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**NEWSLETTER**

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**PRIMARY SCHOOL**

The School re-opened after the Summer vacation on the 1st of September. It was a case of having to start all over again as far as the Junior Infants were concerned, but they settled down quickly and now after a fortnight, have almost completely adapted themselves to school life.

The tragic death of our fine young lady-Teacher, Mrs. Connie Farrell, - nee Brennan still casts a shadow over the school. Although she only spent one day with us she made a deep impression on us all. A special Mass attend-

ed by the pupils was offered for the repose of her soul on Thursday the 15th of September. Ar dheis laimh De go raibh a h-anam.

The last edition of the Newsletter showed a photo-graph of our victorious under 13 foot-

ball Team. The list of names was some-what incomplete so here again is the full panel of young heroes who brought honour to the school:

Tony Kearins - Hugh O'Donnell - Pat Travers - David Tracey - Joe Heslin - Gary Power - Joe Conway - Michael Cooke - Kevin McNamara - John Reilly - Donal Lawless - Ollie Reilly - Dessie Farrell - Paul Murray - Morgan Lettis - Brian Boyd - Martin Foy - Jimmy Mee - Declan Travers - Brendan Malone-

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

The Sponsored Cycle Ride in aid of Parish Funds and Community Council Funds will be held on Sunday the 16th of this month. Your wholehearted support (as usual) will be greatly appreciated.

Fr. O' Higgins has emphatically denied that he will ride a penny-farthing machine in the Cycle Ride this year.

Fr. Supple said he couldn't rise to a penny-farthing (bicycle of course)

Fr. Tyrrell said he never heard of a penny-farthing and did we mean a 1.25 bike (That's decimilisation for you)

Continuing our statistical section, this month we give the ladies first preference. Did you know that the average sewing needle is 3 inches long? This means that there are 21,120 in one mile, or 348,480 between Maynooth and Dublin.

If therefore a lady travelled to Dublin in one hour and was sewing at the same time, (She was a passenger, of course), she could claim that she had travelled at 348,480 sewing needles per hour or that she had sewed a speed of 16½ miles per hour.

At present we are investigating the possibility of providing strong leather-bound covers in which you can put your vital statistical information as furnished from time-to-time in the NEWSLETTER. These will be available at a nominal cost and we feel sure that everyone will want one, as who knows when these statistics will be needed to solve some important problem.

The latest date for receipt of articles for the November Newsletter is October 16th.

All articles, news, letters etc. for publication in this NEWSLETTER may be handed in to any of the following:-

J. Read, 86 Rail Park.  
Joe Donlon, 53 Rail Park.  
Ted. Kelly, Main Street.  
Liam Bean, Main Street.  
Vincent Duffe, 12 Laurence Avenue.

A shorthand - typist is required for Community Council affairs. Very light work of about 2/3 evenings per month. If you are interested phone 286051

The long awaited footbridge at the Town Bridge is on the way at last. Replying to a question by Councillor B. Durkin, as to why the work was not being proceeded with, the Secretary stated that tenders are out for the construction of the bridge. It is hoped that work will commence as soon as possible.

Councillor Durkin was also informed that an order prohibiting the erection of temporary dwellings on the Moyglare road is to be made. Councillor Durkin had a motion down seeking such an order. This should eliminate the unsightly itinerant dwellings which have disfigured this road for some time past.

A rumour has been spread that the Civil Defence Casualty Unit in Maynooth has been disbanded. The Civil Defence Unit in Maynooth would like to point out that this is entirely incorrect and, on the contrary, the various units are very much alive and active. (Also see Civil Defence Notes elsewhere in this issue).

## MAYNOOTH VISTA

by Newcomer.  
I have been reading the short version of the recently issued Irish Bishops' pastoral letter on Justice. No! Although recommended to do so I did not get a copy of the full text. In fact, let me confess, if the short version had not been delivered to me, free, gratis and for nothing I doubt if I would have sought it out for perusal at all. Human nature being what it is and I being endowed with more than my fair share of laziness I would probably have been contented with the random readings from the pulpit or the references made to the pastoral in the daily press.

Now, I wonder did you read it?

Had I relied on the pulpit readings you would have been spared the question I am now about to ask as I could never pluck up the moral courage to pose questions to a priest giving a sermon at eleven o'clock Mass on a Sunday, even if I could make myself heard above the uproar of the kids.

Let me quote from the short version of the Pastoral Letter. 'It is for governments to ensure that systems of taxation are just and are equitably distributed over the different sectors of the community; but there is also a moral obligation on citizens to pay their just and lawful share of taxes'.

No one could possibly quarrel with the first part of that statement but does not the inclusion of the word 'lawful' in the second part negate the whole?

Every government in this country in the past twenty years has admitted that our tax system is unjust but it has always been 'lawful' because its injustices have been upheld by law and no government yet elected has done anything to rectify the position. I am no moral theologian but it is my understanding that it is immoral to uphold or obey an unjust law and it is no sin to evade it.

Pay your just taxes - Yes; therein lies the moral obligation. And the merely 'lawful' ones? Well! Force Majeure! My conscience is clear.

However, I do believe that the word 'lawful' strayed in unwittingly and that in the drafting of the pastoral letter somebody succumbed to the cliché 'just and lawful' without fully analysing its implications in the particular context.

Am I right? Or am I just a crazy mixed up kid?



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By the way I can't find anything about justice or injustice of the ground rent system or the leaving of whole estates unfinished or the collection of rates and charges by Local Authorities for services they do not provide. Perhaps somebody should look at Maynooth from outside the College walls.

## POST-PRIMARY SCHOOL

The following night classes will be available in above school starting on the first week of October.

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2. Arts & Crafts.
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4. Commerce
5. Shorthand & Typewriting
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7. Motor - Maintenance.
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## RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Last month we had some omissions from our news, but as the holiday Season was still on we hope all is forgiven by those concerned. On 26th June we had a very successful venture into the sport-ing field and to add to our numbers we had children from Moneycooley, Taghadoe, & Railpark. A most enjoyable day was had by all and this was added to by the help of very many people. Fr. O'Higgins & Fr. Supple were in attendance and Fr. Supple presented the medals. Mother Raphael, Sister Joseph and Sister Alphonsus, & Sister Pauline came to cheer and Mother Raphael gave a very generous gift for our raffle. The music was supplied by members of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann and their stage was courtesy of Mr. B. Noonan - his lorry. Dunboyne A.C. provided mats and bars for Athletics. The local shops at this stage are probably sorry they opened because without their continued generosity in time as well as gifts none of our endeavours would be the success they always are. The last word of thanks is to the Sports Committee and all those whose names we have forgotten to mention,

### DINNER DANCE:-

WHEN - 18th November  
WHERE - Osberstown House.  
HOW MUCH ? - only £4 each.

Everyone knows how good the dances to date have been and being an optimist this will be better still but only if everyone gives their support. Tickets can be had from all committee members and any queries will be answered at 79 Maynooth Park, or 5 Laurence Ave. We will have spots galore and who knows maybe an extra item or two.

### CHILDRENS PARTY:

Just a reminder that we have booked the Parish Hall for Sunday 18th December for this years party. So please mark your diary.

### E.S.B. Lightning:

In a recent letter to Mr. B. Durkan, the E.S.B. promised to fix the lights but despite persistent complaints we are still in the dark.

### GENERAL NEWS

Mr. L. Lawlor T.D. has made representations to various bodies on our behalf including C.I. E. and also to some Ministers. Mr. S. Barrett, Minister of Inviron-ment has stated that on 20th June of this year a letter was sent to the Co. Council stating that the plans and specifications submitted for Maynooth and Kildare Town Swimming Pool were in order with minor changes, Mr. Mullaney, Co. Secretary has also given these details but doesn't know when money will be available for either pool as all money available was being used to meet commitments on existing pools and those under construction.

FOOT BRIDGE: Co. B. Durken has tabled a motion asking for this footbridge as Co. Manager has stated in a recent letter that at no time would it be possible to put footpaths on the existing bridge.

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A special word of thanks to the New Proprietor of the Supermarket for tidying up the area in front of the shop & for cutting the grass. This was very much appreciated by the Residents and we now trust the residents themselves will give their support to keep this spot clean by using the Bins provided for refuse.

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# Editorial

Another Academic New Year is on us and once again our thoughts go to the many students among us who are starting a fresh year, both in the schools and university. To some of the students it would sound a little facetious to wish them a 'happy new year' but we can wish them all a successful year of study.

To the students who are coming to live with us for the coming year, we trust you will be happy among us and we trust we may be able to make your stay with us as pleasant as possible. What, if in the past, a few students (in fact a very few) may have annoyed some of us, we feel sure this will improve and, conversely, if we have been a little inconsiderate or rude, we too shall try to improve matters.

While we started this editorial with good wishes and bouquets, perhaps we will be forgiven if we pause to throw a few bricks. When thinking of students we think of many young people on the footpaths of our town and, at the risk of being called selfish, we also think of ourselves on those same footpaths. At the moment, one has to 'run the gauntlet' with cats and bicycles on these same footpaths, and, unfortunately it will not be long until somebody is seriously hurt if not killed. As we have mentioned before, the fact that some people park their cars on the paths is quite understandable, and may, in fact, make the street safer but what we refer to is the unnecessary use of the paths for vehicles. The unfortunate part is that very many, too many indeed, drive along the footpaths at a very dangerous speed. Not alone do they speed on the footpaths but they drive as close as possible to the walls and doors of the houses and shops. Furthermore cars are driven unnecessarily on the paths when there is plenty of room for parking on the streets. Many of these drivers also show their lack of consideration and downright rudeness by sounding their hooters at pedestrians young or old, healthy or feeble, who will not dash out of their way apparently forgetting that they (the motorists and cyclists have no right whatever to be on the footpath at all.

May we appeal to those who do take cars or bicycles on the footpaths to drive, or ride and bikes, as slowly as possible and as far away from the doorways as possible. Failing this people will only have to insist that the law be enforced and all vehicles be banned from the paths. If you, a pedestrian, see somebody driving dangerously on the footpath make a point of giving him, or her, a piece of your mind. It will do a lot of good, and perhaps save an accident.

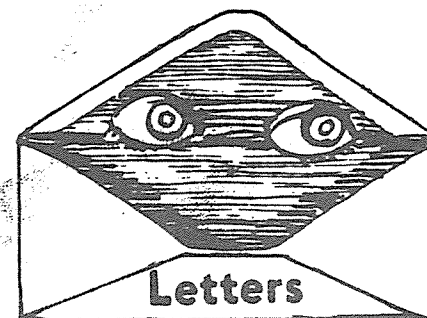


## ENGAGEMENT

At a party in Osta John Devoy attended by parents and many friends, Raymond McTernan announced his engagement to Miss Noelle Corrigan, Palmerstown Ave., Palmerstown. Raymond also celebrated his 21st Birthday, while his parents, Gearoid & Ita celebrated their 30th Anniversary and Noell's parents, Frank & Maura celebrated their 25th wedding Anniversary.

## RECENT MARRIAGES

Congratulations to Liam Nolan, Leinster Cottages, Maynooth, on his marriage to Collette Behan, Easton Road, Leixlip. Yvonne Farrell, O'Neill Park, Maynooth, on her marriage to Peirce Cassidy, Palmers-town.



## to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Having enjoyed Newcomers' articles under the title of 'Maynooth Vista' in your previous issues. I was disappointed to see that bias and slant has appeared in the column in the September issue which gives an unfair representation of the action taken by the World Council of Churches in allocating money to the freedom fighters that are attempting to dislodge the racist minority regimes in Southern Africa.

The World Council of Churches, as Newcomer says, is an august and most Christian Body and did not take this action without first debating the issue. For Newcomer to insinuate that the Patriotic Front, Frelimo, Swapo, to name but three groups of what could be described as Freedom Fighters, are murderers is somewhat naive. The violence is a result of years of suppression, the deprivation of the democratic right to vote, the attitude exuded by the regimes of South Africa and Rhodesia of the white population being the superior race.

We see how these regimes operate to suppress justice and truth i.e. the expulsion of the Rev. Lamont and many other clerics. At present Sister McLoughlin, Press Secretary of the Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace in Rhodesia has been arrested and is awaiting trial.

In South Africa the funeral has taken place of Steve Biko who died in detention after seven days. This is another death in a long list of people who have been taken into detention in South Africa and died under suspicious circumstances. Biko was involved

in political agitation for rights for black students and workers through the South Africa Student Organisation.

The longer the majority of the population in South Africa or Rhodesia are deprived of their rights the more inevitable it becomes that violence erupts.

I do hope Newcomer will be more just in his comments in the future should he so stray from his heading of Maynooth Vista and dwell on politics.

Yours,  
J. Donlon,  
Rail Park.



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Over 10,000 Scouts from all over Ireland and Europe attended the BIG CAMP, which was held in Mount Melleray, Co. Waterford, from 26th July to the 5th August '77.

Included in the programme was an activity called Cap Handi. Here the Scouts got some idea of what it is like to be handicapped. The programme for the Camp is constructed around the theme of fun, friendship and challenge. The highlight of the programme undoubtedly was 'Fionn's Trail'. This event was a twenty four hour hike in the Mountains around Mount Melleray. The significant feature of the hike was that each patrol of eight was made up of Boys from different parts of the Country and from overseas. They trekked over some of the most beautiful countryside in Ireland, with spectacular views of the Golden Vale and the Nore Valley. The Trail gave them the opportunity to explore unknown country. It also provided an ideal environment for making new friends; some of whom did not even speak the same language.

On the 200 acre camp site in Mount Melleray, the 10,000 Campers were divided into different sub-camps. Each of these accommodated about 2,000 Scouts and had all the necessary services. The Scouts from 8th Kildare (Maynooth) enjoyed their stay immensely.

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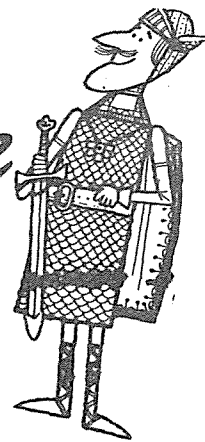
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# Maynooth Castle

## A Focal Point of Local History

Mary Cullen



Maynooth Castle was never lived in again after the Irish Wars of the 1640s. It was nearly one hundred years before the Fitzgeralds came back to live in Maynooth, this time at the opposite end of the town in Carton House. During these years of absence the earls and their families lived for the most part at Kilkea Castle and then Dublin house. Kilkea Castle, now modernised as a hotel is five miles from Athy near Castledermot, in the old Irish territory of Ui Muiredaig, the land of the O'Tooles south of Ui Faelain of the O'Byrnes. The name Kilkea comes from the Irish Cill Caoide, the Church of Caoide or Kay. At the time of the Norman invasion this part of modern County Kildare was granted by Strongbow to Walter De Riddlesford, baron of Bray in County Wicklow. Hugh de Lacy built a castle here for de Riddlesford. The manors of Kilkea and Castledermot later passed to the Geraldines as the inheritance of Emelena de Longespee, a granddaughter of Walter De Riddlesford, when she married Maurice Fitzgerald, third baron of Offaly. Kilkea Castle, like Maynooth, was captured by Catholic forces during the Confederate wars but was re-taken unharmed and restored to the sixteenth earl of Kildare.

Wentworth the seventeenth earl lived mainly at Kilkea until he died in 1666. John the eighteenth earl lived in England all his life in Oxfordshire. In 1701 he died and Robert, a nephew of the seventeenth earl, succeeded as nineteenth earl. It was he who brought the family back to live at Maynooth.

Carton was part of the original manor of Maynooth granted to the first Maurice Fitzgerald. Its name, Baile-an-Cairthe, means 'town of the Pillar-Stone'. At different times the anglicised forms 'The Carthyn' and 'Cartown' are found before the modern form Carton established itself. There seems to have been a castle, or fortified house on the property. In 1603 the earl of Kildare leased the Manor of Carton to William Talbot of the old Norman family of Talbot of Malahide. The manor then contained the castle, it seems at Old Carton, ten farmsteads, a Mill, a fishing weir, and 352 Irish acres. Its new owner had a distinguished career. He was made recorder of Dublin and sat as the representative of Co. Kildare in the Irish Parliament of 1613-15, the only one to be held during the reign of James 1. Sir William Talbot was one of the most outspoken supporters of the Catholic cause and was regarded as the leader of the Old English, or Catholic, a group in the parliament. His activity so displeased the authorities that he was dismissed from the recordership. He went to England to expose the corrupt methods used in electing members to the parliament. This resulted in his prosecution in the notorious court of Star Chamber by Sir Francis Bacon, then attorney-general, and Talbot was imprisoned for a period in the Tower. Some years after his return to Ireland he was created a baronet in 1622.

At some time between acquiring Carton in 1603 and his death in 1633 Sir William built Carton House, the nucleus of the present house. He was said to have been buried in the Church of Maynooth. Lord Walter Fitzgerald has pointed out that this was unlikely since Maynooth

Church was the church attached to the Castle, and by that time a Protestant establishment, while Laraghbryan remained the Catholic grave yard. he thought it more likely that Sir William was buried in the Church Yard of old Carton, just outside the desmesne walls to the North east.

Two of Sir William's sons made names for themselves in Irish History Peter Talbot became Catholic Archbishop of Dublin in 1660, when Oliver Plunkett, a member of another well-known Old English family of Co. Meath, was made Archbishop of Armagh.

Richard Talbot, later known as 'Fighting Dick', and 'the great Tyrconnell' grew up at Carton and was a very young man at the time of the Irish wars of 1640s. Like many young men of his background he went to the Continent but came back to serve under the royalist commander, Ormond. By 1649 the forces of the parliament in England had decisively won their struggle with the King Charles 1., who was executed in January of that year, and the parliament's most famous military commander, Oliver Cromwell, came to Ireland to bring it too under the parliament's control. This he did in a brief and ruthless campaign. During it the armies of the Confederation of Kilkenny, and the royalist forces under Ormond often joined forces to oppose him, and so young Richard Talbot found himself at Drogheda when it was taken by Cromwell's forces in August 1649. He survived the following massacre and sailed to Flanders where he entered the service of James, the exiled younger son of Charles 1. James' exile ended when the English people grew tired of Cromwell's rule and, when he died, brought back the eldest son of the executed king as Charles 11 in 1660. Richard Talbot was by now a close friend of Charles' brother James, the Duke of York, and returned with him to England.

James became a Catholic and when he succeeded to the throne in 1685 as James 11 England had its first Catholic king since 1558. Talbot was made earl of Tyrconnell and then Lord Deputy of Ireland in 1687. He and James both promoted Catholics to high positions with such enthusiasm that there was a reaction. James was deposed by the ruling classes in England in favour of his son-in-law, William of Orange. Tyrconnell held Ireland for him and welcomed him at Kinsale in 1689, when James arrived to fight William for his kingdoms. When the two Kings met at the Battle of the Boyne, Tyrconnell was with James, and with him also on his return to Dublin where James was met at Dublin Castle by Lady Tyrconnell. In reply to James' complaint that his Irish troops had run away she made the famous rejoinder that 'Your Majesty has won the race'.

Tyrconnell died at Galway in 1691 and after the final victory of William of Orange and Protestantism, his estates were forfeited to the Crown. In 1703 Carton was sold by auction in Dublin to Major-General Richard Ingoldsby. In 1739 the nineteenth earl of Kildare brought back the property from the Ingoldsby family and set about rebuilding and extending Carton House.

Main sources - Lord Walter Fitzgerald, 'Carton' in J. .K.A.S. vol. 4 No. 1

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### OCTOGENARIAN

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We all wish Ann a speedy recovery and many more happy years.





Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Farrelly,  
Mrs. McCauley & Mrs. Quinn.



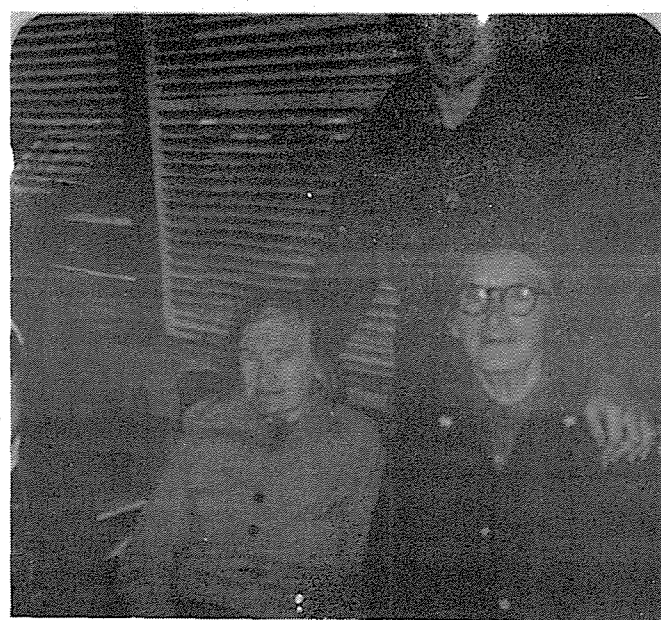
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#### STUDENTS' NEWS

The New Students' Union Building which will be in full operation from October onwards is the first of its kind in the republic. It contains Offices, T. V. & Reading facilities as well as a bar and junction Hall.

It was built at a total cost of over £60,000 which had been provided by the Trustees of the College after numerous protests by Students over lack of facilities.

#### U.S.I. SEMINAR

A seminar for incoming officers to Students' Unions was held in the S.U. Building over the first four days of September Last. It was attended by Students from about 25 Colleges North and South. Areas covered included administration, negotiation, welfare, entertainments etc.

#### NEW ARTS BLOCK

This year also sees the opening of the New Arts Block on the

Kilcock Road. It contains two main Lecture Halls, with a seating capacity of about 240 as well as a number of smaller rooms. There is also Library Canteen and Staff Office space. The building will ease the pressure on space in the Old Campus. Although the original intention was for all Art Departments to be transferred to the new Building some, including Geography, will be remaining where they are. Courses for Theology, Science and the H. Dip will also remain on The Old Campus.

#### STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

For the first time this year the Students Union are publishing a Student Handbook. It

gives 60 pages of information on Student affairs, accommodation, health and a number of other areas. It is available for 35p (including postage) from the Students Union, Maynooth College.

Two other Student Magazines 'Educational Matters' & 'S.U. News' will also be on sale in paper shops in Maynooth.

#### FOR THE FUTURE

It is planned to include information on College Activities & events each Month. The matter of freer access to the college amenities for the local Community is also being raised at present, for instance, Meetings, Swimming Pool etc. The Students Union also intends to provide some of its services to the local Post Primary School e.g. cheap-travel tickets, etc.

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# Community Council News

Discussion at the last meeting concentrated mainly on the revised draft development plan for the area. While much of this plan is in broad terms, specific sites and projects are contained therein.

The overall picture for Maynooth is that it is designated a general development area i.e. mainly housing. The Council agreed that while it would not like to see an industrial estate here, should the right type of small light factory be attracted to the area, then the entire position should be reconsidered.

Representatives of the students attended this Meeting also and pledged their support in any way they could to help improve the area, and in particular the community projects. They are at present making representations to the College Authorities to have the facilities therein made available to us. We will keep you informed of progress in this matter.

Final detail were discussed for the Cycle Ride on October 16th and the Talent Contest (late October). Both these events have in the past proven to be great successes and we look forward to your continued support this year.

The next meeting will be on October 11th.

## ICA News

At the September Guild meeting, a most interesting and informative talk was given on Crime Prevention by a member of the Garda Siochana and for which the Guild tender their sincere thanks.

The monthly raffle was won by Mrs. McDermott. The next meeting will be held on October 6th, when a cookery demonstration will be given by a representative from Boland's Flour Mills. The competition at this meeting will be a 'Sponge Cake'

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## OBITUARY

During the past month several of our fellow townspeople have died and the town is the poorer for their passing.

### PATRICK MORROW

Early in the month the town was stunned by the news of the sudden death of Patrick Morrow. The proprietor of Connolly's, Main St. He was very popular with his customers and is mourned by his many friends. Of a very retiring disposition, he, nonetheless, had a lively interest in Maynooth and its people.

### LUKE O' SHEA

At an advanced age, Luke O'Shea, of Smithstown, passed to his eternal reward. He was in mediocre health for some time past and his death was not altogether unexpected. He will be remembered by his friends,

neighbours and acquaintances as a kind old gentleman.

### MRS. MARGARET (Gret) CORRWAY

After a long, tedious and painful illness, Gret Corrway finally died at her home, at Old Greenfield, among her family and friends. During her lifetime her infectious good humour brightened the lives of her many friends and acquaintances, and through her long illness she never lost her wonderful cheerfulness. Maynooth has lost a wonderful person and kindly neighbour.

### JOHN CURRAN

In practically the same week, the townspeople were further shocked to hear of the death of John Curran, of Mooneycooley, after a short illness. Of almost limitless energy he, together with a most successful business life, found time to give of his time and energy

to the betterment of the town. He was always willing to help with any worthwhile project. In particular, he did trojan work in the development of the G.A.A. Grounds, at Moyglare Road. He was, for many years, a member of various G.A.A. Committees and had a very special interest in the junior teams. Later, with the establishment of the Development Association, he continued to give his physical help and valuable advice.

To go into details of his work in the town would take many pages and we can only sum up by saying he was an excellent husband, a good father, and a first class citizen.

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## POST-PRIMARY SCHOOL

September 5th, witnessed the re-opening of the Post-Primary school in Maynooth. An increased intake of first year students, filed through the corridors, getting used to the faces and buildings which will help them continue their education for the next three or five years.

The remainder of the students returned the following day, greeted by an ever industrious Mr. Ashe, who, incidentally has joined the Archbishop's Commission for the formation and Development of religious education in post-primary schools.

Some new faces on the Staff testify to the expansion of The School and this year Students can avail of the very welcome services of a new Physical Education Teacher who will be co-operating with the university to avail of their recreational amenities. A full time Rededial teacher has also joined the school, and these two important additions together with the Careers Counsellor complete a trio, sadly lacking in so many of the country's schools.

Added to the expansion are two H. Dip. students. The school is also co-operating with Sion Hill College of Home Economics and Maynooth University in the new block-release course for H.Dip, Students. Again a recent development which the post primary school has been quick to participate in.

Plans are already under way for the school tour this year to Scotland and the Lake District of England. So, parents encourage your children to start saving straight away. Assistance from the school fund should help keep the fare to a reasonable modest £37.

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The school misses the faces of last year's leaving certificate class and those who have left us after Inter. cert. to take up employment. Results of all our examinations were very satisfying, but once again let it be stressed that examinations results, which forms the basis of many people's opinion as regards the success of a school, is not the only yardstick of the schools development. I'm sure that many parents will agree that the overall happiness and development of the child in the school must rank as a priority, in the hectic and often times difficult adolescent years.

We look forward to the year ahead and hope to meet many New Parents and see increased numbers at our Parent-Teacher meetings, and meetings of the Parents Association, which we can all learn and exchange information about what concerns us all - - our children's education.

## CIVIL DEFENCE NOTES:

CASUALTY SERVICE: Contrary to rumour, this Unit is still alive and active and, in fact, on Wednesday 28th Sept., at a small ceremony at the I.C.A. Hall, Comdt. O'Shea (Asst. County Civil Defence Officer) presented the following with First Aid Certificates:- Mrs. Rachel Cassidy, Brownstown; Mrs. Ann McGarry, Greenfield; Miss Maureen Gill, Crinstown; Francis & Seamus Kennedy, Laraghbryan; Miss Ann Jackson, Laragh, and Mrs Lilian O'Rourke, Laragh. Also present at the ceremony were Capt. W. Reid, Knights of Malta (examiner with Dr. Healy of Newbtidge) and Mr. T. Kelly, Civil Defence District Warden.

On Wednesday 28th Sept. at the I.C.A. Hall, Mr. Michael Stone (Lecturer from the Civil Defence School, Phoenix Park) demonstrated artificial respiration and cardiac massage. Resusce-Anne Models were available for practice. Practice continues each week at 8.30 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall

WARDEN SERVICE: Members of the Maynooth Unit took part in an exercise in Rathangan at the beginning of the month. The exercise simulated a factory explosion and Warden, Fire, Casualty, Rescue & Welfare services from the County were involved.

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## SPORTS PAGE

### Soccer Club

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Games already played as follows:-

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7. 16 - played 1 won 1  
U. 15 - played 2, won 1 and drew 1  
U. 13. - Played 2, drew 1 and lost 1.

### NORTH KILDARE CLUB

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## MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Once again Maynooth Swimming Club is in a dilemma, unfortunately our Secretary cannot travel with the children, and what we require is some responsible parent who will offer to go with the Bus each Friday. Swimming is from 5./6. Bus leaves square around 4.30 p.m. reaches Laurence Ave. approx twenty to five. Back about 6.15

We delayed the Childrens' Session while we endeavoured to find some such person, and had reached a stage when we decided to cancel The Swim altogether, when the wife of our Chairman, Mrs. Nell Byrne, offered to come to the rescue. However as most of you are aware Mrs. Byrne, is very active in the affairs of the town, and has many other commitments, and cannot continue to Travel with the Bus indefinitely.

They are your children, all 35 of them, is there not one among you, who will come forward and offer to help. We have the Pool, we have the instructors, we have a long waiting list of young hopefuls, surely there must be somebody who will Steward the Bus, otherwise Swimming for the children will have to come to an end.

## ADULTS SESSION:-

At St. Raphael's Pool, Celbridge every Monday night from 8.30. - 9.30 p.m. for further information apply Ann Power, 51 Greenfield Drive. Phone 286404 or Eoin Byrne, Old Greenfield 286514.

## FAMILY SWIM CLONDALKIN

As the evenings are getting cold and dark we have decided to postpone this Session until April, we think this will meet with approval from all the parents.

News that the College has arranged to share their Swimming Pool with the Post Primary School, has made us very happy, as many of the School Pupils were members of our Club, and it is really great to know they can now continue with their Swimming, and we hope they share their experience with us, by helping those who cannot Swim. Mr. Ashe may not know it, but he even has a few Life-Savers among his pupils. We hope to have our next Water-Safety course sometime in October.

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