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LEGENDS OF LESOTHO

Sean P. Smith

Lesotho (pronounced Les-U-Tu) is a country less than the half the size of Ireland with a population of just over one million, which achieved independence in 1966. It is a land-locked country, entirely surrounded by South Africa. It is incredibly beautiful, mountainous, with high plateaus, 1,500 - 3,000 metres high.

In the countryside the production of handicrafts is very well developed, especially the weaving and spinning of mohair and wool in which this country abounds. Lesotho tapestries not only serve as adorment, but as a means of communication between couples intending marriage the symbolism of language being revealed in the weaving of stylised shapes, designs and colour.

The people are pastoral, and by custom, at various times of the year young boys, and in their absence, girls, go up into the mountainsto herd cattle sheep and goats. In this environment their natural talents for music and art come to the fore. Many become talented musicians on traditional instruments such as "lesiba" and "lekolilo" (described in the footnotes). They occupy themselves making handcrafted items and become trained craftsmen making grass mats, mohair hats and the traditional Basutho hat. There is a reservoir of creativity among the herdboys enabling them also to create small works of art in clay, as well as providing many of their daily necessities. Among the besutho nation the appearance of a rainbow after rain signifies the connection with God

for apeace-loving people. For them God is a super - human being. (A parallel might be the Olympian God of old.) The name they give to their God is "Molimo". By ancient tradition the memory of the ancestors of the Basutho nation, referred to as "Balimo" is kept sacred, as the belief is that when people leave this

mortal earth they are transmuted into super-beings. At the same time, these super humans know what people on earth are thinking and doing and so guard them.

They also act as advocates with the supreme One, "Molimo", in the tradition of prayer of the people.

Many similarities between Lesotho in Ireland, both past and present, have been drawn.

The Irish Government nowhas a biateral aid programme in operation which should benefit Lesotho in developing her resources - but the problems are even more considerable than those facing the Ireland of 40-50 years ago Perhaps in a later article we may expand on the modern side of development in Lesotho.

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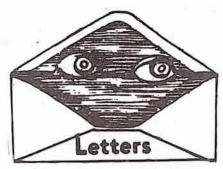
DRIVERS WATCH OUT FOR OUR



Editorial

With just a little trouble ,one could turn up many fine photographs of old Georgian Maynooth - a fine Main Street, a broad foothpath with beautiful trees and many attractively fronted shops. Surely we must applaud the foresight of the Dukes of Leinster who planned and enhanced the appearance of the town. We must also congratulate the property owners who, in most cases, retained the character of the town in most of the rebuilding and redecoration over the years. In particular we must mention some of the very recent work which is in very good taste.

Architecturally speaking, Maynooth is a pretty town, or should we say, 'WAS' a pretty town. We ourselves are, of course, somewhat to blame for the present mess particularly in the line of litter, which does nothing for the town. The bulk of the blame must, however, be laid at the door of the Local Authorities. The rot commenced, in particular, in the 1930s' with the installation of E.S.B. poles and overhead wiring. Goodness knows we were pleased then to have the convenience of electricity, and perhaps we should have protested louder, at the unsightliness, but sufficient to say we your kindness and it gives me great did not. Next we had C.I.E., P&T, and apparently anyone else who liked, carving lumps encouragement to think of you all. out of the trees at random, and not pruning them properly. The County Council followed this by cutting down trees or allowing them to be felled, without having the trees replaced. But the final blow came when, in the name of 'conforming with the Georgian aspect of the town about a dozen or so of the unsightliest poles possible were erected as lamp standards - to match we suppose the 'Georgian' public convenience. Could anybody please tell us how any Authority could countenance such butchery to a pretty town! Is there nobody in the Authority with even a little good taste, who can tell the difference between a Georgian street and a builders yard (because that is what our street looks like now). What can we do to stop this vandalidm. There is apparently no use in writing to the County Council to get a hearing, as the Officials will not even reply to a letter from our Community Council. Perhaps we should ask our Councillors to have some Public Officials appointed who will have a little courtesy.



to the Editor

Blessed Sacrament Community, All Hallows, Drumcondra.

Dear Friends & Neighbours,

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your generosity to me on my departure from Maynooth. I shall always remember I remember you in my prayers as I know you all pray for me. It would be impossible to thank you individually, so I hope this will be acceptable to everyone.

Yours sincerely, Peter Dowling.



CONGRATULATIONS

To Kevin and Angela Galligan of Pound Street, Maynooth, on the Birth of a Son

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The Annual Childrens' Sports were held recently with an excellent run out by both children and parents. There was a big entry for all competitions, with the following winners :-

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Girls - Jennie Cribbin.

Under 6 years.

Boys - J. O'Rourke & M. Byrne

Girls - Geraldine Dunne.

Under 8 years

Boys - Kenneth Cribbin

Under 10 years

Boys - P. Conlon & K. Cribbin and Har war Under 14

Girls - Orla Murphy.

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Fathers' Race - Brian Farrell and the CARPET SHAMPOOING

Musical Chairs -

Mark McEvoy & Alan Cummins Penalty Kicks - Leonard Murphy.

The Committee would like to thank all the parents and children and everyone who contributed to make the day such a success.

BEREAVEMENT:-

The Residents Association would like to express their sincere sympathy with the following Families in their recent bereavement.

in December / Panua The Tracey Family, The Thompson Family and Kilduff Family.

> Preliminary work has commenced on the building of the New Council Houses at Old Greenfield .

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The December and January issues of the NEWSLETTER are being combined to enable our hard working staff (that's us) to get some wind back in their sails for the New Year over the festive period.

All items therefore for inclusion in the December /January issue of the NEWSLETTER should be handed in before November 12th

Will car and truck-owners attending at the Mart on Auction days, please use the allocated parking area for their vehicles. Because of parking on the pathway outside the Mart children coming from school are forced to walk on the Main Road. This is very dangerous and we appeal to all Mart-users to exercise extreme care before a serious accident occurs.

The article last month in the NEWSLETTER on parking outside the Post Office seems to have had some results. Now that the children are back at school it is even more important that care be used at the pedestrian crossing. Please keep it clear for our children and park somewhere else. After all the town is not that big and a short walk will do you good.

Some more de-personalised words for your vocabulary

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The Government of that little island between Ireland and England have issued a statement to the effect that in future they will be known as the "ISLE OF PERSON"

We do not get to hear of all the births, marriages and deaths in our area. If you know of these, please let any of the NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE know and we will gladly print them.

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It is all good fun, gives many hours of enjoyment to all and stimulates the Community Spirit. So get out your thinking caps and start writing your scripts. You have been warned.

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Competition next year, the Community Council has
decided to arrange an Art Competition for the best
Tidy Town Poster about Maynooth. There will be
substantial prizes and many different categories.
Watch out for details in future issues of the
NEWSLETTER but in the meantime perhaps Santa Claus
will bring some colourful markers at Christmas to help
in the competition.

We have been asked to inform students, in absentee landlord houses, to insist that the landlord keep the house in reasonable trim by cutting the grass etc. Student who may wish to do their bit for the Community by doing these chores themselves should approach the Residents Associations in their Estate for the loan of equipment and advice.

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One of the main items discussed at the October Meeting was the question of Youth Employment Grants. It was decided to investigate the possibility of obtaining a grant and using this to help the unemployed youth in the area. More of this in later issues, as the Committee decide on the project and get the scheme underway.

The Council has had some success with the parking of cars in the Main Street, through this paper and we have been asked to extend this to include the roadway opposite the Mart at O'Neill Park. On mart days, trucks are being parked on the pathway here forcing pedestrians, particularly children, to walk on the road. As this section of the Main Road is extremely dangerous, we appeal to Mart-users to park their trucks and cars in the area provided.

A special meeting is being arranged to discuss the organisation of a Community Week in 1979 on Tuesday November 21st in the Geraldine Hall at 8.30 pm. Anybody interested in helping in any way is cordially invited to attend to help make this a roaring success. Club and Association Officials are especially asked to attend.

In conjunction with our efforts in the Tidy Towns competition next year, we are holding an Art Competition for children with Tidy Towns as the theme Full details and Entry Forms will appear in the next issue of the Newsletter There will be cash and other prizes in various categories. All entries will be on view on a Sunday in January when the winners will be announced. So children get out your pens and markers and get your hand in practice for this great competition.

The next meeting of the Council will be in the Geraldine Hall on Tuesday November 14th at 8.30 pm.



NEW HEALTH CLINIC

In response to a letter from Prof. O'Farrell, Secretary, the Community Council were informed that the Eastern Health Board intend to provide a major Health Centre at Maynooth, which, in addition to providing for the people of Maynooth, will also be a Community Care headquarters for North Kildare. Work should commence in the coming year.

Mr. Terry Boylan T.D. also had a similar reply to a query which he



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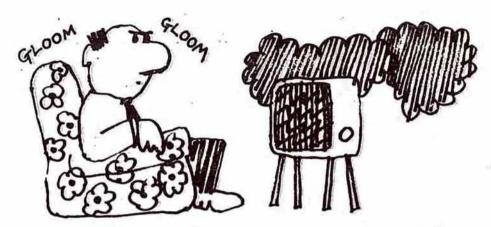
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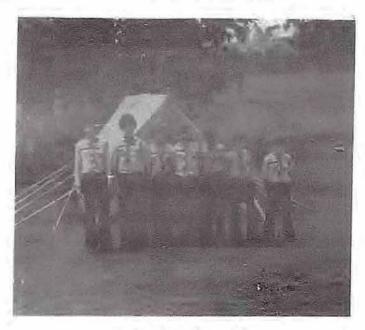
Scouts on Annual Camp



Rena Daly "Flower Arranging"



Mrs. M. Thompson "Best Roses"



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Greenfield Estate Maynooth RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

DINNER DANCE:- December the 1st is the date set for the Annual Dinner Dance this year. The venue is the 'Osta John Devoy' in Johnstown. There will be spot prizes galore and a very enjoyable night is assured. Tickets will be on Sale shortly from any Committee Members and from Mr. Sean O'Dwyer of Leavy's, Newsagents for anyone outside the Estate wishing to attend. All will be more than welcome. We have booked a coach from Bartons for the occasion. If you want to book a seat on the Bus, we would ask you to let us have your names immediately as it May be necessary to arrange for a second coach.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Pat Tynan resigned from his post as Chairman of Greenfield Estate Residents Association at a Committee Meeting on Friday October 13th. The Committee accepted his resignation with regret and would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all the work he has done.

Pat resigned due to pressure of work, but promised to help the Association in any way he possibly could at any time. G.E.R.A. will carry on as a Committee but will accept nominations for a new chairman at the next General Meeting.

APPEARANCE OF ESTATE:- At the last General Meeting we arranged a 'Clean Up The Estate Day'. The few old troupers were out as usual and did a very nice job. Better late than never however, so anyone that feels the urge to pick up a spade and scuff the wads from the kerbs is more than welcome to do so.

Eleanor Caulfield of Laurence Ave. wishes to thank most sincerely those who spent long periods of time on their knees in search of her rings which she lost on the green during the clean up day. There was a happy ending to the comb out when the rings were recovered with a metal detector. It ended suspicious as her husband John was seen leaving a pawn shop recently!

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Having tasted his native air again, we feel sure it will not be long until we see him on another visit here.

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EVERYONE WELCOME

ICA News

With the Summer holidays behind, the September meeting of the Guild was very full and entertaining. Some of the Members have worked very hard throughout August with preparations for the Three Counties Cup. Mrs Betty Farrell, our Arts Promotor, took great trouble in putting us through our paces for this coming event, which will take place in early November.

No doubt, the highlight of the month was, our weekend trip from Rosslare to Cherburg in France. This outing was organised by Mrs. Howard Williams, our Federation International Officer and we had 48 members from County Kildare on this trip. It was greatly enjoyed by all concerned and it is hoped to have a similar trip next year.

At this stage we have practically reached the time for our Make and Model competition This will be held in Kill on 18th October, at Federation level It comprises three sections - Day Wear - Casual Wear and evening Wear and, hopefully, we shall see many attractive models at our Dinner Dance on 24th Nov

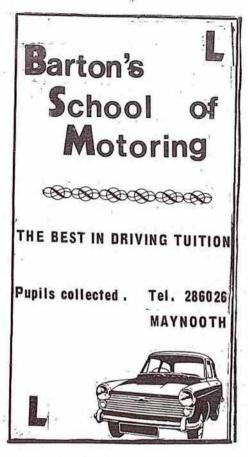
Among the other highlights of the month were :-

Night at the Theatre, when a number of members went to see East Lynn at the Oscar on 21st September; Maynooth hosted a Federation Meeting in the Parish Hall on 28th September Approximately 150 people attended and the night concluded with our hostesses serving tea to all

Members of our Guild will attend a Council Meeting in Ennis on 4th November and it hoped to travel there by Bus.

At the September Meeting the Raffle was won by Mrs. Satchwell and, in the competition, first place went to Mrs. Fegan and second to Mrs. Farrell. The October Raffle was won by Mrs. McMyler and second prize went to Mrs. Howard-Williams.

The next Guild Meeting, our A.G.M. will be held on 2nd November.



RECENT DEATHS

We extend our sympathy to the Relatives of the Late Charlie, Thompson, Maynooth

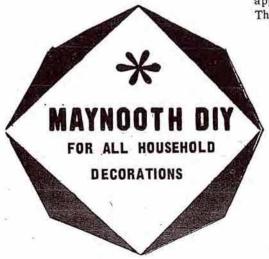
and to

The Relatives of the late Julia Kilduff, Ballygoran, Maynooth.

and also to

The Relatives of the late James Lawlor, Newtown, Maynooth.

SYMPATHY: - We offer our sincere sympathy to Mr & Mrs. Fleming of Carton Court on the death of their Baby Daughter recently.



our Heritage

Mary Cullen

So the National Education system set up by the British Government in 1831 aimed at drawing the members of the different religious denominations closer together in bonds of acceptance and friendship by educating all their children together in "undenominational" or "mixed" schools. The idea was that the children would sit side by side in their classrooms and be taught together. No teacher was to say or teach anything that would offend any religious denomination nor anything peculiar to any one denomination. For the teaching of dogmatic religion aloud the children were to be separated into religious groups.

To help achieve this objective the Commissioners for National Education appointed by the Government were told to give "peculiar favour" to applications for affiliation to the Board which came from groups of individuals belonging to different denominations, and to investigate application from one denominational groups. Maynooth was quickly off the mark in applying for connection with the Board. In the second report of the Commissioners for the year ending March 31st 1835 two schools in Maynooth appear in the list of national schools already in operation. One was described as a female school with 287 pupils on the roll, and the other also as a female school with 25 pupils on the roll, 9 of them boys. The report gives a break-down of the people who had signed the applications for aid on behalf of each school. For both Maynooth Schools six lay members of the Established Church, three Catholic laymen, and one Catholic clergyman signed, and, for the larger school one, and for the smaller two, clergymen of the Established Church. The mixed composition of these groups was very much in keeping with the government plan, but when one realises that in fact the two schools in question were the Convent School run by the Presentation Sisters and the Parish School under the direction of the Church Of Clergy, it seems that in Maynooth the letter but not the spirit of the government scheme adhered to. Later on when the original government intention of "mixed" education had been perverted and National Schools were accepted as being a practice single-denomination schools, the first Maynooth school was described openly in the reports as the Convent School, and is listed as the first Convent or Monastic School to receive a grant from the National Board (*National Education Report of 1867). The two early applications from Maynooth appear to have kept the form of application and thecomposition of the group of applicants absolutely correct while in fact the spirit of the government scheme was being flouted. This is especially interesting since the Duke Of Leinster, who must have been an active agent behind both applications, was also President of the Board of Commissioners, and since it is accepted that from the beginning the Board did not query single denomination applications as the Government had instructed them. The Duke and his predecessors had with unflagging enthusiasm given support to a fair cross section of the many different educational schemes which had aimed at helping the "poorer orders" Perhaps in 1831 the then Duke had a more accurate idea than the Government had of what would work in the Irish situation.

There is no doubt that the second smaller national school listed in 1835 was the Church of Ireland Pansh School. This is clear from the Report from the Select Committee on Foundation Schools and Education in Ireland (1835-6). It also appears that the parish schools' connection with the Board had not lasted long. The Report listed five schools in Maynooth in 1836

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2 - Daily Female	Grant from National Board; annual don- ation from Duchess of Leinster.	F	150	70 stationary	Three Rs, and needlework
3 - Private daily	Quarterly payments 3/3 - £1 and over average 6/6	M	52	45	Three R s, Book-keeping, English Grammar, Geography
4 - Infant School	2d - 3d per week	*		11	The usual for infant Schools
5 - Has been until very re- cently a Nat- ional school but not in op- eration at pre- sent attempts being made	£14 from Board £2 per annum from the Vicar	5 - M 5 - F			Three R s, and needlework for girls

The change in the Pattern of school-types from that in 1825 is striking. Then five of the six schools in Maynooth were listed as pay schools run by individuals for profit. Now ten years later there are only two privately run pay schools and one of these is an infant school. The other is offering a second level standard of education, and to boys only. Primary education is now monopolised by two very large single - sex schools supported by Church and State, and the ever generous Dukes and Duchesses of Leinster and the tiny Parish School. The two large schools of 1835 - 6 are clearly the two Catholic free schools of 1825 - 6, the girls' school having been transformed into a convent school. The advent of the National Board seems to have accelerated the trend towards large single - sex schools. This is not surprising since large viable schools would be acceptable to the Board, and the subside they received would then increase their ability to compete with the small pay schools.

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At a very well attended September Meeting the ever hard working Bernard Drukan listed some achievements since the last meeting.

- (1) The contractor has promised to have the footbridge over the Canal at Straffan Road erected before the end of November.
- (2) The traffic lights for Maynooth are on order and a promise of early delivery has been made.
- (3) An order has been placed with E.S.B. for more public lights to be provided at Laraghbryan. It is now up to the E.S.B. to get cracking.
- (4) A review of all private housing estates in the area is being carried out with a view to taking, them in charge. The results will be to hand shortly.
- (5) Arrangements have been made to have the main road at Kellystown/ Blakestown repaired and tarred.
- (6) The E,S,B, has been asked to complete the installation of Traffic Route Lighting at Maynooth. This work must be completed before 31st. Dec. but hopefully much sooner than that.
- (7) Planning permission has been granted for erection of a safety fence on Celbridge Road, Laurence Ave Green. This is very welcome news to the parents of young children-
- Bernard Durkan agreed to (8) once again make the strongest possible representation to have the shops at Greenfield Estate included in the refuse collection. It was pointed out to the Councillor that with ONE EXCEPTION the Shopkeepers were making a very determined effort to keep the immediate area clean and tidy without receiving any co-operation whatsoever from the County Council. It was also pointed out that in view of the heavy rates paid by the people concerned they should be facilitated in every possible way. Apart from the untidy appearance of the area the present situation is capable of creating a health hazard for the householders living nearby.

It's that great fancy night out once again

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Past Pupils Union Notes.

After a quiet spell over the Summer, the Committee have begun organizing some events to brighten up the dull winter months. First our Beetle Drive on Sunday 29th Oct. at 3 pm. and on Wednesday 29th November, we would like to see all our friends in the Hitchin' Post where Mary Clifford, The Values, Jim Smith and The Hustlers will provide the entertainment at a Cabaret.

TICKETS£1 each are available from any of the Committee.

Our 2nd 'A.G.M. will be on Monday 29th January '79 (Keep that date free).

We also hope to have the Annual Ball in Hotel Keadeen in late March. We expect to have news of further events in the coming issues of the NEWSLETTER.

> Catherine Malone, Secretary.

We would like to wish Peter Kelly of Main Street, Maynooth, every success in his New Career.

PARKING

May we commend motorists for their apparent attention to our requests in last month's issue, not to park in certain areas in the town. From casual observation, there appears to be a great improvement in the position, but there is room for more.

Now that children have returned to school, the crossings, in particular should be left quite clear to give a good view - small children, in particular, cannot be seen over a car. Remember also that there are young children around at all times of the day.

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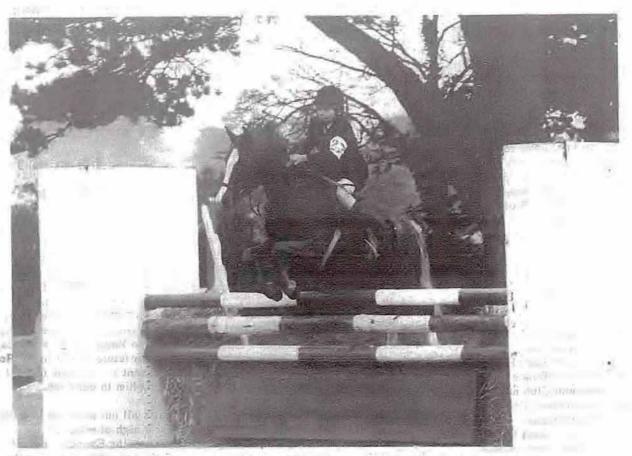
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YOUTH CLUB NEWS

Hi Folks, Since our last report the Club has become "OFFICIAL", that is, we have affiliated to the Kldare Federation of Youth Clubs and also the National Fed. We are also Insured with the N.F.Y.C. Scheme. We now have 47 Members and are looking forward to the Regional Competitions and events. Unfortunately we still have very few leaders and I cannot stress enough the importance of adult help in a Youth Club. We have some interested workers of 14 & 15 who will be given training opportunities later this year, but now is the time we need help.

Twenty Club members went to Naas Y.C. on Wed. 27th Sept. and spent a very enjoyable evening "mingling" with Naas crowd and playing a hugh variety of games from Darts to Table Tennis to pool. On Fri. 29th we travelled to Edenderry for their opening Disco/Dance and I learn that Maynooth Club has several budding John Travolta's and even more Olivia Newton' John's, (move it Sylvia!). Good fun was had by all and many new friends were made, which is the whole idea, is'nt it?

On Tuesday last we went to see the movie "Grease" and from the remarks and the singing coming home I gather members enjoyed it! 'Brilliant' seems to be in 'in' word in the Club at the moment!

PARENTS:- When the Club travels to other Clubs and Events we always try to give an approx. time for coming home. Sometimes there are unforseen delays but usually we will be home at the said time. We try to have late nights only at weekends, and Disco's etc. will be well spaced out. If you are worried about

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your child's whereabout and what time he'll be home, please contact me and I'll be glad to discuss the matter. The Club is here to bring activity and new friends to members not to worry their parents to death!!

A.G.M. :- Sunday the 8th of October was the A.G.M. for the K.F.Y.C. held in the "Leinster Arms" Maynooth and for many it was the result of weeks of hard work. At this meeting Maynooth Y.C. was accepted into the K.F.Y.C. by the Council and warmly welcomed by the outgoing Chairman of the region, Peter O'Neill. Our three delegates, Catherine McNamara, Sylvia Dunne & Jim Tolan were all interested and. pleased to feel part of a National Youth Organisation. We also had several members there as observers and I must take this opportunity to say 'THANK-YOU' on behalf of the Kildare Fed. to Jack Mc Elhinney and all the Staff of the L.A. who were so helpful and went to endless trouble to see things were 'just right'. Special thanks to Des, Una and Eugene. Also to Olive Murray who came in at 12.30 and did tremendous work in the background all day before slipping away when all was done without a word of gratitude. Thanks Olive!

The Final word from the A.G.M.comes from Rev. Walter Forde who attended the Meeting and was a firm favourite with the Maynooth Club. He sends his good wishes and blessings to all his old friends and says he hopes to return to Maynooth for a few days in the near future (He is in the Holy Land at present). We look forward to welcoming him to our Club.

That's all our news for now (did I hear a sigh of relief?).
Forthcoming Events - include a Council Meeting of K F.Y C in the L.A. on Thurs. 26th Oct. - A Swimming Gala in Athy on 5th November and various competitions, details in Club. See ya next Month Shalom!

Margot Morrissey Club Leader.



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POST-PRIMARY SCHOOL, MAYNOOTH

We are back in business again after a long but not so hot Summer. Numbers are up once more and we have had to turn away students from outside our catchment area because of a lack of space. Plans for our New School have recently been passed and it is envisaged that building will begin next Spring. Facilities in the new school will compare with anything available almost anywhere, and will include a Library, an Assembly Room, a Canteen, A Lecture Theatre, a Laboratory and so forth. We hope to cater for all comers (or almost!) when our new school is in operation.

It is heartning to see former students qualifying from the Universitie and from the Technical Colleges, more heartning still is the fact that all have been IMMEDIATELY EMPLOYED. Leaving Cert. and Inter Cert. results are well up to expectations, indeed surpassing them in many instances. Some of our Students have gained scholarships, others have been awarded apprenticesships while others have gained entry to Industry.

Night class numbers have increased dramatically this year, with over 250 attending a total of 19 courses Only Irish for Parents and Child Care are under-subscribed. Extra curricular activities are being catered for as fully as formerly and will include a Christmas Concert, Visits to Theatres, Football Matches, Field trips and so forth. Our School Trip this year will take us to France.

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this early stage being considered. More of this anon when it is p:oposed to invite interested parents to a Meeting.

Finally, we would like to remind parents of Leaving and Inter Cert. students of the Parent/Teacher Meeting scheduled for Tuesday 14th Nov. from 7.300 - 9.00pm. We should like a very full attendance.

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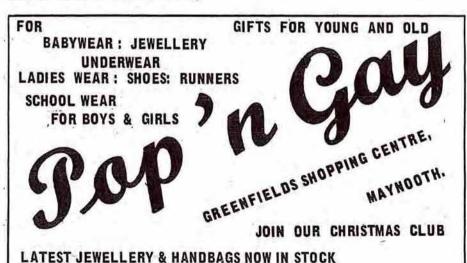
PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORTS

The Boys' Primary School Sports took place on Sunday 15th Sept. in the G.A.A. Field. A very fine evening drew a large crowd and our 'Younger Citizens' showed their paces in no uncertain manner. It is quite obvious that when the Harbour field is completed, with its facilities, that we shall have a large reservoir of young athletes to draw on.

Probably the highlight of the day was the Tug-of-War between teams from Messrs. Brady's, Caulfields, The Roost and Leinster Arms who gave a fine display. The ground, unfortunately was a little greasy but there were some excellent pulls. The winners were Clock House (Brady's) Team and the winning team comprised: L.McEvoy, S.Hyland, B. Noonan. F. Foy T.Hendrick, H.Faherty, J. Kearney, N.Cummins, Captain & coach was P.J. Bennett.

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Well it is a long time since we had this section in our NEWSLETTER and we are glad to be back. You may have read already in the Newsletter of the Tidy Towns Competition. Entry forms will appear in the next issue, but the idea is for to get our tidy towns posters designed by you children and we are giving trophies and cash prizes for different age groups.

An exhibition of all posters will be held in the Parish Hall on some Sunday in January at which the winners will be announced. These will also be published in the News-Letter together with photographs.

In case some of you have not got paints or markers, this month we are giving you the chance of earning some pocket money to buy them by giving you a crossword puzzle to solve. There will be prizes of £1 for the first 5 correct solutions received. So get cracking and send in your entries.

Cheerio 'till next issue.

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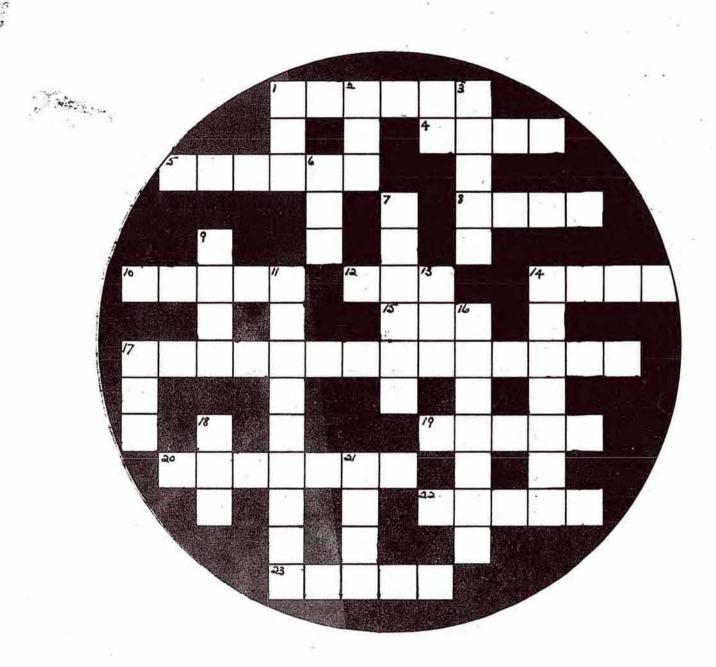
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- 4. Looks forward to big Games (4)
- Chase the Game not the Ball (6)
- 8. Beaten by Maynooth in 1976 J.F.C. Final (4)
- 10. To do this is a foul in Gaelic (5)
- 12 & 16 Down Captained only Maynooth Team to win Senion Football Championship (1914) - (3)
- 14. Older Players would use it to gain an advantage (4)
- 15. Fishermen fill it forwards find it (3)
- 17 & 9 down Hang your head if you miss from here (14)
- 19. To get you there (5)
- 20. Cliff Murphy had one on playing in Croke Park (7)
- 22. They denote the score or bearers origin (5)
- 23. Beaten in 1958 All Ireland Football Final (5)

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Games should start on this (3)
- 2. No score for hitting it (3)
- 3. Long serving Maynooth football name (5)
- 6. Referees sometimes can do (5)
- 7. Famous Meath Football Brothers (6)
- 9. See 17 across
- 11. Won 1959 All Ireland Hurling Final after Replay (9)
- 13. Note of Music (3)
- 14. They call it Shinty in Scotland (7)
- 16. See 12 across
- 17 & 21 At big matches it can be terrible (3)
- 18 . Finish (3)



Soccer Club

With Maynooth, this month, already making in roads into a new Season, we promise to keep you up to date with all results and soccer news.

First of all, we would like to express our sincere thanks to Messrs Doyle Bros. (The Cattle Mart) for their generosity in providing us with a new playing pitch. This is just two fields down from our previous pitch. In this area too we would also like to express our very sincere thanks to the Executive Council, St. Patrick's College who allowed us to use their playing pitch when the need arose during our difficulty.

Now that we are again fielding three teams, we are looking forward to a more prosperous season on the trophy side. Our increased membership runs to 45 - 50 players, plus selectors (Mick Murphy, Liam "Smoker" Farrelly - the Firsts, Shamie "The Doc" Tracey, the Seconds and Gerry McTernan the Thirds). What with the full support of the ladies of the Feeney and Moore families and a host of excellent supporters, and with at least one home game per week, the . best way to keep everybody happy (and warm) is to keep winning.

The following are results to date:

1st Team - P. W. D. L. 6 3 1 2 (with Sean Moore and Eddie Moen showing up prominently)

2nd Team 4 1 1 2 (with T. Nelson - now in 1sts and J. Moore looking good 1 dit.

3rd Team. 3 1 0 0 12; (with K. Kilduff and K. Walshe making the headlines)

Most of the Cup games are still to vm. come and with "The Town" involved in the Leinster Junior, F.A.I. Junior, Sheeran, Giffney & Cruise Cups, the results of the matches in the next issue of the Newsletter should give a clearer view of the overall position.

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To conclude, we invite our members and supporters to join our Christmas Club, details from any member. Weekly results in these columns)

Next month we hope to let you have a detailed account of our 'under-age' (Schoolboy) matches and activities.

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Everything is going fine. At long last the Rota seems to be working and the night Swim is a great success, rather daring to be going off Swimming in the dark.

We have as yet done nothing about the Adult Swim, as we have not got enough names, we would want about 30 before it would be worth while. So if any adults still have a wish to Swim with the people you know, get in touch with our Secretary, Eilis O'Malley, 5 Laurence Ave. Phone - 285131.

Eilis, we think was a good choice of Secretary, as she is old and new. Old because her roots are in Maynooth, new because she married one of them there things called 'Blow Ins' (Sorry Brian!)

Notice how we in the Swimming Club always use the Royal "WE", wonder now that our Pope has dropped it, will we have to follow?

Our Treasurer Margaret Molloy lives. in Mill Street, so it seems like a complete take over from the thorough-breds, come to think of it we never did check Margaret's roots, could she too be a 'Blow In' For years the writer of of these notes, always regarded a certain gentleman in Main Street, as the real thing, imagine the disillusionment to find out that he was only born here!

On second thoughts maybe we should keep that "WE' it is a great cover.



RACING RESULTS

The cycling Season came to an end on Sept. 17th with a Track Meeting in Waterford.

This meeting ended with another win for the 'Cannons' Philip won the all-Ireland u/8 Championship for the 2nd year in succession. He is the first boy ever to do so.

Michael came 2nd place in the U/10 event.

The schoolboys of this club won between them 36 prizes to 28 prizes won by the Senion members who are David Nelson, Leixlip, Joe Dunne, Kilcock, Liam Cannon, Maynooth.

Now boys this is the time to think about getting your bicycles ready for next year. Will let you know when the training is about to start.

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The Maynooth Junior Hurlers have won the Junior Hurling Championship of Kildare, and what a great game they played. They entered on to the pitch at Newbridge grimly determined not to be beaten this year as they have, unfortunately, been in the past four years (For the record they were beaten in the final in 1974, 1975 & 1976 and were beaten in the Semi-final in 1977)

Starting the game as underdogs to Moorfield who, on paper at least, appeared to be the only team, they were determined to show their mettle.

The Game started very slowly, Moorfield scoring the first point but Maynooth hit back when Tommy Fay took a free from 30 yards and, from a mishit, Tom Purcell collected and put the ball in the net. From this point onwards Maynooth never looked back. Goals from Gerry Kind and Danny Casey (2) left Maynooth 4 - 0 to Moorfields 0-2

The second half commenced with a sharp Moorfield attack but Maynooth's defences held out, thanks to D. Quigley (in goal) and Mick Gleeson, S. Feeney, S. Grant and C. Murphy on the field. Five minutes from full time the score was 4 - 1 to 0 - 4 in favour of Maynooth, when Tommy Fay got the ball and kicked it to the net followed by 3 points from Tom Purcell. This assured the Cup to Maynooth for the first time since 1966.

FINAL SCORE :-

MAYNOOTH ... 5 - 4 MOORFIELD .. 0 - 4



Best for Maynooth were D. Quigley - M. Gleeson - Chris. Murphy - S. Grant S. Feeney - **Aliff Murphy - Brian Redmond - Tom Murphy who scored 1 - 4 Danny Casey 2 goals; T. Fay 1 goal and G. King 1 goal.

We hope to see many of our new Residents in Senior Hurling next year. Results of the 300 Club draw will appear in next issue of the NEWS-LETTER.

The Dinner Dance on Friday 20th Oct, in Harry's, of Kineg was up to and, in fact, exceeded expectations. Over two hundred attended and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The Chairman and Committee would like to express their best thanks to those who contributed 'spot prizes' including M/s. O'Brien's Supermarket, Kiernan's, Barton's, Barry's, McNamara's, Jim's Shoe Repairs, The Roost, T. O'Reilly Cleaners, Lainster Arms, Buckley's, McCormack Brady's, Caulfield's, Leavy's, Hide Out, and Appliance Repairs Ltd.

The Chairman, Mr. Tommy Sheehan. while thanking all who attended. congratulated the Hurlers on winning the Championship and expressed his sincere thanks to Mr. Josie Murphy for his wonderful work with the hurdlers during the year. The Herler of the Year trophy was presented to Michael Gleeson by Mr. Josie Murphy and the Footballer of the year trophy went to Billy Mulhern. A special trophy was presented to Tommy Fay being the top scorer in the Hurling Championship and in this context Mr. Sheehan referred to Tommy as "The Man with the Golden Boot (Tommy having kicked all his scores with hisleft boot - in the Hurling Championship)

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