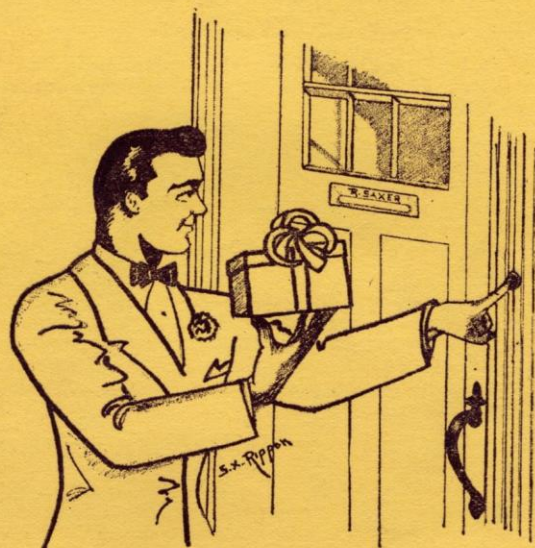




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**SENIOR CLASS OF 1948**  
**POWER MEMORIAL ACADEMY**  
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Bro. W. A. Hennessy, Principal



## Power Memorial Academy

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May 7, 1948

Dear Brothers, Secular teachers, Parents and Friends:

We, the Senior Class of 1948 take great pleasure in offering you this book as a souvenir of our Prom, our last social function as students of Power Memorial Academy.

While we are still an integral part of the Academy we want to thank all those who made this occasion possible. We are thinking not only of the immediate financial assistance that has been so generously given to the Prom, but of our parents who have sent us to Power, the Brothers, Nuns, and teachers who prepared us for Power, and of the entire Order of the Christian Brothers of Ireland that dedicated itself to God for our education and training.

Senior classes in the past have shared the illusion that they would build a better world or at least right all the ills of the present one. The Seniors of this year of 1948 have no illusions of grandeur. We know we are living in an age of great importance in which we must all work for peace. We believe this peace is possible only through adherence to Christian virtue and dedication to the Immaculate Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

We are prepared to be a part of our times because we have been educated as Catholics and scholars. We are grateful to our teachers, Brothers, and laymen, for the principles they have taught us, by word and action. As alumni we will strive to guide our lives by these principles so that Power students will be Power Men, forces for Christian virtue in public and private life.

To the under classmen who will take our place in later years we leave our priceless heritage, the honor and distinction of studying under the Christian Brothers of Ireland.

Affectionately,

STEPHAN X. RIPPON

*Chairman, Prom Committee*



May 7th, 1948

Dear Seniors:

Greetings. With the utmost pleasure I take this opportunity of expressing my great admiration to the Senior Class of 1948 upon the completion of four fruitful years of endeavor and purposeful preparation for your future life.

What thought shall I leave with you as you are about to graduate from Power Memorial Academy to commence living in the more combative and harsher atmosphere of the market place?

As you go forth from this sheltered life, bear these golden words upon your brow and write them deeply upon your hearts. "In the Service of Christ the King." These words mean for you boys, and indeed for all of us, loyalty, devotion, love and service to "Christ the King of Kings" who shall reign for ever and ever.

May the road rise to meet you  
May the wind be always at your back  
And may God always keep you  
In the hollow of His hand.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Bro. William A. Hennessy  
*Principal*



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### CHRISTIANITY AND CIVILIZATION

Lay your head down here, sorely wounded son,  
Rest on a book you have barely begun;  
Draw strength from pages you never shall see,  
Believe in the truths that it tells of Me.  
Men try to forget Me, but I'm ever near,  
Don't doubt me now in this moment of fear.

Some men will wonder; some question and doubt,  
And a few will say man can live without  
The spirit of faith that brought you today,  
To this modern Calvary where you lay.  
But the hand holding yours, you know my son  
Existed before the world was begun.

—Irene E. Moran

Note: The book "Christianity and Civilization" was placed under Tom's head by his companions before he died.



April 25, 1948

My dear Seniors:

On behalf of the Paulists Fathers and myself I extend to you our hearty congratulations. We were proud to see you at Mass and Holy Communion in our church each First Friday; we will miss you when you are gone. It was a pleasure for us to contribute our share in your spiritual development.

These are important days for you. You'll have to make decisions which will give direction to your life. You will, unfortunately, encounter customs, ideas and surroundings which are contrary to the teachings of your Faith. But your four years at Power have prepared you well so that now the Brothers and I are confident that you'll always try to be Catholic gentlemen. I know that in future years when we read of you or hear your name mentioned we'll say with pride, "He is a Power graduate."

May your Prom be a happy one and may God's choicest blessings be yours all the days of your life.

Very sincerely in Christ,

FRANCIS T. MCGOUGH, C.S.P.

Mr. Casseday

An intelligent man and a brilliant musician is this man who is the director of the Power Memorial Academy Band. In the short while that he has had charge of the band, Mr. Casseday has shown himself to be a true detector of false chords and sour notes as well as being the perfect man to rectify these errors. His perfect choice of music and his incomparable method of dealing with the band members has made him a person who will always be remembered by those under him.

Bro. Dobbins

His work with the Power Memorial Academy Glee Club has proven this Brother's intelligent way of working with an amateur glee club. He has diligently worked with the Club for many months to produce those pleasing sounds that are heard when the Glee Club gives a concert. Bro. Dobbins also teaches Latin, (specifically, the orations of Cicero) to Seniors. One of the most quiet and determined Brother's stationed at Power, his persuasive manner and steady determination make him a noteworthy personality at Power.

Mr. Finn

Another one of the Power lay teachers an ex Navy man, Mr. Finn is a teacher of two of the hardest Sophomore subjects; English and World History. An excellent basketball player, he was the star of the Faculty-Varsity Game. Tall, slightly dark, and you know what, he is often called the "Randolph Scott of P.M.A."

Bro. O'Neill

This Brother was chosen to inaugurate a new subject in Power, namely, Economic Geography. A stickler for punctuality, it is outside his class room door that late students are often found. Bro. O'Neill was transferred from Power a few years back, but after many requests, he was brought back to teach here.

Bro. T. V. Ryan

"The Guardian of the Gate", as he is sometimes referred to, Bro. Ryan is the true friend of the student; for there are times when a boy is accidentally allowed to slip in past the locked gate (at four minutes to nine). He, along with Bro. Conifrey is in charge of the Seniors who teach the Religion classes at the parish of St. Matthew's.

Bro. S. A. Ryan

Although this man knows that he may be sent far away from Power at the end of any school year, he is giving his all for the "Gold Star Alumni Gym Drive." In addition to being moderator for several sports, Bro. Ryan brilliantly teaches Geometry and Trigonometry. In all his undertakings he is conscientious, hard working and above all, a "go-getter". Through his enthusiastic, vibrant manner, he has injected into the students at Power a prouder feeling for the accomplishments of their school.

Bro. Sloan

Bro. Sloan has an Irish heart that is full of Celtic wit and sincere devotion to duty. This man diligently teaches French and English with such veracity that they are imbedded into the minds of his pupils forever. His unique method of teaching and the good results of said teaching have become legendary at Power. Indeed his is a most unforgettable personality.

Mr. Kass

Truly one of the "sharpest" dressers ever to teach at Power is this eligible bachelor. He has been imported from the wilds of Buffalo to teach Latin and English to Freshmen and Juniors. Mr. Kass has an obsession for typewriters that no doubt will some day lead him to be listed as one of America's greatest authors.

Bro. Enright

Bro. Enright has long been the friend and counselor of the students of Power, paying particular attention to the Seniors. Many of the alumni, returning for a look at the school, make the long, tedious climb up to the Lab building just to see their old friend in his usual haunt. His fervent wish is that all his students succeed and he does all that he can to advise them. His time is occupied with the teaching of Religion and science courses. His quiet and confident manner has captured the respect of all Power students. The understanding that he has for the problems faced by the student has made many a boy's path to manhood easier.

Bro. Keogh

Bro. Keogh in the short time he's been in Power has become like an old friend. In the classroom he has made such humdrum subjects as Latin and English live through his teaching. He always has a good sense of humor tempered with a strict sense of discipline, which makes his classes most enjoyable as well as educational. We are thankful to Bro. Keogh for it is through his energetic activities that the Purple and Gold, and Mothers Club have become such fine school organizations.

Bro. A. P. Sullivan

Bro. Sullivan is perhaps the friendliest Brother in the school. His intimate knowledge of the minutest details in history makes him an interesting and informative teacher. Since he's been in Power he has been in charge of various sports activities with which he has had great success. His talks on current events are very interesting and all students enjoy listening to them. We see Bro. Sullivan as a teacher who understands his pupils and takes part in their activities and interests.

Mr. Rood

Mr. Rood is a man of many talents and boundless ability. His fine work on the Senior Prom deserves the praise of the Senior body. Giving much of his time to the school, he has done excellent work in and out of the classroom. This industrious and hard-working man has become a familiar figure in Power through the years in teaching in such subjects as science and mathematics. His witty - friendly manner and sparkling personality has made him well liked by everyone who knows him.

Bro. Kostka

Bro. Kostka is a man who utilizes his time wisely and practically in the classroom. His lectures on events in history are informative and excellently given. Bro. Kostka will always be remembered, not only for his work as a teacher, but also for his excellent work as moderator of the band. He has made it an organization Power can be proud of.

Bro. Reilly

Bro. Reilly, moderator of the Sodality, has aided greatly to foster devotion to Christ. He diligently instructs his students on the problems of racial intolerance. Besides his spiritual activities he takes a great part in advancing sports. His devotion to his duty, his friendly manner, and his magnetic personality makes him one of the most popular Brothers in Power.

Bro. Murphy

This man comes from a truly religious family for not only is he a member of the Irish Christian Brothers, but his brother and his uncle are also members. A very quiet, dignified man he teaches Religion, Geometry, Latin and History to Sophomores and Juniors who testify to his capability as such.

Mr. O'Dowd

According to his students, Mr. O'Dowd is a very fine teacher of Latin. A teacher also of English, Civics and Speech, he has a clear, resonant voice. A very pleasant man to speak with, he is admired by all his students.

Mr. Chiara

An inhabitant of that foreign country, New Jersey, Mr. Chiara has recently been taken off the eligible list of bachelors. A former Lieut. in the Navy, he sticks strictly to the teaching of languages, namely English and French.

Mr. Minichini

As a player and instructor of reed instruments, none can compare to Mr. Minichini. He has been with the school only a short time having come here in February, but the improvements in the reed sections of the band are very noticeable. He is doing his utmost to help the band climb the road to fame.

Mr. Burns

A teacher of Elementary Algebra, Mr. Burns is regarded by pupils as one of the most likeable teachers. He is the coach of many sports and has proved his ability in these fields. His pupils find that he is a kindly teacher and that his methods of putting a subject (particularly Algebra) over are incomparable.

Mr. Jessup

Mr. Jessup, Physical Instructor at Power Memorial Academy, is well-liked by all the students at Power. His ready smile and pleasant disposition make him the perfect teacher for this type of work. He, in his spare time, is the coach for the track team.

Mr. Mulligan

A charming personality and a pleasant disposition make him a true friend of the student. He is also the holder of a Junior A.A.A. Championship, and is working hard to produce a team of track champions. Hopes some day to send his youngster to Power.

Bro. Smith

Bro. Smith is regarded by all as the most energetic Bro. at Power. There is no school function at which he cannot be seen with his "trusty camera." This effervescent person

person was chosen to be the moderator of the "1948 Power Year Book." He teaches in a clear, concise, audible manner what he calls the most beautiful language in the world: French. This man has a gift for organization which makes him a valuable asset to whatever school he is sent to.

Bro. J. Sullivan

A graduate of Power Memorial Academy, Bro. Sullivan has been voted by the Prom Committee as the handsomest of the faculty. A teacher of mathematics he spends his time in the class teaching the fundamentals of Algebra and Geometry. His pleasant disposition and his ready smile make him a happy addition to any group.

Mr. Reed

Another of the eligible bachelors that fits the tall, not-so-dark, and handsome list is Mr. Reed. A teacher of General Science he spends his time having his pupils, "stop all this ma-a-ad scre-aming." A likeable chap, he has helped the Prom Committee with his incomparable typing of the class lists.

Bro. Rice

Possessing both a jovial personality and one of necessary sternness Bro. Rice teaches Religion, French and English, etc. at Power. It is true that Bro. Rice will long be remembered by his former students because of their many pleasant associations with him. His natural ability of combining fondness toward the student and fine teaching ability will cause him to be long remembered by many. The Halls of Power would not be the same without his golden voice directing the students to "Get in line."

Bro. McCarthy

This man is one of the senior teachers at Power having the distinction of having taught here for years. Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors are awed by his overpowering personality, but the Seniors recognize him to be one of the teachers that truly has the students interest at heart. This Brother teaches Religion, English, and Latin to Freshmen and Juniors. His refreshing humor and happy smile make an addition to the faculty that any school would be proud of.

Bro. McKenna

Bro. McKenna is an original Powerite, having entered the Order of the Irish Christian Brothers during his high school years. A boy from the borough of Manhattan, he teaches Latin and math, though this term he is sticking to Plane Geometry. Bro. McKenna took his final vows last Christmas and he is a valuable addition of whom the Order will be proud.

Mr. O'Dea

Mr. O'Dea, although no longer on the eligible list of bachelors, still wears the dapper ties of a man with no entanglements (he claims that his wife buys them). This man really likes his sciences for he has four General Science classes, and two Biology classes. His incomparable method of doing experiments in the classroom will live in the minds of his pupils indefinitely.

Mr. Landers

A teacher of Second and Third year Latin, Mr. Landers, is reputed to be one of the most brilliant Latin teachers ever met by the students. He also teaches Civics and Economic Citizenship to Freshmen.

Bro. Conifrey

This is Brother's first year at Power, having formerly taught the All Hallows Grammar School. One of the quietest teachers, he is in charge of the First Communion class at St. Matthew's. This year he teaches Religion and English to the Freshmen.

Mr. Blessing

Mr. Blessing, a graduate of New York University and a veteran of the Navy teaches Intermediate Algebra and Geometry to the Sophomores and Juniors. He is an exceptionally gifted teacher and has proven this by his days in the classroom. A man popular with the student body he can be seen any day in the yard enjoying the period with the students.

## AS OUR FELLOW CLASSMATES SEE US

We aim to write a history that will show for all to see,  
What our class is made of, in personality.  
The records show that Garcia leads in the art of scholastics,  
While Bill Urell, in his dreams, is building planes of plastic.

The football field of battle saw Fallon in the lead,  
And Nappy Gaidzis always had the fighting spirit as his creed.  
Caccavo has an arm of steel and baseball is his joy,  
John Degnan handles a basketball as if it were a toy.

Lie T. Dorsey our own Frank Best excels with the slide trombone,  
And Casimiro Foglio is an ace on the saxophone.  
Al Swanson's a meticulous dresser with his suits of flaming colors,  
Rippon is a conservative and a favorite of the Brothers.

George Oehl lives for pay days but hates the work between,  
Ken Campbell without a girl friend is very seldom seen.  
Conron edits the "Purple and Gold" in true editorial style,  
While Jimmy Mulvihill's sport notes are arranged in a towering pile.

Dennis Murphy and Tom Armstrong are masters of American wit,  
And the Power pitcher's fast balls phase O'Leary not one bit.  
Milani and Prettitore have visited "hades" with Aneas the hero,  
And McGroary's interest in "solid" has so far registered zero.

Tom Murphy spends his lunch time burning dead pigeons in the yard,  
And Priefer does his homework with Baradet standing guard.  
Simonetti fits the name of a Latin from Manhattan,  
Bill Ferguson has a special locker to keep his Dache hat in.

Magee can be found in the lower yard smoking a dollar cigar,  
While Filipelli, by dodging Br. Keogh, keeps his condition up to par.  
Klingman makes the students jump with imitations of the principal,  
Lynch found out that Goldstein has a guard that's quite invincible.

Fratello does his chemistry by smashing the apparatus,  
And when, in need of homework Bob McManus has it for gratis.  
Gene Powers a teacher's assists by passing sly remarks,  
And Gordon Franz can cause a smile no matter where he parks.

Carl Baer and Ed O'Keefe are not very fond of history,  
Along with Marty Roth they find the period full of misery.  
Jimmy Waters' clarinet playing makes him quite renowned,  
And Eddie Hughes' build is about the best that can be found.

Johnny Ryan's Giants never seem to have come through,  
But Dave Sherlog's Yankees give him good cause to be true.  
Joe Sullivan has been known for his towering height,  
Gallagher during history fails to see the light.

Hanley is an advocate of the great wide open spaces,  
And Don Harrison being small is a natural for the races.  
Pumarejo and Richie Marin in sports excelled,  
Ed Lundy by his column to fame has been propelled.

McBride could teach the girls just how to wave their hair,  
And McGovern teaching dancing takes them on from there.  
Fitzgerald, quite a speaker should have a soap box in Times Square,  
And J. C. Gallagher might evolve a method for taming unruly hair.

Murray already has pledged his allegiance to Notre Dame,  
While Henehan by his Irish nature will boast the merits of the same.  
"Red" Cross as goes the motto is always ready with a helping hand,  
Bill Fitzpatrick plays a trumpet in the Power band.

Ellerbush is at his best when "sound off" cuts the air,  
And Louis Solana can always be found in the Prom Committee's lair.  
Mat Kiernan drives us crazy by mooching all our weeds,  
And Cowie with his humor is known for his good deeds.

Kilgannon's Irish blood thrills on St. Patrick's Day,  
And Gilliard must be a millionaire by the looks of his weekly pay.  
Kiernan's always weary from his grueling Bayside trip,  
And for a baseball game's outcome see Ed. Roepke for a tip.

Kane receives the "Oscar" for missing homework's best excuse,  
And Finnerty with his quietness wins the title of recluse.  
Flanagan in his few spare moments hustles money for the Prom,  
Gerardi's potential energy is like an atom bomb.

Tom, Ed and John Fitzpatrick with the same name cause confusion,  
Bill Downey is a football star in his own illusion.  
LaMontagne and Young again have made the team,  
While Nolan and Faughnan are always on the beam.

Tom Harvey in his dreams has made the ladies swoon in droves,  
Burke is a well known figure as in the school yard he roves.  
Tom Bradley's no relation to the general of war fame,  
Tonrey's Irish beauty attracts the ladies like moths to a flame.

Swanton on his local team is a star of basketball,  
Sawicki is known to be handsome, blond, and tall.  
Sheehan is very faithful cheering Power from the bleachers,  
George Hefferon with a scholar's mind is a credit to his teachers.

Thornton is constantly bothered by calls from would-be models,  
James Quinn with his enthusiasm, the whole class seems to throttle.  
Weepier's wallet will reveal he's quite a ladies' man,  
And Cusmano's complexion will reveal he has a beautiful tan.

Robinson applies his energy for the Power Yearbook Staff,  
Richardson along with Latin is ready for a laugh.  
Monks star of 706 made early acquaintance with Br. Sloane,  
Holdamph on the football field makes the opposition groan.

McCarten although new at Power made friends in rapid succession,  
Iula through the last four years has made a lasting impression.  
Boylan leads a solid platoon in the St. Patrick's Day Parade,  
Connally a thorough study of the printer's art has made.

Lewis' heart will give a bound each time he sees a plane,  
Hermann from Mt. Vernon does his homework on the train.  
Coffey not so long ago proved a talent for hopscotch,  
Casey with polished suavity is really one to watch.

Ficken's a living testimony to the quotation on obtaining bliss,  
While Cleary the champ with chance books is impossible, to miss.  
Steve Lyons is a student who can show you how to dance,  
Younger daily can be seen while after attendance slips he pants.

LeCompte receives our nomination for the embassy in France,  
Bob Heaney is a Powerite with just six months of attendance.  
John Reilly teaches religion without a single quirk,  
Sheehan's favorite doctrine expounds doing Latin without work.

Lowry is our standin for an impressive Sidney Greenstreet,  
Pat O'Reilly's fame rely's on never being indiscreet.  
Why are John Dillon's glasses always listed as "lost and found?"  
Bernie Daly in basketball is an ace on the rebound.

Frank Dolan and his family can't escape without some mention,  
McSweeney's sure to have some "info" on the veteran's pension.  
O'Meara's one who takes his jibes at a famous English teacher,  
So you've made the promenaders, each and every creature.

With soft music as a background and a spotlight in my eyes,  
Let the din grow louder as a poet I do rise.  
The introductions finished. Let the dance begin.  
Let this weary poet write the happy words,

"La Fin"

—STEPHAN XAVIER RIPPON

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Dear Fathers:

We want you to know that we haven't forgotten you. We realize that without you and your help we would not be here tonight.

We have spent your money and you have loved it. You have seen us through some trying moments from Freshman year until now. You have signed our report cards. When they were good, you took the credit; when they were bad, you placed the blame on Mother. And many is the time you have used the good old-fashioned hair brush to make us understand. Well—at times we didn't understand. Now we do!

We hope you are as proud of us as we are of you. Your sympathy, your understanding and your faith in us will not be forgotten. Your boy has grown up. Now he goes out into the world for the greater glory of God to live up to the faith and trust you had in us.

We won't let you down.

Your loving sons,

THE SENIORS OF 1948

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That's been my—job.

When you played truant I called Mom or Dad  
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That's been—what Bro. Hennessy told me to do.

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Through Science, English, Math, and French so dear.  
That's what—I taught.

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Has caused me more worries than I can mention.  
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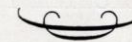
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