

Death of Mr. D. J. Lydon, M.Sc Forster-st., Galway.

The flag at University College, Galway, was flown at half-mast last week-end as a mark of respect to the memory of Mr. Daniel J. Lydon, M.Sc., one of its most popular and brilliant graduates, whose death took place on Friday night at a private nursing home in Galway following a protracted illness.

Eldest son of Mr. Daniel Lydon and Mrs. Catherine Lydon, 3, Forster-st., Galway, the late Mr. Lydon was educated at St. Joseph's College, Galway, and obtained first place in Ireland at the Leaving Certificate examination when he was only sixteen years of age. Three years later at University College, Galway, he took his B.Sc. degree with first-class honours, and when, in the following year he obtained his M.Sc. with first-class honours, he was the youngest graduate in Ireland to have this high degree.

Brilliant on the sports field as well as in the classroom, the late Mr. Lydon was a universal favourite, admired as much for his fine sense of sportsmanship as for his genius in the educational sphere. He was well-known and popular in sporting circles in the West, but especially in Rugby and swimming circles, for he was a founder-member of the Corinthians' Rugby Club and of the Blackrock Swimming Club.

There was a large and representative attendance at the removal of the remains to the Cathedral, Galway, on Saturday evening, and again at the funeral, which took place to the New Cemetery, Galway, after Solemn High Mass on Sunday morning. Among those present were the Rt. Rev. Mons. J. Hynes, M.A., LL.B., President, U.C.G., members of the professorial staff in their robes, and a large body of students.

Notes of sympathy with the Lydon family in their sad bereavement were passed at specially-convened meetings of the Corinthians' R.F.C., U.C.G. Rugby Club, U.C.G. Athletic Club, U.C.G. Boxing Club, U.C.G. Engineering, Science and Medical Societies, Galwegians Rugby Club, the Connacht Branch, I.R.F.U., the Bohemians Soccer Club, and the Blackrock Swimming Club.