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Richard Langford (1896-1978)

Langford participated in the formative years of The Gaelic League and Irish Volunteers. Founded in Lee Press in Cork's South Terrace in 1913 when aged 17 (still in operation today). Appointed 2nd Lieutenant of 'C' Company in 1914 and retained the post until late 1916.

He recalled his statement to the Bureau of Military History in 1947:

From about 1909 until the establishment of Irish Volunteers, An Dún in Queen Street was the centre of all advanced national activity in Cork City. I was a Secretary in 1912. The whole building was rented by the Gaelic League, but was sub-let at times or in part to various national or cultural bodies. There was another Cork organisation which was active in anti-British activities before Volunteer movement started. It was the A.O.H.