U.C.C.
- 28pp
- 906 [n.d.]
Copy of report on the safety of Superline air-transportation.
- 35pp
- 907 [n.d.]
Copy of Aircraft Recognition by R.A. Saville-Sneath Penguin Books 1941.
- pp

PR6/

II Post War Establishment

908 6 April 1948

Letter from John P. Rehill, Dublin returning a copy of "Aircraft and the Merchant Marine (see PR/ above)

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remarking "I am afraid however, that this document is not likely to "register" very heavily here at the present juncture."

2 items

909 [1951]

Copies of report on Cork Airfield since its inauguration at Farmer's Cross by the Cork Airway's Company. Compares rail and flight journey times to Dublin and other major towns.

2 items

910 26 January 1956

Circular for The Cork Airways Company.

1p

911 3 April 1959

Letter to Fitzgerald from Skycraft Services Ltd., Dublin thanking him for the courtesy and time extended at their meeting and outlining plans to operate Charter Flights out of Cork.

1p

912 4 October 1961

Letter from J.I. Yates, Technical Representative, discussing his proposed visit to Cork with the De Havilland Mark 8 "Dove" Aircraft.

1p

PR6/
913 29-31 July []

Copy letter from E. Gayer to D. Barry, Chairman Irish Nautical College, Dublin, inquiring about school terms and fees in connection with The Irish Air Company's wish to establish a small school for Air Pilots and mechanics. Reply states Mr. Barry is away but will write on his return.

2 items

III Newsclippings

914 1946 - 1954

Collection of newsclippings referring to plans for and Cork Airport itself.

10 items

E AER LINGUS AND AER RIANTA

1 Aer Lingus

I Establishment

915 3 July 1934

Copy Report examining the proposal to establish an Irish Commercial Aviation Company to be called Aer Lingus Eireann.

36pp

916 31 January 1935

Copy letter from R.F. O'Connor to W.E. Schmidt Deutsche Luft Hansa, London Airport discussing the scheme to operate an Irish Commercial Aviation Company "Aer Lingus Eireann" with a route from Hamburg to Cork.

2pp

917 9 April 1936

PR6/

Copy of Memorandum and Articles of Association for Aer Lingus incorporated 22 May 1936.

36pp

II Fitzgerald's Involvement as Director

918 24 April 1937

Clipping from the Cork Examiner "Free State Airways" reporting on Fitzgerald's appointment to the Board of Directors.

1p

919 27 April - August 1937

Letter from Col. Charles F. Russell of Aviation Magazine congratulating Fitzgerald on his appointment to the new Air Board the banking account for which he suggests might be given to the Provincial Bank if which his brother in Law is a junior officer. Also copy Aviation.

2 items

920 1937

Incomplete memorandum on staffing for Aer Lingus.

1p

921 14 January - 21 December 1938

Circular letter informing of a meeting of Aer Lingus Directors (1); Copy minutes of a meeting at the Publicity Committee of Aer Lingus and Aer Rianta (2); copy minutes of a conference held to discuss recruitment of Technical Personnel for Air Transport (3).

4 items

922 14 January 1939

Letter from the Managing Director of Koninhlige Luchtvaart Maatschppij Voor Nederland En Kolonien NV to S O'hUadhaigh Director Aer Lingus, discussing the possibility of a joint "transoceanic exploration".

- 923 24 January 1939
Copy minutes of a Joint meeting of the Boards of Aer Lingus Teoranta and Aer Rianta Teoranta.
4pp
- 924 18 November 1939
Letter from J.J. McElligott, Department of Finance, expressing the approval of the Minister on actions by Aer Rianta and Aer Lingus for operating under war conditions.
1p
- 925 15 November 1940
Copy Report "Some pertinent facts and figures concerning Civil Aviation activities in Eire during the year 1939/40.
4pp
- 926 28 November - 3 December 1941
Letter with copy reply from the Minister of Industry and Commerce informing Fitzgerald he has been nominated as a Director of Aer Lingus Teoranta.
2pp
- 927 24 January - 14 May 1946
Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Government Departments concerning his re-appointment as a Director of Aer Lingus but not Aer Rianta. (He was reappointed to Aer Rianta 11 May 1946.
4 items
- 928 5-12 April 1946
Material relating to the Air Services Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the government of the United Kingdom. Includes Printed Copy of Agreement (Eire Treaty Serves 1946 No.1.
7 items
- 929 3 November 1947
Copy of letter from Fitzgerald to Col Maher, Manager Shannon Airport thanking him for his kindness during his visit and requesting him to further luncheon expenses.

PR6/

1p

930 10 November 1947

Letter from Roland Dunn, Belfast thanking Fitzgerald for meeting with him and his associated at Rineanna (Shannon) Airport. Encloses copy of similar letter of thanks to Co. P. Maher, Airport Manager.

2 items

931 10 September 1951

Copy letter to James Gorman, Secretary Aer Lingus Teoranta enclosing Aer Lingus Share Certificate No. 80008 for cancellation.

1p

932 17 January - 13 February 1956

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and J.F. Dempsey, General Manager, Aer Lingus regarding the introduction of Craven A cigarettes for sale on board Aer lingus flights.

4 items

933 16-24 May 1957

Letter from J.F. Dempsey inviting Fitzgerald to the Aer Lingus Anniversary dance at Dublin Airport. Copy reply

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regrets he cannot attend but offers congratulations on its first 21 years.

3 items

III Memorabilia

934 1943

Leaflet detailing Aer Lingus's Summer Timetable.

PR6/

2 items

935 1 October 1947

Invitation from Officials of Trans Canada Air Lines to Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald to attend the inauguration of the Air Service between Ireland and Canada.

1p

936 16 June [1951]

Newsclipping from the Cork Examiner on the agreement between Air France and Luft Hansa for a North Atlantic Air Mail Service.

1p

2 Aer Rianta

I Fitzgerald's Involvement as a Director

937 April - November 1937

Copy minutes of monthly meetings of the Board of Directors of Aer Rianta Teoranta, also Chairman's Report for June.

8 items

938 16 April 1937 - 28 June 1938

Correspondence file relating to Fitzgerald's early involvement with Aer Rianta. Includes 16 April 1937 letter from the Department of Finance informing him he has been chosen as a Director. Includes 5 August 1937 memorandum discussing the acquisition of Dublin Air Ferries and assistance for the Irish Aero Club. Includes 22 April 1938 letter discussing the resolution that all staff must be Irish.

15 items

939 27 October 1937

Copy of proposals issued by Aer Rianta Public Relations Department.

5pp

940 26 January 1938 - 26 January 1939

- PR6/
Correspondence file concerning the Drafting of a Memorandum and Articles of Association for the proposed Joint Atlantic company between Imperial Airways, London and Aer Rianta.
- 19 items
- 941 7 February 1938 - 6 October 1938
- Correspondence file relating to general operation of Aer Rianta. Includes 16 May 1938 Copy letter to Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce explaining the policies of the board regarding its development. Includes 13-15 July Material relating to the appointment of Robert Logan as General Manager.
- 23 items
- 942 22 June 1938
- Letter from J. Villars Dahl of Norway thanking Fitzgerald for Aer Riantas kind reception of himself and Mr. Riiser Larsen. Encloses under separate cover 3 articles on Norweigan forests.
- 1p
- 943 2 December 1940
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to J. Dempsey, Secretary Aer Rianta apologising for being unable to attend a board meeting as he has to meet with officials from the Department of Industry and Commerce in Cork.
- 1p
- 944 1940
- Plans of site of Dublin Airport and buildings and runways.
- 2 items
- 945 April 1941
- Draft of a speech by Fitzgerald proposing a vote of thanks to J.J. Dempsey, General Manager Aer Lingus.
- 3pp
- 946 28 November - 3 December 1941

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Letter with copy reply from the Minister for Finance informing Fitzgerald he has been elected to the Directorship of Aer Rianta Teoranta. Renumeration of £300 will include that due from Aer Lingus also.

2 items

947 1 July 1942

Note to Fitzgerald confirming the date of the next meeting of the Aer Rianta Board.

1p

948 9 September 1942

Copy of Chairman's speech to Aer Rianta A.G.M.

7pp

949 8-9 July 1943

Draft and copy of letter from Fitzgerald to the Secretary Aer Rianta stating as he has been elected a T.D. he feels he should resign from his Directorship of Aer Rianta. Reply expresses regret at his decision.

3 items

950 1 April - 22 November 1944

Correspondence file relating to Fitzgerald's failure to be re-instated as a Director of Aer Rianta. (He was reinstated in 11 May 1946.

12 items

951 28 December 1946

Letter from J. Gorman, Secretary Aer Rianta enclosing documents relating its new capital and subsidy procedure.

3 items

952 12 February 1947

Letter from James Gorman thanking Fitzgerald for his comments on negotiations with the Workers Union of Ireland.

1p

953 1 March 1947

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Copy "Extract from letter received from Reagan Stunkel 1 March 1947" discussing his coming to work for Aer Rianta.

2pp

954 26 May 1948

Letter from James Gorman clarifying Fitzgerald's tenure as a Director of Aer Rianta. 11 May-22 November 1946 when he was reappointed. Notes his Directors Fees for 11-31 May 1946 was £12 5 2.

1p

955 30 June 1948

Note informing of Director's meeting of Aer Rianta.

1p

956 20-26 October 1948

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and John Leydon, Chairman Aer Rianta Teoranta concerning a memorandum about appointments sent by Fitzgerald to the General Manager.

3 items

957 27 August 1948

Letter from Scott Watson of Aer Rianta to Fitzgerald stating he has been given 3 months notice and railing about the number of unqualified ex-Army Officers in the company. "The organisation is stuffed with Englishmen and ex-Army people, all have built their little empires and I suppose are impregnable".

4pp

958 25 March 1949

Telegram detailing date of next board meeting of Aer Rianta.

1p

959 2-10 June 1949

Correspondence file relating to Fitzgerald's enquiries as to why he was not re-appointed a director of Aer Rianta. He was precluded due to his activity during the West Cork Bye-Election involving him in party politics. (see 960 below)

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18 items

960 9-12 July 1949

Letters relating to Fitzgerald's proposed retirement from Aer Rianta on 27 July 1949. (Board members retire by rotation. Includes 9 June letter from J.J. Mcelligott informing Fitzgerald the Minister for Finance has decided to reduce the number of directors so his vacancy will not be filled. Includes 11 July Copy disgruntled letter from Fitzgerald to Sean Lemass inquiring why J.P. Reihill was reappointed when he was not. (See also PR/959 above)

4 items

F UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK

I Co-options to the Governing Body

961 15 February 1938

Letter from the Secretary U.C.C. confirming Fitzgerald's co-option onto the Governing Body.

1p

962 23 March 1938

Copy of minutes of meeting to co-opt persons to the Governing Body of U.C.C. Details voting.

1p

963 14-15 February 1950

File relating to Fitzgerald's failure to be co-opted onto the Governing Body of U.C.C. Includes (1) Personal letter from Alfred O'Rahilly (President U.C.C.) expressing his shock and disappointment "There is a lot of irresponsibility and ingratitude here. Please allow me to disassociate myself".

7 items

964 29 December - 1 January 1961

PR6/

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and the Department of Education concerning his nomination as a Government Representative to the Governing Body of U.C.C.

II Membership of Finance Committee

965 7 March 1935

Memorandum to U.C.C. Finance Committee of an Estimate for the working of a proposed Cream Separating Station at Glenmore by J. Lyons, Institute of Dairy Science.

3pp

966 October 1939

Copy memorandum from the Secretary U.C.C. to the President and members of the Finance Committee on Funding.

12pp

967 23 December 1942

Letter informing Fitzgerald he has been appointed Vice Chairman of the Finance Committee and College Treasurer.

1p

968 15 November 1946

Covering note from J. Hurley, Secretary U.C.C., enclosing an expenses form in relation to Fitzgerald's visit to the Minister for Finance to discuss the College's application for an increased annual grant.

1p

969 24 April 1954

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to J. Ryan requesting him to settle the Bill from Brown's Hire Service incurred in transporting Miss MacCurtain to U.C.C. with her harp.

1p

970 [n.d.]

Newsclippings of articles from The Irish Times on University Finances.

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3 items

971 [n.d.]

MSS. notes by Fitzgerald regarding payments on reverse of note from James Hurley.

2pp

III General Association With

972 11 December 1935

Letter from Fr. James, Capuchin Hostel Cork informing [Fitzgerald] he does not intend to go forward for the Chair of Education.

1p

973 15 March 1938

Letter from P.J. Merriman, President U.C.C., informing Fitzgerald he has been nominated as the Governing body representative to the Council of the Radio Therapeutic Institute in Dublin.

1p

974 25 June 1945

Invitation to Fitzgerald to act as representative of the President U.C.C. at the inauguration of the President of Ireland.

1p

975 28 January 1947

Letter from James Hurley confirming to Fitzgerald he has been appointed a member of the Committee of the Governing Body to inspect the College.

1p

976 16-24 September 1947

- PR6/
Correspondence file between Fitzgerald and Alfred O'Rahilly, President U.C.C., discussing the possibility of securing a position for Count Anthony O'Brien at the College. Includes C.V. of the Count.
- 3 items
- 977 21 September 1951
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to James Hurley enclosing a memorandum by David Coyle on the proposed new University Buildings.
- 1p
- 978 1952 - 23 February 1966
- File relating to Fitzgerald's membership of the University Graduate's Club. Mainly relating to subscriptions.
- 17 items
- 979 29 November 1952
- Newsclipping from the Irish Independent. "The University Mystery" discussing the proposed new buildings for U.C.D.
- 1p
- 980 30 June - 6 July 1953
- Material advertising the National Congress of the Irish Association of Catholic University Students.
- 9 items
- 981 23 January 1954
- Letter from James Sheehan, Honorary Secretary, U.C.C. Literary and Philosophical Society inviting Fitzgerald to speak. Copy reply declining as he has to attend a meeting of the Directors of Cork Dockyards on the day in question.
- 2pp
- 982 12 July 1954
- Draft of letter by Fitzgerald to Alfred O'Rahilly on the occasion of the latter's retirement from U.C.C. He states O'Rahilly was "burdened with many heavy responsibilities and trials" and invites him to his house to accept a small gift "I have gained so much by your advice and example that I hope you will agree to my request" and praises his "great work for the advancement of Christian Principles of life."

- PR6/
- 983 28 November 1954 2pp
- Notes by Fitzgerald on the organisation of the N.U.I. on the reverse of a testimonial for Dr. Anthony James Hennerty. Also copy extracts from Charters and Statutes dealing with the appointment of a President for the N.U.I.
- 8pp
- 984 29 November 1954
- Newsclipping of a letter by Hilary St. J. Atkins, President U.C.C. disassociating the college from views given by lecturers during extension lectures. Also newsclipping of photo of Professor Dennis Gwynn, Sean Moylan T.D., Dr. James ORM Cap. and Fitzgerald at an extension lecture.
- 2 items
- 985 31 January 1955
- Letter to Fitzgerald from Tadhg O'Ciardha thanking him for his "much appreciated message of congratulations" and for his efforts on O'Ciardha's behalf.
- 1p
- 986 31 May - 11 June 1957
- Circular letter inviting recipients to a special lecture by Mr. Douglas Hyde at U.C.C. Copy reply from Fitzgerald regretting he cannot attend.
- 2 items
- 987 10 February 1963
- Report of speech by Prof. John Busted on "The Common Market" given at a debate chaired at U.C.C. by Fitzgerald.
- 4pp
- 988 January 1964
- Cover letter from James Hurley, Secretary U.C.C. enclosing the Clan na Gael Irish Republican Bulletin, stating "Awful is my only comment".
- 2 items
- 989 [n.d.]

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Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Alfred O'Rahilly (Register U.C.C.) requesting him to make a comment for publication on an article on the Senate.

1p

990 [n.d.]

Printed copies Notes on University College Cork.

5pp

991 [n.d.]

Copy synopsis of lecture "Newman's Catholic University and the Queen's College", by Professor Denis Gwynn.

6pp

IV Conferring of Honorary Degree 1949

992 16 March - 14 December 1949

Correspondence relating to bureaucratic arrangements for the conferring of a Honorary Degree on Fitzgerald. Includes 15 March 1949 letter from Fitzgerald enclosing a resume of his career and achievements.

5 items

993 28 April - 10 August 1949

Letters of congratulations received by Fitzgerald on his conferring with an Honorary Degree. Includes 28 April letter from Henry Wheldon, Massachusetts congratulating Fitzgerald and detailing American attitudes to the Irish "there are far less of the shillelaghs and shenanigans". Includes 14 July letter from Sean McCarthy, Lord Mayor of Cork.

5 items

994 19 July 1949

Programmes for the conferring and invitation to Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald to attend.

3 items

PR6/
995 19 July 1949

Menu for Conferring Lunch

3 items

V Retirement from the Governing Body (1971)

996 4 February 1971

Letter to Fitzgerald from Padraig Faulkner, Aire Oideachais, acknowledging Fitzgerald's wish not to be re-appointed to the Governing Body of U.C.C. and thanking him for his able representation over such a long period.

1p

997 10 February 1971

Letter from D.L. Whyte, Secretary and Bursar U.C.C. conveying messages of gratitude from the President and Governing Body of U.C.C. for his "sterling service" to the college.

1p

G POLITICAL APPOINTMENTS

I E.S.B. Superannuation Tribunal

I Involvement of Fitzgerald

998 14 January 1949 - 30 June 1949

Correspondence relating to submissions made to the Electricity Supply Board Superannuation Tribunal.

40 items

999 7 March 1949

PR6/

Letter from the Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce informing Fitzgerald he has been nominated as Acting Chairman of the E.S.B. Tribunal.

1p

1000 10 March 1949 - 11 March 1950

Correspondence file relating to the E.S.B. Superannuation Tribunal, mainly covering letters for expenses and documents to be signed.

21 items

1001 March 1949 - January 1953

File relating to Manual Workers Tribunal of the E.S.B. Superannuation Tribunal, mainly agendas and minutes.

16 items

1002 25 February 1950

Letter from Fergus O'Kelly of the E.S.B. expressing his interest in the matter Fitzgerald wrote about and his wish to meet.

1p

1003 11 December 1951 - 2 February 1953

File relating to the Manual Workers Tribunal. Includes: details of wages.

14 items

1004 9 December 1952

E.S.B. staff notification No. 23, 232 with Appendix - Revision of Renumeration Minor Clerks and Adult Messengers.

4pp

II Ancillary Documents

1005 1948

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Copies of the Electricity (Supply) Amendment Act 1942 Electricity Supply Board (Superannuation) Act 1942; Draft of National Agreement between Electrical Contractors Association and the E.S.B.; Copy Electricity Supply Amendment Act 1948.

4 items

1006 3 November 1948

Report of a meeting of the Employers Organisation and the Labour Court discussing the Industrial Relations Act. Also copy of statement to be made at conferences with C.I.U., I.T.U.C. and F.U.E. on the Labour Courts Procedure for dealing with Trade Disputes.

4pp

II Local Appointments Commission

1007 14 June 1952

Letter from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commission inviting Fitzgerald to act as Chairman of an Interim Board to appoint (a) Chief Dental Surgeon to a Corporation (b) Visiting Surgeon Dentist to a Mental Hospital; and enclosing a form detailing expenses allotted.

2 items

1008 July 1952

File relating to Fitzgerald's duties within the Local Appointment Commission.

6 items

H UNIONS AND EMPLOYERS ORGANISATION

1 Employers Organisations

I Munster Tobacco Grower's Association

1009 3 June 1933

PR6/

Minutes of a meeting of the Munster Tobacco Grower's Association discussing finance.

1p

II Industrial Alcohol Distributors Association

1010 March 1938

Circular inviting attendance at the A.G.M. of the Industrial Alcohol Distributors Association, and a copy of the Report of the Executive Committee.

2 items

III The Irish Trade Protection Association

1011 23 August 1950

Copy of The Commercial Compendium from the Irish Trade Protection Association Ltd.

4pp

IV Women's Industrial Development Organisation

1012 4 March 1937

Copy of letter to Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce from Fitzgerald expressing regret at Lemass's being unable to speak at the A.G.M. of the Women's Industrial Development Organisation and inquiring if he could speak to them at some future date.

1p

1013 22 November 1937

Note from Leslie Bean de Barra to Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald thanking her for her "generous reference to my small help in the organisation of the W.I.D.A."

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1p

1014 22-27 November 1937

Copies of programme for the W.I.D.A. exhibition 'Aonach na Nodlag' (President Mrs. Seamus Fitzgerald. Also newsclipping referring to the event.
See also PR/1046

4pp

V Federation of Irish Manufacturers Ltd.

1015 1940

Bulletins issued by the Federation of Irish Manufacturers Ltd. for April, June and December.

3 items

VI Federated Union of Employers

1015a 27 April 1970

Copy of F.U.E. Newsletter

2pp

VII Irish Exporters Association

1015b 3-10 January 1958

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and T.A. Moran of the I.E.A. regarding a forthcoming meeting in Cork.

3 items

PR6/

VIII Irish Management Institute

1015c 21 February 1953

Letter to Fitzgerald from the Honorary Secretary, Executive Committee of the Irish Management Institute inviting him to join and distribute membership forms.

1p

2 Involvement With Unions

I Joint Council for the Building Industry

1016 9-11 August 1938

File relating to the involvement of the Joint Industrial Council of the Cork Building Industry in the matter of a dispute between the Operative Plasterers Trade Society and the National Association of Operative Plasterers. Includes 24 December 1937 Copy of award signed by Fitzgerald regarding the contract for tiling at the Cork School of Commerce. Includes 11 August 1938 copy of the conclusion of the Joint Council.

10 items

1017 31 March 1950-14 June 1950

Correspondence relating to negotiation on an 1947 agreement between the Building Industry Employees and the Ancient Guild of Incorporated Brick and Stonelayers Trade Union and the Masons Society held under the auspices of the Joint Council.

12 items

1018 8 May - 18 September 1952

Correspondence file relating to a dispute over contracts to supply red lead at the National Site, Marina Cork involving the Joint Council for the Building Industry.

7 items

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II General Associations

1019 3 February 1953

Covering letter from [A.L. Downes] Director Imperial Hotel enclosing for Fitzgerald a copy of the letter he sent to Henry Ford & Son clarifying the recommendations made between the Trade Unions and Ford & Co.

2 items

1020 5 November 1959

Copy memorandum of discussions between Trade Union Officials and representatives of the Management of the Maydown Works Manufacturing Department Du Pont Co. (UK) Ltd. concerning hourly paid employees. Also copy of Employees Handbook from the Maydown works.

2 items

1021 18 October 1960 - September 1971

File of newsclippings relating to the activities of Unions in Ireland.

7 items

I Irish Tourist Association

I Fitzgerald's Involvement

1022 4 November 1950

Copy covering letter from Fitzgerald to Sean Fitzpatrick, General Manager Irish Tourist Association enclosing his expense sheet for a Council meeting.

2pp

1023 15 January - 22 November 1951

Correspondence file relating to activities in Cork of the Irish Tourist Association. Includes letters relating to a dispute between Fitzgerald and A.L. Downes, Director

- PR6/
Imperial Hotel, over the latter's nomination as Director of the I.D.A. Includes 8 September 1951 letter from J. O'Brien to Fitzgerald discussing salary disputes in the various branch offices.
- 18pp
- 1024 17 September 1951
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Joseph Groome, Groomes Hotel Dublin assuring him of Cork votes in his bid for the Presidency.
- 1p
- 1024a 12 December 1951
- Emotive letter from an applicant for a position with the I.T.A. to Fitzgerald. He undertakes to "abstain from intoxicating liquor either on or off duty" adding "I should regard myself as less than half a man if I were to let you down now".
- 2pp
- 1025 19 July 1952 - 13 August 1953
- Correspondence relating to the ITA, mainly circulars
- 10
- 10
- advising of meetings and covering letters for expenses due. Includes Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Professor John Busted inquiring if 'Owen' would be applying for the position of Manager of the new Tourist Board.
- 6 items
- 1026 25 January 1956
- Copy of letter from Fitzgerald to Cormac McCarthy, Sunday's Well, Cork, instructing him to call a director's meeting regarding the cancellation of a college grant to Garryvoe and irregularities about a payment to the Irish Tourist Board.
- 1p
- 1027 May 1956
- Acknowledgement from the ITA of a subscription to the J.P. O'Brien Memorial Fund.
- 1p

PR6/
1028 26 September 1958

Copy letter to the General Manager of the ITA calling for an increase in the salary of Ignatius Buckley, Cork Bureau now he has married.

1p

1029 14 June 1960

Copy letter from Arthur Powell, Cobh Town Clerk, to the Irish Tourist Board acknowledging receipt of their submission to the Department of Local Government concerning the new park in Cobh.

1p

1030 26 November 1963 - 6 February 1964

File relating to the joint creation by Bord Failte and the ITA of Regional Tourism Organisations. Includes 26 November 1963, letter inviting representations from the Cork/Kerry area to an inaugural meeting enclosing a precis of the constitution of the new organisation.

8 items

II Dissolution

1031 25 September 1963 - 5 March 1964

Material relating to the last year of operation of the ITA. Includes copy minutes of Directors meetings 19 December 1963; 20 February 1964; 5 March 1964.

7 items

SECTION 4 - BUSINESS INVOLVEMENTS (1920- 1972) (278 items)

A OWNERSHIP OF

1 Fitzgerald And Company

I Stationery Shop Cobh

1032 1920-1922

Graph displaying 'Monthly returns of Stationery Premises, East Beach Cobh'. Shows a peak return of £180 in August 1920 but the shop was then destroyed by Black and Tans.

1p

1033 [1920's]

Copy both containing notes on Bookkeeping with sample accounts and also sample business letters.

c60pp

1034 29 July 1931

Agreement between James Fitzgerald and John Lawton to whom he is letting 19 East Beach for 5 years for £120.

2pp

II Fitzgerald's Electrics

i Records of jobs tendered and undertaken

1035 February 1926

- PR6/
Copy of City of Waterford New Electrical Undertaking Ceberal Conditions
Governing Contracts.
20pp
- 1036 9 December 1926 - June 1928
Material relating to the installation by Fitzgerald & Co. of electric light to the County
Hall, Tralee. Includes 21 April 1927 Copy of Agreement.
42 items
- 1037 August 1927
Copy of Specification and Form of Tender for Electric lighting Installation at Glin
Industrial School, Co. Limerick. Also correspondence on same.
6 items
- 1038 4 December 1928
Plans of Proposed Alterations to C.B & P Station Premises at Cobh.
1 item
- 1039 1929-1946
File relating to business between Fitzgerald & Co. and Robert Buckley, 7 Harbour
Hill, Cobh.
42 items
- 1040 February - September 1930
File relating to the installation by Fitzgerald & Co. of Electric Lighting to Limerick
District Mental Hospital. Includes Plans of the various floors outlining the
installation points.
12 items
- 1041 1930
Material relating to the installation by Fitzgerald & Co. of Electric Lighting at
Capwell Bus Station, Cork.
32 items

- PR6/
1042 July 1930 - August 1931
- Material relating to the installation of an Electric Lighting System by Fitzgerald & Co. at Midleton Distillery.
- 18 items
- 1043 January - February 1931
- Plans at North Cork County Hospital, Fermoy showing electric lighting installations.
- 2 items
- 1044 August 1931 - August 1932
- Material Requisition forms for a job undertaking at U.C.C. by Fitzgerald and Co.
- 48pp
- 1045 7 June 1937
- Covering letter from Edwin M. Murphy, Consulting Engineer, enclosing a plan for Fitzgerald.
- 1p
- 1046 1937
See also PR/1014
- Notes on lighting for the Women's Industrial Development Organisation exhibition Clontach na Nodlaig.
- 1p
- 1047 1945 - 1947
- Material relating to work carried out by Fitzgerald & Co. at the Capital Cinema, Cork. Includes Circular advertising "The New Electric Projection Camp" by Hughes & Coyle Ltd. 1946. Includes copies notes on estimates and job specifications and invoices and receipts and material sheets. Also some correspondence.
- c300 items
- 1048 [n.d]
- Scale plans and a large drawing for tenders to erect a coloured halo around a statue of the Virgin Mary for the Reverend Mother, Rosscarbery.

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6 items

1049 [n.d.]

Tattered plan of the lighting system for the New County Home, Clonakilty, Co. Cork.

1p

1050 [n.d.]

Advertising leaflets for HVM battery recharges with MSS. notes on jobs for Fitzgerald & Co.

2pp

1051 [n.d.]

Miscellaneous notes by Seamus Fitzgerald on the operation of Fitzgerald & Co. Includes notes of salaries paid to Directors on Commodore Hotel notepaper.

II Business Records

1052 September 1924 - January 1926

Ledger recording incoming and outgoing of goods, also records jobs undertaken and payment for some. Loose page containing details of Director Capital.

c100pp

1053 1925

Book of carbon duplicated recording work done by Fitzgerald & Co.

31pp

1054 September 1926 - June 1954

Invoices to and from Fitzgerald and Co.

20 items

1055 1927

Financial statement and business report for year ending 31 December 1927.

2 items

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1056 1927/1928
- Time sheets for workmen at Fitzgerald & Co.
- 110 items
- 1057 3 February 1931
- Covering letter for cheque for £70 sent to Fitzgerald & Co. from the Queenstown Picture House Ltd.
- 1p
- 1058 21 July 1931
- Copy of Contract of Employment between Seamus Fitzgerald, Patrick Fitzgerald, George Buckley and Edmond Hourigan who is to be employed as a Retail Sales Manager at the Cork Radio Co.
- 2ff
- 1059 1935
- Notebook containing records of materials sold by Fitzgerald & Co., also job costings.
- 37pp
- 1060 1950 - 51
- Duplicate notebooks containing details of orders and jobs carried out by Fitzgerald and Co.
- 2 items
- 1061 20 November 1952
- Daily Job Time Sheet for C. O'Sullivan, Electrician.
- 1p
- 1062 5 March 1963
- Invoice from John H. Coakley, Solicitor, South Mall to James Fitzgerald regarding legal fees due on the Cobh property. Also receipt with covering letter for same.
- 3 items
- 1063 8 October 1968

- PR6/
Rough notes by Fitzgerald on the revitalisation of Fitzgerald & Co.
- 1064 November - December 1968 1p
MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on company meetings at Fitzgerald & Co.
5pp
- 1065 [n.d.]
Expense account for Fitzgerald and Co. "Fare £4-4 Hotel £4-5-6. Three weeks wages £18-0-0.
1p
- 1066 [n.d.]
Notebook containing records of Materials for Fitzgerald and Company.
71pp
- 1067 [n.d.]
Material sheets for Fitzgerald and Company detailing the selling and buying of material.
c250 items
- III Correspondence**
- 1068 23-29 January 1931
Letters to Seamus Fitzgerald and George Buckley from Paddy Fitzgerald at the Strand Palace Hotel, London discussing business of Fitzgerald and Co.
5 items
- 1069 18 November 1933
Letter to Fitzgerald from Tom O'Plunseir, Elgin Road, Dublin, thanking him for the job offer which he is declining as his present position is to be made permanent. Adds he is delighted to hear Pat is running the petrol business.
1p

- PR6/
1070 1-21 May 1942
- Correspondence regarding the purchase by Fitzgerald and Co. of electrical materials from the receiver of Dolphin Park Racing and Amusement Co. Ltd. Includes letter from receiver offering electrical cable for sale to Irish Steel.
- 12 items
- 1071 5 June 1945 - 14 June 1947
- Correspondence file relating to ongoing work by Fitzgerald and Co.
- 31 items
- 1072 17 October 1952
- Letter from L. C. Penwill, Director The Electrical Contractors Association, London to Fitzgerald thanking him for the letter handing in by his son Patrick, for whom he set up an interview with Mr. Robert Marryat.
- 1p
- 1073 11 February 1953
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Patrick Farrell, Capitol and Allied Theatres Ltd., Dublin confirming receipt of his "private and confidential letter". He hopes to speak with Mr. Bergin and promises to keep the matter private.
- 1p
- 1074 1-4 June 1953
- Letter from Henry A. Lagasse, American Vice Counsel enquiring if Fitzgerald's Firm would wish to act as a representative for a U.S. electronic's firm. Copy reply declines the offer.
- 2pp
- 1075 7 August - 29 October 1954
- Correspondence regarding electrical goods sent out to friends.
- 4 items
- 1076 24 February 1959
- Copy letter from Fitzgerald to M.J. O'Connor, Secretary, S.I.E.T.'s proposing Martin McCourt as President. Also postcard acknowledging receipt of the letter.

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- 1077 14 April 1959 2 items
Correspondence regarding an order by J. McCarthy, Painters & Decorators, Cork.
2 items
- 1078 15-17 August 1967
Correspondence between J.A. Taylor, M Laundries, Cork and Fitzgerald regarding an overdue account. Fitzgerald apologises for letting the account become overdue commenting "this matter of small credit accounts is one of annoyance to ourselves as a firm".
2 items
- 1079 10 November 1967
Letter from P.D. Gillen of Henry Ford and son enclosing a cheque for £88 in settlement of their account with Fitzgerald and Co. and commenting on "the usual high standard of service which we always expect-and receive- from your firm."
1p
- 1080 January 1969
Correspondence regarding a circular sent out to favoured customers informing them Fitzgerald & Co. have installed a telephone for after office hours use at the home of Mr. Jerry O'Mahony.
6pp
- 1081 23-27 February 1968
Correspondence between Fitzgerald and J. McCormack PYE Ireland Ltd. on the occasion of his retirement. Also copy letter of condolence sent to Mr. J. Digby on the death of her husband (ex-PYE).
3 items
- 1082 Copy of letter from Fitzgerald to M.J. O'Connor, Secretary, The Society of Irish Electrical Trades regarding expenses due. 1p

IV Retirement of George Buckley

- 1083 23 June - 18 July 1967

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File relating to the resignation after a long illness of George Buckley as a Director of Fitzgerald & Co. Includes Copy of minutes of a meeting (18 July) paying tribute to Buckley's work.

5 items

V The Electrical Transport and Equipment Co. Ltd., Dublin.

1084 19 September 1934

Copy letter to The Electrical Transport and Equipment Co. Ltd. from Peter Kennedy Ltd. expressing their companies satisfaction with the Morrison Electric Vehicle they purchased. MSS. note by Tom Fitzgerald to Seamus Fitzgerald [his brother] commenting the van travels 200 miles a week using 60 units at a cost of 1/2 d per unit.

1p

1085 September 1934 - March 1936

File relating to legal transactions between The Electrical Transport and Equipment Co. Ltd., Dublin and A.E. Morrison & Sons Ltd. Includes summons issued against the E.T.E. Co. for a debt owed to Morrison and Co. (16 March 1936. Includes 19 September 1934 letter from Tom Fitzgerald, Managing Director, E.T.E. Co. explaining the companies financial position.

3pp

VI Memorabilia

1086 [n.d.] - 29 December 1950

Calling card for Fitzgerald and Co. Newspapers carrying advertisements for Fitzgerald and Co. Electrical Contract Work.

3 items

2 New States/Commodore Hotel Cobh

I Involvement With

1087 7 March 1936

- PR6/
Typescript letter from MacLysaght, Mallow to Fitzgerald discussing a business arrangement and inquiring if they could meet in Dublin.
1p
- 1088 [1937]
Typescript page quoting an American Tourist Agency which states the largest hotel in Cobh "is not a very satisfactory hotel under any conditions".
1p
- 1089 1937-1940
Correspondence file between the Directors of the Commodore Hotel and Edward Emerson, Solicitor regarding the sale of the Hotel as part of the estate of Robert Smith Barry. Also letters from the United States lines Cobh and the Irish Tourist Association regarding plans for investment in the Hotel.
10 items
- 1090 15 April 1938
Newsclipping from the Irish Independent "Cobh's bid for Tourists Hotel to re-open" reporting on the re-opening of the States Hotel.
1p
- 1091 1938 - January 1940
File containing documents relating to the New States (Commodore) Hotel. Includes Profit and Loss statements. Copy minutes of Directors meetings; Copy Certificate of Incorporation 1938; material relating to the Belgian Manager.
c47 items
- 1092 1938 - 1947
File relating to the lapse of the liquor License for the States Hotel by its various owners 1937, 1941 and 1947.
c11 items
- 1093 May 1940 - July 1941
File containing documents relating to the sale of the Commodore Hotel under threat of receivership by the Munster and Leinster Bank.

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c12 items

1094 1942-1943

Correspondence relating to Codore Ltd. the company set up by the Directors of the New States Hotel under their wives names.

c17 items

1095 January 1944 - October 1945

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and J.J. Davy (Hotel Director) concerning the Commodore Hotel. Includes repairs to the roof of the Commodore Hotel and a request by the Cobh Regatta Committee to use the grounds for a cycling course.

15 items

1096 23 September 1948

Copy of letter to Fitzgerald from [] commenting on a press report of Mr. McGilligan's criticisms of the Commodore Hotel. He feels a letter to the Press refuting the allegations is necessary. Discusses the amounts owed by him and to him from the Hotel. Also letter from J.J. Davy, confirming McGilligan's facts and expressing his hurt at the lack of reply to the letters he sent after the liquidation of the company.

1p

II Mr. de Beur, Manager New States Hotel

1097 June 1938

Letter with enclosure from E.P. McCarron to Fitzgerald discussing the problem of securing a work permit for the Belgian Manager of the New States Hotel, Mr. de Beur and alternative appointments. Encloses letter detailing ways of limiting gas consumption at the hotel.

2 items

III Finances

1098 1940

Balance Sheet and Accounts for New States Hotel showing a net loss.

2pp

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1099 1942-1943

File relating to the financial liabilities at the New States Hotel. Includes correspondence between Fitzgerald and the Munster and Leinster Bank concerning payments due and made.

c22 items

IV Sale

1100 1942-1946

File relating to attempts by the Directors of the New States Hotel to sell the Commodore Hotel. Includes Negotiations with J.P. O'Brien of the Irish Tourist Board to whom an offer of £3,200 less 10% for prompt cash was made.

12 items

V Memorabilia

1101 [n.d.]

Memorabilia relating to the New States/Commodore Hotel. States Hotel advertising Brochure offering a single room from 5/per night; Blank headed paper for the Commodore Hotel; States Hotel Room List.

3 items

3 Lido Cinema

I General Involvement

1102 23 February - 25 November 1931

Invoices and records for work by Fitzgerald & Co. installing a "Talkie" system to the 'Lido'/Blackpool Cinema.

4 items

1103 19 September - 5 December 1931

- PR6/
Correspondence file relating to the agreement that Fitzgerald and Co. should receive 40% of Cinema profits as payment of the installation of the "Talkie" systems.
- 12 items
- 1104 10-31 August 1932
- Debenture and Mortgage of Charge relating to £88 loaned by Fitzgerald, George Buckley, Patrick Fitzgerald and Leonard Wood to Cork Cinema Estates Ltd. also copy of letter from Fitzgerald to H.F. Donegan, Solicitor, clarifying assets to be referred in satisfaction of the Debenture.
- 3 items
- 1105 10 November 1932
- Notice of assessment of tax for the year ending april 1933 from Lido Cinema profits of £62-10-0.
- 1p
- 1106 31 December 1932 - 6 April 1933
- Cheque book foil recording bills paid by the Lido Cinema. Mainly E.S.B. payments and bills for films and advertising.
- c50pp
- 1107 9 December 1933 - 12 January 1934
- Correspondence relating to overdue E.S.B. payments from the Lido Cinema and disputes as to who is liable.
- 7 items
- 1108 7-8 February 1934
- Correspondence between Fitzgerald and the Inspector of Taxes regarding the settlement of taxes due by Cork Cinema Estates.
- 2 items
- 1109 19 January 1935
- Statement of costs for services rendered to the Creditors Committee of the Lido Cinema, Blackpool, Cork with covering letter.
- 8pp

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1110 April []

Calculations of Expenses, Debts and Bills relating to the Lido Cinema.

2pp

B DIRECTORSHIPS OF

1 Rushbrooke Cork Dockyard

I Early Efforts To Keep Dockyard Open

I Post Truce

1111 23 November 1921 - 2 June 1922

File relating to efforts by Fitzgerald in the immediate Post-Truce era to keep Haulbowline Docks operating. Includes 14 February 1922 Copy of statement from the Cobh Unemployment Committee. Includes 24-25 January 1922 Copies of correspondence between Thomas Johnson, Secretary, Irish Labour Party and Trade Union Congress and Michael Collins on British actions towards Haulbowline.

17 items

1112 23 November 1921

Copy of letter from Fitzgerald (3, East Hill, Cobh) to Diarmuid O'Hegarty, Runaodhe na hAireachtan inquiring if the Irish Plenipotentiaries debating with the English Government have raised the issue was Haulbowline Docks closed as a reprisal for Republican activities. Notes 1,000 men in the Cobh District are signed on as unemployed.

1p

1113 14 February 1922

Cobh Unemployment Committee Documents relating to the Committee Includes 14 February 1922 Circular letter to Trade Unions. Includes 8 January 1922 Statement by Oliver Piper Junior clarifying his position.

5 items

1114 9 March 1922

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Draft and newsclipping of a letter to the editor [Cork Examiner] from Fitzgerald accusing the paper of lowering the Pro-Treaty party line in its reports about Haulbowline and attacking Government bias "Liam de Roiste was directly nominated to sit on the Committee by the Provisional Government, I, who represent Haulbowline as a portion of my constituency and who worked there for nine years, am passed over. I can only conclude it is because we took opposite sides on the Treaty".

2 items

1115 1928

Docks Resumption Committee Material relating to activities of the Committee. Includes 19 September 1928 letters from Sean O'Connor, Secretary IT&GWU to Fitzgerald discussing negotiations between the Committee and the Union. Includes loose notes by Fitzgerald and newsclippings reporting on the threatened closure.

14 items

1116 30 July 1928 - 4 October 1928

Correspondence file relating to negotiations between Cobh Urban District Council and Sir Fredrick Lewis, Chairman, Furness Withy & Co. over the proposed closure of the Queenstown Shipbuilding Dry Docks and Engineering Co. Ltd. Includes letters of support from most Rev. Robert Browne, Bishop of Cloyne 4-12 August 1928.

15 items

ii 1930's Efforts

1117 20 June 1932 - 27 August 1932

Correspondence regarding the appointment of a Government Assessor to Rushbrooke Dockyard and moves by Cobh U.D.C. to assess what kind of financial help the Government would give towards the yards purchase.

15 items

1118 4 July 1933

Letter from A. O'Neill, Haulbowline Industries Ltd. to Fitzgerald enclosing copies of a letter sent to C.E.L. Olden Liquidator, Queenstown Dry Docks regarding Government investment which he sees as vital.

4 items

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1119 22 June 1934

Letter from A. O'Neill, Haulbowline Industries to Fitzgerald proposing a scheme to break up obsolete American Naval Ships at Haulbowline. As this is a sensitive issue he suggest enquiries should be made through diplomatic channels "and by a astute brain armed with whatever 'quid pro quo' circumstances might allow".

3pp

1120 23-24 November 1934

Correspondence between Hugo Flinn and Fitzgerald concerning past efforts to re-open Haulbowline Dockyards.

2 items

1121 18 April 1935

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to J.P. Digby, Corn Exchange Buildings, Dublin, discussing the Particulars of Sale for Rushbrooke.

2pp

1122 24 November 1936 - 18 January 1937

Correspondence file between Government Departments and Fitzgerald as Chairman Cork Harbour Board on the viability and cost of re-opening Haulbowline.

4 items

1123 23 November 1936 - 12 July 1937

Material relating to proposals by John Lysaght Ltd. to establish Rushbrooke Cork Docks. Includes 10-12 July 1937 correspondence between Fitzgerald, Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce and P. O'Neill of the Cobh Workers Council regarding lobbying to ensure that Lysaght Ltd. Do not sell off piecemeal the machinery at Rushbrooke Dockyard. Includes [n.d.] draft of article reporting on the move by Lysaght Ltd. to Rushbrooke.

10 items

1124 5 June - 7 July 1939

Correspondence file relating to negotiations with R. Cramer Brown of Hendon in London regarding the possible purchase or leasing of Rushbrooke to the British Power Boat Company. Includes Copy of letter from Frank Aiken, Minister for Defense to Deputy Martin Corry on the matter.

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12 items

1125 27 February - 4 March 1939

Letter from John Lysaught Ltd. enclosing copy letter sent to Sean Lemass outlining their grievances at not being allowed dismantle the Rushbrooke property. Copy reply from Fitzgerald states he has taken the matter up with the Minister but with no result.

3 items

1126 4-15 May 1939

Letters from S.R. Lysaught to Fitzgerald regarding plans from Rushbrooke Dockyard.

2 items

1127 15 June 1939

Typescript letter from an official of the Department of External Affairs thanking Fitzgerald for the trouble he took on their visit to Cobh.

1p

1128 4-7 November []

Correspondence between R.C. Ferguson, Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce and Fitzgerald regarding titleship to Rushbrooke Dockyard. Fitzgerald believes ownership is vested in the firm of John Lysaght & Co.

3 items

1129 [n.d]

Letter from G. MacLysaght to Fitzgerald discussing the closing of the deal [to buy Rushbrooke] and requesting a copy of the memorandum by G. MacLysaght sent to the Cork Examiner to clarify the situation.

1p

II Reopening 1941

1130 13 June 1941

Notes by Fitzgerald and draft of speech for [Rushbrooke Conference].

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3 items

1131 20 September 1941

Newsclipping of article 'Rushbrooke Docks to Re-Open in near future'.

1p

1132 30 November 1942

Copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Cork Dockyard Ltd. incorporated 5 December 1941. Also letter from Arthur Cox, Solicitor, Dublin, discussing the document.

2 items

III General Involvement

I Correspondence with John Leydon, Irish Shipping and Department of Industry

1133 19 March 1942

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to John Leydon, discussing Cork Dockyards formal application to Irish Shipping for a Loan.

1p

1134 11-19 March 1943

Confidential letter from John Leydon, Secretary Department of Supplies to Fitzgerald expressing his disquiet with management at Cork Dockyard. He feels increases in employees salaries were unwarranted and

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unjustifiable, and is very concerned by the "extravagant prices" charged and warns Irish shipping Ltd. will not continue paying them when the Liffey Dockyard is so much cheaper. He feels an atmosphere of a "fools paradise" is being created and warns changes will have to be made if the Dockyard is to survive through the war. Copy replies from Fitzgerald (1) personal reply asserts he is very aware of the necessity of placing the dockyard on a sound footing (2) after a board meeting stating "All the Directors feel very strongly that your letter is not reasonable in its outlook."

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3 items

1135 12 October 1944

Letter and copy reply from John Leydon to Fitzgerald expressing his concern at delays to repairs on the 'Irish Spruce'.

2 items

1136 14 March 1947

Copy of letter sent by Fitzgerald to the Secretary of Irish Shipping Ltd. as a formal application for an additional loan of £3,500. Encloses a statement of the company's financial position, assets and liabilities.

3pp

1137 19 February 1948

Letter from John Leydon, Department of Industry and Commerce to Fitzgerald reiterating he does not feel the time is opportune to open a ship building yard at Rushbrooke.

1p

1138 19 March 1948

Copy letter marked Personal from Fitzgerald to John Leydon suggesting they meet to discuss the Dockyards dropping of action arising from losses on the Crovettee Conversion Contract. Also offers his condolences on the death of Leydon's brother.

1p

III General Correspondence

1139 14 May - 3 June 1943

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Major T.D. Hallinan, Cork Milling Co. concerning (1) 14 May 1943 the dockyard accounts (2) 3 June 1943 an offer by Hallidan to help with Union Negotiations in the Dockyard which Fitzgerald gladly accepts.

5 items

1140 11 April 1945

- PR6/
Copy of correspondence concerning repairs undertaken in December 1944 to the S.S.'Moyalla' and clarifying changes.
- 2 items
- 1141 14 April 1945
- Copy covering letter from Fitzgerald for memos regarding Rushbrooke "following the trials of the S.S. Irish Spruce".
- 1p
- 1142 5 February - 16 August 1947
- Memorandum of interview of a meeting between Messrs. McKenna & Co., Solicitors, London and representatives of Cork Dockyard Ltd. confirming they cannot fulfil the contract with Crovette and Co. without a loss, and correspondence between A. Forbes Engineering Manager, Messrs Gilley Cox & Co., Falmouth and Fitzgerald regarding the loss incurred on the contract.
- 5 items
- 1143 1 April 1949
- Letter to Fitzgerald from R.B. Sinnott of the Irish Steam Packet Company informing him Cork Dockyard is to be given the opportunity of quoting for repairs on the "Kildare" or "Kerry".
- 1p
- 1144 30 November - 8 December 1950
- Letters from Fitzgerald as Chairman Cork dockyards Ltd. to Liam Cosgrave T.D., Parliamentary Secretary Department of Industry and Commerce detailing the company's financial position and the reasons for his approval for Government Assistance. Includes 8 December 1950 statement by Fitzgerald "we are satisfied that our difficulties are mainly of a temporary nature".
- 6 items
- 1145 26 July - 20 November 1951
- Correspondence file between Fitzgerald and the Secretary Cork Dockyard Limited mainly concerning claims for expenses. Includes 19 November 1951 Draft Circular to be sent to firms advertising their facilities.
- 8pp

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1146 14 February - 20 March 1952

Correspondence between Cork Dockyard Limited and the A.P. Larson Company, New York, regarding an order for Steel Plates at £39 per ton. Includes 23 February 1952 a letter to Irish Shipping Ltd. requesting finance to purchase the material necessary to construct the plates.

10pp

1147 16-19 April 1952

Covering letter from G.A. Cuthbert, Manager Cork Dockyard Ltd., enclosing for Fitzgerald copies of two letter of interest from Mr. Ronald McCeon, Consulting Engineer (1) he requests his best wishes be passed on to Capt. Kolydos at 'the Adventurer' (2) he comments on the excellent reports he heard of the repair work done to the "Mountainside" declaring "it is only part of the normally efficient service synonymous with the name of Cork Dockyard'.

3 items

1148 22 October 1952

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Mr. Byrne, Secretary Cork Dockyard commenting on the Draft of the Foreman's Statement.

1p

1149 3-4 April 1952

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Superintendent Murphy, Cobh Garda Barracks enclosing an anonymous threatening letter he received. The typescript of the letter asserts it was not Fitzgerald who saved Rushbrooke yard but another about which the writer declares "I hear you have £1,000 a year out of it working on the poor fellow's brains" adding "There are five outsiders to every Cobh man, we got to walk around an witness this after one of our so called fathers of the Cobh U.D.C. gave away all the Key Gobs (sic) to Passage, Monkstown and Corkmen. I also, notice you did not forget your relatives". Letter from Superintendent Murphy states the matter will be looked into.

3 items

1150 3 May 1952

Newsclipping from the Cork Examiner 'An Expensive Industry' condemning the amount of government money poured into Cork Dockyards with a draft reply from Fitzgerald correcting inaccuracies.

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2 items

1151 6 February - 15 July 1953

Correspondence between Fitzgerald, E.P. Byrne, Secretary Cork Dockyards Ltd. regarding expenses.

6 items

1152 27 August 1957

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Daniel Nolan, Managing Director, The Kerryman, replying to his queries regarding the provision of Irish cross-channel passenger services.

1p

1153 7 November 1958

Covering letter from J.J. Horgan, Solicitor, Cork enclosing copies of his correspondence with Dr. Beddy concerning the beginning of work at Rushbrooke once the demands of the Department of Defense are known.

3 items

1154 6-29 December 1958

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and A.C. More, Steamship Agent and Broker, Cork, regarding articles advertising Rushbrooke in Lloyds list.

6pp

1155 March 1959

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and J.J. Jackson, London. Jackson forwarded a questionnaire concerning the administration of Cork Dockyard Ltd. to Fitzgerald for study purposes. Fitzgerald's reply states that Cork Dockyard's accounts are confidential but offers advice on other aspects for discussion.

2 items

III Union Relations

1156 26 March 1937

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Copy of typescript letter to Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce from Seamus Fitzgerald discussing the possibility of calling a conference between representatives of the Dockers Union and the Shipping Companies to avert a strike. Also newsclipping referring to the proposed strike.

2pp

1157 7 July 1942

Report by J. Cohalan, Secretary Cork Dockyard Ltd. on Sickness and Accident Pay for Non-Manual Employees.

1p

1158 12 March - 22 April 1947

Correspondence relating to demands for increase wages by the Craft Unions. Also notes by Fitzgerald on same.

16 items

1159 9-17 November 1947

Correspondence between P. O'Neill, Branch Secretary, I. T. & G.W.U. and Fitzgerald regarding short term employment in the Dockyard and its affect on emigration.

2 items

1159a 29 November 1947

Letter to Fitzgerald from the District Secretary of the Irish Engineering Industrial Union thanking him for his "co-operation in the recent conference and the manner in which you dealt with the Shipwrights Claim".

1p

1160 10 June 1948

Copy of the Proposed Pension Scheme for the Employers of Cork Dockyard Ltd. prepared by the Irish Assurance Co. Also minutes of a Board meeting 15 September discussing the scheme.

2 items

1161 August 1948

Copy of Chairman's Statements at a conference with Engineering Unions, 21 August 1945.

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2pp

1162 [n.d.]

Copy of Agreement between Cork Dockyard Co. Ltd. and the Electrical Trade Unions Ireland.

5pp

1163 [n.d.]

Newsclipping "Cork Dockyard Strike Threat".

1p

IV Material Relating to William L. Hok, Chief Engineer

1164 3 January 1942

Copy of order from William L. Hok, Chief Engineer, Cork Dockyard Ltd. to Haulbowline Industries, Passage West.

1p

1165 12-19 February 1942

Correspondence between Sean Moylan T.D., Parliamentary Secretary to the Department of Defense and Seamus Fitzgerald concerning William Hok who is suspected of making personal profit from company purchases. There have also been complaints "by many nationally-minded people" (Moylan) that it is wrong that an alien should own as powerful a motorboat as he does. Fitzgerald's reply states he is fully satisfied as to Hok's integrity.

2 items

1166 5 January 1948

Letter from Edmond Grace, Secretary, Cork Dockyard Ltd. to Fitzgerald discussing Mr. William Hok's position as an agent of the company employed to sell the plant now purchased by Cork Dockyards. He requires a statement from the Dutch Consul to verify matters.

1p

- PR6/
V **Material Relating to M. Forbes, Manager, Cork Dockyard Ltd.**
- 1167 30 August - October 1946
- File relating to the resignation of Forbes as Manager CDL (30 August 1946) and a petition by Foremen to have him reinstated (6 October 1946)
- 17 items
- VI **Haulbowline Dry Dock**
- 1168 22-26 August 1946
- Correspondence between Fitzgerald and John Lydon, Chairman Irish Shipping Limited concerning Cork Dockyard wish to take over Haulbowline Dry Dock.
- 2 items
- 1169 21 August - 2 September 1952
- Correspondence between Fitzgerald and W. Collins discussing Desmond Binnigin's idea to develop Haulbowline Dry Dock.
- 2 items
- 1170 [n.d.]
- MSS. draft of a Memorandum on Haulbowline Dry Dock sent to J. Flynn, Chairman Irish Shipping Co.
- 3pp
- VII **Minutes and Reports of Cork Dockyard Ltd.**
- 1171 1943
- Notice of 1st meeting of Shareholders of Cork Dockyard Ltd. containing the Director's Report and Revenue account. Also the copies of minutes of the A.G.M. held on 27th October. Also letter naming Messrs. Griffin, Lynch & Company Auditors.
- 5 items
- 1172 1944

- PR6/
Copy minutes of the 2nd A.G.M. of Cork Dockyard Ltd. Also copy of the Chairman's Statement to Shareholders.
2 items
- 1173 1945
Copies of the minutes of the 3rd A.G.M. of Cork Dockyards Ltd., also copy of the Chairman's Statement.
4 items
- 1174 1946
Copy of the Chairman's address to the 4th A.G.M. of Cork Dockyard Ltd.
3pp
- 1175 1947
Copy minutes of the 122nd meeting of the Board of Directors of Cork Dockyard Limited (22 October) held at the Gresham Hotel, Dublin. Meeting chaired by Fitzgerald.
6pp
- 1176 1948
Copies of the Chairman's statement to the 5th and 6th A.G.M.'s of shareholders of Cork Dockyard Ltd. and notice of A.G.M. for 15th September and copy of Director's report and Revenue Account.
5 items
- 1177 5 December 1949
Notice of 7th A.G.M. to be held 14th December. Also covering letter for a copy of the suggested Chairman's Speech.
3 items
- 1178 1950
Copies of the Revenue Account and Directors Report submitted at the A.G.M. of Cork Dockyard. Also incomplete copy of the Chairman's statement.
3 items

- PR6/
1179 1951
- Copies of the Revenue Accounts for Cork Dockyards Ltd.
- 2 items
- 1180 1 January 1952
- Incomplete copy letter from Fitzgerald to E. Byrne, Secretary Cork Dockyard Ltd. giving a precis of his interview with the Minister regarding Dail references to the Dockyard, for inclusion in the minutes of the last Director's meeting.
- 1p
- 1181 18 March 1952
- Copy of minutes of a Conference held at Cork Dockyard Ltd. to decide on the method of bringing the Crank Shaft in line with the propeller shaft of the SS Dun Aengus.
- 1p
- 1182 1953
- Printed copy of the Chairman's statement to the 13th A.G.M. of the Shareholders of Cork Dockyard Ltd.
- 3pp
- 1183 1954
- Circular letter advising Fitzgerald of the A.G.M. at Cork Dockyard Ltd.
- 1p
- 1184 1955
- Copy of Chairman's statement to the A.G.M. of Cork Dockyard. Also draft copy of the statement with letters from J.J. Stafford, Wexford Steamships Co. commenting on same (4-10 February).
- 4 items
- 1185 [n.d.]
- Copy of a report by J. Humphrey's, Manager, Cork Dockyard Limited on foundations for Shipbuilding Slip. Also draft minutes of a meeting taken by Fitzgerald.
- 5pp

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VIII Associated Documents

1186 7 July 1942

Copy of Report on Haulbowline Industries Ltd., Passage West.

6pp

1187 1945-1948

Jotted notes by Fitzgerald relating to yearly turnovers.

1p

1188 1952

Copy of statistics relating to the numbers of apprentices trained at Cork Dockyard Ltd. and the number present that year (33).

1p

1189 [n.d]

Draft specification for Cork Dockyard Ltd. prepared by the Hibernia Fire and General Insurance Co. Ltd., Dublin.

2pp

IX Newsclippings

1190 1947-1957

Newsclippings referring to Cork Dockyard Ltd. and ship building in general

9 items

2 Verlome Cork Dockyards

I Opening 1958

1191 29 August - 16 October 1958

Letters of congratulations sent to Fitzgerald after the announcement that Verlome International are to take over Cork Dockyard Ltd. Most have a copy reply attached. Includes letters from ((3) Chairman of Cobh Urban District Council (7) Secretary Cork Fianna Fail (8) the Irish Tourist Association (15) M. St. J. Atkins, President U.C.C.

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21 items

1192 13 January - 26 March 1959

Letters of congratulations on Fitzgerald's appointment as Chairman of Verlome Cork Dockyards.

7pp

1193 24 August 1960

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Brian Gallagher, Irish Ambassador to the Hague, regarding the official opening of Verlome Dockyard.

2pp

1194 10 October - 23 November 1960

Letter from Tom Cronin, Cobh congratulating Fitzgerald on the successes of Rushbrooke and recalling the efforts of the C.U.D.C. to keep it running. Copy reply from Fitzgerald congratulating Cronin on his hearty appearance at the grand opening and requests a copy of the statement made by Dr. Horgan about Rushbrooke.

2 items

II Correspondence

i Relating to Mr. Cornelius Verlome

1195 15 May 1959

Draft circular outlining Mr. Cornelius Verlome's guarantees from Irish Authorities to upgrade Cork Dockyard to make it one of the most modern in the Verlome group.

1p

1196 24 May 1960

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to A. Rijke confirming a meeting has been organised for Mr. Verlome with Sean Lemass. Mentions his son Jim is in The Hague and may call.

1p

1197 27 April - 1 May 1961

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Copy of covering letter to Mr. Verlome from Fitzgerald enclosing a copy of a letter from Ernest Childers congratulating Verlome on their stand over the Labour dispute. Also Childer's letter which urges them "Never give way - never, never!"

2pp

1198 June - July 1961

Correspondence relating to the visit of Mr. & Mrs. Verlome to Ireland on the 14 July 1961. Includes letters informing Jack Lynch T.D., Minister for Industry and Commerce of Verlome's itineracy. Includes a list of invitations to a Dinner at the Gresham Hotel on the 19th July mostly to Government Ministers and Verlome Directors.

18 items

1199 11 January 1963

Cover letter from C. Verlome to Fitzgerald enclosing a copy of his letter to Taoiseach, Sean Lemass stressing the losses he took in Ireland to establish the shipyards and the need for them to meet as soon as possible. He stresses to Fitzgerald the yard will close if a satisfactory agreement cannot be reached.

2 items

1200 17 January 1963

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Mr. Verlome discussing developments with their subsidy application made to Dr. Beddy of the I.D.A.

1p

1201 31 January 1963

Copies of draft of a letter from Fitzgerald to Mr. Verlome discussing his proposed meeting with Dr. Beddy and Taoiseach Sean Lemass.

5 items

1202 28-30 August 1965

Correspondence relating to celebrations for Mr. Verlome's 65th birthday. Includes Letter of congratulations from the Taoiseach.

4pp

1203 3-19 November 1958

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Letters from K.M. Cregan, I.D.A., dublin to Fitzgerald regarding a meeting with Mr. Van Dijk and related matters.

2 items

1204 28 November - 7 December 1960

Correspondence between John Donovan of the I.D.A. and Fitzgerald regarding a visit by U.S. representatives to Verlome to promote the image of Irish Industry.

4 items

1205 22 January 1963

Copy of figures recording investments from Verlome United Shipyards to Verlome Cork Dockyards.

1p

1206 5 February 1963

Copies of a letter from Verlome Estalensus Renunidos to Brazil to Dr. J.P. Beddy, Chairman I.D.A. confirming on behalf of Verlome United shipyards the subsidization of building orders placed by the Brazilian Government.

2 items

III With Government Departments

1207 28 October - 19 November 1959

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Jack Lynch T.D., Minister for Industry and Commerce regarding a request for a waiver of restrictions regarding the New Manufacture License for Verlome to permit the building of a Passenger Tender for Cork Harbour Commissioners.

8 items

1208 28-29 October 1965

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Seamus Meany T.D., regarding concerns that as much goods as possible of local and Irish manufacture be supplied as stock to ships leaving Verlome Dockyards.

2 items

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1209 3-17 May 1966

Correspondence file between Fitzgerald and Government Departments relating to the possibility of an order for Verlome to build tankers for Esso.

10 items

1210 25 April 1967

Copy minutes of a meeting at Leinster House between Minister George Lolley and Messrs. G. Verlome, A. Rijke, G. Van der Puil, W.H.G. Jacobs and Fitzgerald.

2pp

1211 2 October 1969

Copy of statement by Verlome United Shipyards confirming they have secured a guarantee of a loan from the Dutch Government.

1p

IV With Irish Shipping Ltd.

1212 25 April - 14 May 1959

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and interested parties relating to tenders by Verlome Dockyards Ltd. to build ships for Irish Shipping Ltd.

12 items

1213 28 October 1968

Copy of letter from G. Van der Puil to L.S. Furlong, General Manager, Irish Shipping Ltd. discussing a quote for a ship.

2pp

V With Brian Gallagher, Irish Ambassador to The Hague

1214 29 September - 4 October 1958

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Correspondence between Brian Gallagher and Seamus Fitzgerald congratulating each other on securing Verlome for Cork. Gallagher states "for if I hooked the fish you gaffed him and Beddy landed him".

2 items

1215 8 October 1959 - 24 May 1960

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Brian Gallagher regarding Vice-Admiral de Booy's wish to send his son Peter to an Irish Riding school for 3-4 weeks. Gallagher requests Fitzgerald to organise the stay near Cork where Admiral de Booy's has friends and business associates. Also a letter from Gallagher (24 August) planning a visit to Verlome.

15 items

1216 17 February 1962

Copy of letter from Fitzgerald congratulating Gallagher on his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary to the Federal Republic of Germany and discussing Mr. Verlome's disappointment regarding the conditional offer of grants from An Foras Tionnscoil.

2pp

VI Relating to Liffey Dockyards

1217 May-June 1961

File relating to a proposal by Verlome that they take over Liffey Dockyards, Dublin. Includes 24 May 1961 Copy letters to Fitzgerald from Mr. Verlome considering the take-over and copy of a Director's report on discussions with Liffey Dockyards.

20 items

1218 4-12 June 1963

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and G. Sweetman T.D. regarding an inaccurate report of his Dail comments that referred to Liffey Dockyard not Verlome.

5 items

1219 23-27 August 1968

Copy correspondence between G. van der Puil of Verlome and J. Lenaghan, Director Liffey Dockyard. Van der Puil assures him they "Look forward to a co-operation

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with Liffey Dockyard that will be both friendly and fruitful to both companies" (1) and discusses pricing strategies. Lenaghan discusses the formation of an agreement between the two companies to ensure Irish Shipowners use Irish Dockyards (2.

2 items

VII Voices of Dissent

1220 11 April 1961

Two copies of a letter from a disgruntled employee of Verlome Fitting to Fitzgerald's shop complaining that the foreman has a vendetta against himself and others and complaining about general work standards.

2pp

1221 20 April 1962

Vitriolic letter from the same writer as PR/1220 above to Fitzgerald blasting "Murchu and his useless scabs" who

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"ordered us out on strike and then sold us the same as our Lord was sold for a few pounds". Blasts those including Fitzgerald who said there would never be a dockyard in Rushbrooke claiming "I left my kids go hungry to save it with a few other men" and that "it was non of the Old I.R.A. informers or their sons or the niger or Black and Tan navy stokers. No wonder we cannot build decent ships or repair them we have a lot of imported Dagoes Bluffers and a lot of white collar men that don't know the Bow from the Stern of a ship".

3pp

VII General Correspondence

1222 12-16 October 1958

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Sean McCarthy, Lord Mayor of Cork, regarding the invitation to the Lord Mayor and his wife to attend a launch at Verlome United Shipyard in Holland. Also report of the trip.

4pp

1223 18 July - 24 August 1960

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Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Hugh Buckley, Winnipey, Manitou, Canada. Buckley had written in anger to the Lord Mayor of Cork after reading a report in Canadian Time that Chinese workers from Hong Kong were to be sent by Verlome to Cork (Clipping enclosed. The letter was referred to Fitzgerald who wrote to assure him that Irish people are always put first at Verlome and the story is inaccurate.

4 items

1224 6 August 1960

Copy letter to the Society Anonyme, Somerton, Geneva, from Verlome Dockyard advising them they have to withdraw their quotation for the Refrigerated Steam Trawler due to difficulties in acquiring Political Risk Credit Insurance.

2pp

1225 28-30 September 1960

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Percy McGrath, Chairman of the Tea Council of Ireland Ltd., Dublin. Fitzgerald inquires if a plea for India to place orders for shipbuilding in Ireland could be included on the itinerary of the Tea imports visit to India. He points out Ireland imports £5 million worth of tea in 1959. Also copy covering letter to A. Rijko, Verlome, Holland enclosing copies of the correspondence and discussing the Directors disquiet about the attendance at Board meetings of Mr. Scoute and Mr. Kilty. Also newsclipping of the Indian visit.

4 items

1226 24 October 1960

Letter to Fitzgerald from William Sandys, Griffin Lynch and Co., confirming the introduction of a new book-keeping system shouldn't pose any problems.

1p

1227 17 October 1960

Letter from Stephen Barrett, Lord Mayor of Cork, to Fitzgerald expressing "as temperately as possible my regret and disapproval at the manner in which I, as Lord Mayor, and my wife as Lady Mayoress were received and entertained by your company on Saturday at the opening of Verlome Shipbuilding yard". He was left "roaming at large" until requested by two Dutch gentlemen and was then seated away from the dignitaries. He now hopes there will be a reversal of "your companies apparently deliberate policy of publicity ignoring the existence of the office I am honoured to hold".

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2pp

1228 8-19 November 1960

Copies of heated correspondence between N.C. Haughey, Secretary, Cork Dockyards Ltd. and Mr. A.L. Downes, Director, Imperial Hotel, Cork, concerning a disputed invoice for alcohol consumed at a Verlome Function. Also drafts and copy of a letter from Fitzgerald diffusing the dispute.

12pp

1229 4 February 1961

Copy of letter from John J. Horgan, South Mall, Cork to C van Dijk explaining the Directors feel that Mr. Hegarty should be instructed to build the Cork type of house rather than the more expensive Dutch model [for workers].

1p

1230 27 March 1962

Internal memorandum sent by Fitzgerald concerning the visit by Mr. Statterheim and Mr. B. Moret to Verlome.

1p

1231 23 July 1963

Drafts of a letter from Verlome Dockyard to The Editor Independent Newspapers Ltd., Dublin correcting errors in their article of July 20, 1963 "Verdict on Verlome" which suggested £6 million of Government money was invested in Verlome. The true figure was £1.4 million mentions other inaccuracies.

4pp

1232 10 April 1964

Letter from D. Auer, Verlome United Shipyard, London enclosing a copy letter from Sir Gerald Mabarro M.P., expressing his interest in investigating the possibility of starting a plastics company in Ireland.

2 items

1233 9 December 1969

Copy letter sent by Fitzgerald to William Sargent, Gort, Co. Galway, expressing his delight at Sargent's return to Ireland and his wish for him to come down to visit

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Verlome Cork Dockyard "It should be a tremendous source of pride for you to claim major responsibility for it's foundation.

1p

1234 30 October 1968

Copy of letter from G van der Puil to the British and Irish Steam Packet Company notifying them of the delay in obtaining parts for their ship and the postponement of the launching.

3pp

1235 9 February 1970

Covering letter marked 'Private and Confidential' from G van der Puil, enclosing the text of recent agreements between the Dutch Government and Mr. Verlome regarding the future of the Verlome Organisation in Holland. Also newsclipping of resignation of Cornelius Verlome as President and jotted notes by Fitzgerald on same.

3 items

III Official Minutes and Reports

1236 1 June 1960

Covering letter to Fitzgerald for draft minutes of a board meeting, inquiring about his view on sending similar material to Holland.

2 items

1237 7 July 1960

Copy of minutes of a meeting at Dublin Airport between representative of the Irish and Allied Trading Corporation Ltd. and Verlome. Some MSS. annotations and complimentary slip.

2 items

1238 15 July 1961

Copies of the Chairman's Statement (Fitzgerald) given to the A.G.M. of Verlome Shareholders.

2 items

- PR6/
1239 1962
Draft of Chairman's Report for November A.G.M. of Verlome.
4pp
- 1240 3 December 1965
Draft of Chairman's address to A.G.M. of Verlome.
6pp
- 1241 6 September 1968
Copy of report by G van der Puil on work in progress at Verlome.
6pp
- 1242 8 October 1968
Copy agenda for Committee meeting of Directors and Management of Verlome Cork Dockyard Ltd.
1p
- 1243 4 November 1968
Copy of report by Mr. K. A. Kilty of his visit to U.K. Shipping Fairs.
4pp
- 1244 18 November 1970
Covering letter from P.D. Daly, Secretary, Verlome Cork Dockyard enclosing for Fitzgerald notice of the A.G.M. and Copies of the 1969 Annual Accounts and Director's Report.
3 items
- 1245 [n.d.]
Rough drafts and notes by Fitzgerald in preparation for a Chairman's Statement and draft of letter to Mr. Verlome and incomplete part of a Chairman's Report.
11pp
- 1246 [n.d.]

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Typescript document 'Verlome Cork Dockyards Ltd. headings under which information is required'. Headings include Present Position of Yard; Employment; Financial Details.

2pp

IV Material Relating to Finances

1247 11 May 1960

Statement of Financial Position of Verlome Cork Dockyard showing a credit balance of £86,227.

1p

1248 May 1962

Copy accounts for Verlome Cork Dockyards for year ended 31 December 1961, prepared by Griffin Lynch & Co., Chartered Accountants, Dublin.

6pp

1249 [1963]

Memorandum concerning the financial position of Verlome Cork Dockyard.

6pp

1250 [62/63]

Details of bank statement for Verlome Cork Dockyard.

1p

1251 March 1967

Copy of report by Arthur D. Little Inc. 'Evaluation of Alternatives Available for Verlome Cork Dockyard Ltd.'

c45pp

1252 20 November 1968

Copy of Financial Report and accounts of Verlome Cork Dockyard for 9 months ended 30th September. Covering letter from WHG Jacobs Joint General Manager.

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22pp

1253 1970

Copy of accounts of Verlome Cork Dockyards for year ended 31 December 1969.

7pp

1254 [n.d.]

Rough by Fitzgerald on costings [for Verlome]

1p

1255 [n.d.]

Rough notes by Fitzgerald on VCD Finances and subsidies needed.

1p

V Material Relating to Shipbuilding

1256 15 October 1960

Programme for the official opening of the new building-department at V.C.D. and the keel laying of the first ship.

1p

1257 5-8 December 1961

Irish Rowan Material relating to the celebrations of the lack of the Irish Rowan. 5 December Includes copious newsclippings. Also copy of Solemn Blessing given by Dr. Horn H. Ahern, Bishop of Cloyne, 5 December, letter from Brian Gallagher, Irish Ambassador to the Hague thanking Fitzgerald for his invitation to the launch. 8 December and notes for Fitzgerald's speech at the celebratory dinner.

14 items

1258 November 1962

Irish Rowan Material relating to estimates and costings of the Irish Rowan.

- PR6/ 6 items
- 1259 26 April - 8 May 1961
Correspondence between Fitzgerald and J.J. Stafford arranging a meeting. Stafford (26 April also expresses his annoyance privately about the mistake regarding the "Irish Elm".
3 items
- 1260 11 April 1962
Costings of the Building Agreement for the SFC 'nevratan'.
1p
- 1261 23-24 November 1962
Notes for and draft of, speech given by Fitzgerald at the launch of the M.V. Silver Isle, the largest vessel then built in the Republic by Verlome.
11 items
- 1262 24 November 1962
Newsclipping from Cork Examiner on launch of the Silver Isle.
1p
- 1263 12-13 September 1963
Notes in Irish for a speech by Fitzgerald given on the occasion of the launching of the 'armstelhol' the biggest ship them built by Verlome. Also press clippings about the launch.
9 items
- 1264 12 August 1965
Copy of Verlome Press Release announcing the securing of an order from Greyhound Shipping Corporation for a bulkcarrier to be 31,000 tons deadweight.
1p
- 1265 9-11 July 1966
Newspaper articles commemorating the launch of the 'Adventure' the 6th ship to be built at Rushbrooke.

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3 items

1266 14 October 1968

Material relating to the launch of the river ferry m/f 'Strongbow' built for Abertoyle Plantations Limited, Waterford.

6 items

1267 19 November 1968

Copy of the Chairman's remarks at a dinner at the Imperial Hotel, Cork, marking the launch of the "Leinster".

2pp

1268 [n.d.]

Material relating to the launch of the M.V. 'James Benedict' built by the V.C.D. for the Liberian National Shipping Lines.

2 items

1269 [n.d.]

Newsclipping reporting on the handing over of the bulk cargo carrier 'Maas', built at V.C.D., to her owners Netherladsch Tank Veart Co.

1p

1270 [n.d.]

Copy of cost estimate for BG71 to be built at V.C.D.

8pp

IV Industrial Credit Company Ltd.

1271 23 September 1960

Copy minutes of a meeting between the Industrial Credit Co. Ltd. and V.C.D. concerning the establishment of a company to finance shipowners who place orders with Irish Yards. Also advertising booklet for I.C.C.

2 items

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1271a 26 March 1959

Letter to Fitzgerald from S.F. Thompson, MacCurtain Street, Cork thanking him for his letter of congratulations on Thompson's appointment as a Director of the I.C.C.

1p

1272 13-15 June 1961

Letter to Fitzgerald from J.J. Stafford, enclosing a copy of a letter from Dr. Beddy of the Industrial Credit Co. correcting the impression that a grant had been promised by Foras Tionscoil.

2pp

1273 4-8 February 1963

Covering letter from the Joint General Manager of V.C.D, to Fitzgerald enclosing a copy of a letter to the Industrial Credit Co. setting out their financial position and a copy of the draft agreement with the IR & GWU (not in collection).

2 items

VII Unions

1274 29 August - 6 October 1960

Copies of missives from representatives if the Cork Dockyard T.U. Group concerning agreements between V.C.D. and the I.E.I, & E.T.11 which they assert fail to allow other Craft Unions to safeguard the interests of their members. Also notes on same by Fitzgerald.

8 items

1275 April - June 1961

Material relating to notice of strike action served at V.C.D. Includes Correspondence between Fitzgerald, J.J. Horgan and Charles Nolan discussing the Congress Report on the proposed strike action and a circular notice form V.C.D. to all employees decrying the strike.

6 items

1276 21 October 1961

- PR6/
Newsclipping from the Irish Press recording the end of the 6 month long dispute at Verlome.
1p
- 1277 January 1962
Copies of Draft Rules for Office Staff at V.C.D. with covering letter.
3 items
- 1278 4 November 1968 - 3 October 1969
Copy letters and documents sent by G. van der Puil, Joint General Manager, Verlome concerning labour negotiations with the National Engineering and Electrical Trade Union and the Irish Union of Distributive Workers and Clerks over a new wage agreement.
8 items
- 1279 8-13 November 1968
Covering letter from G van der Puil to Fitzgerald enclosing a copy of the Labour Court Recommendation No. 2354 Verlome Cork Dockyard - wages and conditions.
2 items
- 1280 [n.d.]
Incomplete draft of a letter from Fitzgerald to Mr. Verlome discussing proposals for an agreement concerning electrical maintenance work.
1p
- 1281 [n.d.]
Newsclippings reporting on a meeting between Unions and Managers of V.C.D.
1p

VIII Apprentices

- 1282 January 1962 - February 1963
Report on the Training School at V.C.D. and correspondence between Fitzgerald and L.J.M. Poland of the Crawford Municipal Technical Institute, Cork on the subject.

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3 items

1283 12 October 1968

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to G. van der Puil apologising for being unable to be present at the apprentices induction ceremony. He also proposes that an annual roll call of ex-apprentices be initiated.

1p

IX Articles by Fitzgerald on Verlome Ltd.

1284 October 1960

Copies of article by Fitzgerald 'Background to Rushbrooke' detailing the history of the Verlome Dockyard at Cork.

2 items

1285 March 18, 1966

Article by Fitzgerald "Scope for Mutual Co-Operation" on Irish/Dutch trade from Business and Finance.

4pp

1286 August 1971

Copy of The Bridge V.C.D. magazine containing an article "V.C.D. Beginning and Future as seen by Dr. Seamus Fitzgerald".

12pp

X Newspaper Clippings

1287 November 1959 - April 1972

Newsclippings taken from Irish and English Dailies referring to V.C.D. from its inception. Also scrapbook (1959) containing newsclipping relating to the opening of Verlome.

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XI Notes and Memorabilia

1288 1959

Notes by Fitzgerald on the importance of shipbuilding to Cork.

1p

1289 [n.d.]

Notes on the wording for an advertisement for an Employment Officer at V.C.D.
Also clippings of other companies advertisements.

6 items

1290 [n.d.]

MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on a dispute between V.C.D. and Esso Ltd.

1291 [n.d.]

Copies of advertising Brochures for V.C.D.

12 items

1292 21 July 1961

IT&GWU Ballot paper with note on reverse reminding the recipient that Denis Long wants 30 children's tickets from D. Lehane 23 June, 1961.

1p

3 Irish Steel

I Opening 1939

1293 26 July 1939

Material relating to official opening of Irish Steel. Includes MSS. draft of Speech by Fitzgerald. Also menu for dinner hosted by Irish Steel for members of the Cork Harbour Board.

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3 items

1294 1940

Typescript copy of Chairman's Speech (Fitzgerald) at the Irish Steel A.G.M.

3pp

II Correspondence

1295 9 May - 4 June 1941

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and Maurice Lambot, Furnace Engineer, Birmingham who writes with suggestions for new production methods to pull Irish Steel "out of its present unfortunate position" (1)

3 items

1296 15 May - 4 June 1941

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and B. O'Neill, Cooke and Stevenson Ltd., Sheffield concerning efforts to re-capitalise Irish Steel.

2 items

1297 19-20 June 1941

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and J.J. Walsh, Ulster Bank Buildings, Dublin who is considering investing in Irish Steel, but who comments "as far as I have gone the signs are not propitious "adding "I don't mind facing

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difficulties I've been doing this all my life and succeeding but to begin with I must have at least the element of success (2) Points out major obstacles facing Irish Steel.

2pp

1298 20-30 June 1941

Copies of letters received by P.J. O'Brien in response to a circular letter sent out by Irish Steel. The responding firms all gave an estimate of the amount of steel they would require and most agreed present suppliers were inefficient and unreliable. All agreed the effects of Irish Steel closing would be disastrous due to the war situation.

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5pp

1299 10 March - 29 May 1942

Correspondence file relating to attempts to excuse two Belgian Engineers at Irish Steel from Military Service in Belgium. Includes letter from Fitzgerald to the liquidator of Irish Steel stressing the services of the two Belgians cannot be disposed with.

9 items

1299a 1 June 1942

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to David Frame, Dublin discussing matters relating to the finances of Irish Steel. Also notes on "Furnace Steel Production".

2pp

1300 11-26 January 1959

Letters of congratulations to Fitzgerald on his new appointment within Irish Steel.

7 items

1301 3-6 February 1959

Copy letter from Fitzgerald congratulating G. Farren, Irish Steel on his appointment as Director of the Shannon Free Airport Development Company Ltd.

2pp

1302 19 November 1959

Letter from Gerhard Schloss, Terenure, Dublin, informing Fitzgerald of his plans to leave for work in England and then on to India. Adds he did not receive his correct reference from Irish Steel and is handing the matter over to the Engineer's Association to deal with. Remarks on developments at Haulbowline and invites Fitzgerald to contact him if he needs more information.

1p

1303 31 December 1969

Letter to Fitzgerald and E.P. McCarron mulling over their early misfortunes with Irish Steel which he lays at the feet of a senior civil servant and the fact that Sean McEntee temporarily replaced Sean Lemass. Remarks he has finished with business and destroyed all his papers with the exception of an enclosure he sends to

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Fitzgerald. Aged 89 he no longer has the interest. Encloses (18-20 February 1959) copy letter to and copy reply from Sarsfield Hogan, Irish Steel Holdings Ltd. assuring him he did not mean to imply that McCarron's company "Darby & Co. had in any way been overcharging.

3 items

III Material relating to William Masgeik, Chief Engineer, Irish Steel

- 1304 Copy of a report into the purchase of a local farm by William Masgeik, German Engineer at Irish Steel. Objections to the purchase were lodged by the Directors of I.S. who felt it would detract from his duties and local people who objected to the land going to an alien. Masgeik declared he wished only to invest his money in land after experiencing the post World War ! Currency decline in Germany. The previous owner will be working the farm. The report concludes Masgeik was ill advised by "a sporting friend of his" who was related to the farmer.

2pp

- 1305 8 November 1945 - 30 March 1951

Correspondence file relating to William Masgeik Chief Engineer, Irish Steel until 1941, mostly concerned with his permit problems. Includes 24 December 1945 letter to
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Fitzgerald from Masgeik explaining the Ministry of Labour and Natural Service has declined to issue him a permit as no final peace in Europe had been signed. Includes 5-7 January 1946 correspondence between Fitzgerald and Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce about Masgeik's prospects of employment in Ireland before Treaties are signed in Europe. Includes 18 October 1944 letter to Fitzgerald from Masgeik discussing problems he foresees in the methods chosen by I.S. to manufacture steel ingots "Why do these people not allow me to assist them in their efforts to find a proper solution".

12 items

IV Associated Documents

- 1306 12 November 1942

List of men ex-Irish Steel, available for work.

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1307 11 January 1943

Copy of Debenture for Investment of £452 invested by Fitzgerald in Irish Steel.

4pp

V Newsclippings

1308 27 July 1939 - March 1972

Newsclipping of articles relating to Irish Steel from Irish and British newspapers and Financial Magazines.

27 items

C INVESTMENT IN

I Foilseachan Naisunta Teoranta

1309 December 1947

Prospectus for Share Issue in Foilseachan Naisunta Teoranta.

2pp

II Southern Star Newspaper

1310 31 August 1951 - 2 June 1954

Notices of E.G.M. of shareholders of the Southern Star.

3 items

1311 27 June 1959 - 20 May 1968

Divided Warrants from the Southern Star Newspaper for 15 Shares (1) £3:2:6 (2) £5:6:3

2 items

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SECTION 5 INTERESTS AND PATRONAGE (1946-1971) (48 items)

I Irish Language

I Gaedhealachas Teoranta

1312 22 July 1946

Invitation to the opening of Gaedhealachas Teoranta Summer School by Eamonn de Valera.

1p

1313 April - March 1947

Copy minutes of meetings of Gaedhealachas Teoranta.

2 items

1314 16 May 1953

Circular letter containing Agenda for a meeting of Gaedhealachas Teoranta.

1p

1315 6 February 1959

Newsclipping of article from the Irish Independent "I sketch Your World", mentioning Gaeleachtas Teoranta, a company set up to promote Irish and mentions Seamus Fitzgerald as a Director.

1p

1316 25 July 1966

File of memorabilia relating to the opening by de Valera of Gaedhealachas Teoranta's Summer School Colaiste Ciaran on Cape Clear Island, Co. Cork.

7 items

1317 [n.d.]

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Newsclipping showing a photograph of Trabolgan House, Co. Cork, adapted for use as a Summer School by Gaelachas Teoranta.

1p

II An Ciorcai Stiudeir

1318 7-9 November 1949

Correspondence in Irish between Fitzgerald and the Secretary of the Ciorcai Stiudeir for which he agrees to act as a patron.

3 items

1319 25-27 April 1950

Letter in Irish from Diarmuid O'Murchadha, Runai and Ciorcai Stiudeir requesting Fitzgerald to act as a patron during their anniversary celebrations. Copy reply acquiescing.

2 items

1320 1950

Receipt of a subscription of 10/ from Fitzgerald to the Ciorcai Stiudeir.

1p

III An tOireachtas

1321 26-29 June 1950

Letters from Leon O'Dubhghaill, Runai An tOireachtas (1) seeking sponsorship (2) thanking Fitzgerald for same.

2 items

1322 10 October - 28 November 1950

Correspondence relating to Fitzgerald's efforts to raise subscriptions to an tOireachtas Development Fund Appeal.

6pp

1323 2 December 1951

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Invitation to the opening ceremony of Oireachtas na Mumha.

1p

1324 6-7 October 1952

Letter in Irish from Clara na Annrachain, Honorary Secretary to Oireachtas na Mumhan inviting Fitzgerald to act as Leas Uachtaran. Copy reply acquiescing.

2pp

IV An Tostal

1325 25 July 1952 - 20 June 1954

Circulars and copy minutes of Cork Tostal Council Meetings.

18 items

1326 1952-56

Programmes for An Tostal and newsclippings referring to events.

6 items

1327 11 April 1953

MSS. of projected takings from a Ballet to be performed by the Cork Opera House Company Ltd. as per of the Tostal celebrations.

1p

1328 2 October 1953

Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Padraig O'Siothchain, Dublin, regarding the organisation of the Tostal celebrations. Also jotted notes regarding same.

5 items

1329 2 November 1953

Circular requesting support for An Tostal.

1p

1330 1954

- PR6/
Copy of U.C.C. Magazine the Quarryman advertising the U.C.C. Tostal with MSS.
notes on repeat advertisers.
60pp
- 1331 1954
An Tostal advertising brochures for overseas distribution.
2 items
- 1332 7 May 1958
Letter from the Cork Tostal Council inviting Fitzgerald to a dinner in honour of the
President of Ireland. Also programme of the President's visit.
2pp
- 1333 [n.d.]
Projected accounts for Cor Fheile Tostal Chorcaighe.
2pp
- V Cara**
- 1334 March 1953
Membership/subscription forms for CARA The Society of Friends of the language
and a copy of its constitution.
6 items
- 1335 24 November 1955
Correspondence relating to requests for subscriptions to Cara.
items
- 1336 5 December 1958
Circulars inviting recipients to the A.G.M. of Cara, Secretary - Parry Fitzgerald.
Also replies.
10 items

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1337 [n.d.]

Brochure for Cara.

4pp

VI **Connradh na Gaedhilge**

1338 2 February 1947

Letter in Irish from Barra O'hEigartaigh, Connradh na Gaedhilge Chorcaighe requesting support for that years Oireachtas.

1p

1339 1948

Copy of booklet 'The Philosophy of the Gaelic League' by Daniel Corkery.

15pp

1340 4 April 1949

Receipt for subscription of £5 to Conradh na Gaedhillge.

1p

VII **Associated Organisations**

1341 September 1945 - 21 January 1969

Collection of circulars, pleas for subscriptions, invitations and membership cards for various organisations all dedicated to the Irish Language Includes 1967 Circulars and notes regarding the Language Freedom movement who object to the emphasis placed on Irish in schools and everyday life.

21 items

1342 8 February 1946

Copy of India.

pp

1343 31 February 1954

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Copy letter from Fitzgerald to Tom Mullins, General Secretary F.F. discussing the sale of small Irish Dictionary's.

1p

1344 31 January 1964

Article from the Irish Press 'Obair ar son na Gaeltachta'.

1p

1345 [n.d.]

MSS. notes by Fitzgerald on Irish Grammar.

2pp

II Cork Scientific Council

1346 [n.d.]

Publication stating the aims and ethos of the Cork Scientific Council.

5pp

III Cork Orchestral Society

1347 15 September 1950

Typescript letter from Professor Aloys Fleischmann requesting a subscription for the Cork Orchestral Society, Symphony Concert.

2pp

1348 April 1951

Summary of Finances to april 1951 at the Cork Orchestral Society.

1p

1349 1954/1955

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Material relating to the Cork Orchestral Society and subscriptions to same.

4 items

1350 1954

Circular advertising the Cork Grand Opera Society and Choral Union.

1p

1351 29 August 1960

Letter to Fitzgerald from Aloy's Fleischmann, Music Department, U.C.C. enclosing an estimate of costs for the visit to Ireland by the Hague Philharmonic Orchestra May 6th and 7th.

2 items

IV Maritime Institute Of Ireland

1352 16 August 1957

Covering letter from Paddy Fitzgerald to his father Seamus enclosing a letter from Desmond Brannigan with a copy of the Maritime Institute Memorandum.

3 items

1353 10 February - 9 March 1959

Correspondence relating to a Symposium on Free Ports held by the Maritime Institute of which Fitzgerald was invited to speak.

5 items

1354 1961

Information booklet produced by the Maritime Institute of Ireland.

11pp

1355 30 November 1967 - 13 June 1968

Correspondence file relating to Fitzgerald's involvement with the Maritime Institute of Ireland. Includes 30 November 1967 letter from Col. A.T. Lawlor of the Institute inviting Fitzgerald to act as a Patron. Includes letter from Fitzgerald to Lawlor

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requesting if he would enquire about Fitzgerald's entitlement to a Service Medal for his activities in the Defense Forces during the Emergency.

11 items

1356 [n.d.]

Subscription card to the Maritime Report and Engineering News.

1p

1357 [n.d.]

Brochure advertising the Maritime Institute of Ireland.

10pp

1358 [n.d.]

Fundraising brochure produced by the Maritime Institute.

7pp

V Donations And Association With Charitable And Voluntary Organisations

1359 1934 - 1971

Circulars, letters, leaflets and other memorabilia connected with charitable institutions in contact with Seamus Fitzgerald seeking support and/or financial assistance. Includes Material relating to the Provisional Council of Ireland 1938-1939; letter of thanks from Leslie Bean de Barra for his help with the Irish Red Cross Society (notes on reverse by Fitzgerald recording his political life and election successes) 25 May 1946; The Cork Catholic Social Supervision Society (of which Fitzgerald was a committee member 1948; Fundraising for the Lusitania Memorial Club 1953; Cork Church's Appeal 1954; Cork Historical and Archaeological Society 1959; and many others.

c100 items

SECTION 6 - PERSONAL AND FAMILY LIFE (1911-1974) (62 items)

A EARLY LIFE

I Apprenticeship

i References and Documentation

1360 1911-1925

References for Fitzgerald from J.F. King, Crawford Municipal Technical Institute, 4 December, 1924; P.V. Twomey, Municipal Technical Institute, Limerick, 5 December, 1925; P.J. Chubb, ex-Headmaster, H.M. Dockyard School, Haulbowline, January 1925. Also Certificate of Dockyard Apprenticeship, 17 October 1917 and Indenture of Contract for Apprenticeship, 19 September 1911. Also Apprenticeship Membership Card for Queenstown Branch Amalgamated Society of Engineers 1912.

7 items

1361 8 December 1910

Reference from William Ward, Instructor, Queenstown Technical School supporting Fitzgerald's application as Assistant Works Engineer to the Cork Harbour Commissioners. He describes Fitzgerald as "being one of the most promising of a particularly satisfactory group".

1p

1362 1919

Certificate of Service under the Admiralty for Fitzgerald from 19 September 1917 to 18 September 1918.

1p

ii Scholarship

1363 1915

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Letters to Fitzgerald confirming his qualification for and securance of a Whitworth Scholarship. Also letter 29th July, 1915 from B.J. Chubb, Headmaster, School HM, Dockyard, Haulbowline informing Fitzgerald he won his text books.

7 items

iii Aftermath of 1916

1364 27 July 1916

Letter from H.R. Russell, Secretary to the Vice Admiral Commanding H.M. Dockyards to Mr. P. O'Halloran of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers discussing the procedure for re-instatement of the two apprentices "who were arrested in connection with the recent outbreak in Ireland" (Michael Leahy and Seamus Fitzgerald).

1p

iv Memorabilia

1365 1912

Copy of book Machine Drawing 12th Edition T. Jones and T.G. Jones, annotated Seamus Mac Gearaislite 1912. Includes later MSS. notes on an athletic function for students at U.C.D. and loose detail drawings of a milling machine.

c120pp

1366 1914

Examination Paper, Practical Mathematics II for third and forth year apprentices HM Dockyard Schools.

3 copies

1367 1925-26

Calendar for Plymouth and Davenport Technical Schools.

93pp

1368 3 January 1931

Menu Card for Haulbowline Dockyard Ex-Apprentices Social Re-Union Dinner at the States Hotel, Cobh. MSS. notes of names on reverse.

4pp

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B CORRESPONDENCE

i To Michael Fitzgerald

1369 30 November 1951

Copy letter from Seamus Fitzgerald to his brother Michael enclosing "for your very confidential information" some material to assist him in a tender and prompting him on points to raise against the tenders of others. He himself will not be at the meeting the tenders will be submitted to.

1p

ii Mrs. Alice Fitzgerald (nee Archdeacon)

1370 24 April - 5 June 1952

Messages of sympathy sent to Fitzgerald on the death of his mother Alice. Includes (1) Telegram from Pa McGrath (2) Arthur J. Powell, Town Clerk, Cobh (3) Telegram from General Tom Barry (20) Secretary Fine Gael Cork City Executive (22) Cork Chamber of Commerce (23) Fianna Fail, Cork (28) Electrical Traders Union amongst others.

35 items

1371 [April] 1952

Mass Cards for Mrs. Alice Fitzgerald from (1) the Staff and Foremen of Cork Dockyard Ltd. (2) the Directors and Management.

2 items

1372 [April] 1952

Newsclippings recording votes of sympathy passed on the death of Mrs. Alice Fitzgerald by the Cork Harbour Board and Fianna Fail Cobh Cumann.

2 items

II GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

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i 1920's

1373 2 September 1926

Letter from Feargus O'Ceallaigh, 22 Nassau Street, Dublin informing Fitzgerald he met with Dr. McLoughlin who seemed interested in "starting a company to take over the business", but was concerned as to who would run it.

1p

ii 1930's

1374 19 July 1931

Letter from Mac [], 11 East Beach, Cobh to Peadar O'Donnell querying if the name and address given by a writer to An Phobhlact is correct. Attaches newsclipping of a letter attacking Fitzgerald's attitude towards English ships at Cobh. Covering letter directs the original to be handed to Patrick Fitzgerald.

2 items

1375 December 1937

Letter from Dr. Eugenius, Presentation College, Cork to Fitzgerald remarking "do you know you have more power than Hitler!!!" After casually mentioning to Fitzgerald the college gates were in need of repair work was begun the next day. Offers seasons greetings and congratulations on Padraig's success at school.

1p

1376 18 November 1938

Letter from Tadhg O'Brien, Carrigtwohill to Fitzgerald detailing his financial and legal wranglings with L.R. Woods which he has decided to finish due to the amount of upset and inconvenience it was causing. The dispute concerned a verbal agreement about commission due. He details Wood's shady deals with others and their legal wranglings and states he was forced to mortgage his home and is in great fear of being idle.

5pp

iii 1940's

1377 9 July 1945

Letter of thanks to Fitzgerald for the present sent to her by Maire Og MacSwiney.

1p

1378 July 1946 - 2 July 1948

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File of general correspondence. Includes 29 November 1947 letter from Jack Walsh, County Mental Hospital, Lancaster requesting Fitzgerald to find out the addresses of his family. Moves on to discuss the works he had published while under consular detention in Argentina and states he was a serious competitor of Jack London's "for that combination of Literacy and 'Tramp de Luxe'" honours commenting "He managed however, to preserve his legal status with sanity; Remarks ruefully he would like to send Fitzgerald a copy of his book "Nobody from Nowhere" printed in Buenos Aires but does not have a copy.

9 items

iv 1950's

1379 August 1950 - December 1959

File of General Correspondence. Includes 15 April 1951. Copy letter from Fitzgerald congratulating Sir Alexander Clutterbuck, British Ambassador to Ireland on his appointment as Permanent Under-Secretary of the State Commonwealth Relations Office. Includes 16 December, 1959, copy letter to Miss Ita O'Leary, New York keeping her up to date with events in Cork, especially the establishment by Denise Moriarty of the Ballet Company. Discussing the economy he remarks "we are not as thorough as other nationalities and it takes a foreign [] to get the best out of us".

29 items

1379a 4 February 1958

Letter to Fitzgerald from the Manager of the National Bank Limited reminding him he has gone over his overdraft limit of £4,000 by £213 suggesting the matter be seen to.

1p

v 1960's

1380 5 August - 5 June 1969

File of general correspondence. Includes 6-26 January 1968 correspondence between Fitzgerald and William J. Fitzgerald, Newfoundland, Canada. William Describes in a jovial way his efforts to get a subscription to the Cork Weekly Examiner and gives a humorous account of a visit to Ireland by Hugh Garland, his brother Eddie, Chief Accountant of Hibernian Insurance to and Rick Corcoran, Chairman of the Board.

10 items

1380a 27 November - 9 December 1969

Correspondence between Fitzgerald and thorn's Directors Ltd. who request information for their "Who's who in Commerce and Industry. In his reply,

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Fitzgerald encloses the information requested but not a photograph "as, indeed, I dislike personal adulation".

3pp

vi Undated

1381 [n.d.]

File of general correspondence and postcards.

7 items

C MEMORABILIA

I Family Memorabilia

i Relating to James Fitzgerald

1382 []

MSS. report by Seamus Fitzgerald of the funeral service of his father James "one of Cobh's oldest and respected citizens" detailing the attendance at the ceremony.

1p

ii Relating to Thomas and Michael Fitzgerald

1383 1931

Resume of Michael Fitzgerald giving his work history, from the denial of a place at Haulbowline Dockyards due to his political affiliations through running a shop with his brother Seamus (see/ which was burned by Black and Tans and kept under constant surveillance by Free State Forces; he joined his brothers electrical business but had to leave due to the falling off in trade. Details achievements and political offices held.

3pp

1384 1930's

Statement of summary of experiences by Thomas Fitzgerald from apprenticeship at Haulbowline to work in 1427 at the General Electric Co., Mass., U.S.A., his return to Cork in 1929 to Henry Ford and Son, the formation in 1931 of Fitzgerald and

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Co. from where he moved in 1933 to set up The Electrical Transport and Equipment Co. Ltd., Dublin (see //). However, due to the lack of development of the Drumlin battery, he is seeking temporary employment.

2pp

iii Relating to Mrs. Mary Ellen "May" Fitzgerald
1385 20 February 1952 - 1956

File of material relating to Mrs. May Fitzgerald's involvement with the Irish Countrywomen's Association. Includes (1) Copy of Draft Constitution for the I.C.A. (2) Newsclipping

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recording the election of Mrs. Seamus Fitzgerald as President of Cork I.C.A. (20 February 1952) (3) Brochure and Programmes for the 'Good Work' Exhibition held in conjunction with the I.C.A. and the Cork Town's Association.

20 items

iv Family Documents
1386 1907

Copy of Birth Certificate of Mary Ellen Harrington (Mrs. Seamus Fitzgerald) born 10th March, 1907 in Clonakilty, Co. Cork.

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1387 1927 - 1940

Copies of Birth and Baptismal Certificates for Seamus Fitzgerald born 26th September, 1896, Queenstown (Cobh).

4 items

1388 10 August 1937

Passports of Seamus Fitzgerald.

2 items

1389 11 June 1946

Copy of Marriage Certificate of Seamus Fitzgerald and Mary Ellen Harrington married 30th September, 1927 at SS Peter and Paul's Church, Cork.

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1390 30 September 1950

Copy of Birth Certificate of Patrick Augustine Fitzgerald, born 28 August, 1928.

1p

1391 8 June 1940

Copy of Birth Certificate for Alice Mary Fitzgerald, born 21 July, 1930.

1p

1392 3 April 1950 - 18 April 1972

Draft of and will of Seamus Fitzgerald, also photocopy of an obituary.

3 items

1393 1972 - 1974

File of documents relating to Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald's applications as a widow of a Military Service Pensioner.

4 items

II Appointment Diaries and Journals

1394 1933 - 1937

Notebook containing notes on a trip to England and Scotland, August 1933 and listing expenses. Later details of requests for work. Also memorabilia relating to the trip.

18 items

1395 1934 - 1960

Series of appointments and event diaries kept by Fitzgerald.

(1) 1943 - Notes on meetings

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- (2) 1944 - Notes on meetings. Records burial of Father, 3 March
- (3) 1947 - Records of business meetings. Includes newsclipping 6 January, 1947 recording the "great performance" of Paddy Fitzgerald (son) at the Munster Schools Athletics.
- (4) 1948 - Records meetings and journeys to Dublin. Notes 5 September, 1948 "Paddy's first open race 1st 440 + 880".
- (5) 1949 - Records mainly C.U.D.C. and chamber of Commerce.
- (6) 1950 - Records meetings and family trips.
- (7) 1953 - Two diaries are hardly used both record meetings.
- (8) 1954 - Brief notes of meetings.
- (9) 1955 - Brief notes on meetings.
- (10) 1956 - Brief notes.
- (11) 1958 - Records meetings and some social occasions.
- (12) 1959 - Meagre notes. Includes 2 calling cards.
- (13) 1960 - Two diaries. Very few notes, cards of visiting industrialists.
- (14) 1962 - Two diaries (a) Contains newspaper clippings and business cards of industrialists (b) Notes on business finances of Verlome.
- (15) 1964 - Brief notes includes details of a trip to Rotterdam in April.
- (16) 1965 - Brief notes on meetings.
- (17) 1966 - Brief notes on meetings.
- (18) 1969 - Notes on meetings.

21 items

1395a September 1939 - 1940

Diary kept by Fitzgerald during the early years of the Second World War detailing meetings of bodies such as C.H.C.; F.F. Cumainn the Red Cross Society, Cobh U.D.C. and others. Includes loose material (i) (5) newsclippings referring to C.H.C. activities (ii) Copies of titles from Annie nic Suibhne to the Cork branch of the Irish Red Cross (16) Letter dated 7 October 1939 signed by S.T. Donovan stating Mr. Fitzgerald is suffering from 'Tubes Dorsalis'. He is talkative but not troublesome.

1396 August 1953

Incomplete notebook containing accounts of trips in Ireland and notes of expenses.

15pp

III Cork Corporation Yearbooks

1397 1934 - 1952

Cork Corporation complimentary yearbooks for

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- (1) 1934 - 1935
- (2) 1937 - 1938
- (3) 1957 - 1958
- (4) 1951 - 1952

IV Articles By Seamus Fitzgerald

1398 [1956]

Copy of article by Fitzgerald "Economic Picture of Cork as regards Industry Agriculture and other factors" written for The Rebel Diamond Jubilee publication by the Corkmen Society of New York.

5pp

1399 Post 1956

Typescript of article by Fitzgerald "The Development of West Cork - An Aspect".

4pp

1400 26 May - 11 June 1957

Correspondence file between Fitzgerald and Captain M. Feehan, Editor, The Sunday Press regarding his agreement to write an article on the economy for their "It's my opinion" feature.

3 items

1401 23 June 1957

Newsclipping of an article by Fitzgerald "Economic Development Councils are vitally needed" taken from the How to beat the Crisis series in the Sunday Press.

1p

1402 9 January 1969

Typescriptpoints headed "Some Hurried Reardon thoughts on the Irish Political Situation."

4pp

1402a May 1969

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MSS. by Fitzgerald on the "Haves" and "Haves Nots" in an increasingly Capitalistic world.

2pp

1403 13 October - 25 October 1970

File relating to the writing of an article by Fitzgerald "workers must participate in controlling Industry" for the Irish Press series "what type of Economic and Social System would suit Ireland best. Includes drafts and copy of Fitzgerald's article and clippings of others in the series.

5 items

V Newspapers

1404 11 April 1936

Copy of The Irish People featuring the headline "Easter Commemorations now a Dirge?"

8pp

1405 October 1948

Copy of The Celtic Time monthly paper with a note reminding of an overdue subscription.

4pp

1406 15 October 1952

Copy of the Daily Worker.

4pp

1407 26 February 1955

Copy of The Leader.

20pp

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VI Notes

1408 [1959]

Jotted notes by Fitzgerald on Partition.

1p

1409 [n.d.]

Notes for an article on man's nature and instinct.

2pp

VII Ration Notice And Book

1410 1944

Notice of allocation of Gas ration

1p

1411 1951

General ration book issued to Fitzgerald (unused) c.20pp

VII Menus

1412 21 June 1932

Menu for Trinity College Historical Society Annual Supper Annotated 'W.J. von Stockurn.

2pp

1413 5 October 1937

Menu for lunch on the occasion of the granting of the Freedom of Cork to Most Rev. Dr. Ryan, Archbishop of Gabula.

2pp

1414 9 May 1952

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Menu for lunch hosted by Munster Bottlers Ltd.

4pp

1415 24 January 1955

Menu for lunch on the occasion of the laying of the Foundation Stone of the School of Commerce.

1p

IX Sundry Items

1416 October 1923

Part of a torn Agreement between Messrs. James J. Murphy & Sons and Ernest Coleman.

2pp

1417 20 January 1934

Liquidators Statement of Affairs for the Irish Industrial and Agricultural Fair Cork.

2pp

1418 14 April 1943

Copy of printed report of the proceedings at the Inauguration of the Sunbeam Social Service Society at Millfield, Cork.

15pp

1419 1953

Printed copy of 'Twin Songs of the Milk Strike'.

1p

1420 [n.d.]

Brochure for Mount Mellery Abbey Gentleman's Guest House.

5pp

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1421 [n.d.]

MSS. "The Last Phase of Pagan Ireland" a discourse by M.A. McGrath on a period in the history he terms "Irish Christian Cannibals".

24pp

SECTION 7 PHOTOGRAPHS (9 items)

A *Photographs*

- P1 [n.d.]
Black and White Photograph of Firemen quenching a blaze at O'Donoghue's Shop, Oliver Plunkett Street, Cork.
16 cm x 21 cm
- P2 [n.d.]
Black and White wedding picture. Bride and Groom with Priest outside a house.
8.5cm x 8.5cm
- P3 [n.d.]
Black and White shots on the occasion of Fitzgerald's conferring with an Honorary Degree.
8.5cm x 11 cm
- P4 [n.d.]
Black and White Graduation Photograph of a young man.
14.5cm x 9.5cm
- P5 [n.d.]
Black and White shot of a group including de Valera at [U.C.C.]
6cm x 10.5cm
- P6 [n.d.]
Black and White shot of two young men climbing a rock.
5.5cm x 5.8cm
- P7 [n.d.]

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Black and white shot of a ship at anchor.

14cm x 9cm

P8 [n.d.]

Two Black and White photographs of Fitzgerald giving a speech at the Cobh International Folk Festival.

21cm x 15cm, 12cm x 16cm

P9 [n.d.]

Black and White shot of Ross Castle looking towards Killarney Town.

11cm x 7cm
