

ARRESTS IN TUAM

Surprise, mingled with not a little indignation, was evinced in Tuam on Tuesday last when it transpired that a number of young men, suspected of Republican sympathies, had been rounded up and made prisoners of by National troops. It is well known that most of them, acting on the advice of the Government and the Bishops, had long since resigned from the I.R.A. and the reason for their arrest now puzzles the average man. Their names are—Michael Loftus, Bishop Street; William Hans, shop assistant at Naughton's; Paddy Collieran, shop assistant at M. S. Walsh's, High St; Jim Burke and Tim McHugh, shop assistants at Hosty's Ironmongery, the Square, which had to be closed temporarily owing to their arrest. They were removed to Athlone on Tuesday evening, as was Mr P Flannery, Milltown, arrested the previous Friday at Milltown.

The Rev W. Disken, C.C., Crossboyne has been appointed P.P. of Ballinakill in succession to the late Canon McAndrew, P.P.

Mr H. Neil, Postmaster of this town, has been appointed to Portrush. While in Tuam Mr Neil was popular and respected and a good official.

Mr. Patrick Burke, Bishop Street, Tuam who has left for the United States, was presented with a valuable watch by the Tuam Gaels on Tuesday night. He has been an enthusiastic member of the Gaelic club, and one of its best players. Mr. Willie Quinn made the presentation on behalf of the club.

A number of Republicans, travelling in an armoured Lancia car, toured between Tuam and Mountbellow last week. They commandeered young men in the neighbourhood and compelled them to cut two deep trenches on the roads.

Paddy Flannery, son of Mr David Flannery shopkeeper, Milltown, has been arrested by the troops and detained. Mr M. T. O'Donnell, son of Mrs O'Donnell, was also arrested but was released on giving an undertaking not to take up arms against the Free State Government. J. T. McCormack, Liskeevy, was rearrested and detained.

of these two well-known and esteemed citizens, he would, however, have died neglected and without any mark of appreciation of his services. The army authorities in these days

week and was subsequently starving. Wool on the week.