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On the same night, in the Question Time section, Maynooth had a good win over Killyon. Under Question Master Bryan Sammon, the two teams had little or nothing between them, although the final score proved decisive enough. The members of the Maynooth Team were presented with miniature trophies as winners, while the Killyon team, as runners-up received miniature cups.

The Prize Winners Concert took place on the following Sunday night and provided first-class entertainment. The various items were selected as being the best from the different teams during the Contest. In the end, the boys of Maynooth Primary School received first prize.

Knowing her husband's habit of sampling her cooking, Mrs. R--- left a note on a dozen mince she had baked saying "Counted - one dozen". When she returned she found two missing with the altered note to say - "Think metric"

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A monthly and sometimes satirical review of local news, gossip, general chat and perhaps occasionally unbelievable rubbish.

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We received a letter signed "One of the Ould Stock" complimenting "Newcomer" for his article "Maynooth Vista" in our last issue. Our policy is not to publish anonymous letters—the writer of the letter needs some of what he/she call the "courage" of "Newcomer." However we quote the central sentence of "Ould Stock" as follows: - "If the people of Maynooth have as much sound, practical, commonsense, as they have snobbery, and worked together for the good of our town, how lovely and different everything would be." We take the "they" to refer to what are generally called "runners" i.e., newcomers to the town within the last fifty years (give or take a decade)! It makes one wonder what is the function of the Community Council at all when it is supposed to be representative of every area of the parish and which is supposed to aim at getting people, old and new, parents, youths and children, "working together for the good of our town." The Newsletter has been criticised for being "too soft"—one of the goals of this column will be to stir the hornet's nest a little and get some fruitful discussion and action on local and perhaps contentious matters.

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We hear that Maynooth are next in line for the Council grant so that work can commence on the long-delayed swimming pool. However, it has been mentioned around, although in whispers, that perhaps a second look should be taken at this whole project. Reasons? The main ones mentioned were: (1) Many indoor pools have been built around the country only to eventually fall into almost complete disuse—some, it is believed, closed altogether. (2) The enormous cost of heating the water nowadays and (3) that it is a luxury, borne by the many contributors, to benefit a few. We also hear that at one stage it was projected that an outdoor pool would suffice—this was turned down. For our part we can only suggest that perhaps the whole idea might need a re-think. Would a survey, we ask quietly, be of any use to help clarify matters?

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News, articles etc. for June issue to be handed in to: Ted Kelly,
Liam Bean, Vincent Duffe, John Read or Mrs. McGarry by Sunday
23rd May.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Maynooth Swimming Club has been very busy during the last month. Great news for the Editor of this Newsletter, Mums and Toddlers too, read your paper. I know because they have been knocking at the door, all wanting to swim, now the Committee must go to work to make their dreams come true.

Three of our members went to a Water Safety Meeting in Naas. On Wednesday, April 7th, a flag day was sprung on us, but Gloire do Dhia it clashed with our friends the Advocate, yet there was nothing we could do about it, as Water Safety had permission for the whole of Kildare. To all those who helped us under such hard circumstances a "Big Thank You."

Mr. Rowan, the Chairman of Water Safety said that Maynooth was the most enthusiastic club he knew, and that he hoped sincerely they would get their own pool before long, and that any help they could give in the matter, we would certainly get.

Meanwhile seven of our older members have started Water Safety Course on Saturday nights in Naas.

In Naas also we got a promise from the course organiser that he would get an instructor to ask the Brothers in St. Raphael's if it were possible to take the pool over for a week in the summer, to conduct an intensive course which would bring our older swimmers up to Intermediate standard, without which they could not start an Instructor's Course.

We have set about organising an hour at night say from 8-9 which could include adults as well as older children, and we would like to invite the Scouts of Maynooth to join us. Then we could all work together, representing neither, the old or the new just Maigh Nuad. Newcomer thinks well when he is waspish, Ni ceart go chur le cheile!

We hear that C.I.E. have opened an ass-breeding station somewhere in the Midlands. This piece of information came to light when we asked C.I.E. to confirm the rumour about the impending sale of Maynooth Station to the Arabs in exchange for a fleet of camels. The camels were rejected because of poor breeding. Instead an "hire an ass and car" depot will be opened on the vacant site. It appears trains will in future only be used to rush politicians to Dublin for the new monthly budgets.

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There's no truth in the rumour that the telephone service is to become obsolete—it's been that way for the last twenty years. Likewise there's no truth in the rumour that Maynooth residents will have to wait at least five years for new telephones—it may be ten instead. This is because, we believe, that in order to create employment, the telephones lines are to be dug up again: also electricity poles will be moved to the opposite side of the road for the same purpose.

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Congratulations to the residents of Rail Park Estate. We hear that they have developed, at their own expense, the vacant site near the main entrance to the estate. A lot of work has gone into clearing the site of stones and rubble and preparing it for grass-seed. That's what we call "self-help" and wish there was more of it around.

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There's no truth in the rumour that the Minister for Finance stopped off for a pint in the town last week.

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We understand that the provision of a footbridge at the "Town Bridge" on Straffan Road has been postponed for the moment due to the economic recession.

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Thumbs down to the hooligans who had nothing better to do than destroy a number of trees in Greenfield Drive recently. We understand the trees were bought as a result of each household on the estate contributing £1.50 which makes the wanton destruction all the more deplorable.

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We hear that some people are very annoyed about the inconsiderate use of public telephones by others. Some people wishing to make emergency calls for medical assistance have had to stand outside for up to 15 minutes waiting, often in a queue. The maximum time allowed is five minutes and callers should not be hesitant in pointing this out to anyone spending an unusually long time on the phone.

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Extract from the "Celbridge Charter" of April 1976:—

Rag Week Kidnapping: Kildare Co. Council Chairman, Terry Boylan was held hostage in Maynooth College for nine hours on Friday, 26th March as part of a fund-raising rag by a group of students. Mr. Boylan was approached by some students to have a photograph taken in the College while on business at the Co. Council's Engineer's Office in Maynooth. On arrival at the College he was informed of the kidnap scheme and was asked for a list of people from the area who would pay his charity ransom. Pledges for various amounts were made after phone calls to many local business houses. Monies raised will be used to convert a bus to accommodate handicapped children from Stuart's Hospital, Palmerstown, on outings. The bus was donated by Barton's Transport, Maynooth.

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Comments heard around regarding the building in the Square have been many and varied. Most are unprintable. It appears few were aware of what the finished article would look like. One resident expressed concern because he could no longer see what goes on (what goes on?) up Straffan Road while he (resident) stood outside the Post Office! That, we feel, is as good a reason for grievance as any. Do any of you feel that the town has lost some of its unique character as a result? The bus-shelter will be more than useful—though we thought the 66 would by now be turning at Straffan Road. The shelter at the Square will not prevent the dozens of poor unfortunates from getting saturated while walking to the village from the two Greenfield Estates, the Crescent and Rail Park during winter.

MAYNOOTH VISTA

by Newcomer.

I have a confession to make! With the Easter week-end and the weather we are having as I write this, I forgot you all completely and it is only at the last minute, with a mighty push from the Council Secretary, that at a maximum of effort I have succeeded in producing my wanted literary gem. In fact I have been hauled in from the garden where I was planting the dahlias to get it off my chest. Only the dire threat of never being allowed to appear again in the Newsletter keeps me in for an hour on such a beautiful day.

Talking of gardening, my wife and I have come to an amicable arrangement over the years. I do the vegetables and she does not interfere, except to tell me what I am to plant, while the flowers are her province. There is only one snag in this. While she never took a degree in horticulture she is a Foreman Gardener—Sorry Ladies!—a Foreperson Gardener—so her major role is to say "put that there and put that there" and I put. But I hand it to her—she sure knows her onions (if you can excuse the mixed metaphor) and the end result is more pleasing to the eye than any mere male could achieve solo.

The fine weather did bring me out and around during the past week and the countryside is now starting to throw off its winter look but will we ever eliminate from our community that moron "The Dumper." How anybody can be so soulless as to foul our lanes with garbage beats me. The one thing we do get for paying our rates is the collection of our refuse and to dump it at the side of the road is neither good manners nor good sense. Who in his sane senses would pay for a service and fail to use it even to the extent of creating work for himself and making a nuisance for his neighbour?

And it does not end there. Walk around any of the estates on the day on which the bins are collected. Before the refuse car arrives half the contents of bins and bags are scattered over the area. Bins without lids and refuse bags not properly tied are an open—and I mean open—invitation to every stray dog and crow in Maynooth. If you have lost your bin cover, for heaven's sake, dig up a piece of board and a four-inch block and put it on top of your bin or if you use a plastic bag don't tie it with a bow—it may look artistic but it's retaining value is nil.

But to end on a lighter note with a comment on the frailty of our human institutions. Where I lived previously the County Council arranged their cleansing roster so that the streets were brushed the day before the bins were collected, ensuring that the rubbish spilled from the bins in the course of their being emptied blew around the district for a week. That's the gospel truth.

We hear that local politicians generally fear the recent upsurge of Community Councils throughout the country. The reasons are obvious. Community Councils are based on agreement and local consensus, while politicians thrive on disagreement—sure why have we political parties? The reason we draw this up is because we understand that letters sent by the Community Council of Maynooth to Kildare County Council have been largely ignored. It appears that letters sent in particular to the County Manager's office have been ignored completely without the good manners of even formal acknowledgment. The Community Council are seeking recognition, under the Local Government Act, as a statutory body representative of local interests (not political party interests or whatever). Fear would appear to be the key to understanding what is going on—or what is not going on.

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We hear that "diggers" are already at work in 'Brady's Field' (off the Straffan Road and opposite Greenfield Drive) preparing for new building—the field was recently staked out for housing. Are we to have endless rows of concrete jungle—what about green-belt areas? One person was overheard remark that the place will be a slum area within ten years if nothing is done to control development and make proper plans now. Many, young and old, have enjoyed the Sunday afternoon soccer matches in 'Brady's Field'!

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We hear that many women in the town have expressed dissatisfaction with the facilities at present offered by the Eastern Health Board—especially as small babies are involved. Taxpayers might reasonably expect more up-to-date clinics in this day and age. Like many other things it appears Maynooth is left out in the cold and is always last in line. Is it true that the County Council has purchased a house in Main St.—to eventually incorporate a health clinic? Wonders will never cease if we get the finished product within five years.

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We hear Rev. Fr. O'Higgins, P.P. has recently purchased a new bicycle. We wonder if he has another sponsored cycle ride in mind? (Whisper—was the old bicycle suffering from metal fatigue?).

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BEEKEEPING NOTES

By Colm Kennedy

It has been said that April borrowed its first five days from March. A good look out should be kept for disease during the month. It's a good time to check and mark the queen—there is not much problem in finding her at this time. It's the best time also to replace floorboards and do a general tidying up on the hives. Grass or weeds around the hives should be cut or sprayed to control weed-growth. Outdoor demonstrations will be held in the North Kildare area in the coming months. The first one will be held in Paddy Hannigan's Ryevalle Tavern, Leixlip on Saturday, May 1st at 2 p.m. All beekeepers are welcome especially beginners. There will also be a demonstration in conjunction with Cumann na Beacaire at Maynooth College, date to be arranged. It is advisable for all beekeepers attending these demonstrations to be well equipped, a good veil and hat is an essential, besides a pair of gloves and rubber boots. These demonstrations are a great asset to all beekeepers especially those people about to start the craft. I think more can be learned from these demonstrations and the actual activities of the hive, egg laying, brood in all its stages can all be seen. Another item of interest is the Federation of Irish Beekeepers Stand at the Spring Show—representatives from the Kildare Beekeepers Federation Cumann na Beacaire members will attend. It is hoped to have an observation where the queen and all inhabitants of the hive can be seen at first glance. All beekeepers welcome.

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DRUGS IN THE HOME

Now that the worst illnesses of winter and spring have passed—it is now a good time to take stock of the quantity and kind of drugs you have lying around the house. Anything in tablet form especially is always tempting to small children and many unnecessary fatalities have occurred as a result of carelessness in the storing of drugs and medicines. Anything you don't want destroy or dispose of NOW. Everyone takes or is given some sort of drugs now—days—antibiotics, cough bottles, painkillers, tranquilisers and so on. We, among others, are a drug-conscious society and are likely to be negligent in our approach to drugs and unaware of the dangers involved.

Doctors today are concerned about the high incidence of drug-giving to children especially—for example giving them something to make them sleep. It is said this can harm the children and interfere with their personality development. Tranquilisers, it appears, tend to blackout a child's dream life, affect the memory and tend to make the child aggressive. It would be as well to remember that by trying to solve one problem you may be creating others. Drugs can be dangerous when not taken under prescription—but even the mildest tablets can be dangerous to children if an overdose is taken. The time to be careful is now.

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There's a rumour in circulation regarding impending house-building on Moyglane Road. It would at least correct the imbalance due to the heavy concentration of building on one side of the town only.

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One of our former esteemed photographers has given as his excuse, due to his lack of recent activity, the lack of a "dark room." Is it because he has got married? How about switching off the light? (Come home, all is forgiven!)

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We hear that an application has been made for permission to open a public-house in the shopping complex at Greenfield Estate. Local residents, it appears, are divided on the issue of whether to object or not and some wonder if the same dedication will be given to any objection as was apparent in the campaign to resist the Convalescent Home projected last year or so in Maynooth Park.

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We hear that a speed-limit of 30 m.p.h. has been imposed in regard to drivers using the footpaths in the village. A recent inspection of the same footpaths showed a number of unusual holes outside the main doors of private houses and shops. Occupiers informed our interviewer that these holes were for the purpose of erecting traffic lights directly outside their doors to enable them to cross to the roadway safely so as they could go about their lawful business. The recent influx of T.V. crews to the town was for the purpose of recording this unique traffic and pedestrian situation for the information of foreign viewers—it is reliably told that legislation will shortly go before the Dail to make driving on footpaths a national pastime—other E.E.C. countries are expected to conform soon to Maynooth standards. Local schools are madly teaching our children the new traffic code. For the moment you are strongly advised to strengthen your front door and walls in case of accidents.

P.S.:— Parking will continue to be prohibited on the front walls of dwellinghouses.

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Stork comes to Cluain Aoibhinn: Three new babies brightened the scene at Cluain Aoibhinn in the last few weeks and we extend congratulations to the happy parents: baby Andrew to Maura and Tom McMullan, baby Richard to Mr. and Mrs. Declan Mulcahy, baby Sarah to Tommy and Mary Sheehan. Rumour has it that there are a few more on the way. Watch this space!

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Recent wedding: Congratulations to Josie Kelly and Paddy Moore on their recent happy occasion.

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Are you looking for part-time work? Trying to buy or sell something? Offering baby-sitting services? Why not place a small ad., which costs only 20p, in our new classified ads. section which will commence next month (June) on the back page. Your Newsletter goes into over 500 houses in the Maynooth area—thanks to you.

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We hear that with the coming of summer a strange phenomenon is occurring in the town. People have suddenly taken to using umbrellas even on the finest of days to help ward off the dislodgements of our feathered friends in the trees. Don't say you haven't been warned.

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A recent article in one of the national newspapers has drawn our attention to measures being taken in the Leixlip area to combat illegal dumping of rubbish. Vigilante patrols have been formed there to help control the problem with some good deal of success. To date three people have been taken to task by the patrols. It appears the problem has basically arisen as a direct result of large housing development but the local association is adamant in its efforts to control illegal dumping, as well as trying to educate people about it. Recourse to the law, though this law is somewhat out of date, is not ruled out where people are caught in the act and do not cooperate. In this regard we note a recent case at Kilcock Court, understood to have been the first prosecution of its kind, in which the defendant was convicted of dumping rubbish on the public road or within 30 feet of the road centre, so as to cause danger or mischief. Evidence was given by a witness of having taken the number of a car from which rubbish was dumped. Although a nominal fine was imposed at least the law is there and can be used. Your cooperation is needed in this area only too badly or do you want your name in the papers?

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One of the Community Council members has drawn our attention to the ironic situation which occurred on the night of the 6th of April last when a car overturned on the treacherous stretch of road between Pike's Bridge and the 9-mile lodge. Ironic certainly, for after weeks of that situation the County Council commenced to resurface it on the morning of the 7th of April! As usual we must add—better late than never.

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We hear that some vacancies exist at present on the Community Council. Nominations will be invited shortly and elections held if necessary to fill the places. Every area needs active members on the Council if the enormous amount of work needing to be done is to be tackled successfully. Our Editorial is an assessment of the Tyrellspass experiment so far—the recent television documentary on the achievements of the community there was a fitting tribute indeed. We can only say "Well done."

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FINE GAEIL NEWS

The Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries Mr. Mark Clinton, T.D. attended the Annual General Meeting of the Maynooth Branch. The attendance also included Mr. Paddy Malone, T.D., Councillors Oliver Cooney and Brian Fleming and Mr. Jimmy McGarry, Chairman, Dublin West Constituency Executive.

Mr. Clinton complimented the Branch for its work over the past year and particularly for its efforts to attract new members. He then went on to explain the recent E.E.C. Farm Produce increases, stating that they should not necessitate a great increase in the cost of living. He also said that not all the increase would go to the farmers as the processors would get their share too.

Deputy Malone who presided over the election of officers, praised the Branch for its commitment to the work of Fine Gael, both inside and outside their own constituency. He recalled the willingness with which members had travelled outside the area to help at various bye-elections.

Chairman W. Coonan in his address thanked the Minister and Deputy for their complimentary remarks. He also said that the success of Branch activities during the year was due to the diligence and determination with which all the members went about their duties. He expressed his satisfaction at the number of new members who continued to turn up at meetings.

Officers elected for 1976: Chairman, W. Coonan; Vice-Chairman and P.R.O., B. Durkan; Secretary, E. O'Reilly; Joint Treasurers, D. Carroll and Maura Cullen.

MAYNOOTH COLLEGE
JUMBLE SALE RESULT

On behalf of the Jumble Sale and Auction Committee, I would like to extend our deepest thanks to all who contributed to the Jumble Sale, and to those who came along and brought items. The success of the venture depended on you and all the students of the College. We would like to thank you all for your generosity and the kindness with which you received the collectors.

The Auction and Sale was held on March 25th and we received £650 from the enterprise. On Wednesday, 31st March £200 went to the Irish Cancer Society, £200 to St. Luke's Hospital Cancer Research Fund and £200 to Kare. The remainder will be used to repair a bus which a few students hope to donate to Palmerstown Hospital.

With sincere gratitude,
Peter Devlin.

DRIVERS —
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Maynooth Castle

A Focal Point of Local History

Mary Cullen 8

The accompanying map should have appeared with the April instalment, but it got itself mislaid somewhere along the way. It shows the relationship between the twelfth century territorial divisions and the modern county boundaries.

We are not able to follow every step taken by the FitzGerald in organising their new lands at Maynooth and in bringing in settlers from England and Wales to help increase the agricultural output and their own resulting income. But we are able to create a fairly detailed picture of the community that had developed here about 160 years after their arrival. The *Red Book of the Earls of Kildare* gives a list of the tenants in the manor of Maynooth in 1328/9 and the rents paid by them and the categories into which they are divided.

The first category is that of free tenants:

De Willelmo de Penkiston	11s	De Johanne Hothum	Vs 11d
De Johanne Borly	XXXIXs	De Stephano Lydyr'	CXs 111d
De Thoma Walleys	1d	De Monycoull assign'	LYs sine secta
De Philippo Molagh	VIIIIs Xd quad.	De Willelmo Hoyloff	Vd
Summa XI li IXd quarter			

Then come the farmers:

De Johanne Brail	XXXVIIs IIIId	De Johanne Broun	XVIIIIs IXd
De Thoma filio Willelmi Brail	XIIIIs Xd	De Willelmo Broun	XXXIs
De Gregorio de Stanes	IXs	De Ricardo Holer'	XIIIIs
De Johanne Marescallo	XIs IXd	De Alexandro Bakon	IIIIs
De Johanne Pistore	VIIs	De Roberto Broun	Xs VIId
De Philippo filio Gilberti	Vs	De Galfrido carpentario	IIs
De Matheo Broun	XIIId	De Petro Boy	XIIId
De Radulfo fabro	VId	De Stephano filio Ricardi	
De Ada Masoun	XIIId	Lyddio	IIs
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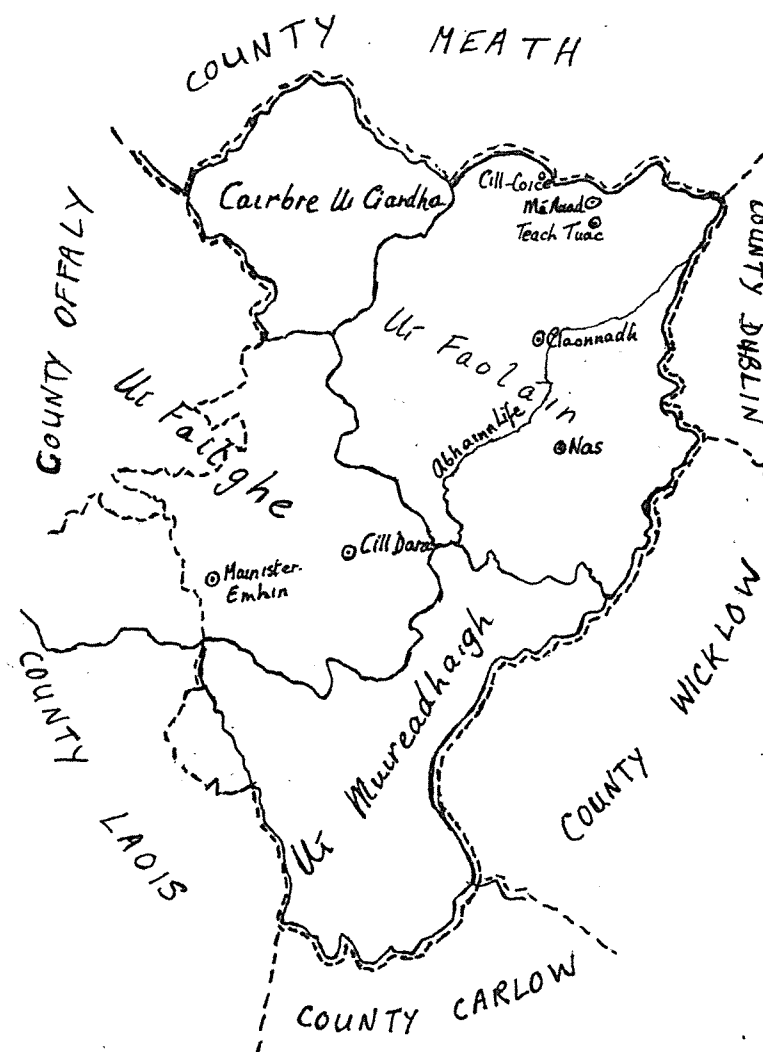
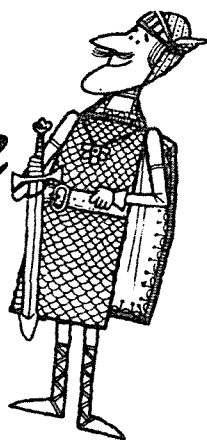
The next category is that of cottiers:

De Roberto mercatore	VId	De Henrico Sutore	XIIId
De Emotra vidua	VId	De Radulfo filio David	XIIId
De Waltero cissore	IIIIs IIIId	De Rogero arch. arblastar	XIIId
De Thoma Dermot	XIIId	De Philippo Olaghlin	IIs
De Willelmo Sutore	XIIId	Summa	XIs (IIIId)

Finally come the lowest category of all, the betaghs:

De Philippo Ofethan	XXXIIIs IId	De Johanne Bryan de Rouschall	
De Non' Corody	XVIIs IIIId	et de Ricardo OBryane	XXXIs (Vd)
De Nicholal Mcconyn	XXs Id	De Juliana vidua	XIIId
De Andrea Ocachan et Thoma		De Thoma Okenken	LIIIIs
Ocachan	XXXVIIIs	De Alexandro Okenken	LIIIIs
De Galfrido Okenken	XXVIIIs	De Alicia Laghlyn	XIIId
De Petro Odor'	XVIIIIs VIId	De Willelmo Oconeran	XIIId
De Thoma Odor'	XXIIIIs VIId	De magno prato	IIIIs VIId
De Simone Odor'	XVIIIIs	De Artegan Ocachan	XVIIs
De Henrico Mckell'	XIIId	Summa	XV li

These categories into which the Maynooth tenants are divided are all recognised Norman classifications. The free tenant was a man of some standing who might hold land on a military tenure or on a fixed money rent. Farmers usually held their land on a lease of a number of years at a money rent. Cottiers held only cottages and crofts, or small adjoining holdings, and paid both money rent and labour services on the lord's demesne. Betaghs were not free to move but were tied to the land like the villeins in England, and originally they paid their rent mainly by labour though by the end of the thirteenth century these services had often been commuted for a money rent as seems to have been the case at Maynooth. They were almost always native Irish in origin and seem to have lived and held land in family groups on holdings of from seventeen to twenty-five statute acres which explains why their rents were higher than those of the cottiers on our rental.



All the betaghs listed have Irish surnames and there are only a few other names that are recognisably Irish in form, i.e., of the cottiers Philip Olaghlin or O'Loughlin and Thomas Dermot, and of the farmers Philip Kellagh. This does not necessarily mean that all the other tenants were of non-Irish origin. The free tenants probably were but some of the others may have adopted Norman or English surnames, and in some cases there is no surname given but only the name of a trade. Professor Otway-Ruthven points out that while Irish names can certainly be taken to indicate Irish origin we can not be so certain that the non-Irish names indicate non-Irish origin in all cases, though they probably do in most.

The craft names are interesting. Assuming that where these are written with a small initial letter or in the ablative case they indicate the trade followed rather than a trade name now changed into a surname, we have at Maynooth at least one baker (pistor), two shoemakers (sutor), one merchant or shopkeeper (mercator), one carpenter (faber), one carriage-maker (carpentum), one maker of cross-bows (arch. arblastar), and one stone mason or carver (cissor). If names in the form of Masoun can be included we have also a smith, and there are interesting possibilities for at least two of the others. The old French word "brail" means "a piece of leather used to bind up a hawk's wing" and may be the origin of the surname of John and Thomas Brail on our list. It would certainly indicate a skill in demand among the Normans. If we can continue to speculate there is a possible origin for the name of William Morok in one meaning of the word morocco, "a very strong ale, anciently brewed in Westmoreland." It is tempting to think of William, or his father or grandfather, bringing this desirable skill across the Irish Sea to the manor of Maynooth.

The list is not of course inclusive of all land holders or craftsmen in the area. Many of the free tenants probably had sub-tenants of their own, and there may have been many other tradesmen who did not work an agricultural holding. Each betagh holder probably represented an extended family group and indicates that the native Irish population was still large even in a heavily settled area. Also by the fourteenth century there had probably been a considerable amount of inter-marriage between the races. All in all the rental brings to life for us a vigorous and flourishing community developing around the castle of Maynooth.

ICA News

The March Guild meeting was well attended, and after the business was concluded, Fire Officer Murphy of Newbridge gave a most interesting talk on "Fire Prevention in the Home" as well as showing an excellent film on the subject. Mr. T. Flood, Maynooth Fire Brigade also attended. The Committee thanked them for a most interesting talk.

There was also a Federation meeting in the new Parish Hall on 12th March, presided over by Mrs. Lalor for the last time before she takes over her new post as national President. We shall miss her as Federation President but are very proud to have her as National President and know that she will be a very good ambassador for the Irish Countrywomen's Association. Good luck, Mrs. Lalor! Teas were given by the Leixlip ladies.

Some of the ladies attended the Irish Wheelchair Association Fashion Show. Sarah Angel, as Committee Member, had ringside seats booked. Mrs. Childers opened the show and gave a short speech. She also drew the raffle tickets, with two Maynooth ladies being lucky winners.

Several ladies went to An Grianan, Termonfeckin for day courses in Flower Arranging, Cookery and Crochet. The day was most enjoyable, even though the weather was unkind.

Mrs. E. O'Reilly won the competition for the best 'limerick.'

The April meeting of the Guild was presided over by Mrs. Fegan and a cooking demonstration was given by Mrs. E. O'Reilly under the title of "Economical Supper Dishes" when she demonstrated some of the things she had learned at "An Grianan". Mrs. McMyler gave a short talk on the Rotunda Fund. She has collected £480, ticket money, and the draw will take place on Easter Tuesday evening (winners will be announced in the next Newsletter). Mr. McMyler hopes to be able to hand over £500 to the Research Fund.

The group meeting at Derrinturn was really enjoyable, the Maynooth ladies, having travelled over by bus, played their sketch—"Phil the Fluter's Ball" which met with great approval.

There was plenty of fun at the meeting, on 'April Fool's day'. The parcel game was won, in the end, by Mrs. Joyce Dunne. Mrs. Fegan presented the prize, a lovely sauce boat. The Easter Egg competition was won by Mrs. Desmond, and the raffle by Mrs. Carney. The meeting concluded with tea.

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REPORT FROM ZAMBIA

By Noel Redmond

Lying nestled on the edge of the Great Northern Plateau, on either side of which run the rivers Chambeshi and Luangwa, is Mpika, one of the larger towns of the Northern Province of Zambia. The plateau ranges from 4,000 to 5,000 feet in altitude in this area. The colourful natural vegetation, which consists of savannah grassland interspersed with deciduous woodland, clothes the plateau with a dense covering of 'bush'. The soil, hard and unresponsive save in the rainy season, is generally barren, lacking in humus and mineral nutrients.

The town itself, with a population of 5,000, approximately, is the natural centre of political, social and economic activity. The vast majority of the citizens are Zambians, as the Indian and European expatriates, most of whom are teachers, form only five per cent of the population. The town has adequate facilities for the consumer as almost all of the basic needs are readily available. As it is on the main rail and road links between Lusaka and Dar-Es-Salaam, the town will quickly develop into a small city.

Almost all of the people in this area are originally of the Bemba race. The typical Bemba proudly traces his origin to the Lunda Dispersal—the gradual movement eastwards from Katanga and the Congo basin of his people at the dawn of history. The Bemba race is matrilineal, descent being through the female, line; thus the responsibility of upbringing and education lies usually with the uncle rather than the father. The main feature of their rule is a strongly centralised chieftainship involving a common allegiance to the paramount. Bemba language and culture have spread over a large area. The language is used and understood over all of the Northern Province and is the lingua franca of the copper-producing region.

The Central Government is represented in the town by a senior civil servant, namely the Permanent Secretary, who is assisted by the District Secretary and District Governor. These people are directly responsible to the Government. It is their duty to see that the national philosophy of humanism is carried out fairly and efficiently. In a rural town like this their priority is to guide the agrarian revolution to greater heights.

The surrounding area is sparsely populated with less than 12 persons per square mile, and with a backward subsistence economy. Only a small part of the area is under cultivation and even pastoralism is comparatively unimportant as much of the region is still infested by the tsetse fly. Traditional methods of agriculture are still continued in the cultivated area, modified in part by favourable physical conditions, access to markets, and labour migration. Cassava, tobacco, sweet potatoes and millet are the main crops in

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONSTITUTION – 1975

1. The Council as established shall be known as "Maynooth Community Council" hereinafter referred to as "The Council."
2. The aims of "The Council" shall be:—
The promotion of the Social, Cultural, Economic and General Welfare of the whole community of Maynooth and district.
3. To represent the community in dealings with the Statutory Bodies and other agencies in seeking, when considered necessary, technical, financial and other assistance in the promotion of the common good.
4. To purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire or by any other means acquire any freehold, leasehold or other property for any estate or interest whatever, and any rights, privileges or easements over or in respect of any property and any buildings, offices, factories, mills, works, wharves, roads, railways, tramways, machinery, engines, plant barges, vessels or things and any real or personal property or rights whatsoever which may be necessary for, or may be conveniently used with, or may enhance the value of any other property of the Council.
5. All property and effects referred to in Article 4 of the Constitution shall be held in Trust for council by Trustees who shall be elected in accordance with the rules.
6. All residents of Maynooth and district who are over 18 years of age will have the right to vote and stand for election. A resident shall be defined a person who is domiciled normally within the district of Maynooth.
7. "The Council" shall consist of elected representatives from the Electoral areas as defined by "The Council" from time to time, together with such members as "The Council" may co-opt under Rule 1 of "The Rules" and subject to Article 15 of this Constitution.
8. "The Council" shall be elected for a period of not more than three years and the election shall be held by secret ballot in accordance with the procedure determined by "The Council."
9. "The Council" shall elect annually from amongst its members, an Executive Committee.
10. "The Council" shall meet as often as necessary but not less than ten (10) times annually.
11. "The Council" shall have power to affiliate or associate with any other body, provided such association does not lessen the power of "The Council."
12. "The Council" may from time to time appoint such Sub-Committees as it may consider necessary or expedient for the purpose of carrying out specific projects and such Sub-Committees shall conduct their business in accordance with the directions and rules of "The Council."
13. This Constitution can only be amended or altered by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of "The Council" members holding office at the time.
Written notice of any proposed alteration or amendment shall be submitted to the Secretary, who must advise all Council members of such proposal not less than thirty (30) days before the next Council meeting.
14. The income and property of "The Council" shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the aims and functions of "The Council" as set out in this Constitution and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or otherwise by way of profit to any member of the "Council."
"The Council" shall, however, have power to re-imburse members for reasonable expenses properly incurred while acting on behalf of "The Council."
15. "The Council" shall consist of not more than 29 Representatives, of whom 22 are from the electoral districts and a maximum of seven (7) co-opted members. The co-opted members being defined as one-third (1/3) of the elected representatives.
16. No Member or Members, whether elected or co-opted, of the Council or its Sub-Committees, may commit the Council as a body, to any undertaking, financial or otherwise, without having received prior consent at a Council meeting.
17. "The Council" shall at all times be non-Political and non-Sectarian in its aims and objects.

DRIVERS MAKE MAYNOOTH A SAFER PLACE TO DRIVE

EDITORIAL

Looking at the television programme recently on Tyrellspass, and their tidy towns effort, we were somewhat envious of what they had achieved. Really remarkable is all we can say, and we offer our highest praise and sincere congratulations.

We in Maynooth have entered the same competition for many years now and it is to our discredit that we have not more to show for all our years' effort (if we may use the word effort). In the first few years something was done but nothing since.

It is a great pity that more has not been achieved by us, as the town in itself is most attractive and it would not take a great amount of effort to put on a very good show. The entrances to the town are probably its worst feature and these could quite easily be put right with a little co-operation from everybody. The town itself could do with a brush up, no doubt, but this is more an individual effort and could be much more easily tackled. The road margins, etc. present more difficulty. Litter, in particular, should be everybody's business, competition or not, and it might be no harm for us to appeal here again for more care by everybody in this matter of careless scattering of litter, particularly in the summer period.

An item which struck us forcefully while watching the television programme, was the preservation of the architectural features of Tyrellspass, in comparison to some of the modern alterations in the old town. While we can commend highly some of the reconstructions, such as Noone's garage and Coonan's office, both of which blend in nicely with the rest of the town, we can hardly say the same, of several others which do not blend at all but, in fact, stick out like a sore thumb. Nor can we commend the taste of the latest addition.

Those with any feeling for Maynooth could, in the absence of any other effort, help to show their interest to others by brightening up their own premises and also by keeping the streets clean and tidy. If nothing else, this might be a show of interest that might spark off others to do their little bit and perhaps inspire us all to make Maynooth what it used to be—"The pretty little town with the trees on the road to the West" or even better still, "the prettiest and tidiest town in Ireland."



The Play's the Thing

SIR LAURENCE OLIVIER saw the film *The Incredible Machine*, in which a computer recites a soliloquy from *Hamlet*. Impressed, he asked, "But how do you tell it, after the audition, if it lost the part?"

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this area.

The effects of the rapid growth and development of the copperbelt towns and widespread social and economic changes in Southern Province have been felt in the town. Attempts are being made to broaden the economy of the rural areas such as this, and stimulate social life in the town in order to decrease the flow of people to urban areas.

The secondary school in the town is a modern building with places for over 500 pupils. All of the pupils come from the Northern Province and their ages range from fifteen to twenty-two years. The school has all the modern facilities, having separate departments for each subject, an assembly hall, a fully-equipped laboratory and an excellent library.

The educational system is, of necessity, selective. When pupils write the grade 7 composite examination at the end of the primary course the results determine who shall proceed to secondary education. A second examination is written at the end of form III, secondary course, on the basis of which approximately half the candidates are given the opportunity to complete the secondary course. The Cambridge Overseas School Certificate examination is written after five years at secondary school and the pupils who gain a Division I in that examination qualify for entrance to the university.

There are three Churches in the town, the Roman Catholic Church, the United Church of Zambia and the 7th Day Adventist Church. A mosque is in the process of being built as a place of worship for the minority Muslim population. The Zambians are a deeply religious people and the vast majority of them are Roman Catholics in this area. Many of them walk all of ten miles to Mass from their primitive huts in the 'bush' and take an active part in the two-hour ceremony, during which the Bemba language and music are used.

The Zambian is a most likeable person, warm-hearted and generous, despite the fact that many of them have witnessed the atrocities of colonialism. As humanism is the national philosophy of their government so humanism and the will to please is their individual philosophy of life. Having cast away the pernicious ideas of inferiority and insecurity which inevitably result from a deprived life under colonial rule, they are now fully aware of their new tasks and are imbued with a sense of mission along the revolutionary path of humanism.

Community Council News

There were two meetings of the Community Council last month and a lot of time was taken up in reconsidering our past efforts. Although we have a number of achievements to our name, some felt that we have not been using our potential to its best effect and to the best advantage of the people in general. This brought us to the subject of "what exactly do people think should be tackled first." There were varied opinions on this—the final analysis being somewhat inconclusive. In the end it was agreed that to know exactly what the people think could only be ascertained through a survey of some kind and some Council members were appointed to look into this matter and to report back to the next meeting with proposals as to what form the survey should take and what questions should be asked. No doubt you will be hearing further about this.

FINANCE

Another question discussed at the meetings was finance. And it goes without saying that practically any project tackled will require finance of some kind, large or small. It would be desirable that the Council should have, at least, some small finances to carry on its work and, in an effort to raise some money, it was suggested that we run a "Silver Circle" or some such lottery. Some members were also delegated to look into this and, again, we presume you will hear more about this.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The possibility of some activities during the summer months was discussed and various items were suggested, and the Committee was asked to look into these by the next meeting.

TIDY TOWNS SUB-COMMITTEE

The sub-committee reported on a recent inspection of the town as to what it considered was required to put the town on a footing to enter the Tidy Towns Competition. It was, first of all, considered too late now to make any major effort for this year and the full report, being a little lengthy, was postponed to the next meeting.

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GARDENING NOTES

By Colm Kennedy

The most satisfying experience any man can have is the fashioning of a garden from a bare plot of land. This is one of the few ways which can bring the greatest satisfaction. Everyone has their own ideas about the kind of plants they want to grow; there is every reason to be realistic and make a fairly accurate estimate about the amount of time that can reasonably be given to gardening. A good rule would be to have a simple design and see that the natural advantages of your plot or allotment are exploited to the full. There is not much point in rushing into too early planting as this year to date we have frost most nights and temperatures do drop considerably—then the soil tends to be on the cold side and takes quite a while to warm up. We had a bit more growth in February up to mid-March but since then conditions have changed drastically—but coming mid-April, growth should improve quite well. Ground conditions have improved considerably with the drying winds. Most vegetable crops should be got in without delay. Main crop potatoes, onions, lettuce, beans, peas, and some stump-rooted carrots. A pinch of lettuce seed every 10 to 12 days will give a continuous supply of nice, fresh salad right through summer and autumn. As one gains a bit of experience it is possible to increase crop yields by catch-cropping

inter-cropping etc. Catch-cropping consists of growing a quick-maturing crop between the timings of the main growing period. For instance, radishes, spinach, lettuce, mustard, certain varieties of cress and spring onions are some of the crops which can be used for this purpose. These can be grown for instance between trenches prepared for celery, and provided they are out of the ground before earthing celery. Ground can also be exploited by growing very quick maturing vegetables between others which remain in the ground for longer periods—for example, radishes can be grown between parsnips or lettuce between peas and so on. Vegetables on the whole grow fast and any check to growth results in small, poor-quality roots, running to seed in the case of celery, poor and yellowing of the leaves in the case of brassicas and similar crops and poor quality pods on peas and beans. The soil for good results must be well cultivated, well manured and well fed and must be left sufficiently moist and most importantly free of weeds.

In almost any garden any small area can be found for at least one or two small trees and shrubs and there are several ways in which the latter can be used. They can be grouped in beds and borders and may be planted near the boundaries for screening purposes. A well positioned tree or shrub can be used to mask off the corner of a building or some other obstruc-

tion which takes from the beauty of the garden. Trees and shrubs particularly evergreens may also be useful for forming windbreaks where the garden is so sited that it is exposed to prevailing winds. The walls of a house can be a help and a support for climbers and wall shrubs. Both formal and informal hedges make very pleasing garden features and provide a very attractive background for other planting schemes.

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SPORTS PAGE

BEGINNERS GUIDE TO SOCCER

By Martin McCormack, S.D.B.

Technique of Goalkeeping:

Of all the positions in the game of soccer, goalkeeping is one I feel I know most about. Having played there in both soccer and gaelic I can quite confidently say that as a goalkeeper you are the last line of defence and the first line of abuse.

Goalkeeping is a specialist position, and the player who wants to do well must accept this and work hard at his training.

He must be brave and accept the fact that he may get hurt. He must be prepared to take a challenge in the air, or fall at a forward's feet, be prepared to be kicked, elbowed and bumped, and still remain cool. He must get in the way of shots that other players would flinch away from.

If you are still interested please read on.

Being brave comes high in the list for budding goalkeepers. What else? He must be able to jump, be naturally agile, and this will help him on those vital high crosses. He must learn to adjust his position to suit the play, and learn how to decide what an opponent is going to do. I found that in most cases this is just instinct. By watching a player's feet, you can sometimes spot how he is going to hit a ball and thus give himself that bit of extra time to make a save. Be determined not to be beaten and this will often decide what kind of keeper you'll eventually become.

First and foremost comes the elementary aspect of catching a ball. Your hands should be behind the ball so that your thumbs are almost touching. This is especially important when you cannot get your body behind the ball, but try to do so as much as possible. Get behind the flight of the ball so that it comes into your hands without grasping out to snatch it.

Catching a cross—a skill that can make or break a keeper. The goalkeeper who stays on his line all the time is bound to be vulnerable to high crosses. When the cross comes in, the keeper must move out early and make the correct decision as to whether to come for the ball or not. If he thinks it is his, then he must go for it and let the defence know he wants it. At the same time he must judge the pace of the ball to ensure that he arrives at the time when the ball arrives, and he has to be at the peak point of his jump.

When should you punch?

Remember when you punch you give your opponents a chance of regaining possession but at times it is essential.

Punch the ball away when you feel it would be dangerous to catch e.g. if a cross is too strong and sails over your head too high to catch clearly. A straightforward punch where you drive the ball away from you should only be attempted when under severe pressure from forwards who are crowding so closely that you have not a chance of fielding cleanly.

Most keepers have a good side for diving perhaps his right so by showing this to the attacker (by moving to his left) he can very often invite shots to his good side.

Not having got the ball from a save or catch the next step is to use it well. A keeper as well as being the last line of defense is also first line of attack. It is no good kicking up field and hoping for the best. The keeper must be able to build up attacks for his side. Learn to throw the ball as well as kick it. Peter Bonetti springs to mind as one of the best builders of attack in this way. Short quick throws should be made by placing the hand behind the ball and propelling it forward like you throw a javelin. You can also bowl the ball out under arm or over arm, whatever style you use, remember you keep your feet fairly widely apart. This is to ensure that you are stable giving you a wider base and thus unlikely to fall as you release the ball.

Learn to use your box especially to narrow the angle for a shot. When kicking try to find a man. If your centre forward is good in the air, aim long balls down the middle. Vary your kicks; hit the ball to unmarked men even if it means playing the ball to the edge of the area. For the ground shots half bend on the right knee, with your left leg almost L-shaped, and directly behind your hands. Learn to relax. You will not hurt yourself so much if you are nicely loose. A final tip by Pat Jennings of Spurs—dip your fingers in vinegar to harden the skin.

Goalkeeping is a very satisfying position, work hard at it and you will get the best results. Remember; you only get out of something as much as you put into it.

As this is my last article I would like to take this opportunity of wishing one and all every success in their sporting career. Thank you for your attention.

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The following Promoters won £1 each: Pat Conroy, John Brazil, Cathal Power, Anita Lyons, Joe Moore, Peter Brazil, Anne Kelly, Eugene Gargan, Gerry Flanagan Pat Kennedy.

The next Draw will be held in the Geraldine Hall on Tuesday, 11th May and Promoters are asked to have cash handed in at least two days before the Draw. Thanking all for their support.

D. V. QUIGLEY,
Treasurer.

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SOCCER NOTES

Having started the season with some fine wins, the "Town" has, unfortunately been knocked out in most of the competitions. Perhaps the opposition was too strong or, perhaps the teams grew a little stale. Let it be what it may, the teams made a fair show in general and we can look forward to next season with some confidence. As the season draws to a close, the "Town" is still involved in the final run-in for League honours. They have two remaining home fixtures and four away and maximum points would ensure runners-up position in Division I with promotion to Premier Division next season.

The Club had another good season in Cup competitions and the most noteworthy achievement was in reaching the last 16 of the Leinster Junior. The second string have been struggling for most of the season but since Seamus "Doc" Tracey has taken over as manager, they have managed to beat the League leaders and climb from the bottom of the table.

PARISH NOTES

Parish Retreat: The Retreat given by Fathers Alphonsus and Hilarion, C.P., from 4th to 11th April was on traditional lines. Many people praised it highly, while others were less enthusiastic. It is impossible to please everyone. The attendance could have been much better, but it is certain that great spiritual good was done.

Holy Week and Easter: The Masses and Ceremonies were well attended and the clergy are most grateful to all who worked so hard to prepare and perform the singing, the ceremonial, the readings, the decoration of the altars, etc., in Maynooth and Ladychapel.

First Holy Communion: This will be on Saturday, 15th May, at 11 a.m.

Confirmation: The new Auxiliary Bishop of our Diocese, Most Reverend Dermot O'Mahony, will administer Confirmation during Mass at 11 a.m. on Saturday, 5th June.

Ordinations: Archbishop Dermot Ryan will ordain to the priesthood two young men from our parish in the Parish Church on Saturday, 12th June, at 3.30 p.m. We should keep them in our prayers—Paddy Monahan and Patrick Kavanagh. With last year's ordination of Father Gerard Flood and the recent final profession of Sister Rosemary Murphy, this gives the parish much to be thankful for. Let us hope and pray that more of our young people may respond to God's call to the priesthood and the religious life, for both home and foreign missions.

Schools: The building of the extension to the Boys' School is proceeding according to plan, and it should be ready for the new school year which begins on 1st July. The intention is that the boys in the Senior Infants and First Standards will transfer to the Boys' School, while the Junior Infant boys will remain at the Convent School for the coming year (only).

Finances: The Building Fund now stands at approximately £6,500, but with a deficit of about £3,000 in the parish running expenses account, we are effectively £3,500 in credit. We shall soon have reached the two-thirds mark in the school building work, at which point we shall have to spend the local contribution before we can claim any further refunds from the Government. This local contribution is likely to be somewhat more than the £17,000 originally envisaged, because of the effects of inflation. The more we are in credit when we have to pay this, the less we shall have to borrow. The Envelope Collection is keeping up well, and the Bingo is holding its own, but the weekly dances have fallen off recently owing to counter-attractions elsewhere. Steps are being taken to remedy this.

The "Share" collection has made a dramatic leap forward since the new system was introduced, and the Archbishop is very grateful. The diocese must stand together. We never know when our own parish may need help from "Share," if there is further large-scale house building.

Lourdes: A considerable group from our parish will go on pilgrimage to Lourdes with Father Supple at the end of June. Their prayers at Our Lady's Shrine will surely bring great blessings on the parish.

LATE ITEM.

Death of John Barnwall.

The death of John Barnwall came as a great shock to his many friends in the town and the area will be the poorer for his passing.

Practically all his life, John has taken part in all aspects of public life in the area and he was always ready to co-operate in anything that tended to improve the town socially or materially.

He took a particular interest in the C.Y.M.S. branch and as well as being a Trustee, he sat for many years on successive committees. Eventually when the C.Y.M.S. Branch broke up, as Trustee, he managed to keep the hall (now the Geraldine Hall) operative, practically on his own. He put quite an amount of work into this, and eventually, with the assistance of the Development Association, of which he was also a member, helped to complete the small meeting room which had not been finished.

Last year, he was elected to the Community Council, as Representative to the No. 1. area (The Town). Although dogged with failing health, he continued gamely to give what assistance he could, practically to the end.

His death is regretted by all and we join with his many friends in offering our sincerest sympathy to his wife, son and daughter.

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