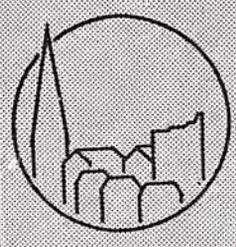


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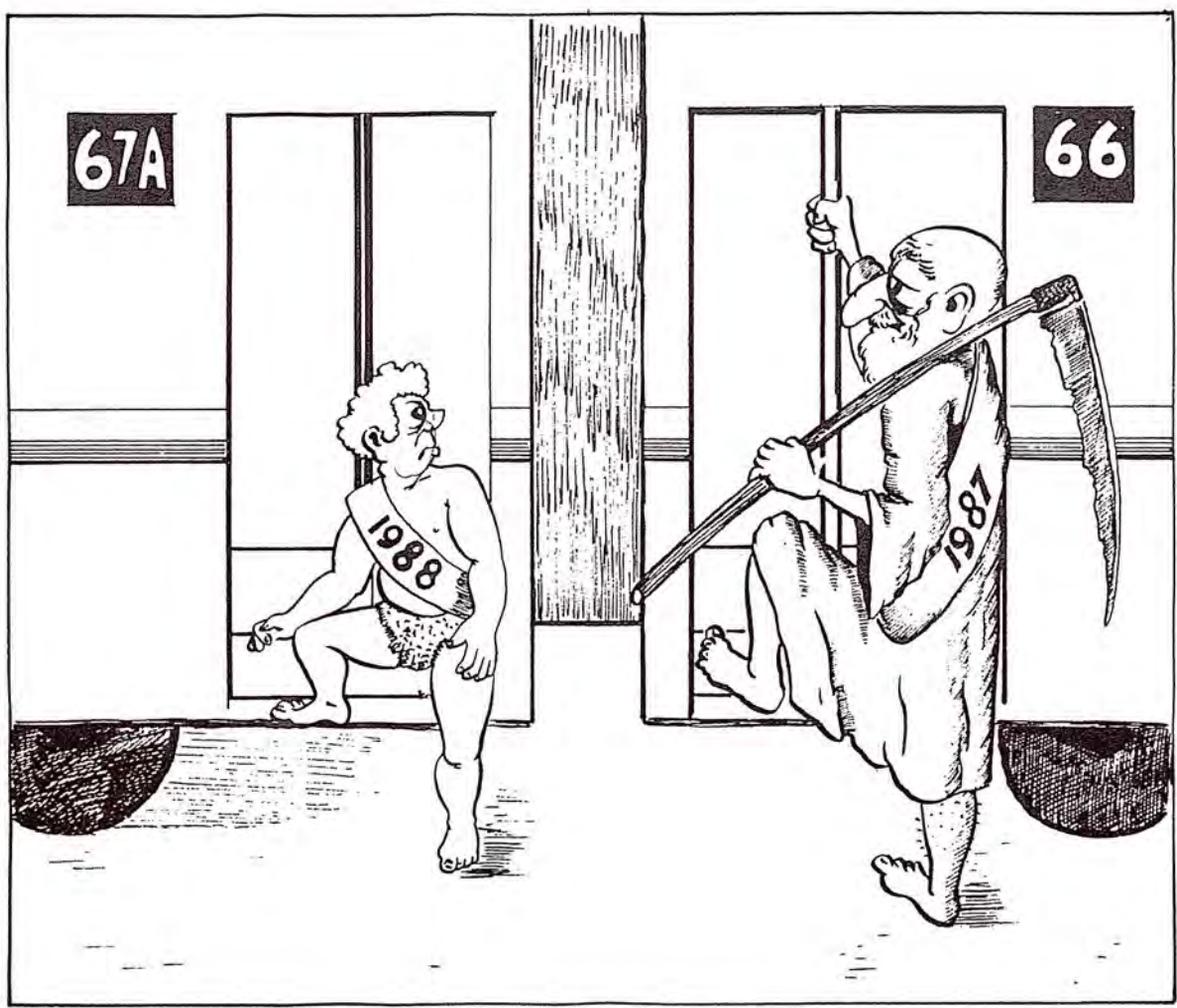
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Editorial

The great leap backwards.

As you all know, 1988 is a leap year, however all over Kildare, it seems, we are taking a leap back into the dim and distant past.

While Maynooth Main Street was ablaze with coloured lights for the first time in many years, the lights behind Main Street were going out quietly, one by one. This was due to no simultaneous electrical failure. Many people discovered the county council's latest money saving exercise when they realised that they could no longer see where they were going in large parts of their estates.

In one small estate, no fewer than ten lights have been put out of commission by the County Council and the same pattern is repeated all over Maynooth. All this to save a few thousand pounds!

It is just not good enough to treat people like this; to leave children exposed to the danger of traffic which cannot see them, to leave old people and indeed everyone else in fear of attack, or of injury through falling over unseen obstacles; to offer an open invitation to the criminally inclined to operate under the cover of darkness.

These are hard times, as we are all aware, but surely the safety of our people must be of prime importance to our legislators.

Delights of Maynooth

Congratulations to all concerned with making the Main Street such an attractive blaze of colour during the festive season. The Community Council Christmas tree with lights sponsored by C.P.L. on top of the Thing in the Square (at least it comes in useful sometimes!) and the Chamber of Commerce sponsored Christmas lights bedecking the trees in the Main Street together created a lovely impression of joint community action. They must have cheered up many a motorist on their way to the West. They certainly provided a very welcoming reception to commuters returning from Dublin.

Christmas Pets

Did your household receive a new arrival on Christmas day in the form of a pet? Remember that the present of a pet is not something you can put away with the unwanted handkerchiefs and bath salts. Your new pet will grow larger, demand food, and possibly veterinary care and exercise.

And if the pet is a dog, remember that you must get a license (£5 in the P.O. Office) and a collar and lead. The ISPCA issues warnings each year about the problems of giving pets as presents. When the novelty wears off, Fido is often turfed out to fend for himself. Let's hope that all Maynooth pets survived Christmas 1987 and can look forward to a well looked after future with their new owners.

Pedestrian Crossings

Not many pedestrians appear to realize that the pedestrian lights in Main Street can be activated by pressing a little button on the side of a pole. Instead they wait until a break in the traffic before dashing across the road. This is both dangerous and selfish especially from the viewpoint of the motorist trying to emerge from the Square into the Main Street. If you happen to be waiting in anticipation at these lights, spare a thought for the poor motorist. If you press the button, the lights go red almost immediately and both you and the Straffan Road traffic can cross the road safely.

Farewells

and finally two of our office staff have completed a year's work with us as part of the social employment scheme. They are Elizabeth Uí Bhriain and Eugene Fitzpatrick. We would like to thank them both for their excellent contribution to the Newsletter, Eugene for his, alas shortlived teenworld page, and Elizabeth for her work as secretary to the Editorial Board. They both did considerable work behind the scenes and we hope that the experience they have gained over the year will be of benefit to them in the future. Best wishes to both!

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Maynooth Community Council

The present Council was elected by the people in April 1987, and have held monthly meetings with the welcome exception of August. Many new members were elected, including five of the Executive.

The A.G.M. will take place on the 18th January, where the Cathaoir-leach, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Secretary, Mary Murtagh and one of the Treasurers, Dominic Nyland will each give an address. Then the seven person Executive face election again.

The Council have become involved in the proposal to build a swimming pool close to the Post-Primary School and this matter will be pursued in the year to come.

It was difficult to follow the lead given by the previous Council in its work at all levels, but we hope that this has been adequately achieved.

Community Week was an outstanding success with additional events such as the Canal Swim and Fidlers Green. The Social and Recreational Sub-committee excelled themselves. Carton House opened its doors to the public for the first time in 10 years in August, due to the work of the Council. In addition a dance was organized for Hallowe'en in the Parish Hall, and an impressive Christmas tree stands on the "Thing" in the Square thanks to local volunteers to whom we owe a debt of gratitude.

The finances improved during the ten months due to such fundraising events as Community Week and Carton House. This ensures the continuing employment of nine people and the rent of an office.

The Communications Sub-committee is proceeding with the Old Maynooth Exhibition which should be mounted in May, and the Maynooth Newsletter is also continuing under the same committee.

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Letters

Dear Editor

Would the landscaper-men, I presume, of the Square, please try to push a buggy through the pillars they erected at the end of the path. It is only possible if you slice the buggy — and child of course — in half. It also helps if the buggy has wings to fly over the too-high kerbstones. No sensible mother would ever dream of placing the pillars in their present position. Come on, men, please rectify this fault in your planning.

Residents' Associations News.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

We welcome our new Chairman Peter Holland to his new position and wish him the best of luck in the future. The last meeting was held on Monday 7th December.

It has come to our attention that every second or third light is being switched off on our estate by Kildare County Council — to save money. We are writing to the Council and to the local representatives about the situation, since this will increase the vandalism which already exists in the area. It was recommended that a survey be carried out to elicit people's feelings on the matter. The latest vandalism includes the new sign and the fence on Laurence Avenue. The cost of repairing the fence will be very high.

The problems which were encountered with late opening of the fast food Take-away have been resolved and doors will close at 12.30. The annoyance caused to residents living around the Shopping Centre by lorries and early deliveries have also been dealt with. The committee is glad to announce success in these areas.

The extension of the 66 Bus was considered unsuitable and a new service, the 67A, has appeared in Maynooth. It travels from Maynooth to Dublin, via Celbridge, and also

from Dublin to Maynooth. A definite timetable is not yet available, but a temporary timetable will be found elsewhere in this issue of the Newsletter. No bus-stops have been erected as yet, but this service will now make it possible for people to avail of the bus without the walk to the village or back.

The committee condemns the rubbish that has been left lying about by Kildare County Council over the past number of weeks. The litter that arises is causing annoyance to residents on the estate.

We request that any late contributions in dues to be made by residents be handed into 49, Laurence Avenue.

Finally, we wish all our residents a belated Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, P.R.O.

PARISH HALL VARIETY SHOW

On Sunday 6th December the people of Maynooth got the opportunity to display their talents when Liam Greene and the Parish Hall Committee organised a variety show.

Maynooth Brass Band set a high standard with their opening medley ranging from Irish music to swinging blues. Claudine McDonnell sang *Paris Angelicus* and *Santa Lucia* very sweetly. Tim Cunningham sang *The Fields of Athenry* and *The Cocky Farmer* — a man with enough voice and stage-presence to put on his own show.

There was ample evidence that dancing is still very popular — for girls, anyway. The Cullen and Maher schools of dancing put on excellent displays, while the ICA set dancers had the audience clapping and stamping enthusiastically.

Martina Tyrell's speech and drama group was represented by Johnny Reilly and by a mime group. The Larine Players performed a brief sketch the Kilcock Players presented a comedy-sketch. Paul Daly was entirely at ease on stage as *Bottler*.

Young musical talent is being fostered in Maynooth. Ms. O Connell conducted the band from The Boys' School as they played a good selection of carols. Ms Duignan conducted the choir of the girls' school. The Maynooth Accordion Band acquitted themselves well.

All this was ably compered by Mr Liam Greene who punctuated the evenings' entertainment with lively wit, songs and patter!

A minor quibble. Perhaps 8 p.m. is a bit late for families — by 10.30 or so the younger members of the audience were very restive indeed.

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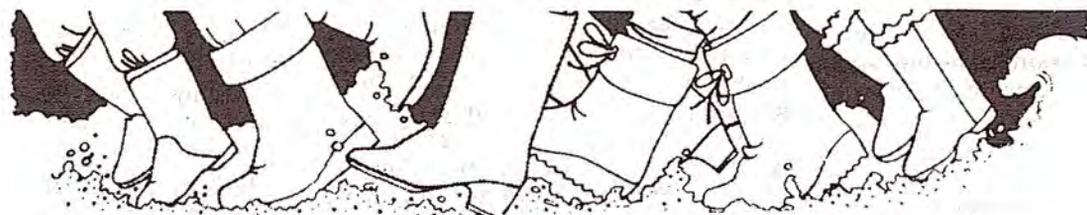
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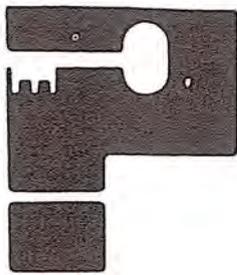
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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Working Abroad

This is a publication issued by the National Manpower Service which gives advice and information to young people thinking about or intending to emigrate.

It includes a series of information cards about London covering such things as social security, transfer of social welfare benefits, lists of hostels. The NMS also has information available on other EEC countries, USA, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

The NMS is currently being amalgamated with AnCO and the Youth Employment Agency. The new agency — FAS will also have a role in helping people who are seeking employment in any EEC country. Again, you should ask at your local NMS office.

Emigrant Advice

Emigrant Advice is an information and Counselling service organised by the Dublin Diocesan Social Service Centre. Its aim is to provide information and counselling to intending and returning emigrants. They have a wide range of information material available and can advise you on, among other things, accommodation, employment, entitlements. They provide speakers on emigration to schools etc. They do not provide jobs or accommodation.

The service is available Monday — Friday, 9.30 a.m. — 5.30 p.m. at 1A Cathedral Street, Dublin 1. Tel: (01) 732844.

The Tide Directory

TIDE (Youth Emigration Action Group) has just published a Directory of information on key areas of concern for prospective emigrants from Ireland to 12 countries including Britain and the U.S.A. The pack is written for and by young people in language which is accessible and comprehensible. It is illustrated by up to the minute cartoons which point to the many problems an emigrant might face.

As well as the U.S.A. and Britain information is included on Australia, West Germany, France, Canada, Denmark, Holland, Greece, Spain, Italy and Jersey. The countries are colour coded and for each one information is given about conditions, visa etc. for entry, employment prospects, accommodation, social welfare services where applicable, and further useful facts and addresses. Basically the pack on each of the countries attempts to point out the pitfalls and possibilities which emigrants might encounter. Included also is a list of further sources of information and suggestions about alternative employment in Ireland.

The Directory is aimed, in particular at community and youth information centres, libraries, schools, youth organisations, social service centres and voluntary and community groups, where it can be used by young people and those advising them. It is the objective of TIDE that the contents should be available as widely and as appropriately as possible, hence the priority targetting of the above groups.

The cost of the Directory is £10 plus £2 post and packaging and there are special discounts for voluntary groups with cost problems. Copies are available from TIDE, c/o 1A, Cathedral Street, Dublin 1.

A happy New Year to everyone from all the volunteers.

Frances Daly, Organizer.



COLLEGE NEWS:

In December we said a fond farewell to some of our American Occasional Students. They had been here for the past 4 months studying in the College. We hope they enjoyed their stay here and will come back soon!

On December the 18th the College had its Annual Christmas Dinner Dance. The pudding was paraded around the tables by the one and only Fr. Michael McGréil accompanied by one of the members of the Naramore Pipe Band.

All the students are on holidays until the 11th January therefore all quiet on the western front.

That's about it for the moment. Happy New Year!

CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS

The Rev. Gavin Williamson was instituted on Wednesday 25th November at Maynooth Church of Ireland to the Dunboyne Union, by the Bishop of Meath.

The church was packed for the simple ceremony which lasted from 8 until 9.15 p.m.

Amongst the congregation were Katherine Simms, daughter of the ex-Primate of Armagh, Mr. T. Ashe Principle of the Post-Primary School, Bernard Durkan T.D. and Muireann Ní Bhrolchain, Maynooth Community Council. Tea was provided afterwards in the Post-Primary School.

We wish Rev. Williamson and his wife every happiness in Maynooth.

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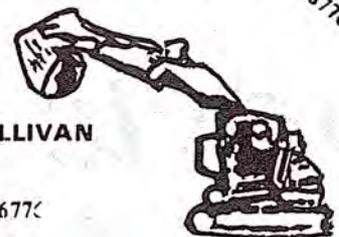
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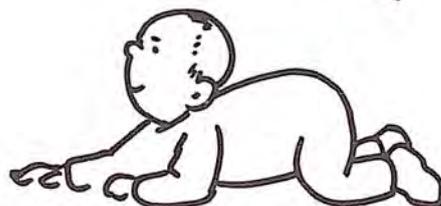
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BRU BOSCO NOTES

Greeting from Bru Bosco Youth Club to all who made this project possible. Sorry we missed the Christmas edition but what better time to greet you than January 1988 which is the *hundred anniversary* of Don Bosco's death, 31st January 1888, and naturally a great year of thanksgiving and celebrations for the whole Salesian Family right across the world. The word "Salesian Family" does not merely apply to the Priests, brothers, sisters, and lay co-operators but to all friends of Don Bosco, past pupils of schools, members of Youth Clubs, Summer Camps etc. anything with which the Salesians are involved, so Bru Bosco Maynooth members can look forward to a very special year in honour of their Chief. Well, it was Don Bosco himself who once signed a letter which he had written "Don Bosco, chief of the urchins", and who are we to contradict this great man, whose words **ALL YOU NEED FOR ME TO LOVE YOU IS TO BE YOUNG** inspired the Maynooth Co-operators to come together, and found the Geraldine Youth Club.

Temporarily I am only an Armchair P.R.O. but I am told the Club is going well this year with lots of new members from every part of Maynooth. This makes me happy as this is what a Youth Club is for, a place where all young folk can meet no matter what their class, colour or creed is. We have five Salesian Leaders with us this year, which makes for a very good atmosphere,

as their vocation is, like their founder to dedicate their lives to Youth. I understand we could do with more lay leaders, as there are times when pressure of exams etc. mean that Salesian Leaders are not always available. What does it mean to be leader? What do you need? I can only give you my own recipe "LOVE IN YOUR HEARTS", Don Bosco's mother, was the greatest of them all, a poor woman, who could not read or write, but had an unbounding love, an ordinary woman on the surface who could have been anybody's MUM. What happened to our Lay Leaders, we had many, all good, all with their hearts in the right place, but somebody once said that we Irish intend to be better competitors than co-operators. Each had individual talents, and there in, had each one realised it, lay or wealth, but inexperience caused competition among them, and who better to play Daddy against Mammy than young people, naturally and regrettably this caused friction, but maybe 1988 may see an end to all that, and many may return as a present to Don Bosco, and each one must remember "that co-operation is the theme on which we flourish."

At the moment the young people are busy getting ready for some Carol singing, at the shopping centre to add to the Christmas atmosphere. By the time you read this Newsletter many of you will have heard them. They are also working hard to entertain you on Don Bosco's Feast day or thereabouts, keeping the time of the year in mind, in other words a Salesian flavour. They will have their Christmas Mass in the Geraldine on Friday 18th December — and, we hope many parents will attend, and of course another Mass to celebrate Don Bosco's Feast day. They had a trip to the Ice Ring which was enjoyed by roughly 24 members, and Leaders, I understand a trip to the bowling alley is now on the Cards, but it will be February before the overall picture for the year had been put together, what with competitions, camps etc. It takes quite a lot of work.

Before I finish I had better state categorically that there is no PAUL in

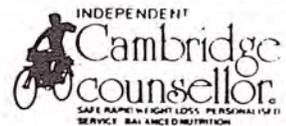
my life, just one reliable PADDY, whom I do not intend swapping for any Paul. Come to think of it with coronary now on my C.V., I do not think this Paul would be interested.

Could I just add my many thanks to all the folk in Maynooth, who sent me get well cards, mass cards, messages of prayers, phone calls etc. I appreciated them very much, some of the folk I had not even heard of before. To the Young People in the Club, I would like to say I miss you all very much, from you I learned an awful lot (I am not speaking of peculiar language) but of how much good and kindness are in the Youth of today, the togetherness and sharing among you never ceased to amaze me, nor the thought for the MA. Never again will I judge a book by its cover, but like Don Bosco I will always look for the good inside.

Have gone over my quota I am sure, but there might be extra space this month, as everybody is so busy with Christmas shopping. Happy New Year to one and all.

Peig Lynch (armchair P.R.O.)

We are all delighted to hear from Peig again and wish her many long years of contributions to the Newsletter.



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A Focal Point of Local History Mary Cullen

It was just as well that the rebuilding of Carton House was virtually finished when the nineteenth earl died in 1744 because his son and heir did not fully share his and his wife's enthusiasm. On one occasion, when the twentieth earl was in Dublin and word was brought to him that Carton was on fire, he is said to have answered 'Let it burn'. It appears that he had plans for extensive changes which did not materialise. He was however deeply interested in the desmesne. He enlarged it and enclosed, 1,1000 acres with a high wall by 1760. As well as the townland of Carton itself, included in the enclosure were parts of a number of other townlands, Moygaddy (in Co. Meath) Old Carton, Catherinestown, Kelleptown, Blakestown, Kilmacredock, and Maynooth. There were also three other entire townlands whose names have since then fallen out of use, Waterstown, Cool-na-Thomas, and Criefstown or Creestown. Part of Waterstown had been leased in 1683 for three lives by John Nelson, the three lives being those of his sons and daughter. Nelson's lease included 80 acres of Waterstown, 26 acres of land parcels of Donoghmore, 30 acres called Railed Park, (the present townland of Rail Park) and other smaller lots, as well as 17 acres opposite the present Catholic Church at the juncture of the Kilcock and Moyglare Roads, and then called the Linka fields. When the earl was enclosing the extended Carton desmesne a Richard Nelson was living at Waterstown in a tatched house. He was allowed live on there until he died. His house, or part of it, later became the nucleus of the present Shell Cottage.

James the 20th earl married Emily Lennox, daughter of the Duke of Richmond. Her younger sister Louisa lived with James and Emily for some years and married Thomas Connolly of Castletown in 1758, when she was fifteen years old. Castletown House was about twenty years earlier than Carton, and was the first house in Ireland to be built of stone in the classical style. It set the fashion followed by later great country houses, with colonnades and wings on wither side of the central block creating a wide front facade. Up till now brick had been the usual building material. Castletown was built of stone and

this too became the fashion. The architect of Castletown was an Irishman, Colonel Thomas Burgh of Oldtown, Co. Kildare, who held the post of overseer of Fortifications and Buildings in Ireland.

The 20th earl also built Leinster House in Dublin, which though it was called Kildare House until he was made Duke of Leinster in 1766. The family already had a house in Suffolk Street, built mainly of timble as most town houses of the period were.

For the site he chose Molesworth Fields, then in the country. He employed the architect of Carton, Richard Cassels, to design his house like one of the great country house cut of stone, with the central two-storied black joined to wings by Doric colonnades. In the front was a walled courtyard with a gate leading to Kildare Street. At the back were gardens and spreading lawns, and from the upstairs window there was a magnificent view of Dublin Bay. When the earl was asked why he had chosen such an odd and unfashionable area in which to build he answered that fashionable Dublin would follow him. And it did. Kildare Street, Molesworth Street, and Merrion Square were rapidly completed. It was the start of Dublin's greatest age of building which made the city one of Europe's finest capitals. Economic conditions were improving in an age of peace, the population was growing, and the value of landed property was increasing. For the landlord class at

any rate it was a period of prosperity. More and more of them wanted town houses, and impressive ones, as the Irish parliament became more important in their lives and it became imperative for all the best people to be in Dublin during parliamentary sessions.

The earl himself played a prominent part in Irish political life. This was the age of Protestant nationalism, when the patriot party within the Irish parliament began to assert the right to the complete independence of the Irish parliament. It was a Protestant nationalism because Catholics by law could neither sit in parliament or vote at parliamentary elections. Kildare was a leader of the popular party in the Irish Houses of Lords. At this time the Irish parliament met in its magnificent new Parliament House (now the Bank of Ireland) opposite Trinity College. In the 20th century Leinster House was to become the meeting place of Dail Eireann, the parliament of the Irish Free State.

After the act of Union the great day of the Dublin town house began to decline. In 1815 Leinster House was sold to the Royal Dublin Society who added an octogonal lecture theatre on the South Side. In 1922 the Free State government bought it.

From Lady Louisa Connolly by Brian Fitzgerald, London 1950

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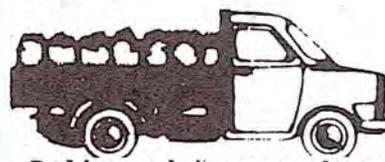
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SPORTS NEWS

COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

Good news in the League, but exit from the Cup and equally bad news in the Oscar Traynor Trophy. Injuries also side-lined Paddy McGovern and Tom Coffey. The last couple of weeks also saw some inspired performances from Ciaran McGroarty.

College Green (01) 1 Albion Rovers (2) 3

Despite having 80% of the play the Div 1a visitors were shrewd enough to take their chances and contain us. Albion struck twice in the first half against the run of play. With scarcely ten minutes left, Paul Broughan got a deserved goal for College Green, only for Albion to increase their lead almost immediately. A late siege to the Albion goals failed to yield any result. A noticeable absentee from the side that day was Paddy McGovern due to illness. So after a great cup run last year, it was a first round exit this season.

Corbawn Utd. (0) 0 College Green (1) 2

For the first time since February 1987 we didn't concede a goal. In fairness we played well within ourselves and were never threatened by the second placed team in the Division. Paddy McGovern got the first goal with a spectacular flying header at the far post, after a brilliant run, down the right wing by Ciaran McGroarty who floated a copy-book pass. John Hughes sunk the home side with the second goal early in the second half, although Ciaran McGroarty hotly disputes the credit for that one. This win lifted us into fifth place in Div. IV. The bad news was Paddy McGovern's injury which will sideline him for some time.

College Green (4) 6 Kilcarn House (1) 1

The home side raced into a 3-0 lead in the first quarter with goals from Tony O'Connor, Philip Purcell and Ciaran McGroarty. The Navan side pulled a goal back, but almost on the restart Michael Martin restored the lead with goal no 4. Ciaran McGroarty scored twice in the second half to make his hat-trick. Except for a series of misses College Green could have made it double figures. Paul Broghan and John Hughes worked tirelessly all afternoon. Ciaran McGroarty was in great form and despite carrying an injury Michael Martin had a fine match, before making way for Joe Carey who made his debut. This win should lift us into the top four.

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Premier Sunday:

Maynooth Town (3)
Drimnagh Dynamo (3)
This match which was expected to be an easy one for the 'Town' proved otherwise. Drimnagh which had a few new signings notably ex Shelbourne player Noel Wynne proved formidable opposition. Maynooth only equalised in the last few minutes when Dessie Farrell converted a penalty after being taken down himself. Maynooth's other scorers were Niall Boyce and John Doyle.

Leinster Junior Cup 6th Rd:

Kinvara Boy's (2)
Maynooth (0) (after extra time)
This match was a thriller. It was fought in typical cup tie fashion, hard and tough with plenty of great football. Kinvara who are Amateur League Major Division Champions and holders of the Amateur Cup started the match in whirlwind fashion. Their football was fast and classy and put Maynooth defence under severe pressure. They held out however and after this initial start gave as much as they got. Chances were few and Maynooth's best was a header from John Nolan and a brilliant shot from John Doyle which was well saved by the Kinvara keeper. As this ding dong struggle continued in the second half, Maynooth missed their best chance when Terry Moore was put through by Brian McCall but the ball bounced badly on the now mucky ground and he did not connect properly. In extra time Maynooth went all out for the winning goal. However in doing this they left a gap at the back which was exploited by the fast Kinvara midfielder who ran on to score a simple goal. Immediately afterwards they got a penalty when Dessie Farrell in Gaelic fashion handled the ball. After this Maynooth hit the crossbar though John Doyle and Philip Doyle were taken down but appeals for a penalty went unheeded by the referee. Thus ended this great cup tie which with a little luck and experience on our side would have won the day.

Premier Sunday:

Rialto (3)
Maynooth (1)
This match proved a tragedy for Maynooth. As we all left Maynooth (both teams were playing at the same grounds) spirits were high. After twenty minutes of this match it was obvious it was not going to be our day. Firstly the Evening Press were present and our match was "Big Match" on said paper. Maynooth scored through Dessie Farrell after twenty minutes. In this period we had two injuries, Tony Kearins and Paul McCourt. However twenty minutes into the second half disaster struck. In a fifty fifty challenge Noel Kearins was injured. After a short delay an Ambulance arrived and Noel (one of the most popular players in Maynooth) was brought to Hospital. It was later diagnosed that he had broken his leg in two places. Afterwards Rialto scored two goals, but against a ten man, Maynooth side who at this stage were disorganised, the score was only incidental.

Div IB Sunday:

Drimnagh Dynamo (2)
Maynooth Town (4)
This match was played in conjunction with the 1st in the Brickfields. The highlight of this match was two great goals from young Robert Thompson. The other scorers were Barry Farrell and Gerry Treacy. Outstanding for the 'Town' were Martin McTernan, Robert Thompson, Gerry "Shrimp" Moen and Sean "Tarzan" Nyland.

Coming attractions: Xmas Party in 'Henries', Naas.

Maynooth Team have entered in the Easter competition in the Isle of Man. Anyone interested in this trip, please contact Committee:

Chairman: Tom Dempsey.

Treasurer: Liam McCall.

Secretary: Gerry Durack. or any other member.

Yours in Sport,

Seamus Feeney, P.R.O.

Forthcoming Fixtures:

10/1/88 — not acknowledged yet.
17/1/88 — away to Robinson
24/1/88 — home to Shambo
31/1/88 away to Tower View Utd.

Club Newsletter

This auspicious publication should make it's annual appearance within the next few weeks.

League News

Sadly Paddy McGovern was ill and Ciaran McGroarty was also unavailable for the Oscar Traynor match V's the U.C.L. A large crowd from the various clubs turned up in Sandy-mount to see the Meath and District League go out in a sudden death penalty competition. Although vastly superior to the U.C.L. Meath failed to take their chances, unlike their Gaelic counterparts. From reports of the host-match revelry it was probably a good job the Meath and District League didn't win. Most people probably wouldn't have survived the celebrations!

HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Club wishes all those who have helped us on our way in the past year, a very happy New Year. Best wishes to the Newsletter for continued success in 1988.

Yours sincerely,
Declan Forde.



MAYNOOTH ADVANCE IN U-17

Maynooth	3-7
St. Vincent's	3-4

In the U-17 Football League on Sunday morning, both teams served up a very exciting contest. Maynooth with wind advantage took their chances to lead by 2-5 to 0-1 at the interval. Their goals being well taken by Mick Nevin and John Molloy.

In the second half St. Vincent's played determinedly to narrow the gap to two points but Maynooth held out for victory.

Scorers, Maynooth: Mick Nevin 2-1; John Molloy 1-2; Johnny Nevin 0-2; Des Cryan, Gerry Riordan 0-1 each. Impressive for the winners were: Mick Nevin, Paul Stynes, Barry Desmond, Seán Molloy and Gerry Riordan.



MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

The field at the rear of Leixlip Amenity Centre was the venue for the Juvenile grade 'B' county cross-country championships (even age). Also the Intermediate men and ladies. For most of the Maynooth girls taking part it was their first cross-country competition and they acquitted themselves very well.

Results G U/10: Elizabeth Whittaker 8th, Michelle Gallagher 21st. Susan Dillon 22nd, Annette Lee 25th, Aoibhin O'Sullivan 26th and Carol Dunne 27th.

G U/12: Margaret Brennan 11th, Aishling Redmond 14th, Eimear O'Sullivan 16th, M. Gormley 19th, Yvonne Reidy 20th. The first four of these girls took the bronze medal for 3rd team.

G U/14: Fiona Redmond 2nd, Sharon Lee 11th and Ciara Dillon 12th. Unfortunately they were a girl short to make a team in this age group.

G U/16: Catherine Gleeson was our only competitor in this age group and came 3rd.

Intermediate Ladies: Mary Farrelly 2nd, Helen Redmond 9th, Bernie Dunne 12th and Marie Gleeson 14th. These four ladies won the bronze medal. 3rd team Pat Maher was the winner of the intermediate mens race. Tony Callaghan 4th and David Jolly 21st. Next Kildare championship takes place 20th December in Carbury and will feature Grade B un-even age juveniles and senior men and ladies.

Some of the Athletic Club also took part in Schools cross country championships. In the Kildare Schools, Elaine Stewart was on the G U/14 team bronze medal.

Girls U/15 won 2nd team medal. 2nd Lisa McCluskey, 3rd Carmel Noonan. 10th Janet Whittaker, 23rd Blanaid Ward.

Girls U/16 3rd team medal. 4th Eimear Farrelly, 7th Catherine Gleeson.

Girls U/17 1st team medal. 9th Paula Kelly, 11th Sharon Ennis, 12th Sandra Stewart, 14th Nuala Noonan. Boys U/17: 2nd Dara Callaghan. Gairm Callaghan also took part in B U/15.

In the Dublin Vocational Schools:

G U/21 1st. Grainne Farrelly.

G U/18 1st. Helen Tracey.

At Swords the Leinster Championships took place in a bitterly cold wind and we only had three girls in the U/10 race and they ran very well, Michelle Gillick, Michelle Gallagher and Josephine Gallagher. G U/14 Fiona Redmond was on the County Team which came 3rd. Liam McNamee was 6th in the Novice Mens. We would like to thank everyone who continues to support our club draw and wish everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The second swimming session commenced on Saturday, 12th December. There is still a long waiting list and we are trying to accommodate these children as far possible. If your name is on the waiting list and you haven't been contacted by the Club, please don't panic, we haven't forgotten you!

We start the New Year with a family swim on January 2nd. All parents, brothers and sisters of Club members are invited to join us for a splash! There will be no buses on that day.

We would like to express our support Mr. Thomas Ashe and the Parent Teacher Association of Maynooth Post-Primary School for the proposed building of a swimming pool. This facility would be a great asset to the people of Maynooth. The Swimming Club has enjoyed full membership for several years now, and the fact that we have a long waiting list proves that the demand is there for a pool in Maynooth. The Club has approx. 110 children travelling to Stewarts Sports Centre every Saturday. Having a pool available in Maynooth would eliminate transport expenses, and more time could be given to swimming. Maynooth Swimming Club will give its full support to this project.

May we wish our members a very happy New Year.

Deirdre Hetherington.

Some of the entries for The National Children's Book Week Competitions.

THE LITTLE FIELD MOUSE

Christopher Arthurs (age 6)

The little field mouse peeped out of his hole. He was afraid of the wind and the leaves blowing off the trees.

He was very hungry. He tried to get out of his hole, but the wind blew him back. All around, he could hear animals.

Then he got out, very carefully, listening all the time for Mr. Owl. He knew he was his enemy.

He ran through the field until he saw a light. "This means food", he said to himself. He found a bin. He climbed inside and ate and ate and ate until he was full. He went home happy, watching for Mr. Owl all the way.

(Christopher won first prize in the under 7's short story competition)

KING OF THE FISH

(Enda Keane age 12)

The salmon, king of the fish was resting on the gravelly bed of the river after its long submerged journey from abroad. It was enjoying the swift river current running over his back. Quite suddenly he felt a trifle peckish. He saw a nice juicy worm floating along in the current. The

salmon shot forward and gobbled the fat worm. He had almost swallowed it when he felt a sharp pinch at the back of his throat.

The poor salmon had swallowed a fishing hook. He gazed pitifully upwards and saw a young boy smiling with glee his eyes shone like marbles.

The salmon leaped high in the air and unlodged the hook.

The boy looked very disappointed but his father explained to him "Son, you should not be so disappointed. After all, what do you think that poor fish felt? You had a fair chance of catching the fish, and he had a fair chance of escaping."

After that, the young boy didn't look so disappointed whenever he lost a fish.

(Enda came second in the Short Story Competition for over 7's).

THE FLY AND THE LEAF

(by Jonathan Arthurs age 10)

One day a fly was buzzing around looking out for spiders webs. He got tired so he landed on a leaf. The leaf said to him "I wish I was able to fly like you, Mr Fly." The fly smiled. "You will never fly like me," replied the fly. "I am made to fly."

Then winter came, and the leaf got brown and old. Mr. Fly just happened to be passing by when the leaf couldn't hold on to the branch of the old oak and fell. He was in mid-air for

about 15 seconds and then landed on the ground. The fly landed beside the leaf. He asked the leaf to tell him what he was so happy about and the leaf said "I have flown, and nobody can ever take that away from me." (Jonathan won first prize in the short story competition).

DONADEA WOODS

(by Niamh Mulready age 9)

I

Just look at all the trees as they shed their golden leaves

Red leaves, orange leaves, russet leaves and also brown.

Just look at all the leaves gliding softly in the breeze!

II

My! Look at all the ducks swimming softly in the lake,
Racing for the food, the food they'll surely take!

III

Now long ago just here, in the smokey castle air,

Warriors would appear, fighting for the crown,

Most of them fell down.

(Niamh won a special prize for her poem)

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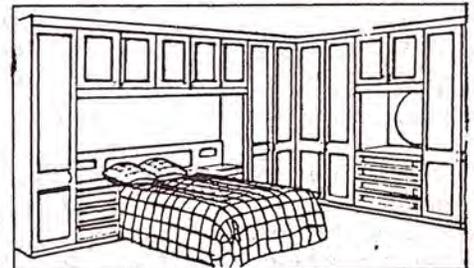
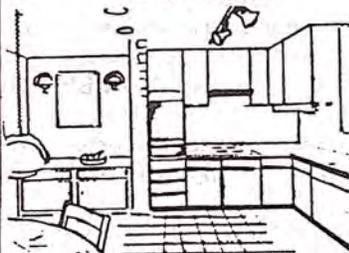
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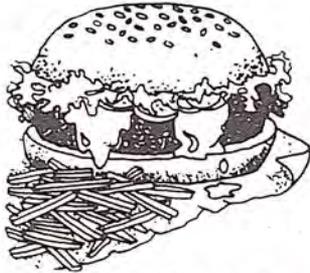
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POLITICAL PARTY NOTES

FINE GAEL NOTES

Following representations by Deputy Bernard Durkan on many varied topics including Agriculture, Education, Health etc the following replies have been received:

1. HEALTH

"To ask the Minister for Health the total number of patients currently on a waiting list for cardio by-pass surgery in (a) the Eastern Health Board area and (b) the whole country; the average waiting time on such lists; the projected waiting time in the future;

Reply: Minister for Health (Dr Rory O'Hanlon):

There are a total of 119 persons awaiting cardio by-pass surgery in the Eastern Health Board area and a total of 172 persons in the remainder of the country. It is not possible to give the average waiting period for such surgery as it varies significantly from one hospital to another. There is a regular assessment of those on the

waiting lists and priority is always given to emergency cases.

2. EDUCATION:

Deputy Bernard Durkan has received the following reply from the Minister for Education (Mrs Mary O'Rourke) regarding proposed staffing arrangement in primary schools:

"The position of national schools where staffing may be affected under the new schedule of averages applicable from 1 January 1988 (now June 1988) will not be determined until the school returns of averages for the quarter ended 31st December 1987 are available in January 1988. My Department will then communicate with the authorities of these schools in the matter."

3. AGRICULTURE AND FOOD:

1. Numbers Employed in Food Industry and Projected numbers to be employed up to October 1988:

Deputy Bernard raised the above question with the Minister for Agriculture and Food and has received

the following reply:

"The CSO statistics of employment in the food industry for the dates in question are as follows:

1st October 1985	39,800
1st October 1986	39,600
1st October 1987	39,300
	(Estimated)

While the overall trend in employment has shown a decline in recent years, it is expected that the substantial investment programmes announced for certain sectors of the food industry will result in increased employment opportunities. It is not possible, at this stage, to say precisely what aggregate numbers will be employed in the industry in October 1988."

2. Decontrolling the Price of Milk: Minister for Agriculture (Mr O'Kennedy) has given the following reply to Deputy Bernard Durkan on the above question:

"I have been consulting with the dairy industry about the desirability

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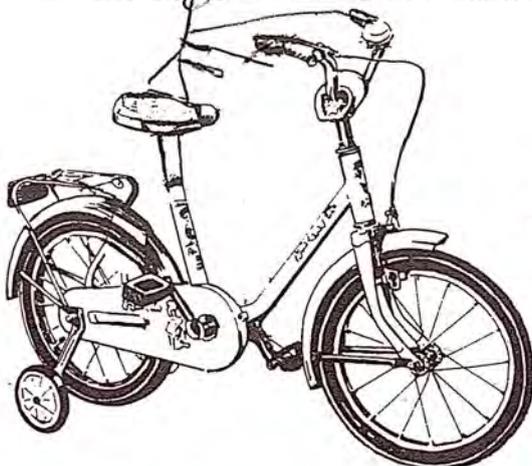
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of decontrolling the retail price of milk and have agreed that I will not make any decision in this matter until I know the outcome of the negotiations that are taking place at present with the EC Commission on a national milk board to replace the existing Dublin and Cork Boards. I consider that decontrol is best addressed in the context of overhaul of the liquid milk arrangements generally which will follow these negotiations."

3. Hormones and Growth Promoters: Deputy Bernard Durkan has received this reply following a question raised on the above with the Minister for Agriculture:

"Ireland has already taken the necessary measures to comply with the EEC hormones ban. While some transitional measures may be needed to allow for trade in animals and the meat of animals legally implanted before 1st January 1988, it is envisaged that the ban on the use of these substances will remain in place. The EEC decision to ban the use of hormones was taken in response to consumer concern. Its adoption clearly enhances our image as producers of good quality residue free food and has also ensured our continued access to all Community Markets."

4. Maximum permissible levels of radiation in food stuffs: Following a question raised by Deputy Bernard Durkan with the Minister for Agriculture this reply has been received:

"The EEC Council of Ministers is due to meet again within 2 weeks in a further attempt to agree on uniform maximum radiation tolerance levels in food. While the temporary standards agreed after Chernobyl lapsed on 31st October, it is evident that all member states wish to reach a consensus on new standards and to avoid the possibility of having different national standards which might have disruptive effects on food trade. In the on-going discussions, the aim of achieving agreed standards is strongly supported by this country."

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity of wishing all the staff of the Maynooth Newsletter and all your readers A Very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year in 1988.

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First Year Mass: Congratulations to all involved in the First Year Mass. So many people worked so hard to make the evening such a memorable event that it would be impossible to single out any individual for praise. However we would like to thank the celebrant Fr. Michael Cleary who kept the congregation enthralled for over an hour and a half — a miracle in itself!

Football: On the 17th of November Maynooth travelled to Caragh in search of their fourth County title in five years. Unfortunately they were foiled at the last hurdle by a well organised Prosperous side. We would like to say well done to the team who put up such a brave fight: J. Gilligan, D. Healy, D. Mee, D. Cryan, P. Ennis, J. Curtain, P. Stynes, S. Molloy, P. McNulty, F. Barton, d. McKeon, M. Regan, J. Nevin, D. Clerkin, J. O'Riordan, **subs:** G. Toman, F. O'Shea, L. Doherty, P. Reilly, S. Sheerin, F. Ashe. The final score
Maynooth 1-7, Prosperous 1-8

Basketball: The basketball teams have got off to a great start this year with three victories and two defeats. We had our first success in Leixlip when our 1st and 2nd year teams won both matches against Colaiste Chiarain. On November 24th we played Confey and had a resounding victory Maynooth 30 Confey 6. — Well done to all the girls on both basketball teams who have trained so hard and done so well for the school in such a short space of time.
(C. McLaughlin).

Debating: The debating society has been very active this term. Particular congratulations are due to Mary Heanue (5th year) who took the award for the best speaker in the first round of the Bank of Ireland Debating Competition. Clare Enright also performed well in this competition. In the Mental Health Public Speaking competition, Alvean Duffy, Paul Daly and Garrett Dockery showed great promise. Junior debaters Deirdre Byrne, Christine Nugent, Anita Horgan and Donnachadh O'Brien gave us an exciting debate and a most enjoyable evening in the Concern Debate.

Cross Country: Well done to the girls and boys who performed so well in the Inter School Cross-Country

Championships held in Prosperous recently. Results: Under 14 Girls — 3rd Team, U 15 Girls — 2nd Team, Individual prize winners Lisa McCloskey 2nd and Carmel Noonan 3rd. Under 16 Girls — 3rd Team, Senior Girls — 1st Team and U 16 Boys, 3rd Team.

Theatre: Pupils and Teachers alike had an entertaining night in the Abbey Theatre enjoying 'Madigan's Lock', Hugh Leonard's most recent play. Our second trip to the Abbey this term was a most rewarding one also. 'Sarcophagus' was widely acclaimed and duly appreciated by teachers and students.

Parent Teacher Association: We would like to remind parents that the annual £5.00 donation to the P.T.A. is now due. This subscription can be given to Mr. Ashe or any committee member. In the past this money has been used to provide such diverse items as computers and a kiln for the school.

Parent/Teacher Meeting: A very successful Parent/Teacher meeting took place on 7th December from 7.30-9.30 for Inter Certs and on 18 November for Leaving Certs.

Careers Night: We would like to thank all who participated in the careers night held in the school. A most informative night for all the pupils who attended.

Christmas: A special word of thanks to all who helped with the food/toy collection and our Sale of Work. Also our Carol Singers who braved the cold night air on Thurs. 17 December 1987.

Debs' Dance: Don't forget our Debs' Dance on Friday 5th of February.

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A Maynooth Lecturer's Travelogue

BREAKAWAY

Slipping on a light jacket, artfully adjusting my rucksack, the loud-mouth floorboards chose just that moment to proclaim my departure. Undeterred I tiptoed down what seemed an interminable five flights of stairs. Not until I felt the huge studded entrance door slam behind me did I dare draw a breath. Paris, Place d'Etoile, 4 a.m. torrential rain and my first experience of au-pair work behind me. It had lasted all of 38 hours.

Rather than surrender to any feelings of anger, self-pity or helplessness, I dwelled much longer on the problem of procuring a cup of coffee at that unearthly hour. Resolutely I set out, trying to make it appear the most natural thing in the world that I should be sauntering down the Champs Elysées at four in the morning with all my worldly possessions on my back. A dreadful night, persistent rain — enough to make one seriously reconsider. . . But no! Such doubts are for the faint-hearted. Somehow, I suppose, I got my coffee, found a niche somewhere else and that night and the whole experience

passed from my mind.

Travel Bug

Perhaps a more rational person on a downward spiral of ill luck, which I happened to be on at the time, would have gracefully retired, have conceded that the everyday routine of living was after all what real life is about. Such a thought, sadly or happily, has never arrested me. I confess to being an incorrigible traveller or, rather wanderer. If I am not on a plane, boat or train, if I am not observing different people and places, then I am dreaming about it all. I have now come to realise that this urge to travel is, in fact, quite normal after all. Is not a good portion of this country on the move — often not simply in search of some kind of employment. The 'travel bug' assails us at various times. Those already bitten will often admit that resistance is lowest just on finishing school or college. Perhaps it is a desire to stand back and take stock of what one has already achieved that drives one away. Perhaps on the other hand it stems from a desire to think out, or even rethink, one's strategy, or perhaps it purely answers a fundamental

impulse to shake off every identifiable form of authority in search of "freedom". Freedom, of course, is never free but that is rather too much to dwell over here.

With students who are now leaving school or hope to in the near future, I'd like to share my thoughts on this most natural desire to do what seems to many of your family and friends a most unnatural thing: the wish to get away and follow your own inclinations for a while. I could safely say that for every experience that went right for me at least two have gone wrong and these, perhaps solely to ridicule my foolhardiness, often spring to mind on the eve of a new departure. One thinks of jobs one has simply had to walk out of for being treated worse than an animal. One thinks of the jobs one couldn't find at all and of the food, friends and shelter equally hard to come by. But there are funny experiences too: experiences which seem no doubt pointless to everyone else but which unfailingly bring me out in a rash of hilarity.

What is it then that draws us to far away people and places, that entices us away from the firmly forged structures of home and profession? Do we

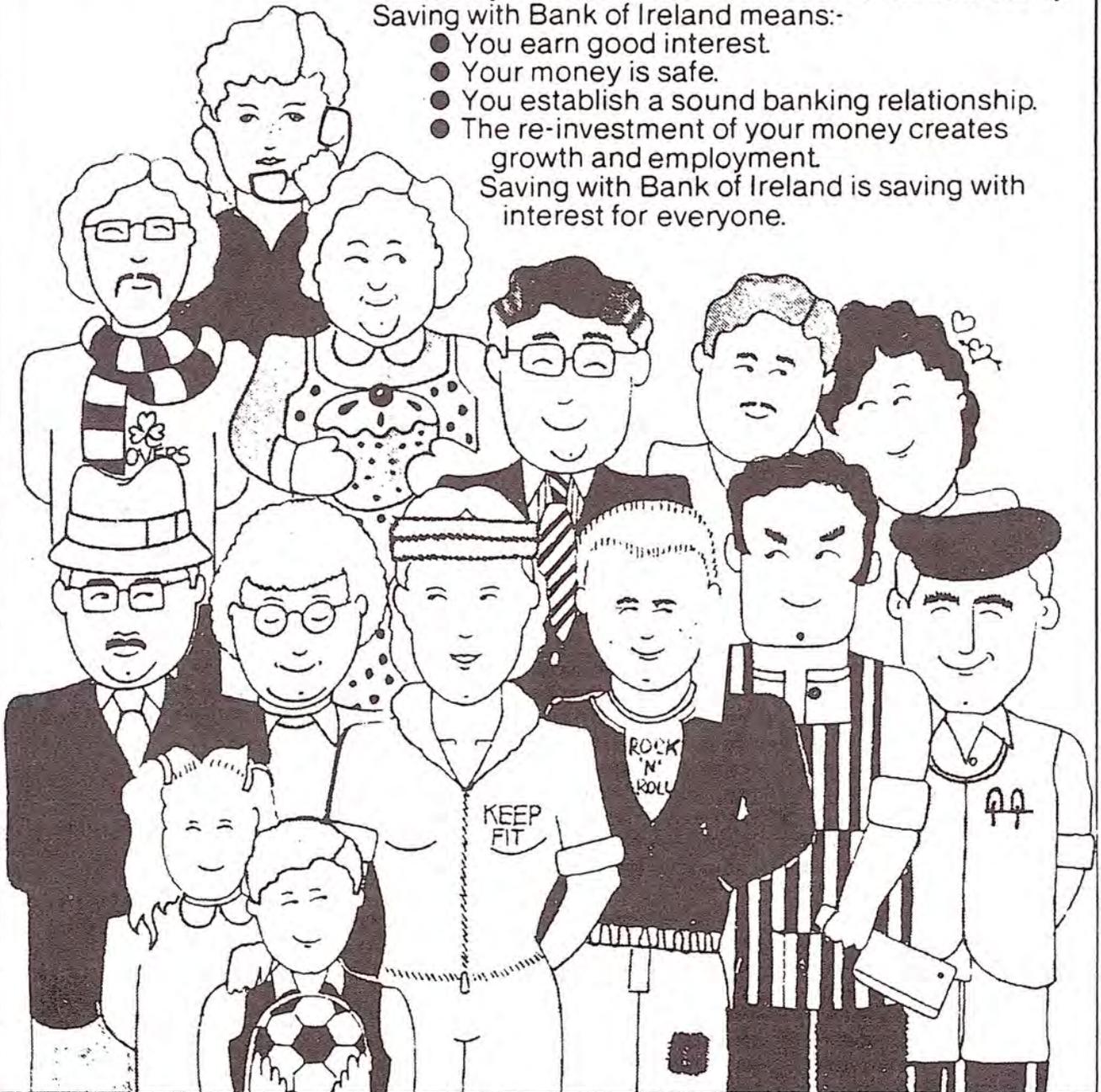
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feel that distance lends enchantment, that far flung destinations must certainly be more attractive, more stimulating and generally better off? Do we hope to encounter in change a sense of complete freedom — often to be accompanied indeed by equally complete penury? I don't know the answers to any of these questions, I confess. What I do know is that the urge to break away, to seek out a different life is a totally positive sign. It proves we have at least been taking notice: we have been assessing our surroundings and are optimistic enough to believe that there is a way to enrich or even improve our present situation. Thus one sets out in search of something that will satisfy.

Experiences

So what was better about my various experiences, I ask myself. I recall a January day in Munich, sliding on hard packed ice, watching two horrendously expensive cakes I was about to sell meeting about eight feet up in the air and heading then, as if bewitched, towards my demon boss' firmly lacquered hair-piece. Of course

I never waited long enough to see how they landed, but left the kindly baker to defend my cause and preach better conditions for the workers. Eventually we all settled back into our usual humdrum roles. Another crisis survived! I recall physically hauling a seriously unkempt pilgrim onto an airport coach in Lourdes, for she flatly refused to go home, intending as she had managed the previous winter, to camp out at the Grotto and commune with Heaven. I recall a most exquisitely polite Japanese student interrupting my routine English lesson in Soho, demanding an explanation of a most unprintable word he had read on a lift and thereby causing universal uproar. And of course I recall the thousands of hilarious situations which every chambermaid must stumble across in her daily round.

Though I might, on occasion, relate these and many other tales with the purpose of producing great laughter and a convivial atmosphere, all these experiences are to me more than a riotous sequence of crazy or painful

anecdotes. In one way or another these experiences have influenced me in the way I now live and think.

Conclusion

From all my travels I have come to a few simple conclusions. Firstly I realise that people the world over are more or less the same in many ways. I see in everyone a fundamental need for respect. Quite logically one must learn to have respect for oneself before one can respect others, for it is a two way operation. One is not always on the receiving end, it must be remembered: one owes to others exactly the respect one commands for oneself.

Another conclusion I have come to is that no matter how absurd, unpleasurable or irksome the experience, one always has something to learn from others. I recall my first period working abroad. Tossed into a room with absolutely no windows and a glaring fluorescent strip as the only lighting, I was expected to live and work normally in a German hotel. Fresh out of college with plenty qualifications and little wit, I thought

this must surely be the end. One night, then, in the midst of my brooding, two enormous cases tumbled in the door followed at a short distance by two tiny Liverpoolians who had already got lost twice at London Victoria. Without a word of the language, never having been on the continent before, the two girls set about unpacking. Within half an hour the room took on a personality. It had the aspect of any Liverpool living room, photo albums, souvenirs, ornaments, tablecloths, cushions. . .the contents of the cases seemed endless. "Got to make the place look like home, luv", was the first and a lasting lesson I learned on how to survive. There is always a way to make the worst better.

We had a good time in the end, the two girls who had given up their jobs in a tea-bag factory, and myself. No doubt they as well as I are far and widely travelled by now, have an equally rich store of experiences to look back on and will number these years, as I do, among the most memorable in their lives.

The period in which one chooses to set out alone is certainly a rich and challenging phase in one's life and I would offer just one piece of information, no matter where the destination: there is more good in the world than bad, there is more beauty than ugliness, more kindness than unkindness. It's a wonderful world after all.

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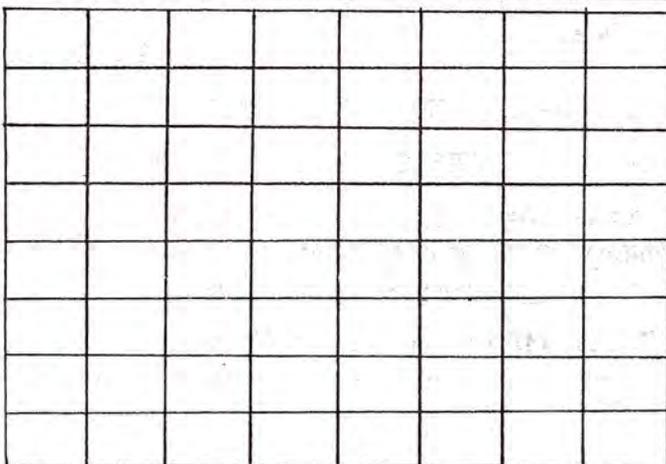
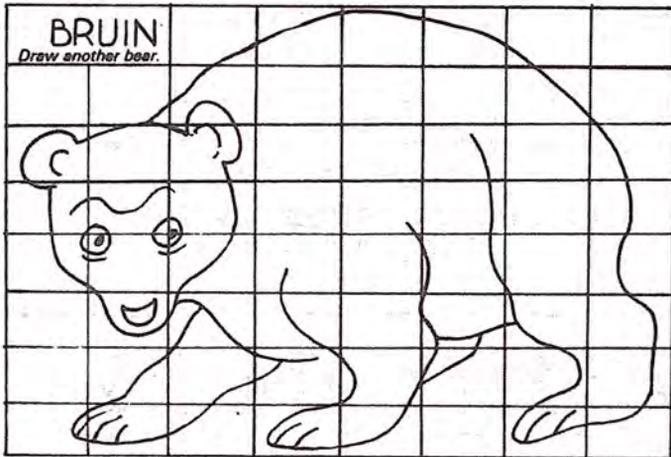
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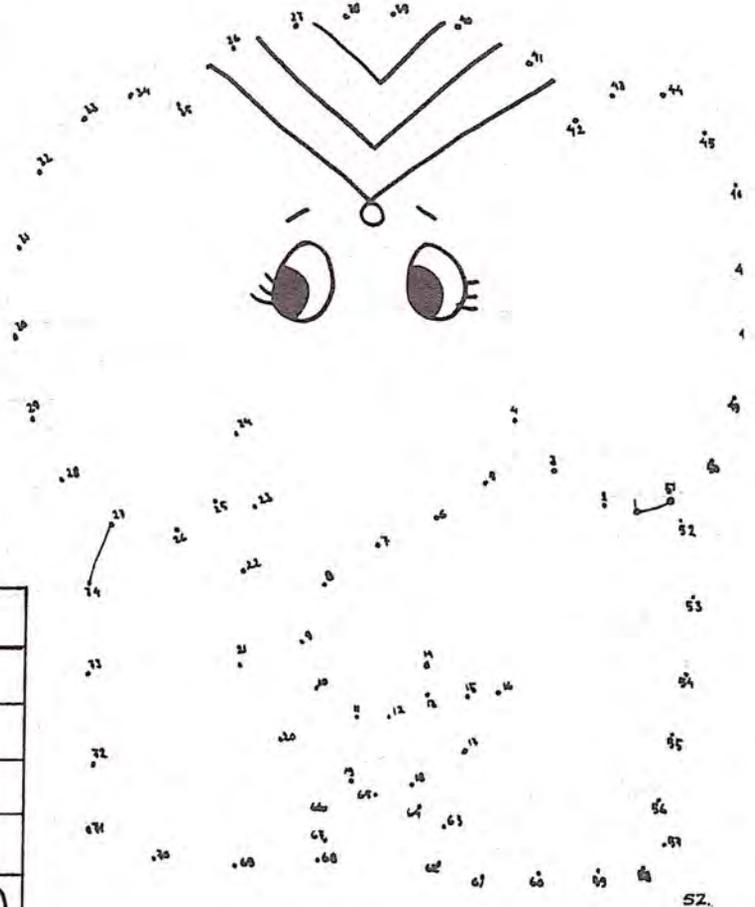
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The major new opening on the street, as signalled briefly in our last issue, has been Kehoe's Delicatessen. The range of cold meats and German-style sausage — these latter mostly not imported but from the specialist factory in Dundalk which, reliable sources tell us, brings out a product equal in all respects to the native original without its having to be imported. Also on offer are cakes and coffee of a superior kind, for those occasions when what one requires is indulgence more than sustenance. Street-Talking has sampled the Westphalian Ham and can pronounce it excellent. The arrival of the delicatessen early in December is an excellent Christmas present to Maynooth, and is a welcome sign of shopping activity moving back towards the West End of Maynooth, away from the yellowpack zone. Alverne Kehoe, in spite of the exotica she brings to the town, is a member of a well-known local family and we wish her well in this venture.

Work was completed before Christmas on the first of the shop-units in Finerty House; all that remains to be done are the interior fittings. Word is that this will be a boutique (doesn't anyone have "clothes shops" any more?).

Just round the corner from the Main Street, in Convent Lane, the Cardinal Press has just completed its fourteenth year in business. It has just marked a significant stage in its development, with a move into the premises formerly occupied by the laundry in the convent. Joe Wall, owner of the Press, tells us that he has taken the opportunity to install some £70,000 worth of state of the art equipment to enable full-colour work to be undertaken in the most efficient and effective manner. The office and reception area in Convent Lane is being retained, staffed by Carol Moran and Sean Nyland — and of course Joe himself, who is always willing to discuss individual requirements for any project.

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He has just finished a printing of a history of King's Hospital School — but, even more important to our minds, of course, he has also done the **Maynooth Newsletter**, as he does every month.

The Press also has an impressive track record in producing learned academic journals, among them **Studies**, **Archivium Hibernicum**, and **The Maynooth Review**, and Joe would wish to see this develop further under the imprint of a parallel company name, Maynooth University Press.

It is all a long cry from the beginnings in a unit of the shopping centre that is now Quinnsworth's in 1974, with a staff of just two. Staff members have quadrupled since then, and the Press

has a policy of employing all local people. Among those based in the printshop are William Condron, Paul McCourt, Declan Moran and John Leamy.

The latest result of their skills is an attractive Maynooth Calendar for 1988, featuring scenes of the locality by Vincent Doyle. It depicts various landmarks, such as the College Gardens in 1900, the Harbour as it might look in 2000 (not far off now!), Carton Estate, a circus in the Harbour Field, and well-known local swimming spot, Farmer's Pool. It is readily available from local outlets at £3.50, and would look well on anybody's wall. Furthermore, it makes an ideal present to send abroad to anyone who might like to be reminded of Maynooth during the coming year.

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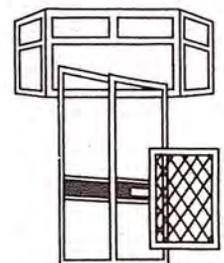
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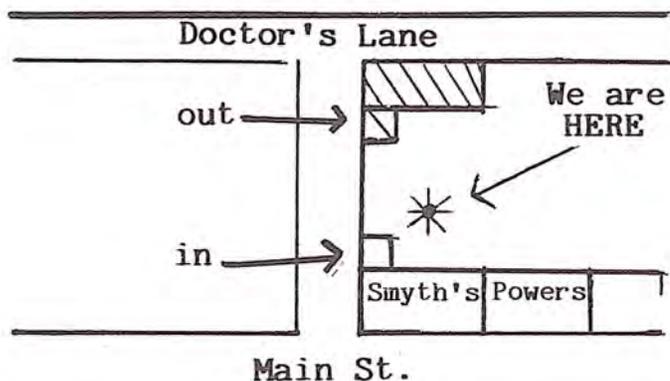
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You heard the holy preacher say:
'Just tidy up or stay away'.
And Protestants and Hindus too,
And Sikhs and Muslims, tho' so few,
Must grant religion has a role,
For dirt offends the human soul.

Our greatest care will be that schools
Will for their teachers stress these
rules,
Insisting all who've been to college,
Of 'Litterature' must have deep
knowledge.

And they must spread around this lore
And make their pupils clean the floor
And if they don't just take my word,
The wrath of all will be incurred.
As qualified to teach the young,
They'll treat all litter just like dung,
Which is allowed about the place,
Will yard and classroom both deface.

The History teachers shall be sages,
Who speak with wisdom of the ages;
Of death by war and sabre points,
Of cannon roar and fast-food joints;
Of secret cunning and carnal sins,
Of green erosion and orange skins.
With outline clear they shall unfold
Pompei's fatal day of old,

When mindless of her great renown,
Vesuvius dumped and wrecked the
town.

They'll talk too of medieval life
Of fierce feuds and mortal strife,
Of cities stink like fetid sties,
And chambers emptied from the
skies.

So much for History's noble art,
But all subjects must play their part;
Both Maths and Science must unite
To rid the village of this blight.
For Classics it's a simple task,
And cannot be too much to ask,
For how can Learning's brightest
child

Sit by and see a town defiled?
The Geographers shall be most select,
And favour lands with no defect:
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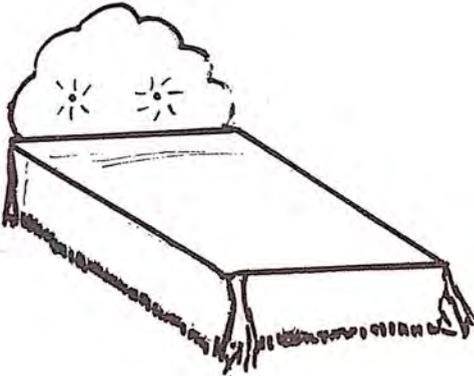
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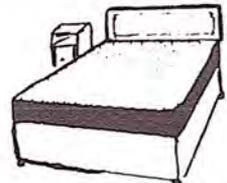
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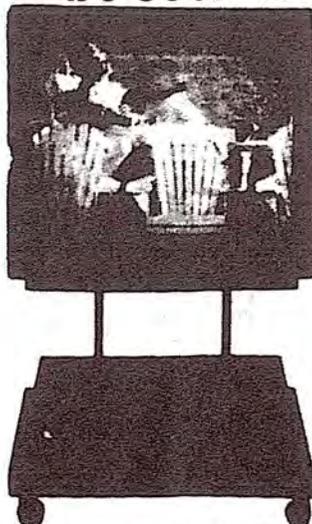
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Competitions were organised during the week for the best essay, short story, poem or limerick with a number of suggested themes including "The Pursuit of Happiness", "Better to Wear Away Than to Waste Away" and "To Most Men, a Woman with a Good Figure Has Money in the Bank", the competition was judged by Mr. Dockery from the post primary school, to whom the organising committee extends its thanks.

The winners were announced on Thursday, 29th September, when there was a bingo morning at the ICA hall. From entries of a very high standard, the following winners were chosen — essay: Mrs. Mary Waldron, with Mrs. Brigid Saults in second place. Both entries took the theme "Better To Wear Away Than Waste Away"; poem: Mrs. Flanagan of Greenfields, who took the title "The Pursuit of Happiness" as did the second prizewinner, Mrs. Walsh and her son, John. The competition sponsors were the Country Shop Restaurant and the Country Craft Shop; O'Neill's butchers and the post primary school. The committee thank all sponsors and those who assisted in any way in organising the competition and the Active Age Week itself.

The winning entries in the competitions will be on display at Maynooth library soon and the library also held a beautiful display of crafts created by senior citizens, during the month of September.

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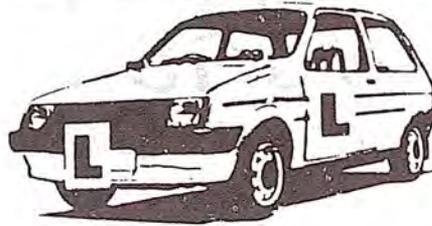
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The Maynooth Credit Union Study Group continue to meet each week, holiday discussion, attending lectures and Seminars in preparation for the registration and affiliation of the Maynooth Credit Union. Notice will be given of the date. The Study Group would like to thank once again the Directors and Officials of the Leixlip and District Credit Union for their co-operation, support and the use of their premises. Happy New Year to all.



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From January to January the Newsletter always keeps the community well informed. We decided to put some of the information we gave to you over the past year together and see if you remember any of them.

January:

Dr. Susan McKenna-Lawlor from the experimental physics department won the People of the Year Award. 4 new telephones in the town.

February:

Snow covered old sod. The Launderette in Greenfield estate opened. College Rag Week was extremely quiet.

March:

All Priests Show in Parish Hall. 1st March. National Tree Week at beginning of month. Community Council elections.

April:

Maynooth Trade Fair. New Law — Dog licences.

May:

New chairperson of Community Council Muireann Ní Bhrolchain. Results of the Community Council elections. O'Briens Supermarket taken over by Quinnsworth. Maynooth Ladies Soccer team beat Donaghmede, Baldoyle, Kiltalown, and Leixlip.

June:

Cygnets were spotted on the canal. The start of the Community Games. Bob's Kitchen featured Rice Stuffed Pork.

July:

Maynooth Summer Project. Community Week with some special events like: Womens and Mens Soccer; Battle of the Bards; Bonny Baby; Tramps Ball; Dip in the Canal.

August:

Carton House opened to the public. Gerry McCartney of the editorial committee leaves for Chicago.

September:

Results of tidy estates competition. Mary Cullen writes on the history of Maynooth. John Paul II statue officially uncovered in College. National Collection for refurbishing of College.

October:

Nissan Classic Cycle race passed through Maynooth. Fire in Kavanagh's Mill. (5th October) College term begins. Tidy Towns progress report.

November:

Announcement of short stories competition. Congratulations to all graduates of the College. Also congratulations to Clair O'Connor on her Radio Play "Getting Ahead".

December:

Sixties night out in aid of St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band held in Hitchin Post.

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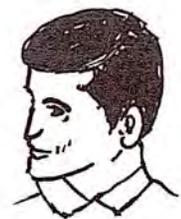
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Maynooth, amongst its other attractions, is the home of two members of this ever-popular group — Danny McCarthy and Noel Brady. They had been playing in separate bands around Dublin and decided to join up. A chance meeting with Jimmy Gallagher an old school friend from Bundoran at The Pirates of Penzance in the Olympia gave birth to Fiddlers Green in 1982. They have gone from

strength to strength ever since and with the addition of John McGarrigle, an accomplished accordionist their musical range is complete.

Danny McCarthy manages the group and also books venues for Derek Davis, a great friend of theirs. They will be appearing in "Live at Three" and also the "Late, Late Show", in the coming months and will be expanding their country music repertoire. Several large record companies are interested in signing them

for their first album in the New Year and local radio stations are always glad to play their music around the country. The ballad lovers of Maynooth are lucky in having such a talented and musical group in their midst and Fiddlers Green themselves are very appreciative of their support throughout the years. Danny asked me to pass on their best wishes for a

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for a further 40 minutes. Do not cover the roasting tin. Baste the spare ribs once or twice with the sauce during the cooking period. Serve either as a starter or as a main dish with green salad.

VARIATION

Barbecued Spare Ribs: Prepare the spare ribs as the first stage in the recipe above but flavour the liquid in which they are simmered with 1 peeled onion, 1 clove garlic and a pinch of ground ginger. Increase the cooking time to 25 minutes. Strain and reserve 150 ml/¼ pint of the liquid. Dry the spare ribs well for this particular dish as they must be well coated with the sauce and need to become very crisp in the oven. Roast the meat in a hot oven, as indicated above, but increase the roasting time at this stage to 25 minutes. Turn the meat once during this time. Lower the heat to moderate and cook for a further 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, heat the oil in a frying pan; add 1 peeled and finely chopped onion and cook until tender. Blend 1½ teaspoons cornflour with 6 tablespoons brown malt vinegar, the 150 ml/¼ pint stock saved from simmering the meat and a good pinch ground ginger. Add 4 tablespoons pineapple syrup, 1 tablespoon honey or brown sugar, 1 tablespoon apricot or plum jam and ½ to 1 tablespoon soy sauce. Stir over a low heat until thickened.

Remove the roasting tin from the oven and pour away any surplus fat. Add the sauce to the meat and turn the spare ribs around to become coated in the mixture. Continue cooking in the moderate oven (180°C/350°F or Gas Mark 4) for a final 10 minutes. Serve any sauce.

Lamb Stroganoff

- 25 g/1 oz flour
- salt and pepper
- 1 teaspoon curry powder
- ½ teaspoon dry mustard powder
- 500 g/1¼ lb lean boneless lamb (cut from the leg), neatly diced
- 25 g/1 oz butter
- 2 tablespoons oil
- 2 onions, sliced
- 100-175 g/4-6 oz small button mushrooms
- 300 ml/½ pint pork or beef stock
- 1 tablespoon tomato purée
- 150 ml/¼ pint natural yogurt
- 2 tablespoons brandy or sherry

Mix together the flour, salt, pepper, curry powder and mustard; coat the meat in this mixture. Heat the butter and oil in a good-sized frying pan, fry the meat and onions for 10 minutes, stirring all the time to prevent the food becoming too dark. Wipe the mushrooms, add to the meat, then stir in the stock and tomato purée. Cook gently for 5 to 6 minutes; add the yogurt and brandy or sherry. Heat without boiling for 5 minutes. Serve with a green salad.

VARIATION

Beef Stroganoff: While fillet steak can be used in the recipe above, instead of lamb, it does not produce such a good result as the following recipe.

Cut 450-500 g/1-1¼ lb fillet steak into neat strips of about 2.5 cm/1 inch in length. Sprinkle with salt and pepper plus a little curry powder, (this is optional). Put on one side for about 1 hour, so the meat absorbs the flavourings. Slice 1 large onion very thinly, then cut each slice into 3 or 4 pieces. Thickly slice 100g/4oz button mushrooms. Heat 100g/4 oz

butter in a large frying pan, fry the onion and mushrooms until tender; add the steak and fry for 2 to 3 minutes only; do not over-cook. Blend in 1 tablespoon flour, then 300 ml/½ pint soured cream, 1 tablespoon tomato purée, ½ teaspoon French mustard. Heat gently and simmer until the steak is cooked to personal taste. Warm 1 to 2 tablespoons brandy, ignite if wished, add to the mixture above.

Curried Spare Ribs

- 1.75 kg/4-4¼ lb pork spare ribs
- 1 tablespoon vinegar
- salt and pepper

SAUCE:

- 2 tablespoons oil
- 450 g/1 lb onions, thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon curry powder
- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- 3 tablespoons sieved apricot jam
- 1 tablespoon vinegar
- 300 ml/½ pint chicken stock

Explain to the butcher the kind of dish you are preparing and ask him to cut the spare ribs into neat pieces. Put into a saucepan with cold water to cover. Add the vinegar, salt and pepper. Bring the liquid to simmering point, lower the heat and simmer for 15 minutes; strain and discard the liquid.

Put the spare ribs into a roasting tin and cook in the centre of a hot oven (220°C/425°F or Gas Mark 7) for 15 minutes.

Meanwhile heat the oil in a large frying pan, add the onions and cook gently until nearly tender. Blend in the curry powder and turmeric; cook for 2 to 3 minutes, then stir in the remaining ingredients. Pour over the spare ribs in the roasting tin; lower the heat to moderate (180°C/350°F or Gas Mark 4) and continue to cook

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TIDY TOWNS

As I told you the Environmental Sub-Committee doesn't take defeat comfortably. So — WE GOT HELP. We had a meeting with the experts. Three of the Kill Tidy Towns Committee, Maureen Barrett, Kathleen Brady and David Lawler attended our meeting on November 26 and gave us a polite awakening. We expected them to pass on the 'secret' of how they got all the people of Kill to make a lifelong pact with a spade, shovel or brush. But instead, what did we hear? We heard that only a few of the Kill residents have blisters or welts on their hands and that the remarkable success of the town is chiefly the result of the relentless planned campaign of a very dedicated group of people, the Tidy Towns Committee.

Now that may have been all right for Kill but surely not for Maynooth, a veritable metropolis compared to its little country cousin! Bigger towns need bigger efforts!

We hope everyone who can will make an effort in January when we come looking for money. We have none, we need some and we won't be expecting the impossible. You will all be circularised soon after Christmas and we will explain our needs and name the day you can expect us.

In the meantime, Happy New Year!
Gabriel Martin, P.R.O.
Environmental Sub-Committee.

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Major Dredging Scheme Commences

A major dredging operation got under way on two Fronts at the end of the Summer. This major R.C.A.G. scheme commenced on 24th August. The 22RB with driver Frank McNulty at the controls started working from below McLaughlin's Bridge near 17th Lock to Spin Bridge at Main Road, Kilcock (N4), approx. 2 miles.

Frank, from Enfield, completed this stretch on 30th October. The 16th level from 16th Lock at Kilcock to 17th Lock at McLaughlin's Bridge has now been completely dredged. On the 2nd November the 22RB was moved to the 12th level at Louisa Bridge (near Hitchin' Post) Leixlip. It has now commenced dredging east from here to Collins Bridge, Coldblow, approximately 2½ miles. While all this activity was going on another dredging operation was getting under way eastwards from Maynooth. Here Michael Clinton took charge of the 10RB and began dredging towards

Pike Bridge, which he reached on 22nd October (approx. 2 miles). He then commenced from Pike Bridge to Deey Bridge (13th Lock), and this portion is expected to be completed by end of December. The plan then is for the 10RB to continue from Deey Bridge to Louisa Bridge to link up with the work done by the 22RB. This will leave a considerable section of the canal east of Maynooth completely dredged.

Prior to Michael Clinton setting out from Maynooth in the 10RB it was realised that the towpath was impassable and would present great difficulties. To get over this problem a bulldozer was hired to clear and make-up the towpath from Maynooth to Deey Bridge. This work was completed on 23rd October. Tony Christian of Kilcock who did this work is expected to restart on the 12th level from Deey Bridge to Louisa Bridge in January. The bulldozer is necessary on those stretches that have no towpath wide enough or where the towpath is overgrown and would prevent access for the dredgers. All this work

is being done with the approval and assistance of the O.P.W. Another major step on the way to Restoration. Well done all concerned.

OXFAM

A sale was held in the Parish Hall Sunday November 29th in aid of Oxfam. The sale was well supported by the people of Maynooth and surrounding area. Very generous prizes for the Raffle also cash donations were given by local traders and Banks. £232.71 was raised in total and given to Oxfam for famine relief in Ethiopia.

I would like to thank the Tradespeople, Banks and also the people who supported the sale. Also the boy's who ran the stalls and their Teacher Mr. McBride (Primary School)

Thank you and God bless you.

Jeremy Farrell,
28 Carton Court.

NOTICE

Maynooth Adult Daytime Education are enrolling for a new term on the 20th January 1988.

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Monday

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Tuesday

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Wednesday

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Remember enrolling is between 9.30-1.00 p.m. on January 20th.

Correct answers to last December's advertisement competition.

- 1) Monastery Road Clondalkin.
- 2) Paddy Ryan Ltd. Maynooth.
- 3) Gerard Mulcahy and James Smyth Butchers.
- 4) Doyles Shoe Centre.
- 5) Town Centre Fuels.
- 6) Maynooth Cycle Centre.
- 7) Oliver Reilly Ltd.
- 8) Hidden Treasures, Country Shop.
- 9) Dan Logan Co. Ltd. Fuel Merchant.
- 10) Denis Malone Blindmakers Ltd.

Winner is Lina Higgins,
740 Greenfield, Maynooth.

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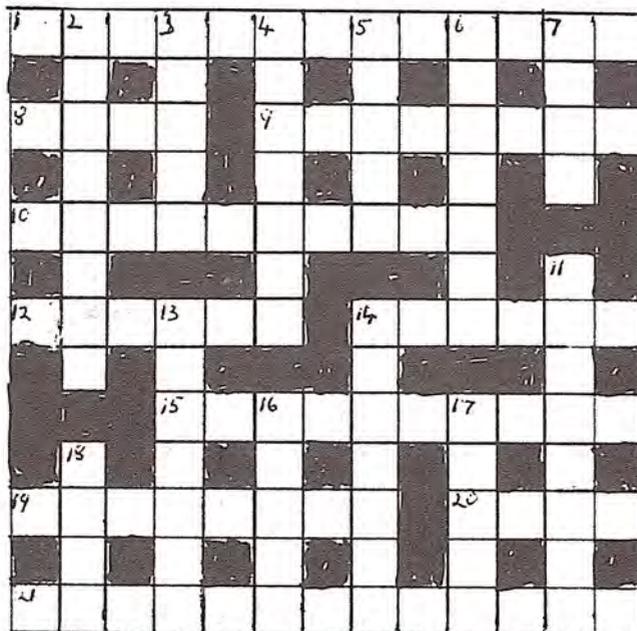
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8. Hectare, acre contain and measure this (4)
9. Forgive them this, for putting a lock around a Lucan hotel (8)
10. From the avenue to the college gates, the principal saint chops up tree (4,6)
12. Dutch monkey's? Mum's brothers (6)
14. Unobserved, distraught nun runs around bishop's area (6)
15. $EGMT \times 2 + AS = TD$ (5,5)
19. Instrument that uses wind or tape to make music (8)
20. Starts off bare, undressed, freezing, frostbitten in this (4)
21. Local monument to labour leader's foolishness?(not erected by 15 Across!) (8,5)

DOWN

2. Country girl describes quiche from the Country Shop (8)
3. Kavanagh's Mills gets lots of this - don't go against it (5)
4. Beaufield and Carton Court and 1 Across for example; setback after seat collapss (7)
5. Girl related to 12 Across could be in EEC (5)
6. Charges put in backward semi(6)
7. You need this for shopping - how well is trolley holding it ? (4)



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11. Angrily seeking redress; five English spill fuel (8)
13. Told untruths? Now, that's wrong - get on the ground (3,4)
14. All changed, changed -- in a manner of speaking ? (7)
16. She shows off clothes in fashion to learner (5)
17. Thanks, say this to a goose; it's forbidden (5)
18. Girl's ring admirable man (4)

Entries to Newsletter office by January 18th. £5 prize first correct entry.

CROSSWORD No. 1



Winner of Crossword No. 1.
Patrick Devaney, 19 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

BOOK REVIEW

The Land of Inbetween: The Hungry Horse. By Pauline Devine. (Glendale Press, hb. b/w. ills. £3.95).

The Hungry Horse is a delightful children's fantasy by Pauline Devine published with the assistance of the Arts Council.

The boy Peaky has a horse called Doolin, renowned in the Land of Inbetween for his prodigious strength, speed and appetite. The land is ruled by two Kings, Eusless and Waysster. There is of course a wicked Witch, Bidden, and a soothsayer who lives sideways in a well. It is a damp lush land where it never

rains but it pours and there are tribulations. . .

This book has deservedly been put on the national librarian's recommended List for Children's Reading.

The author, who is herself an Arts Council Bursary Award winner, lives at Straffan. A former journalist and teacher, she has on several occasions given talks on children's writing in schools and at adult workshops. This is her second children's book.

Pauline Devine from Staffan, author of *The Hungry Horse*.

RAPE — THE ULTIMATE DEGRADATION

On the 1st Dec. 1987 the Law Reform Commission on Rape, published a discussion document on Rape. This is not the final report, it will not be drawn up for presentation to the Government until there has been a period for public debate, and views and recommendations received from all interested parties.

The main topics under consideration in this document are.

- 1) Should Rape within marriage be made a criminal offence?
- 2) Should a rape victim be entitled to separate legal representation in court?
- 3) Should the previous sexual history of the victim be admissible as evidence.
- 4) Should the definition of "Rape" be widened to include all other non-conceting sexual violations.
- 5) Should there be provision for variations in sentencing, depending on the type of sexual act perpetrated — or should there be a standard sentence?

In this article I will refer exclusively to women, as victims of rape. However it is important to note that men can also be the victims of a rape, the essential difference being that the

rape of a man is by a man. Women do not have a history of "Raping" men, which indeed would be physically impossible under its present definition. The fact that a man could also be a victim, is a strong reason why they too should be equally concerned about this crime.

If and when rape does occur, there seems to have been the generally misguided opinion that "the woman must have asked for it," either by her lifestyle, her mode of dress, or the company she kept. It was easy to regard the woman as a weak and submissive victim, rather than the strong survivor of physical abuse. In many ways this fitted well with society's notion of women as property and chattels, and led to a situation where the actions of the "Rapist" went without undue questioning.

In the past, and indeed still, the prevailing line of thinking among many was that the "Rapist" must be one or all of the following. 1) He must be mentally ill. 2) He was only gratifying a sexual urge. 3) "He says she wanted it". 4) He's only acting the lad. 5) His wife provokes it — she's frigid.

Why any one of these reasons should be regarded as a valid excuse to rape is hard to comprehend. But what it does allow is the justification

of the "Rapists'" behaviour to society, and therefore confers on the "Rapist" a form of legitimacy. All of these statements are myths, as studies have shown that the motivating factor in rape is power over another, and *not* sexual gratification. The same has happened where the victim is concerned. The following are some of the common *myths*, used to explain why a rape happened to them as opposed to saying *been done against them*. 1) It is her duty as a wife (rape within marriage). 2) She led him on — she really wanted it. 3) Look at the way she dresses — she's asking for trouble. 4) She was giving him the "come on". 5) She made the whole story up. All of these reasons suggest that women have in some way provoked, the violence done to them. These again are myths, women must be free to dress, act, as they see fit, without it being misconstrued into a reason to justify a vile crime. These reasons can only remain in a society which is in essence male dominated, and which conspires by tradition and economics to keep women in a servile position.

For all of these reasons, rape is a crime which must be addressed by everyone. This is now beginning to happen in Ireland, under the Law Reform Commission which works in



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conjunction with agencies involved with rape victims. At present the legal definition of rape is severely limited it is "UnLawful Sexual Intercourse without a woman's consent". This interpretation excludes all other forms of sexual behaviour imposed on a woman. To date the commission have not decided whether or not to widen the definition of rape. Rape "within marriage" has not been regarded as a criminal offence, the commission is now proposing to make it so. It recognises this as essential as to do otherwise, would be to accept that a wife is the property of her husband, to do with as he wishes. This change in the law would have beneficial results for many women, who are subjected to repeated violent sexual acts against their will, by their marriage partner, and because they are either emotionally or financially dependant on their attacker, have had no legal means at their disposal to alleviate their situation, until this present Bill.

The legal system itself has been problematic where rape cases are concerned. In practice rape is difficult to prove. Factors which may have coloured the situation in the past are that 1) juries have usually been predominantly male. 2) The judiciary itself is predominantly male. The Commission have yet to decide whether the victim of a rape should have independent representation in court, in conjunction with a State Solicitor. It would seem that independent legal representation would be beneficial to a rape victim, where she would be afforded the protection (Legal) by a person of her choice. This change if it came about would have a direct influence on the nature of evidence giving. The Criminal Law (Rape) Act 1981 prevents unnecessary cross-examination of a rape victim, regarding irrelevant information, such as her past sexual history. However what is relevant and what is not has not as yet been defined, nor has the present Commission come to any

conclusions on this issue.

Where sentences are concerned the Commission are recommending that a new offence known as "Aggravated Sexual Assault" be brought in, which would give a two tiered sentencing system, depending on how grievous the crime is deemed to be. Are there varying degrees of rape?

The implications of rape are profound. For the victim there is the emotional trauma, the fear, disgust, anger, guilt and self-blame, from which they may never fully recover. The implications for us as a society are just as profound, for us to try and justify rape, or to remain silent in the face of such a violent crime, not only against women, but humanity makes us all guilty by default.

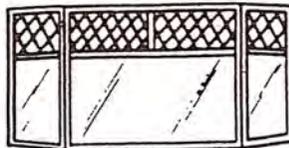
Anyone wishing to make their views known on any of the five topics, or indeed any other regarding rape, of any kind, in any circumstances should write to one or all of the following.

- 1) The Law Reform Commission on Rape. Dept. of Justice, Leinster House, Dublin.
- 2) The Rape Crisis Centre
2 Lr. Pembroke St., Dublin 2
71 Lower Leeson St., Dublin 2.
Tel. 01 614911
- 3) Sexual Assault Unit
Rotunda Hospital, Parnell Sq.,
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Congratulations to Hugh and Geraldine O'Sullivan, 122 Kingsbry, Maynooth on the birth of a baby boy Hugh Daniel. Brother for Ciaran and Eoin.

Congratulations to Philip and Margaret Doyle, Laurence Avenue, Maynooth on the birth of a baby boy.

Congratulations to Liam and Geraldine Reilly, Moygaddy, Maynooth on the birth of a baby boy.

Birthday Greetings:

Brigid Waldon (nee Nolan), Palmers-town formerly Greenfield, Dec. 17th and daughter Ami age four Dec. 15th.

Clare McTiernan, Greenfield, 15 Dec. 12th.

Happy birthday to Aisling Bean, 'Nuada', Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who celebrated her birthday on Dec 14th age 2 yrs from her Parents, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles and baby Brian.

Happy Birthday to Liam Bean 'Lemar', Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who celebrated his birthday on Dec 16th.

Happy Birthday to James (Jim) Smyth, Main Street, Maynooth who celebrated his birthday on Dec 16th. (Jim is our local Butcher.)

Sympathy:

To Damien O Muirí, Railpark on the death of his mother.

Sympathy to the family of Mrs Pauline Mullaly, Gerarguesallagh, who died recently.

Sympathy to Mary Simon of Railpark on the death of her mother.

Sympathy to sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces of the late Ann (Annie) O'Neill (nee Harrington) Greenfield.

Sympathy to sons, daughters, brother, sister, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends of the late Dr. William J. Cowhey.

Sympathy to John McCartan, Smithstown on the death of his sister in U.S.A.

Sympathy to George Fennell, Greenfield on the death of his brother in England.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Jones

The brother and sister of the late Brian Jones, 3 Convent Rd., Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; those who attended the Mass and funeral; those who sent Mass cards and floral tributes and a special thanks to the Priests of the Parish. Als the children on the Straffan school bus; they were special to him; and all his kind friends and neighbours.

Please accept this token of our appreciation. Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

MULREADY

The family of the late Mary Mulready, Greenfield, Maynooth wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement.

All those who attended the removal of remains, mass and funeral. Those who sent Mass Cards, Floral tributes and letters of sympathy.

A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple P.P. for his kindness to her at all times. To Fr. Cogan C.C., Fr. Thynne, Fr. John Vevin and Fr. McHugh who officiated at her funeral Mass.

To the Doctors and Nurses and Staff of Peamount Hospital for their wonderful care and kindness to her, especially during her last days.

To the very good neighbours and friends who helped and all those who offered to help. A very sincere thank you to all.

Please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Sympathy to sons, daughters, brother, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces of the late Mary Mulready, Greenfield.

DOYLE

The wife and family of the late James (Jim) Doyle, Laraghbyran, Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement: those who attended removal of remains, mass cards, floral tributes and letters of sympathy. A special word of thanks is due to the following: Staff, Dr. Steeven's Hospital, Staff, St. Vincent's Nursing Home, Athy. Staff, clergy and clerical students, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. Fr. Supple P.P. Maynooth, Fr. Cogan, C.C. Maynooth. Fr. Fitzgerald, Confey. Fr. Casey, Carareigh, Wexford and Leixlip G.A.A. and all the good neighbours and friends for their kindness and offers of help during Jim's illness. As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, we hope that this acknowledgement will be accepted by all as a token of our deep gratitude. The holy sacrifice of the mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

Engagements:

Congratulations to Francis Conlon, Greenfield and Clare O'Mahony, Leixlip who were engaged recently also

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EYE HEAR

A Maynooth resident was queuing up for the cash machine in the Bank of Ireland on Main Street behind two young "gentlemen". One of them threw his receipt on the ground and proceeded to walk away. Plucking up her courage, the Maynooth resident informed the young trendy that he shouldn't throw his receipt on the ground. 'Why?' was the response as he walked off casting his eyes to the sky in despair at the eccentricities of his elders. One very good reason is that it is illegal to throw litter on the ground. A better reason would be that litter is ruining the environment of Maynooth, something which reflects on us all. However, our trendy boyo, and all others who discard their cash receipts around the two machines in the Main Street should take note that their account numbers are clearly printed on these receipts. It wouldn't take the Gardai much work to identify the offenders who would be required to assist the Gardai in their enquiries.

Egon Ronay marks for Moyglare Manor.

Congratulations to Moyglare Manor on receiving such high marks in the Egon Ronay Guide hotel awards this year. The local Manor received the same marks '77, as the uproariously expensive Westbury Hotel in Dublin.

Is there an election in the air? Local T.D. Emmett Stagg, obviously inspired by recent references in a Sunday newspaper to his sartorial insipidity, shocked the regulars in Caulfield's recently when he strode up to the Bar wearing a pair of jeans. Awe struck customers noted also that around his neck was an open collar — not a neat tie to be seen. It appears that we'll have to wait for a while for the gold medallion to appear — maybe the next turn at being County Council chairman?

Perhaps the T.D. after Emmet's name is meant to stand for Trendy Dresser and not Tetra Delta as we all thought.

They said it couldn't be done but it has. The sight of a double decker bus sailing over the canal is a daily occurrence now. But in the early days of the new service there was some inevitable confusion, as bus drivers entered uncharted territory beyond the bridge. Maynooth commuters are not behind the door in taking advantage of the new Marco Polo's. We hear that one enterprising commuter convinced a lost bus driver that the shortest way to the square from the Celbridge Road was through Kingsbry Estate. Having hopped off the double decker at the gate of his residence,

the commuter kindly put the lost driver on the right road. The turning of the bus in the estate was achieved without any great difficulty. Proving that indeed it can be done!

TWO MILLION POUNDS FOR MAYNOOTH

Irish people have been used to collecting for Ethiopia and other such far flung places over the years. However 1987 was the year for Maynooth. And generous as always, the Irish people have come up with over £2 million for the renovation of the college. However the magnificent response is insufficient to clean up the college's financial problems. The money will go towards clearing the debt on the new Library and in renovating some of the older living quarters. However many areas of the college will remain untouched.

OFF TO RUSSIA

Following in Norah McDermott's footsteps, we hear that high flying Professor Susan McKenna Lalor is participating in two Soviet space shots to Mars next year. Nice to know that Maynooth is taking its rightful place in the heavens at last.

Planning permission:

The Square, Maynooth. Permission sought by Eastern Health Board from Kildare Co. Council for change from domestic use of house to group support home.

Maynooth: Permission sought from Kildare Co. Council for extension at 515 Newtown, Maynooth. — Michael Dempsey.

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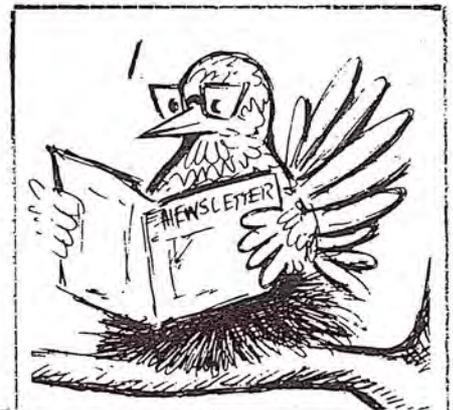
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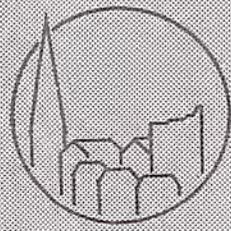
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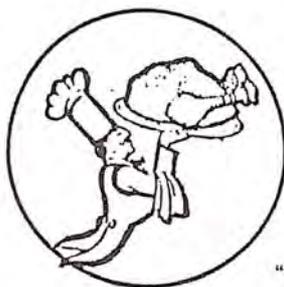
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The Maynooth Newsletter is published as a service to the people and organisations of the neighbourhood. It is an "open access" publication and will generally carry any material submitted to it, subject to the laws of the land and to editorial judgement. The judgement is exercised by the Editorial Committee in order to preserve the independence and balance of the Newsletter. The Committee reserves the right to alter, abridge or omit material which in its opinion might rend the Newsletter the promoter or mouth-piece of sectional interests.

Any contributor seeking further guidelines in this matter is invited to contact the committee.

NOTE TO CONTRIBUTORS

We request all of our contributors to make sure their material is legible. If possible, material should be typed, but as not everyone has access to typewriters, the best way to present material is to use either neat legible writing or block letters, on one side of the paper only.

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Editorial

The Young Drinkers

The problem of under age drinking has surfaced again in Maynooth, we are reliably informed. The Newsletter has received reports of wholesale abuse of alcohol by young people who are unable to handle the effects. Many of the functions attended by Maynooth teenagers, alcohol is served regardless of the age of the consumer. The inevitable occurs in the form of drunkenness and violence. We would ask parents to discuss with their children the problems caused by alcohol, particularly for young people whose lives can be ruined so easily. Observe your children when they return from functions. If they have been served alcohol while they are aged under eighteen, remember, a crime has been committed. It is up to parents to control this abuse of our young people. Parents would be up in arms if drug pushers were found in our midst. In some ways alcohol can cause as much damage as drugs to vulnerable young people. Don't let the alcohol pushers flourish in Maynooth.

Welcome

This month we welcome on board two new Social Employment Scheme Workers, Christina Saults from Parson Street and Anthony Morgan from Carton Court.

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Community Council

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

In her report to the Annual General Meeting the Chairwoman stated that a lot of work had been achieved in 1987. The new Council and Executive had taken office in April, and the majority of the Executive were not only new to their positions, but also to the Council itself. The Secretary's Report had fully documented the activities and achievements, and many new events had been entered into.

She thanked the Executive, particularly Mary Murtagh and Dominic Nyland, for their time, hard work and support.

The sub-committees, both Council and non-Council members.

Frances McNicholas and Kathy Robson for their invaluable work as Administrators in the Council office.

Shelly Breslin, Mary Moran and Janet Nolan for their work as Assistant Administrators in the office.

The Social Employment Scheme workers for their work on the Newsletter, the Exhibition, and their willingness to help with any of the various activities during the year.

A special thanks to the Administrators and to the supervisor Norah McDermott for the time and energy which they contributed to the Council in the office.

The Editorial Committee of the *Maynooth Newsletter*.

Tom Ashe and the caretaking staff of Maynooth Post Primary School.

John Saults and the authorities of Maynooth College for the facilities.

Those not involved in the Council who helped with the Open Day in Carton House.

Proinnsias Breathnach and John McGinley for their advice and help.

The Chairwoman said that since the Social Employment Scheme had been renewed further progress would be

made in 1988. She stressed the importance of the Old Maynooth Exhibition and pursuing the Swimming Pool project. It was obvious that finances were extremely healthy but there was a need to fund-raise vigorously. She also stated that support should be given to the Community Enterprise sub-committee in their efforts to begin co-operatives and provide badly needed employment.

Finally, she thanked the Council itself for its support and contribution. The AGM re-elected the outgoing officers.

Muireann Ní Bhrolchain.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The Community Council offices still operate from Town Centre Mall with their new entrance from the Main Street alongside the delicatessen. Kathy Robson is our Administrator with Assistant Administrator Janet Nolan.

Sports Complex/Swimming Pool

Tom Ashe of the Post Primary school approached the Community Council with the view to establishing a swimming pool. It seemed a good idea to pursue this and leave the idea of the sports complex for a while. A committee has been set up accordingly.

Community Enterprise Programme

A committee was established with

the view to extending secretarial services in Maynooth. An application was made for an AnCo course. However after a survey carried out on various skills the offer of an AnCo course was withdrawn. This is now under investigation by the committee.

The Secretary of the Community Council Mary Murtagh has made representations to the various authorities on issues such as piped T.V., public transport, public conveniences, crime and policing, Laragh-bryan, cutbacks and the sports complex.

The Community information centre still operates from the Library under the direction of Frances Daly.

We have four sub-committees:

1. Communications. They are dealing at the moment with the old Maynooth exhibition and are a link between us and the Newsletter.

2. Youth affairs, who are involved in Community Games and are responsible for the Douai Boy's Choir.

3. Tidy Towns sub-committee have tried very hard to clean areas around Maynooth but the public response was very poor.

4. Social and Recreation were involved in St. Patrick's Day Parade, Community Week, Carton House opening and our Halloween Dance.

We also had a very successful Flag Day last year.

The Newsletter and old Maynooth exhibition are helped by our social employment scheme workers under

the supervision of Norah McDermott.

This year we acquired Christmas tree lights for the tree in the Square.

The Community Council would like to thank everyone who has helped them over the last few months. We hope that 1988 is an even better year.

Mary Murtagh.
Secretary.

MAYNOOTH ENTERPRISE GROUP

Under the auspices of Maynooth Community Council a new sub-committee has been formed. The ultimate aims of this group are to provide employment in the area. We now require expertise in all areas from dedicated committed people to carry out the aims of the enterprise group.

All enquiries to:—

Muireann Ní Bhrolchain,
Chairwoman,
Maynooth Community Council,

OR

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Report of Accounts for Year Ending 31st December 1987

Summary of Income and Expenditure

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>Change</u>
	<u>Ir£</u>	<u>Ir£</u>	<u>Ir£</u>
Income	4456.58	1308.81	3147.77
Expenditure	(2607.11)	(2418.35)	188.76
Surplus/Deficit	1849.47	(1109.54)	2959.01

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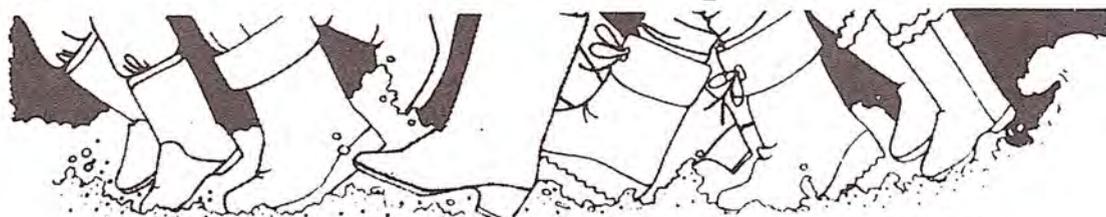
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Letters

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Yours sincerely,
Edward Kehoe,
Donoughmore House,
Pikes Bridge,
Maynooth,
Co. Kildare.

Residents' Associations News.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The committee met again early in the New Year, having survived the Christmas holiday.

Lighting

Because Kildare County Council have disconnected so many lights on our Estate the committee will be calling to each house with a petition to the Council. We ask every household to sign, so that we can make a strong case for reconnection.

Fence — Laurence Avenue

Excellent work has been carried out on the fence by members of committee. But there was very little additional

help from other residents.

67 A Bus

This bus is now running regularly, and timetables are found in Aidan's shop and at the newsagents in Abbey St. beside the 66 bus-stop. Since we have long pressed for this service, we would hope that residents will avail of it now that it is in operation.

Neighbourhood Watch

With the lights disconnected, there has been, and there will be, an increase in crime and vandalism in the area. Therefore, Richard Farrell and Tom Purcell are to hold a meeting to organise the Watch programme. Those who expressed interest will be contacted shortly.

Supper Dance

We are delighted to announce that the annual Supper Dance will be held on the 27th February in "Slevins" of Dunboyne. This is a Saturday night, tickets are extremely cheap at £8 each and the music will be provided by the Partners. Come out and support the function, since we often complain that there is nowhere to go! This is the time to come out of hibernation and to celebrate the end of winter! There will be plenty of spot prizes, and the more that attend the merrier!

Finally, we sympathise with Dolores Quinn, 13 Laurence Avenue on the death of her mother, Mrs. Kinsella, just before Christmas.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, P.R.O.

CLUAIN AOIBHINN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

A belated "Happy New Year" to all our residents. The Christmas party was a great success and those who couldn't make it missed a very enjoyable night. Our thanks to Jack and the staff of the Leinster Arms. Congratulations to all who won turkeys in our non stop Christmas draw. We now revert to the usual monthly draw.

The good news from the Department of Agriculture is that our trees are not suffering from 'Fireblyte', however uncertainty still exists as to what is killing the trees, although some of the damage is attributed to our dogs and residents are again asked to exercise strict control of their pets.



COLLEGE NEWS:

The most talked about event in the College this month is the recording of Songs of Praise featuring Maynooth College and the Community. The recording of this programme started in the middle of January but it will not hit our screens until late March or April.

During the month we had two visits. One, John O'Connor, the well known pianist, who delighted both students and staff with a lunch-time concert on the 18th. AND Cardinal Josef Glomp, Primate of the Catholic Church in Poland. Cardinal Glomp attended an ecumenical service on the 21st.

The Science and Nature programme ZERO featured (yet again) Prof. Susan McKenna-Lawlor and her company Space Technology Ireland Ltd. (STIL). This time we got to see some of the BOYS that work with her. Rumour has it that the company hope to expand their building in the college even more in the year.

In the John Paul II Library the Librarian is exhibiting vandalised books and explaining the care of them. This is the first exhibition of its kind in Ireland. The Librarian is hoping to educate students and staff on how to use a book. The exhibition is well worth seeing and continues until the end of February.

Exam fever is already hitting the students. There have been sightings of the early birds catching the first dew as they make their way to the Library before the staff. That's definitely called exam fever!!!

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Members are asked to note that a new system of membership charges has been introduced, as and from the 1st January 1988.

All adults will pay an annual membership charge of £2.00. In addition, a fee 10p per item will be charged on items (i.e. books and cassettes) borrowed from the Adult Library.

All members of the Juvenile Library

will pay an annual charge of £1.00. There will be no further charges on items borrowed from the Juvenile Library — and children are now allowed to borrow childrens tapes.

Persons who have paid a full membership fee within the past year will not be liable to any further charges until their current membership expires.

Since exemptions from the membership charges have been discontinued, those whose membership fees have here to fore been waived on foot of these exemptions will be liable for the new charges from January 1st, 1988.

Recent additions to stock in the branch include:

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Hogan, Desmond — The Leaves of Grey.
King, Stephen — Firestarter.
Nelson, Dorothy — Tar and Feathers.
O'Donnell, Peadar — Islanders.
Tolkien, J.R.R. — Farmer Giles of Ham.

NON FICTION

Baigent, Michael Et Al — The Holy Blood and the Holy Grail.
Murphy, Dervla — On a Shoestring to Coorg.
A Portrait of the Artist as a young girl — La Rue, Danny — From Drags to Riches.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish all our borrowers and browsers a very happy New Year.

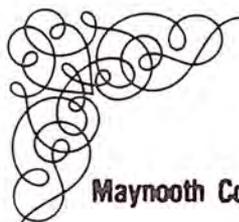
Margaret Walsh-Gannon.

**PARENTS' ASSOCIATION
BOY'S NATIONAL SCHOOL**

On Saturday, February 13th, we are giving you all a chance to turn the clock back, by rocking to the music of the "Sixties", when we present our 60's night in the Hitchin' Post. Judging from the great night we had last year, there is lots of fun in store for us. There will be prizes for the best dressed in ladies fashion, so now is your chance to launch an attack on the attic. There will be lots of other prizes too.

Tickets are on sale at £2.00 each, (now thats value) and can be had from committee members, boy's school or at the door on the night. Come early and avoid the crowds.

Anne O'Malley. Secretary.

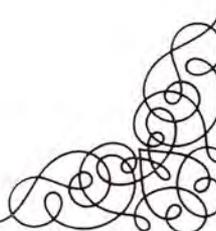


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TONY SMITH MEMORIAL WALK:
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ADVICE SERVICE:

We would like to remind people that Emmet Stagg attends at the Meeting Room, Caulfields each Saturday from 4.00 approx. until 5.30.

MOYGLARE ROAD:

The following reply was received by Deputy Stagg:

"Re: Complaint from Mr. T. Ashe, Principle, Maynooth Post Primary School.

Dear Deputy,

I refer to yours of the 25.11.87 concerning the above.

The Salesian College is situated on the Maynooth to Celbridge Road, a Regional Road which carries heavy traffic. The improvements in progress at present have been sought for a number of years and are being financed by grants from the Department of the Environment.

The Maynooth Post Primary School, however, is situated on the Moyglare Road, a County Road, which the Council must repair from its own resources. It is superfluous for me to point out at this stage how inadequate these resources are. In these circumstances there are no funds available at present for County Road improvement works."

There has been copious correspondence between the Council and Mr. Ashe about the state of this County Road. I have arranged for some routine maintenance work to be carried out on drainage and pavements as early as possible in the New Year.

PLANNING DECISION:

O. Reilly, Finerty House, Dublin Rd., has been granted permission for change of use from residential to three shop units and four 1-bed flats.

PLANNING APPLICATION:

The Eastern Health Board have applied for permission for change of use of a house in the Square to a Group Support Hostel.

INFORMATION:

If anyone would like to join the Labour Party or would like some information about the Party, please contact the undersigned at 209 Kingsbry. Phone 286865.

**Patrick Moynan,
Branch Secretary.**

FINE GAEL NOTES

1. The Annual General Meeting of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael was held on Tuesday, December 8th., 1987.

There was a large attendance of Members. Deputy Bernard Durkan attended the meeting as did Guests Mr. Tom Fitzpatrick, former Ceann Comhairle and T.D. for Cavan-Monaghan, and Mr. Michael Begley T.D. for Kerry South.

The Chairman addressed the meeting and thanked the members for their diligent work during the year which had resulted in the re-election of Alan Dukes and Bernard Durkan to Dail Eireann. He also thanked the members for their marvellous efforts in raising funds.

Following the Election of Officers, there was a wide-ranging and lively discussion with Deputy Bernard Durkan and the two visiting Deputies, which covered such areas as: the Education and Health cuts, the Single

European Act, Extradition, the Irish Language and the B + I Line. In conclusion Deputy Fitzpatrick, encouraged the members by saying that the Fine Gael performance in the last election in Kildare could be repeated country-wide.

2. Acquisition of Carton House and Estate

Deputy Bernard Durkan has received the following reply from the Taoiseach regarding the above:

"Carton House and Demesne are in private ownership. There are no current proposals to acquire them for the State".

3. Irradiation of Foodstuffs

Deputy Bernard Durkan has received the following reply from the Minister for Health regarding the treatment by irradiation of foods available in Ireland:

"There is no irradiation of food taking place in this country and no commercial enterprise has applied to the Nuclear Energy Board under the Nuclear Energy Order 1977, to use an irradiation device in regard to food.

At present there is no test to determine if a foodstuff has been irradiated. Labelling of irradiated foodstuffs will ensure that the consumer is properly informed. The E.E.C. is currently addressing the question of the labelling of irradiated foodstuffs and when the relevant E.E.C. directives are adopted these will form the basis of Irish legislation in this area.

The foodstuffs which are being irradiated abroad at present and are most likely to be eventually imported into Ireland are strawberries, spices, grains, potatoes, mushrooms and chicken products. Officials of my Department are currently involved in the preparation of an E.E.C. Directive to regulate food irradiation, which will include specific labelling requirements".

4. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Branch will take place on Tuesday, January 26th. in the I.C.A. Hall. New members are always welcome. Deputy Bernard Durkan is available to meet Constituents each Saturday in the Geraldine Hall at 3.00 p.m. approximately. All matters are treated in strictest confidence.

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BRU BOSCO NOTES

Many thanks to the editorial committee of the Newsletter for their good wishes to me personally. I am still getting get well cards, and Mass cards and have come to the conclusion that I am as well known as the proverbial begging ass, but sure come to think of it that is *exactly what I am*, as most of my time since I came to Maynooth has been spent begging for some organisation or another.

I am still at a slight disadvantage as P.R.O. as I have to wait on the news to come to me and everybody is so busy dashing here or there they hardly have time to stop and pass on information. Still as there has been no bid for a take over of my position I will do my best. (no Larry Goodman in Maynooth!)

Don Bosco's Centenary

The hundred anniversary of Don Bosco's death on the 31st of January is the cause of all the extra pressure, as so many things are being done to celebrate this event. The Club will hold their own Academy for parents, and friends, and then there will be a much more extensive Academy which will include the whole of the Maynooth area, and in which all friends of Don Bosco, young and old can participate.

Many Contests and Competitions will be held during the year to mark the centenary, Song Contests, Bosco Art Competition, Craft Competition, which will include knitting, crochet, embroidery, patchwork etc. Soft Toys,

rush & cane work, nail pictures, weaving, woodwork, metal work, upholstery, pottery, moulding etc. Youth Project, which should consist of some form of community work, crossword puzzles and all kinds of outdoor and indoor activities. This as you will appreciate is a very brief outline further details can be had from Salesian House.

Co-Operation North

Some members of the Club are off to the College of Technology, Bolton Street, on Tuesday 19th January, where the presentation of awards for Co-operation North will take place, and then, the ever energetic Eilis O'Malley, will head North for the presentation of awards in Belfast. She told me on the sly that she is anxious to see which has survived best — the Murals in the Harbour Field or the Murals in the Market Square, Belfast, but mum is the word. We will wait for the verdict, then I can tell all.

Lay-Leaders

We are still looking for Lay Leaders. If anybody out there over 18 thinks they can help out with any of the Competitions for Don Bosco's centenary, come along to the Club any Thursday night in particular, and join in the fun even on a temporary basis.

Roof-Problem

Expert advice is needed with a slight but tricky problem we have on the roof where a small valley from the back porch joins the Function Room. The rain pours in and we cannot seem to get it right, and it is ruining all our new plaster and paint. This is an S.O.S. PLEASE HELP.

Drop-in-Centre

Since we started the Bru Bosco Youth Club, even before the Anco Project, nothing but good has come out of the Geraldine. A few minor set backs, but that is life. When the Anco project on the Hall was near completion we took out another on the Canal. As we realised it was more than our Committee could handle, we invited the Royal Canal Amenity Group to Maynooth, and had the Anco Project transferred the results of that you all have seen

for yourself. During the later part of 1987 a group of Club members got together and they thought as they were un-employed they would like to research the possibility of a Drop-in-Centre for Maynooth. So in their own time and with their own few bob they trudge all over Dublin, having cups of tea in every available Drop-in-centre, talking to the unemployed. I travelled with them just for support, I am glad they invited me, I got an insight into a whole new world. The optimism among the unemployed amazed me, the dignity they had achieved out of nothing filled one with admiration and hope. The young people negotiated for a Team Work scheme, Darndale sent down their representatives to cheer them on but FAS intervened, and it was necessary to change the scheme to S.E.S. which was for over 25s — As you all know the Lantern Drop-in-Centre has now opened but I think it is important to state that it was all due to the initiative of Bru Bosco young people who as it were blaze the trail. So salute Patricia Cleary, Yvonne Cleary, Hilary Blunt, John Dowling and Gordon Read. Let their compensation for the many hours they gave to this project be the success of the Centre, and may many find a sense of achievement there.

Peig Lynch P.R.O.



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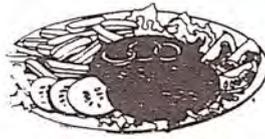
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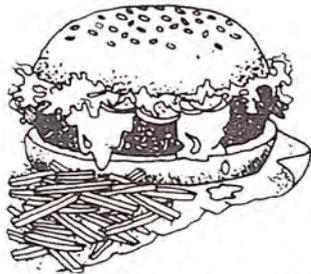
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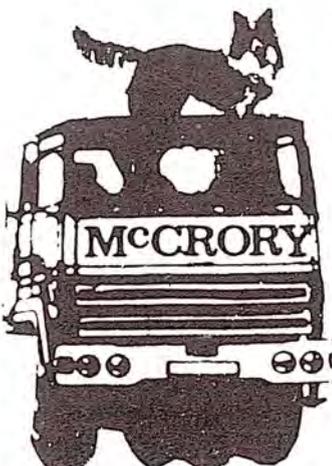
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I.C.A. NOTES

The monthly meeting took place on Thursday, 3rd December. Mrs. Bridie Brady presided and welcomed everyone including new members. Madame President extended sympathy to Teresa Mooney on the death of her mother, also to the families of the late Mrs. Mulready, Dr. Cowhey and the victims of the Enniskillen bombing.

Congratulations to the ladies of the set dancing team who were placed 2nd overall in the Co. Kildare set dancing competition in Newbridge on November 28th, also to Mrs. Martina O'Hare who received her certificate for drama. Vice-President Mrs. Betty Moore thanked the members of the Church of Ireland for the pleasant evening she had at the institution of their new Rector, the Rev. Gavin Williamson on November 25th. We wish Rev. Williamson and his wife every happiness in Maynooth.

This month's competition, a "Christmas table decoration" was won by Mrs. Joan Howard-Williams, 2nd Mairead Scanlon, 3rd Mrs. Joan Shannon. Mrs. Betty Farrell received a special commendation.

Next month's competition will be a "slice of Christmas cake".

Crafts promoter Mrs. Mary O'Gorman displayed Christmas tree decorations, soft toys and cushions made by the ladies of the craft night.

The new year meeting took place on Thursday, January 7th. Mrs. Betty Moore presided and welcomed everyone. Mrs. Moore extended sympathy to Mary Farrell on the death of her brother-in-law.

Mrs. McMyler thanked everybody who supported the I.C.A. annual Supper Dance on November 27th in Slevins in Dunboyne. A lovely meal was served and an enjoyable night was had by all.

This month's competition was won by Mrs. Gee. 2nd Mrs. M. Doyle, 3rd Mrs. Joan Howard-Williams. Next month's competition will be a "Valentines Day Card".

Congratulations to Mrs. Mary Farrell who got 2nd place in "The main meal with wholefood" competition in Naas on December 7th.

Crafts continue every Monday night 8 p.m.—10 p.m. Badminton every Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the Parish Hall 11.00 a.m. — 12.30. Set dancing every Wednesday night at 8.15 p.m. New members welcome to all activities. Next meeting will be

held on Thursday, February 7th at 8 p.m.

I conclude by wishing all fellow members a Happy New Year.

Kay Burns. P.R.O.

Glór na nGael

Tá Glór na nGael bunaithe i Maigh Nuad. Eagraíocht náisiúnta é a chabhair leis an bpobal an Ghaeilge agus an cultúr a bhaineann léi a chur chun cinn. Más suim leat an Ghaeilge, is cuma an cainteoir dúchais nó foghlaimeoir ar bheagán Gaeilge tú, bí linn!

Glór na nGael is being established in Maynooth. This organisation, which celebrated its silver jubilee last year, helps the community to organise Irish cultural events. If you have an interest in Irish, join us! Even if you have only the 'cúpla focal', you will be very welcome. Information can be had from Goretti Ní Riagáin, Phone (01) 271509.

Beidh oíche cheoil ar siúl againn Dé Máirt 2 Feabra i seomra na Gaeilge i gColáiste Phádraig (in aice leis an linn snámha). Tosóidh sé ar 8. p.m.

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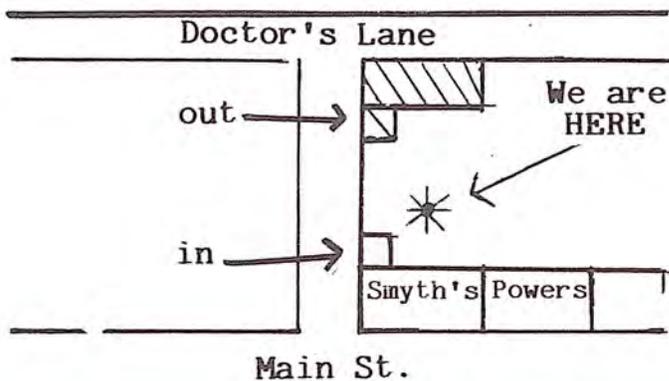
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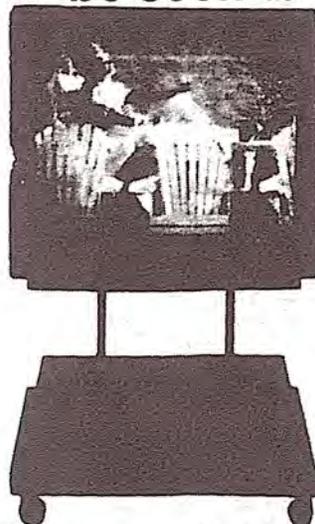
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Muintir Mhaigh Nuad

Bridie O'Brien interviewed
by Jim Cunningham

Everyone knows Bridie O'Brien and no wonder, for Bridie has been involved in much community activity in recent times. Her first venture was as secretary of the *Trees Committee*. She has also been involved with the Scouts, been an active member of the Community Council and is currently Chairwoman of the Council's Social and Recreational Sub-Committee.

Bridie was born and reared in Maynooth and is of old Maynooth stock. Her father was a Dubliner, but her mother's family have been in the town for at least 200 years. She numbers among her ancestors a famous pickpocket of the eighteenth century who mixed in high society in London, was deported to Australia, but ended up a prison governor.

Except for 5 years spent in England and a brief stay near Belfast, Bridie has lived all her life in Maynooth.

During her time in England she trained as a nanny and worked first in London and then in Blackpool looking after the children of the famous foot-

balier Stanley Matthews. She has very fond memories of the Matthews family who were lovely people.

After returning to Maynooth, Bridie worked in the College for thirteen years, initially cleaning the chapel and later looking after the professors' rooms. She has the distinction of being the first woman to be entrusted with this sacred task. While having affection for individuals whom she met during her time in the College, she is quite critical of the relationship, or more accurately, the lack of it, between the College and the town.

While still employed in the College, Bridie also began working in Caulfields Bar on Saturdays. She has worked in Caulfields for 21 years.

Obviously, Bridie has never been afraid of work and it is probably not surprising that she should have become involved in voluntary activities. She has seen Maynooth change

from being a country village to a major dormitory town and feels that an effort was, and is still necessary, to integrate the new residents into the life of the community. She is quite philosophical about the influx of people to the town, saying that people must settle somewhere — so why not in Maynooth.

Although she says that the expansion was, in general, good for Maynooth, you still detect a great nostalgia for the Maynooth of her youth when she could whip a top up and down the middle of the Main Street. There wasn't much to do, but as everywhere in those days, people made their own fun. The town was quiet and despite its proximity to Dublin, there was very little traffic to the city.

Bridie has had her share of hard times and tragedy in her life. Her mother died when she was only two years old. Her daughter Catherine was killed in an accident and she herself had a heart attack some years ago. But there is a lot of steel in Bridie O'Brien. She has survived and, no doubt, will be around for a long time yet, making her contribution to the development of the new enlarged community.

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Mary Cullen

Over the next couple of months Mary Cullen will deal with aspects of local historical interest.

As well as the foundations at Laragh-bryan and Donaghmore we have a record of another monastery in the area, at Taghadoe, 2¼ miles south of Maynooth and also in the old territory of Ui Faelain or Offelan. The Annals of the Four Masters refer to Taghadoe under the year 765 when they record that "Folachtach of Teac Tuac, abbot of Cluan mic Nois, died". The usual explanation offered for the meaning of Teac Tua is "the house of St. Tua", who is identified as Ultan tua or Ultan the Silent, who was connected with the neighbouring monastery of Clane, and this is the meaning adopted by Lord Walter FitzGerald, one of the best authorities on the local history of the country, writing in the *Journal of the County Kildare Archaeological Society*, vol. ii., no. 2, 1893. Father MacSweeney in his article in the *Irish Ecclesiastical Record* (quoted in the last Newsletter), opts for an alternative explanation and suggests that the name may refer to a family or clan rather than to an individual. In this interpretation the name would mean "the house of Tuathal" and would refer to the O'Toole family, and he points to the neighbouring townland of Toolestown in support. This is plausible since monasteries were often named after the clan who founded or supported them, as Laraghbryan itself was. The O'Toole territory was Uí Muiredaig, or Omurethy, which can be seen to the south of Ui Faelain in the map reproduced in the last Newsletter. The clan name was Uí Muiredaig, "the descendants of Muiredach", a king of Leinster who died in 725. They and the Ui Faelain were related and both traced their descent from Dunlang, king of Leinster circa 241 A.D., and from him came the original clan name of Ui Dunlainge. The Ui Dunlainge split into three branches in the eight century, the Ui Dunchada in Mag Laigen the plain between the Liffey and the Wicklow mountains, the Ui Faelain to the west of them on both sides of the Liffey in North Kildare, and the Ui Muiredaig to the south between the Barrow and Wicklow mountains. When surnames began to be used by the Irish clans in the eleventh century each of our families adopted the names of other members

of the dynasty, the Ui Faelain taking that of Bran and becoming "O'Byrnes" and the Ui Muiredaig that of Tuathal, king of Leinster who died in 956, and becoming "O'Tooles".

While the annals give us little detail of the role of our monasteries in the lives of the people of the Maynooth area it seems likely that they supplied whatever pastoral care the people enjoyed. This was because the Christian Church in Ireland had developed in a unique way. Very early in its life, not long after the time of St. Patrick, monastic life became very popular, and the number of monasteries mushroomed, reaching more than 800 by the end of the 6th Century. The ruling clans founded or patronised monasteries and often supplied their abbots from within the clan itself. The abbots, thus linked with the politically powerful, gradually usurped the administrative role of the bishops and the place of the diocese as the unit of administration was taken over by the territories of the monastic paruchia, the group or family of monasteries all tracing their foundation back to a single saintly founder. In spite of all the efforts of reformers this situation persisted until the 12th century, and Dr. P.J. Corish, writing on "The Christian Mission" in *A History of Irish Catholicism* concludes that by the 11th century the non-monastic pastoral clergy had disappeared and what pastoral care there was, was supplied by the monasteries.

The larger monasteries were the nearest approach to the modern town developed by Gaelic Ireland before the coming of the Normans. The towns of Dublin, Wexford, Waterford, Cork and Limerick were originally coastal strong-points established by the Viking invaders in the ninth century and which developed into com-

mercial centres. Within the monastic settlement diversified crafts and trades developed. The inhabitants supplied all their own needs in food, clothes, building, tools, vehicles, books, sacred vessels, etc. In them were created the illuminated manuscripts like the Book of Kells, that remain among the chief glories of Irish culture, and from them went out the great stream of Irish monks to Britain and the continent. The monastic settlement was usually enclosed by a circular stone or earthen bank with a ditch outside. Inside stood the church or oratory made of wood or wattle and daub, and around were the cells or huts of the monks usually made of wickerwork. There would also be a guest-house and refectory and, in the case of a larger monastery, a school and scriptorium. In those parts of the country where stone was more readily available than wood, the buildings would be of stone. Not every monastery was wealthy enough to support a scriptorium, and the fact that the Annals of the Four Masters record the death of Laraghbryan in 856 of Cormac, "bishop and scribe", may indicate that it was a settlement of some importance.

NOTE: A detailed account of the Irish Monasteries will be found in Marie and Liam de Paor.; *Early Christian Ireland* (Thames & Hudson).

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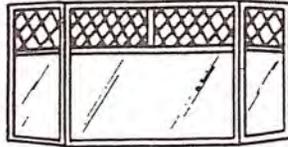


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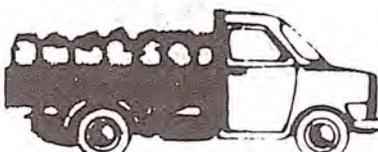
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Local Charges**

There was a joint meeting of the Celbridge, Kilcock, Leixlip and Maynooth Residents Against Local Charges organisation in Caulfields, Maynooth on Wednesday 16th December. A detailed report of the work of each organisation was given, in response to Kildare County Council's recent campaign of non-collection of refuse and the threatened water disconnection. Their work included a series of public meetings, a leafleting campaign, public demonstrations and marches and the establishment of help telephone lines and extensive media coverage.

The meeting was also addressed by Councillor Colm Purcell who brought the representatives up to date on the developments at County Council level. He reported that at the Council's last meeting on Monday 14th December a majority of councillors (Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael) refused to support a motion from Emmet Stagg and Colm Purcell, obliging the County Manager to resume full refuse collection and stop water disconnections. The majority only agreed to a "moratorium" on water disconnections until December 31st '87.

The representatives then agreed that every town would continue its various campaigns and a liaison group was established to co-ordinate activities and to help to expand the movement throughout the County. It was also agreed to hold a fund-raising function in late January for planned legal action against the Council.

(Contact may be made with 13, Laurence Avenue, Maynooth).

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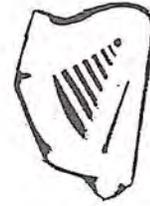
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BAND BULLETIN

Sorry we missed our regular chat last month but I was caught completely by surprise by the early closing date. I blame it all on the Christmas spirit or maybe it was the lack of it. However, down to current topics and the year ahead. The first landmark of the new year is our A.G.M. and we should be in a position to "unveil" the new Committee in our next bulletin. We hope to have some new faces to help look after the affairs of a Band where, at long last, the younger members are beginning to outnumber the not-so-young. It gives us tremendous pleasure to see just how keen the junior members are to make a success of their individual instruments. We have some naturally gifted musicians coming along and we hope to show you the fruits of their endeavours sooner, rather than later, this year.

On this subject can we say a most sincere thank you to all who supported our 60's Night, Carol Recitals in December, and a special thank you to those who supplied prizes for the 60's Night. The proceeds of both of these have gone towards providing much needed costly instruments for our junior classes. So successful in fact, was the 60's Night that we have been inundated with requests for a repeat performance. There is a strong possibility that we may be able to oblige some time next month so watch this space for further details. Next month also should see a return visit to Limerick, scene of our major victory last year in the Marching Band Competition but we should have more on this in the next bulletin. See you then!

COMMUNITY GAMES

It's Community Games time again and time to get into training for your respective events like athletics, swimming, gymnastics, art, football, soccer, hurling, variety, chess, draughts, cycling, badminton, basketball, tennis, pitch and putt, rugby and rounders. Now there has to be something in that list that suits everyone. We would also love to hear from anyone who would manage and train teams for any of the above events. Over the last year or two we could not have some of the team events because we had no managers. The A.G.M. of Youth Affairs Committee will take place on Monday 22 February in Community Council office at 8.30. New members always welcome. Further information can be had from Community Council office. Phone 285922.

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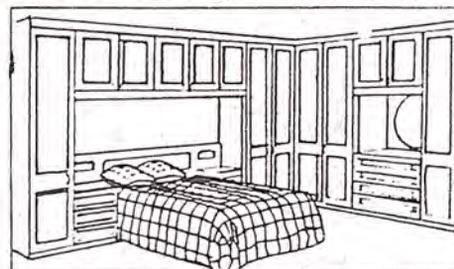
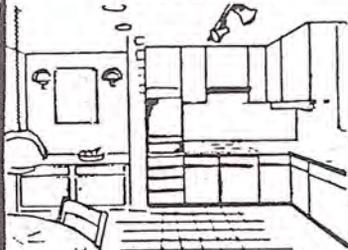
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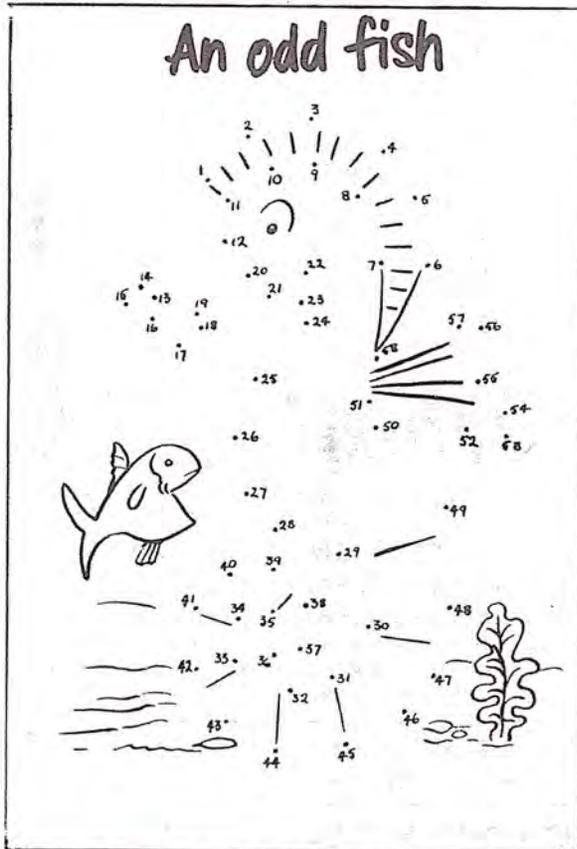
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Runners-Up

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Louise Cox,
Mulhussey, Kilcock.

Stephen Redmond,
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Ages 8—12

**1st prize: Darina O'Malley,
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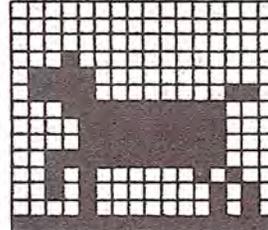
**2nd prize: Gerard Meally,
1 Rail Park, Maynooth.**

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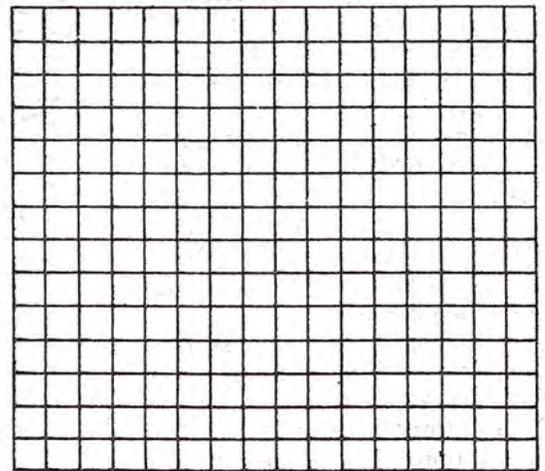
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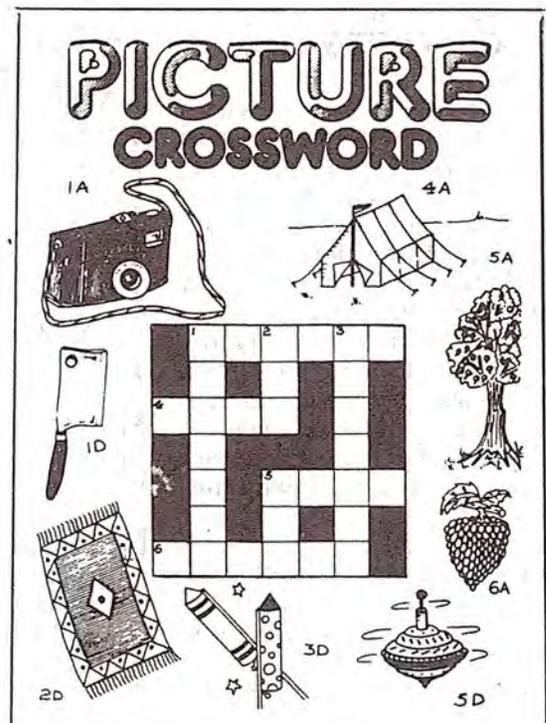
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 impatient with this frozen show;
 They set a mongrel on the swans,
 Who lumbered towards the mire
 below.

Painfully their threshing pinions
 overcame
 The obdurate, rush-hindered way
 And carried with them out of mind
 Their unsung, sad De Danann lay.
 P.O'D.

"WINTER'S APPROACH"

It is the season of despair,
 The tombstone of the year,
 Where once I saw an old man there,
 Nothing to me comes near.
 And how the melancholy wind,
 Sings harshly in my ear,
 Making dear life abruptly recind,
 It's sustenance, a tear.
 High above the bird does watch,
 It's eyes blacker still,
 And all the while time moves a notch,
 For this is the winter kill.
 See them there, the old and bent,
 Moving swiftly to their houses,
 Their bodies defenceless from the
 death that's sent,
 And their frail old heart arouses.
 How short it seems since the valley
 of light,
 Where once was green and living,
 But now we loose our hopeful sight,
 And are filled with profound
 misgiving.

This is the season of darkness and
 fright,
 When all the land lies mourning,
 For us there is no joy or delight,
 In the bleakness of the morning.

Declan Connaughton,
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PRINCIPLES

He kept a gun beside his bed,
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MAYNOOTH'S NEWEST AUTHOR

Mr. Patrick Devaney, one of our regular poetic contributors, has just published his first book. Entitled "Rua, the Red Grouse", it gives us a rare insight into the life of our bogland and its inhabitants over the four seasons. "Rua" is the 1st of his kind and the story relates his struggle for survival, aided by well-disposed humans and opposed by money-grabbing men in the name of "progress". The book is very informative and at the same time a truly absorbing read. It is illustrated by Don Conroy and is sponsored by Bord Na Mona for the Irish Peatland Conservation Council. It is on sale in Easons and as Pat says — it is for anyone from sixteen to sixty years!

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EDUCATION CUTS!

The Parents of Maynooth Post Primary pupils were asked to attend a meeting in Lumville House, Newbridge on the 18th January to voice their objection to the new Pupil-Teacher ratio of 40-1 as proposed by the Minister for Education, Mary O'Rourke. The parents obliged and turned up in force to join their colleagues from all around Kildare. Representatives arrived from parents associations of V.E.C. schools in Kildare town, Newbridge, Athy, the Curragh, Castledermot, Rathangan, Prosperous, Naas and of course, Maynooth. The chair was taken by Joe Feeney of the Co. Executive of V.E.C. Parents and he introduced Josephine Cashman, Secretary of Parents Associations, Mr. Jones of the T.U.I. and the T.D.'s representing the constituency, Paddy Power, F.F. and Charlie McCreevy, F.F., late-comers, with apologies, were Bernard Durkan, F.G., Emmet Stagg, Labour and Alan Dukes F.G.

Mr Feeney explained to the meeting that the cutbacks proposed for V.E.C. schools would mean reduced teaching hours, a shorter week and fewer teachers. The options available to pupils would be severely curtailed and the weaker pupils would suffer the most. There would be less money for equipment in practical subjects and the whole standard of education would fall.

The representative from Maynooth's Parent Association, Mr. Halley, explained that we would lose three teachers next September whilst the number of pupils were rising steadily. This was just not acceptable

to the parents who would see their children's education deteriorate, their options reduce and possibly have to drop subjects they were already taking for exams.

be called cost-effective! The T.D.'s were allowed their say at this point. Mr. Power insisted that cuts had to be made but he would ask the



Mr. T. Ashe & Mona Murphy
at the meeting on 18th Jan.

Parents from around the county expressed strong concern through their reps. and Maureen Ganley, Assistant General Secretary of T.U.I. asked the audience to write under the Alliance of T.U.I., V.E.C. and Parents Assoc. to express their disapproval of the new Pupil-Teacher ratio and cited instances of Woodwork classes unable to afford wood, using cardboard instead and Home Economics being taught by demonstrations rather than practice.

Mr. Seamus Purcell of I.V.E.A. made the very telling point that the state would be spending far more on prisons in the future if children, classified as troublesome, cannot be educated properly. This could hardly

Minister to clarify certain points relating to practical subjects. He stressed that job-sharing, career breaks and voluntary redundancies would ease the situation and that the new National Council for Curriculum reform would ensure that standards would not fall.

Mr. McCreevy could see no reprieve in the cuts as there was no more money available now and possibly none until 1992!

Mr. Stagg emphasised that education is a right for every child, not privilege and that there should be a major change in direction of the Book of Estimates. The electorate had given no mandate for cuts in education and a two-tier system of education was

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just not acceptable. He said there were several options open to the Government e.g. Wealth tax and tax on Multi Nationals.

Mr. Durkan suggested that renegotiations should commence with the social partners with a view to reducing pay awards. This could ease the situation and he suggested following the resolution Fine Gael put to the Dail last year.

Mr. Dukes followed the same line but added that the estimates had still to be finalised and he believed the Government had more money to spend than they were admitting and he envisaged that the cuts in pupil-teacher ratio would not be needed.

The meeting was then thrown open to the floor and one of the first speakers was Mr. T. Ashe, Principle of Maynooth Post Primary School. He stressed the difference in treatment of pupils of V.E.C. schools and those attending Blackrock, Belvedere, etc. Fee paying schools were getting a grant of £100 per pupil while V.E.C. pupils received £52 per annum. He asked the meeting to please define the term EQUALITY. Mr. Ashe described the new pupil-teacher ratio as disastrous and stressed that the full effects will not be felt for some time to come.

The T.D.'s present were asked to sign a petition condemning the new ratio but all declined with the exception of Mr. Stagg who was given a rousing ovation by the meeting. Joe Feeney reminded the T.D.'s of where the voting power lay in the country and the meeting closed with the reminder of a Rally organised on 30th January in Athlone to protest about the cuts.

DR. BILL COWHEY

Maynooth suffered a tragic loss last December with the death of Dr. Bill Cowhey. For almost thirty years he was Doctor, friend and confidante to the people of this district. His warm and sympathetic manner endeared him to his patients as much as the treatment he prescribed. The sight of Dr. Cowhey, disdaining modern transport, striding down the main street or cycling on one of his many calls will always be remembered by the people of Maynooth. He has been part of the fabric of the town for so long it is hard to imagine it without him. Although his loss to us is great it is as nothing compared to the grief of his family. The whole town, I am sure, join us in offering our deepest sympathy to them on the loss of not only their Father but also, so recently, their Mother.



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A map of the Credit Union area and the list of townlands is included in this Newsletter.

YOUNG SCIENTIST Maynooth Post Primary

Congratulations to Janet Whittaker on her award in the Young Scientists Exhibition in January.



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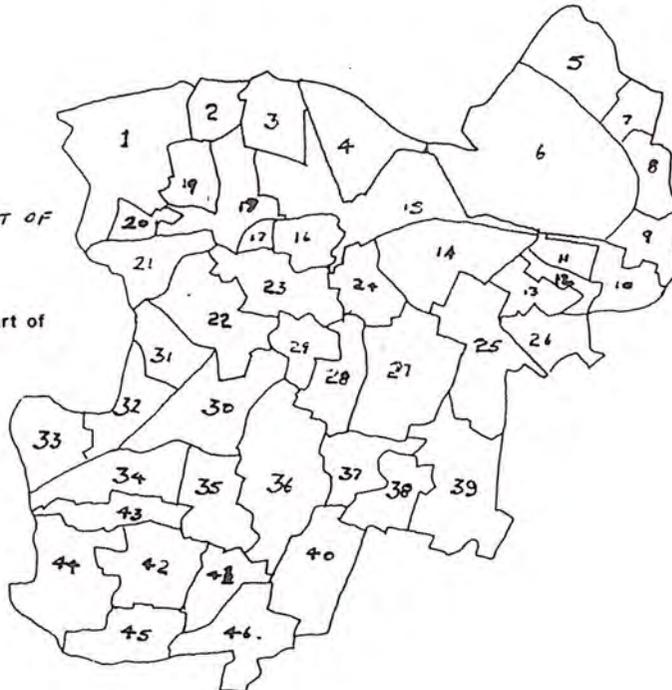
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- 1 lemon thinly sliced
- ¼ pint white wine

Press the garlic, salt and pepper into the chicken joints, blend the oil with the cinnamon and brush the chicken with this, using all the oil. Place the chicken in a casserole. Top with the sliced tomatoes and olives. Remove all the pips from the sliced oranges and lemons. Place over the tomatoes and olives, add the wine. Cover the dish and cook in the centre of a moderate oven, 180°C. 350°F or Gas Mark 4 for 1 hour 15 mins. Serve with pasta.

Stuffed Pork Escalopes

- 4 slices pork fillet, about ½ inch in thickness

Stuffing

- 1 oz butter
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- parsley — 2 tablespoons finely chopped
- 2 bacon rashers, derinded and finely chopped
- 2 oz mushrooms finely chopped
- 2 oz breadcrumbs
- salt and pepper

Coating and Frying

- 2 oz butter
- 1 oz flour
- 1 tablespoon oil

Garnish

- 4 slices lemon
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Slit each fillet of pork horizontally to make a good pocket. Heat the oz of butter and fry the bacon, onion and mushrooms together until the vegetables are soft. Blend with the other ingredients for the stuffing. Carefully insert into the pockets in the meat. Blend the flour with a little salt and pepper, coat the meat in this. Heat the 2 ozs of butter with the oil in a large frying pan. Fry the pork for 2 to 3 minutes on either side, lower the heat and cook for a further 7 to 8 minutes turn once over during this time. Serve topped with the lemon and parsley.



Maynooth Flower and Garden Club

The Club held their Annual Show on Tuesday 8th December. This was an outstanding success. The Demonstration of Flower Arranging was by Marcella Campbell, who kept her large audience spellbound with her interpretation and design. During the evening a bring and buy sale was held, proceeds of which were donated to Kildare Branch National Association for the Blind as well as the profits from the entire show. The Committee are extremely grateful to Fr. Power, Divine Word Missionaries and the ladies of his staff who served teas, and to those who attended and helped in any way to make the evening a success.

Our next meeting takes place on Tuesday 16th February 1988 in the I.C.A. Hall at 8 p.m. Demonstration of flower arranging by Nuala Hegarty. New members always welcome.

Admission for non-members £1.00
Betty Farrell, PRO.

Aer-Lingus Young Scientist 1988 — Congratulations to Janet Whittaker on winning 1st Prize in this years competition in the Junior Biology Individual Project Section. This is a tremendous achievement in what is surely the most competitive section of the whole competition. Janet's project investigated the sterilizing qualities of a microwave oven and her findings led her to conclude that it is a very efficient method of sterilization. Janet is a second year student in the Post-Primary School, Maynooth and is now looking forward to a project in the Senior Section.

Well done also to all the boys and girls and teachers of the school who took part in the various activities prior to Christmas in raising funds for the needy. As a result of a variety of Projects, Sale of Work, Disco and Carol Singing, a cheque of £1,000 was presented to the local Saint Vincent de Paul to make Christmas a little more enjoyable for others and a further £200 was sent to 2 Little Sisters of Assumption in Ethiopia to help them in their work with the very many needy there.

Don't forget the social highlight of the year on Friday, February 5th '88 when the Post-Primary School holds its 11th Annual Debs Ball in the Keadeen Hotel. If you are interested in going then you should make immediate application for tickets because this year has the biggest number of Leaving Certificate students to date and tickets will be difficult, very difficult to get. So don't leave it too late, you have been warned!

The Post-Primary School again was the location for the Old Folks Annual Christmas Dinner. Nearly 170 of our Senior Citizens were treated to a magnificent meal very generously provided by Peter O'Brien. It is always a pleasure to see the local Post-Primary School being used by the Community it serves. It is just another example of the two way support that should always exist between a School and the Community.

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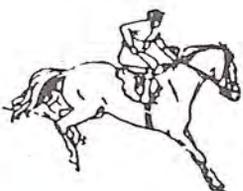
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SPORTS

NEWS

COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

College Green (0) 2 Carnacross Utd. (2) 3

This eagerly awaited battle between the two joint second placed teams in the Division proved to be just as exciting as the pre-match build-up led us to believe. Sadly defeat in this game really puts it up to us to finish in the top two or three now. Our home form this year has been poor to say the least. Against the run of play we found ourselves 0-2 down at half time. A series of incredible decisions from the man in black left both sides scratching their heads. Carnacross were awarded a penalty, which was a very harsh decision in our view. Almost immediately after converting the penalty, they took advantage of a disorganised defence to go two in front. Incredibly Carnacross got number three early in the second half. The home side stepped up a gear and pulled two goals back, one from Ciaran McGroarty and one O.G. We should have got more than two goals, but Lady Luck had sadly deserted us on this particular Sunday morning.

Towerview Utd (1) 2 College Green (1) 4

The four weeks lay-off over the festive season found us in creaky form against the bottom of the Division side. As usual we started badly, betraying our advancing years, but finished as usual on a high note. One minute into the game we were 0-1 down, but by half time Ciaran McGroarty put us on level terms. Disaster struck again and we were 1-2 down early in the second half, despite having all the play. The match drifted on and after countless misses it looked like the game would slip from our hands. Manager O'Connor and Club Captain McGovern, both sidelined through injury, made an inspired substitution bringing on Tom Coffey with twenty minutes left. Five minutes later the man from the Ox mountains equalised. Almost immediately afterwards Tom laid on number three, with Ciaran McGroarty finished for his 11th goal of the season in the league. Tom (who else) also had a hand in Michael Martin's goal which made it 4-2. The home side coasting to a win, suddenly found the game

completely out of their reach. Purcell, McGroarty and Martin ruled the roost in midfield. But it was College Green's answer to Dermot Keely, John Hughes, who took the man of the man plaudits, playing at centre half for Tony O'Connor.

Robinstown (1) 3 College Green (3) 6

This had to be one of the most eventful games in the League this season. Plenty of goals, goal-mouth incidents and a hard bruising encounter against one of the best sides in the Division. Shortly after the kick-off we gave the opposition the by now customary one goal lead. Shortly afterwards Gerry Murtagh converted a penalty and two goals from Ciaran McGroarty made it 3-1 at half time. However, the home staged a magnificent comeback to level the game at 3-3. Gerry Murtagh restored the lead, scoring direct from a corner. McGroarty made his hat-trick and "super-sub" Coffey wrapped it up with goal no. 6. John Hughes and Ciaran McGroarty were exceptional in this extraordinary match. Paddy McGovern had a fine game as stand-in goalkeeper (is there no limit to his talents?) This win lifted College Green into 3rd place in the table.

Forthcoming Fixtures

24/1/88 home to Shambo
31/1/88 not scheduled yet
7/2/88 home to Rathkenny Rovers
14/2/88 home to Double D
21/2/88 away to Tara
28/2/88 probably home to Corbawn Utd.

Yours sincerely,
Declan Forde.

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

The Leinster un-even age juvenile and Intermediate Men and Ladies cross-country Championships were

held in Leixlip. It was wet and cold and the going was hard for all concerned. In the girls U/9 Michelle Gillick was 25th overall.

U/13 girls: Fiona Redmond 16th and Emma McCluskey 17th and those girls were on the county team which came first. In the girls U/15 Lisa McCluskey put in another fine performance to win the gold. Lisa is proving to be very consistent in her running this year. Carmel Noonan 10th and Catherine Gleeson 27th. These girls were on the county team and received bronze medals.

In the Intermediate Ladies Mary Farrelly ran a hard race and held on to 4th place. Helen Redmond was 11th and they too were on the county team winning gold.

The Intermediate Men also saw three of the club's members on the winning county team. Liam McNamee 4th, Pat Maher 8th and Brian Redmond 9th. These three plus Tony Callaghan 28th got 3rd club too. David Jolly 41st overall. It is most important to remember that all club members should be training hard, as the All Ireland Championships are coming up soon.

MAYNOOTH TOWN LADIES SOCCER CLUB

After a very successful season last year we have now once again commenced training on Wednesday nights in the Post Primary School Gym at 8.30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join us. Further information at 286914. We would like to thank everyone who has sponsored and supported us throughout last year. Also a special word of thanks to the Management, staff and customers of the Leinster Arms where we hold our weekly draws on Saturday nights.

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STREET TALKING

The Christmas lights on the trees along the Main Street aroused much favourable comment: "The best decorations in any town from Dublin to Athlone" was one remark. We have already complimented the Maynooth Chamber of Commerce for arranging such a magnificent display. But it does seem strange that these lights were purchased outside Maynooth; our town has an outlet quite capable of supplying such lights, as the Community Council was aware when it bought the lights for the Christmas tree in the Square. What a pity that the Chamber of Commerce initiative was marred by this failure to support local traders.

Speaking of the impression which Maynooth makes on passers-through — and on residents — it is good to see that Market House, the building opposite the gates to the Avenue which is slap in front of anyone driving in along the road from Dublin, has recently undergone an extensive facelift inside and out. Market House contains the offices of solicitor Declan Foley and of opticians.

Another premises which has had a refit is Coonan's the auctioneers, with a bright new display in the office.

Wednesday is half day for the town, and a number of shops still observe early closing on that day. And, as someone seeking medical attention recently found out, so do all the doctors in Maynooth. There is no surgery available on that afternoon. Anyone even marginally familiar with the demands made on a G.P. will know that they work long and unremitting hours, and are liable to call-outs at any time of the day or night. They need some period of rest, in the interest of themselves and of their patients. But it does seem odd that all three should close up their surgeries on the same afternoon. Surely it would be more sensible to arrange it so that the afternoons off are staggered, and so ensure a regular consultation service through the week.

The *Newsletter* spoke with one of the local doctors about the situation, who confirmed that no change is foreseen in the immediate future.

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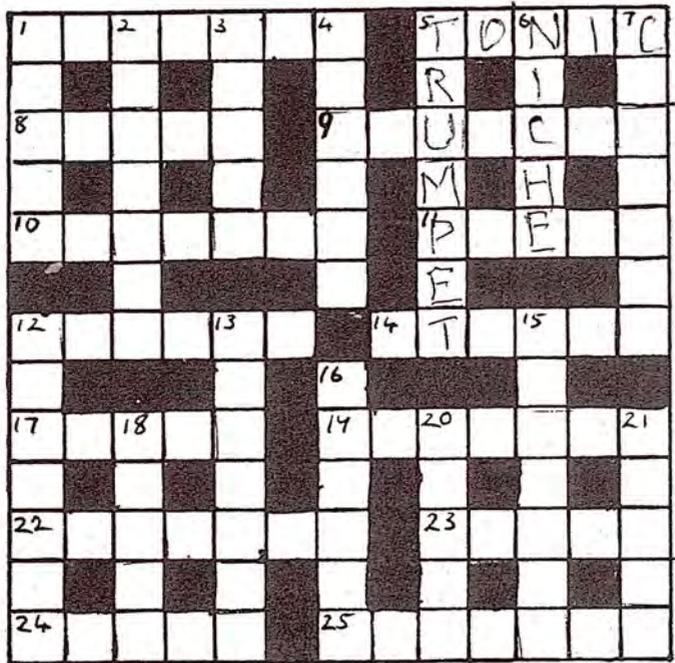
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5. Mix one hundred into gin and this (5)
8. Get your bread here and mix it into first half of eleven (5)
9. Our community has one (7)
10. Attends to details and expands (7)
11. Some pie, Cecil? Yes (5)
12. According to Yeats, moon's are silver, sun's are golden - delicious?
14. Throw suet at sculpture (6)
17. Style of house - a royal one too (5)
19. Local butchers where one is quids in (1'6)
22. This skipper has a hill in 2 (7)
23. Stephen owns a store in Dublin (5)
24. John? Ben? No let out (5)
25. Moslem veil (7)



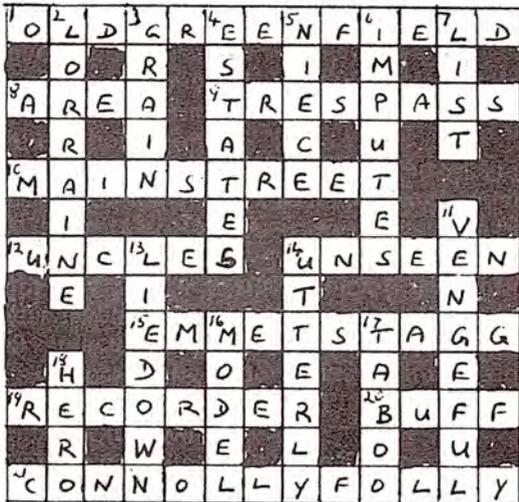
Down

1. What is done in 8 sounds necessary (5)
2. Salmon-leap in 1 Across, stop for 66 but not for 67A (7)
3. Beer? Right! On the look-out (5)
4. Cue sex change? Pardon! (6)
5. Blow this for a musical instrument (7)
6. Alcove for H . . . with nice surround (5)
7. St Patrick's, for instance, has support in old king (7)

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12. The Newsletter has a definite one, and might publish it (7)
- 15 & 13. Come, enter a line crookedly written, or make a phone call courtesy of this (7,7)
18. 1 Across or Down, for instance, make up 26 or six respectively (6)
18. Storehouse - e.g. Conyngham Road Garage (5)
20. Nobility of 1 Across - learner surrounded by listeners (5)
21. Get it from 19 Across; well done! (5)

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Winner of January's competition was:

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BIRTHDAY GREETINGS



Birthday greetings to my mother Nanny Connolly 350 Greenfield who will be 90 years on 1st Feb. with love from Madge and grandchildren also my granddaughter Yvonne McCarron, 2 years on 27th Feb. Love Nanna, Peter, Imelda and Ann.

Happy 90th birthday to Mrs Anne Connolly on 1st Feb., 350 Old Greenfield, Maynooth. From Eva, Pat, Barry, Marcella, Lorraine, Robert and Aoife.

MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

The society regrets to report that 1987 has been another bad year for the society. During the year we had the death of twenty seven members R.I.P. The large amount of deaths has resulted in a running loss to the society of approx £2,000. The society paid out death benefit to the amount of £7,500 during the year. The deficit has mainly come about by defaulting members who have not paid their annual subscription. The society has decided that this situation will not be allowed to continue. The society has been instructed by the Auditor and the Registrar of Friendly Societies to advise defaulting members that if their annual subscription is not cleared by the Annual General Meeting that they will be excluded from the society Roll and also forfeit all claims against the society. Defaulting members will also be excluded from rejoining the society at any further time. This rule as registered with the Registrar of Friendly Societies will be strictly enforced as and from March 1st 1988.

The society sits every Sunday morning in the Band Room Hall from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the benefit of members wishing to pay their annual subscription.

The A.G.M. will be held in the Band Hall on Sunday 27th February 1988 at 3 p.m.

The annual Mass for deceased members will be offered on the same day at 11 a.m. All members are invited to attend.

P. Nolan. Hon. Secretary.
K. Murphy. Hon. Ass. Secretary.



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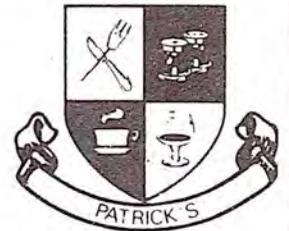
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We are running a "May Day Fair" on Saturday, Sunday, 16th April, 17th April, again in association with the boy's National School. Two workers employed by the Community Council under the National Manpower Scheme will help with the event. All enquiries to the Community Council office. Ph. 285922. Fund raising is taking a lot of the committee's time and we seem to be fighting an uphill battle, more committee helpers and new fund raising ideas are urgently needed. The people of Maynooth have been very generous in the past but we urgently need more funds and

help. If you feel you can do anything for us contact Norah McDermott at the Community Council office phone 285922. It would be a pity to see the project close due to a lack of funds.

The Royal Canal Amenity and Restoration Group Committee are as follows:

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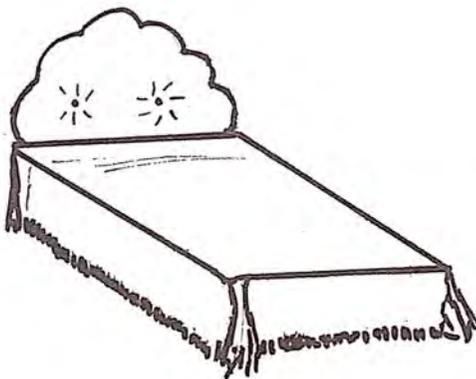
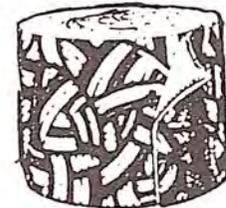
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VITAL STATISTICS

Did you know that there were 1345 permanent private households in Maynooth in 1986, and that out of a population of 5525, 1497 were aged under 14 years, another 1438 were aged between 15 and 24 years. There were 1711 aged between 25 and 44 years, while only 591 were aged between 45 and 64 and those aged over 65 years numbered only 288.

There were 156 widowed persons, only 31 widowers, compared with 125 widows. Unmarried women seeking males are in luck as single males outnumber single females by almost 300 — 1879 single men, and 1581 single women. Of those who were ever married not widowed, there were 944 men and 965 women.

Seen dining in the Country Shop last month was BBC broadcasting personality Cliff Mitchelmore, who was over on a preliminary 'reece' for the forthcoming "Hymns of Praise" programme from the College.

Will the owners of bank accounts numbers 88044533, 69181997 and 00019022 kindly contact telephone number 286234 where they might hear something to your advantage? Maybe they could explain to the person at the other end of the phone precisely how receipt slips bearing their account numbers came to be on the pavement in front of the Bank of Ireland pass machine on 16th January 1988? Certainly numbers 88044533 won't be able to pay the fine for littering the pavement if it turns out that the receipt dropped from his or her hands to the ground as he or she only had £30 left in the account. However 69181997 is in a better financial situation, and can well afford to throw money around

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BURGLARIES

Recent media reports have highlighted a problem that Maynooth residents have long known. That is the problem of spates of burglaries, which it now appears are the work of hordes of young criminals invading Maynooth from other areas. The Community Council appeals to all residents to be vigilant. A register of burglaries is being kept in the Community Council office, so if you have been burgled, please inform the office.

PILLARS OF THE HOUSE

Maynooth must be unique in that two of its residents were featured in the recent collection of poems written by women in Ireland over the last few centuries. Claire O'Connor from Railpark has two poems, while Mary O'Donnell from Newtownmacabe has one poem published in this comprehensive collection. Mary's piece was singled out for special commendation by Derek Mahon in his *Irish Times* review of the anthology.

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Here's hoping! **Gabriel Martin**
(P.R.O. for the A.B.C.)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Dr. William Cowhey

The family of the late Dr. William Cowhey wish to thank all those who sympathised with them on their recent sad bereavement, all those who attended the removal of remains, Mass and Funeral and those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes and letters of sympathy. A special word of thanks to the following for the help — Fr. Supple P.P., Fr. Cogan and Fr. Thyne and all the Priests who officiated at the Mass, Dr. C. O'Rourke and Dr. D. Nolan, Maynooth Ambulance staff, Garda Siochana and also to all our friends and neighbours who helped in so many ways. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Anne Brady Jones. Died 12th December 1987. The husband, children, mother in law, father, mother, brothers, sisters, sisters in law, brothers in law, nieces and nephews wish to thank all our friends and neighbours for their kind thoughts and support in our tragic loss. For all who sent Mass cards and flowers, and a special thanks to Fr. Supple P.P., Fr. Cogan C.C., Fr. Thyne and C.C. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

**The Brady Family,
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Patrick Dempsey 144 Mariaville, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, all those who attended the removal of remains, mass and funeral. Also those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes and sympathy cards. A special word of thanks to Dr. Maurice Cowhey, Fr. Supple P.P., Fr. Cogan C.C. and Fr. Thyne Fr. Frank Power, Presentation Sisters and S.S.P.S. Sisters. To our very good neighbours and friends for their help and kindness. A very sincere thank you to all. Please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

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Mullally, Graiguesallagh, Maynooth

The family of the late Pauline Mullally wish to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, those who called to the house, attended removal of the remains, Mass and funeral, those who sent telegrams, letters of sympathy and wreaths, those who travelled long distances and all who had holy Mass offered. A special word of thanks to the priests of the parish for their kindness. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of all.

BROTHER EAMONN BEAGAN

Many residents of Maynooth and graduates of the College will have been saddened to hear of the death of Brother Eamonn Beagan, formerly in the Department of Education in the College, in South Africa. Brother Eamonn was buried in Athlone in January. Ar dheis de go raibh a anam.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy to the husband, parents, brothers, sisters, relatives of the late Ann Jones formerly Ann Brady, Clock House, Maynooth.

Sympathy to the family, relatives of the late Patrick (Paddy) Dempsey, Dillons Row, Maynooth.

Sympathy to husband and family of Mrs. Roseanne McCartin, Smithstown who died recently.

Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. P. Burke, Ballygoran on the death of their son.

RETIRED

Edward (Ted) Smith, Laraghbryan has retired after forty years service on the P.W. Dept. staff of C.I.E. He was presented with an inscribed wristlet watch and lighter by workmates. We wish him many happy years in retirement.

RECENT BIRTHS

Congratulations to William and Meave Fegan, U.S.A. on the birth of a baby boy. Maeve was formerly Maeve Cowhey, Leinster Park, Maynooth.

Recent Engagement

Congratulations to Rita Dempsey and Declan Gilheany on their recent engagement from all their friends in Maynooth.

ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to Dennis Breen, Claremount House, Maynooth and Mary Costello, Skerries who were engaged recently.

Congratulations to Sean Nyland, Greenfield, Maynooth and Ann Gannon, Celbridge on their recent engagement.

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Gillian, Highfield Kilcock. 6 Jan 24th
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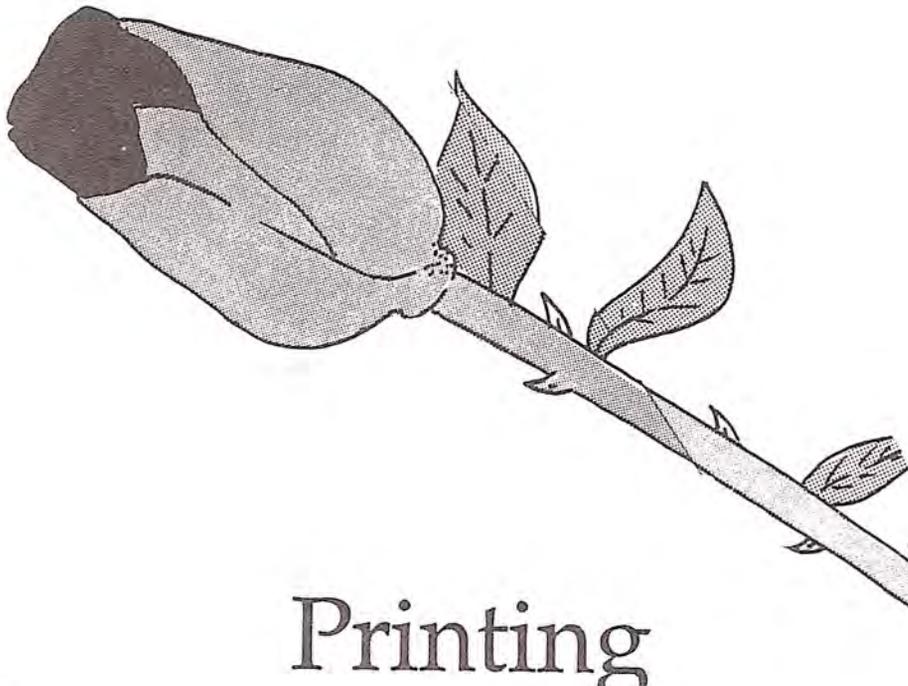
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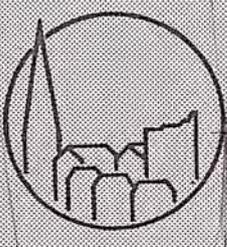
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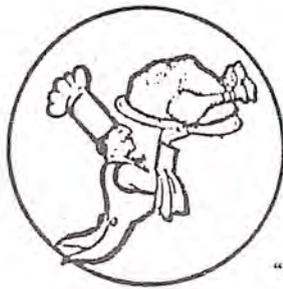
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NOTE TO CONTRIBUTORS

We request all of our contributors to make sure their material is legible. If possible, material should be typed, but as not everyone has access to typewriters, the best way to present material is to use either neat legible writing or block letters, on one side of the paper only.

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EDITORIAL

Under Age Drinking

We featured the problem of under age drinking in Maynooth in our last issue, and we have no hesitation in mentioning the problem again. The Irish National Council on Alcoholism launched a campaign in February to highlight the same problem on a National basis. It is a problem which is not unique to Maynooth, however, we would like to remind parents to keep an eye on their children. Over-indulgence in alcohol can have terrible consequences, including teenage pregnancies, injuries caused by road accidents resulting from drunken carelessness. Young people can also be affected in relation to their performance at school, by Monday morning hangovers. It may be less dramatic than the other consequences listed above, however, failure to perform well in examinations can have lasting consequences on our children's prospects for employment. This is something which parents, teachers, and teenagers should bear in mind.

Saint Patrick's Day Parade

Keep an eye out for your friendly newsletter staff on the parade this year. This will be the fourth parade to have been organised by the Community Council. It is a great day in Maynooth life — an opportunity to meet neighbours and celebrate together the social, athletic and economic achievements in the community. Everyone is welcome — so avoid the crush in Dublin and support your local parade.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

A proposal to stop underage drinking in Maynooth was brought up by Sheamus Flanagan at our meeting on the 15th February. It is hoped to reintroduce identity cards to children from the age of 12 years upwards, and to ask Quinnsworth and other Supermarkets in the area to remove cider from easy access to young people. And we ask parents to be more vigilant.

John Sauls would like to thank the Students Newsletter for highlighting the problem which students are causing in Parson Street and the Community Council request that they stop their activities.

Sheamus Flanagan has received complaints about the billboards of the business people of the town being left all over the footpath. We would like to ask the business people to move them closer to their premises as they are a hazard to pedestrians. As for cars parked on the footpath we ask the offenders to park elsewhere.

The Council is holding a Country Night on Saturday 12th March in the Hitchin' Post to help pay the S.E.S. Workers in the office. There is a strong possibility that the Castle Banquets will be starting again.

PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

The Social and Recreational Committee are looking for volunteers to steward the parade. The assembly point is Greenfields Supermarket at 10.30 a.m. Thirty stewards are needed.

I am sure everyone will be pleased to know that the Douai Boys Choir are coming back to Maynooth again on the 1st July to sing in the Aula Maxima in the College.

We have invited all of our T.D.'s to our next meeting on the 21st March.

THE THING IN THE SQUARE

We have been informed that Kildare County Council are only allowing 4 hours weekly to the cleaning of the "Thing". We think this is a disgrace as it will become a health hazard to

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the community and we think it should be closed or knocked down as it is an eye sore even as it stands.

RAIL PARK

It has been brought to our notice that some of the residents are dumping household rubbish in the ditch at the back of the bungalows. The Tidy Towns Committee take a very poor view of this and will take action if it continues.

It is unfortunate that the Country Night clashes with the Centenary Dinner of the Salesians on the 12th March. We would like to thank them for their work with the community over the years.

Mary Simon P.R.O.

Country Night

In the immediate future, the next event will be a **Country Night** in the Hitchin Post on Saturday 12th March at 8 pm. The band is **Hank Halfhead and the Rambling Turkeys**, led by Niall Toner of RTE fame. Admission is £3, a giveaway compared with £5 which is the charge in the Olympia where they play late on Friday night. They turn away about 150 people from this show each week. The music is suitable for anyone from 17 to 100 with country, bluegrass and general foot-stomping stuff which will guarantee that no-one could sit still but will compel you to dance! They have them rolling and dancing in the aisles in the Olympia — so dress up, come along and have a great night with us.

Finally, anyone in Maynooth who is interested in any of the sub-committees and wishes to join in their activities should contact the office:

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**Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin
Chairwoman.**

THE LIBRARY DIARY

To all groups, associations and organisations etc. who organise events for the Maynooth area; We would like to draw your attention to the Diary in Maynooth Library. The Diary is there to be used by all, to log coming events. In this way all groups will know whats on, when and where. By making full use of this Diary we will all avoid clashing dates and this should make for better running of events for all.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL – FIRST FOUR YEARS

Background

The Council is now approaching its fourth birthday, and the time has come to review the original aims and achievements over that period of time. Originally, the setting up of such a Council was the brainchild of Father Supple, The Maynooth Newsletter and Emmet Stagg, now Labour T.D. for Kildare. A steering committee was set up to organise the elections for the various areas and the Council held its Inaugural Meeting on June 7th 1984 in the Parish Hall, Maynooth. Pronnsias Breathnach held the position of Chairman for the first three years.

The second elections were held in March 1987 and by then the Council has set in motion most of the major events and activities in which we are still involved today.

The principal aims of the body are to provide employment or to assist in providing employment in the Maynooth area; to assist local representatives in their work for the people and to provide recreational facilities and opportunities.

Structurally, the Community Council consists of an Executive Committee, steering the members who represent all of Maynooth and the outlying areas. Also represented are the College and the Student's Union.

Sub-Committees

There are five sub-committees at present, these are responsible for such activities as the Community Games, the production of the **Maynooth Directory**, setting up the Community Information Centre (situated in the Library), with the co-operation and continuing support of the NSSB, which thankfully survived attempts at its disbandment. The **Maynooth Newsletter** was handed over to the Council in 1985 and flourishes under an independent Editorial Board, but responsible to the Council. The **Tidy Towns** committee also functions under our umbrella, and work tirelessly to bring Maynooth to a more acceptable level of cleanliness and environmental improvement. They are trying to raise funds to this end at present.

Many social events are organized under our auspices including The St. Patrick's Day Parade, Community Week, the Christmas tree etc.

Workers

During the four years, two rooms have been rented in the Town Mall and nine people are employed there: two from the Teamwork Scheme and seven from the Social Employment Scheme. This provides employment, but only for a year at a time, when they must be replaced. The weekly pay of £60 for a single person, (lowered from the previous £70) paid by FÁS (formerly **Manpower**) is insufficient, to say the least. The recent amalgamation of **Manpower**, the **YEA** and **AnCO** has caused chaos among voluntary bodies who are sponsoring these Schemes. The move occurred without any obvious forward planning, and the unfortunate officials administering the SES are insufficiently briefed, which leaves sponsoring bodies labouring under severe financial pressures due to delayed payments and confusion over new forms etc.

Local Issues

To carry out the main aims of the Council, councillors, T.D's and Government Ministers are lobbied and petitioned on such issues as the Cable Television reception, the abysmal state of Laraghbryan Cemetery, an improved bus service, the removal or renovation of the 'Thing' in the town Square, the upgrading of the Straffan Road, the general state of the roads in the Maynooth area, the Education cutbacks etc. Through the **Newsletter** the people may voice their concern about the rise of crime in Maynooth and help our lobbying for a better policing service in the area. The Harbour Field has also been insured by the Council, and a booking system was established through the office. It is hoped that in the future, a more concrete arrangement may be developed with the Trustees and the Maynooth Development Association which would lead to a clarification in the position of the Field itself, the Geraldine Hall and the childrens playground which remains uninsured.

As a result of these pressures, the TV reception has improved due to the intervention of the Minister, the graveyard was improved, there is now a 67A bus service from Maynooth to Dublin, via Celbridge, and the 66 service is soon to be extended to facilitate the residents who live in

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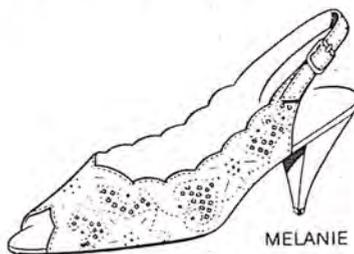


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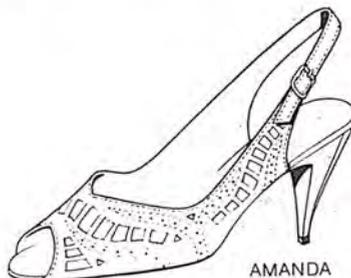
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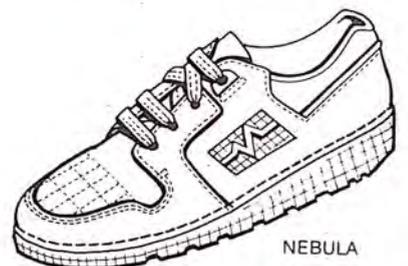
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the housing estates over the bridge. Kildare County Council are, at least, to renovate the 'Thing'.

Sports Complex

The most ambitious plan was the building of a Sports Complex for the young growing population. It was hoped to receive monies from the Lottery, but despite a meeting with the local T.D's, such assistance did not materialise. Maynooth College had undertaken to provide the land, and there may be cause for renewed hope of some developments in that area again.

The second major recreational venture in which the Council have become involved recently, is the effort to build a Swimming Pool on VEC land beside the Maynooth Post-Primary School. Again, monies were refused from the Lottery, despite the lobbying from local T.D's.

Enterprise Groups

The most recently formed sub-committee within the Council is an **Enterprise Group**, which aims to provide full-time employment in the area, with advice from FÁS and the

co-operation of Fr. Mc Gréil and the Sociology Department in the College. An AnCO course was requested last November with a view to training people in the details of setting up a business themselves; but again the amalgamation of the three bodies has interfered with this request for a course.

Forthcoming Events

The major project being undertaken at present, which occupies the time and energy of two of the SES workers is the assembly of an Exhibition of Maynooth as a developing town, this will consist of drawings of the focal points and a model of the many historical aspects: the Castle, the Canal, the College, Carton House etc.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade will go ahead this year as usual, and entries are welcome from surrounding towns such as Leixlip, Celbridge, Kilcock and Lucan. Last year 50 floats and 6 bands took part.

It must be noted also that the famous *Douai Boys Choir* will perform again in Maynooth on the 1st of July

8pm in the **Aula Maxima**, St. Patrick's College. This is a unique opportunity to see and hear one of the best choirs in the world — more information will be available on this event in the coming months.

Fundraising

It must be emphasised that fundraising is not the principal aim of Maynooth Community Council, but as a sponsoring body for a Social Employment Scheme, we require £2,500 approximately to fund the workers in the office. Without the support of these nine people the work of the Council would virtually grind to a halt. To this end, a fundraising committee is to be established. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have supported us in our events last year; an extremely successful Community Week, the opening of Carton House to the public for the first time in ten years, and a Halloween Dance helped to raise the necessary funding last year.

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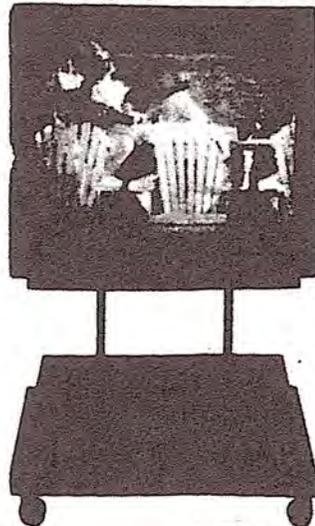
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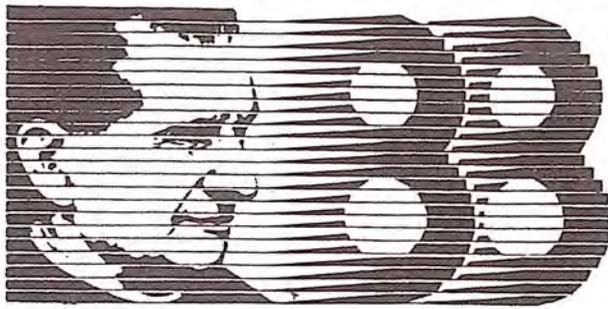
Niall Toner senior is well-known from his country music programmes on RTE, especially on Saturday morning, but he also sings and plays with his son, Niall junior, and four others in the weirdly-titled band **Hank Halfhead and the Rambling Turkeys**. Their repertoire includes good solid country music, bluegrass and generally lively foot-stomping, dance-around-the-kitchen, spit-on-the-floor music which no-one in their right mind could resist! It suits anyone from 18 to 90!

Come along to the Hitching Post on **Saturday 12th March** at 8-11, and have a different, great night of live music and dancing. It is a giveaway at £3 since they play the Olympia every Friday night at £5 — and you don't have to travel to town. About 150 are turned away from the Olympia each night due to the demand on their music. They also made an appearance recently on **Evening Extra**. Dress up if you wish — cowboy boots, shirts, hats — whatever! You will be sorry if you miss this night! This band is on the up and up!

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of the lad concerned, and this at a time when nobody thought of protecting the young from exploitation.

Whenever he met a lad sleeping rough he invited him to stay at his place. If he was unskilled, he trained him in some trade. He was soon short of space and so had to expand. He was always short of money but providence never failed him.

The Salesian family that he founded — which consists of priests, brothers and sisters as well as helpers, benefactors and past pupils— continues to spread his work the world over.

We also find them here in Maynooth involved with local youth and also near by in Celbridge where they run a school.

To mark this special occasion the Salesians will be holding a special Centenary Dinner Dance in March. It is an opportunity for everyone to celebrate with the Salesians. For more information contact Salesian House, Maynooth. Tel. 286111

John Campion, Salesian House.

**MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK
LIONS CLUB**

Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club would like to thank all the people who helped in any way in donating food items to the RTE 2/Lions Club Food Appeal at Christmas and sponsoring runners in the Egg & Spoon race on New Year's Day.

The money raised by our successful Egg & Spoon race will be donated equally between the Old People's Coal Fund and St. Mary's Church of Ireland. Each will receive approx. £900. The Draw on the Egg and Spoon Sponsorship Cards resulted as follows: £100 — Mr. Healy c/o Barberstown Castle. £100 — Peter O'Brien c/o Peter O'Brien Catering. £100 — Mr. Johnny Davison c/o Ted Kehoe, V-Belts and Hoses.

The club have many more projects in the offing, and appreciate the support of the people of Maynooth and local areas in these charitable events.

**Cake Sale Raffle Results held in
Parish Hall on Sunday Feb. 14th.**

- 1st Prize:** Mrs. Celine Relly, Kilcock.
- 2nd Prize:** Mrs. Buckley, Greenfield.
- 3rd Prize:** Mr. Tom Leonard, Kilcock Rd, Maynooth.

Mr Dermot O'Neill has contacted us about a letter published in last month's issue, written by Edward Kehoe, concerning the state of the pavements in Main Street. In the letter, there was a sentence which read "when I walk by O'Neill's Butcher cars nearly knock us down." The reference to O'Neill's shop was purely to indicate the location of a dangerous junction, where Kelly's Lane emerges onto Main Street. Cars entering the Main Street from this junction sometimes shoot out into the path of oncoming pedestrians. Mr O'Neill was concerned that the letter might be interpreted as suggesting that cars belonging to the staff of O'Neill's Butchers may be the cause of some inconvenience and danger to pedestrians; the Newsletter is happy to assure Mr O'Neill that this was not the intention of the letter, as the above explanation shows.

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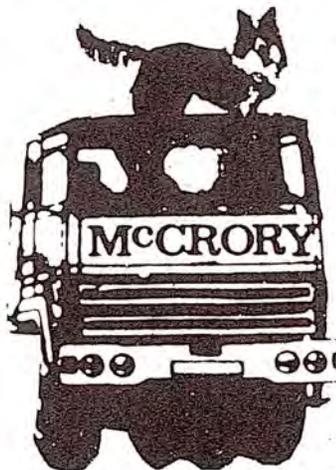
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BETTY AND EAMONN McNAMEE
17 Straffan Way
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February 10th 1988.

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Irish Kidney Association, we would like to thank all the people who helped us with our Annual Church Gate Collection held on January 30th and 31st 1988. Also a big thank you for the wonderful generosity of the people of Maynooth. The total sum raised was £284.62.

Once again, many thanks to all concerned.

Sincerely,
Betty and Eamonn McNamee.

15 February 1988.

Dear Editor,

I would be grateful for the opportunity to present details of the Lantern Project which began in the Geraldine Hall in early January. The Lantern Drop-in Centre is organised under the auspices of Don Bosco Trust. It is a Social Employment Scheme with Government backing.

The Lantern Drop-in Centre provides a welcome for all members of the community that wish to use the facilities. Tea, coffee and soup are served all day at reasonable cost, daily papers are available and an educational programme is being planned. The Centre will provide advice and help for those who call in and the centre will work in conjunction with the Community Information Centre which supplies information on social welfare issues, tax problems etc.

Don Bosco Trust, which is the sponsoring body, is part of a 32 county ecumenical project with particular emphasis on helping the unemployed. The offices for Northern Ireland are in Belfast.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Trustees of the Geraldine Hall for their permission to use the facilities for the benefit of the community. I would like to thank the

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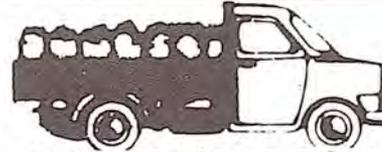
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Committee and members of Brú Bosco for their co-operation with the use of their facilities, for which we are deeply grateful. Finally to thank the workers on the Lantern scheme for their hard work and dedication in getting this project off the ground.

Your sincerely,

Fr. Michael Ross S.D.B.
Director Don Bosco Trust/
Anchor Trust

52 Greenfield Drive,
Maynooth,
Co. Kildare.

19th January 1988.

Dear Editor,

I am the mother of two girls attending Maynooth Post Primary School and feel very strongly about the prospect of the cutbacks.

At a meeting in Lumville House, Newbridge on the evening of 18th January 1988 a large group of parents met with the local T.D's. to discuss their opposition to the education cuts in V.E.C. schools

The first T.D. to speak was Mr. Paddy Power who told us that he would work (within the Party) to ensure that any questions brought up in the discussions would receive an answer. He more or less said that since the parents of today were "different" to the parents of yesteryear, they were getting what they deserved. Perhaps what Mr. Power meant was that if parents now expect to be listened to by their political representatives (BETTERS??), then they need not think they can tell him what to do, only C.J. can do that!!! He reminded us that he had been a teacher for many years which just goes to show how bad things used to be. All I can say is "Thank God for the enlightened teachers of Maynooth".

Then Mr. Charlie McCreevy spoke. His tactic was slightly different. He told us that there would be no extra money for education in 1988 and that anyway if the teachers wanted better facilities or longer teaching hours they could always provide them out of the goodness of their hearts. I wonder if Mr. McCreevy would like to practice a little of what he preaches. (He could persuade the members of the Dail to take normal holidays, even our "overpaid" teachers will have been back to school two full weeks before the Dail session is due to begin.) He also pointed out that 82% of the cost of education goes to pay salaries. In fairness, he did say that the 'electioneering' of Fianna Fail in the late 70's was a scandal, but did not emphasise that most of the Fianna Fail party who made excessive wage agreement commitments are still in power within the party. I wonder what percentage of the cost of government goes to pay the salaries of staff and whether the taxpayers or the electorate in general, would feel that the quality of return from the salaries of T.D's bears comparison to the return in terms of commitment to education shown by so many of our teachers.

When Mr. Emmet Stagg addressed the meeting, he pointed out the scandal of the situation where blood-stock profits are completely tax free while our children are having their opportunities limited. He did score political points but then that is easy when one is not actually in government. Despite that, nobody could question the veracity of what he said. He has promised to vote against the cuts in the Dail.

Bernard Durkan then told the gathering that voting against the cuts was not going to bring any more money into the arena and that bringing down the government was only going to

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cost the country more money. I am not sure where that leaves the future education of our children. But it does mean that Fine Gael will have time to organise themselves to THEIR advantage which seemed to be the most important thing to Mr. Durkan. So, while he fights for the good of his party, who fights for us and our children?

Mr. Alan Dukes, who told us that he intends to be back in government within the next few years, informed us that the whole saga of the cuts in education was an unnecessary farce. There is no need for any cuts and that there is sufficient funding already available for education if they would only manage the money better. (One presumes that means if only Fine Gael were still there!) To the amazement of the audience, when questioned about the morality and/or equality of the grants to fee-paying schools, he justified the grants and their size (£100 per head to fee paying schools as opposed to approximately £52 per head to V.E.C. schools) on the grounds that if the fee-paying schools were to close down the children attending them would be thrown back into the state (free) education system and that would increase the burden on it. As numerous parents pointed out to him, the parents who send their children to fee-paying

schools, do so by choice and not necessity and would do so even if no state grant were to be paid.

There were a lot of anxious parents at the meeting and I do not think that any of them left the meeting consoled or convinced that the T.D's for our area are either willing or able to ensure that the education of our children in the V.E.C. schools is not decimated in the cutbacks.

The politicians may feel they are winning in relation to the cutbacks in education as parents are not the ones with the power to say yea or nay. But I would like to give them fair warning,

They may win the battle but we will win the war.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. Carmel Hogan.

Dear Editor,

Would you please advertise the following on behalf of Maynooth Community Council.

There is presently a vacancy on the Community Council for a Representative from Straffan Rd./Old Railpark. Anyone interested should contact the Community Council offices, Tel. 285922 or call into our offices at Town Centre Mall.

Also the Community Council would like people to come forward to become part of their new fund raising com-

mittee. You do not have to be a member of the council.

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Murtagh.
SECRETARY.

Dear Editor,

As some readers of the Newsletter may be aware that the Community Council are pushing for a better policing service in Maynooth. However to date our efforts have been in vain and our latest letter from the commissioner of the Gardai echoes the point of his colleagues that "Maynooth is one of the best policed areas of the Carlow/Kildare division."

For obvious reasons we do not accept this abysmal answer and this is where we ask for your support. We will try to make a file on robberies etc. in the area and submit it to the commissioner. If you have had a need to call the Gardai lately we would like to know about it.

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Your support is vital.

Mary Murtagh. (Sec.)

Residents' Associations News.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

We would like to remind residents that the **Supper Dance** will be held on Saturday the 27th February, in Slevins of Dunboyne.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It is that time of year again, the twelve months appear to have flown by! The meeting will be held on **Thursday, 10th March** at 8 pm in the **ICA Hall**. We would like to see as large an attendance as possible, since there are some very important items that require discussion.

66 BUS

We have been informed by local representatives that the 66 bus will soon cross the bridge, and turn at Noones. After years of waiting, we now have two buses serving the Estates! Needless to say, we welcome this latest development in the bus saga.

LIGHTING

In answer to our letters to the local councillors, we have received answers which informed us that it was impossible to restore the public lighting due to current cutbacks in the budget allocated to the Council by the Government. In fact, it is possible that further cutbacks may be implemented next year! The committee will call to each house with a petition, demanding restoration of lighting. The rise in crime in Maynooth over the past few weeks can hardly be coincidental.

SHOPPING CENTRE

The rear section of the centre is for sale, and the committee has discussed the possibility of acquiring it as a **Community Centre**, which would serve as a Youth Club, meeting room, Creche, or whatever the residents would require. We intend to circularise all Estates in the area, including Cluain Aoibhinn, etc., to clarify their feelings about the project.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

This must be raised to £5 per house, with the usual reduction for students and Old Age Pensioners. It costs £1,000 to cut the grass alone, and

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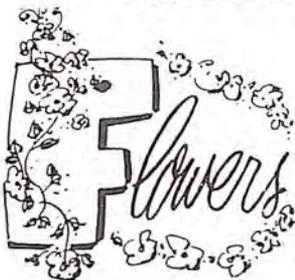
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the Association need the extra capital now. Apologies for ending with the bad news! Looking forward to seeing you all at the **Supper Dance** and at the AGM.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin P.R.O.

CARTON COURT MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS

The Committee held its first meeting of 1988 early in February. We would like to sincerely thank the following for their generous contributions of spot prizes to our Annual Residents Dance, Guinness Ltd. compliments of Noel Kennedy, E.V. Thompson, Quinnsworth, Sean Donovan, Tom Geraghty, Veronica Dolan, Seamus McLoughlin, J. Barry's, Dan Logan, Greg Kenny, Eugene Murphy, (Premier Dairies), The Roost, Caulfields, A.I.B., Gerry Mulcahy (Butchers), Tom O'Keeffe and Paddy Ryan, (Many Thanks).

Lastly, responding to local demand C.I.E. have erected a bus stop at the entrance to our estate. The 66 bus has been in service on the Straffan Road since Monday February 15th and new timetables will be available shortly from Aidan's Newsagents.

Antoinette Crosbie P.R.O.

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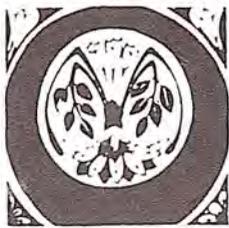
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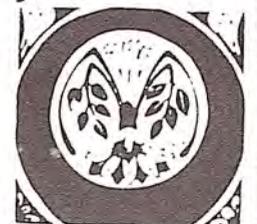


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PARTY POLITICAL NOTES

FINE GAEL NOTES

The January Meeting of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael was held on Tuesday 26th in the ICA Hall, Maynooth.

There was a very good attendance at the meeting and many varied topics were discussed. A very lively discussion ensued on the water/refuse charges issue and the lack of public lighting in the estates due to cut-back by the County Council.

Deputy Bernard Durkan in his address to the meeting, outlined the position in which the County Council found themselves prior to Christmas and the need for them to take harsh measures to collect outstanding monies due for some years. He also informed the meeting that a General Election could be in the offing and to be well prepared for any such event.

The following points were also discussed:

1. Amenity Grants Scheme:

Deputy Bernard Durkan received the following reply from the Minister for Environment regarding capital grants and if they will be made available during 1988 for community facilities such as, halls, swimming pools, sports tracks etc.

"There is provision in my Department's Estimates for 1988 for capital grants for swimming pools. Grants will also be made available for recreational and amenity projects under the Amenity Grants Scheme financed from National Lottery Funds. I am not yet in a position to indicate the likely funding for particular areas."

2. Royal Canal:

Following continuous representations by Deputy Bernard Durkan the reply below was received from the

Minister for Finance*

"During 1988, the Commissioners of Public Works, in collaboration with the various voluntary groups and local authorities, will continue with their programme of dredging, installation of new lock gates and other essential maintenance work which must be carried out before any development work is undertaken on the Royal Canal".

3. Maynooth Fire Station:

Deputy Bernard Durkan raised the matter of improvements at the above station with the Minister for Environment and received this reply:

"Consideration of the fire authority's design proposals for improvements to Maynooth Fire Station is nearing completion and I hope to be in a position to write to Kildare County Council shortly. The question of loan approval is premature at this stage. There are no other proposals from the fire authority before me".

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4. Leixlip/Kilcock By-Pass:

Following continuous representations by Deputy Bernard Durkan to the Minister for the Environment, the following reply was received:

"I expect to be in a position to give a decision on the Lucan-Kilcock Motorway scheme very soon. Without prejudice to this decision, the timing of construction of the scheme is being considered in the context of the preparation of a Blueprint for Road Development which I intend to publish within the next few months".

5. Recruitment Drive:

A recruitment drive will take place during March for new members. Further information will be available shortly.

6. Fundraising Activities:

Do you know your Ireland???? A Super Table Quiz will be held on Wednesday 16th March '88, in Setanta House Hotel, Celbridge. Table of 4 £12.00. Everyone Welcome. . .

7. Deputy Bernard Durkan is available to meeting constituents at the Geraldine Hall, Maynooth every Saturday at 2.30 p.m. approx.



LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Moyglare Road:— The following reply has been received from the County Engineer, following further representations by Deputy Stagg.

Re: Complaint from T. Ashe, Principal, Maynooth Post Primary School.

Dear Deputy,

I refer to letter, dates 23.12.1987, sent out on my behalf concerning the above.

In the case of the Moyglare Road and at the location referred to, I am pleased to inform you that provision has been made for some fairly substantial improvements on the section leading to the school in the near future. Some of this work will be financed from Development Levies, when available, and also there will

be some D.O.E. assistance by way of a County Road Strengthening Grant.

I am arranging for this work to be put in hand at the earliest opportunity and I regret any inconvenience arising from the inappropriate reply of the 23.2.87.

Planning Application:— J. Geoghegan has applied for permission for 200 houses at Moyglare.

Leinster Court:— At a recent Area Committee meeting of the Council it was agreed to recommend to the full council that the Estate be taken in charge.

Budget '88:— The Budget was discussed at a recent Branch meeting. Many features of it were condemned including the meagre 3% which farmers and self-employed people will be asked to pay in P.R.S.I. for the same benefits as workers on P.A.Y.E. paying more than double the rate. A more detailed reaction to the Budget will be given in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Patrick Moynan, Branch Secretary.

Political notes cont.
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WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

Local Workers' Party representative, Catherine Murphy has been pursuing the matter of the employment Office in Maynooth. Anyone who passes the office on dole day can only be struck by the scale of the problem of unemployment in the North Kildare area, as shown by the length of the queue.

The Employment Office handles over 3,000 claimants, of whom 1,200 visit the office each week. With only twenty hours available, this represents over sixty callers to the office per hour. The National Manpower Service is even more limited, with just three hours per week available to the public in Maynooth.

The Workers' Party is calling for the extension of services to meet the needs of the thousands of unemployed people in the area. Deputy Proinnsias de Rossa tabled a question in the Dail recently asking the Minister for Social Welfare if he would arrange to have the Employment Office in Maynooth upgraded to a full employment exchange, and if he would arrange for the provision there on a full time basis of Manpower Service facilities. The Minister has replied as follows:

The Department's office in Maynooth is run by a Branch Manager who provides office accommodation and staffing under contract. The growth in the number of unemployed clients has undoubtedly placed considerable pressure on both the accommodation and the staff of all the department's local offices. While there are no plans at present to upgrade Maynooth Employment Office to a full employment exchange, the question of providing an employment exchange in the Lucan/Leixlip area is being examined.

The Branch Manager is in the process of acquiring alternative accommodation for the Branch Office, which will enable the level of service to be improved.

The question of arranging for the provision of full-time Manpower Service facilities in Maynooth is a matter for FAS. It is accepted that the provision of information on such facilities would enhance the service available to social welfare clients, and the objective is to arrange for this in future where it is feasible.

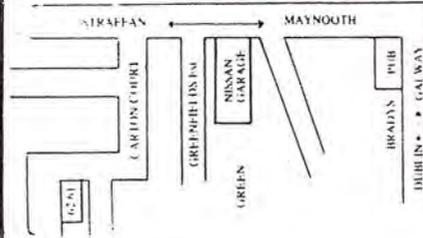
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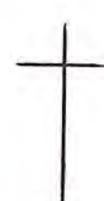
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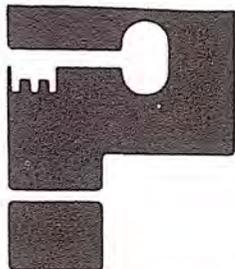
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3. You should check with the "Records" division of the Dept. of Social Welfare and ask them to provide information on contributions paid and credited to you (at least up to the end of the previous tax year).

4. Your employer is obliged to give you a statement of earnings and deductions (P.60) at the end of each tax year. If there is a delay in receiving your P60, ask your employer for an explanation. If you receive a P60 in good time it is usually an indication that your PRSI is being paid in.

5. If your employment only commenced in the current tax year the Dept. of Social Welfare wouldn't yet know details of PRSI deductions. In this case you should write to The Collector General, Office of the Revenue Commissioners, Teach Earlsfort, Hatch Street, Dublin 2. Quote your RSI number, employer's name and address and registered number.

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BRU BOSCO NOTES

The Club got off to a great start in their effort to celebrate Don Bosco's centenary in conjunction with all Salesians over the world. They held an Academy in the Geraldine Hall on Friday 29th January, it seems to have been a wonderful night. My only regret is that I was not present to enjoy the fun. The following notes were given to me by Eilis O'Malley our Club Secretary who you can be sure worked hard together with the rest of our Leaders to make this a very special occasion.

Notes from Eilis

ACADEMY 19th Jan.

Introduced by Brian O'Malley, who welcomed all present to the celebration. Compere for the night was Joe McGuigan, who did a championship job... thank you very much... a real knockout.

Items on concert.

1 — Maynooth's contribution to the Millennium — Molly Malone with Caroline and Stephane Thompson and Mary Hearins with Ciaran on guitar.

2 — "The Inspector" — written and produced by Paul Daly. Taking part were Jane McDermott, Karen Higgins, Darina O'Malley, Anne Marie Lysaght, Geraldine Caulfield and Marie Carr — a real studious bunch.

3 — "The Echo" needs to be seen to be believed — taking part Paul Daly, Brian Murphy, Damien Birchall, Louise Jolly and Yvonne O'Connor.

4 — "Blind Date" — 1st Part "Cilla" à la Eilis. Boys taking part Paul Flood, Colm Brown, Michael McEvoy and Damien Birchell all trying to get a date with Joanne O'Brien.

2nd Part Cilla à la Joe McGuigan — Girls — Anne Marie McEvoy, Sandra Thompson, Nicola O'Brien, Jeannette Thompson, Laura Troy and Sylvia Burke all trying to get a date with Br. John Campion.

5 — "This is your Life" — As a tribute to Ciaran Dallet who has been with us as a leader continually since 1984, we delved into his past to let us see Ciaran in his pre Maynooth Days. Cast — Paul Daly, Ciaran Murphy, Yvonne O'Connor, John Higgins, Patrick Ryan, Louise Jolly, Eamon O'Reilly, Brian Murphy, Peter Grant, Jason Burke, Fiona O'Connor, Damien Birchell. If you didn't see it you may have to wait on Ciaran's autobiography.

6 — Richie Ebeger — The Camel.

7 — Salesian Singers — Dan Ryan, Paul Bahagier and Fr. John Quinn.

8 — Special Request — John Gates and Ciaran Dallet in an action song.

9 — Goodnight — In true Salesian tradition, we had a good night in the theme of Don Bosco ably given by Br. John.

To finish the night we had a party for everyone there — parents, friends, club members and leaders. A good time was had by all.

Valentine Disco

By popular demand we had a disco for members and friends on Thursday 11th February. Music and lights were set up by Johnny Dowling and Gordon Read, and they were very ably assisted by Willy on sound. The girls really enjoyed the night although the boys were scarce on the ground. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the night which included a supper break for crisps, sweets and coke — not bad for 50p if you include light and heat.

Coming up lots of trips, perhaps a Unihoc competition with other Clubs and participation in some more Don Bosco '88 Competitions.

To Eilis' notes I have nothing to add except very happy to know the Club is going so well.

Peig Lynch P.R.O.

I.C.A. NOTES

The monthly meeting took place in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 4th February. Mrs. Bridie Brady presided and welcomed everyone. Madam President extended sympathy to Mrs. Bridie Moore and family on the sudden death of her husband.

An Open Irish night will be held in the Parish Hall on Sunday 20th March. Anybody interested in good Irish music and Irish dancing come along 8 p.m. — 12 midnight.

This month's competition "A Valentine Card" was won by Mrs. Geraldine Tracey, 2nd Betty Farrell and 3rd Mrs. Anne Doohan. There was a large entry in this competition. It just goes to show "Romance" is still very important. Next month's competition is "B.I.M. Fish Cookery Dish."

The guest speaker this month was Rev. Fr. Thynne. He spoke on emigration. It was a most comprehensive and informative talk. It included information about London, covering such things as Social Security, welfare benefits and lists of hostels etc. It also included information on the United States of America and some E.E.C. countries. We extend our thanks to Fr. Thynne for his advice and help and for giving of his expertise and time.

The Badminton ladies are working hard each Tuesday and Thursday mornings 11 a.m. — 12.30. We will be delighted to welcome new and returning members.

Crafts are continuing each Monday night 8 p.m. — 10 p.m., with dress-making, crochet, soft toys, and design your own knitting pattern.

The Set Dancing ladies are busy learning their "new steps", so come along to the I.C.A. Hall on Wednesday at 8.15 p.m.

Finally best wishes to the ladies who will be competing in the "Elanora Gibbon Competition" in Prosperous on February 28th. Next meeting will be held on March 3rd at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall.

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2 teaspoons made mustard

50 g/2 oz brown sugar

2 tablespoons lemon juice

1—2 cloves garlic crushed

2 tablespoons oil

salt and pepper

Mix together all the ingredients for the marinade. Put into a large dish. Add the diced pork and leave in the marinade for at least 2 hours; turn once or twice.

Simmer the onions for about 10 minutes in salted water; strain and add to the marinade. Cut each apple into about 6 thick wedges. Add to the marinade.

Lift the foods from the marinade and thread on to 4 long metal skewers. Hold over the dish so any liquid drops back into the container. Put under a pre-heated grill and cook for about 12 minutes. Turn once or twice and baste with the marinade each time you turn the skewers. Serve with cooked rice.

VARIATION

Simple Pork Kebabs: Dice the pork, as in the basic recipe, put on to skewers with diced red and green pepper — discard the cores and seeds. Add wedges of dessert apple, dipped in lemon juice to maintain the colour. Melt 40 g/1½ oz butter, add a little salt and pepper and dried sage. Brush the food with the flavoured butter before and during cooking. Grill as above.

Lamb and Tomato Tarts

9 to 12 baked patty cases

175 g/6 oz cooked lamb, minced

175 g/6 oz soft liver pâté

2 tomatoes, chopped

salt and pepper

9 to 12 tomato slices

40 g/1½ oz Cheddar cheese, grated

Put the cooked pastry cases on to an ovenproof dish. Blend the lamb, pâté, chopped tomatoes and seasoning. Put into the pastry cases just before heating so the soft filling does not spoil the pastry. Top each tart with a tomato slice and then a layer of grated cheese. Heat towards the top of a moderately hot oven (200°C/400°F or Gas Mark 6) for a few minutes. Serve hot.

MAYNOOTH CASTLE

A Focal Point of Local History

Mary Cullen

Over the next couple of months Mary Cullen will deal with aspects of local historical interest.

At this stage it is time to ask what we can know about the way people lived in the Maynooth area when Maurice FitzGerald was granted Offelan by Strongbow in 1176.

First of all we know that they did not live in the town of Maynooth because it did not then exist. But neither did they live in a remote or isolated area. The plain of Ma Nuad lay right beside the route of one of the five great roads of Ireland from ancient times. These major roads all radiated from Dublin to the north, north-west, west, south-west and south. Like the secondary roads they took advantage of the natural features of the country, eskers and areas of high, dry ground fords where rivers could be easily crossed, while they skirted mountains and other obstacles. The first of these great roads, an tSlighe Mhor, connected Dublin with the west and seems to have followed the line of the Eiscir Riada, a series of gravel hills forming a natural causeway from east to west through the boglands and woodlands of the central plain. It is suggested that this road left Dublin along the line of modern High Street, Thomas Street and James Street, and then via Inchicore, Lucan, Celbridge, Taghadoo and Timahoe to Clonmacnoise and Ballinasloe, and finally to Clarinbridge in Co. Galway. Not only was Ma Nuad right beside an tSlighe Mhor but the second of the great roads, Slighe Dhala Meic Umhoir, The Road of Dala, son of Umhoir, passed not very far to the south of its route from Dublin through Naas and Roscrea to Tarbert.

The Eiscir Riada seems to have been not simply a natural means of communication and transport but to have had a real political significance in Irish history. The annals tell us that in the second century A.D., in a struggle for the high kingship between Conn of the Hundred Battles and Mogh Nuadat, the rivals agreed to divide the country between them along the line of the Eiscir Riada, Conn taking the northern half, Leath Cuinn, and Mogh Nuadat the southern, Leath Mogha. That this division had some real significance is suggested by the fact that it formed the basis for the major reformation of the Irish Church in the twelfth century.

Essentially this reform involved the re-establishment of a network of dioceses to take back the management of the Church from the monastic *paruchia* which had usurped the power of the bishops. At the Synod of Rathbreasail in 1111 Leath Cuinn and Leath Mogha were used for the division of the Irish Church into two new provinces, Leath Cuinn becoming the province of Armagh and Leath Mogha the province of Cashel. This organisation of the Church has lasted up to our own day, with the further sub-division into Armagh and Tuam,

All this shows us that the people of Ma Nuad were not isolated from important events in Irish history, but does not tell us how they actually lived or how the coming of Maurice FitzGerald and the building of the castle of Maynooth changed or affected the pattern of their lives. Modern research tends to show that Irish society was very unstable and subject to rapid change and fluctuation at the political or ruling level, but was very stable and slow at the social and economic level of the lives of ordinary people. Because succession to the headship of a clan or kindred group did not descend from father to eldest son but was open to any member of the group of relatives called the *derfine*, i.e. all the descendants in the male line of one great-grandfather, there was a constant struggle for dominance among different factions within the same extended family, and Irish Kingdoms or Tuatha tended to split into parts and then come together again in a constantly changing pattern, something like a kaleidoscope. This is why our own Ui Faelain, one ambitious and successful segment of the Ui Dunlainge dynasty, quite regularly provided a King of Leinster but never monopolised the succession. The system also made it very difficult to unite the whole country permanently under any *ard-ri* or high-king since no ruler of any Irish Tuath could enter into any agreement which was certain to be accepted as final and binding by all groups within his own clan.

The same system of regarding the family group rather than an individual as the property-owning unit seems to have originally been the basis for all Irish society and this has led many people, including James Connolly, to see Irish society, at the coming of the Normans, as an ideally communistic one, where the Irish peasant was "a free clansman owning his tribeland and controlling its administration in common with his fellows..." (James Connolly, *Labour in Irish History*, 1910). However, modern research

tends to establish that for several centuries before the arrival of the Normans the kindred group had been replaced by the nuclear family of father, mother and children as the property-owning unit and Ireland had become a "land of settled mixed farmers with a developed sense of private property", (Donncha O Corrain, *Ireland before the Normans*, 1972), and various grades of land tenure from the relatively independent free-holder to the landless labourer.

The holding of the wealthy farmer was large, perhaps the equivalent of a modern townland, and its centre was the ring-fort or rath or lios, whose remains are to be found scattered all over the country. The words *rath* and *lios* are often to be found as part of place-names, rath in the eastern part of the country, and lios elsewhere. While some of these sites had a military significance most of them were farmsteads, and they were built and occupied as far back as the late Bronze Age and at least as recently as the fourteenth century. The typical form was a circular enclosure ringed by a rath or rampart of earth or stone. Inside was the family home and farm buildings and farmyard. Immediately outside the rath were the small cultivated fields, and beyond them forest, bog and rough land which might be privately owned or shared in common. The original small tilled fields have long since been absorbed into larger ones but the exciting new development of aerial photography as a tool in historical and archaeological research often allows their exact boundaries to be seen. These boundaries show up as lines of a distinctly different colour in say, a field or corn, and while not visible at all to the observer on the ground, can be clearly seen in an aerial photograph. Donncha O Corrain tells us that oats, barley, wheat and rye were grown. Wheaten bread was a luxury for the upper classes, while oats was the most extensively grown cereal and oaten porridge, a staple of the Irish diet. The other main elements were milk and milk products like butter, curds and various types of cheese.

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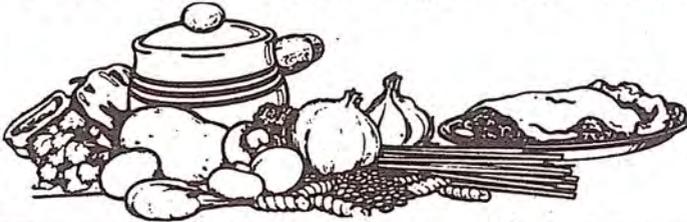
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Our Valentine's night Disco was a great success. Once again thanks to our sponsors for the night, the Leinster Arms and Petals. It was a very enjoyable night and there was great excitement in choosing our very own Canal Queen. From a line up of fourteen attractive young girls, our winner was Sandra Kenny, Greenfield, Maynooth. This girl was a very popular and deserving winner. So we hope to see lots of Sandra at all our events during 1988. Take note of our entertainment for our coming events in March and April. Once again thanks to all for their support.

Hugh O'Sullivan, P.R.O.

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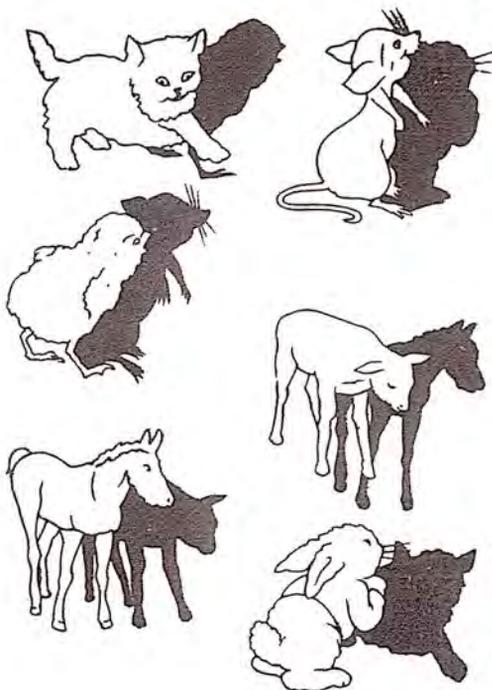
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2nd prize: Emmet Dalton, 17 Cluain
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Claire Hogan,
 70 Maynooth Pk.,
 Maynooth.

Warren Conroy,
 Mulhussey,
 Kilcock.

Ages 8-12

1st prize: Belinda Byrne, Barracks-
 town, Maynooth.

2nd prize: Michael Duffy, Kilmore,
 Kilcock.

Runners-Up:

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 37 Rathlawns,
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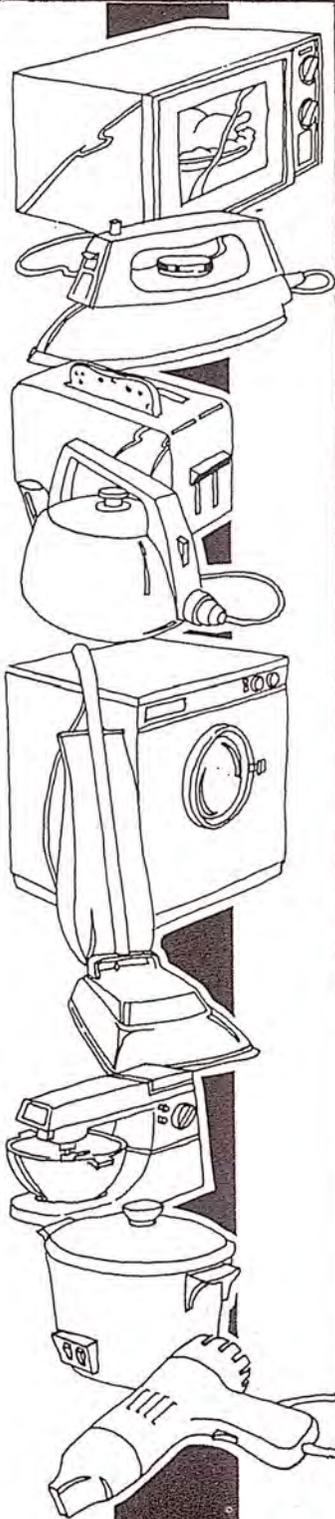
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Nearly all her family were present for the occasion which began with a Mass. Although many are scattered throughout England, about thirteen returned including daughters, son-in-law and grandchildren. Unfortunately, one sister Molly Burke, who lives in Scotland, could not be present that weekend. She is 83.

The Burkes, which is Nanny's maiden name, have a reputation for living to a great age, and Kitty, pictured above with Nanny, is 88. Both are as lively as women half their age, and there was great singing and dancing that night. There are four generations of Connollys alive — a feat to be proud of indeed! If the ages of the two sisters in the photograph are added together, they cover a grand total of 178 years. It surpasses the

200 year mark if Emmet Stagg is included.

The family wish to thank all those who made the occasion such a great success. Firstly, Jack McIlhenny and the staff of the Leinster Arms for the meal and attention which they had all night. The P and L Bakery provided the cake as a present; the Old Folks Committee who gave a bouquet.

Ciarán Duke took the photographs all evening and is a friend of the family. They also wish to thank Father Peter Dowling who said the Mass in Kevin Connolly's house, and Emmet Stagg for attending.

May Nanny and indeed Kitty have many, many more lively years.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin.



Emmet Stagg T.D., Nanny Connolly and her sister Kitty Thompson

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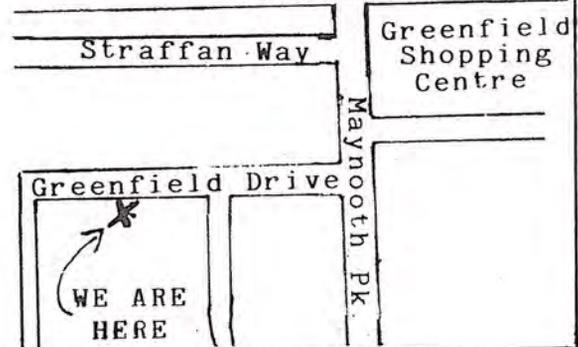
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Martina Lettice, winner Championship Celbridge Feis. Martina is a member of The Maher School of Dancing.

SHORT STORY COMPETITION

There were three categories of competition Adult, Teenager, and Under-12's, and as always one of the rewards of locally-based writing such as these stories comes from the insight which they provide into the way we see life in our own community today — something that no outsider, however accomplished, can do for us.

In the Adult Category, I was disappointed to note that one of the entrants from last year's competition submitted stories this year. I should have liked to see more from those writers; I hope they were not discouraged at not winning on that occasion. Persistence is everything in writing, as I would remind all entrants, whether winners or not. Persistence also comes into play with regard to the individual story, and I feel that some of the entries in the Adult Category, including the one we eventually selected as winner, could have developed their subject to a greater extent. However, it is not a bad technique to

leave a reader wanting more. The winner in the Adult Category is "The Adjournment Debate", a study of the major emotions which may be involved in even a minor court case, written by Declan O'Connor.

The Teenage Category was rather lacking in quantity but amply made up for this in quality, and Rosemary Bean's entry was a very effective portrayal of a terminal crisis in the life of a young person of today. She made striking use of some local detail, and followed her subject through unremittingly to the end. As well as the accomplishment of the style of writing, I would also like to commend the presentation of this story. A clear uncluttered lay-out, well spaced handwriting or, better still, typing, and clean paper seem to be details which inexperienced writers overlook all too easily. However, the overall look of Rosemary's entry reflected the care and thought which had gone into its writing.

There was a large and enthusiastic entry for the Under-12 Section, and it was difficult to select a clear winner. There seemed to be three major types of story favoured by this age group: footballing exploits, foiling robbers or kidnappers, or something that happened in a dream. Many of these were very well told and obviously reflect the interests of the writers, but in the end we chose a piece which struck its own individual note. "Shopping With Dad" mixed anguish and humour as it conveyed the air of puzzled superiority with which children regard the frantic efforts of adults, especially parents, to do things their way. So, the prize in this section goes to Feargal Ward.

Once again, congratulations to the prizewinners and our encouragement to those others who, even if they didn't win, care sufficiently to set down in writing the material of their life and imagination.

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The winners of the competition were as follows:

Declan O'Connor. 12-18's — Rosemary Bean. Under 12's: Fergal Ward.

They were presented with their prizes on Monday February 15th in the Library. They were sponsored by the A.I.B. and the Bank of Ireland. Frank

Byrne presented their prizes and Muireann Ní Bhrolchain presented the B.O.I. award in the unavoidable absence of Larry Ayres.

The prizewinners, their families and the sponsors were welcomed by Kay McKeogh to the library and she expressed the satisfaction of the newsletter with the quantity and

quality of the entrants. The award winning stories will be published in this issue and will maybe encourage more writers to try their luck. We would like to thank our sponsors, the staff of the library and our judges, Peter Denman and Mary O'Donnell for all their help.



SHOPPING WITH DAD

By Fergal Ward

When I woke up, I heard my Mum and Dad arguing again. Last night they had a fight because Mum burnt the rashers and already they had started.

Dad had got the bill from the Visa company and was shocked with the amount Mum spent. He was raging with anger and my Mum was nearly crying. I went over and got my cereal. By now Dad had cooled down a bit and Mum wasn't talking either. Mum and Dad had loads of rows but this looked to be the big one. Just then my Dad said "Come on son, we'll show women how to shop". I couldn't believe this because my Dad doesn't know the difference between a tomatoe and a red apple.

I got changed and went into the passenger's seat. My Dad, all huffed up, forgot the keys of the car and then started blaming me. I was just about to get out, but then the car started and we were off to the shops.

Dad was breaking the speed limit by miles but I didn't say anything in case.

It took half an hour to get to Dublin. Dad didn't want to pay to park so he parked near the Ilac.

We went straight into the Ilac, into

the Dunnes-store department, and through the crowds and finally got a basket. As we were popping things in and out of the basket we heard a bang. The basket had snapped and a jam jar smashed into the ground. One of the security guards thought Dad was messing with the jam and made a jump for him. Dad caught me by the arm and ran out. We ran through the crowds and finally got to the Quinnsworth department. This time we got a trolley and Dad took it. We were going fine until Dad lost control of the trolley and knocked down a tower of beans. The manager of the store was coming over to him but I told Dad and in a few seconds we were off running again, this time to the Centra. We went to the fish counter this time and of course Dad was examining the fish. The assistant behind the counter didn't like Dad's remarks so he got a huge piece of meat and hit Dad on the head. Before Dad could argue we saw the security guard from Dunnes, the manager of Quinnsworth and now the fishman from Centra right behind us.

We ran and ran until finally we saw our car. But on our car was a parking

ticket because we were on a double yellow line. Dad paid the fine and was away as quick as possible. When we got home I was surprised to see Dad real kind to my Mum and he even made her a cup of tea. Really, I can't understand my parents!



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FREEDOM

by

Rosemary Bean
Age 17

Post Primary School Maynooth FREEDOM

Maeve turned off the television as the first strains of the National Anthem began. She put the old battered spark-guard in front of the fire, or rather the few remaining smouldering embers in the grate. Maeve went towards the door and turned the handle slowly so as not to disturb anyone else in the house. She turned off the light and closed the door gently behind her. Maeve went into her rooms and switched on the bedside lamp, got undressed, except for her shirt which she slept in, got into bed and reached for the switch on the lamp to turn it off. She listened hard and carefully to the silence.

"Maeve get up for school."

"Oh not again," she moaned.

It was the same old story every day, get up, go to school, come home, watch TV, go to bed and try to sleep. Maeve got up slowly and put on her school uniform. She went into the bathroom, glanced at herself in the mirror but quickly turned away. She couldn't bear to see her own reflection. She thought to herself that if she had to go through many more days like this, feeling the way she did, she'd end up killing herself. That idea had not been far from her thoughts of late. Maeve resented everything that surrounded her, her family, friends, school, society, oh yes especially society! She held that in the utmost contempt, after all, all it had ever done was to condemn and reject the people closest to her.

"Hurry Maeve, you'll be late for school", nagged her Mother.

"Yeah, yeah, I'm coming", she groaned: Maeve decided not to go to school that day. She'd go into town and call up to see Paul at work. So she stayed on the bus as it passed her stop. She saw Anne and Caroline walking happily up the beech-tree lined avenue on their way to school. They didn't see her. If only they had!

It was twenty past nine by the time she got into town. Paul wouldn't have started work yet so Maeve decided to take a walk up to Stephen's Green. The streets were noisy and packed with early morning shoppers. Maeve walked alone and slightly dazed, lost in her own train of thought. She stopped suddenly at a news-

agency on Grafton Street where a postcard of a poppy field caught her eye. She went in and bought it. She smiled softly as she remembered how Paul used to fantasize about poppy fields. When Maeve reached Stephen's Green she went in and found a quiet secluded spot to sit and think. Maeve tried to assess her whole life once again. Something she had tried to do but failed many times before. What had the past seventeen years meant to her? She had not been exactly happy and her strongest memories of her childhood were painful, she could recall in vivid detail the loneliness and rejection she'd always felt. She never seemed to be able to communicate with her parents. She always felt isolated and didn't seem to fit in anywhere! Then last year when Michael died, that was the last straw! It was so unfair, Maeve had tried to save her brother but it was too late and anyway Michael did not want to be saved. He wanted to be free and now at last he was. He had suffered nothing but rejection of one sort or another his whole life. He had felt unloved and that feeling Maeve knew was the worst feeling anyone could experience. Her eyes filled with tears as she remembered the unhappiness she had felt all those months ago, the sorrow that was still with her, even now. Maeve felt she was trapped, inside her own body. She resented the fact that she was not free to make her own choices, she wanted to make up her own mind, be free to do what she wanted to do, what she needed to do. Maeve felt oppressed by an unsympathetic Church which had condemned the manner of her brother's death, by society, by her family, but she couldn't face the pain

any longer. She needed to be free from it all and she only saw one way out!

She left Stephen's Green and walked slowly along some cold, dirty back streets. She knew these streets well as she'd often come here to get Michael some 'gear'. She knew exactly where to go and who to go to. When she reached York Street, she knocked on the cold steel black door of an old delapidated house. A haggard looking middle-aged man opened the door and greeted Maeve with a vacant smile. Maeve went in. After about ten minutes she came out clutching her school-bag which contained a large brown envelope. Maeve then went up to see Paul at work. She didn't stay long, just handed him the post-card on which she had written that life was an ever expanding circle that would eventually explode and then she'd be free. Paul looked at the post-card and smiled, he read it but didn't understand. He didn't realise what Maeve was intending to do. She kissed him on the lips softly and said good-bye. Paul looked after her, puzzled, trying to figure out what was wrong, but then he never could! He decided that he'd ring her that night and have a chat.

Maeve went back to her earlier resting place in Stephen's Green. She opened the envelope and filled the syringe with the deadly venom. She rolled up her sleeve and as she pushed the needle into her arm and injected her veins with the fatal poison she closed her eyes and smiled as she imagined she could see Michael in the distance. She could see Paul behind her. She smiled as she realised that she was almost free, yes she was at last free.

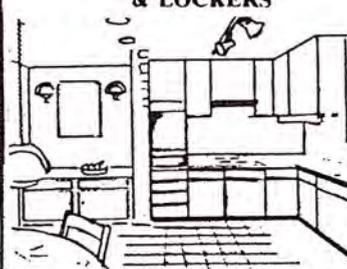
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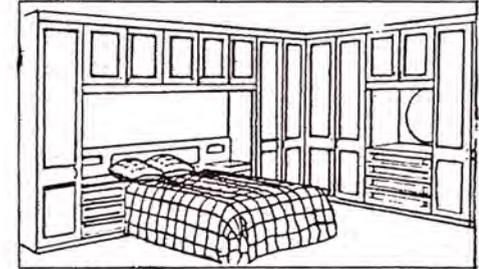
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THE ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

The smell assailed her senses when her sister-in-law lifted the latch. It was a smell she could almost see. It was at once musty and yet dry on the back of her throat. She expected to find the tell-tale pattern of water splashes on the boarded floor. The hall seemed hermetically sealed in spite of an almost perfect golf-ball size empty circle in the middle window. She concluded that the sensual feeling was trapped in the dirt brown floor boards which clunked and clunked under her weight when she walked to select a seat half way up the hall. She assumed she could sit down. Were people like her expected to stand? She had not yet been convicted by the Court. She wondered about the elderly man at the top of the hall who arranged a baize green cloth over two kitchen tables. He went through a practiced routine which ended in clicking life at the second attempt into a gas heater near the tables.

It couldn't have been more than ten miles from the hotel where the wedding reception was held. Blame was not an issue. She repeated that mentally because it seemed to have such a neat legal ring about it, almost like a regular line from Crown Court. She had insisted on driving that night. There would be a lingering memory of torches, scotch-belts, silent blue beacons and what seemed like an infinite variety of male accents in the garda station. The Analysis Certificate from the Medical Bureau of Road Safety seemed almost like transparent tissue when she edged it from the standard printed registered envelope. It was years since she had signed a receipt for registered post. The Certificate claimed or stated or alleged or recorded or call it what one wanted that the urine sample she had provided at 1/27 a.m. showed a concentration of 152 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of urine. That was drunk-driving by another name, a polite and sanitised name, it seemed. She accepted that the whole story would find its way compressed into a 1" x 2" column in the "Evening Press" or the "Evening Herald", or more than likely both. How many times had she herself sat in judgment in the Court of Appeal that was the evening paper? The written history of events now reposed peacefully in the handbag at her left foot.

She could almost recite the Summons:

"Whereas a complaint has been

made to me that you, the said defendant on the 24th day of May, 1987, at a public place within the Court Area and District aforesaid, did drive a mechanically propelled vehicle, to wit. — motor car, registered number: _____ in said public place while there was present in your body a quantity of alcohol, being such, that within three hours after so driving said vehicle, the concentration of alcohol in your urine exceeded the concentration of 135 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of urine, Contrary to "Section 49 (3, and (a) of the Road Traffic Act, 1961, as inserted by Section 10 of the Road Traffic (Amendment) Act, 1978 and the Road Traffic (Amendment) Act, 1984."

The floor reverberated as people entered the hall. She never looked back. The chairs scraped, clashed and squealed. Hardly four people sat ahead of her. It was like mass attendance. She began to experience a feeling of elation or was it relief. Whatever the feeling it was confession-based, sedating, and tranquilising. That's what it was. Hardly six minutes ago her fingers had ached for a cigarette, her mind or brains screamed for any brand of tea.

Guards and Solicitors straightened to attention. Everybody in front of her did and she did and the tubular steel chairs behind her did. The public announcement took place at 11/50 p.m. as recorded on her digital watch. Six minutes earlier the District Justice had asked his Clerk to read the D.P.P. list. She was aware of the abbreviation "D.P.P.". Fleshed out it was "Director of Public Prosecutions."

"Superintendent".

"Yes, Justice".

"This is a Section 49 case".

"Yes, Justice".

"Is it a pre-July certificate?"

"It is".

"Is the Defendant represented?"

Silence. The Superintendent swivelled almost mechanically with an open file in one hand, spectacles loosely held in the other. A garda standing at the wall caught his eye and pointed at her. "Have you a Solicitor?" Her stomach churned like the twin-tub in the utility room. She attempted to stand but the lacquered chair seat clung to the backs of her thighs. More scraping and clashing accompanied by tinny echoes.

"She's not represented, Justice."

"Justice, I'm applying for an adjournment in this case to the February court in view of the Appeal to the Supreme Court."

"No, Superintendent, I'll have to

dismiss it. As far as I'm concerned the decision in the Connolly-Sweeney case last July represents the law as it is until it is overturned elsewhere. There is a 1973 decision which supports that view. You know the views of a colleague of mine. They were widely reported. Justice delayed is justice denied — he used that maxim. Have you any more Section 49's to-day?"

**Declan O'Connor,
35 Greenfield Drive,
Maynooth.**

PARENT'S ASSOCIATION BOY'S NATIONAL SCHOOL

On Saturday night Feb. 13th a large crowd re-lived the sounds of the Sixties as we danced to the music of D.J. Willie in the Hitchin' Post. Not many braved the elements by donning their mini-skirts, but nevertheless the atmosphere was fantastic. Many people went home with some great prizes and one woman had her Valentine's surprise early, when she won a Valentine's cake, donated by the Elite Bakeries. We would like to thank the Elite and the following who donated the rest of the fantastic gifts: Tom Geraghty, Greenfield, Donovan's Newsagent, Billies, Hardiman's Flowershop, Cameo Beauty Clinic, Top of the Crop, Hidden Treasures, James O'Neill, Jim Smyth, Sports Locker, Doyle's, Country Shop, Blossoms Beauty Care, Moulin Rouge, Caulfields, Bradys, The Roost, O'Briens Catering, Eileen and Michelle Hair Stylists, Bartons Transport, Moyglare Manor, The Poitin Stil, Barberstown Castle, Maynooth Jewellers, Logans Coal, C.P.L. motor factors, Maynooth Cycle Centre. We appreciate their generosity. We would like to extend our appreciation to M. Kearney and staff in the Hitchin' Post. A special word of thanks must go to the boy's who painted some wonderful posters. Their Art Teachers should be proud of them.

If you missed our Sixties night this time you will have another chance as we are planning to hold another one in June.

Anne O'Malley, Secretary.

MUINTIR MHAIGH NUAD

Paddy Carr interviewed by Jim Cunningham

When I called to see Paddy Carr one evening recently, he was engrossed in a card game of which, I had to admit I have never heard, called Spite and Malice. Two words less appropriate for use in connection with Paddy would be hard to imagine.

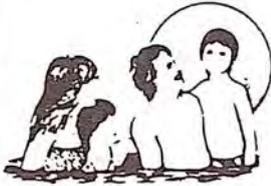
Paddy who lives at No. 1 Main St. was born there seventy-eight years ago last November and has lived all his life in the town. His family before him were natives of the town and Paddy's living room is dominated by two large photographs — one of his mother who was, on the evidence of the picture, a stunningly beautiful woman, the other of his father, a handsome moustached man with a hint of military bearing. His father did, in fact, serve in the British army in India and Ceylon, as it was then called. Although he had left the army he was called up on the out-break of the First World War and served in the RAF, where his trade of decorating was put to good use camouflaging planes. Paddy still has some of the brushes which were given to his father on leaving the RAF at the end of the war.

On his return to Maynooth after the war he resumed working with his cousin who owned a painting and decorating business. Paddy followed his father's footsteps into the trade when he commenced his apprenticeship at the age of fourteen.

In those days it took seven years for a decorator to serve his time, a year longer, as Paddy remarks, than it took to make a doctor. Paddy maintains that the trade was more complicated then, particularly in the area of mixing of paints. The blends which are now on the market were not available in those days.

Paddy spent all his working life at this trade, originally with his father and cousin, and later on his own. He always worked on a contract basis although he was asked at one time to join the staff of Maynooth College where he did a lot of work over the years. He worked in many of the stud farms and big houses around Kildare and Meath. He spent a lot of time working in Carton House and recalls, particularly, being brought in to decorate a room in preparation for the visit of Princess Grace. He also did a good deal of sign-writing for firms such as Kelly's Bakery and Kavanagh's Mills. Paddy regrets the

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virtual death of the art of sign-writing in recent decades and welcomes the new trend of a return to traditional shop fronts.

Apart from his work for which he obviously had a great love, Paddy has other strings to his bow — quite literally, in fact, since he can number playing the fiddle, piano and mandolin among his accomplishments. He played in a dance band for some time



and can still be called on to play a tune. He entertained me with a couple of tunes on a foot-pumped organ which he has in his living room.

His other great passions are cards and literature. He plays cards with his friends, many of whom are students from the College, and if he has nobody to play with he'll resort to Patience. He reads a great deal and has read many of the great classics of the English language.

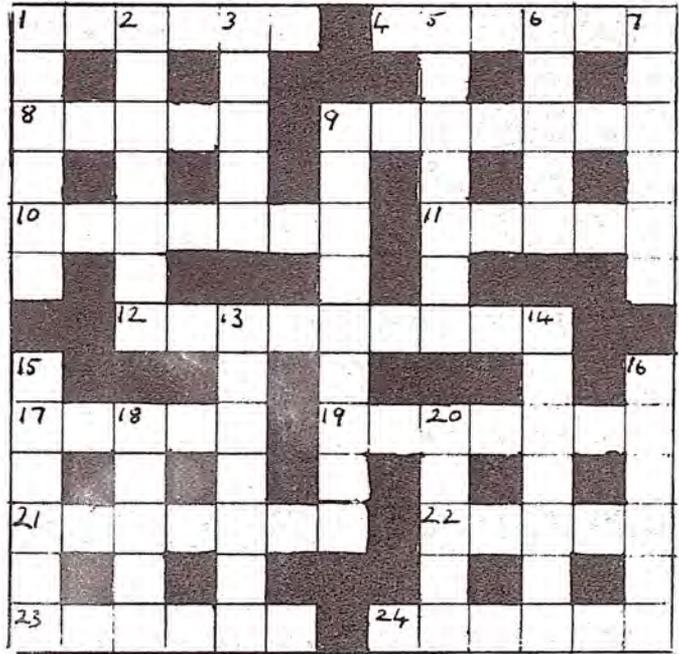
Paddy has many memories of Maynooth in the old days. He recalled for me one particular incident which was an ambush of the Black and Tans outside the church in which one man was killed. As a reprisal the Tans threatened to burn several houses in the town. One of the houses which was to be burned was the house next to Paddy's, which was occupied by Dr. Brogan who had been reluctant to treat the man who was shot. Paddy's family moved out for fear of the fire. Eventually the local RIC Sergeant Cleary persuaded the Tans to desist.

Paddy now lives life at a leisurely pace. He visits relatives in England quite often and is familiar with many parts of that country. However, he assures me that he never had any wish to live anywhere other than Maynooth.

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Across

- 1 & 17. Are the houses here made of cardboard boxes? (6,5)
4. Yes, a company provides backing for this playwright (1'5)
8. Tornado without publicity is blown apart, believe it . . . (2,3)
9. See 6 Down
10. Reform calls round and doctor takes operations at home (5,2)
11. Leinster Arms was formerly a warm Spanish article (5)
12. Takeaway aids cur if well chewed (9)
17. Woo (5)
19. That Quinnsworth is still often called this is borne out by the name (1'5'1)
21. To accomplish, I've confused pain roundabout (7)
22. The answer is not here - but it is! (5)
23. Placing metallic rocks in middle of thoroughfare could be very painful (6)
24. Is our patron saint stiff after taking herb? Not her! (6)



Down

1. Fourth line of seats in theatre enveloped in type of gas for dispersing these when rioting (6)
2. Escapes like water from a duck's back (4,3)
3. A host of swearwords? (5)
5. Spy and cow are types who might field at cricket - in the rye? (7)
- 6 & 9 Across. March means a day of parading for him (5,7)
7. Yes, O.K., learner can befuddle (local) bumpkins (6)
9. He is on Pat, hiding undergarments from Hidden Treasures! (5-4)

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13. Is "Demon" one of those ruddy dogs? (7)
14. Is only the first letter of this lettuce visible above the water? (3-4)
15. Bits and pieces of rubbish in the steamship (6)
16. Rise up while a hundred die (6)
18. He will guide to Row whatever-it-is in theatre you, me, and that woman (5)
20. A blade that circles in either direction (5)

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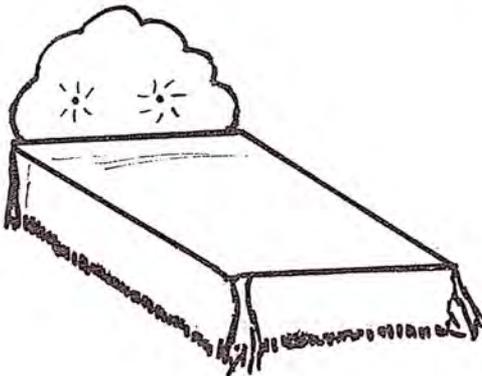
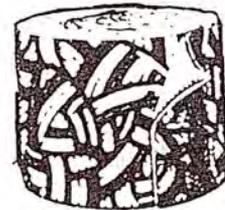
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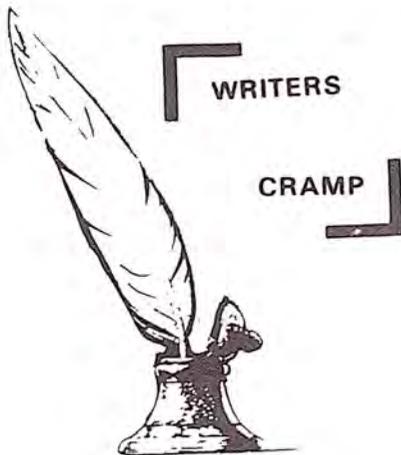
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 In comfortable surroundings my whole self was set
 I remember playing on meadows with such glee
 Where nature and myself was truly a friend
 A busy country town that meant much to me
 Deep in childhood fantasy I felt never would end.

At early morning the Church bells would chime
 Awakening many a worker to start their day
 My empty pockets with not even a dime
 But what is money without happiness I say.

I rambled through glens with my dog for company
 Swam the river waters when the Summer was here
 There were many wonderful sights for to see
 In an adventurous childhood without any fear.

Life was simple to me in many different ways
 I was seldom bored with lots to do
 For want of love my whole self forever craves
 In the town of my youth I wish forever I grew
 My home will always be close to my heart
 Where a feeling of comfort is within my mind
 It is of my childhood memories I never will part
 Where the local community are so lovable and kind.

A town of busy routine it is for sure
 Where people carry on and never look back
 But the souls of these people so wholesome and pure
 In natural friendship that they never lack
 This home of my youth is so familiar to all
 That life in a working class area so unique
 And as the passing years quickly they fall
 Where each local has their own story to speak.

What would I do without my cherished home place
 With little loneliness and so much company there
 To me it is the best home in the human race

With a beauty of its own beyond compare
 O town of my youth stay with me forever more
 To re-live the adventures I had as a lad
 It is of my home town has opened the door
 To a happy way of life that seldom was sad.

Patrick Murray.

GOOD FRIDAY

Sunshine brought us out of doors
 And woke a bee from winter sleep;
 Children raced and shouted with delight
 And girls lay bare legged on the lawns
 Like blossoms opening in the heat.

Then promptly as the clock struck three
 We squeezed inside a church
 To play our part in what occurred
 One sunlit Friday centuries ago;
 A woman sang with poignant grief
 And while life triumphed out of doors
 We queued to kiss brass-moulded feet.

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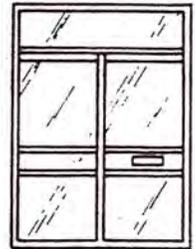
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MAYNOOTH ACCORDEON BAND

It is just over three years since Rita O'Reilly brought John Mitchell to the Boys National School to start accordion lessons. John the renowned accordion teacher had been teaching in Clane in the early 80s when Rita suggested to him that he start classes in Maynooth. He agreed and the first class was held on 29th November 1984.

Twelve children were required to make the class interesting but twenty turned up on the first night and so it began. Classes since then have continued each Wednesday evening from 4.30 — 9.30 and the number of pupils has grown to 40 ranging in age from 8 years to 13 years. Unfortunately the classes are now full but a waiting list is being kept and any enquiries should be made to the school on Wednesday evenings between 7.30 — 9.30. Within this number there are three divisions, two bands a senior and a junior in which there are 25 members and a 15 member beginners class. Drummer Stephen Boyd aged 9 has exceptional talent which he expresses well on a new set of drums sponsored by Ulster Bank, Maynooth. The com-

bined bands have been busy of late entertaining at Howth Pier, St Patrick's Day parade in Maynooth in 1986 and 1987 and in the town square during Community Week. In fact they won the award for the best junior band in the Maynooth 1987 St Patrick's Day Parade and additionally during 1987 Emma McArdle won first prize in the beginners accordion section at the Raheny Festival of Music. They also entertained our Senior Citizens at their annual get together and appeared in a number of concerts in the Parish Hall. It is a tribute to the commitment of the children, their parents, John Mitchell, Rita O'Reilly ably assisted by Rita Sheehan, Ann Naughton and Deirdre McArdle that after only a year and a half they were sufficiently competent to appear and do very well in a Band Competition in Baltinglass.

Their appearance at this years Senior Citizens party was one of their most rewarding performances. The enjoyment on the faces of the Senior Citizens and the young band members was self evident. The band is looking forward to similarly entertaining the patients in Peamount Hospital later this month.

John Mitchell, their mentor has been teaching accordion for the past

30 years and as well as Maynooth is currently running classes in:— Athlone, Ballyfermot, Palmerstown, Bray, Clane, Sallins, Baltinglass, Avoca, Roundwood and Enniskerry.

John, who is now fairly well known in the town and certainly by the patrons of Bradys every Wednesday evening where he proudly refers to his complimentary cup of coffee while he awaits transport to the school. He is a native of Ballytoran, Co Kildare and unfortunately he had completely lost his sight by the age of 11. He continued his education in St Josephs School for Blind Boys, Drumcondra where in addition to the formal subjects he learned basket making. He practised this profession for eight years in the factory for past pupils attached to St Joseph's School.

During the latter years there he became interested in the accordion having been influenced by a pianist friend. However the problem he had was acquiring his first accordion — having noticed one in Brereton's Pawn shop in Capel Street the problem he had was raising the money for it and after paying £1 per week from his wages for 52 weeks the instrument was delivered to him. He was 22 at the time and within 2½ years self-teaching he was sufficiently profi-

Accordeon Band contd.

cient to commence classes. He took his first accordeon class in Ballyfermot in 1957 and by 1959 the band which he formed there won the Hohner All Ireland competition. His next success was St Bernadette's Band, Dun Laoghaire which won numerous awards over a 12 year period. These are just two of his successes which happily are continuing to date. His past and continuing achievements are remarkable for a person who through blindness has never seen a written note of music. He is an example to us all, long may he continue.

Tony McArdle



MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION NOTES

The Maynooth Credit Union is very near to opening now. In fact by the time you read this it may be open. Notices will be posted around the town — so watch out for them and come early on the opening day to avoid delay.

Many of you may not be aware what a Credit Union is for, so for your benefit, here is a few pointers. A Credit Union is to help members to save regularly and by doing so to provide a service of credit which would be available to all members at reasonable rates of interest.

When we do open, those of you who are members of Leixlip Credit Union, will have to join again at a fee of £1.00 and then transfer its shares they have in Leixlip to Maynooth. We must warn everyone at this time that in the first months the Maynooth Credit Union will not have the funds to provide large loans to its members, so anyone considering borrowing a large amount in the near future should remain a member of Leixlip Credit Union.

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COLLEGE NEWS

From the 8th—10th of February the College had its yearly Rag-Week (or should we say Rag 3 days). One would hardly know it was on only for posters, advertising the fact, hung around the college. It was the quietest Rag-Week the college has experienced ever. There seemingly was a "hat day" and a "flower come hippy day". Some of the more unusual events included a "drinkathon". Some of the bands that played in the Students Union included our very own Fiddlers Green, Royal Flush, Kenkins Ear and Mary Black. There was a special computerized Blind Date service for those lonely students who needed a date before Valentines Day. All in all it was very very quiet and very little disruption or the usual chaos within the College Walls.

Songs of Praise seemed to dominate the College — but more of that later on in the issue.

MAYO-KILDARE ASSOCIATION

A branch of the above Association was recently formed.

It has been decided to hold the first social outing on St. Patrick's Night in the Town House, Naas. This evening will consist of a Buffet Supper and entertainment appropriate to the day. Tickets, which will be strictly limited to a total of 150 will be available at a cost of £6.00.

Further particulars can be had by ringing 285492

The Club would like to offer their sympathies to the Farrell family on the recent death of Nicko Farrell as the family are always involved in club playing and on committee.

NOTICE

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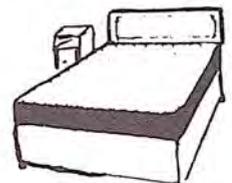
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The Maynooth children are collected at their own door in the morning and left safely home in the afternoon by the school bus. This is an excellent service which parents have been very satisfied with.

The curriculum of Education in the Scoil Lán-Ghaelach is the same as in all other primary schools, except the medium is Irish rather than English.

There is no school fee involved.

Mr. O'Muirithe, Priomh Oide, expressed delight at the 100% increase in the number of children attending the school. He also said that a new class of 4 year olds (Junior Infants) will be starting in the school on Monday 11th April.

If you are interested in sending your child to Scoil Ui Ríada, now is the time to enrol. Call to the school or phone 271146 (afternoons) for further information.

GLÓR NA nGAEL

Seo a mhí a mbímid go léir bróduil as ár nduchas — Lá le Pádraig chugainn! Is fiú do gach duine iarracht bheag a dhéanamh an Ghaeilge a chur chun cinn: bain triail as! Bhí an-oíche cheoil againn ar an 2nd Feabhra. Bígí linn arís Dé Máirt 8 Marta ar 8.30 p.m. sa Leinster Arms. Beidh sár-cheoltóirí againn-cead isteach £1.00.

Tá forbairt mhór faoi Ghlór na nGael ar fud na tíre faoi láthair. Seans a tabhairt don phobal an Ghaeilge a chur chun cinn mar is áil leo an aidhm atá ag Glór na nGael. Tá dhá phost a dtairiscint anois, beirt timire le ceapadh. Is féidir eolas a fháil ó Glór na nGael, 86 Sr. Gardner locht, Baile Átha Cliath!

As we celebrate St. Patrick's Day we usually feel proud of our heritage. Everyone can make some effort to foster pride in our language and traditions.

Our oíche cheol on 2nd February was a great success. Join us on Tuesday 8th March in the Leinster Arms. We have excellent musicians lined up and admission is only £1.00.

Glór na nGael is extending its activities at present. Two full-time timiri are to be appointed — application forms and information can be got from Glór na nGael, 86 Sr. Gardner locht, Baile Átha Cliath 1.



Some of the happy children in Glór Scoil

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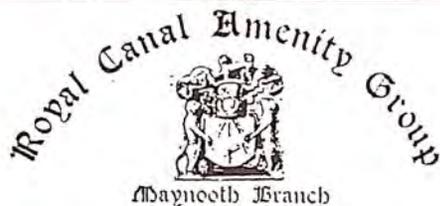
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It's "Spring Trade Fair" time in Maynooth and the organisation of this year's event is at an advanced stage. The fair will be held in the Boys' School on 16th and 17th April. In addition to the trade displays and recreational activities, this year's fair is enhanced by the inclusion of a special cheese and wine exhibition incorporating a homebrew wine competition, so "home Brew" enthusiasts are well advised to start brewing now.

The proceeds from the "fair" will again be evenly divided between the "Royal Canal Amenities Group" and the "Boys National School". One has only to walk along the harbour to notice the massive refurbishing that is taking place, and this gives employment to nineteen persons from the locality, under the expert direction of supervisor Philip Mc Dermott. The school has long provided a sound basic education for our children, and so by supporting the "Spring Trade Fair" you are supporting all that is good in the educational and cultural aspects of the town.

Last year upwards of ninety-six exhibitors took part and it is hoped to improve on these numbers this year and to encourage more local trade to exhibit. To coincide with the fair a poster competition is being organised in the schools. Details will be circulated through the "Art and Craft" departments of the schools. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Finally those wishing to take part in either the trade section or the cheese and wine exhibition can obtain further information and by telephoning N. McDermott or Conor McMahon at 285922. Completed application forms should be returned promptly to:

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SONGS OF PRAISE

Maynooth College and some parts of the community shall feature on March 13th on the BBC programme **Songs of Praise**. The college was swarmed on February 3rd and 4th by the camera crew who made themselves quite at home within the College Chapel. All college staff and students and the community were invited to join in the congregation on both nights, and sing their hearts out with the aid of the college Choir and Prof. Gillen of the Music Department.

Among the people interviewed were Monsignor Michael Ledwith, Prof. Susan McKenna-Lalor of the Scientific area, Michael Riordan from the Catering field and John Chester, a theology student from Enniskillen.

The people who attended the first night were warned to wear the same clothes, same make-up, and same smile for the second night. Wonder if anyone would have really noticed anyway. Well all shall be revealed on the 13th. It's worth having a look at, just to see who was not singing and for miming the word Rhubarb!!

MAYNOOTH OLD FOLKS

The Annual General Meeting of the Old Folks Committee was held in the Health Centre on Tuesday 1st February, when a new committee was elected.

The Chairperson is Mrs. Imelda Delaney, Vice Chairperson Mrs. Bridie Brady, Secretary Mrs. Rose Bean, Ass. Secretary Mrs. Helen Doyle, Treasurer Mrs. Catherine Mulready and P.R.O. Mrs. Sheila Jolley. We are sorry to lose our previous P.R.O. Miss Mary Casey, owing to pressures of work but we hope she will return at some time in the future.

A party was held in the 1 S.M.A. House on Sunday 14th February when we had visitors from Celbridge. A good time was had by all. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Elite Bakery for donating cakes for our parties it is very much appreciated.

Our Flag Day this year will be the 19th and 20th March and we thank you in anticipation for your support.



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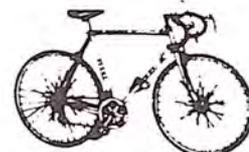
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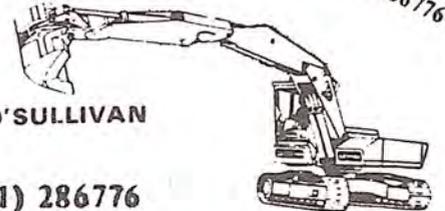
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SPORTS NEWS

MAYNOOTH G.A.A.



The A.G.M. held in the Athletic club house on Sunday January 17th was attended by a very large number of members and proved very successful as reflections were made on the past season. The chairman Mick Gillick said in his address that while no major titles were won during the year, there was great commitment from the players and with the fine spirit that exists in the club we could look forward to the new season with confidence. He congratulated Killan Fagan and Paschel Ennid on winning Leinster minor medals.

He thanks all who helped in the running of the club during the year.

Tommy Fay, Sec. gave a comprehensive account of all activities during the year. Jimmy McLoughlin, Treasurer, gave a detailed account of the financial situation of the club which proved satisfactory.

Plans for a new clubhouse and sports complex were produced and after some lively discussion it was decided to go ahead with the plan.

A major fund raising drive will be put in place, shortly to help finance the project.

The new seasons kicks off on Sunday March 6th at 3 p.m. with a home game for us.

We look forward to seeing all our loyal supporters there and anybody else who may have an interest in the G.A.A.

Officers elected.

Patrons: Fr. Supple, Ray Hammond; Presidents, Jim Nolan, Josie Murphy, Dinny Breen, Phil Brady; Vice-Presidents, Tom Moore, Ollie Reilly, Tim Twomey, Brendan Edwards (senior); Chairman, Mick Gillick; Vice-Chairman, Mick Kelly (senior); Secretary, Tommy Fay; Assistant Secretary, Madeline Stynes; Treasurer, Jimmy McLoughlin; PRO, Michael Caden; Committee, Fr. Tynne, M. Meally, J. Treacey, B. Desmond, P. Nevin, P. O'Toole, J. Nevin, M. Ryan, M. McManus, J. Ennis, N. Farrell, M. Kelly (junior). Football Manager, Mick Meally; Development Committee, M. Gleeson, P. O'Toole, P. Nevin, M. Caden, J. Conway, M. Kelly (senior), F. Leavy.

Michael Caden. P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C.

Due to bad weather there have been few matches played for the last two months.

Premier Sunday:

Maynooth Town (8) Rialto (1)
Maynooth who had travelled and played Rialto two weeks previously gained sweet revenge in this match. Maynooth ran riot with goals from Terry Moore (2), John Doyle (2), Philip Doyle (1), John Nolan (1), Kieran McAtamney (1), Jerry Moen (1)

Premier Sunday:

Maynooth Town (0) Castlevilla (2)
After a long lay-off Maynooth played the league leaders. Castlevilla were much fitter having played and trained on a regular basis and it was no

surprise to see them gaining this victory. Features of this match were two fantastic saves from Maynooth keeper Brian Boyd — real "Match of the Day" stuff.

Off the playing fields Maynooth had some other activities. We had our Christmas party in "Henries", Naas. A large contingent of players, officials and supporters had a most enjoyable night.

Our Christmas Draws in Caulfields were very successful. Congratulations to all winners and "Thank You" to all who supported us. Our Easter trip to the Isle of Man is not now too far away, so everyone who is going on this trip please pay your fare as soon as possible.

It is with great sadness and regret that we mourn the passing of a great Clubman and great friend Tom Moore. Tom who was an Official of our club for many years, was very popular and his great work for the club will be sadly missed. Tom and his family have been an integral part of our club and his passing will be a big loss both to Maynooth town and to the community in general. May he rest in peace.



Jim "The Camel" Reilly in good spirits at Henrys

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

At the Maynooth Golfing Society A.G.M. held in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth on Thursday, 21st Jan. '88, the following Officers and Committee were elected.

President: J. C. Carey.

Captain: P. Brazil.

Vice Captain: T. Sheehan.

Treasurer: J. Moore.

Secretary: S. Tracey.

Committee: R. Delamere, T. Flanagan, J. Ryan, W. Moore, E. Kavanagh, S. Feeney and T. Dunning.

Listed below are the Outings for the '88 Season.

March 26th: **The Heath.**

April 29/30th: **Dingle or Scotland**
(Weekend)

May 28th: **The Curragh.**

June 25th: **Longford** (Captains Prize)

July 23rd: **Tullamore** (Seamus Moore Memorial)

October 1st: **Athlone** (Presidents Prize)

October 29th: **Edenderry.**

All the above Outings have been confirmed with the exception of the Weekend Outing in April.

Please note that Membership Fees must be paid on or before March 26th (Our First Outing) and as always new members are more than welcome.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a good season's Golfing and I hope it will be as successful and enjoyable as previous years.

Sean Tracey, Hon. Secretary.



At the Slógadh Regional finals in Mullingar the girls from St. Wolstan's School, Celbridge, who qualified for Slógadh Náisiúnta in Ennis (6-10 April) with their play for under-15. With them are their two teachers (back left): Máire Ní Fhearraigh and Áine Ní Chonaill. The play is Cúairt an Mhéan Læe.

Local children include Claire Coakley, Maria Brennan, Martina Gallagher and Avril McStravick.

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EYE HEAR

The OPO (one-Person Operated) buses have been serving Maynooth over the past two weeks, and at last the route of the 66 has been extended to Carton Court. All this has been accompanied by timetable changes, details of which are published elsewhere in this issue. Motorists in and out of Dublin have noticed the difference too, if stuck behind an OPO bus at a stop. It takes considerably longer to embark passengers, as the driver has to inspect passes, collect fares and give out tickets and change before moving off. However, this is a matter of accustoming passengers to having the correct fare or their passes ready as they board the bus, instead of starting to fumble deep in the trouser pocket or handbag while standing on the stop. As the Boy Scout said to Girl Guide, "Be prepared!"

Maynooth was well represented in the first round of the Irish Times/Jury's Hotel Crossword Championship held in Dublin on March 14th. Jim Cunningham and Peter Denman both participated. Competitors had to complete four Crosaire crosswords. Quickest times on the day seemed to be about an hour or so for the four, with clues such as "Geel! Entertaining city seems dead (5,4)" — the answer to that is "Ghost town" (G — Host town, geddit?). Jim and Peter both completed in ninety minutes or so, but with some incorrect words, and must now wait to see if they get through to the final on March 20th. Meanwhile, there's no need to travel to Dublin to rack your brains — try the Demon crossword in the **Newsletter**.

High spot of St. Patrick's Day will be the Newsletter float — a newcomer

to the procession this year. So, watch out for the faces behind the deathless prose of your monthly magazine.

WANTED — A THIEF REQUIRED to catch the thief that broke the bank at the Community Council offices!! Unfortunately the position will not be salaried due to lack of finance. A lot of energy was expended to steal the princely sum of £3.00 from our telephone box! The damage done — one wrecked door and desk — will cost far more than that to replace.

Seriously though, we feel that the present spate of break-ins around Maynooth can no longer be tolerated by the local people and we ask all concerned citizens to keep a watchful eye on their own and their neighbours property. All suspicious behaviour should be reported to the Gardai immediately and this would perhaps save a lot of heartache for your neighbours.

RECENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Confey Bridge, Leixlip: New railway station, Iarnrod Eireann.

58 Carton Court: 2 storey detached dwelling, Lombard & Ulster.

Main Street: Extension to rear of shop, and change of shop front to 2 shops, J. O'Neill.

Crewhill: Change house type to dormer bungalow, Pat Mooney.

Main Street: Change use of shop to employment office, Trevor Reilly.

107, Carton Court: Extension, shed and garage conversion, T. O'Doherty.

Laragh: Dwelling and septic tank, Gerald O'Toole.

Johninstown: Dormer bungalow, and septic tank, J. Travers.

Main Street: Two way telephone kiosk, Telecom Eireann.

Crewhill: 220 houses, J. Geoghan.

Barrogstown: Dormer bungalow and septic tank, N. J. Plunkett.

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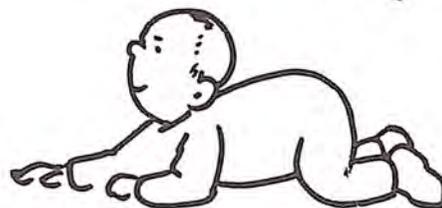
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STREET TALKING

Maynooth is fairly well provided with take-away food outlets, although they are mainly of the fish and chips or hamburger variety, with a smattering of oriental Chinese exotica. For an outlet specialising in pizza one has to travel to Celbridge, where Fusco's pizzas are available; of course, you can telephone your order and specify the topping in advance so that (in theory, at any rate) it is ready and heated when you collect it — and it does stay hot for the drive back to Maynooth, judging by our experience. But it would be pleasant not to have to go that far — how about a pizza parlour on the street? In Scotland the great vogue for takeaways — or 'carry-out's' as they call them there — is baked potatoes, which are available with a mouthwatering range of fillings. They never really caught on in Ireland, largely I suspect because they are associated with those quaint portable ovens which someone was producing to be towed along behind a car to set up stall outside football matches etc. But a good large hot potato with a chili filling is a delicious thing for a cold northern night, and if Ireland cannot make a speciality of the potato things are really bad!

But we seem destined to get our potatoes in the form of chips, and this month we give the first of an occasional series of informal reports on various takeaways in Maynooth, based on an anonymous sampling by our agents. We have decided to start with an outlet a little way off the street, "El Dorado" in Greenfield Shopping Centre. This establishment seems dedicated to preserving the traditional values of the chipper as it was before MacDonald's introduced plastic tables and cardboard style french fries. At El Dorado you get real potato chips, chunky and fresh. Mind you, it means that it's not such a fast food outlet, because the chips are fried as you order them, but the results do mean that the wait is worthwhile. Fish portions come in a

heavy batter but without being too greasy, and this fish 'n chip combination is the staple of El Dorado's fare, although it does offer alternatives. There is a special price on Wednesdays, offering good value — £1.30 for plaice and chips.

Mind you, El Dorado is a real takeaway — there is no seating, not even on the windowsill outside which is tastefully defended in wrought-iron armour. Our observers have remarked particularly on the friendly service of those behind the counter.

So we are pleased to recommend El Dorado for those wanting an unadventurous but reliable takeaway.

The street suffered in the big wind of February, but not to any great extent. Slates were blown off the roofs of at least two premises onto the pavement — from a house next to CPL Motors and from Brady's pub. However, the dangerous areas were very quickly cordoned off, and the guards were there to seeing the children from the convent home by a different route, as the normal safe way was impassable.

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Sympathy to Paddy Moran Greenfield on the death of his father.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Mrs. Shirley Cummins, Highfield, Kilcock Feb 12th and daughter Niamh age 4 Feb 5th.

Larry McTernan, Highfield, Kilcock Feb 27th and son Paul age 12 Feb 4th.

Gerard McTernan, Greenfield, Feb 25th and son Gerard Barry age 11 March 4th.

Mrs. Mary (Doolie) O'Brien, Newtown Jan 23rd.

Mrs. Mary Halligan, Station Rd., Leixlip Feb 3rd.

Congratulations to Nuala McDonnell, Clonaugh who celebrated her 21st Birthday in February. A party in the Setanta Hotel, Celbridge was attended by family and host of friends.

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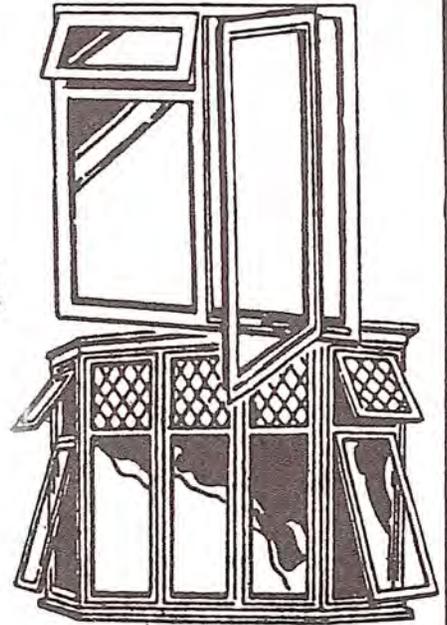
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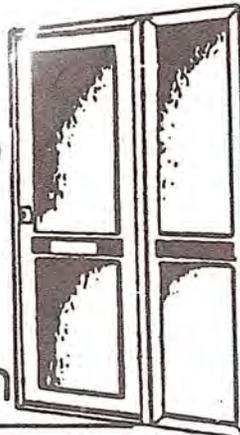
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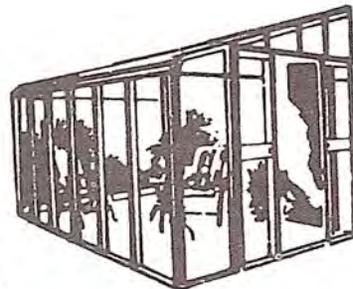
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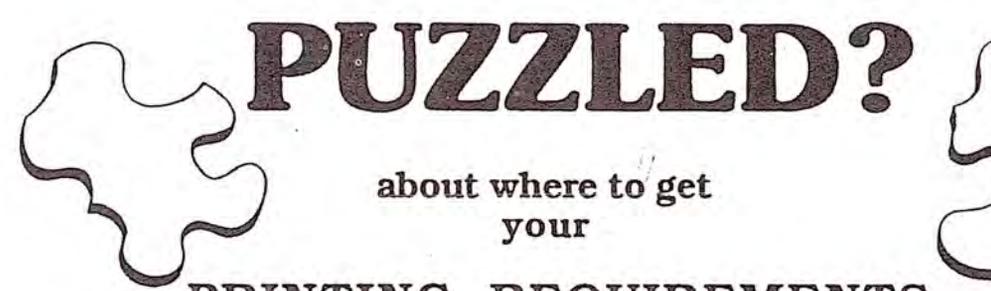
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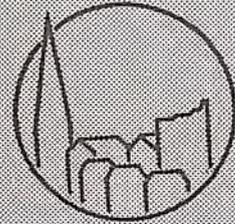
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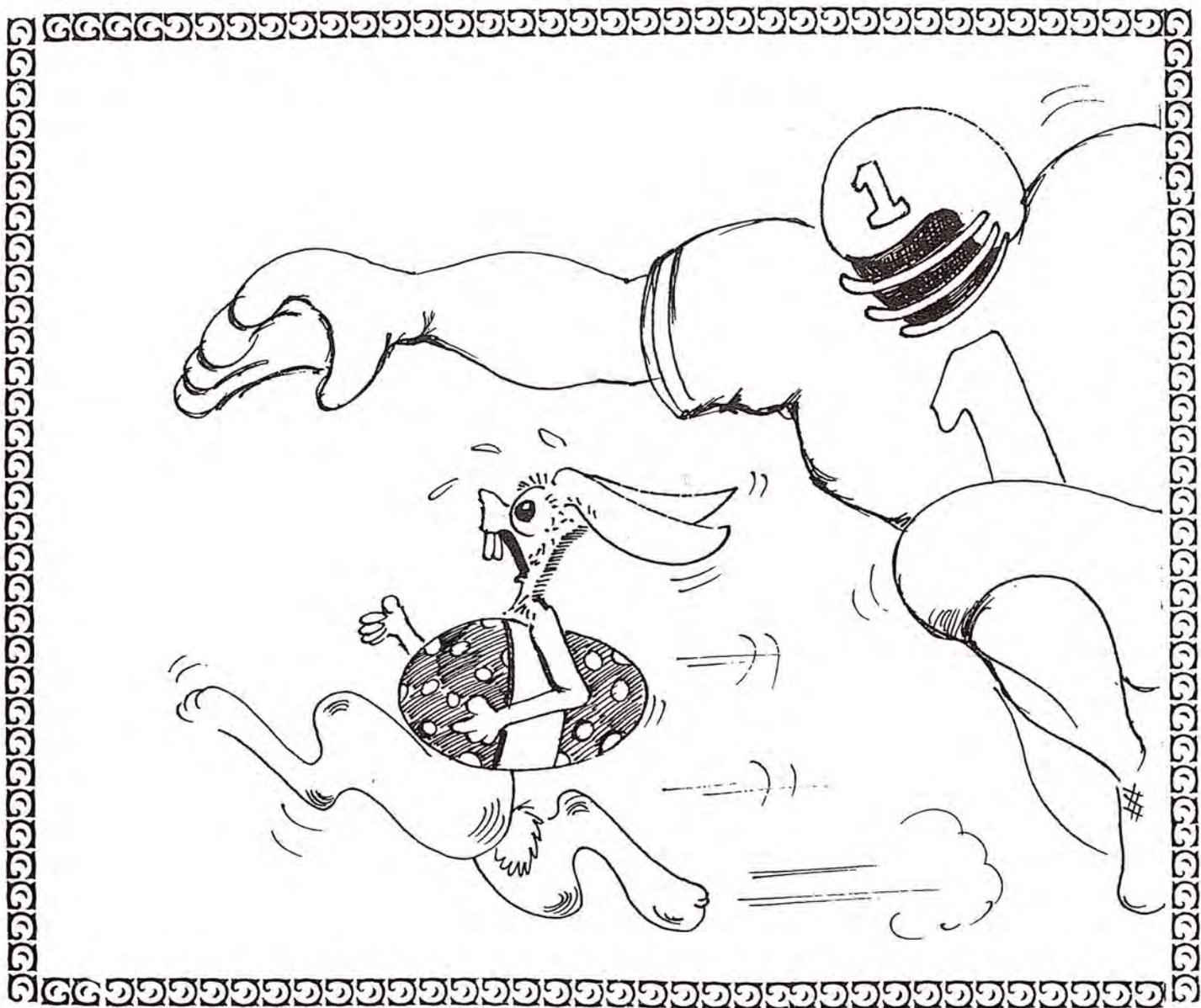


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EDITORIAL

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

So Maynooth failed to make the big time on R.T.E. again this year. Well, despite their absence, the Parade went ahead and was a great success. Half of Maynooth appeared to be involved in some way, whether walking or organising behind the scenes. The other half provided valuable support on the pavements. It was a great day for all, and provided a heartening demonstration of community spirit, which appears to be alive and well in Maynooth.

There aren't many towns in Ireland which can muster such a display so who needs R.T.E. anyway.

ATTACKS ON STUDENTS

Unfortunately, the spotlight focussed on Maynooth, for an unsavory reason, on the week of St. Patrick's Day. The Irish Independent carried a story, banner headlines, about attacks and harassment being experienced by students in the college. Maynooth Community Council commented on the problems, which included a stone throwing incident, as well as students being beaten up. Whoever is responsible for these incidents, whether local or outside Maynooth, must be stopped. If anyone has information on the identity of the thugs involved they should contact the Gardai.

CHEERS FOR C.I.E.

It has never been easier to get in or out of Maynooth, thanks to Bus Eireann. Who would have thought a few years ago that we would have double deckers whizzing over the canal bridge and depositing passengers in the middle of the Straffan Road. The sight of bus stops erupting on the Celbridge Road must be a sign of progress at last. Just a little note, why plant a bus stop in the grass margin? Passengers alighting at this stop must walk along the Celbridge Road, which has no paths up to the entrance in the fence into Laurence Avenue. Why not move the stop down a bit to where it would be safer?

Of course residents along the Newtown Road and the Moyglare direction will now be wondering when their day will come. The walk to Cluain Aoibhinn must be as long and as arduous as the walk to Kingsbry ever was, so maybe we will see a 66 bus or a 67D in operation in the next few years.

And more transport news on the line, the railway line that is. It has been announced that Irish Rail is to open a station at Confey in Leixlip

this year, which is good news for Leixlip, but will add at least two minutes to the journey time. There are further plans for stations at Coolmine and Granard Bridge. So that will be another three to four minutes extra. However, the good news is that the frequency of the service will increase.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The council welcomed Mr. Colm Purcell, Mr. Charlie McCreevy and Mr. Bernard Durkan. There were apologies from Mr. Paddy Power and Mr. Alan Dukes.

The Halting Site on the Blacklion Road is to open within the next month and will accommodate six families and will be looked after by a caretaker. The community council will liaise with the settlement committee.

There was a lively discussion with the T.D.'s about the state of the roads around Maynooth. There will be improvements made on the Cluain Aoibhinn road and Bridge early next year.

OLD GREENFIELD

Seamus Flanagan brought it to our notice that a family on his estate are being harassed by cider drinking yobbos. Once again we ask the Supermarkets in the area to move the cider out of easy access to young people.

There will be an extraordinary General Meeting on Monday 28th March at 8 p.m.

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Residents' Associations News.

CLUAIN AOIBHINN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

With the weather getting warmer now, it is time to start tidying up the estate. It has been decided that Saturday 9th April will be "general clean up day". Skips will be provided and it is hoped that there will be a large turnout as there is a lot to be done.

Our "Black Patch" is now a green patch — full of weeds so it is proposed to dig this area and sow grass on it.

Your committee is pressing hard for the County Council to finish remedial work on the estate and will keep you informed of progress.

Finally for those planning Summer Holidays, the annual Sports Day has been fixed for Saturday 27th August next so keep this date free.

RAIL PARK RESIDENTS NOTES

The last few weeks have seen Rail Parkers emerging from hibernation at last. St. Patrick's weekend gave all the opportunity to attack the gardens, straighten trees and see the neighbours for the first time since Christmas.

The Committee met in March to plan the forthcoming A.G.M. This will be held on Thursday 14th April. We will be circulating all houses with full details. We call on all residents to attend as we have a lot to discuss.

The Committee are still trying to organise a meeting with the organiser of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. He's proving elusive, perhaps evidence of the demand for the service. There have been a few burglaries and break-ins over the winter, and we could do with a scheme like this.

A major problem of refuse dumping in the ditch to the rear of the houses was condemned at the meeting. A number of householders appear to be using the ditch as a private tip. Not only could the used nappies and other disgusting items be a source of disease, attracting rats and other vermin, but this despicable practice of fouling our own backyard is causing problems for other residents. Because the rubbish blocks the ditch, water backs up, and floods gardens. We call on the people responsible to stop this practice.

Kay McKeogh. P.R.O.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

The A.G.M. of the Association was held on March 10th at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. hall with the dismal attendance of 15. The minutes of the last A.G.M. seemed a little out of date to say the least!

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

In a short address, Peter Holland expressed his disappointment at the small turn out, and that people did not appreciate the importance of the event. He also paid tribute to the hard work and dedication of his predecessor — Michael Quinn.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Richard Farrell outlined the many and varied activities of the committee during the year, we met each month, except August. In the environmental area a *Children Playing* sign was erected on Laurence Avenue and the fence was repaired — both were vandalised within a week of each other; a grass-cutting rota was established, a general clean-up was undertaken in the Shopping Centre and on the Estate generally for the Tidy Estates Competition and again in October.

In the effort to improve the T.V. reception, the Department of Communications was contacted repeatedly and there may be some news in that area in the near future.

There was an Oral Hearing arranged in the Kildare County Council offices with An Bord Pleanála in objection to the permission granted for the Fast Food Take-away. Although we lost the appeal, cordial and co-operative relations have been established with the owner.

A meeting was arranged with the residents of Straffan Way regarding the proposed upgrading of the Straffan Road, so that they might establish certain safeguards for the Road and residents.

The Football Tournament was a great success in the new venue at the Harbour Field.

Having waited and petitioned for years for the extension of the 66 bus route, we now have achieved that aim, mainly through the initiative of Michael Quinn. The 67A also runs via Celbridge to Dublin, finally making travel between the two towns possible.

We wrote to the local councillors and organised a petition objecting to the cutbacks in the lighting of the area, there was a 95% response from

residents to the petition carried out by the committee members.

The turn-out for the meeting arranged for the Shopping Centre Development was extremely disappointing, the lack of attention and interest was appalling. The Community Council is to be approached about the idea.

However, the Supper Dance was a great success, the venue was perfect in Slevins of Dunboyne, the music by the Partners excellent, the food wonderful, the spots plentiful and the attendance the best in years. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our sponsors — too numerous to mention!

Richard Farrell ended by saying that, due to pressures of work, he now wished to stand down as Secretary of the Association. His announcement was greeted with great disappointment by the members present.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Thomas Purcell outlined the situation that the Association was quickly running short of funds, due particularly to the enormous cost of grass-cutting, insurance and maintenance of the mowers.

ELECTIONS

Peter Holland was re-elected unopposed as Chairman.

It emerged that it was impossible to find a Secretary to replace Richard Farrell, and the decision was taken to call a *Special General Meeting* within the next couple of weeks. In the meantime the present committee will have a meeting as usual.

Without the support of the residents, there is a distinct possibility that the Association will fall apart and be forced to disband. The Estate will be circulated at a future date as to the time, place and date of the Special Meeting.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, P.R.O.

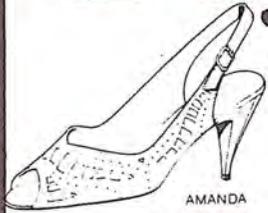
Purchase of Building at rear of Greenfield Shopping Centre for the purpose of a Community Centre

The Committee of Greenfield Residents Assoc. have discussed the possibility of developing the above area as a community centre. Some discussion with other Residents Associations and with P.B. Gunn, who has sale of the premises have taken place and the price being sought for approx. 3,000 sq. ft. of space is in the £30,000 bracket. This includes the vacant units each side of the passage

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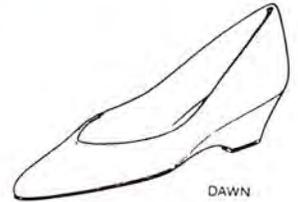
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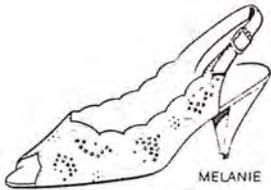
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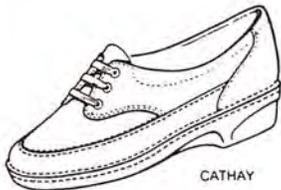


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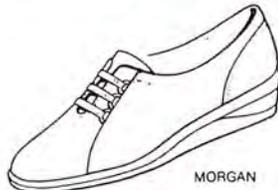


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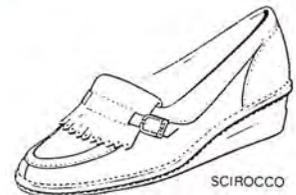
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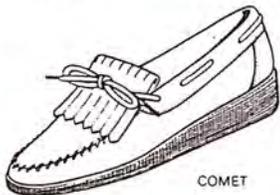
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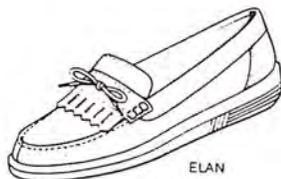
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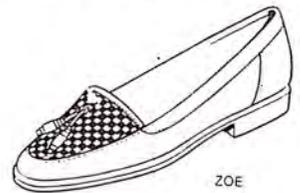
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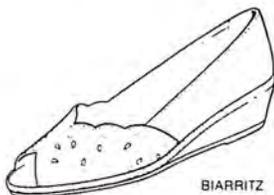
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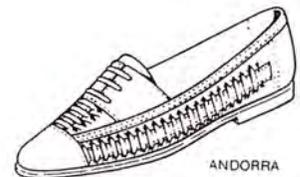
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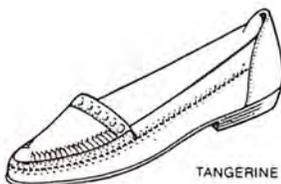
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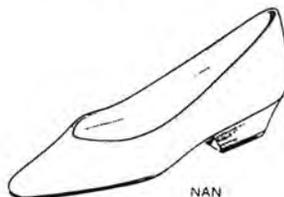
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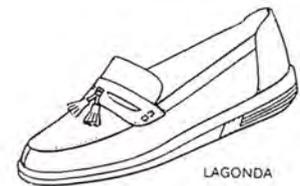
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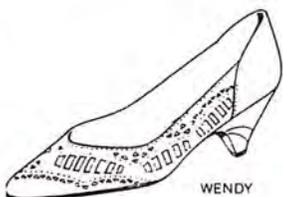
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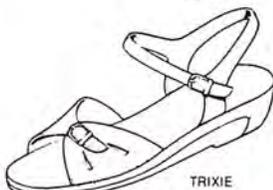
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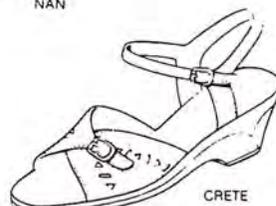
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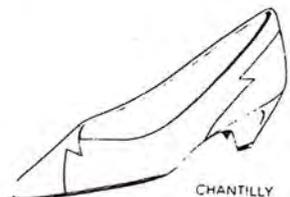
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and the bigger undeveloped area at the back. We would see this developing as an area containing rooms where various groups could meet such as residents associations, ladies groups, creches, play groups, sporting organisations, social groups and any other group who may wish to use the facility.

A large portion of this area would be geared to cater for the youth to meet and socialise in, because presently the youth appear to lack such a facility and are frequently seen meeting around corners etc. The bigger area would be equipped for the purpose of recreation on a convertible basis. These are general ideas and individuals may have much better suggestions. As this is much too big a venture for any one association we are now putting the suggestion to the people who live in the general area. Ownership would be on a co-operative shareholding basis incorporating all the rules and regulations of such bodies. An example of what is involved would be as follows:

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The three local banks will look favourably at lending individuals £100 repayable over twelve months for the venture.

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The Community Council has been approached to see if they would be interested in the premises.

Peter Holland
Chairman

Richard Farrell
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Bodies subject to investigation

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Frances Daly. Organizer.



Letters

Students' Union
St. Patrick's College,
Maynooth,
Co. Kildare.

Dear Editor,

I wish to rectify the impression given by your "College Notes" in the edition that Rag Week was a total flop.

In fact £2,500 was raised for charity, which far exceeds any previous years takings.

As regards the lack of disruption, this was due to the number of events that were organised for the week which assimilated the energy usually devoted to destruction.

Yours faithfully,
Joe Kane,
President.

In reply to your letter we feel that you should read the article in the March issue yet again. No one suggested that it was a "TOTAL FLOP" just that it was the quietest Rag-Week the College has seen in a long time. There was also NO mention of DESTRUCTION in the article. But well done on raising the money. Maybe the Students Union should contribute more to our Newsletter.

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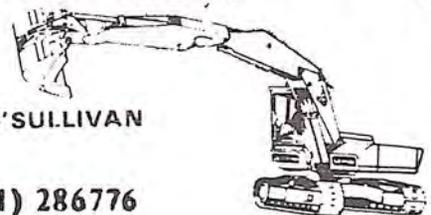
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ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

The parade in Maynooth, organised by the Community Council, went off with great success, starting at 11.10 a.m. and ending just before the rain began! St. Patrick smiled on Maynooth on Thursday! The attendance and the number of entries was far in excess of last year. The admirable, suave and quirky commentary by Noel Dalton added enormously to the success of the event.

THANKS

The Council would like to thank all those who took part in the Parade: the Mayor Eoin Byrne, the Colour Party, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, the Organisation of National Ex-servicemen, the Fire Brigade and Ambulance, the Athletic Club, P and L Bakery, Brú Bosco, Archer Surveillance, O'Donoghue School of Dancing, Ryans Garage, the G.A.A., Elite Bakery, the Gun Club, Narraghmore Pipe Band, the Soccer Club, Ua Buachalla, Bartons, Royal Canal Amenity Group, Premier Dairies, Tidy Towns Committee, Aidan Flood, Tae Kwon Do Association, Sports Locker, the Cycling Group, Barretts, Maynooth Newsletter, Boy Scouts, Flower Pot, Lions Club, Manor Mills, Maynooth Credit Union, Maher School of Dancing, Ammac Electric, Donadea Wheelers, Billy McCrory, Maynooth Students Union, Brownies, Maynooth Accordeon Band, Kingsbry Developments, Maynooth Swimming Club, The Leinster Arms, Aluminium and Building Services, Quinnsnorth and Weather All.

During his commentary, Noel Dalton thanked those who also sponsored the Parade, which cost £700 to



Sandra Kenny leads the Royal Canal Amenity Group with Declan O'Connor and Brian Horn in supporting roles.

organise. The Council would like to add their thanks to the following: Ulster Bank, Bank of Ireland, Allied Irish Bank, D. Foley. Solicitor, D. Maguire and Co. Solicitor, Jim Shoe Repair, Maynooth Glazing, J. Smith, P. Conroy Chemist, Shades, Mr. P. Brady, Maynooth College, Cameo Beauty Clinic, E.S.B. Leixlip, S. Power, Coonans Auctioneers, Moulin Rouge, Cassidy's Roost, the Country Shop and C.P.L.

Mrs. Bride O'Brien, Chairwoman of the Social and Recreational Committee, who are directly responsible for the organisation of the Parade, introduced Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Chairwoman of the Council. She

thanked those who helped behind the scenes: The Social and Recreational Committee, Bridie O'Brien, the stewards, John McGinley and Mary McGinley, Leo and Rosie Bean for the decorations on the stand, Michael Hyland, Pat Travers for the stand, Willie Kiernan for the P.A., Una Kiernan for decorating the stand, The Flower Club, the College, Caulfields, the Convent for parking facilities, Quinnsnorth for the space, the Community Council office, especially Kathy Robson and Michael Begley — last but by no means least Noel Dalton. Above all the entrants and spectators who made the day the success that it was.

The Council would also like to thank



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those who decorated their windows for the occasion: The Elite, S. Power, S. Smith, Ua Buachallas, Kiernans, North Kildare, Bartons and the Hula-Bou. Special thanks to Jack McIlhenny for the refreshments which were provided for the guest in the Leinster Arms. Thanks also to Elizabeth Uí Bhriain for making the Community Council flag.

The reviewing stand consisted of: Michéal Ledwith President of the College, T.Ds Emmet Stagg and Bernard Durkan, councillors Colm Purcell and Gerry Brady, Sister Aquinas, Thomas Ashe, Pierce O'Connell, Fr. Supple, the Rev. Gavin Williamson, the Mayor, Mairéad Byrne of Celbridge Community Council, Tony McEvoy of Clane Community Council, Kevin O'Connor of Leixlip Combined Residents Association, Paddy Dunne of St. Mary's Band, Mrs. Brady President of the I.C.A., Joe Fitzpatrick of the O.N.E. and Joseph Murphy G.A.A. representative.

R.T.E.

The Chairwoman regretted that the RTE cameras had not seen fit to cover the Parade, despite prolonged negotiations and pressures being brought to bear. She then introduced one of the founders of the Council — Emmet Stagg. He spoke of his meeting four years ago with Fr. Supple and Ted Kelly, with a view to establishing a Council for Maynooth and commented that they had been proven right when they maintained that nothing but good would come of it. He congratulated the Council on the ongoing success and paid special tribute to the work of Bridie O'Brien. He said that he hoped that they would achieve recognition as a statutory body in the future.

The prizes were finally announced by the Chairwoman and presented by the Mayor. They were:

- Best Commercial Float** — Barretts;
- Best Club** — Brú Bosco;
- Best Junior Band** — Maynooth Accordeon Band;
- Best marching Band** — St. Mary's Band;
- Best Band** — Narraghmore Band.

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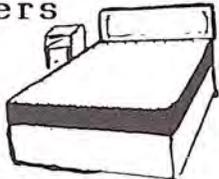
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PARTY POLITICAL NOTES

FINE GAEL NOTES

1. Unemployment Situation

Deputy Bernard Durkan received the following reply from the Minister for Industry & Commerce regarding the above — taking into consideration the number of young people coming onto the job market over the next number of years in North Kildare and the governments proposals to alleviate the problem in the area. This which has now been aggravated by the closure of the I.M.P. plant in Leixlip.

"The proposals to alleviate the unemployment generally are contained in the Programme for National Recovery. In summary, the government are committed to stabilising the national debt, bringing down inflation, reducing industrial costs and encouraging a dramatic growth in investment and export. The promotion of industry is for the day to day administration of the I.D.A. and I am assured by the authority that it is actively promoting this area for suitable manufacturing projects and are continuing to explore the potential for small industry within this region. The I.D.A. is continuing to promote it's site at Collinstown, Leixlip.

2. Completion of Laraghbryan/ Maynooth Road

The following reply was received by Deputy Bernard Durkan regarding the N4 at Laraghbryan/Maynooth with regard to funding to Kildare County Council for the improvements/realignments and completion of this work during the current year.

"Improvements to the national primary road at Laraghbryan are been carried out in two phases. Phase 1 has been completed at a cost of £804,000. A revised design for Phase 2 has been approved costing an estimated £500,000. The provision for the road grants for 1988 have been fully allocated. The question of a grant for 1989 will be reconsidered when the grant allocations are being determined.

3. Maynooth Fire Station

Following further representation by Deputy Bernard Durkan with regard to the improvements and extension to the above the following reply has been received from the Minister for the Environment.

"I gave approval to Kildare County

Council to proceed to the invitation of tenders for the improvement works at Maynooth Fire Station and I understand that tenders will be invited shortly. The provision for funding will not arise until the competitive tendering process has been satisfactorily completed.

4. We wish to take this opportunity to thank all of you who supported our recent National Collection.

5. Deputy Bernard Durkan is available each Saturday at the Geraldine Hall at 2.30 p.m. approx. to meet with constituents.



LABOUR PARTY NOTES

OPPOSITION TO LOCAL CHARGES

At a recent meeting the Maynooth Branch reaffirmed its total opposition to Local Charges and all members were very critical of the increased level of charges imposed by the Council. Addressing the meeting, both Emmet Stagg T.D. and Cllr. Colm Purcell outlined the cynical way in which Fianna Fail had handled the issue at Council level. It was pointed out that despite Fianna Fail promises to abolish local charges both before the 1985 Local Elections and again before last year's General Election, the level of charges had, in fact, increased by 250% since Fianna Fail gained control of the Council three years ago. Both councillors stated that they were confident that voters would remember Fianna Fail's treachery and would not be conned on this issue again. For its part, the Labour Party had consistently voted against the charges at Council level and would continue to campaign against them at local level.

The Branch expressed its wholehearted support for the work of North Kildare Residents Against Local Charges and congratulated N.K.R.A. L.C. on organising a very successful fund raising Social in the Hitchin Post.

PETITION AGAINST LIGHTS OUT

The Branch are currently engaged in organising a petition in opposition to the Co. Council's action in turning off one third of all public lights in the town. The Council are paying the ESB £4 to turn off each light and their will be a further charge when the lights are turned back on. It is anticipated that the overall saving resulting from this ridiculous policy will be negligible compared to the danger and inconvenience caused. So far there has been a very positive response to the petition.

HALTING SITE AT BLACKLION

Councillor Colm Purcell recently visited halting sites in Carlow and Kilkenny to ascertain how these County Councils managed their own halting sites.

He reported that he was most impressed with the site in Portlaoise. The site had its own pre-school and was generally managed at a very high standard. The site was clean and tidy and both the local community and the travellers themselves were very satisfied.

The site at Blacklion will become home for four families initially with maximum accomodation for six families. The families are very carefully selected by the Councils full-time social worker and the site will be run by a permanent caretaker/manager. The success of all sites depends greatly on the Local Settlement Committee which provides the vital link between the Council/social worker, the travellers and the settled community. The Branch welcome and support this positive development and would encourage interested individuals to become involved in the Local Settlement Committee. Anyone interested should contact Emer Kane, the Co. Council social worker.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

Three delegates from the Maynooth Labour Youth branch will attend the Annual Conference of Labour Youth in Dublin on 25-26th of March.

The Youth Branch, which has recently recruited a large number of new members, is planning to hold a Youth Table Quiz on Saturday, April 23rd (venue to be announced). The Quiz, based on general knowledge and topics of interest to young people, is open to all those aged 15 to 25 and teams will consist of four per table.

Anyone interested in joining the local branch of Labour Youth should contact Caolan Clifford, 28 Lawrences Ave.



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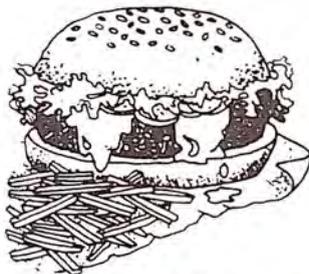
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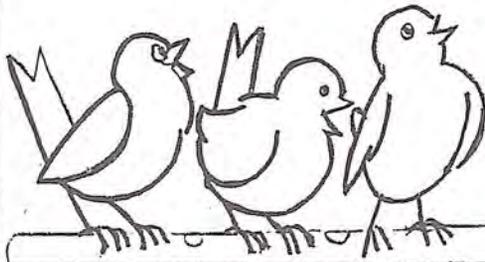


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RECRUITMENT DRIVE

Emmet Stagg T.D. has recently been appointed National Recruitment Officer for the Labour Party and the Party is currently engaged in a nation-wide drive to recruit new members. Anyone interested in joining the Maynooth branch should contact David Moynan, 2 Convent Road. Phone 272149 (home), 789737 (work).

P.R.O.
Maynooth Labour Party.



THE WORKERS' PARTY Kildare Constituency Council

Library Waivers Chopped 21/2/88

Workers Party Chairperson for Kildare Catherine Murphy in a statement expressed concern about the charges

Library users are now being subjected to. A decision was made by Kildare County Council to abolish Waivers for children, old age pensioners and the unemployed. The move marks a dangerous new departure of denying consideration to people who up to now have been deemed unable to afford local service charges, such as for water supply and refuse collection. The library system was originally set up to provide access to information, knowledge and culture to people who would normally not be in a position to buy such reading material themselves. These are the very people whom this decision adversely affects. Last year's library charge in Kildare was £15, which resulted in considerable loss of membership. Under the new scheme, all adults will be liable for a £2 charge, and children will be asked to pay £1.

The new blanket charge may appear low, but once the principle of abolishing waivers is accepted, hefty increases for everyone may follow.

The next step could be to abolish waivers for water tax, refuse collection and other services. Considerably more people are being refused waivers for these very services and the lack of printed guidelines by Kildare County Council on the matter make it impossible to determine entitlements.

For Confirmation Contact:
Catherine Murphy 244903

Pot-Hole Epidemic in Kildare 21/2/88

At a recent Constituency Council meeting of the Workers' Party, Chairperson Catherine Murphy stated that Kildare County Council appeared to have accepted a policy of neglect on what is now a crumbling road system in the county. In recent months we had heard of elaborate plans to extend the road system nationally with new roads i.e. Rosslare to Belfast. At the same time the absence of finance to the Local Government sector has forced councils including Kildare County Council to allow the county roads and some main roads to deteriorate, in some cases to breaking point.

An epidemic of pot-holes is how she describes the situation and the Constituency Council believes that motorists and cyclists are finding it more and more difficult to use the roads. They do so at the risk of life and limb, not to mention the obvious damage to vehicles. The ridiculous situation exists that repair workers are passing pot-holes to repair even larger ones. The problem is further affected by the reduction in street lighting. This would appear to be a long term measure, evidence being the £4 per light cut off charge by the ESB. A reconnection charge also applies, so it is doubtful that these lights will be restored in the medium term.

We live in what she described as a profit-centred economy. We have already seen the running down of the Health and Education systems; we are now witnessing the running down of local government through starvation of finance. People must at all times come before profit, just as life must come before cut-backs. The policy of neglect, the party believes, is a false economy. The roads will have to be repaired sometime.

Confirmation Catherine Murphy
244903

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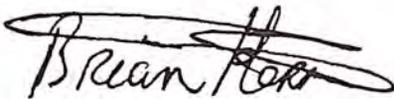
On April 16th and 17th next, we are holding a **SPRING FAIR** in Maynooth.

A Cheese & Wine exhibition and other recreational activities are planned to coincide with the fair.

The proceeds from the Fair will be equally shared between the Boy's National School (where the Fair will be held) and the Royal Canal Amenity Group, Maynooth Branch. Set out below are the costs per sq. ft. for exhibition space and we invite you to fill in the Booking Form and return it to us with the deposit of £20 before April 7th, 1988 if you are interested in having a stand.

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BRU BOSCO NOTES

Well this year being the Centenary, Don Bosco decided to look after his own. We are delighted to win the "Youth and Community groups" trophy in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Sincere thanks to all those involved in the organisation, it was great to see so many different groups participating. It was a pity everyone couldn't win but I'm sure that over the coming years they will all get lucky just as we were this year.

TAKING PART 1888.

Don Bosco: Paul Daly.

Young People: Declan Birchell, Niall Healy, L. Mitchell, Michael Troy, E. McEvoy, Jason Burke,

Elaine Daly, Darina O'Malley, Michelle O'Riordan, Anne Killek, Shauna Kearney, Sara Healy, Sylvia Burke, Jeannette Thompson, Laura Troy.

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Leaders: Brian O'Malley, Fiona O'Connor, Joe McGuigan, John Gates, Eilis O'Malley, Joe Mercer.

THEME OF FLOAT:

Don Bosco Centenary — a hundred years service to youth.

Bru Bosco Youth Club remembering — some members were dressed in clothes suitable for 1888 and holding placards depicting the type of activity which would have taken place around that time. Other members were dressed as they might be for today's youth club and again holding placards depicting some of today's youth club activities. Again we are deeply indebted to Pat Travers for the use of

his trailer and for driving the jeep for us as well. Every year is marvellous to know that all we have to do is make the phone call and Pat is there ready and willing to help.

At the moment we are really busy preparing teams for the C.Y.C. Table Quiz and there is great enthusiasm for all involved. Cooking has taken off not with a bang but with Pizzas and Scones which are always eaten to the last crumb. Charades is a favourite on Fridays also and last week Dan and Joe and Brian Marge put together a marvellous night of team games.

We need leaders so if you have an interest in your people and could spare even one night a fortnight why not drop down and see what goes on.

Happy Easter to all. See you next month.

THANKS

Mary Malone, Hairdresser, Mill St., Maynooth would like to express her sincere thanks to all her customers for their Mass Bouquets and cards, with their good wishes, during her recent operation. A special word of thanks to the Maynooth Ambulance crew who took her to Hospital in Dublin and who were so kind to her and everyone who were so kind to call and offer their good wishes.

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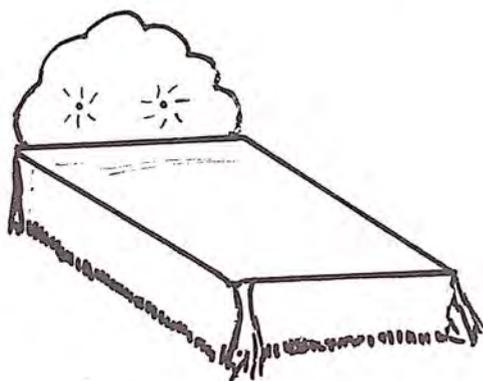
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MAYNOOTH SPRING TRADE FAIR

The Spring Trade Fair opens on the **16th and 17th April** next in the Boys National School. People who have read the last issue of the Newsletter will be by now well aware that this years Trade Fair also incorporates a cheese & wine exhibition in conjunction with a **wine & beer competition**.

However several more major attractions have been lined up since the last issue. We can now confirm that **R.T.E. Radio 2** will be broadcasting live from the Trade Fair venue on the opening day. Also the **Army No. 1 Band** will be giving a recital. There will be several other live performances. For the ladies and the fashion conscious there will be a fashion show on the 2nd day of the fair.

Trade wise booking is very high so people visiting the Trade Fair can look forward to a wide variety of trade stands and plenty of bargains.

The children will no doubt find the **Space Technology stand** most interesting. This stand will be under the direction of Susan McKenna Lawlor, who will open the fair with Muireann Ní Brochláin, Chairperson of Maynooth Community Council.

Intending visitors should note that refreshments will be available at the Trade Fair.

The proceeds from the fair will again be shared equally between the Boys National School and the Royal Canal Amenity Group, so you will be supporting the environmental and educational aspects of the community.

NATIONAL RALLY

Nine Salesian co-operators from Maynooth will be among 200 attending the national rally in Salesian College, Ballinakill, on 26 March. Fr. Harrington, Provincial, will take part in the celebration which will include a celebration lunch and an academy. This year's celebration takes the place of the annual general meeting and honours the centenary of the death of St. Don Bosco.

ATTENDED MEETING

Rev. Tom Corbett, professor of Dogma, Maynooth University, one of the ecclesiastical advisors to the Commission for the Laity, and Mrs. Eilis O'Malley, who represents the Salesian Co-operators on the Commission, attended the quarterly

meeting of the Commission for the Laity at Brock House, Donnybrook, on Saturday. The meeting discussed the forthcoming pastoral on Justice, Fr. John Sweeney, S.J., author of a new book titled *Unemployment - crisis or opportunity*, spoke on unemployment.

CHORAL CONCERT

A choral concert, held in Maynooth University Chapel on Sunday night and performed by the University Choral Society and the Maynooth University Sinfonietta, was attended by over 800 people. An annual event, this year's concert was of Mozart's *Requiem and Vespers* and involved Frances Lucey, soprano; Deirdre Cooling-Nolan, contralto; Emmanuel Lawler, tenor and Andrew Murphy,

bass. Professor Gerard Gillen was the conductor and the sinfonietta was led by Audrey Park. Aer Lingus sponsored the appearance of Frances Lucey and Andrew Murphy, both of whom flew from Munich, where they are studying music, for the concert. Emmanuel Lawler is a final year student at the university who hopes to concentrate on a professional singing career. Deirdre Cooling-Nolan is one of the country's busiest oratorio and operatic singers and Sunday's performance was her first with the University Choral Society. The concert was attended by Right Rev. Monsignor Miheál Ledwith, President of St. Patrick's College and patron of the Music Society and by the Spanish Ambassador to Ireland and his wife, among other distinguished guests.

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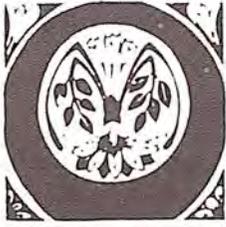
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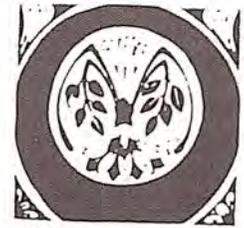


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Those of you who took part in our survey last year and indicated that you would join Maynooth Credit Union should now come along and join. Members of other Credit Unions can now join Maynooth Credit Union and transfer your shares to us.

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names when they join.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

The club had a most successful meeting on 15th March. Instead of our usual demonstration, we had a most informative Garden talk and slides, which covered a very large range and included both Fruit and Vegetables.

The speaker was Colm A. Dockrell B. Agr. S.C. M.I. Hort.

Our next most important event is our Annual Spring Show, which will be held in the Divine Word Hostel, by kind permission, on 12th April.

This show has been most successful every year, there are classes to suit everyone. Flower arranging from beginners upwards, also cut flowers and shrubs.

All classes are open to everyone. Entries, and enquiries from Mrs. B. Brady, Kilcock Rd., Maynooth. Phone: 286308. Entries and staging from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on morning of show.

Show open to public 7.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Everybody welcome.

Betty Farrell, P.R.O.

GLÓR NA nGAEL

Tá go leor daoine ag rá gur mhaith leo cabhrú lena bpáistí Gaeilge a fhoghlaim ach gur dóigh leo go bhfuil an-difríocht idir an Ghaeilge a d'fhoghlaim siad agus an Ghaeilge atá á múineadh anois. Tá athrú ar litriú na bhfocal ach an té a thosóidh ar Ghaeilge a labhairt arís, feicfidh sé nach bhfuil sé deacair cabhrú lena leanaí. Má tá tusa ar na daoine seo, bain triail as na habairtí simplí thíos mar thosnú. Is mór an chabhair an beagán féin!

Many parents would like to help their children with Irish but feel that it has changed since their day. Words may appear different because spelling has been simplified, but anyone who tries out the spoken language should find that it is simply a matter of getting a little practice. If you are one of those who would like to revive your own command of the language while helping and encouraging your child, try these simple sentences to begin with. Go raibh maith agat: Thank you. Fáilte romhat: You are welcome. Maith an cailín/buachaill!: good girl/boy! Le do thoil Please. Más é do thoil é: Please.

Once you make a start it is easy to progress from the "cúpla focal" and it becomes more natural. When you want a child to get something you say Faigh . . . dom

e.g.
Faigh an mála dom
Faigh an leabhar dom
Faigh an peann dom
Faigh an bainne dom
Faigh an siúcra dom
Faigh an gual dom.

Naturally, the phrases above will combine with these requests. You will find that you can remember the Irish words for things — once you relearn some structures and make sentences, you are on the way to fluency! Even one such sentence a month is worth practising so we shall suggest one every month from now on.

Bí ag caint!

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES COMMITTEE

A party was held in the S.M.A. on Sunday 13th March when we had visitors from Lucan. A good time was had by all. Our "Drop In" mornings — on Tuesday and Thursday in the I.C.A. Hall are very popular and any new senior citizens in the community are welcome to come along.

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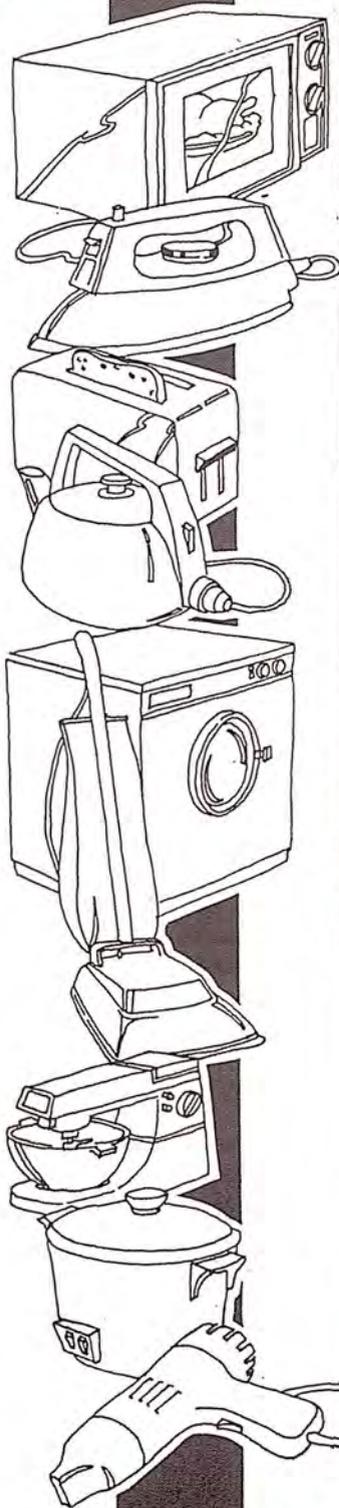
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TIDY TOWNS

Our collection is over and we are pleased that we were so well received in almost every house we visited. Indeed we had a problem getting out of some of them! We collected £503.24 and we hope, through the Newsletter, to account for every penny of it. Already our minds are buzzing with ideas too extravagant to have been entertained up to now but, as our entry in the St. Patrick's Day Parade may have suggested we believe in Maynooth and we are prepared to do some work to prove it. Now we know we are not on our own.

Mentioning the Parade — the Committee publicly wish to thank Matt and Liz Callaghan for the artistic, imaginatively turned out Tidy Towns float. We were proud of it and if there were any prizes for the most improved entry, we know who would be sporting the rosette! And that's not a biased point of view. Truth and beauty were always near comrades!

Again a special thanks to all who helped to make our collection such a success and to all who helped in any way whatever.

Gabriel Martin.

P.R.O. Tidy Towns Committee.

PRESS RELEASE

Locals clinch Rally Championship

Maynooth residents Ted Gaffney and Navigator, Don Foley, have won the 1987/88 Hella/ECCO East Coast Rally Championship. Driving the INTA Repairs VW Golf GTI the crew clinched the title after just six rounds of the eight round series. Consistent and determined performances saw the team amass sufficient points to leave them in an uncatchable position despite there being two rounds still to run.

They are also assured of a top five finish in the National Championship and are hopeful of a top three finish. Due to financial restraints a more determined attack could not be made on the National Title, only six of the nine counting rounds could be tackled this year, but they hope to attract a sponsor to help them in this endeavour in the 1988/89 Championship.

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I only wish to be left alone
My troubles to be of my cure
I figure out a way of my own
With problems of life for to endure

I live in my hopes and desires
Seek a way to cope life's ordeal
Until the time my life expires
In prayer and love I kneel.

To live life the way I want
Although it does not always go my
way
Similar to a clear water font
In purity of life I stay.

I look after my dream
That I will conquer in time
Each beauty I visualise between
Complete freedom will finally be
mine.

"THE LONESOME HILLS"

Déaglán Ó Connachtáin

There is a place in a far off land,
Where once I walked along a strand,
A place where once a man did stand,
His footprints embedded upon the
sand.

This place they call the Emerald Isle,
Where one could walk for a mile,
Out in the fields, resting for awhile,
Upon one's face a contented smile.

Ah, how pure the soil on which I
thread,
Out in the open and God's rare sky,
And out in the fields there grows the
Rye,
A land where people are unafraid
to die.

And all around, the majestic hills,
The jewels of the poet's quills,
A view whose scene astounds and
thrills,
This quite place, these lonesome hills.

Play it again, Sam!

Patrick Murray. "Let's build three harbours", Peter
raved,
"Their roofs will shine and glisten".
"No buildings", God the Father
warned,
"This is my Son, just listen"!

G.M.

POETRY COMPETITION

Its time for inspiration again. We
welcome all poets, young and old, to
enter our competition. Poems, of all
shapes and sizes will be accepted.
There will be three categories as
usual — under 12's, 12-18 and
adults. The closing date will be May
15th and cash prizes will be awarded.

ROYAL CANAL NOTES

Our Fashion Show on the 10th March in the Leinster Arms, was a great success. We would like to thank the following shops for their participation; Billies, F.M.K., Shades, Silhouette, Sports Locker and Hidden Treasures. Also thanks to all of the shops for their Raffle prizes and to the Leinster Arms who also supplied a Raffle Prize. Our appreciation also goes to all the models of the night, without whom the night would not have been as successful as it was. Our Canal Queen, Sandra Kenny, is proving very loyal to our Royal Canal Group. She is always available for all our Functions, always looking her usual attractive self. She was with us at the Fashion Show and also at St. Patrick's Day Parade. We hope also to have her at the Trade Fair on 16th and 17th April.

Our thanks to all who helped organise our St. Patrick's Day Float. Once again thanks to Pat King for his boat and to Peter Finan for the use of his car to tow the boat.

We look forward to everyone's support for our Trade Fair on 16th and 17th April in the Boy's National School. This Fair proved very successful last year and is an event in the town not to be missed. During both days there will be live entertainment, a wine competition and a Cheese & Wine exhibition in addition to all the Trade stands. Our car park will be manned and supervised by the Royal Canal Amenity Project workers, who have volunteered to do the job for the weekend. It is a great help to the Trade Fair Committee to get this



Antoinette Noonan and Breda Donovan modelling fashions from Shades Boutique at the R.C.A.G. fashion show.

commitment from the workers and is much appreciated. Don't forget 16th and 17th April in the Boy's National School.

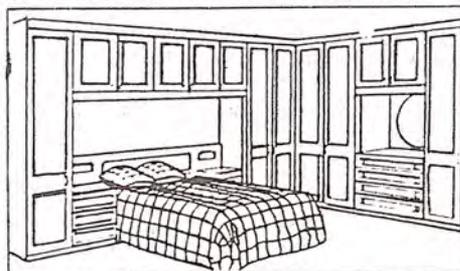
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STREET TALKING

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The main event on the street last month was the Parade of course, which is reported elsewhere in the Newsletter. We were pleased to see the level of participation, and looked for a special effort. Two commercial floats which particularly caught our eye were Ua Buachalla's, who always turn out a eye catching display, and the "Flower Pot" who enlisted a group of children dressed in national costumes from around the world. A few concerned just put in a relatively

unadorned vehicle or lorry — no names, but how about a greater effort next time!

With the current level of break-ins and burglaries on and around the street, the following incident is worth noting. About 11 o'clock one night last month a house alarm was heard ringing. Rather than ignore it, a neighbour rang for th Guards, and within four or five minutes of the call two uniformed gardai were on the scene. Luckily, it turned out to be a false alarm, but it was good to know that there can be such a quick level of response.

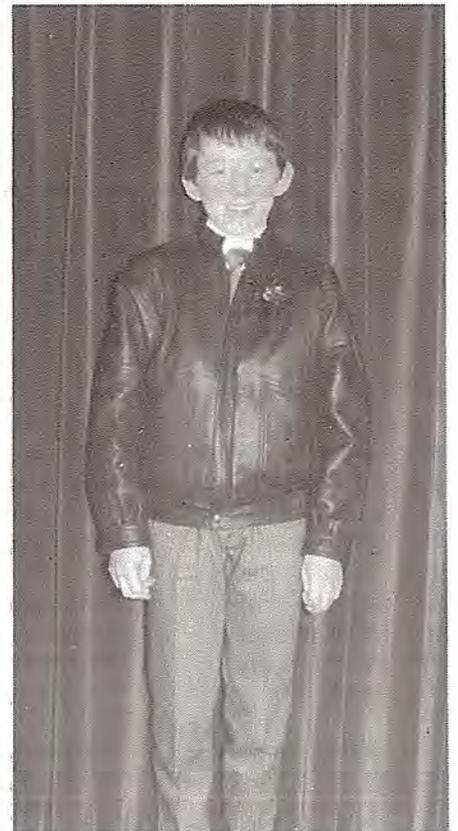
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2nd prize:
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Kilcock.

Runners-up:
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833 Greenfield,
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Mark Ferris,
Mulhussey,
Kilcock.

Patrick Lee,
Pagetown,
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Ages 8-12 yrs.

1st prize:
Catherine Devaney,
19 Greenfield Drive,
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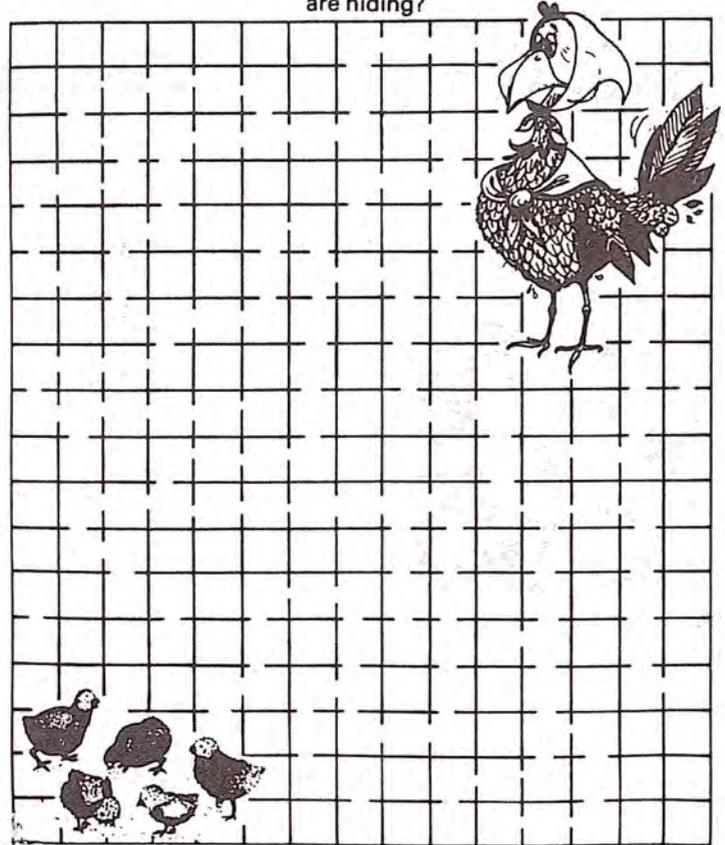
2nd prize:
Patrick Halton,
10 Maynooth Pk.,
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Runners up:
Maeve McTiernan,
1026 Avondale,
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Kevin Gannon,
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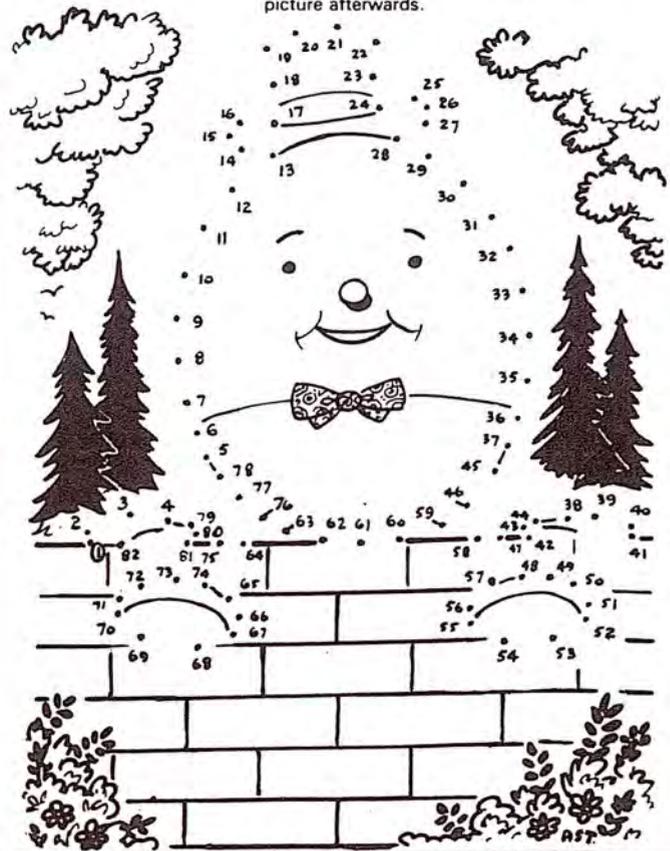
CHICKS MAZE

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JOIN THE DOTS

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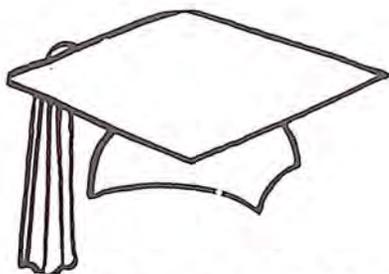
Extra copies of the children's colouring competition page are available in the Community Council Office.

There are now two categories for the Children's Colouring Competition. Ages 4 — 7 and 8 — 12.

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COLLEGE NEWS

The Spanish Ambassador visited the old Russell Library on the 11th March. He came specifically to look at the Salamanca Archives which are documents that were retrieved from Salamanca, an Irish College in Spain. This College closed in the late 1940's. The archives are currently being restored in the Russell Library. Eventually it is hoped that all the archives will be bound and catalogued. When Juan Carlos, King of Spain, visited Maynooth College in 1986 he was extremely interested in these documents and hopes some day to return for a private visit to Maynooth to take a closer look at them.

The Spanish Ambassador returned to the College on the 13th, he was just one of the 800 approx. guests of the Requiem and Vespers, a choral concert, by Mozart. This involved Frances Lucey, soprano, Deirdre Cooling-Nolan, contralto, Emmanuel Lawler, tenor and Andrew Murphy, bass. Professor Gerard Gillen was the conductor and the sinfonietta was led by Audrey Park.

MAYNOOTH POST-PRIMARY SCHOOL

The 11th Annual Debs Dance went off as usual with all the splendour, pomp, finesse and glamour that one expects from such an occasion when Maynooth Post-Primary school organises its annual Debs. This year's class of 1988 was no exception. Over 100 students boys and girls who are preparing to sit the Leaving Certificate this year took a night off their studies for what was a most enjoyable night in the company of friends, parents and teachers. In all, nearly 360 people attended the Ball in the Keadeen. The guest of honour, retiring Chief Executive Officer, Mr. G. Commins paid tribute to the high standards and quality of results achieved by the school since its foundation in 1971.

Congratulations to Ann McAtamney and Elaine Murphy two recent past pupils who have been called for Nursing. Ann has got a place in the Regional in Cork and is happily en-

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sconced in her training. Elaine is due to take up her position in the Mater in the Autumn and will until then continue with her Dental Nursing course in Trinity College. We wish both well in their Careers.

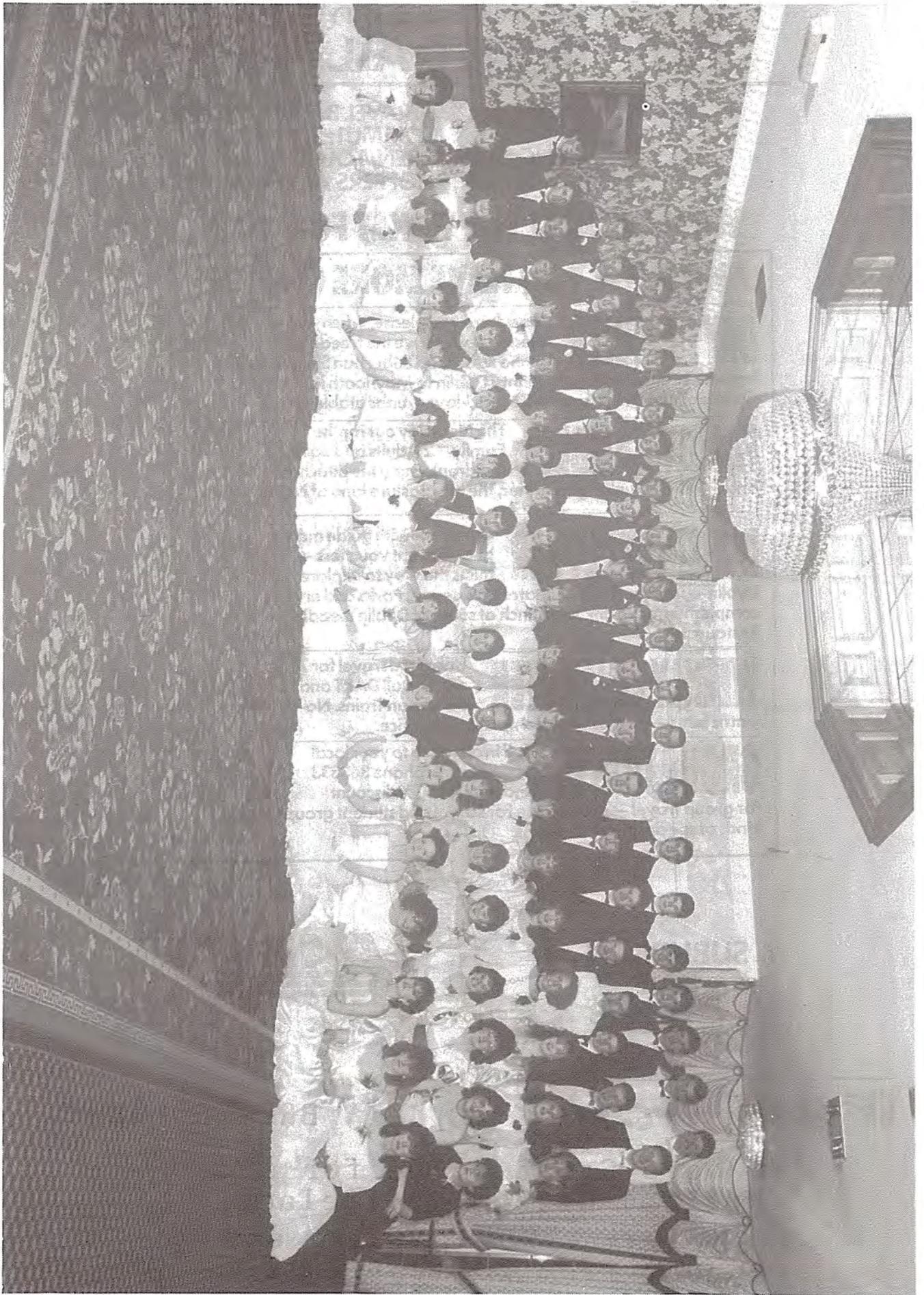
Well done also to Fergus Ashe who represented his school and Country along with thirty four other students from the Republic. A hundred students from Ireland North and South, England, Scotland and Wales spent a week-end in Cardiff discussing matters of mutual interest. The Conference took place under the auspices of the Anglo-Irish Conference and had Dr. T.K. Whittaker in attendance as one of the Directors of the week-end Seminar. This was a pilot project and it is hoped to have further such meetings in the future. All agreed that the exercise was very well worthwhile and can only help to breakdown barriers, prejudices etc. which are only too common in these Islands.

The "Awareness Week" held in the school from 8th to 11th of March

was a most successful undertaking organised by the Chaplain, Fr Thynne and Ms O'Leary. During this week, 1st Year Leaving Certificate students were given Talks, Videos on a wide variety of topics such as the Homeless, Abuse of Alcohol, Ally, The Travellers, plus a visit to St Raphael's and the Rehab Institute in Kildare. The week culminated in a 24 hr. sponsored fast on the last day Friday 11th the proceeds of which go to worthy Charities. All in all a very worthwhile undertaking and — very well done to all concerned. Prior to Awareness Week a bus load of 1st Year Leaving Certificate students were brought to see "Cry Freedom". An excellent film which gave all a great deal to think about on the problem of Apartheid in South Africa.

Congratulations to Lisa McCloskey on reaching the All Ireland Cross Country, Inter schools Final. We wish Lisa all the best on the day and hope she ends up on the Rostrum.

T. Ashe (Principal)



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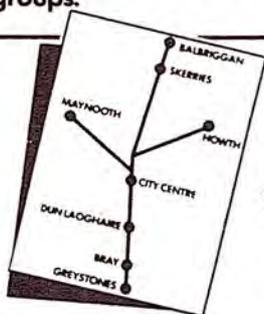
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I.C.A. NOTES

The monthly meeting took place in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 3rd March. Mrs. Bridie Brady presided and welcomed everyone. Mrs. Brady extended sympathy to Mrs. Bridie Moore on the death of her brother.

This month's competition "B.I.M. Fish Cookery Dish", was won by Mrs. Betty Farrell.

The "Friend Kitchen Comedy" is taking place in Prosperous on Wednesday 23rd March. Best wishes to the ladies who are competing in this competition, and the best of good luck on the night. The demonstration for March was Dexter Crafts Supplies. Karen Dexter the Managing Director displayed her wide range of crafts. A good interest was shown by most of the members in this demonstration. Crafts continue every Monday night 8-10 p.m. Set Dancing every Wednesday night at 8.15 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall. Badminton continues every Tuesday and Thursday mornings 11 a.m. — 12.30 in the Parish Hall. We will be delighted to welcome new members to all the above activities.

Next meeting will be held on Thursday 7th April in the I.C.A. Hall.

It is with great sorrow that I have heard of the death of Mrs. Kitty McCarthy. Mrs McCarthy was our Federation President. She died on St. Patrick's Day after a brief illness. Mrs. Bridie Brady and fellow members of the Maynooth I.C.A. Guild wish to convey our deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs McCarthy. May her soul rest in peace.

Kay Burns, P.R.O.

NORTH KILDARE RESIDENTS AGAINST LOCAL CHARGES

(Celbridge/Kilcock/Leixlip/Maynooth)

PRESS STATEMENT FOR FAVOUR OF PUBLICATION 20/8/88

The establishment of a fighting fund was the main reason behind the function organised by North Kildare Residents Against Local Charges. Feelings run high in the towns of Leixlip, Celbridge, Maynooth and Kilcock on the subject of the Charges particularly following the recent actions by Kildare County Council. The fund is to be held as a contingency measure for legal costs if and when legal action is taken.

The Hitchin Post was the venue for what turned out to be an extremely well attended, light hearted, social event. The function commenced with local band Rendezvous and Cabaret was provided by Bread & Roses. Local talent was not short on the night with the Celbridge group providing a song especially written for the occasion and there were contributions from the other towns.

All who purchased tickets were thanked including those who could not attend on the night. There had been great demand for the tickets and it was remarked that "next time we will have to book the RDS". In attendance also were invited guests from organisations who had assisted the Kildare groups in the past. Tony O'Toole, National PRO for A.C.R.A., addressed the audience. He congratulated the Kildare Groups for their resolve in withstanding such pres-

ures as the Offences Against the State Act, withdrawal of refuse collection services, threats of water disconnections and actual disconnections, court appearances etc. The groups had grown in strength and solidly maintained the stand that these charges are a form of double taxation. Property Tax or the threat of this was also highlighted and Mr O'Toole re-stated that A.C.R.A. would fight this tooth and nail.

The function concluded at 11 p.m. and already requests were rolling in about a similar event in the future.

For confirmation or clarification contact: Catherine Murphy 244903

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A Focal Point of Local History

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When Maurice FitzGerald came to Ireland he was a man of sixty. With him came a large assortment of his relations, a colourful group of half-Norman, half-Welsh adventurers, all related to each other through the famous and beautiful Nesta, daughter of Rhys ap Tewdwr, Prince of South Wales. The first wave of Norman conquerors in Ireland were nearly all the descendants of Nesta by different fathers. By her marriage to Gerald FitzWalter, Constable of Pembroke, Nesta had four children, one of whom was our Maurice FitzGerald. Two of Maurice's sons, Nesta's grandsons, came with him on the Irish adventure. Another son of Nesta and brother of Maurice was William FitzGerald of Carew, whose son Raymond "le Gros" was Strongbow's second-in-command and his best military commander. Nesta's daughter Angareth FitzGerald married William de Barri and their son, the nephew of Maurice, was Giraldus Cambrensis the historian of the invasion. The third FitzGerald son, David, became bishop of St. David's and, as we shall see, made his own contribution to his family's Irish enterprise. Before her marriage to Gerald, Nesta had been the mistress of King Henry I of England. Their son was Henry FitzHenry, and his two sons, grandsons of Nesta, Meiler and Robert FitzHenry, were among the invaders. Finally Nesta married or had an affair with Stephen, Constable of Cardigan, and their son Robert FitzStephen was Maurice's half-brother and chief partner in the first expeditions.

The immediate cause of the arrival of FitzStephens and FitzGerald in Ireland in 1169 was what seemed at the time to be a relatively unimportant episode in Irish history and not the great water-shed it turned out to be. We have seen that the kingship of Leinster was not in the possession of

any one ruling family but was competed for by the rulers of the various tuatha within Leinster, including our own Ui Faelain. In 1134 Diarmait MacMurrough of Ui Chennsalaig in South Leinster established himself as King of Leinster but was involved for the next thirty years in the unending wars of twelfth-century Ireland. Eventually he found himself on the losing side in a struggle for the high-kingship between Ruaidri or Rory O'Connor of Connacht and Muirchertach MacLochlainn of the northern Ui Neill. Diarmait was the ally of MacLochlainn but O'Connor won and then all the enemies Diarmait had created over the years turned on him. These included the rulers of Ui Faelain and Ui Muiredaig. Diarmait was deposed both in Leinster and in Ui Chennsalaigh and as he could see no hope of finding new allies in Ireland turned in desperation to the new Norman rulers of England. The King of England, Henry II, was not himself interested in getting involved in Ireland at the time but he did give permission to his subjects, if they wished, to help Diarmait re-establish himself, and so Diarmait came to Wales where he met Maurice FitzGerald.

Though the Normans had conquered England in 1066 they were far from settled or secure in Wales where they had to fight to win and hold the lands granted to them by the king. Diarmait first approached a likely candidate for adventure in Ireland, Richard FitzGilbert, Earl of Pembroke, famous in Irish history as "Strongbow". He was a likely candidate because he was out of favour with his king and had little to hope for from him, and also because he had the resources to raise a substantial force to bring to Ireland. To him Diarmait held out the biggest inducement at his disposal. He offered him the hand of his daughter Aoife in marriage and with her the succession to the kingship of Leinster. By Norman law this could seem a legitimate transaction but it could have no validity in Irish law as we have seen. By Irish law Diarmait could not nominate his own successor in Ui Chennsalaigh and still less in Leinster. Strongbow

accepted Diarmait's proposal but was in no hurry to cross the Irish sea. It was a group of his vassals, the Geraldines and their relations and friends, who were the first to accept the challenge of the Irish adventure.

They were relatively impecunious but able adventurers who hoped to make their fortunes in Ireland, acquire lands and wealth there and perhaps, if they were lucky, even establish themselves as kings. The historian Edmund Curtis describes them as "a family party, putting their stock into a common enterprise, and ready for the great jump-over into Ireland." Robert FitzStephen, the half-brother of Maurice FitzGerald was in particular difficulties when Diarmait arrived on the scene. He had for three years been the prisoner of the Welsh Prince of South Wales. Rhys ap Griffith, who was also a nephew of the famous Nesta. Robert's half-brothers, Maurice FitzGerald and David the bishop, persuaded Rhys to set him free if he promised to go to Ireland to help Diarmait. To Robert and Maurice Diarmait promised the town of Wexford and two cantreds of land in return for their assistance and the deal was struck. Diarmait returned to Ireland with a small group of Normans, Flemings and Welsh under Richard FitzGodebert, re-established himself in Ui Chennsealg, re-asserted his claim to Leinster, was again crushed by the high-king and then sent word to FitzGerald and FitzStephen that he needed them now. Robert FitzStephen arrived in Bannow Bay in Co. Wexford on 1st May, 1169. With him, according to Giraldus, he brought "30 men-at-arms, of his own kindred and retainers, together with 60 men in half armour, and about 300 archers and foot-soldiers, the flower of the youth of Wales". They had embarked at Milfordhaven and crossed the sea in their long, open, single masted ships. As well as a sail they also used oars, and each ship carried out 120 men plus some horses and supplies. When they ran these flat ships onto the beach at Bannow Bay the Norman invasion of Ireland had begun.

Reference: Richard Roche: THE NORMAN INVASION OF IRELAND. Tralee 1970.



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Gerald FitzGerald shows his mettle

By Dick Walsh,
Political Editor

May 1487

When people say that some of the Anglo-Normans have become more Irish than the Irish themselves, Gerald FitzGerald (Gearóid Mór), the eighth earl of Kildare, is almost certainly the man they have in mind.

Though his line of descent is clear and he assiduously guards his role as the king's deputy lieutenant, he is as nimble a politician as any of the chieftains he controls.

The defence of The Pale rests on his military strength. His great castle at Maynooth is almost in the front line; further west than nearby Kilcock, it is beyond the reach of the Dublin Government.

But, while he shows no desire to sever the link with the crown, he has adopted some highly profitable practices of the Gael. Neighbouring chieftains pay him an annual tribute — in livestock, honey or butter, sometimes even in money — for protection.

Lately, however, he has had to pay a heavy personal price for his own protection. With Henry Tudor on the throne after the return to power of the Lancastrians, some realignment was necessary if he was to consolidate the position he'd held under four successive kings.

He decided to form an alliance with the pro-Lancastrian Butlers, another Anglo-Irish family now clearly back in favour. Gerald had his second daughter Margaret marry Piers Butler, the cousin of Thomas, earl of Ormond.

To say that FitzGerald is tenacious would be a feeble description. When Henry, Lord Grey, Edward IV's newly appointed deputy, arrived here in 1478, he found that FitzGerald's men had garrisoned Dublin Castle and destroyed the drawbridge. Grey was denied admission.

As deputy lieutenant since 1479, Gerald has packed the main offices with supporters; when King Richard tried to replace his brother, Thomas, as chancellor in 1483, the attempt was powerfully and successfully resisted.

And when he heard that Henry Tudor was planning an invasion of England two years ago, he had Parliament pass a measure confining electoral power to the seven chief officers of the administration, who were — needless to say — relatives or supporters or both. All of which goes to ensure that, whoever is king of England, Gearóid Mór, the earl of Kildare, is master here.

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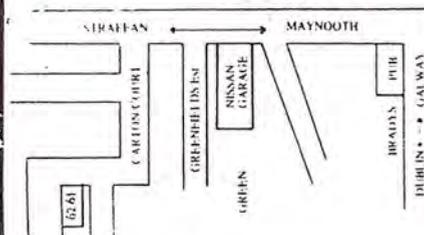
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The Asthma Society of Ireland, a voluntary organisation was founded in Dublin in 1973, the aims of which are to provide support and informat-

ion to asthmatics, and to lobby for better Government services, particularly with regard to the inclusion of asthmatics in the long-term illness schemes.

The Leixlip Branch of the Society, which incidentally covers the areas of Lucan, Celbridge, Maynooth and Dunboyne, has been in operation now for the past eighteen months. To date, we have held two information evenings where Chest Specialists and local General Practitioners have talked to our members about the various aspects of asthma and at present we have very successful swimming sessions taking place every Sunday.

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IN ANGLO-IRISH ENCOUNTER

Fergus Ashe, a leaving certificate pupil at Maynooth post-primary school, was selected to participate in a pilot Anglo-Irish Encounter weekend in Cardiff. The Encounter, funded by the EEC, involved 105 students from the British Isles, thirty-five each from Northern Ireland and Ireland and a further thirty-five from England, Scotland and Wales. The purpose of the weekend was to enable students interested in Anglo-Irish relations and European affairs to discuss the common problems of their communities. Fergus Ashe was selected on the basis of an essay he had submitted for the Sweetman essay competition.

TRAINING COURSE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

At the end of November, 30 young people from the Maynooth, Lucan, Celbridge and Leixlip areas started a Youth Skills course which is run by Co. Kildare V.E.C. and AnCO — now FAS. The purpose of the course is to give young people a chance to get training and, hopefully, a better chance of employment.

On the course there are 4 workshops: woodwork, mechanics, catering and sewing. The trainees spend some time in each of these workshops, getting a basic idea of the skills involved. They also receive some basic instruction in computers.

An important part of the course is work experience. The trainees spend a period of time working in a job they have some interest in. This opportunity to get practical work experience is very valuable. In some cases trainees discover they're not so interested in the job after all! On the other hand, trainees sometimes get on so well they are offered a full-time position.

Through the course the trainees receive personal effectiveness training. This helps them to become more aware of the situation they are in and better able to take control of it.

At present, the trainees are involved in a minicompany project. This involves operating a 'company' which appoints managers, produces, sells and pays expenses. The trainees are fully responsible for taking decisions and working out problems. They are then entitled to their share of the profit!

At a later stage in the course, the trainees will be working on a community project in their own areas. They have yet to decide on the nature of these projects. The trainees will also spend a week in an Outdoor Education Centre where responsible and co-operative behaviour will be key-notes to the success of the activities.

The course is based in the old primary school on the Hazel Hatch Road in Celbridge and employers, youth workers and, indeed, anyone in the community who might be interested in the course, is invited to pay us a visit at any time.

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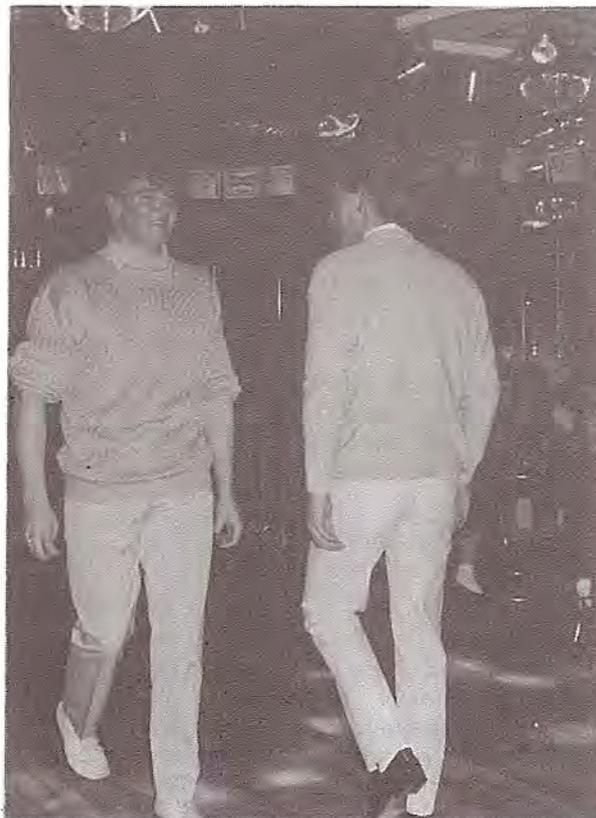
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 1 oz butter
 2 tablespoons oil
 2 onions sliced
 6 oz button mushrooms
 1/2 pint pork or beef stock
 1 tablespoon tomato puree
 1 1/4 pint natural yogurt
 2 tablespoons brandy or sherry

Mix together the flour, salt, pepper, curry powder and mustard; cut the meat in this mixture. Heat the butter and oil in a large frying pan, fry the meat and onions for 10 minutes stirring all the time to prevent food becoming too dark. Wipe the mushrooms, add to the meat, then stir in the stock and tomato puree. Cook gently for 5 to 6 minutes, add the yogurt and brandy or sherry. Heat without boiling for about 5 minutes. Serve with a green salad.

LAMB EN CROÛTE

1 small leg of lamb
 8 oz puff pastry
 liver and mushroom pâté
 To glaze 1 egg.

Roast the lamb until almost cooked. Remove from oven. Leave to cool. Roll out the pastry. Spread the pastry with the pâté. Place the joint on top, wrap in the pastry and seal well. Beat the egg with a little water and brush over the pastry. Lift onto baking tray. Make 2 or 3 slits in the pastry to allow the steam to escape. Bake in the centre of a hot oven for 35 to 40 minutes. Reduce the heat when the pastry begins to brown.

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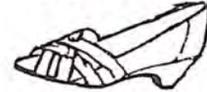
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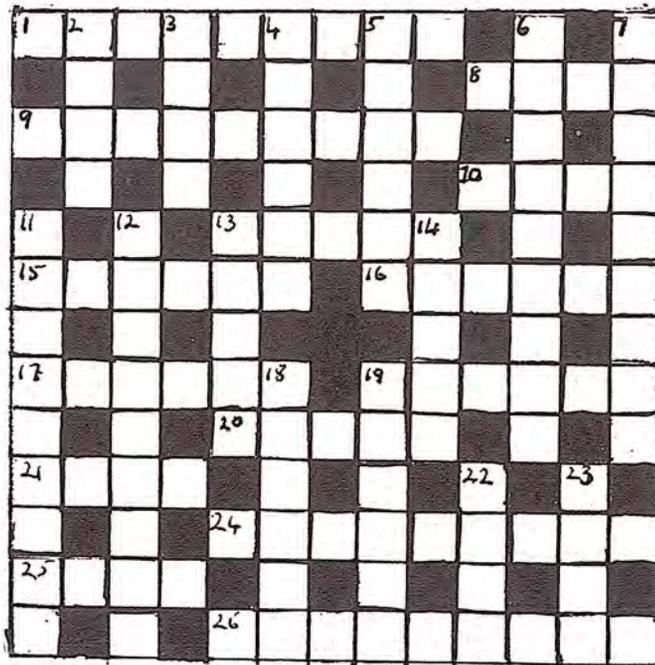
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Across

1. Care of a thousand and one in my Maynooth people, for instance, who elect a council (9)
8. About two pounds and three ounces has to be mixed with fifty once to get you to 6 (4)
9. Mister Lee runs along each side of 24 (4,5)
10. A cake from the Elite may be noticed at last (4)
13. Fighting man involves ten in South African war (5)
15. Tell tales quietly to avoid notice (3,3)
16. Holy cry to get rid of a soldier of destiny? . . . (6)
17. . . . but cricket umpire turns down appeal at home (3,3)
19. Little fish can be won back after a short time (6)
20. Sort of old-fashioned chair lift in France or Andes (5)
21. Neither the hour-hand nor the minute-hand but the --- defines how time was (4)
24. Two articles meeting place for Maynooth people to walk up and down (3,6)
25. Obtains food in dance at Slims (4)
26. Need a girl to take up unusual position? Well-known Kildare family will supply your needs (6)

Down

2. Leave out nothing, put a thousand with it! (4)
3. The hunt for flesh at O'Neill's, by the sound of it (4)
4. Ran back to propel this kind of boat on the canal ? (6)
5. Tipped rain on the holiday sea is the first half of 18 (6)



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6. OK! C. O'Neill will find a way to the next parish (9)
7. With Jones for an index, five hundred on the street possess this stud or townland (9)
11. He represents us and a country with small ukeleles (4,5)
12. Wet Thames flowing into a nearby county (9)
13. As an extra reward Bus takes one in endlessly (5)
14. Trespass again, sap! (5)
18. The 3 F's make one titter (3-3)
19. He takes two articles tomorrow in Spain (6)
22. Cattle might be heard? Yes (4)
23. I run around Maynooth Castle, for instance (4).

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BREAKAWAY is a scheme enabling parents with a normal family to take into their home, a mentally handicapped child for a week or two during the Summer. The child gets a holiday, the host family a new experience in family life, and the natural parents an opportunity for a 'break'.

Many of you will remember reading about the scheme in 1987. Some of you will have participated in 1987 and will hopefully do so again in 1988. In 1987, we placed 15 children from St Raphael's, Celbridge on the scheme. The children 14 boys and 1 girl spent holidays with families in the North Kildare area. This year we would like to place an additional 5 children and are seeking new host parents.

'Paul is a 7 year old boy with Down's Syndrome. He attends St Raphael's Day School. He lives with his parents and three sisters in a busy housing estate. He and his family have not had a holiday for the past 5 years. Paul is an active little boy — who likes to be on the move all the time.

His Mum and sisters find the summer holidays long and tiring when Paul is at home for 8 weeks.

As their home is on a busy street, Paul cannot play alone out of doors. This means, that an adult or older child has to be with him at all times. His family would welcome a break during the holiday period — for Paul a Breakaway placement would mean a whole new experience. A holiday doing new and exciting things. A chance to meet another family and make new friends.

For his family — a Breakaway holiday would mean, a break in routine, when his parents and sisters could relax, and take part in activities which are difficult when Paul is at home. It might mean that they could take a short holiday — knowing that Paul is being well cared for.'

For you and your family: Breakaway offers an opportunity to care for a mentally handicapped child for a week or two, a chance to do something that is new, rewarding and challenging.

What can you expect if you become a host family:

All host families who apply to the Breakaway scheme take part in a preparation course. This involves discussions on various aspects of caring for a child with a mental handicap, including ways of coping with very specific needs, behaviour, etc. It also gives host parents an opportunity to look at the implications for their own families. The preparation involves visits to the Centre the child

attends and numerous opportunities to get to know the child they are taking and his/her family. Every effort is made to ensure the child goes to the family who can best meet his needs.

When the child is on holidays with the host family, a link is maintained with the staff at the Centre and there is a 24 hour telephone back up service. The Social Worker who arranges the placement will also visit during the placement. Every effort is made to ensure that if problems arise they can be sorted out promptly. Host families are paid £60.00 per week, in recognition of the extra work involved in looking after the child.

If you are interested in participating in Breakaway, Brid Leahy, Social Worker, St Raphael's, Celbridge (telephone 288161) will be very pleased to hear from you.

Happy holidays!!!!

FLIGHTS OF FANCY?

The skies over Maynooth are rarely empty, with aircraft of many different types passing from day to day. At Leixlip there have been recent signs of disquiet, with Tomas Mac Giolla asking questions in the Dail about aircraft movements, particularly from Weston. The situation at Maynooth is not directly equivalent to that at Leixlip, as we are further removed from the airfields, but as a result we experience a much greater mixture of traffic overhead. Indeed, the aircraft can be seen as a source of variety and interest, one of the features that makes Maynooth a special
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Genevieve Fay and Miriam Nolan on Confirmation Day.



**Group of five:
Niamh Sheehan, Beth Ann Reilly,
Sinead Casey, Michelle O'Riordan,
Elaine Daly**

place in which to live. Just consider the range of aircraft we are likely to see from our own back garden.

"Aircraft Types"

Pottering about at five or six hundred feet are the single-engined light aircraft from Weston on training or pleasure flights. These are usually the low-winged Rallyes, with their characteristic bulbous cockpit canopy, or else the high-winged Cessnas. From Baldonnell come the higher powered piston-engined or jet-propelled fighter/trainers of the Air Corps, recognisable by the louder engine note and orange wingtips. Loudest of all, however, are the helicopters — either the aging Alouettes which have been the mainstay of the army's search and rescue operations for so long or the new larger Dauphins which are being brought into service currently. Maynooth is situated just at the edge of a military flying area around Baldonnell, and the college quadrangles and spire provide excellent ground markers, so we often get quite spectacular aerobatic flying being practised overhead. And then, definitely not aerobatic, there is the more stately air traffic associated with Dublin Airport; we are right under the flightpath of the jumbo jets as they take off to or arrive from Shannon as part of the transatlantic

route, and they make a magnificent sight as they slide by overhead, relatively low, apparently slow, and quite majestic. Generally you see them letting down in the morning after a night flight from the U.S., and taking off outwards in mid-afternoon. And finally, way above all of this, on clear days you can see the condensation trails of the big jets overflying Ireland in transit between Europe and America. These are at 30,000 feet and more. With a pair of binoculars it may be possible to identify the type and even to see the markings. One in eight of these, according to reports, is likely to be a military aircraft belonging to some foreign power.

"Disadvantages?"

These aircraft provide a constant and changing spectacle in our skies, with little or no nuisance value. Noise? Not nearly as loud and annoying as a goddam lawn-mower. Pollution? Nothing to speak of, and certainly nothing like that pumped out by the cars passing through our main street. Danger? Hardly — the aircraft fly under strict rules at all times; there have been two fatal accidents in the Maynooth area in the past ten years — on a military jet that crashed back of Carton six or seven years ago, and the recent crash near Lucan involving a training flight from Weston. On no

occasion has there been injury or damage to people or property on the ground.

"Sights"

On the other hand, I can recall some memorable and moving sights in the air over the past decade over Maynooth: the RAF helicopters flying to Baldonnell with the bodies of Lord Mountbatten and the others killed in Sligo; the restored lolar, Aer Lingus' first passenger biplane of the 1930s, flying slowly out of the west on a summer's evening towards Dublin, on a proving flight before it had been unveiled to the public; a microlight making its way slowly in the opposite direction one day, following the Galway road, or the canal, or the railway line, or all three; and just a couple of weeks ago, five Magister jets of the Air Corps flying line abreast under a damp grey cloudbase as they began their run in for a flypast in honour of President Mitterand who was visiting Dublin.

So, the message to Maynooth people must be — "Look up, there's a whole lot more than Aer Lingus!" Better still, look down. It is perfectly easy to arrange a short flight from Weston — believe me, the town looks well from a small aircraft. Why neglect a facility on our doorstep.

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COMMUNITY GAMES

We are now ready to take off for our 1988 season, this being our 9th year to participate in Community Games. Area finals in Gymnastics will take place on 19th May in the Parish Hall at 4.30 p.m. and team manager will be Aine McDonagh. Art will take place in Post Primary School on Saturday 30th April, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Athletics will take place on 15th May at 12 p.m. in G.A.A. field. Swimming will take place in Stewarts Hospital on Sunday 22nd May 5-7 p.m.

Co-Final dates are as follows:

Art 29th May — Curragh.

Athletics 11-12th June — Kilcock.

Swimming 18th June — Athy.

Gymnastics 25th June — Leixlip.

Entry form for all local competition in this Newsletter.

All contestants in Art, Gymnastics, Swimming and Athletics must complete the entry form. It is also to be noted that a competitor may take part in **three** individual events **overall** but a maximum of **two** in any one discipline i.e. 2 swimming events or two athletic events only.

I would ask that all Perpetual Trophies be returned to the Community Council office on or before Friday 29th April. It is very necessary to have all these trophies returned in time for this year's competition. I made the same request this time last year for the return of trophies, but I eventually had to go out and knock on doors to collect some of them. This is not very fair to the children of Maynooth who will win these trophies in the coming year. So I appeal to the holders of trophies to return them to the Community Council offices on or before Friday 29th April.

I wish all the children of Maynooth good luck in 1988 Games.

MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

The One Hundred and Fifty First Annual General Meeting of the Society was held on Sunday 28th Feb. 1988 at the Registered office and drew a large number of members. Mr. Jim Nolan presided.

The Chairman Jim Nolan in his opening address was very outspoken as regards defaulting members. He said it was most unfair that every year we had the same number of defaulting members. The time had come when the Society had no alternative but to exclude these members. If the Society is to continue, and meet

its commitments non paying members were not the answer.

The Secretary P. Nolan read the Balance Sheet as prepared by Frank Donnelly F.C.A. He stated that during the year 1987, 27 members died at a cost to the Society of £7,500. This showed a running loss of approx £2,500. Despite this loss the Assets remain at £6,500. He agreed wholeheartedly with the remarks of the Chairman as regards defaulting members. He had already taken up the matter with the Auditor and the Register of Friendly Societies to have these members excluded from the Register and also ensure that they would not be allowed to rejoin the Society in future years. This course of action he was reluctant to take as he never had deleted any member from the Register. However he felt he must comply with the wishes of the majority.

The Assistant Secretary Kevin Murphy stated that defaulting members had cost the society a large amount of money in outstanding Subscriptions. He noted with regret that the Funeral Grant had not increased over the last couple of years. Under the present circumstances he knew it could not happen, however he agreed with the corrective action

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now being taken, and the drive for new membership within the new Maynooth community would mean that the Funeral Grant would be increased greatly next year.

Emmet Stagg T.D. (member) felt that membership could be greatly increased if the new residents of Maynooth were made aware of the workings of the society and the benefits. This was unanimously agreed to.

P. Nolan and K. Murphy agreed to meet any Residents Associations, or organisations within the Parish and explain the objectives of the society.

A special word of thanks was offered to Sean Reilly, Prosperous for a magnificent funeral service given to Society members and non members during the year, and also complimented him on the opening of the Funeral Parlour in the Mall. It was unanimously agreed to retain M/s 'Reillys' Prosperous as official undertakers to the society for the coming year.

It was agreed that a clean-up of the Laraghbryan Cemetery will take place on Saturday April 9th 1988 at 11 a.m. It is sincerely hoped that a full compliment of members and non members will turn up. We will again remind you of this venture.

The Committee would like to thank the following for voluntary services

during the year:

Damien Maguire (Solicitor)
 Frank Donnelly (Auditor)
 Gerry Brady & Co. — Patricia Nyland,
 Kathleen O'Neill.
 John Saults
 St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band.

We would also like to thank Fr. Supple P.P., Fr. Cogan C.C., Fr. John Nevin, Leo Bean and the Folk Group for their co-operation with the offering of the Annual Mass for Deceased Members. The following committee were elected for the coming year; Spiritual Directors: Fr. Supple P.P., Fr. Cogan C.C., Fr. John Nevin, Fr. G. Begly C.C.

President: Jim Nolan.
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Leixlip: Percy Burke.

Signed: P. Nolan. Hon. Secretary.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

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AGE GROUP U/ _____ NOTE: MUST be under age on 31/7/88

EVENTS

B/G U/8	B/G U/10	B/G U/12	B/G U/14
60 m 80m 100m	200 m 60 m Hurdles	100 m 600 m	100 m 800 m L Jump

Walk 1500 m	U/13	Boys/Girls
Modelling	U/14	Boys/Girls
Art	U/8,10,12,14,16	Boys/Girls
Gymnastics	U/8,10,12,14,16	Boys/Girls
Shot Putt	U/14	Boys/Girls
Puck Fads	U/12 Boys	U/14 Girls
1500 m	U/16	Boys/Girls
100 m	U/16	Boys/Girls
H Jump	U/16	Boys/Girls
Discus	U/16	Boys
Javelin	U/17	Girls
100 m	U/17	Boys/Girls
Marathon	U/17	5000 m Girls 10,000 m Boys

Swimming

B/G U/8	B/G U/10	B/G U/12	B/G U/14	B/G U/16
F/Style	F/Style	F/Style	F/Style	F/Style
	B/Stroke	Br/Stroke	B/Stroke	B/Stroke
			Br Stroke	B/Fly

Competitors signature: _____

Parent's signature _____

- Notes
1. Art Competition, April 30th, Post-Primary School, from 10am. - 1 p.m.
 2. Local games will take place on 15th May in G.A.A. grounds, 12p.m.
 3. Gymnastics competition will take place 19th May, Parish Hall, 4.30 p.m.
 4. Swimming competition will take place 22nd May, Stewarts Hospital, 5 p.m.
 5. A competitor may take part in three individual events overall but a maximum of two in any one discipline i.e. Art, Athletics, Swimming and Gymnastics.
 6. Forms to be returned by 29th April 1988 (Every competitor must fill in and return form if taking part in Swimming, Art, Athletics, Gymnastics)

Forms may be returned to any of the following

Norah McDermott, Community Council offices, Main Street (9-5p.m.)

E. O'Malley, 5 Laurences Avenue, Maynooth

A. Cotter, 49 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth

P. Hanley, 8 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth

P. Mc Loughlin, 64 Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth.

SPORTS NEWS

SWIMMING CLUB



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

This year we had no rain to fill our 'floating pool'. The theme for the float was based on "The Water-Babies" and illustrations from the book copied by artist Jarlath Finn. We hope our water babies enjoyed participating in the parade and we thank them for their enthusiasm in donning fancy dress of all sorts on a cold morning. The fancy dress competition was judged by Anne Finn and Bernadine Dullaghan.

The winners were:

1st. Emma Fleming. "Water Baby with no pool".

2nd. Eleanor Tyrrell. Dervla Boylan. "Celebrating Dublin's Aluminium".
3rd. Conor O'Shea as "Mr. Grimes".
4th. Christopher Arthurs as "The R.T.E. Cameraman".

We appreciate very much the kindness of the Lalor family in lending us the tractor and float for the occasion. We thank Jarlath for making our float bright and colourful, and Anne and Bernadine for their adjudication. A special word of thanks to the Dunne family for allowing us to decorate the float on their premises.

SWIMMING SESSIONS

The last term ended with a family swim on March 12th, enjoyed by everyone. The next term commences on March 19th and will continue for 10 weeks. There will be no swimming on Easter Saturday. We look forward to seeing all our members joining us again this term and we will try as far as possible to accommodate the children who are on the waiting list.

Deirdre Hetherington.



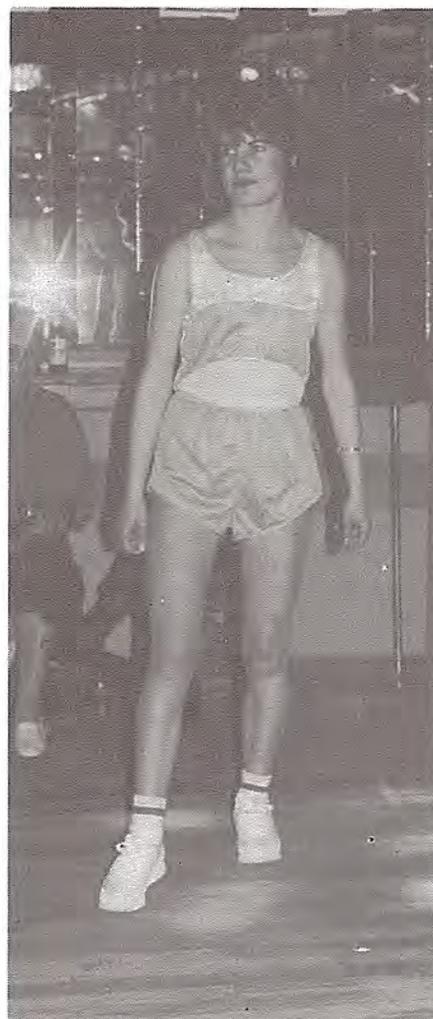
MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Maynooth hosted the All Ireland Cross Country Championships for Vet Ladies 0/40, Vet men 0/40 and Intermediate men and ladies.

It was a very testing course for all concerned, running knee deep in mud over one part of the course. The medals were hard earned. Mary Farrelly had an outstanding run and was a clear winner in the ladies 0/40. She was also on the winning



Elaine Hogan Fashion showing in the Leinster Arms.



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Kildare team. The Veteran men were to go and this was a very strongly contested race. Liam McNamee ran extremely well holding off a strong challenge from the Tipperary man in the closing stages of the race, to be another winner for the club. Pat Maher also ran very well to take 3rd place, Brian Redmond 6th, Tony Callaghan 16th and David Jolly 30th. The first three men won 1st club team and were also on the winning County team. Patsy McCluskey also ran very well in Intermediate Ladies coming 4th.

Another success for Maynooth in the Vet. Ladies 0/35 All Ireland Cross Country Championships held in Enfield. Patsy McCluskey was a very worthy winner of the race leading all the way, Mary Farrelly was 3rd and Helen Redmond and Marie Gleeson making up the winning Maynooth team, beating Kilcock by one point. Patsy McCluskey and Mary Farrelly were on the winning Kildare team. David Cunningham had a good run in the Senior mens race.

Moyne in Tipperary was the venue for the even-age All Ireland Juvenile Championships. It was a good course with big fields in all races with very strong competition. Girls U/10 Ciara Power 25, Josephine Gallagher 91, Michelle Gillick 94 and Michelle Gallagher 131. Girls U/12 Emma McCluskey 31, Patricia Purcell 35, Margaret Brennan 61, Aishling Redmond 89. Girls U/14 Fiona Redmond 63. Boys U/12 Niall Gillick 121. Girls U/16 Lisa McCluskey was our only medal winner taking silver, Carmel Noonan 11th, Catherine Gleeson 39th and Siobhan Flanagan 60th.

In the winter League at Santry, Helen Treacey won the Junior Ladies Javelin competition.

On Sunday 13th March the Juvenile All Ireland Cross-Country Championships un-even ages took place in Ardboe Co. Tyrone. Despite the long journey up to Ardboe and the continuous rain our athletes did very well. G.U/11 Patricia Purcell 9th, Margaret Brennan 42nd, Aishling Redmond 44th. G.U/13 Emma McCluskey 19th, Fiona Redmond 24th. G. U/15 Lisa McCluskey put in another very fine performance and won the bronze medal. Carmel Noonan 7th, Catherine Gleeson 27th, Janet Whittaker 30th, Blanaid Ward 32nd. The first four girls got the silver medal for 2nd club 67 points. The first three girls were on the winning County team. Well done to all the girls who have trained hard throughout the winter months and it certainly paid off. The same day the Winter Championships took place in Santry

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where Helen Tracey won the Junior Ladies Javelin.

Remember now is the time to get some training in for the track and field season so try and get up to the G.A.A. Field Tuesdays and Thursday from 7 o'clock until 8 o'clock.

Barbara Tracey.

JUNIOR BADMINTON

All sessions are now in full swing. Beginners and younger members on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Older members on Saturday's in the Parish Hall. Good luck to our players who will be competing for Maynooth in the forthcoming Community Games.

Rosemary Hanley, (Sec.)



MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Sheeran Cup — 3rd Round:
Maynooth Town (7) Savage Smith (0)

A fine performance by the Town in this major competition. Maynooth dominated throughout and were never in danger of losing. Maynooth scorers were Dessie Farrell (2), John Doyle (2), Noel Byrne (1), Phillip Doyle (1), Tony Kearins (1)

Premier League:
Maynooth Town (3) Anner Utd (3)

This was a game Maynooth should have won. Leading by (3) goals half-way into the second half they relaxed and allowed Anner to equalize. Having scored some fine goals against Irish Junior International goalkeeper Martin Doyle, Maynooth tried to play too much football and as a result were caught at the back and duly punished. Scorers John Doyle (1), John Nolan (1), Noel Byrne (1)

MAYNOOTH TOWN LADIES SOCCER CLUB

Once again the Football season is nearly upon us and in preparation for same we are training twice a week, Wednesdays 8.30 — 9.30 in the Post Primary School Gym, and Sunday mornings from 11 o'clock — 12.30 in the Harbour Field. As the season starts on the 18th April we are trying to play as many friendly matches as possible. On Sunday 6th March we played a friendly against Ratoath. It was our first outdoor match this year and Maynooth came out on top due to an excellent goal from Cherry Prendergast, who was one of the mainstays of our team last year. The rest of the team showed the same spirit and skill that earned them promotion from the fifth division to the third division this year. Once again we

Premier League:

Villa Utd (0) Maynooth Town (3)

A fine performance in this victory over Villa Utd in Walkinstown Ave. Despite gale force winds Maynooth controlled the match from the start and never gave Villa any chances. Scorers Brian McCall (1), John Doyle (1), Tony Kearins (1)

Sheeran Cup 4th Round:

Shield Insurance (0)

Maynooth Town (7)

Shield who are doing very well in Division 2 found Maynooth too hot to handle in this cup tie. Maynooth dominating at midfield though Noel Byrne and Dessie Farrell ripped the Shield defence apart and with Philip Doyle and Brian McCall "cleaning up" at the back the Maynooth front three John Doyle, John Nolan and Tony Kearins were giving their opponents a roasting. Maynooth scorers were Noel Byrne (2), John Nolan (1), John Doyle (1), Tony Kearins (1), Phillip Doyle (1), Terry Moore (1)

Division 1B Sunday:

Maynooth Town (3) St. Vincents (1)

A fine home win for the Maynooth seconds who had not played matches for a long time. Martin Foy (2) and Noel Dempsey (1) were the scorers.

A Ballad Session was held in the Roost to raise funds for one of our players who recently had a very bad injury. We would like to thank the following for all their help in making it a most enjoyable successful night. "The Roost" for providing their premises, Danny and Noel of Fiddlers Green who provided the entertainment and the following who donated Spot Prizes:

Caulfields, Sports Locker, Bradys, Buckleys, Maynooth Branch Labour Party, Quinnsworth, Housepride, Maynooth Golfing Society and many more who bought tickets etc. and helped to make it a great success.

With Maynooth Towns Premier side still in the Sheeran, Dalton and Dowdall Cups exciting matches are in prospect in the coming weeks. So watch out for the home fixtures and visit Dublin Rd. opposite the Mart and I am sure you won't be disappointed.

Yours in sport,
Seamus Feeney.

SNOOKER FINAL

The Final of the Doubles Snooker Tournament played on Sunday evening last proved to be a very sporting and exciting contest. The result was in the balance until the final frame with victory going to two senior members of the club. Mick Nolan and

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John O'Neill and Frank Desmond and John Carroll. A special word of thanks was extended to Mr. Robert Lettis who organised the running of the Tournament. The winners and runners-up who were each presented with their cheques by the Proprietor Mr. Des Moody. The club is now running a League Tournament with thirty two players taking part.

MAYNOOTH HURLING AND FOOTBALL CLUB

At a recent training session of Maynooth football team at which over thirty players took part, Mr. E. Mullally presented a new football to John Nolan, Captain of the Junior A team.

Team Manager and trainer Michael Mealy thanked Mr. Mullally for his kind gesture and said it was good to see some Maynooth business people backing the club.

Junior Hurling has been received in the club and a team entered in competition. They won their first game, beating a strong Kill team on a score Maynooth 1-7 Kill 1-3. Anyone in the area who is interested in hurling is welcome to come along Wednesday evenings 7.30 p.m. for training or contact our chairman Michael Gillick, phone 286556. Training for U12 and U14-year old boys hurling teams on Saturday mornings at 10.30 and for beginners 'football' 11.30 to 12 noon. Our Annual Dinner Dance takes place on Saturday 16th April in the Hamlet, Johnstown Bridge. Tickets have been distributed to club members and players, and for any further information, contact any of the following: Madeline Stynes, Pat Nevin or Michael Kelly.

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The league leaders failed to show on time and the points were awarded to College Green. At his own request Ciaran McGroarty is named "potential man of the match".

Carnacross Utd (1) 4
College Green (1) 1

This was a dreadful second half performance in terrible conditions. Tony O'Connor put us 1-0 ahead early in the game and we should have gone in about three up at half time. The home side equalised before the break and went ahead in the second half. We went forward in numbers and deservedly got caught twice on the break. This result left us in the position of having to depend on other teams, to remain in contention for promotion.

Tara (1) 2
College Green (2) 2

"A point lost rather than gained" was Paul Broughan's post-match verdict. Two typical opportunist goals from

McGroarty should have given us the chance to win comfortably, a game which we always dominated. Sadly we faded in the second half and let Tara back in to snatch a point.

College Green (1) 5
Corbawn Utd (0) 1

Paul and Ray Broughan, Gerry Murtagh and Ciaran McGroarty (who else) all scored, the latter twice, in a one sided affair. The most remarkable feature was probable some bizarre refereeing decisions. Corbawn got a late score from the penalty shot, after the home side had gone 5-0 ahead. Thankfully, this result put us back on the winning trail.

College Green (1) 2
Double 'D' (0) 1

The eagerly awaited re-match against our old adversaries from Mullingar provided us with a great contest again. Unfortunately the gale-like, cross-fired wind made conditions very difficult. A lightning sprint from Phil 'the Whiz' Purcell beat the entire "Double D" defence. Phil then proceeded to round the 'keeper for one of the cheekiest goals of the season. John Hughes provided the winner to give us the verdict, which was just

about deserved. The "other man from the Ox Mountains", Sean Lennon had a great game between the posts.

Trim Celtic (0) 0
College Green (1) 2

Another commendable win against stiff opposition, secured our second place slot in the League table, for the present. Paul Broughan got a first half tap-in which the hosts failed to clear. John Hughes wrapped it up with a second half score. Aidan Dunne, standing in for Sean Lennon in goals, coped admirably with everything. Broughan and the midfield trio were at their best.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

These results left us in the position that only victory in our last two games (home to Rathkenny Rovers and away to Kilcarn House) would suffice to qualify us for a promotion play-off. The end of season Gerry O'Reilly Cup will be starting shortly.

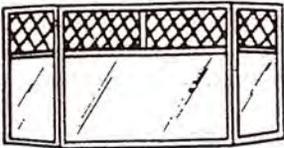
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The all star College Green Table Quiz IV made an outstanding appearance at the Ratoath Harps fundraiser. We will have to blame the referee.

Yours sincerely,
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EYE HEAR

CURSAI REATHA

Well, our esteemed Community Council Chairperson, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, certainly missed an excellent opportunity on the Irish programme **Cursai** recently. When asked what papers she read, the answer was the Irish Times, usually, and a tabloid would never cross her threshold. Eye Hear had to be restrained from assaulting the television. What about the Newsletter? We demand an answer.

THE LION IN SPAIN

We note that a prominent absentee from the St. Patrick's Day Parade this year was exiled to Spain. Maybe it had something to do with his lustful performance in the lion's cage in last year's Parade. Joe Wall, you missed the fun and so did we!

CROSSWORDS

Hard luck to our crossword fanatics from Maynooth, Peter Denman and Jim Cunningham, who made it to the finals of the Irish Times Crosaire competition. Maybe if you got up earlier lads, things might have worked out. Better luck next time.

READ AT YOUR PERIL

Eye Hear can now inform those puzzled drivers on Mullen Bridge on the Straffan Road that the notice which appeared beside the ball alley in recent times reads that anyone using the harbour field and environs does so at their peril. This should save them from further peril as they try to read the rather loquacious notices while negotiating the perilous bridge at the same time.

PRIZE FOR POETRY

Congratulations to Mrs. Brigid Saults, Parson Street for her poem "In pursuit of Happiness" which won a prize on "Live at Three".

WELCOME

Welcome to Mrs. Jessie Doyle and her son John who have taken up residence in No. 12 Parson Street and best wishes and good luck to Liam and Betty Brilly and sons Noel and David who have left No. 12 and taken up residence in Cluain Aoibhinn. This comes from all your neighbours in Parson Street.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy to sons, daughters in law, brothers in law, sister in law, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives of the late Mrs. Hefen Buckley, Maynooth.

Sympathy to the wife, children, stepchildren, brother, sisters, grandchildren, son in law, daughters in law and relatives of the late Paddy Moen, Mornington, Meath and Maynooth.

Sympathy to Declan Quigley, Moyglare Road on the death of his father, John Quigley, Urlingford, Co. Kilkenny.

Sympathy to wife, sons, daughters, sons in law, daughters in law, grandchildren and relatives of the late Richard (Dick) Leavy, Greenfield.

Mrs. P. Brady, Clock House on the death of her sister.

Mrs. Pauline Daly, Lucan (formerly Pauline Browne, School House, Maynooth) on the death of her husband.

Sympathy to Mrs. Mary Horn, Maynooth Park, and Mrs. Eileen Ruddy, Rail Park on the death of their father Mr. Patrick Fitzgerald, Crumlin Rd, Dublin.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Rev. Paddy Monahan C.C. Rathcoole (formerly Greenfield) March 22nd. Mrs. Sean Fortune, Parson Street. March 25th.

Nichola O'Brien, Newtown Age 14, on April 7th and her sister Joanne, age 16 on March 13th, and her brother Mark age 17 on March 22nd.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Pauline and James Dowling, Greenfields who celebrate their 46th Wedding Anniversary on the 12th April.

THE STORK

Congratulations to Michael and Eithne Harney, Parson Street, Maynooth on the birth of a baby girl, sister for Patricia and Michael.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Florence and Jim Country Shop on the birth of their son,

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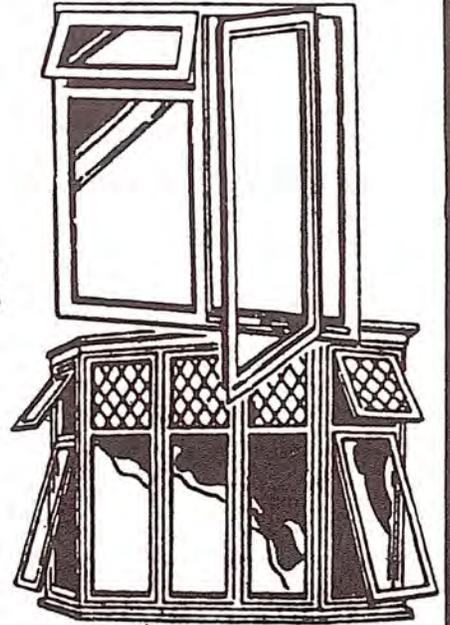
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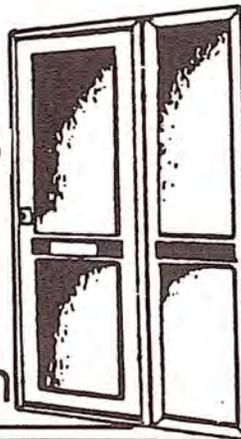




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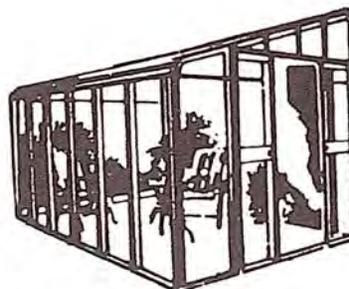


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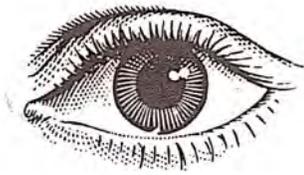
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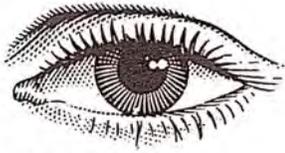


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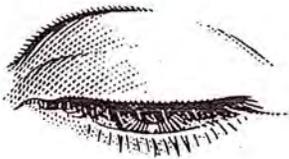
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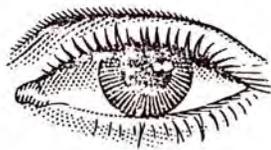
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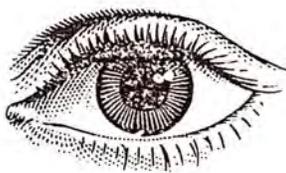
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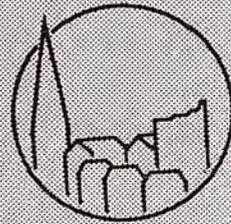
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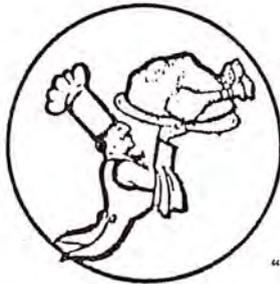
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NOTE TO CONTRIBUTORS

We request all of our contributors to make sure their material is legible. If possible, material should be typed, but as not everyone has access to typewriters, the best way to present material is to use either neat legible writing or block letters, on one side of the paper only.

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EDITORIAL

TRADE FAIR

In next months edition we will include a lengthy review of the Trade Fair. The organisers were too overwhelmed with work to produce anything for this edition. However the Editorial committee would like to compliment the organisers on the success of their efforts. The army of helpers was truly impressive. We would also like to thank our faithful readers who contributed to this edition. Elsewhere in these pages you will find greetings from the people of Maynooth to each other. Let's hope there will not be too many red faces when they read the messages.

JUNKETS WON'T MAKE THE LIGHTS WORK

The highflying County Councillors in Kildare here surely hit the headlines recently. Some of them are off to Lexington, Kentucky to attend the "twinning conference" an issue of vital importance, well worth lashing out thousands of pounds on. Especially at a time when funds are so low that half of Kildare is in darkness because of the great Switch Off, and the roads have disintegrated into tank traps. The excuse of this junket is that it will generate tourism. Some hope. The two or three tourists lured here should be advised to bring torches, and pot holing equipment.

YOU PAY FOR RECREATION

We note with some dismay that a charge of £2 has been levied on visitors to Donadea Park on Sundays. This is a mean and petty charge. The area around Maynooth is devoid of safe and pleasant public parks in which to go for a walk with family and dogs. The roads, besides being impassable are also heavily loaded with traffic. The canal linear park is still in the future, and the long Avenue is not quite up to Donadea standards. Life is expensive enough without having to pay to enter what is our own property.

On the subject of parks — we have one of the finest demesnes in Europe on our doorstep — Carton. When will this magnificent park be open to us?

NEW HALTING SITE

The Newsletter welcomes the coming opening of the new Halting Site. Let's hope this will mean an end to the local shanty towns, the worst of which faced visitors from all over the country to Maynooth College's open day recently.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Maynooth Community Council would like to thank Quinnsnorth for their co-operation in moving cider to the off-licence area. We hope this will be an example to others.

On a different note we would like to ask all responsible adults and shopkeepers especially to be on the lookout for youngsters sniffing solvents such as tippex and tippex thinner. We are reliably informed that the consequences from such a habit are detrimental to the person sniffing the solvent and very distressing to innocent bystanders who have witnessed such scenes.

Parents especially are asked to be vigilant regarding their children and their whereabouts.

The Community Council would like to hear from people who would be interested in taking a member of the Douai Boy's Choir for one night — July 1st into their home. They would just have to have a bed and breakfast and a light snack before their performance. Anyone interested please contact the community council office or phone 285922.

The Chamber of Commerce have been in contact with the community council and are interested in liaising with us. This is a welcomed surprise
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and we look forward to working with them on future projects.

The community council are also looking for new members from some areas. They are Beaufield, Straffan Rd., and Railpark, also some of the outlying areas. If you are interested please contact the community council offices in the Mall.

That's the council notes for the moment and until next month we hope the people of Maynooth will take advantage of the long evenings and fine weather to clean up around their areas and help to create a better environment. Also the people who insist on destroying trees, writing graffiti and general hooliganism are not really appreciated so please — grow up.

Mary Murtagh, Secretary.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The AGM was reconvened on April 12th at 8 pm in the ICA hall and began with Elections. The Chairman, Peter Holland, was the only officer elected at the previous meeting, where it was found impossible to find a Secretary. Nuala Quinn was elected, unopposed, to this position and the Treasurer and P.R.O. continue in their positions — namely Tom Purcell and Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin. The committee was then elected as follows: Richard Farrell, 11 Greenfield Drive; Antoinette Byrne, 35 Laurence Avenue; Michael Quinn, 2 Straffan Way; Jim Doyle, Straffan Way; Maureen Redmond, Greenfield Drive; Mary Farrell, 11 Greenfield Drive; Mary Farrell, Maynooth Park, Matt Callaghan, Straffan Way, John Mc Ginley, 50 Greenfield Drive; Carmel Hogan, Greenfield Drive; Pat Kinsella, Laurence Avenue.

The meeting was then left open for discussion.

PIPED TELEVISION

It was noted that RTE 2 and BBC 2 were unwatchable at present, and that Mr. Hayes was under legal obligation to supply RTE 2. It was decided to contact the Department of Communications again, to put a petition together to send to the Department, contact Consumer Affairs and to table Dáil questions about the service.

GRASS CUTTING AND MOWERS

The small mowers were declared in working order, but the sit-on mower would cost £350 to fix. The possibility

of giving the grass cutting to private contract was discussed instead of continuing with the mowers and the Insurance which that incurred.

TIPPEX THINNER

It was brought to the attention that children had been found sniffing Tippex Thinner, which is as dangerous and lethal as glue-sniffing. We would like all shops which stock this product to remove it from the open shelves so that children cannot gain access to it. The subject is to be raised in the Maynooth Newsletter itself also. We also ask parents to keep this substance away from children, and to ensure that they do not use it in school.

DOGS

It was clear from the meeting that there is a problem with big dogs roaming the Estate unrestrained despite recent legislation. The owners of these dogs will be reported to the relevant authorities if they are not controlled — they are a danger to young children in particular, but also to drivers.

DUMPING

We would appeal to people not to dump rubbish at the rear of the Supermarket which is filling up with litter again, having been cleared last summer. Please do not leave litter lying about to accumulate as it is an eyesore and a health hazard.

ATTENTION PARENTS

Would parents please ask their children on skateboards to be a little more careful, as they are a danger to drivers, shooting out in front of them onto the road, particularly in the dark.

Secondly, there is quite an amount of Graffiti on the side of the Shopping Centre, again please make sure that your children are not involved in this defacement.

LIGHTS PETITION

The petition was presented to Kildare County Council by Peter Holland and Mary Farrell (Maynooth Park) on the 21st March, so far no reply has been received from the Council.

Finally the bad news. As mentioned already Subscriptions will be £5 per house with £2 (or whatever they can afford) for those widowed, unemployed, old age pensioners etc. The committee will begin this collection shortly — as it is fast approaching the summer months when the real work begins.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, P.R.O.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION CENTRE NOTES

Q. I am coming up to age 66 and my wife is aged 64. I want to enquire about the free travel pass. I am a retired civil servant. Will my wife be able to use the pass?

A. Your wife will qualify for a travel pass in her own right when she reaches age 66. In the meantime she can travel only when accompanying you.

As a retired civil servant you will not be getting a social welfare old age pension and therefore you will not automatically get a travel card. Instead you will have to apply for one. You will get the application form from your post office and you should apply for the card one month before you reach age 66.

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CALLING VOLUNTEERS

After three years of existence the number of volunteers has dwindled and the call has gone out for new faces for the Community Information Centre. A training course will be starting shortly and all are welcome to attend. There will be no obligation to continue as a volunteer at the end of the course. If you're interested call Frances Daly, 286544 for further details.

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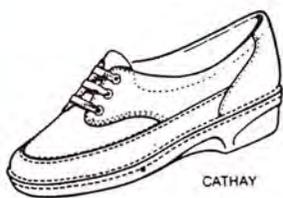
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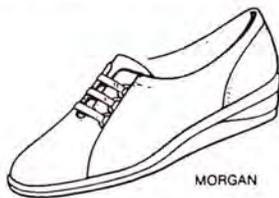
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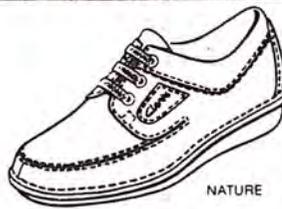
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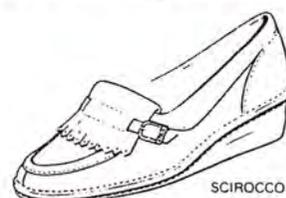
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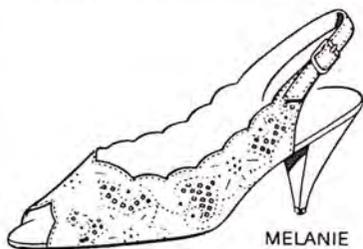
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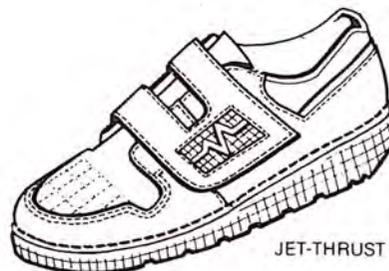
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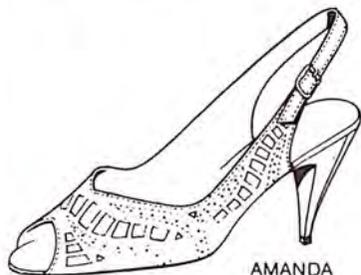
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Tuesday 2.00 — 5.00
Wednesday 9.30 — 1.00;
Wednesday 2.00 — 5.00
Thursday 2.30 — 8.00
Friday 9.30 — 1.00; 2.00 — 5.00

The juvenile library will close at 5.00 p.m. each day. We apologise for any inconvenience caused as a result of these changes.

Shane O'Riordan was the member of staff who departed to greener shores, and is currently studying for his M.B.A. He is acutely missed by the borrowers, especially the younger set!

In the face of the extensive cutbacks, we have actually got some

new books, among which are the following titles:

Russell, Mary — The Blessings of a good thick skirt.
Watson, Ian — The Evidence of the Shroud.
Cook, Robin — Outbreak.
Cookson, Catherine — Bill Baileys Lot.
Francome, John & McGregor, James — Eavesdropper.
Herbert, James — Sepulchre.
Lynn, Jonathan & Jay, Anthony — The Complete Yes Minister.
Lyons, Genevieve — Slievelea.
Moore, Brian — The Colour Of Blood.
Morrison, Toni — Beloved.

For a complete list, please come along and check the "Recent additions to stock" catalogue.

It is likely that cutbacks will affect the services in the library even more in the future — so be prepared!

Margaret Walshe-Gannon.

COMMUNITY GAMES

Competition time is now upon us. Don't forget all you artists U8, U10, U12, U14 and U16 and all those interested in U14 modelling to come to the Post Primary School on Saturday 30th April at 10 a.m. for the area competition. On Sunday 15th May local athletics competition will take place in G.A.A. field and on Sunday 22nd May swimming will take place in Stewarts Hospital at 5 p.m. and finally on Thursday 19th May Gymnastics competition will take place at 4.30. So now boys and girls please complete your entry forms and return them to Community Council Office or to any Committee member. The County Athletics final has been changed from 11th and 12th June to 25th and 26th June and hopefully the venue for this will be Kilcock. Once more I will ask all holders of Perpetual Trophies to return them to the Community Council Office.

Wishing all competitors the BEST OF LUCK in this years competitions.

MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS AGAINST LOCAL CHARGES

A committee meeting was held in Caulfields committee room on Wednesday 13th April principally to organise details for our leaflet/petition to the five local County Councillors. The petition requests the Councillors to insist that the County Manager is immediately to:

- Cease threatening water supply disconnections.
- Resume the full refuse collection for all.

Committee members and supporters of MRALC will call to as many homes as possible to collect the petition portion of the leaflet. Should you not get a call please forward your signed petition to the County Councillor of your choice.

The purpose of the petition is to demonstrate to our democratically elected local politicians of all parties the feelings of all these residents opposed to the "double taxation" water and refuse charges and have either not paid or have paid part or all of the charges under duress. Accordingly we expect the Councillors to represent the wishes of the electorate and instruct the County Manager to end his campaign of intimidation of ordinary householders who already pay more than their fair share of tax.

The committee also received a financial report from North Kildare Residents Against Local Charges night out in the Hitchin' Post which made a profit of £600 plus. This has been put on deposit for possible legal action in the future against the Council's illegal action of refusing to collect refuse from those who do not pay.

Finally it was reported that visitors to Donadea Forest Park are now being charged £2 entrance fee per car, £4 per mini bus or £8 per coach by the Dept. of Forestry. Deploring this new tax on residents MRALC wishes to state that unless residents and their County Councillors act in a determined manner we could soon find ourselves faced with charges not only for water, refuse, Library and Donadea Forest Park but also for sewage and tolls on the new Bypass. Accordingly we have referred the new Donadea charge to the Community Council for their consideration.

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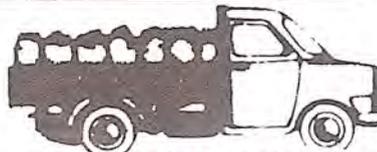
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STREET TALKING

Talking of takeaway food (and we have been, the last month or so in this column), that spell of fine weather around Easter showed how the shops in our street can provide the very best of takeaway picnic — and you don't even need to cross the street. Here's how: Start at the Elite and pick up some of their freshly baked bread — perhaps a French stick, or else some of the bran rolls. Then, get along to the Leinster Arms and pick up a bottle of wine — or go up to Tom Geraghty's off-licence. I suggest basic old reliable like a Beaujolais or a claret, but if you have a cool-box then try a white or a rose. After that, pick up some fresh fruit in "Top of the Crop": a pineapple is a good choice, or a melon when they are available. And of course, after that make your way back to Kehoe's delicatessen for some sausage and cold meat to put on those rolls — the Westphalian ham is particularly good. And then off with you by foot, bicycle or car to whatever place takes your fancy for a simple and luxurious picnic. Just two things to think of: a sharp knife for the fruit and a corkscrew for the bottle. And, if you can manage it at

all, take a proper wine-glass to drink from — a paper cup or tumbler just isn't the same.

And while we're in a sunny mood, it's a pleasure to give praise where praise is due. Last month I had occasion to make an enquiry about getting a ticket to the US. It was the last day of a special cheap trans-Atlantic fare offer, it was the afternoon before the Easter break, it was the time when families finding out about summer holidays. In short, one of the really busy times in a travel agent's calendar, and our North Kildare Travel Agency was fairly buzzing. Nevertheless, Joan Ennis and her staff spent a good thirty minutes ringing around various airlines trying to tease out a solution to my problem. Eventually, yes, something was worked out. However, the arrangements didn't quite suit me and I decided to leave my booking until later in the year, but I left the agency mightily impressed by the pleasant efficiency of it all. Even more impressive, I had noticed that while my enquiry was being dealt with, and getting a lot of time and attention, there was no question of other clients being delayed as a consequence — business was kept humming along on that hectic afternoon.

One of the hazards of the street is the traffic light/pedestrian-crossing at the centre of Maynooth. One daft thing about it is that it leads on to an island at the junction of three roads and leaves you to your own devices as to how to get off it. But another

thing to watch out for is that quite often, when the lights are red for traffic, cars and lorries are still quite likely to sail through, oblivious to it all. Sometimes this is because of bad parking on the street which obscures a clear view of the lights, sometimes it is sheer lack of concentration on the part of drivers passing through. So, be warned — don't take the little green man for granted. These thoughts are prompted by a narrow escape last month when, just as I was about to cross after the lights turned red, I was almost bowled over by one of those vulgar Mercedes things. The driver clearly was distracted, because as he went past I could see him naffing away into his car phone while he drove with one hand. Of course, it's a favourite trick on a long drive — every time you pass through a town lift up the receiver, like, just to swank. But if I had his number, I'd put through a call to him that would give him something to think about!

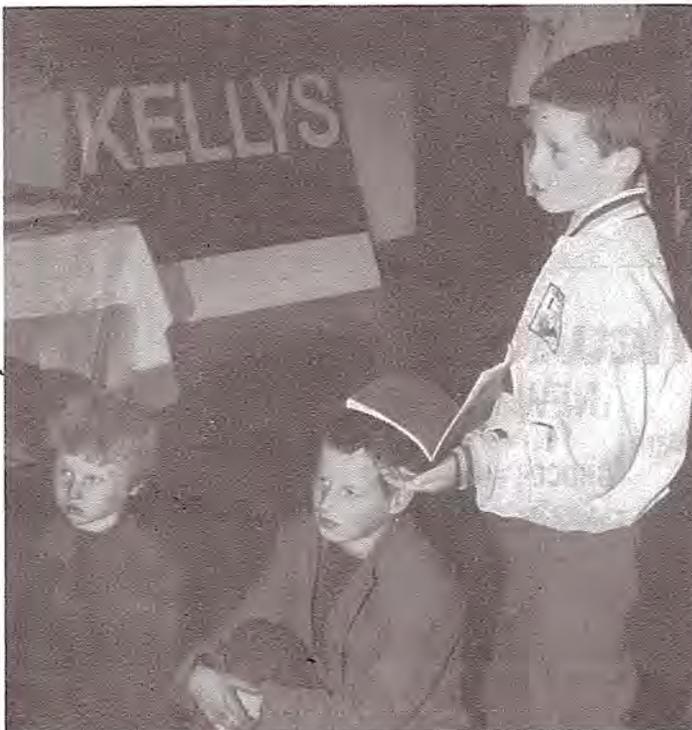
CORRECTION MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

In the April issue of the Newsletter the Trustees of Maynooth Mortality Society were stated as Jim Brady, Eugene O'Reilly and John Carey. This should have read:

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PARTY POLITICAL NOTES



LABOUR PARTY NOTES

LEIXLIP TOWN COMMISSION

The Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party warmly welcomes the proposal to establish a Town Commission for Leixlip. The Labour Party in Leixlip has campaigned over the years for such a statutory body to be established in the town. The Town Commission will allow for the election of men and women active in the political and community life of the town to a statutory body which will have some powers to effectively highlight and begin to tackle the type of problems that affect all our communities — unemployment, lack of public services, poor public transport etc. The Maynooth branch, through our local councillors Emmet Stagg and Colm Purcell, have already made representations regarding the establishment of a similar statutory body for Maynooth.

PROTEST AT JUNKETS

Labour Party councillors Emmet Stagg T.D., Colm Purcell and Kieran Coleman (Kildare) walked out of the Co. Council meeting on Monday, April 11th in protest at proposed junkets for Co. Council members over the summer. Fine Gael and Fianna Fail councillors have voted to send three of their number to a conference in Lexington, Kentucky in July. The trip is due to last 12 days and the cost to Kildare Co. Council is estimated at £15,000. Commenting on the trip, Deputy Emmet Stagg described it as a "super jumbo junket" which would serve no purpose. He recalled that the previous Co. Council meeting had broken up in disorder following a "most unseemly scramble for places on the trip" between the two main parties. Deputy Stagg said that the members were constantly told of the state of the authority's finances and the trip was a disgrace when half of the public lighting across the county has been turned off. Three councillors are being sent on a free holiday, he said. Councillor Purcell said that he was puzzled how the council could spend money in this fashion while at the same time it threatened to turn

off water supplies and refused to collect refuse. As a group, the Labour councillors urge that the trip, which it is claimed will be used to promote tourism and investment in Kildare, be left to professionals paid by the taxpayer and not used as a holiday by councillors.

EXPRESS BUS SERVICE

In response to a number of representations in the Maynooth and Leixlip areas, Deputy Stagg has been in contact with Dublin Bus seeking an improved service to the city. One of these improvements should take the form of an express service from Maynooth and Leixlip with a view to substantially cutting the average commuting time to and from the city.

LABOUR PARTY DRAW

The Maynooth Branch would like to thank all those who bought tickets in the recent Party draw. The draw will take place on the last Thursday of each month from March to August.

PUBLIC LIGHTING PETITION

The Maynooth Branch's petition protesting at the switch-off of public lighting in the town has been taken

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up by other branches across the county and the response has been predictably excellent. The petition has focused the anger of the public at this pointless cut back in public services. In Maynooth, where most areas of the town have already been visited, the petition has received 99% backing.

YOUTH CONFERENCE

Youth delegated from all over Co. Kildare attended the recent Labour Party Youth Conference in Liberty Hall. Two delegates from Kildare — Owen McCarthy (Naas) and Adrian Kane (Athy) were elected to the executive of Labour Youth.

PRO Maynooth Branch.

FINE GAEL NOTES

The March Meeting of the Maynooth Branch was held on Tuesday 22nd in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth.

There was a very good attendance and the meeting was addressed by Councillor — Jim Gallagher who spoke at length on local charges. He expressed his concern with the dumping of refuse on our roadsides.

N4 AT LARAGHBRYAN

We referred to this in the March Edition and following the recent accident here it was felt that there should be something done to improve the condition on this stretch of road, not alone for road users but for local residents also.

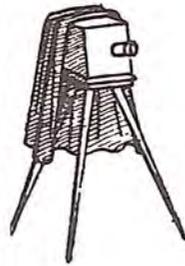
BOND BRIDGE

Deputy Bernard Durkan received the following reply from Kildare County Council regarding repairs to the above. "It is intended to carry out some re-surfacing in this area with the aid of D.O.E. Road Strengthening Grant. The surface of Bond Bridge itself will not be included as it is due for widening and only minor repairs will be done."

Deputy Bernard Durkan is available each Saturday at 2.30 p.m. approx to meet with constituents at the Geraldine Hall, Maynooth.

MAYNOOTH PILGRIMAGES

The Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes will leave Maynooth on June 30th and return on July 5th. The all-inclusive cost will be £294. The Parish Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 22nd May, leaving the Square early that morning and returning the same evening. Seats may be booked on Monday evenings in the Sacristy and the cost will be £6.



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I.C.A. NOTES

The I.C.A. held their April meeting on Thursday 7th in our hall. Madame President welcomed everyone and gave a special welcome to our new member Mrs Carmel Butler. Mrs Brady extended sympathy to Mr Michael McCarthy and family on the death of his wife Kitty.

On Thursday April 14th, mass was celebrated in the Parish Church by Very Rev. B. Supple P.P. for the late Mrs McCarthy. It was attended by her family and members from the Kildare Guilds. Light refreshments were served afterwards in the I.C.A. hall. Mrs F. Satchwell our Assistant Federation President expressed thanks on behalf of Mr McCarthy to Very Rev Fr Supple and to everyone who attended.

This months competition was won by Mrs M. Gee, 2nd: Mrs P. Laven, 3rd: Mrs B. Brady. Next months competition is a "Pork and Bacon dish".

Congratulations to Mary and Jim O'Gorman, 41 Maynooth Park on the birth of their baby son Matthew, a brother for John, Geraldine and Finbarr.

Our demonstration this month was Oriflame consultant Mary Scelly. Mary gave advice on personal skin care, and how to use these products to your best advantage.

Crafts continue every Monday night 8—10 pm in the I.C.A. hall. Badminton every Tuesday and Thursday morning 11 a.m. — 12.30. Set dancing in I.C.A. hall on every Wednesday night 8.15 pm. This dancing is open to ladies who are not members of the I.C.A., so come along for the exercise and fun.

Finally congratulations to Ardclough ladies who won at regional level in the "Elanora Gibbon Com-

petition". They competed at the National final on Saturday 9th of April.

Next meeting will be held on May 5th at 8 pm in the I.C.A. hall.

Kay Burns, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club held their Annual Show on Tuesday 12th April in the Divine Word Hostel, Moyglare Road. While the show was up to the usual standard in Flower arranging the entries were down a little on last year. The award for best in shows went to Imelda Desmond winning the Ulster Bank Perpetual Cup. She also won the N.O.I.F.A. Cup for best exhibit in the miniature section.

The Satchwell Cup for best in Novice Classes was won by Liz Watkins.

The Bradshaw Cup went to Sarah Angel for Best in Plant Classes.

The Flower Pot Perpetual Cup was won by Felicity Satchwell for best exhibit in Petite Class.

R.H.S.I. Silver spoons for best exhibit in classes 8 and 10 went to Felicity Satchwell and Aileen Wright. Judging was won by Marie Geran well known in "Association of Flower Arranging" both as a demonstrator and a Judge.

The club was most grateful to the Divine Word Administrator for allowing us the use of the hall, to the people who gave donations and prizes, to the competitors without whom we would not have a show, to all the members who helped in any way and last but not least thanks to all those who came in the evening to see the show. Our next club meeting

will be held on Tuesday 17th May in I.C.A. Hall at 8 p.m. Demonstration by Maureen Gleeson promises to be most interesting, and all are welcome.

Betty Farrell, P.R.O.



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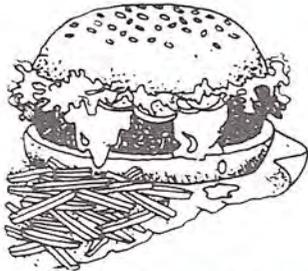
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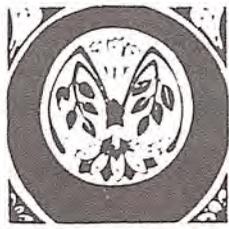
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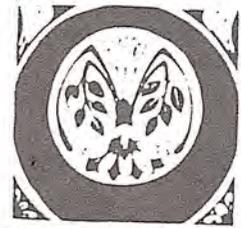


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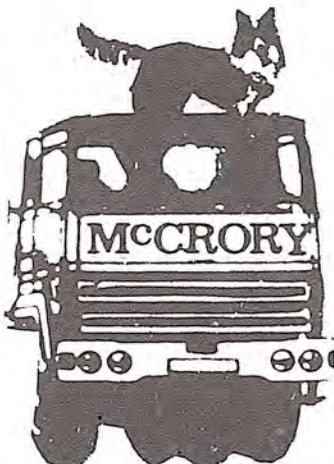
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The St. Patrick's Day Parade in Maynooth is improving in terms of organisation and presentation every year. Among the many groups and organisations which have contributed to the success of the parade is the Organisation of National Ex-servicemen. They are the smartly blazered men who march at the front of the parade with the precision which could only be found in the ranks of trained soldiers.

What is the Organisation of National Ex-servicemen? I had an opportunity recently to find out about the Organisation and its members, when, through the good graces of my neighbour, Seamus O'Reilly, I was invited to visit Cathal Brugha Barracks to talk to some members of that branch of the O.N.E. This is the branch which marches in Maynooth. Seamus, himself, is a former soldier who served with the U.N. peace-keeping forces in the Congo, although you'd think to look at him that he must have been no more than nine or ten years old at the time. Other members of the O.N.E. living locally are Ted Connolly, who also served in the Congo, and Larry O'Brien.

In the N.C.O.'s Mess in Cathal Brugha Barracks I met several members including Tom McKenna (Chairman), Joe Brophy (Secretary), Niall D'Arcy (Treasurer) and Jim "Chalkie" White who was the founder of the Cathal Brugha branch. Most of my time was spent talking to Michael Colton who is P.R.O. of the branch.

The Organisation of National Ex-servicemen was established originally in 1936. Its principal function is to provide a system through which former soldiers can maintain the contacts established while in the service. People generally leave the service with more of their lives ahead of them than most do when they leave their jobs. It is therefore very valuable for them to have an organisation to which they can belong. Apart from

the social aspect of it, the O.N.E. also has a benevolent function. In Dublin at present they are in discussion with Dublin Corporation regarding the provision of a premises which the organisation could run a hostel for members who are unable to find suitable accomodation.

Although the O.N.E. has been in existence since 1936 it is in the last ten years or so that it has really flourished. It has in recent years been allowed the use of barracks for meetings and functions. It has branches throughout the country and has a good relationship with the serving forces. Every barracks now has an N.C.O. designed to act as an liaison officer with the O.N.E. An interesting point is that there are no ranks within the O.N.E. and all members are on an equal footing. The full title of the organisation now is the Organisation of National Ex-servicemen and Women but there has been no great

influx of female members. Presumably when the women who joined the army in recent times retire they will join up.

The Cathal Brugha Branch has many members who saw service overseas with the United Nations. According to Michael Colton the deployment of Irish troops in U.N. forces added a new dimension to the job of the Irish soldier. The esteem in which Irish soldiers are held internationally is such as to bestow great prestige on the country. In addition from the soldiers own point of view it put them in situations of combat and taught them things about themselves which they would not otherwise learn. Regardless of one's view of warfare there can be no doubt that combat or, indeed, the danger of it forges friendships among comrades which endures for a long time. You can learn a lot about someone if your life is depending on him.



Paddy Mooney, Seamus O'Reilly and Michael Colton, all Congo veterans with a plaque commemorating the Niemba ambush which has pride of place in the N.C.O.'s mess in Cathal Brugha Barracks.

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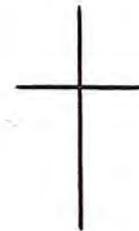
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However they were not long in the Congo when the horror of the situation was starkly brought home to them. On the 8th November 1960, Irish soldiers on a routine patrol as part of their task of keeping the road to Albertville open were attacked by Baluba tribesmen, numbering as many as two thousand, at Niemba nine men were killed, but not before they had put up an heroic defence. Eventually they were overwhelmed by weight of numbers. Only two survived the ambush. One was Pte. Joe Fitzpatrick whom we have had the pleasure of sitting on the reviewing stand at the St. Patrick's Day Parade in recent years. The other was Private Jim "57" Kenny who although badly wounded survived for three days in the jungle before making contact with his unit.

Irish soldiers have lost their lives since then in the various places where they have served over the

years. The Niemba ambush, however, has a special place in the memory of all ex-servicemen and indeed of the whole country. Michael Colton told me of the great shock experienced by the comrades when the news broke. He, himself, knew all those killed and had been having a few drinks with some of them the night before. Their bodies were received back in Dublin with such crowds as have probably not been seen since on the streets of the capital.

Another Irishman to die in the Congo was Sergeant Pat Mulcahy

D.S.M. He gives his name to a branch of the O.N.E. based in McKee Barracks. They intend to join in the Parade in Maynooth next year with the Cathal Brugha branch which places great value on invitation to march and is proud of its association with the Maynooth parade.

Next year when we see the O.N.E. at the head of our parade. We should give them an extra loud cheer. They have served this country well and have brought it nothing but honour and credit.

Jim Cunningham.



Members of Cathal Brugha Branch of O.N.E. from left:
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A Focal Point of Local History
Mary Cullen (6)

Over the next couple of months Mary Cullen will deal with aspects of local historical interest.

The arrival in Ireland of Robert Fitz-Stephens gave new strength to MacMurrough. These reinforcements were professional fighters, cavalry of knights and esquires, mailed men-at-arms, and archers, Normans, Flemings and Welsh. Together Mac Murrough and FitzStephens took Wexford which, together with the promised two cantreds of land, was promptly handed over to FitzStephen for himself and Maurice FitzGerald who had not yet arrived in Ireland. Then they set out to restore Mac Murrough's authority in Leinster, which operation included ravaging Offelan and Omurethy, the lands of the O'Byrnes and the O'Tooles. At this stage O'Connor the High-King moved against MacMurrough and the result was a treaty by which Diarmait was to be allowed remain king of Leinster if he sent his Norman allies home. This he failed to do and then Maurice FitzGerald landed at Wexford at the end of 1169 to join his brother, bringing with him according to Giraldus, "ten men-at-arms, thirty mounted retainers and about a hundred archers and foot-soldiers."

Thus strengthened Diarmait began to think of making a bid for the High-Kingship himself. He discussed this with two Geraldines, FitzStephen and FitzGerald and seems to have offered to marry his daughter Aoife to either

one or the other. But they advised him to send for their overlord, the earl of Pembroke, Strongbow, and ask his help. Strongbow was impressed by the success of the Geraldines and made ready to come. He sent ahead his chosen lieutenant, still another Geraldine, Raymond le Gros, the son of Maurice's elder brother, William.

Raymond landed on the coast near Waterford in May 1170 with a small force of ten men-at-arms and seventy archers. While awaiting the arrival of Strongbow he was attacked by a large army of Irish and Norse from Waterford but Raymond's leadership inspired his men to victory. Raymond became probably the most outstanding military leader among the first wave of invaders and Giraldus has left us a description of him. As his nickname suggests he was "very stout and a little above the middle height; his hair was yellow and curly and he had large, grey, round eyes. His nose was rather prominent, his countenance high-coloured, cheerful and pleasant; and although he was somewhat corpulent, he was so lively and active that the incumbrance was not a blemish or inconvenience. Such was his care of his troops that he passed whole nights without sleep, going the rounds of the guards himself, and challenging the sentinels to keep them on the alert. . ." Giraldus of course was somewhat partial to his cousins the Geraldines, but there seems to be a consensus of opinion that Raymond's victory at this point was decisive for the success of the invasion and so of course also for the subsequent history of Ireland. If he

had been defeated, Strongbow might never have come to Ireland and the invasion might have remained what it was up to this point, a Geraldine adventure which would probably have ended by their assimilation into the Gaelic race or their expulsion. Hence the old rhyme:

"At the creek of Baginbunne
Ireland was lost and won."

At last Strongbow arrived near Waterford in August 1170 with an army of two hundred men-at-arms and one thousand other troops. Giraldus described him also but Strongbow was not a Geraldine and the picture is not as flattering as some of the others; "His complexion was somewhat ruddy, and his skin freckled; he had grey eyes, feminine features, a weak voice, and short neck." Strongbow and le Gros took Waterford together. MacMurrough, Aoife, FitzGerald and FitzStephen joined them and Strongbow and Aoife were married. Richard Roche, in *The Norman Invasion of Ireland*, pictures the "mail-clad Normans and their Flemish, Welsh and Irish allies cramming the aisles to catch a glimpse of the famed Strongbow and his bride."

The invasion now became a more serious affair with MacMurrough's Norman allies dictating the action. Together they took Dublin in spite of the efforts of O'Connor. Then MacMurrough died May 1171 leaving Strongbow as his heir to the kingship of Leinster. But as this legacy had no validity in Irish law Strongbow soon found the tribes of Leinster in revolt against him. Meanwhile the High-King was gathering an army and the recently expelled Norse king of Dublin

was attacking the city from the sea. Strongbow could not expect much help from England or Wales since his own overlord, Henry II of England, was displeased with him for ignoring his orders to return home. In fact Henry had decided to come to Ireland himself. He had for long been interested in the project and had taken the trouble to get Pope Adrian IV, an Englishman, to issue the famous Bull, *Laudabiliter*, in which he granted Ireland to Henry on condition that he undertake the reform of the Irish Church. But the real reason why he came now was his alarm at the success of his subjects in Ireland and his fear that they might set up an independent lordship. Strongbow hastened to make his peace with Henry before the royal expedition set sail. But the Geraldines were still a threat and Henry wanted the Irish to accept his authority also.

So Henry sailed for Ireland with the largest army yet. He brought 500 knights and 1,000 others, carried on a fleet of 240 ships, according to the Annals of the Four Masters, with huge amounts of bacon, beans, cheese, salt, wheat and oats to feed them all. They were to be kept clothed with 2,000 ells of grey woollen cloth while for the king there was scarlet and green cloth, silk and otter skins. Among the baggage also were 1,000 lbs. of wax for the sealing of letters and charters, and 569 lbs. of almonds! The mighty army achieved its purpose and did not have to fight even one battle. Everyone submitted to Henry, Geraldines and Irish, kings and hierarchy. He stayed in Ireland for six months, during which time he summoned the synod of Cashel to further ecclesiastical reform, gave Dublin a charter which granted the city to the men of Bristol, re-organised the Norman-occupied lands along feudal lines and set up an administrative machinery and a legal and legislative system as in England. And he kept in his own hands both Waterford and Wexford when he left Ireland in April 1172.

The success of the invasion so far had been mainly the work of the Geraldines. Now the king had stepped in and taken it over and reduced them and the other Normans to a subordinate position as his vassals. He had also taken Wexford, McMurrough's original bribe to Maurice FitzGerald and Robert FitzStephen. The Geraldines would have to look for new territories.

References for the Norman Invasion:
Richard Roche, *The Norman Invasion of Ireland*; J. F. Lydon, *The Lordship of Ireland in the Middle Ages*.

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We hope all who attended this years trade fair in the boy's national school enjoyed it as we did. The Parents Assoc. were in charge of the catering at the trade fair, which seems to have been a great success. We would like to extend a special word of thanks to the following: Eugene Murphy our milkman who gave up his Sunday to make a special milk delivery to us, Kellys Bakery Kilcock, Mulcahy Butchers, Greenfield Shopping Centre, O'Briens catering for supplying the dishes and the I.C.A. We must not forget all the ladies who so willingly gave up their beauty sleep on Sat. and Sun. to come in and give a hand especially those who have nobody attending the school, all the men who were left at home to do the cooking babysitting for the two days and last but not least all the boys and girls who were running around for the two days collecting dirty dishes and washing up as without them our task would have been much more difficult.

We wish every success to the Canal Amenity Group in their efforts to make Maynooth a better place to live.

Anne O'Malley (Sec.)

NEW CHURCH IN LUCAN TO HAVE A WEEK OF CELEBRATION

Lucan Presbyterian Church has been in existence since 1876. However, in October of last year, a brand new church building was opened on the same site as the previous small chapel. The front wall of the old church has been preserved and the sensitive design has helped maintain the ethos of 'old Lucan'.

To mark this special event, a Week of Celebration has been planned for the congregation and the community from the 9th to the 15th of May. Dr. Rob Norris, a friend of the minister, Dr. Trevor Morrow, will be arriving with a team of singers and musicians called 'Instrument of Praise' from Washington, D.C., in the U.S.A. to help lead the Festivities.

Dr. Norris, originally from Ebbw Vale, in South Wales, is an effective communicator. He has been minister in the City Temple, London, Hollywood Presbyterian Church, California, and now 4th Presbyterian Church, Washington, D.C., whose previous minister Dr. Richard Halverson, is Chaplain to the U.S. Senate.

'Instrument of Praise' is a group of singers who express traditional and contemporary church music with a style attractive to the modern idiom.

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The Celebration begins with a Banquet on Monday evening, the 9th of May, in the King's Hospital, Palmerstown. (Tickets are available at £6.50 — phone 280987). From Tuesday to Sunday, there will be services in the Church at 8 p.m. The exception will be Friday evening, on which the Americans will be free, and the focus will be upon youth with a Gospel Rock Concert — 'Solid Rock'.

Further details are available from Dr. Trevor Morrow (280987).

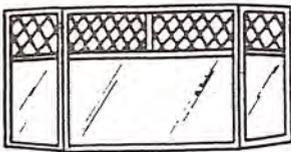
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Bhí Aifreann Gaeilge i Maigh Nuad ar an 24 Aibreán. As seo amach beidh Aifreann Gaeilge ar an gceathni Domhach den bhí in Aireagal Ní Seosaimh i gColaiste Phádraig ar 11 a.m.

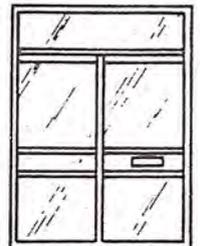
Mass will be celebrated in Irish in Maynooth on the 4th Sunday of each month: the first one took place on 24th April, in St. Joseph's Oratory in St. Patrick's College at 11 a.m.

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Mephistopheles' gift of vengeance
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Waters of the Atlantic.
Spotted, pursued and pinioned.

Damn the French!
Why should their might prevail?
Why should they meddle
In the ageless struggle of the
Saxon and the Gael?
Time was when they would not have seen
But sped him on his way to bloody
The nose of the British Queen!

Time was, but let it be no more,
— Hate begets but Hate! —
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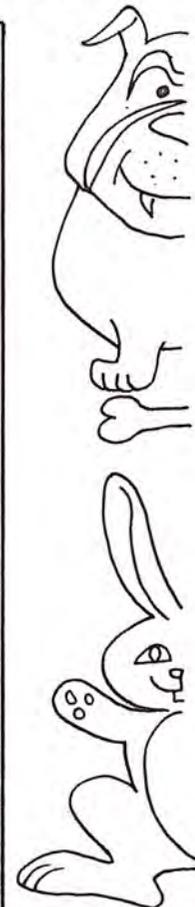
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Start at the star and move one square at a time horizontally or vertically to spell out the names of twenty four creatures two of which are reptiles.

Complete these drawings



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AGES 4-7

1st prize:

Ciara Leavey,
839 Greenfield,
Maynooth.

2nd prize:

Brina Casey,
Copperalley,
Moyglare Rd.,
Maynooth.

RUNNERS UP

Stephen O'Malley,
60 Carton Court,
Maynooth.

Laura Boland,
Laragh,
Maynooth.

Aisling McIntyre,
30 Rail Park,
Maynooth.

AGES 8-12

1st prize:

Andrew Nolan,
286 Greenfield,
Maynooth.

2nd prize:

Gemma Haren,
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To Elaine, Sinead, Niamh.
From Niamh O'Melia.
Hope you had a great time in Beth-Ann's.

To all at "The Flat"
From guess who.
Glad to have met ye all — helped me have a good month in Maynooth.

To Anna Lisa Kealy
From Jane and Andrea.
Happy birthday on 18th April. Have a good day with exams and all.

To Kerry Clifford
From a mad gothic.
Happy birthday 1st May. 17 today.

To 2nd years in St. Wolstans.
From Avril McStravick.
Happy birthday Niamh, Hello to everyone. Cannot wait for Erasure.

To all my friends in St. Wolstans
From an alternative studious person.
Good luck in the Leaving. Don't study too hard.

To Hilary Donovan.
From Anne Lyons and Rita Thompson.
Congratulations with the baby.

To Jarleth & Bernadine
From the staff in the Community Council Office
Congratulations on your recent wedding.

To Dodo
From Ann Lyons
You're my special neighbour.

To Claire McTiernan
From Rita Thompson
Thanks for letting me go horse riding with you.

To Colette Nolan
From Mum, Dad, Janet, Mary & Margaret
Happy birthday on May 5th.

To Patrick Farrell
From Sean Bennett
Happy birthday.

To the Women's Soccer Club
From Rita Thompson
Good luck in the soccer.

To Carol Murray
From Mary and Karen.
Good luck in your exams.

To Declan Gaffney
From enemy
Buzz off.

To Tracy Horan
From Mary Nolan.
Happy birthday.

To Mammy
From Ann.
Your loving daughter.

To Emea from Niamh.
Keep the good running up.

To Fiona Lynch
From Niall Eddy.
I love you.

To Michael and Derek Hanley
From Brendan
Hope you do well in your exams

To Sandie Foy
From Nanny.
Happy birthday on 12th May.

To Bernadine and Chas
From Kate Ruddy.
Wish you luck and good wishes.

To Muireann Ni Bhrolchain
From Eithne Cunningham
Happy birthday.

To my grandson Luke
From Granny May
Wishing you all the best.

To all the girls
From all the guy's.
Best of luck in the exams to Theresa, Monica, Sonia, Ruth, Bernie, and Hilda. See you back in Autumn.

To Brenda McNamee
From Ann Lyons.
I hope you are well. Love Ann.

To Miss Kathleen Creggy
From Susie your sister.
Although we fight, I will still love you.

To Eileen Ruddy
From Kate Ruddy
Hope your back is better soon Mam.

To 5th class room 15
From Sarah Healy.
Have a good tour and enjoy yourselves while I will be on holidays.

To Niamh O'Melia
From Oliver Nevin.
Please I love you. Will you go with me. Oliver.

To Rathcoffey 5th class girls.
From Clare Kennedy
Good luck in the coming year. Hi.

To Dympna
From Gordon Read.
You are the best person in the world.

To all my relations
From Damien and Johnathon Thynne.
Best relations.

To Suzanne Higgins
From Avril McStravick
Happy 14th birthday from your best friend Avril.

To Susan Adderly, 105 Rail Park
From the Durham family, Celbridge.
Every blessing and good wishes on your First Holy Communion.

MAYNEWS MESSAGES

To Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin
From Eithne Cunningham
Thank you for all the things you have done for me.

To 5th class girls, Rathcoffey N.S.
From Clare Kennedy.
Good luck in everything you do this year.

To the 6th class girls, Rathcoffey N.S.
From Jennifer Murphy.
Have a lovely Confirmation day.

To all Leaving Certs in Maynooth
From Kerry.
Good luck in exams and remain forever immature.

To everyone that works at the Newsletter
From Niamh.
I love the great work you are doing. Keep it up.

To Audrey and Ashlinn
From Tanya.
Hope you had a great time at the Trade Fair.

To Finola Gallagher
From Mammy, Daddy, brothers and sisters.
Happy birthday on May 7th.

To Norrie
From Aunt Rosie
No wonder the paper is in such a state. Love from R.

To class 3
From Damian
Best dossers i.e. Dermot Tobin, Robert Miller.

To the sensitive psychopath who seeks feminine comfort for two nights. Contact P.O. box 2241 immediately.

To Mrs. Creggy
From your loving daughter Suesie.
Mam I will always love you.

To Mam and Dad
From Pdraig Ward
Hello and best wishes.

To Neva and Maria.
From big sis.
Don't study too hard.

To Pdraig Ward
From Niamh O'Melia
You are dead.

To Karen Kehoe
From Patrick Ryan.
I'm crazy over you. Bye.

To Leonora
From Damian Flynn
Happy birthday.

To Mary Bennett
From Sean Bennett
Good luck in your exams.

To Dermot from Damian.
Nice knowing you.

To Norah
From all the family
Happy birthday on 31/5/88.

To Mom and Dad
From Killian McCarthy.
Thanks for such a great Easter.

To Niamh O'Melia
From Tanya.
Hoped you liked the Trade Fair.

To Caoimhe O'Sullivan
From Pdraig Ward.
I am happy to go with you.
I love you.

To Christopher
From Eric.
I hope you have a happy birthday.

To Kinchie and Claners and all the fellas.
From your good friends in Maynooth.
Hope to see you soon.

To Maynooth people everywhere
From Greenfield Supermarket Maynooth.
Thank you for your support. We value your business.

To Michelle and Jennifer
From Caitriona
Have a lovely confirmation.

To the 5th class of the Boy's National school
From James Healy, Brendan Hanley and Francis Murray.
Have a good summer and tour.

To Brenda Kearney
From Matt and Liz, Matthew and Margaret.
Happy birthday 3 yrs on 8th April.

To Rathcoffey 6th class girls.
From Caitriona
Good luck to everybody for the millennium year.

To Liam Cummins
From Mike Kennedy
I put this in at the Trade Fair in Maynooth 17/4/88.

To all the boys in 3rd class in Rathcoffey
From Mike Kennedy
I wrote this at the Maynooth Trade Fair.

To all in room 16, Maynooth N.G.S.
From Niamh.
Wish you all the best in your new schools.

To the 5th and 6th class in Boy's National School
From James Healy.

MAYNEWS MESSAGES

To the Scouts, Aidens and all who helped in the shop and Community Council stands.

Thanks — you're all great. Couldn't do it without you.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin,

To Georgina & Audrey

From Kate Ruddy

You're my best friends and always will be.

To Maynooth Brownies

From Brown Owl

I am proud of you all. Keep up the good work.

To Rachel

From Mammy, Daddy and Eithne.

Happy birthday, even if it's late.

To Mary & Freddie O'Melia

From Niamh

Hope business blossomed at the Trade Fair.

To Kitty Thompson

From Rita Thompson

Hope you see better days and live to be 100.

To Gillian Power

From Padraic Flood

I love you. You are lovely. My true love.

To Grace Kelly

From Eric Flynn

I love you. Will you go with me.

To Rita Thompson

From Rita Thompson

Hope you are well and live to see 100.

To the 5th class in the girls school

From Sarah Healy.

To Claire O'Connor

From Rita Thompson

Please continue to play with me.

To Janine Curran

From Nicola Doyle and Sarah Healy.

Hope you have a great tour and see you after our holidays.

To Dad with best wishes

From your loving daughter Susie Creggy

I will always love you dad even though you hit me.

To Clare McTernan

From Ann Lyons

I will play football with you in the summer.

To Granny McKeown

With love from Suesi

I love you and I miss you when you go home.

To Karen Keogh

From Nicola Doyle and Sarah Healy.

Hope you have a great holiday.

MAYNOOTH SPRING TRADE FAIR

TRADE FAIR

The Trade Fair Committee would like to thank all who made the Trade Fair so successful. The Exhibitors were pleased with the very large attendance. Unfortunately we did not have time to write up a full report for this edition but you can read all about it next month.

GRAND DRAW RESULTS

1st Prize — Erin Food Hamper

Winner: Ann O'Connor, 34 Beechpark, Lucan.

2nd Prize — £20 Voucher from Bright Paints

Winner: Rosaleen Connolly, c/o Encyclopaedia Britannica.

3rd Prize — £20 Voucher from F.M.K. Casuels

Winner: Feilim Guinan, 27 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

4th Prize — Bottle Whiskey from Quinnswoth and £5 Voucher from Step N Style

Winner: Eileen Haurigan, 289 Ryevale Lawns, Leixlip.

5th Prize — £10 Voucher from Maynooth Jewellers.

Winner: Catherine Leonard, Hortland, Donadea.

6th Prize — £10 Voucher from Shades
Winner: Yvonne McCarron, 2 Greenfield, Maynooth.

7th Prize — Perfume from Conroys Chemists and £5 Voucher from Hula Bou

Winner: Helen Mullaly (Phone No. 285061).

8th Prize — Book from Henry Cahill and £5 Voucher from Carlton Cleaners.

Winner: Liam Tyndall, c/o Everglaze Limited.

9th Prize — £25 Voucher from Hawk-eye Cleaning Services

Winner: Patrick J. Monaghan, 43 Maynooth Park, Maynooth.

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TIDY TOWNS

The Tidy Towns committee has distinguished itself again — well, it has distinguished itself! All other interests were content with a single stand at the Trade Fair but not so, Tidy Towns. We, who are interested in outer and inner cleanliness, had our funereal despondent looking Big Bin (symbol of the most shunned items in Maynooth) parked outside in the yard while inside, in Room 12, we had our cheerful, colourful, challenging display, drawing attention to a shameful side of Maynooth. Will it have any effect? Who knows? Our effort last year doesn't seem to have

had any great influence on people's behaviour, anyhow, and by the appearance of Maynooth streets at 6 o'clock on the Monday morning after the Trade Fair, there's scant evidence that the habits of a lifetime are going to be displaced without a struggle.

A word of thanks to Bord Fáilte and the Department of the Environment (5 Wilton Place) for materials and cheerful encouragement.

Tidy Towns workers; Fionan Hardiman, Richard Farrell, Matt Callaghan (Artistic planners of our stand), Matt Gargan and Joan Lennon.

Gabriel Martin, P.R.O.

POST PRIMARY SCHOOL MAYNOOTH

BANK OF IRELAND PROJECT WIN

Congratulations to a team from the Post-Primary School Maynooth who won the junior Educational section of this competition. The team was comprised of Grainne Coughlan, Fiona Lynch, Peter Cassells and Robert Byrne. Their project entitled "Education in Maynooth — a Unique experience" set out to show how special a place like Maynooth is from the educational point of view — all three levels of education are available here thus reducing the cost factor considerably.

The girls and boys win a weekend in the Tara Towers hotel during which they will have a night out at the Abbey Theatre and a bowling session in Stillorgan. We wish them a most enjoyable and interesting weekend. Well done!

Second year students go off to Delphi Adventure Centre in Co. Mayo for a 4 day break in the wilds.

National chemistry week was marked by 100 of our students attending a lecture in Maynooth College by Dr. M. Mc Cann on "Chemistry is Every where" and when you think of it, its true!

The 24-hour fast fund has now reached £1300 and very shortly it will be distributed to worthy charities. Many thanks to all who participated, particularly 1st year leaving cert students who organised the different activities. I suppose Fr Thynne had better get a mention. Well done!

Mr Dunne and Misses Mc Loughlan and Mannion had a very enjoyable trip to the Wicklow mountains recently with a group of 1st year students. All returned safely — tired and muddy but safe. How about that for social development.



Tidy Town's Stand, Trade Fair —
Richard Farrell and Matt Callaghan.

BOB'S KITCHEN

Devilled Chicken

- 4 oz butter or margarine
- 2 tablespoon chutney
- 1 teaspoon mustard powder
- pinch cayenne pepper
- salt and garlic salt
- 1 small cooked chicken
- 3 oz soft breadcrumbs.

Cream 3 oz of the butter or margarine, add the chutney, mustard powder, cayenne pepper a little salt and the garlic salt to taste. Cut the chicken into joints. Spread the creamed mixture over one side of the joints and place in an ovenproof dish. Top with the breadcrumbs. Melt the remaining butter or margarine and pour round the chicken joints. Do not cover the dish. Bake above the centre of a moderately hot oven. 200°C/400°F or Gas Mark 6 for 25 to 30 minutes.

Duckling Americaine

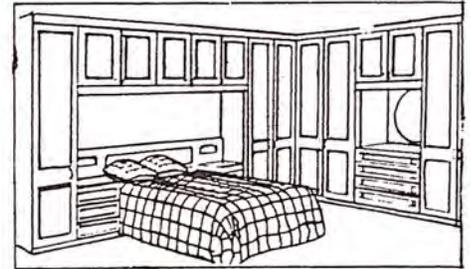
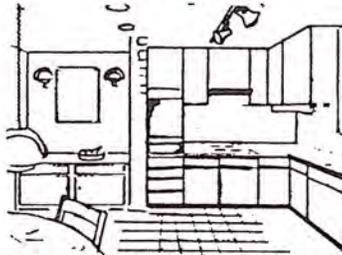
- 1 duckling sufficient for four portions — roasted but not completely cooked
- 1 tablespoon french mustard
- 1 1/2 oz butter, melted
- 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

Cut the duck down the middle, then remove both leg joints to make four portions. Blend the french mustard with the butter and the Worcestershire sauce. Brush the skin side with the butter mixture and cook under a pre-heated grill until very hot. Serve with a Tomato Sauce.

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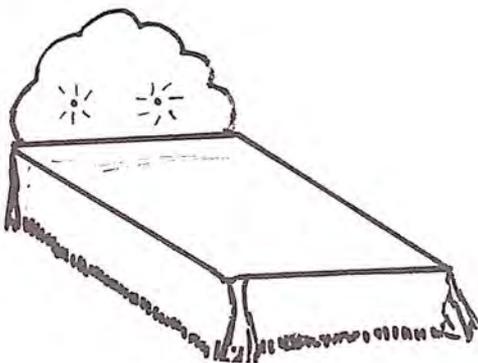
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LUCAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The new Presbyterian Church at Lucan, Co. Dublin, designed by Hamilton Young & Associates, Architects, replaces and extends the accommodation provided by the original church which stood on the same site.

The brief set out by the committee as representing the needs of the growing Presbyterian Community to the area was straight forward:

1. A larger church to hold upwards of 200 people;
2. A new Sunday school to double as a meeting hall with kitchen facilities;
3. A meeting room/library;
4. A vestry, small creche and toilet facilities.

Its resolution however presented a considerable design and contextual challenge to the architects.

The old church, which dated from 1878, was typical of many Presbyterian churches of that time around the country. It was built of a Dolphins Barn stock brick in neo-Gothic style with smooth red and Staffordshire blue decorative brick bands, steep pitched roof, exposed King trusses and Dutch stained glass. A special feature of the church was the gravelled forecourt which, by breaking the building line of the terraced houses

at either side, created a pleasant semi-enclosed entrance space off the Main Street. The original church seated approximately 60 people and used most of the rear half of the rectangular site.

As the original church formed an important part of the architecture of Lucan village, total demolition was not considered. Preliminary planning and spatial studies indicated that by retaining the entrance court and main facade and rebuilding the church with an increased span, its capacity could be substantially increased with an extra 120 sq. metres of accommodation on two storeys at the rear of the site.

Detailed discussions with the planners for the area took place and also contact was made with local conservation groups and at the end of these the architect's imaginative plans were approved by all interested parties.

The space formed by the church follows the datum set by the existing steeply pitched entrance gable. The new side wings are formed by three dormer roofs at right angles to the main roof which maintain an acceptable head height as the main beams sweep down towards the floor. The

roof structure is formed of a system of steel beams and purlins in three bays which are supported on the new side walls. The introduction of a ridge beam reduces the outward thrust at the eaves, thus reducing the weight of the structure. This gives a light "floating" effect to the roof. The side walls comprise a series of three gables with arched windows which take their proportions from those of the main facade.

The line of the roof carries through to the rear of the building where the ancillary accommodation is housed in two storeys. The span is reduced however and the walls set back to produce a standard single storey eaves level. This set back, in addition to accommodating the splayed building line of Hanbury Lane, defines externally the extent of the main volume and reflect the transition in scale from public building to the two-storey ancillary section behind and then to the single-storey brick cottages on the lane.

Heating is by a gas-fired boiler and is zoned to allow partial use at any time and the meeting room is provided with a radiant gas heater. Both the church and all ancillary rooms are naturally entiled.

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When the committee briefed Stuart Hamilton they asked that the finishes in the church be warm, homely and simple. To provide the atmosphere required, the ceiling is finished in diagonally laid TG & V pine sheeting in panels with beams and purlins clearly expressed. The remaining joinery work is in hardwood. The dais furniture, table, pulpit and chairs, was designed by the architects and specially made up in solid and veneered oak. A single hardwood rail runs around the walls at the springing level of the main beams which gives a human scale to the main body of the church. The gable wall behind the dais is emphasised by a second higher rail which forms an inverted V at the centre of the space and houses a screen for visual presentations at one side. The walls are plastered and painted in soft white and the floor is finished in blue pin dot carpet. The stackable interlocking seating is made up of laminated beech with blue upholstered seats and backs to match the carpet. The stained glass in the six arched side windows takes its inspiration from the colours and proportions of the original gable windows which have been retained and carefully repaired.

Externally, a stock brick was chosen to match as closely as possible the original brick and the plinth and banding details are carried through from the main facade. The new structure is separated from the old by the two glazed panels to the front of the church which define the new side wings. The roof is finished in a natural slate and decorative clay ridge tile.

The gravelled forecourt has been brought back to its original state with the upgrading of the boundary walls and front railings and the only indication from the street of the enormous changes behind is the extended roof line which floats over the two glazed panels to rest on the new buttresses at either side.

DESIGN TEAM:

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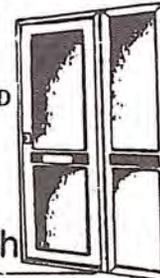
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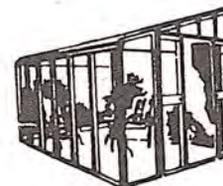
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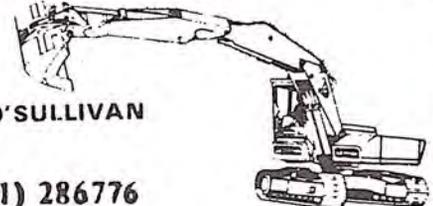
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FEMSCAN

Maura Murphy of Rowanstown Stud is one of the committee members organising Femscan, a voluntary body which has set itself the target of raising £500,000 to provide a mobile breast-screening unit to aid in the early detection and cure of breast cancer. The organisation was started early this year and officially launched on April 7th at the Mansion House.

Dismayed at the high incidence of breast cancer — one in thirteen women will develop it — and having its effects brought home to her when someone she knew suffered from it, Maura and a few others decided to do something positive about it. On the advice of an expert in the field, it seemed that a travelling Mammographic Unit, containing all the equipment necessary for carrying out mammograms, was the first requisite. Mammography offers a safe, low-dose X-ray examination which can

detect cancer in the earliest stages, so that treatment is possible and unnecessary death can be avoided.

Femscan is working in conjunction with the Mater Foundation, which provides the necessary back-up in administrative and medical procedures. However, the money is being raised through voluntary subscription, and the target sum is sufficient to acquire the unit and to service it for three years with skilled staff. Such breast-screening units as exist in the country at the moment are attached to hospitals and under-utilised; a mobile unit, as is borne out by the experience of other countries, can travel to where it is needed and provide a service to women throughout the country. Among the patrons of the Femscan project who have pledged their support are Marian Finucane, Olivia O'Leary, Michelle Rocca, Gillian Bowler, the wives of the various party leaders, and, as President, Maeve Hillery. If you want further information or can offer help,

contact Maura Murphy at 286267. And watch out for the Femscan stand at the Spring Show.

POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sarah and Maria McMyler have qualified to compete in the All Ireland Competition of the Accordion in Malahide at the end of the month.

Sarah contests the Higher Junior Solo section of Classical Music and both Sarah and Maria are competitors in the Irish traditional section. Leonora Naughton also finished with an Honours Certificate (86%) in the traditional Music section.

Sharon Mooney — Traditional also competes in the All Ireland Traditional.



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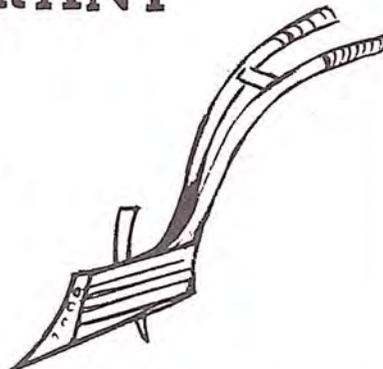
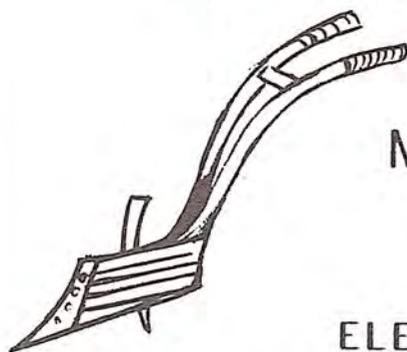
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SPORTS NEWS



MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

ISLE OF MAN 88 – SOCCER INTERNATIONAL

The Club entered this competition for the first time this year and all concerned were very pleased with the result. The team from Maynooth were as follows: Sam Feeney, Leni Murphy, Terry Moore, Ollie Durack, Noel Dempsey, Phillip Doyle, Brian McCall, Willie Saults, Paki Doohan, Dessie Farrell, Paul Gibney who joined us on the island from London. The supporters were Maura Feeney, Cha Farrelly and Liam McCall. The group left Maynooth on Holy Thursday and arrived in Douglas at 11.45 p.m. We were met at the hotel by the owner, Arthur Powell.

All during our stay Arthur and his wife Lynn, his sister-in-law Irene and indeed any persons whom we met were very friendly and helpful, and made our stay very pleasant.

Our first game was for 11.15 a.m. Friday morning, but as luck has it we got a walk over so that gave our lads a

chance to rest after travelling the night before. Our next game was at 3.30 p.m. Friday afternoon against a Liverpool Club "Marsh House". They seemed very confident and fit but our lads soon put an end to that by beating them 3—2. Our goal scorers were Willie Saults, Leni Murphy, Terry Moore, one each. This win put our lads in good form and looking forward to the next game which was at 10.30 a.m. the next morning against "Hillington", a London club and was a very fast moving game and again we were lucky enough to win. This time the score was 4—3 and the scorers were Paki Doohan, Ollie Durack, Brian McCall, Noel Dempsey. This really put the boys on a high and wanted to paint the Isle of Man any colour, but took things easy for our next game was that afternoon.

The next club we met was Ipswich and all I can say is the others won, but it was a great game and the final score was 5—4 and would have been 6—4 if not for Sam Feeney who made a brilliant save from a penalty. Our scorers were Phillip Doyle, Paul Gibney, Dessie Farrell (2). So now we got down to the task in hand of having a good time and everyone did just that.

So in the end everything went well at this early stage we are looking forward to next year and a return visit to the **Isle of Man Soccer International**.

THANKS TO ALL CONCERNED

Dalton Cup:

Maynooth 3
Yellowstone 0

A fine performance by the Town who advanced to the next round with goals from Dessie Farrell (2) and John Nolan (1).

Premier Sunday:

Maynooth 1
Cashelville Rangers 1

A tough match in which both teams spared no effort in trying to get both points. Cashelville scored in the first half and despite continued pressure from Maynooth they held that lead until 10 minutes to go when Dessie Farrell got the Maynooth equaliser.

Premier Sunday:

Maynooth 1
Palmerstown 1

A close match with both sides having periods of supremacy. In the last half hour Maynooth dominated and were rewarded with a fine goal from Phillip Doyle.

Division 1 B Sunday:

Elm Rovers 2
Maynooth 3

A fine away win for Maynooth. Goals from Nico Farrell and Martin Foy won this hard fought encounter.

Photograph of Soccer Team

Back Row — Left to right.

Brian McCall, Sam Feeney, Lenny Murphy, Paki Doohan, Ollie Durack, Noel Dempsey.

Front Row — Left to right.

Terry Moore, Willie Saults, Phillip Doyle, Dessie Farrell, Paul Gibney.



TAE KWON DO

Translated literally, Tae Kwon Do means "Art Of Hand And Foot Fighting". It was not until 1955 that the name Tae Kwon Do was given by its founder General Choi Hong Hi — 9th degree. One decade later General Choi launched the International Tae Kwon Do Federation in 1966 by sending his masters to teach all over the world.

One of these was Master Rhee Ki Ha — 8th degree.

When Mr. Rhee Ki Ha, 8th Dan, OCM, decided to introduce Tae Kwon Do to Ireland, he looked for a solid foundation. This he found in the group of men whose loyalty, perseverance and sheer hard work has made the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association (RITA) the success it is today.

The R.I.T.A. was officially opened on the 27th May 1972 and achievements to date include the establishment of 21 schools throughout the country.

To ensure high standards, schools are only established when qualified instructors are available from among the black belt members.

One of the younger schools is Maynooth. Situated in the Parish Hall, this school has been in existence for 2 years. During that time a high standard of Tae Kwon-Do has been achieved. We have just recently had our first green belt members graded and passed by Mr. Robert Howard 5th degree and chairman of the R.I.T.A.

And now we look forward to the National Championships where our members, both junior and senior will be competing.

Maynooth is the first R.I.T.A. school in Co. Kildare and its instructors are Mr. T. McIvor — 2nd degree and Mr. M. Devereaux — 1st degree.

Inter tournaments are a regular feature within the Association. For those in search of thrills, excitement and a demonstration of the power and practical efficiency of Tae Kwon-Do as a self defence art, it would be hard to beat the Annual Irish Open Championships.

The flourishing success of Tae Kwon-Do in Ireland would not have been possible were it not for the dedication to training and the sacrifice of time to instruction made by men, who, together with Mr. Rhee, founded for us the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association.

P.R.O. Mr. Peter Byrne.

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

It proved to be quite a successful day for the club, at the road races in Dunboyne on Easter Sunday. GU/10 Ciara Power 7th, Josephine Gallagher 9th, Virginia Breslin 12th. GU/12 Emma McCluskey 8th, Patricia Purcell 10th, Aisling Redmond 14th. GU/14 Fiona Redmond 6th. The girls U/16 proved very exciting with Carmel Noonan and Lisa McCluskey running side by side in the early part of the race. In the final 200 metres Carmel Noonan went ahead to have a clear win with Lisa McCluskey 2nd and delighted to see Catherine Gleeson among the prizewinners finishing 9th.

In the Ladies O/35 Patsy McCluskey ran her usual good race and came 2nd. Helen Redmond 4th and Marie Gleeson finishing well. Sara Breslin had a good run in the Junior Ladies race. Vet men O/40: Liam McNamee 2nd, Brian Redmond 4th. O/45: Peter Keegan 3rd.

The following Wednesday evening

was the Dublin Millennium Festival of Road Races in Merrion Square. Again we had a number of successes with prizes for the first 10 Juveniles. GU/12: Emma McCluskey 7th, Aisling Redmond 12th. GU/14 Fiona Redmond 12th. GU/16: Once again we had a very close race with Carmel Noonan just getting 3rd place and Lisa McCluskey 4th. Vet Ladies O/30: Helen Redmond had a very good run here and finished 3rd with Margaret Noonan and Marie Gleeson. These ladies won 1st club team.

Vet Men O/40: Liam McNamee was a winner for us here with Brian Redmond 3rd and Pat Maher 4th. They also received 1st club medals. Tony Callaghan and Peter Keegan also took part. Daragh Callaghan ran a good race in the Junior mens competition.

The club would like to thank everyone who bought tickets for their recent Grand National Draw. Your support was much appreciated.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

There was a big turn out at Maynooth G.A.A. dinner dance held in Johnstownbridge on Saturday night 16th April. Mick Gillick, Club Chairman welcomed all and thanked the organising committee for their efforts. He had a special welcome for Killian Fagan, last years brilliant county minor footballer who had a serious car accident earlier this year.

Pat Dunny, County Board Chairman, in a long address, said he appreciated the work being done by the Maynooth Club. The contribution and commitment by two Maynooth players Pascal Ennis and Killian Fagan to the Kildare minor team last year was there for all to see.

If the present level of commitment and hard work within the club is maintained, success on the playing field is not far away. The night was rounded off by some dancing and a good time was had by all.

Spot prizes which were very much appreciated were contributed by the following:

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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Our 1988 Golfing Season got off to a great start with our first Outing to the Heath Golf Club, Portlaoise on March 26th last. Although played in very windy conditions which resulted in low scoring, the Golf Course itself was in excellent condition for the time of year. Our sincere thanks to Mr. George Hinds (Society Secretary) and the Catering Staff for the excellent facilities and meals provided on the day.

The Outing to the Heath was very generously sponsored by FOSTERS. On behalf of the Committee and Members of the Society I would like to thank Fosters Area Representative, Mr. Richard Glynn for the sponsorship and for presenting the Prizes and joining in the fun in Caulfield's Lounge that night. It was very much appreciated by all concerned and I would like to take this opportunity to wish Richard every success in his business for the future.

Congratulations are due to the Overall Winner, Eamon Ledwith (14) 33 and indeed to the rest of the prize winners listed below.

1st Outing The Heath March 26th

RESULTS

1st Overall:		
E. Ledwith (14)	33	(on back 9)
2nd Overall:		
J. McKeown (18)	33	
CLASS 1		
1st: J. Moore (13)	28	
2nd: R. Delamere (12)	24	
3rd: J. Ryan (13)	22	
CLASS 2		
1st: M. Dempsey (16)	30	
2nd: J. Downey (16)	30	
3rd: H. Carty (14)	29	
CLASS 3		
1st: M. Hall (21)	31	
2nd: W. Coughlan (18)	30	
3rd: T. Sheehan (18)	28	
FRONT 9		
S. Laheen (17)	15	

BACK 9
J. Kelly (17) 15

VISITORS
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The Draw for the '88 Matchplay Competition was held on the day and is as follows:

M. Dempsey 16 J. Kelly 17 ... Bye
M. Hall 21 N. O'Halloran 11 ... Bye

G. Ledwith 12 R. Boland 16
J. Murray 16 W. Coughlan 18

G. Fitzgerald 16 L. Ledwith 3
T. Sheehan 18 S. Tracey 18

H. Carty 14 E. Ledwith 14
J. Downey 16 D. Casey 16

S. Feeney 16 J. Moore 13
J. McKeown 18 G. McTiernan 17

R. Delamere 12 T. Ledwith 17
S. Laheen 17 E. Mara 17

L. Farrelly 12 T. Wade 7
D. Nyland 23 P. Brazil 38

We will be back from our Weekend Outing to Dingle on April 29/30th by the time this month's edition of the Newsletter is issued so a full report will appear in the June edition with regard to same and we look forward to our next Outing to the Curragh on May 28th.

Sean Tracey.
Hon. Secretary.

SYMPATHY

The Committee and Members of Maynooth Golfing Society would like to express their deepest sympathy to the wife, sons and daughter of the late Mr. Tom Moore of Straffan Rd., Maynooth.

**Irish Dancing
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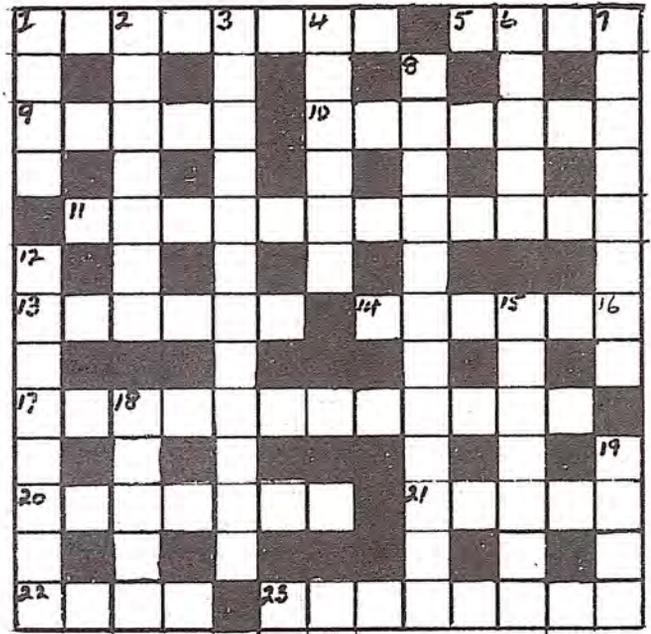
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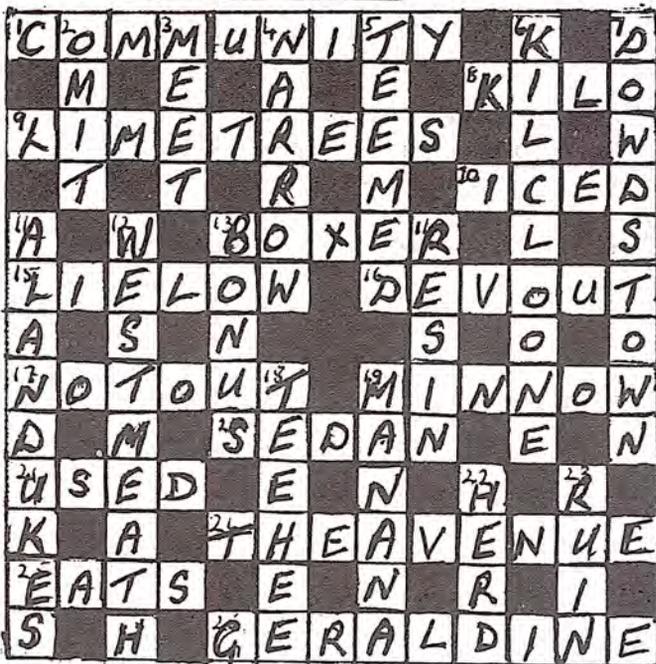
1. Interfering person makes an active corpse (8)
5. Of ten this is five, following after Harold (4)
9. Travel about eight miles for clean out! (5)
10. Unjust description of brunette (3,4)
11. Material doubter lost his head and the castle (6,6)
13. Ten of these in one (6)
14. Deb at a dance eased off (6)
17. Serve up as selected in Kehoe's (12)
20. Twelve o'clock, twenty-four hours after a number on (7)
21. I get embraced by backward tart - that's characteristic (5)
22. Pees in the wrong direction? It may well ooze through like this (4)
23. Pale poxy outrage may result an attack of this (8)

Down

1. Put money on rear (4)
2. Provides a platform for training in Maynooth (7)
3. Choke debater to decipher message (5,3,4)
4. Noise and spilt gin makes for eating (6)
6. Fright may ring incessantly on wall of house (5)
7. Shoot team to get warm here (8)
8. Here Aidan puts the boats out (2,3,3,4)
12. Ten taken in by studs swell Maynooth population (8)
15. Maynooth Castle marked edge of this bucket, by the sound of it (3,4)
18. Don't get uptight - there's a toilet to the south-east (5)
19. Why is Kildare like the leg of a man's trousers: Because it has this place in it (4)

No correct entries for No.5, so try this one! Entries to Newsletter by May 16th. £5.00 Prize

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EVENTS

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60 m	80m	100m	200 m	60 m Hurdles	100 m	600 m	100 m	800 m	L Jump

Walk 1500 m	U/13	Boys/Girls
Modelling	U/14	Boys/Girls
Art	U/8,10,12,14,16	Boys/Girls
Gymnastics	U/8,10,12,14,16	Boys/Girls
Shot Putt	U/14	Boys/Girls
Puck Fads	U/12 Boys	U/14 Girls
1500 m	U/16	Boys/Girls
100 m	U/16	Boys/Girls
H Jump	U/16	Boys/Girls
Discus	U/16	Boys
Javelin	U/17	Girls
100 m	U/17	Boys/Girls
Marathon	U/17	5000 m Girls 10,000 m Boys

Swimming

B/G U/8	B/G U/10	B/G U/12	B/G U/14	B/G U/16
F/Style	F/Style	F/Style	F/Style	F/Style
	B/Stroke	Br/Stroke	B/Stroke	B/Stroke
			Br Stroke	B/Fly

Competitors signature: _____

Parent's signature _____

- Notes
1. Art Competition, April 30th, Post-Primary School, from 10am. - 1 p.m.
 2. Local games will take place on 15th May in G.A.A. grounds, 12p.m.
 3. Gymnastics competition will take place 19th May, Parish Hall, 4.30 p.m.
 4. Swimming competition will take place 22nd May, Stewarts Hospital, 5 p.m.
 5. A competitor may take part in three individual events overall but a maximum of two in any one discipline i.e. Art, Athletics, Swimming and Gymnastics.
 6. Forms to be returned by 29th April 1988 (Every competitor must fill in and return form if taking part in Swimming, Art, Athletics, Gymnastics)

Forms may be returned to any of the following

Norah McDermott, Community Council offices, Main Street (9-5p.m.)

E. O'Malley, 5 Laurences Avenue, Maynooth

A. Cotter, 49 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth

P. Hanley, 8 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth

P. Mc Loughlin, 64 Cluain Aoibhirn, Maynooth.

OLD PEOPLES COMMITTEE

The party in the Divine Word on Sunday 10th April saw a number of the ladies in their Easter Bonnets. Mr Noel Dalton was the judge and the following were awarded prizes:

Most original: Mrs Payne.
 Most springlike: Mrs Tracey.
 Most picturesque: Mrs Barnwall.
 Dollylike: Mrs Leavy.
 Bunniest: Mrs Bennett.
 Most fashionable: Mrs O'Reilly.
 Most colourful: Mrs Waldron.
 Most original: Mrs Canavan.
 Most elegant: Mrs Farrelly.
 Prettiest: Mrs Brady.
 Most demure: Mrs Burke.
 Daintiest: Mrs Walsh.
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They were ably entertained as usual by Josie and Kevin with a guest appearance by "Monica Carr". Also Elaine Bean and the Accordion Band.

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LEAVING AND INTER CERTS

By the time this goes to print the 'mock' Leaving and Intermediate Certificate exams will be over and the real agonizing worry will begin. Just remember that this time next year you will be sympathising with the present 5th years. All things pass

with time (no pun intended) and you can only do your best. We wish you all the best in June.

SCHOOL TRIP

2nd year post-primary pupils visited Killary Harbour, Mayo, on Monday 25th April for a few days and the trip will be repeated for the 1st years on May 25th to 28th. Hopefully the sun will shine and they will all come home with suntans.

Congratulations to the 2nd years in St. Wolstans who came third in the Slogadh All Ireland Competitions held in Ennis on 5th-6th April.

Congratulations to Eamonn McKeogh 119 Rail Park on winning the P.D. umbrella at the Trade Fair, and to Fidelma McKeogh on winning the microwave.

Congratulations are due to the North Kildare Juniors on becoming runners up in the Leinster Championships. This is the first time in the history of North Kildare Club. Well done lads.

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BEWARE

Back from New York after an eight-week residency with the prestigious New Dramatists there is local writer Clairr O'Connor. It has been an active and productive session and apart from the staged readings of her work which took place there, various projects have been set up for later this year. Clairr also gave funded readings of her poetry in New York.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Happy birthday to my mother, Mrs. Mary Sherry, 25 Leinster Cottages, May 5th and also her great grandchild, Sandie Foy, 1253 Coarse More, Straffan, May 12th, from Paddy Bernie and Family.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Pat Burke, Newtown 19 yrs. April 14
Ted Connelly, Greenfield. April 14
Gerry Quinn, Greenfield. 15 yrs April 17, his brother Eric, Greenfield 11 yrs April 19
Mrs. Mary Traynor, Greenfield April 19
Gearoid Mac Teigrnain, Sraid Parson April 18
Terry Dunne, Greenfield May 3
Sandra Moran, Greenfield May 9
Also her sister Michelle who celebrates her 21st birthday on May 17 with a party in the Leinster Arms from family and friends very best wishes to both from Mom, Dad and brother Darren.

THE TWINS

Special birthday greetings to Joanne and John McElhinney, Leinster Arms who celebrated their 16th birthday April 7th. A party attended by hosts of friends was held in Slims Disco. Special birthday cake for the occasion was made by chef Frank of the Leinster Arms.

Happy birthday to Colette Nolan, May 5th from Mum, Dad, Janet, Mary and Margaret.

DEATHS

We wish to extend our sympathy to Mrs. Ins Hildebrand and family of Rail Park on the death of her mother.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy to the Shannon family of Rail Park on the death of Joan's mother.

To Mrs. Jim McDermott, The Square on the death of her sister also to Mr. Arthur Kearney, Leinster Park, on the death of his brother.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The wife and family of the late Nicko Farrell, O'Neill Park wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them on their recent sad bereavement, those who attended the removal of remains, Mass and funeral, all who sent Mass cards, wreaths, especially management, staff and friends of Clock House, Maynooth, Cassidys Roost, Maynooth Town F.C., Maynooth G.A.A. To the Priests of the Parish and especially Fr. Supple for his attendance during Nicko's illness, to the Salesian Sisters and to Dr.M.Cowhey for his wonderful attendance and friendship. Also to Nurse Campbell. To the reps. of Fianna Fail for their wreath and Guard of Honour. To all the other political parties for their presence at the removal and burial. A very special word of thanks to Ita McCormack and finally to all our good neighbours and friends. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for all your intentions.

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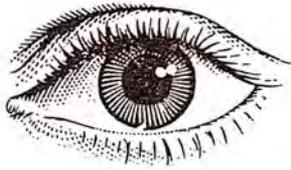
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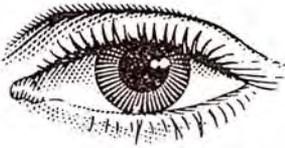
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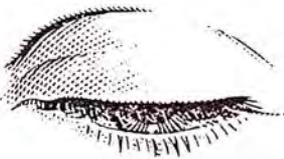
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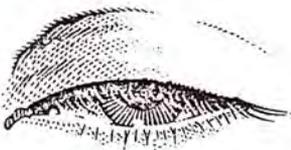
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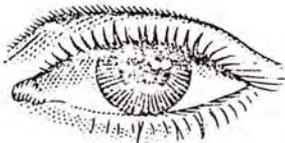
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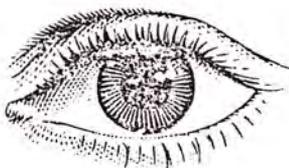
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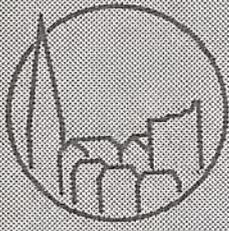
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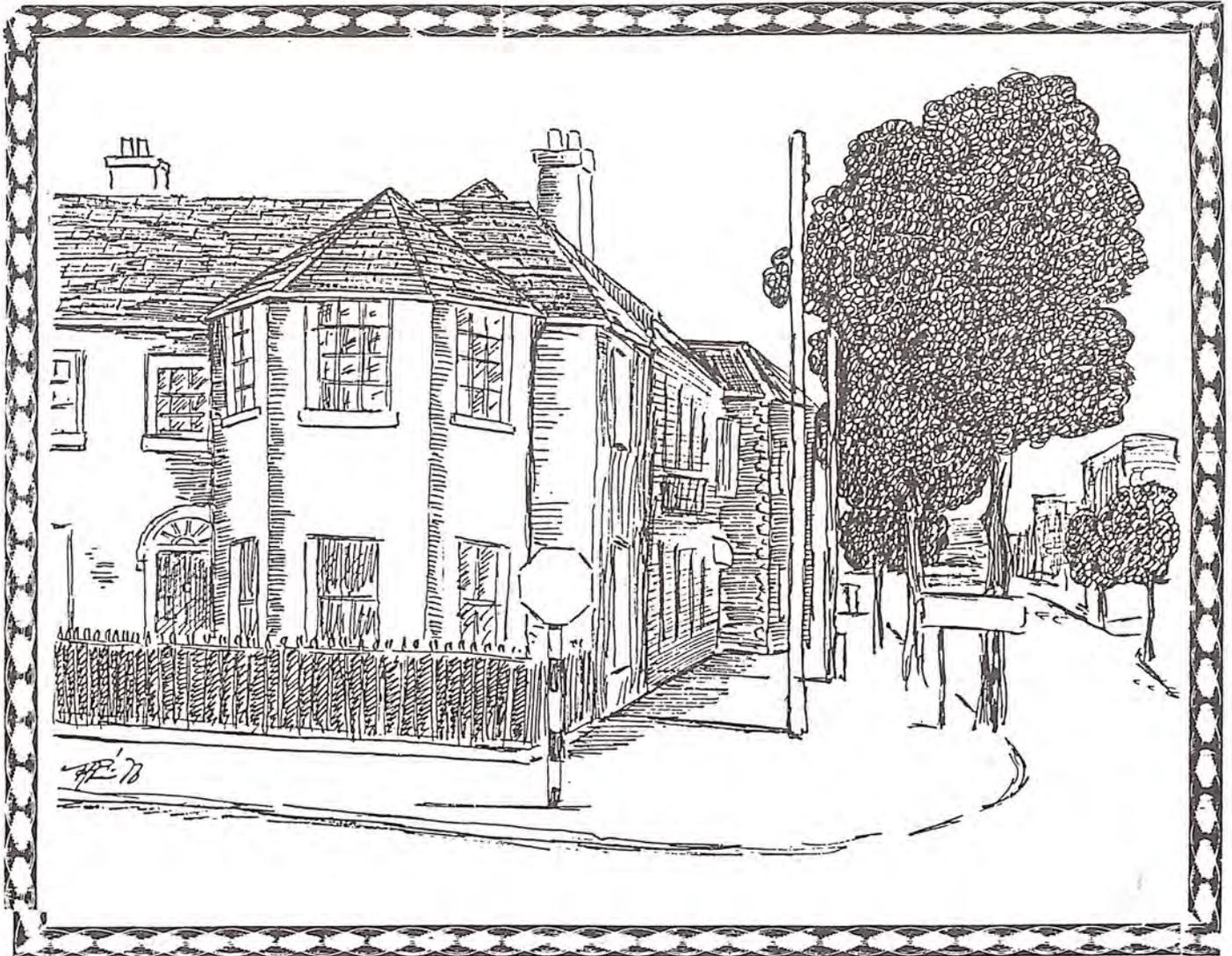


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NOTE TO CONTRIBUTORS

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Editorial

VANDALISM IN THE DARK

The residents on Greenfield Drive were horrified to wake up on Sunday 15th May to find the trees on their greens and kerb-sides vandalised. Almost all the big trees had branches broken off, the new trees were broken in half. Several trees were pulled out of the ground. What sort of "people" would do such a thing?

Kildare County Council can accept some of the blame, for the greens are completely black at night due to the lights been turned off. Vandals know they can do their damage and not be seen.

We appeal to Kildare County Council, turn on our lights and replace the vandalised trees.

In a recent fire in Maynooth a caravan and all possessions belonging to a local family were destroyed before the fire brigade could reach the scene. The delay in reaching the scene was due to some confusion in the relaying of the call to the fire brigade. We would ask all readers to remember that the quickest way to contact the Maynooth fire brigade is to ring 285555.

In last months issue we printed all our Maynews Messages which we received from the Trade Fair. Following this we have had some complaints about those personal messages. We are sorry if some people were embarrassed about these but we did print them in good faith to show our community spirit.

YOUNG ARTIST

Congratulations to three year old Paula O'Donoghue, whose pictures featured prominently in national newspapers — Paula was the youngest competitor and winner of the under six years group in the 34th Texaco National Children's Art Competition.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

T.V. AERIAL

The community council is to write to the Dept. of Communications about Air Call to ask Air Call to reduce their volume.

TREES

Parents over the summer months please ask your children not to vandalise the trees on your estate and surrounding areas.

BOTTLEBANK

There is a Rehab Bottlebank in the car park at the back of Quinnsworth.

The Old Maynooth Exhibition is to be housed in the Dining Room of the college and will open on July 2nd.

COMMUNITY GAMES

By the time this issue of the Newsletter goes to press the Community Games will be over. Everyone who attended the events enjoyed themselves and a big thanks to all involved.

TIDY TOWNS

We ask people to come out and help to clean up on Tuesday and Thursday

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nights at 7.30. We meet at the back of the Town Mall. The committee have paid £75 to enter the Tidy Towns competition this year. So people of Maynooth if you care please keep your town tidy. Also congratulations to O'Neills Butchers and North Kildare Travel on their new shop fronts.

Jarleth Finn recently finished working for the Maynooth Community Council S.E.S. Scheme. Maynooth Newsletter wish to thank him for all the work he has done for us over the year. Readers will have noticed his artistic work on the front covers of the Newsletter. We wish him all the best in the future.

We also thank Eileen Fitzpatrick who has also finished working on the S.E.S. Scheme. We wish her every success with her new job.

Mary Simon, P.R.O.

Residents' Associations News.

RAILPARK RESIDENTS NOTES

At the recent AGM the following officers were elected:

Frank McCarrick — Chairperson.
John Burns — Secretary.
Eamonn McKeogh — Treasurer.
Kay McKeogh — P.R.O.

Committee:

Joe Buckley
Aine Kennedy
Tom Killian
Eddie Tobin
Pat McIntyre
Mary Simon.

We are all looking forward to another year of work to better the local environment. All praises must go to Chairperson Frank McCarrick, who never seems to forget his responsibilities and who works harder than all of us put together.

The main activity now that we've straightened the trees, is to progress the Neighbourhood Watch scheme. Contact has been made with Pat Callahan the local organiser who has met with the Committee. Questionnaires have been circulated, and a public meeting in the Post Primary School will have been held by the time of publication.

The local banks have been most generous in making financial contri-

butions to the work of the Residents Associations. Thanks to the Allied Irish Bank, Bank of Ireland, and the Ulster Bank who responded to Frank McCarrick's recent appeals. The money will be put to immediate use.

The Midsummer Barbeque will be held in June this year. Residents will be circulated with details. Last year's event was an unexpected success, with the fragrant perfumes of barbequing steak and sausages wafting through the evening air, and drawing people from their houses. So get the T-Bones and sausages ready, learn a few songs and come and meet the neighbours for our annual get together on the green.

Its Clean-Up time again — we will be organising a few skips and we ask all residents to co-operate in polishing up our image by cleaning up the area in front of their own houses. This includes removing weeds and so from the kerbsides.

Congratulations to Jack Simon on the rugby victory achieved by his under-twelves team in Longford recently. The event was celebrated by a barbeque in North Kildare.

Finally to comings and goings — Farewell to Geraldine and Martin Coyne who are moving off to pastures new, and congratulations to Kevin and Kathleen Flaherty on the birth of their baby girl.

BEAUFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. for the Residents Association was held on March 29th in Maynooth Post Primary School. Five of the existing Committee at the time stepped down and five new members were elected to follow in their footsteps.

The members of the new Committee are:

Chris Cullen, Brian Staunton, Caroline Hartnett, John Langan, Richard Doran, Sean Finlay, Leo Kearns, Pat Hendricks.

The new Committee would like to thank those members of the last committee for their extraordinary work in '87-'88.

The first item on the agenda for the new committee was to organise a "clean-up day" which was organised for Saturday 23rd of April. It was a great success and we would like to thank all the residents who participated in this great event.

The important item being dealt with at the moment is the proposed development of 14 shops and a Public

House in the Beaufield Estate, proposed by Lark Developments. The residents are totally against this application to Kildare County Council, and have submitted their objections to this.

We would welcome any support from any other residents association or any individual for that matter that would be in agreement to our objections, and would appreciate them putting their objections in writing to the following addresses:
Planning Application Department,
Kildare County Council, Naas,
Co. Kildare.

CARTON COURT MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

It is that time of the year once again with Community Week approaching fast for every household to make a special effort to keep their gardens and surrounding areas as neat as possible.

The motor-mower will be in use regularly throughout the summer months and it would be appreciated if parents could warn their children to keep off the green while grass is being cut.

The local Engineer in the Health Centre is looking into the reason why a rubbish bin which Kildare County Council promised to install beside the Telephone Kiosk many months ago has not yet arrived. Also the committee are still in constant contact with the County Council and local Councillors over the taking in charge of the Estate.

It should be noted that there have been no complaints by Residents to the construction of the final house on the back road, in fact residents would be delighted to see the road finally completed. However parents again should warn their children to keep off the scaffolding before a nasty accident happens.

Those residents that use the services of the local train might be interested in a new train schedule being introduced. For further information contact C.I.E.

Finally the Committee would like to thank householders for their generous contribution of £5 ANNUAL RESIDENTS FEE. This money will insure the running of the motor mower and the general upkeep of the estate over the summer months.

Antoinette Crosbie, P.R.O.

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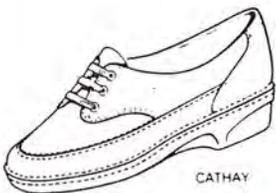
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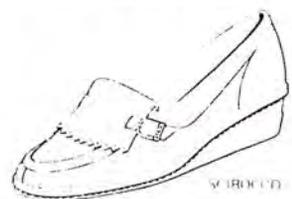
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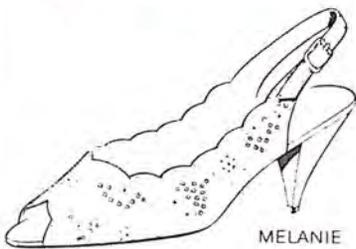
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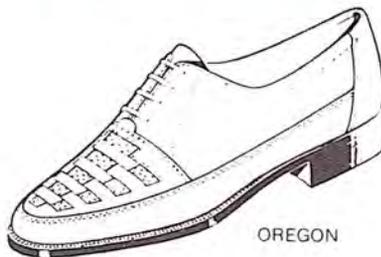
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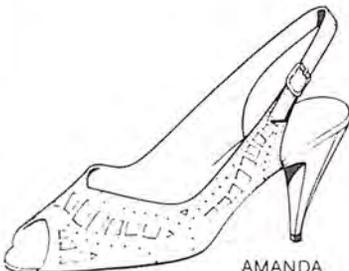
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PIPED T.V.

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STRAY DOGS

Despite the appearance of the Dog Warden, the estate is still plagued by stray dogs who intimidate children and also spread rubbish throughout the area.

SHOPPING AREA

It is time to clean up the Centre and to cut the grass. The shopkeepers have been invited to attend a meeting on Monday 16th May.

ESTATE CLEAN-UP

It is also time to clean up the estate — on Saturday 21st May. There will be a skip at the end of Greenfield Drive. This is not to be used for domestic rubbish.

ANNUAL COLLECTION

The £5 fee will be taken up when the committee members go round with the petition.

Signed: Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin.

**CLUAIN AOIBHINN
RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

Wednesday April 20, 1988 last saw a large attendance of residents at the Annual General Meeting. The meeting commenced with the Chairman's, Treasurer's, and Secretary's reports and these were received favourably by those residents present. The following officers were elected:

Chairman: T. McMullon
Vice Chairman: G. Fitzpatrick
Treasurer: P. McLoughlin
Ass Treasurer: R. Hayes
Secretary: E. Fitzpatrick
Ass Secretary: M. O'Keeffe

Committee members J. McGrath, D. Lynch, J. Glennon, M. Clince, C. O'Brien, and F. O'Melia. It was decided that anyone not at the meeting could be co-opted on the committee.

The meeting was attended by two students who were made welcome. The students voiced their concern at the level of disruption of their studies due to children ringing their doorbells. They were invited to participate on the committee and agreed to do so. They also agreed to liaise with the other students in relation to difficulties with students which may arise

and this will eliminate the resident/student confrontation.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

After an introduction, by Gerry Fitzpatrick it was decided to proceed with a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

It was decided to continue with the weekly draw due to popular demand. The new committee held its first meeting on April 28, 1988. The following decisions were made: It was decided to organise a "Front Garden Competition" this year. The entry fee will be £2.00. So residents start preparing your garden now.

ESTATE CLEAN UP

It was decided to repaint walls, plant flowers, trees, and shrubs where necessary. Each family were asked to provide one rose bush to be planted in the flower beds. Residents are advised that the lawnmower has been serviced and is available to the residents. Residents whose houses adjoin those of students are respectfully requested to cut the students' lawns and verges as well.

A sub-committee has been set up to organise the Sports Day and other social activities.

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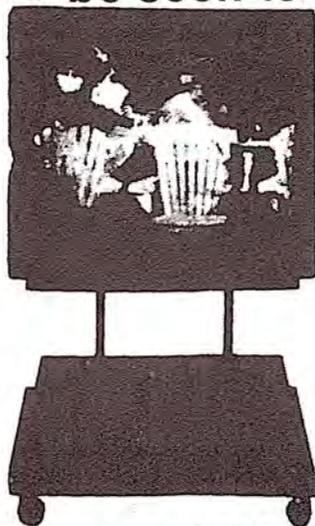
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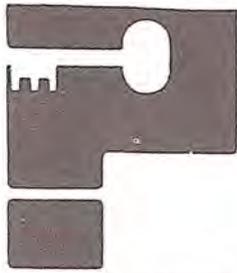
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A. As you don't say whether your mother has a medical card or not, I can only give you the general situation:

Medical and surgical aids and appliances (e.g. wheelchairs, walking aids) are usually free of charge to Medical Card holders. Hospital Services Card holders get such aids and appliances free if they are part of in-hospital treatment. If not, they may get some assistance from the Health Board, which may contribute to the cost, or may lend them, if they are only required for short-term use. It is always wise to apply (to the Health Board) to see if any assistance can be got. Each Health Board has its own rules in this respect.

VHI members may be able to get a refund of part of the cost of medical and surgical aids.

Aids Information: The National Rehabilitation Board (NRB) runs an Aids Information Service which provides information on aids and equipment suitable for handicapped people, on sources of supply and on the cost of same. Other voluntary organisations dealing with particular handicaps may also provide advice and information on aids e.g. the Irish Wheelchair Association provides advice on the most suitable types of wheelchair.

If your mother doesn't have a Medical Card or a Hospital Services Card do check out her entitlement to one either at the health centre or your Community Information Centre.

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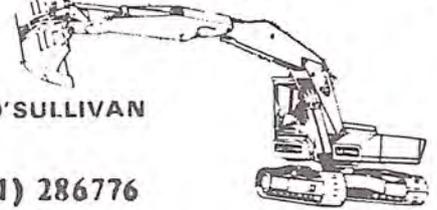
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25th April, 1988.

Dear Editor,

We are a group involved in a Youth Skills Course. We are organising a Pop Competition designed for young upcoming pop entertainers. The prize money will be £100. The competition will take place on the 9th July in the Parish Hall, Maynooth. Application forms are available from Maynooth Community Council Office and have to be returned by the 20th June, 1988.

Dear Editor,

I would like through your Newsletter to express my thanks and appreciation, and indeed those of the parishioners of St. Mary, to all who supported us in our recent fundraising event in aid of the Church funds, the Fashion Show in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip. There was tremendous support in the local community. The event was a success in that it was an enjoyable evening out and the total raised was £1500 which will be put to good use in the parish.

Unfortunately these days a lot of time had to be devoted to fundraising within the Church. If the Church of Ireland population in and around Maynooth is to keep its Church open it might take a sum in excess of £100,000. No doubt in the near future you will be accosted by parishioners waving tickets for Barn dances and Barbeques etc. Please be nice to them.

Once again my thanks to the people of Maynooth.

Yours faithfully,
Gavin Williamson, (Rector).

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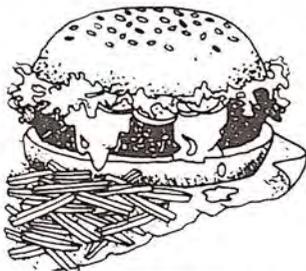
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Our congratulations to go out this month to Fergal Barton who will represent us in Lexicon, U.S.A. when he travels with the Kildare party next July. We hope he enjoys his trip to Kentucky and we have every confidence he will represent his School, County and Country like a true Ambassador.

Fr Thynne and his 1st year Leaving Certificate students have now distributed the money raised for charity over the year as a result of various activities, their 24 hour sponsored fast being the main item. Because their "awareness week" involved the participation of certain organisations the distribution of the funds reflects this participation.

- 1 Goal £400
- 2 Focus Point £400
- 3 C.S.S.C. (Hostel for Homeless) £400
- 4 Little sister of Assumption £300

Our first year students head off for their adventure week in Mayo on May 23rd, hopefully the weather will hold-up for them.

A reminder to Parents of incoming first years students next September that the new school jumper must be ordered through the school, so please get your order in immediately and



Bank of Ireland Project winners being presented with the Plaque by the Lord Mayor of Dublin Carmencita Hederman.

avoid disappointment in September.

Good luck to Emer Farrelly, Carmel Noonan and Lisa McCluskey who represent the school in this year Leinster Schools track and field finals in Belfield.

Congratulations to Damien McKeon in being selected for the Offaly minor football team.

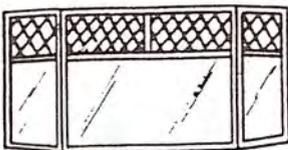
Left to right:

Peter Cassells, Grainne Coughlan, Robert Byrne, Fiona Lynch and Mrs. S. Ashe.

Kevin Carey a past pupil of three years has been awarded a Scholarship to attend Princeton University in the U.S.A. Kevin will be studying Macro Economics for three to four years. Kevin had the choice of Princeton or Oxford and decided upon the American University. Well done Kevin and best wishes.

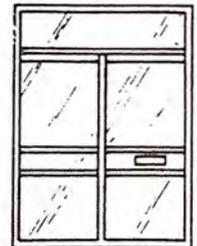
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 All those who helped during the Trade Fair,
 The Board of Management, Boy's National School,
 The Parents' Associations for providing refreshments,
 The students from the Boys National School who took part in a Poster Competition which was won by Dermot Sheriff of 33, Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth.



*Maynooth Community Council.
 Left to right:
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Not only were you assured of a great week-ends entertainment and information on a wide variety of products, but you were supporting two very good causes, The Royal Canal

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BRU BOSCO NOTES

The last month has been a very busy one for our members. Twenty people entered crafts in the National Don Bosco '88 Crafts Competition. This competition is part of the overall celebration of the Centenary of Don Bosco's death. We were delighted to bring back so many prizes from the different categories.

U15 Knitting and Crochet

1st. Sinead Casey (12 yrs)
3rd. Aislinn Casey (11 yrs)

U15 Sewing and Embroidery

2nd. Elaine Daly (12 yrs)
3rd. Audrey McDonald (11 yrs)

Senior Open Section

2nd. Fiona O'Connor (Club Leader)

Specialist Courses

1st. Gordon Read (Club Leader)
3rd. John Dowling (Club Leader)

This competition which took place in Brosna had entries from all the Salesian Schools in the country. The club seems to have gone Quiz crazy what with practice quizzes in the club in anticipation of the C.Y.C. U/18 and U/14 Table Quiz.

On Saturday 30th April we entered three teams in the U/25 table quiz in the Post Primary School organised by Maynooth Labour Youth. One team came first and another were in a play off for 2nd place. The winning team were Fiona O'Malley, Claire-Ann Mee, Peter Cassells and Eleanor (Club Leader)

The U/18 teams took part in the first round of the C.Y.C. competition and came 2nd and 9th. We are still waiting to hear whether they made it into the finals as the 20 teams with the highest scores only go forward.

Friday nights of late we seem to have settled to playing rounders as part of the activities. Rounders is a great game as there are so many skills involved.

On Friday night next 20th we are heading off on the train at 6 p.m. for a

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mystery tour. We will probably take the Dart and call to some places of interest before returning to the city for burgers and chips to fortify us for the journey back to Maynooth.

Saturday 21st is Salesian Family Day in Knock and Cardinal O'Fiaich will be the main concelebrant. A number of club members and leaders will be among the group leaving from Maynooth.

Brian Murphy is in training for the Co-Operation North Maracycle at the moment and we will be looking for sponsorship for him during the next few weeks as we are always in need of money.

We were delighted recently when two of our members Eddie Quinn and William Comerford painted the top part of the hall as part of their course with FAS.

There are too many things happening at present that something is sure to be forgotten.

Quite a number of past members would remember Ciaran Dallar who has been a leader with us for the past 4 years. Ciaran will be ordained a priest on Sunday 19th June by Bishop Cathal Daly in his home town of Ballycastle, Co. Antrim. We would ask you to remember him during the coming weeks of his final preparation.

Goodbye for the present — more news next month.

REHAB

Bottle Bank

The Rehabilitation Institute would like to draw attention to the bottlebanks which have been placed in the back car park in Quinnsnorth. It is a very worthwhile cause because the bottlebanks form part of a vocation rehabilitation programme providing training opportunities for people with disabilities. Maynooth is the 26th bottlebank.

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PARTY POLITICAL NOTES.



LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Annual General Meeting

The A.G.M. of the Maynooth branch was held on Tuesday, May 3rd. A well attended meeting was addressed by Emmet Stagg T.D. who congratulated the branch on its work over the past year. He complimented the members on the very high profile the Labour Party has maintained in the local community and the high level of commitment the membership has shown both to the Party and to the various community organisations in Maynooth. Councillor Colm Purcell stressed the need to continue the fight against local charges and said that he was pleased to see that the local Labour Party was among those leading the campaign for their abolition. The following officers were elected by the meeting:

Chairman: John McGinley

Secretary: Pat Moynan

Treasurer: Dave Moynan

PRO: Peter Connell

Youth Officer: Michael Quinn

Women's Officer: Margaret Clince

Bond Bridge

Emmet Stagg has recently written to the residents of Beaufield, College Green, Cluain Aoibhin and Newtown regarding proposals for Bond Bridge: "Following a discussion on the provision of a new bridge to replace Bond Bridge at a recent Council meeting, it was disclosed by the County Engineer that the preliminary design has been completed and submitted to the Department of the Environment for approval. I will continue to press for early approval and for the provision of the necessary finance for this project."

FEMSCAN

An organisation called FEMSCAN has recently been established which aims to raise £500,000 to provide a Breast-Screening Mobile Unit for women all over Ireland. As part of its fund-raising campaign FEMSCAN recently held a Table Quiz in the Leinster Arms (where a team from the local Labour Party branch came a very creditable third!). The aims of FEMSCAN are highly laudible in a country where one in every thirteen women

will develop Breast Cancer and of these many will die unnecessarily. The Labour Party maintain, however, that essential public health facilities such as adequate cancer screening should be provided by the Health Boards out of public funds. It is a very poor reflection on the policies of successive governments that a voluntary organisation such as FEMSCAN should have to take on the fight on this life and death issue. We would encourage people in Maynooth to support FEMSCAN but we would also ask them to examine the commitment of Fianna Fail, Fine Gael and the P.D.s (in the light of the current savage cutbacks in the health service which they all support) to the provision of adequate public health facilities.

Gone Fishing!

All you fishermen out there should be aware that the Labour Party were the only political party to vote against the Government's proposal for rod licences. The following is the voting record of the different parties in the Dail:

Fianna Fail voted for rod licences

Fine Gael did not vote

P.D.s did not vote

Workers Party did not vote

Labour Party voted against rod licences

The Labour Party spokesperson, Seamus Pattison, made a strong case against the imposition of a rod licence on the grounds that it would provoke damage to our tourist industry and that funds would more properly be collected from those polluting our rivers and lakes.

FIANNA FAIL NOTES

The following replies were received to representations made by Councillor Gerry Brady in relation to the following matters:

(1) Policing Arrangements for Maynooth:

The following reply was received from Mr. Gerry Collins, Minister for Justice.

"The arrangements made for the policing of individual areas are a matter for the Garda authorities in the light of their assessment of needs, available resources and other demands on Garda Services.

Insofar as the opening hours of Maynooth station are concerned, I am informed by the Garda authorities that the present opening hours, 10.00

a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Monday to Saturday and 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m. on Sundays, are considered adequate to meet local needs and are fixed so as to strike an appropriate balance between the provision of a station service and outdoor patrol duties. An extension of the station's opening hours would be at the expense of outdoor patrolling duties which are regarded as a very important element of the crime prevention activities of the Garda Siochana.

When Maynooth station is closed, members of the public who require Garda assistance can contact the Gardai through the 999 system, by telephoning the District Headquarters station at Naas or by using the external radio-telephone the "Green Man", at Maynooth station which puts callers in immediate contact, free of charge, day or night with Naas Station. The Gardai in Naas are in radio contact with all units, both foot and mobile, in operation in the area and the most convenient unit is directed to respond.

The Garda authorities consider that these arrangements are adequate and make the most effective use of resources. The position is, however, kept under continual review having regard to changing needs and circumstances".

(2) Upgrading of Straffan Road and finishing off of roadways in Kingsbry Estate:

(a) Straffan Road

Mr. J. Carrick the County Engineer has informed Councillor Gerry Brady that he is not in a position to indicate when the Straffan Road might be improved as the improvement of the Straffan Road is currently linked with their proposals for the Kilcock, Maynooth, Leixlip By-Pass and they have not yet had any decision on Public Inquiry into the by-pass.

(b) Kingsbry Estate

In relation to the finishing off of roadway in Kingsbry Estate the County Engineer has informed Councillor Brady that he has recently had discussions with the developer, Oliver Naughton regarding the completion of the front portion of the estate, in particular the roads and that the outcome of the discussions was that Mr. Naughton is considering having a substantial portion of the estate completed so that it can be taken in charge. If he decides not to proceed with this at present, he will be required by the Council to carry out interim repairs on the existing roads

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pending final surfacing.

(3) Maynooth Cumann A.G.M.

At a well attended A.G.M. of the Maynooth Cumann the following Officers were elected.

Hon. Life. Presidents: Mr. Jim Mooney, Mr. William Murtagh and Mr. Patrick Timmins.

Chairman: Mr. M. Cadan.

Vice-Chairman: Mr. Sean Cronin.

Secretary: Mrs. B. Brady.

Assistant Sec.: Mr. H. Howley.

Joint Treasurers: Mr. P. Finan and Mr. M. Kelly.

In an almost 100% locally supported draw, the following lucky names were drawn from the hat:

1st prize: Mr. Paddy Joyce.

2nd prize: Ms. Helen Mulally.

3rd prize: Ms. Noeleen Halligan.

4th prize: Mr. Paul Kelly.

5th prize: Mr. Finbarr Kelly.

6th prize: Ms. May Daly.

Jim McDermott P.R.O.

FINE GAEL NOTES

The April meeting of the Maynooth Branch was held on April 28th in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth.

There was a very good attendance and there were varied topics discussed. The meeting was addressed by Deputy Bernard Durkan.

1. Straffan Road, Maynooth

Kildare County Council have allocated £9,300 for surface improvements which should help alleviate some of the ponding of water which occurs on the road in the vicinity of Rail Park Estate.

2. Dunboyne Road, Maynooth

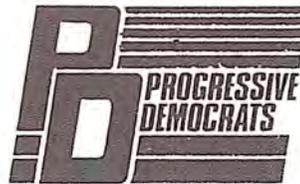
It is proposed by Kildare County Council to spend in the region of £20,000 on this stretch of road. This should eliminate some of the road surface problems which have been apparent for some considerable time.

3. Footpath at Manor Court

The following reply was received by Deputy Bernard Durkan from Kildare County Council regarding the footpath between Manor Court and Floods Betting Office.

"Remedial work has been carried out on this stretch of footpath in the past number of weeks".

4. Deputy Bernard Durkan is available each Saturday at the Geraldine Hall to meet with constituents at 2.30 p.m. approx.



PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS NOTES

Congratulations to Tony Byrne, 2 The Green, who won the First Prize in the Progressive Democrats free draw in the Trade Fair. The winning entry was pulled out of the drum by Councillor Timmy Conway, who presented Tony with the Teddy Bear. Four other entries were drawn for free umbrellas.

The Maynooth Progressive Democrats were delighted to be part of the

Trade Fair which was once again organised extremely well.

The branch continues to meet on the first Tuesday of the month in the I.C.A. Hall under the Chairmanship of Louis Lennon. This is Louis' second term as Chairman. He is also the constituency representative on the National Council of the Progressive Democrats.

Maynooth Progressive Democrats are amazed to see Fine Gael have decided to copy our tax policies. Exactly two years ago, Alan Dukes and his Fine Gael colleagues, including the Minister of Finance, John Bruton, were trying to ridicule the Progressive Democrats for proposing a gradual phased reduction of Income Tax, coming down to a standard rate of 25% and a top rate of 40%.

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But it certainly cannot be done in a single year as Fine Gael now propose. What a cynical u-turn now by Fine Gael in their panicky adoption of tax reform as a major platform.

Our memories are not that short; we have not forgotten that Fine Gael were in government from November 1982 to March 1987 and in that period, Income Tax, V.A.T., and excise duties all soared and the average industrial worker ended up paying 58p in the pound in Income Tax on an average industrial wage of £10,500.

This latest attempt by Fine Gael to redress their declining electoral fortunes is so incredible that they are being laughed at by the people.

While we are flattered that not only Fianna Fail, but also Fine Gael have seen fit to steal our policies, I would make this appeal to Fine Gael: Please get it right.

You can steal our policies on Taxation, but it cannot be reduced in a single year, as it would have devastating effects on the lives of all the people.

Fine Gael say their proposals will cost £661 million. I call upon them to spell out where this money will come from.

Michael Kellegher, P.R.O.



WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

NEW LEADER

Proinnsias de Rossa was elected President of the Workers' Party at the recent Ardfeis in succession to Tomas Mac Giolla, who had overseen the gradual but profound transition of the party from its narrow nationalist past to its current position as a dynamic socialist organisation spearheading the campaign for the transformation of Irish society in the interests of the working class. Acknowledged as a superb parliamentarian and organiser, Proinnsias de Rossa will undoubtedly oversee the continuing development of a party which has been growing spectacularly in recent years. We invite all readers to help contribute to the further building of the party. Further information from Proinnsias Breathnach at 285241.

LEIXLIP BRANCH AGM

At the recent AGM of the Leixlip Branch of the Workers' Party, the following officers were elected:

Chair: Miriam Conroy-Koenig
Vice-Chair: Peggy Rafter
Secretary: Angela Cassidy
Treasurer: Michael Smith
PRO: Katherine Murphy
Finance Officer: Sean Purcell
Education Officer: Proinnsias Breathnach
Women's Officer: Kay MacKeogh
Youth Officer: Derek Murphy
Recruitment Officer: Michael Keenan

EMPLOYMENT OFFICE

The Workers' Party welcomes wholeheartedly the new Employment Office in Maynooth, which will allow the thousands of unemployed in the area to draw their entitlements with some degree of dignity. The Party had been campaigning for years for an improvement in the old intolerable situation, and will continue to press for the establishment of a comprehensive service which would bring the activities of FAS (including the National Manpower Service and ANCO) and the present Employment Office under one roof.

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The Workers' Party also welcomes the introduction of the 67A bus service, which provides a direct link between Celbridge and Maynooth, and which is of particular benefit to those attending the Maynooth Employment Office. While this is a short-term objective which we have been seeking for some time, we will continue to campaign for the setting up of separate Employment Offices in Leixlip and Celbridge.

LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE

Katherine Murphy, of 46 Leixlip Park, Leixlip is the Workers' Party local representative for the North Kildare area. Readers seeking help with any problem can call Katherine at 244903.

SUMMER SLIMMING

Summer's coming! Days are lengthening and skirts are shortening, and now, more than ever, the emphasis is on body-conscious clothes. But if you've got a few extra lumps and bumps to hide you're likely to feel self-conscious!

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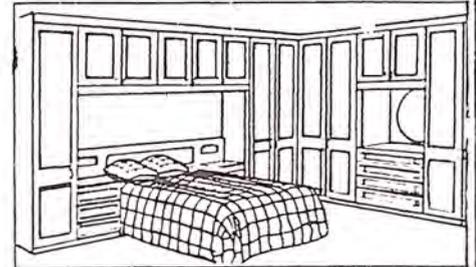
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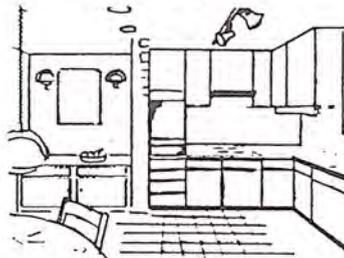
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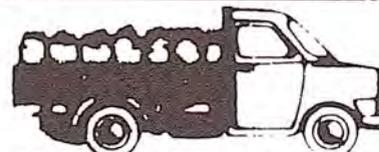
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MUINTIR MHAIGH NUADHAT

I have just been looking through cuttings from various newspapers all giving news of one kind or another about Dublin. The pictures look rather familiar as do the other placenames mentioned. Not surprising really, because none of the Dublins referred to is the one with which we are familiar. They are all in America.

This geography lesson comes to me courtesy of Paul Shannon of Railpark who is a Firefighter in the Dublin Fire Brigade. From the 11th March to 3rd April this year, he and five of his colleagues from the Brigade were on a visit to the United States. During the course of their visit they were in eight of the fourteen Dublins in the States and called on their firefighting counterparts. Visits such as this between firefighters are part of the international contact that exists between the various firefighting services throughout the world. There is in fact a union-based International Firefighters Association which encourages such contact.

This recent trip to America was not the first by Dublin Fire Brigade members. In 1984 forty of them went to New York at the invitation of the Emerald Society of the New York Fire Department. There are 13,500 in that city's fire service and it is estimated that 60% of them are of Irish decent. In 1985 they went back to New York and in 1986 to Secaucus, New Jersey.

This years trip was the most extensive to date and involved a huge itinerary. They visited Washington where they were met by Fire Department personnel and senior Capitol officials. On Sunday 13th March they acted as a guard of honour for Dublin's Lord Mayor. Alderman Carmencita Hederman who was Grand Marshall of the St. Patrick's Day Parade. They were presented with an American flag from the Capitol by head of the security whose understated title is Keeper of the Key.

After Washington they visited Amish country. The Amish are people of Dutch origin who have retained much of their old way of life and do not use such conveniences as electri-

city or motor cars. They were recently portrayed in the film "Witness" and Paul and his colleagues were shown around some of the film locations.

They then moved on to New York where they marched in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. While in New York they made a presentation as a token of thanks to the Fire Services Union who had supported the Dublin fire Brigade Unions during their strike earlier in their year.

The bulk of the remainder of the trip was taken up with visiting the towns of Dublin. They travelled by camper and the trip turned out to be a remarkable experience. Everywhere they went they were guests of the local fire service which, incidentally, in much of America outside of the big cities is run on a voluntary basis. But apart from the welcome they got from other firefighters, the hospitality with which they were treated by the local communities was overwhelming. They were invited into peoples homes. People who overheard their conversations in restaurants insisted on buying their meals and two ladies even followed in their car to present them with flowers.

They received a tremendous amount of publicity in local parts and indeed one incident earned them nationwide coverage on television as well as covering acres of newspaper. While they were in the fire station in Dublin, Georgia a call came through that a car had crashed and over-

turned. The lads turned out with the locals and took an active part in the rescue of the car's two elderly occupants.

The various Dublins are spread throughout the states and among those visited by the Dublin, Ireland contingent were Dublin's in Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio. The smallest Dublin visited was in Kentucky and it contains little more than one shop. Nevertheless over 100 people from miles around gathered to meet them and exchange greetings with Dublin, Ireland. The fire fighters brought with them Millennium greetings from Carmencita Hederman to all Dublin's and these were warmly received and reciprocated, particularly so by Dublin, Ohio which was celebrating its very first birthday as a designated town even though it has a population as big as Limerick. While in Dublin, Ohio they were guests of the Mayor at a "Chieftains" concert and afterwards at a reception which lasted half the night.

All in all, the visiting fire fighters found the trip a most exciting and rewarding experience. They arrived home laden down with honorary citizenships, of scrolls, commemorative plaque, and all types of awards and presentations. All tokens of the hospitality of ordinary people and of the international solidarity of firefighters.

Jim Cunningham.



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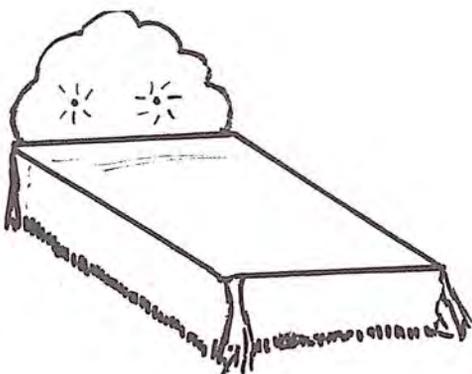
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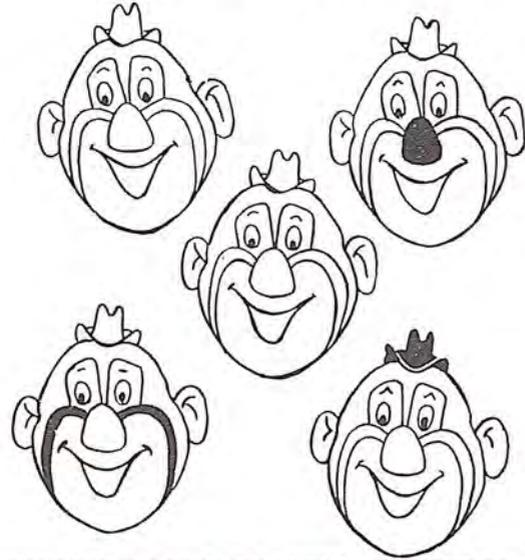
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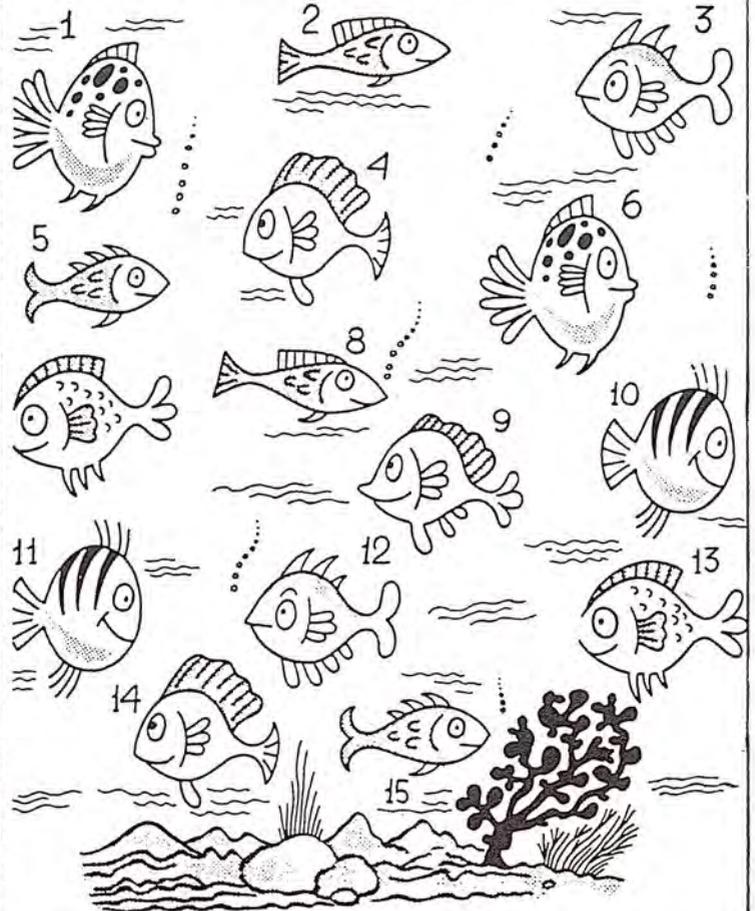
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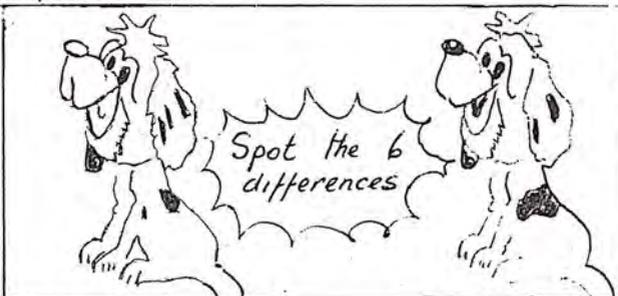
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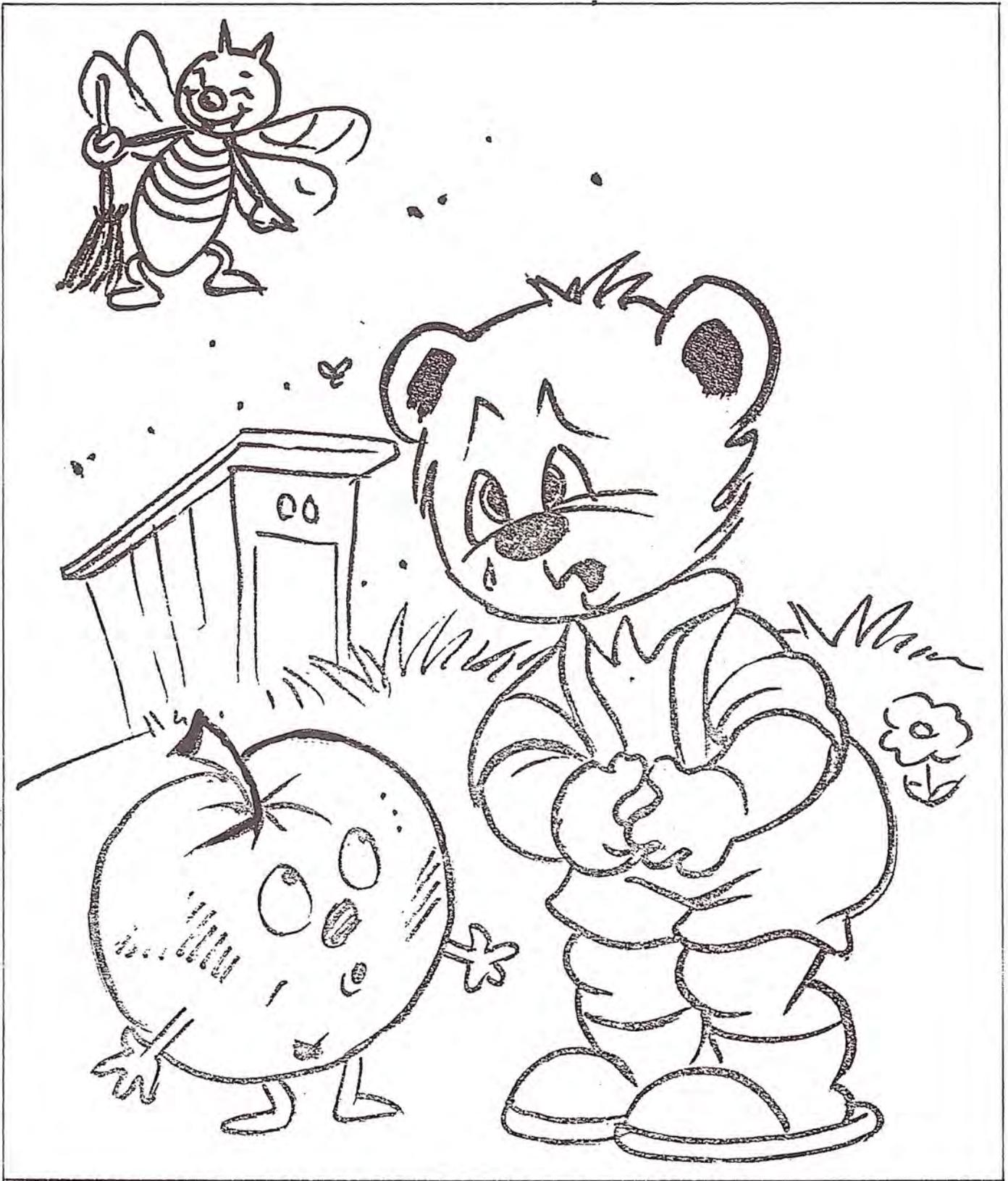
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Maynooth Castle

A Focal Point of Local History Mary Cullen

When Henry II returned to England in 1172 the position of the Normans in Ireland had changed. There was no longer the possibility of a new independent Norman-Irish kingdom. Henry had successfully asserted his claim to the lordship of Ireland and had granted some areas to his greater subjects to hold from him as feudal lordships. By feudal theory the king was the lord of all the land and his tenants-in-chief held lands from him on condition that they owed him certain services, including that of an agreed number of knights for stipulated periods of time. Strongbow was granted the kingdom of Leinster, his inheritance from MacMurrough through his marriage to Aoife, to hold by the service of one hundred knights. To balance this huge grant, and because the king was anxious that no one lord should become over mighty, the kingdom of Meath including the modern counties of Meath, Westmeath, Longford and parts of Offaly and Cavan, was granted to Hugh de Lacy for the service of fifty knights.

Strongbow's task now was to secure his grant and subdue any rebellious Irish chieftains. In southern Leinster he made the town of Wexford his base and in northern Leinster he seems to have lived and made his headquarters in Kildare. The Ui Faelain of our own area had been among the leaders of the opposition to MacMurrough and so were unlikely to accept Strongbow without a struggle. The formidable Raymond le Gros raided their territory and seized an enormous amount of booty, including fresh supplies of horses and arms for the Norman soldiers. Later the chief of Ui Faelain, Faelan Mac Faelain, gave hostages to the Normans and he died in 1203 in the newly founded Norman monastery of Connell in the north of the modern county Kildare. Strongbow seems to have been an efficient and relatively conciliatory over-lord, and the only leading Leinster chief to refuse to come to terms eventually and give hostages seems to have been O'Toole.

However there was considerable rivalry among the Normans themselves and in 1173 Maurice FitzGerald returned to Wales because, according to Giraldus Cambrensis, of the jealousy shown by Strongbow

towards him. By 1176 Strongbow found he could not do without him and recalled him and made him one of his sub-tenants in Uí Faelain.

Maurice FitzGerald was not the only son of the Welsh princess Nesta to get lands within the modern County Kildare. His half-brother Meiler FitzHenry was granted the territory of Cairbre Ui Ciardha, the later barony of Carbury in the north-west corner of the county. This was the land of the Ui Ciardha, later anglicised as O'Keary and Carey. Here Meiler founded and granted lands to the monastery of Connell where Faelan Mac Faelain, ousted from his territories, retired to die. It may seem strange in the circumstances that he should have done so but it seems to have been one of the accepted, and less sanguinary, methods of getting rid of ex-rulers.

The section of Ui Faelain nearest to Dublin was granted by Strongbow to Adam de Hereford. This included Leixlip, Kill, Celbridge and Rathcoffey. The Latin name of Leixlip, Saltus Salmonis, the salmon leap, gave its name to the later baronies of north and south Salt. The next section of Ui Faelain, the barony of Naas, went to Maurice FitzGerald. This comprised most of the modern Baronies of North

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and South Naas and also the western part of the modern barony of North Salt which included Maynooth. With this FitzGerald was also granted the cantred of Wicklow which seems to have been the modern barony of Arklow, and he held his grant for the service of twelve knights. In the early sixteenth century the eighth earl of Kildare had compiled the famous *Red Book of the Earls of Kildare*, a transcript of documents in his possession. The first document dates from between 1185 and 1189 and is, in the words of the transcriber a "gift and confirmation from John son of the Kyng of England being lord of Irland to Gerald fiz Morice and his heir on the lordshippis of Omolrow Rathmore Mainoth Larahbryn Teaghto Trachstrapli . . ." Gerald was the second son of Maurice FitzGerald and areas named are Omolrow (?), Rathmore, Maynooth, Laraghbryan, Taghadoe and Straffan.

Having received their grants of lands the Norman lords set out first to make them secure and to make them profitable and lucrative. Security was usually achieved by the erection of a mote castle or a mote and bailey at a strong defensive position. The next step was to introduce the methods and organisation of agriculture that they were used to. The Norman conquest was not a simple military adventure but depended for its success on the holding and utilisation of land. This did not mean the displacement of the entire native population and their replacement by settlers from England and Wales, but it did mean a sizeable infusion. One of the leading authorities on this period. Professor J. A. Otway-Ruthven says that as early as the year 1200 Norman settlement was effective in the whole of the modern county of Kildare and that English, Welsh and Irish names are to be found among those of the small tenant farmers on the Norman manors.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

At the time of going to press we will have completed all our local individual events, i.e. Swimming, Athletics, Gymnastics, and Art. A full list of results will be published in the July edition of the Newsletter. We would like to thank all who made the events possible and to all the competitors who took part. Full report on all events in next issue.

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MAYNOOTH HOME WINE AND BEER COMPETITION, 1988

The Home Wine and Beer Competition which formed part of Maynooth Spring Fair, 1988, attracted a lot of entries from the West Dublin, North Kildare and South Meath areas.

The following were the winners in the different classes:

Dry White:

Eileen Dennehy, Celbridge Road, Leixlip.

Sweet Wine:

Con Hayes, 69, Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth.

Dry Red:

John Moore, Coolree, Enfield.

Sweet Red:

Angela Lyons, 30 Floraville Lawn, Clondalkin.

Rosé:

John Moore as above.

Beer:

John Moore as above.

Each category winner received hand-cut glass produced by Failte Glass of Marley Court, Rathfarnham, County Dublin. In addition Eileen Dennehy was adjudged to be the overall winner of the Geraldine Trophy.

In addition each winner received a specially inscribed Scroll. Special congratulations to Eileen Dennehy as it was her first entry in a Wine Competition and with her four entries secured the first four places in Class 1. (the Dry White Wine Section). Eileen took up Wine Making a year ago, having attended the Wine Making Class at Colaiste Ciaran, Leixlip, where her teacher was the proprietor of Brewers Delight, Main Street, Leixlip. A written Report containing the comments of the Wine Judges on each entry submitted was subsequently posted to each competitor. An information pack with expert tips on Home Wine Making and Brewing was on sale during the Show.

The Dublin Wine Society kindly supplied the Wine Judges, the information pack and the expert advice given to any person who enquired regarding Home Wine Making and Brewing.

The Spring Fair Committee wish to acknowledge the very full assistance given by the Dublin Wine Society and in particular, to its Secretary, Mr. Ray O'Brien from Newcastle, County Dublin.

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MAYNOOTH PRAYER GROUP

A Charismatic Prayer Group is held in Salesian House Oratory every Tuesday evening at 8.15 p.m.

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OLD PEOPLES COMMITTEE

The last party of the season was held in the S.M.A. on Sunday 15th May. A great time was had by all. At this event the names were picked out for those going on holiday to Cardiffstown and Butlins, ten to each venue. Those going to Butlins are going courtesy of the Lions Club. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Lions Club for their cheque for £900 which we have already spent on extra fuel at Easter. We would also like to thank everybody who helped in any way during the year, those who contributed to our annual collection, our entertainers and Bartons for the use of their buses. The outings take place on 4th June and everyone is looking forward to an enjoyable day out.

Our morning sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the I.C.A. hall continues until the end of June.

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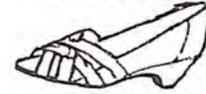
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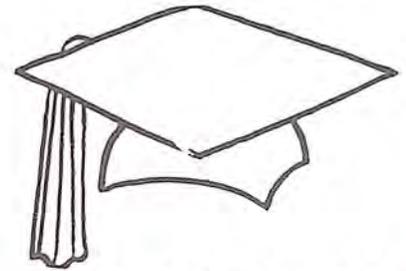
Never again will these children be so lovely;
 This is spring blossoming in their lives
 And they themselves are whitest blossoms
 Lighting dark, familial boughs.
 No wonder careworn mothers smile
 At the little white-veiled ones
 Converging on the happy church;
 They recollect what they were once,
 For a magic day tomboys turned angels,
 Basking in the worlds affection
 That will press money into white-gloved hands,
 Acknowledging their destiny,
 To nurture when their petals fall
 The sun-fleshed fruit.

P.O'D.

"Requiem — Seán Ó Riada" (1931-1971)

by
Déaglán Ó Connachtáin.

The glory of evocative visions
 Rises up before me,
 Unclothed, naked. . .brutal.
 Perceptive was the mind
 Weaving this fabric of colours,
 The crash of the sea against the cliffs
 of Arann,
 The gentle slope of moist, green hills,
 Tall stand the Mountains
 But, . . . there is a lonely stillness here.
 Stung now, are the eyes
 Which never shed a tear,
 Pierced are the hearts
 Of those, long unmoved,
 Dark are the clouds gathering at the
 East.
 The Spirits of generations are still
 called back,
 When once the enchanted fingers
 caressed the delicate cords,
 And eyes as clear as the river in Cúl
 Aodha,
 Read the printed miracle —
 — the life which springs from death —
 And the majesty of it all.
 Rest now, a Sheáin, I can hear
 In the distance, them chant Mo Ghile
 Meár,
 Rest with eternal Ruth, hands clasped
 together,
 For a darkness has descended —
 The harpsichord long unplayed,
 There will, I think . . . be rain today.



COLLEGE NEWS

Exam fever strikes yet again just as the weather starts to improve. At this stage most students are already half-way through their exams. Unfortunately the honours exams don't start until August. Anyway best of luck to all and we hope you excel in your chosen subjects.

Speaking of chosen subjects Miss Paula Murray from the Biology Dept. who lives in Celbridge has flown off to California for a few weeks to learn new techniques for the completion of her biology project on molecular genetics. Paula is visiting 2 universities: The University of California, Los Angeles, and the University of Utah, Salt Lake City. Best of luck Paula.

The Academic Staff Association of the college held its Annual Gerard Meagher Memorial Lecture which was given by Dr. Brid O'Doherty on the 4th May in the New Arts Block. Dr. O'Doherty choose to lecture on Louis Bautaings ideal of a University. It was Dr. O'Doherty's final lecture in the college. She was a lecturer in the French Department. She will be sadly missed throughout the whole college. We hope she enjoys her retirement.

There are new proposals for controlling the traffic and parking within the college. Hopefully every permanent member of staff will be assigned a special little parking space of their own. The minimum speed will not be in excess of 20 m.p.h. Joe's square is going to be closed to all through traffic which also includes cyclists. Motor cycles will definitely not be allowed to zip around the old campus. There will be provisions provided for parking motorbikes, mopeds etc. at the entrance gate. Hopefully this plan will work. Further details elsewhere.

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I.C.A. Notes

The I.C.A. held their May meeting on Thursday 5th. Mrs. Bridie Brady presided and welcomed everyone and gave a special welcome to our new members. Sympathy was extended by Madame President to Joan Shannon on the death of her mother. This months competition "A Pork and Bacon Dish" was won by Mrs. Bridie Brady, runner-up was Mrs. G. Treacy. Congratulations to the ladies who competed in the I.C.A. Badminton Tournament in Clane. They won five trophies for their efforts. Crafts continue every Monday night from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Badminton every Tuesday and Thursday mornings 11 a.m. to 12.30. Set Dancing every Wednesday night at 8.15 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall. Our next meeting which is our Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday June 9th at 8 p.m. Finally I wish to thank the Newsletter for publishing my notes for the past year.

Kay Burns. P.R.O.



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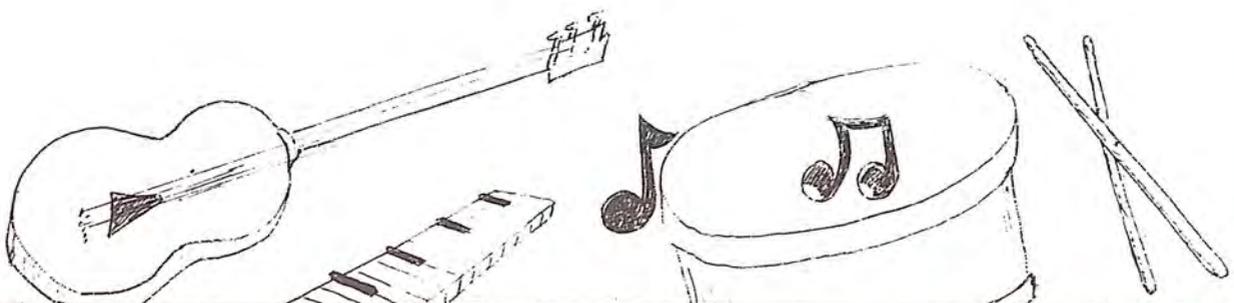
MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL is once again organising a Battle of the Bands Competition to be held on Saturday 9th July from 2 p.m. - 11 p.m. Anybody who is interested should fill out the application form below and return it to the Community Council office as soon as possible.

NAME OF BAND:

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NAME AND ADDRESSES:

In less than 20 words, describe what you would do with the prize money.



MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our congratulations to go out this month to Fergal Barton who will represent us in Lexicon, U.S.A. when he travels with the Kildare party next July. We hope he enjoys his trip to Kentucky and we have every confidence he will represent his School, County and Country like a true Ambassador.

Fr Thynne and his 1st year Leaving Certificate students have now distributed the money raised for charity over the year as a result of various activities, their 24 hour sponsored fast being the main item. Because their "awareness week" involved the participation of certain organisations the distribution of the funds reflects this participation.

- 1 Goal £400
- 2 Focus Point £400
- 3 C.S.S.C. (Hostel for Homeless) £400
- 4 Little sister of Assumption £300

Our first year students head off for their adventure week in Mayo on May 23rd, hopefully the weather will hold-up for them.

A reminder to Parents of incoming first years students next September that the new school jumper must be ordered through the school, so please get your order in immediately and



Bank of Ireland Project winners being presented with the Plaque by the Lord Mayor of Dublin Carmencita Hederman.

avoid disappointment in September.

Good luck to Emer Farrelly, Carmel Noonan and Lisa McCluskey who represent the school in this year Leinster Schools track and field finals in Belfield.

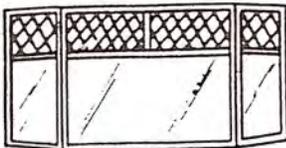
Congratulations to Damien McKeon in being selected for the Offaly minor football team.

Left to right: Peter Cassells, Grainne Coughlan, Robert Byrne, Fiona Lynch and Mrs. S. Ashe.

Kevin Carey a past pupil of three years has been awarded a Scholarship to attend Princeton University in the U.S.A. Kevin will be studying Macro Economics for three to four years. Kevin had the choice of Princeton or Oxford and decided upon the American University. Well done Kevin and best wishes.

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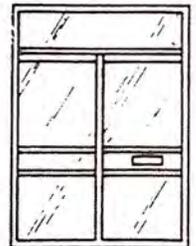
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DONALD WOODS IN MAYNOOTH

Donald Woods, former Editor of a South African newspaper and author of the books "Biko" and "Asking for Trouble" upon which Sir Richard Attenborough film "Cry Freedom" is based, was present in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth as the literary and debating society's guest speaker. The Aula Hall was packed to capacity.

Mr. Woods was given an extremely warm and long welcome by the audience.

Born in South Africa Donald Woods was educated by the Christian Brothers in the Eastern Cape, and as he put it, he still has the marks to prove it. He described the environment in which he grew up as being one that viewed the 'blacks' as servants, that their sole role in life was to serve the white man. It did not occur to one the idea of equal rights for the black majority, and as one grew up this role of the black person was reinforced by parents and peers alike. Mr. Woods equated South Africa's control of the media to that of Nazi Germany. He went on to say "In a country like South Africa you don't fully know, if you are white, what is going on, but you also don't want to know.

It was not until he was forty one years of age that he started discovering his own country. He stressed that even with the initiative to find out what was happening, the authorities made it very difficult to actually do so. The races are separated, the whites live in the white cities and the blacks live in the townships some forty to fifty miles away. For a member of one race he/she needs the proper official papers to be allowed to venture into an area zoned for another racial group.

What can the rest of the world do to shorten the lifespan of Apartheid, he said "it will not be through superficial instant solutions, it will be long and carefully thought out." He pointed out that the S.A. government has a highly funded propaganda wing through which \$11 million has been spent, mainly in the U.S. and Britain. He told the audience that what South Africa fears most in the world is economic sanctions and that the one protection she has comes from the vote in the United Nations, only two nations in the past twelve years have used the veto, they are the U.S. and Britain. South Africa has 317 racial laws, the black's don't care about 316 of them, they are only concerned with one,

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the law that forbids them to vote. The rest will soon go after that. Steve Biko used to say, according to Mr. Woods, if you want to help the victims of oppression consult the victims and not the non-victims. "The victims are saying if you want to help us, back sanctions, back disinvestment" Mr. Woods said.

As Steve Biko and Donald Woods friendship increased so did police attention. The circumstances surrounding Biko's tragic death spurred Woods and others to speak out against Apartheid which led to the ban placed upon him. During this period he wrote his book. His plans to flee South Africa to publish his book were accelerated by the attacks upon his home and of greater concern towards his family in particular his 5 year old daughter. . . He and his family fled S.A. to London. He has spent the past ten years travelling the globe trying to persuade people to back sanctions in order to save lives and gain freedom for the blacks of S.A. To do this he said the white S.A. politicians need to have their arms

twisted behind their backs and forced to the conference table, sanctions and disinvestments will do it. We can help by writing to our politicians and captains of commerce stating that we as a people do not wish to be allied with the preservation of Apartheid.

Donald Woods praised Trocaire as one of the most imaginative and effective organisations working in S.A.

After his lecture the audience were encouraged to ask Donald Woods questions and this they did for a lengthy period. All in all it was an interesting evening and sobering to think that if this meeting had occurred in S.A. we would all have been arrested. Democracy means, among others, the freedom of speech, it would appear then the whites themselves are not truly free either as long as Apartheid lasts.

Nigel Russell.

BOB'S KITCHEN

RHUBARB CONSERVE

- 1 lb Rhubarb
- 1 lb Sugar
- 4 oz Seedless Raisins
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
- 1 teaspoon grated orange rind
- 1 tablespoon orange juice
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice.

Use autumn rhubarb for this preserve as it has more flavour and a firmer texture. Cut the rhubarb into 1/2 inch pieces, sprinkle with the sugar and leave for 6 hours. Put into the pot, add the raisins, fruit rinds and orange juice. Stir over a low heat until the sugar has dissolved, then add the lemon juice and boil steadily until setting point is reached. Allow to cool slightly, stir well, then spoon into hot jars.

TOMATO JAM

- 1 lb green or red tomatoes
- 3 tablespoons water if using green tomatoes
- 1 lb sugar
- 1-2 teaspoons ground ginger if using green tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons grated orange rind if using red tomatoes
- 2 teaspoons grated lemon rind if using red tomatoes

This jam is invaluable to serve with cold meats as a change from chutney. It is equally good as a filling in pastry cases.

Skin the tomatoes, cut into slices. If using green tomatoes simmer with the water until a soft purée. Add the sugar, ginger and lemon juice. If using red tomatoes, omit the ginger

and simmer the fruit without any water but with the finely grated fruit rinds.

When the tomatoes are soft add the sugar and lemon juice, stir until the sugar has dissolved then boil rapidly until setting point is reached. Spoon into hot jars.



MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION NOTES

This is the fourth month since our opening and our members have been growing steadily. However there seems to be some confusion regarding Credit Unions and we hope the following notes will help clarify the situation for you.

There are two credit unions now in the town. One is Leixlip and District Credit Union and the other is your own newly opened Maynooth Credit Union. These are two distinct organisations even though they both use the same premises.

Those of you who are members of Leixlip credit union may also join Maynooth credit union, provided you are within the common bond. The credit union common bond is that its members must be living or working in the parish of Maynooth. Up to now Leixlip credit union also covered part of Maynooth parish in its common bond, but of course, now that Maynooth credit union is open, Leixlip will reduce their common bond to their own parish and exclude Maynooth. This will not happen immediately but will happen in the near future.

Maynooth credit union is now accepting loan applications from mem-

bers who have been saving regularly for three months, not necessarily in Maynooth credit union. Our present ratio of loans to shares is 2 to 1, that is for every £1 of shares you have, you could borrow £2.

We have just discovered the Leixlip Credit union are not opening on Wednesday mornings any more. This would appear to be the start of their withdrawal from Maynooth. This will inconvenience their members who have been attending at Maynooth office for some time now and if they cannot change to Friday evenings will have to travel to Leixlip to transact their business.

Maynooth credit union will now gladly accept members who wish to transfer from Leixlip credit union provided they fulfill the following conditions:

1. You live or work in Maynooth parish.
 2. Your loan balance is not more than twice the value of your shares.
- You can of course transfer to Maynooth credit union if you have no loan at all. You can transfer your share balance to Maynooth credit union from any other credit union in the country. An important point to remember here is that you should not close your other credit union account as this will lose all the benefits you have gained over the years. You should always transfer from one credit union to another.

Thursday: 6.30 p.m. — 8 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. — 12.30 p.m.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Maynooth flower & garden club will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 21st June in the I.C.A. Hall at 8 p.m. Demonstration will be given by Beatrice Stewart.

It promises to be a most entertaining evening. When going to press the Flower Festival at Christ Church Cathedral was in full swing. This huge undertaking was organised by Felicity Satchwell and her committee to celebrate 950 years of the Cathedral and also the Dublin Millennium.

There were 47 arrangements depicting the various points of interest in the Cathedral and of old Dublin. Flower Clubs from all over Ireland including Northern Ireland took part. Members from our own club who took part included Imelda Desmond, Eileen Burns, Kathleen Cleary, Betty Farrell, Sarah Angel, Rebecca Cruise, Aileen Wright and Doreen White.

The Festival was open to the public for four days and there were long queues every day. Let's hope it was a financial success also for the cathedral.

Betty Farrell, P.R.O.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

Thanks to the fine weather, the work on Mullen Bridge is nearing completion. The hard work of all involved is finally paying off. However, we are going to lower the ground in the area to coincide with the existing tow path. We would like to thank the Saults family who donated stone to build the wall. If anyone else would like to donate materials they would be greatly appreciated as we are hard pressed for funds at the moment.

As one of our many fundraising events is coming up shortly we are having a boat push from Maynooth to Dublin and anyone wishing to participate is very welcome. On the 19th June there will be a Flotilla of boats coming from Confey in Leixlip to the Harbour in Maynooth and we would like to see a good turnout in Maynooth to cheer on the participants and again we would like all to come out and support our fundraising events.

MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK LIONS CLUB NOTES

The big event in June for the Lions Club is the *Olde Fair Day* which this year takes place on *Sunday 12th June*. As usual *Pony Racing* will be the big attraction as well as a new item (*The bucking bronco*) which is kindly sponsored by the *Leinster Arms*. The proceeds from this project usually sends 20/30 old folks from our area to *Mosney* for a *free holiday in August*. The location is as usual on the *Kilcock Road*, and the fun starts at *2 p.m.* Other projects in the offering are a *Fashion Show* in September for *Femscan*, *Golf Outing* in *Knockanally* in *August*, and next year a *World International Centre* in *Clongowes*. This project is the largest the club has undertook and information will be forwarded later.

We take this opportunity of thanking supporters of our project and wishing all good summer holidays.

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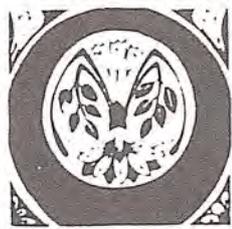
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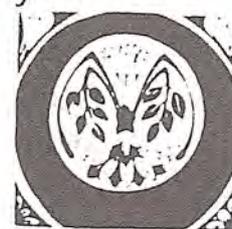


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NEW TRAFFIC PLAN FOR MAYNOOTH COLLEGE

The grounds of Maynooth College, laid out in the pre-automobile age, have in recent years come under increasing pressure from the vehicular traffic generated by growing numbers of students, staff and visitors. The College authorities have recently drawn up a set of proposals for the future regulation of parking and traffic movement within the campus, with a view to relieving these growing pressures. The main features of the proposals include:

- (1) The main square (St. Joseph's) to be closed to all vehicles (including bicycles) except those of residents.
 - (2) Parking for non-resident students to be confined to the Arts Block and Library car parks.
 - (3) Parking for resident students to be confined to the tarmac area at the rear of the main buildings (where Pope John Paul gave his address in 1979).
 - (4) Staff to be assigned specific parking spaces.
 - (5) A new car park to be created at the rear of the Church of Ireland (behind the wall to the left as one enters the main gates). Visitors may park here or in the vicinity of the Aula Maxima (to the right as one enters the main gates).
 - (6) Motor cycles not to be allowed beyond the parking area immediately inside the main gates.
 - (7) Widening of some existing avenues within the old campus.
- The views of staff and students on these proposals have been sought and will be considered prior to finalisation of the new plans, which are expected to come into effect next October.

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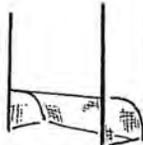
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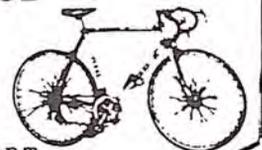
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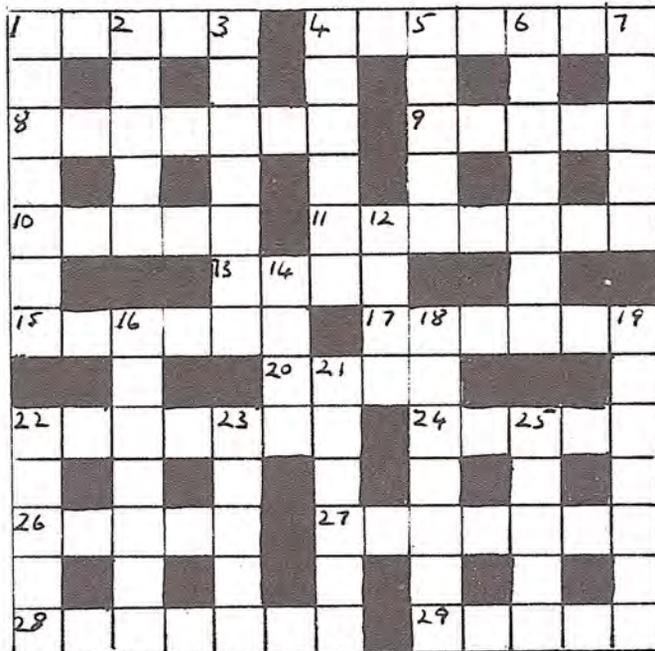
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1. Mostly cocktails served in here? (5)
4. Yore ill, upset, looking down in the mouth on Main Street (1'6)
8. Blow up or destroy ten and fail (7)
9. Placed in such sheets or clothes, if you're lucky!(5)
10. Value the choice between W and TH (5)
11. Fifty snakes take you up on board . . . (7)
13. . . . and turn back to see about fifty snake-like fish (4)
15. Grouty fermented milk (6)
17. Back these, of course! (6)
20. Cook has entree following starters . . . (4)
22. . . . and so will aspire to serve up herb tea (7)
24. Meeting-place holds unruly four thousand (5)
26. Maynooth highpoint gives odds on anger (5)
27. Disturbance in court? (7)
28. I screen "Trading Places", honest! (7)
29. Princess Di describes Maynooth waterway (5)



Down

1. Track liar on way back (7)
2. Bid that you can't refuse? (5)
3. Cheater, caught out, has class (7)
4. A single patient in this park? (1'5)
5. Sea sick before Edward relaxed (5)
6. These little pigs won't join the Tidy Towns Committee (7)
7. Pulls Americans (5)
12. As he states indeed, at once principal and secondary 3 in Maynooth (4)

Name: .

Address: _____

14. Way to reproduce part of sketching (4)
16. Urn 2000? E.g. cairn is piled up (7)
18. Captain is not on cake decorator (7)
19. Half the north, Alfred, is seedy (7)
21. One-way transport for one to Laragh-bryan . . . (6)
22. . . . while 66 or 67 do return trips to Dublin (5)
23. Indicates some things in the south-east (5)
25. When sunbeam closes in, save for this kind of day (5)

A record eighteen entries last month! Winner of the £5.00 prize is Rosemary Hanley, 8 Greenfield Drive. Entries for No. 7 to Newsletter by 15th June, please.

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SPORTS NEWS



MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Premier Sunday:

Maynooth (1)

Palmerstown (1)

A hard fought encounter which Maynooth should have won. They eventually equalised with a goal from Phillip Doyle.

Drimnagh Dynamoes (2)

Maynooth (3)

Maynooth dominated this match and led 3—0 at half-time. Some fine goals scored by Terry Moore, Sean Moore, and Tony Kearins. Maynooth relaxed in the second half and allowed Drimnagh to get back into the game.

Maynooth (4)

Villa (2)

Maynooth attacked from the start and were 2—0 up at the interval, the goals coming from John Doyle and Tony Kearins, as against Drimnagh Maynooth relaxed and Villa scored twice. However goals from Phillip Doyle and Martin McTernan wrapped up the points for the home side.

Anner (2)

Maynooth (3)

Sweet revenge for the town against Anner who had beaten up in the Dalton Cup. Maynooth were behind twice in this match but staged a great fight back to win. Scorers were Dessie Farrell (2), John Doyle (1).

County Celtic (1)

Maynooth (2)

Another fine win for Maynooth. Playing with the wind they led 2—1 at half time. Scorers were Noel Byrne and Gerry Moen. A clash of heads led to Noel Byrne being brought to hospital at the beginning of the second half. With the wind County attacked but some good defence kept them at bay.

The next match for the team is against Anner (who else) in the Dowdall Cup. With so many matches being played Maynooth have many injuries but we are hopeful that some will be fit in time for this cup tie.

Annual Supper Dance will take place in the Grasshopper, Clonee, on Friday 10th June. Tickets can be got from any members of the committee.

Congratulations to Martin Murray who won both Cup and League medals with Dundalk. He also got "Man of the Match" award in the Cup Final. Martin played summer tournaments with Maynooth and is a very popular player.

Maynooth Town Ladies Soccer Club D. 3.

Once again our season has got off to a slow start, but lets hope that we show some of the form that brought us success last season.

Our first match was at home on the 18.4.88 against Highbury who unfortunately beat us 2—0. But we came back on our second match against R.T.E. on the 25.4.88 and won 1—0 with Allison Conlon scoring. On the 2.5.88 we met Belvedere A and we had an excellent game drawing 1—1 with Cherry Prendergast scoring an excellent goal from Melony Oliver's cross. Due to injury to a number of our players our last match against St. Catherines on the 9.5.88 we were beaten 5—0. We hope that everybody will be in form for our next match.



COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

CELEBRATION TIME AGAIN

Given the extremely poor start which we made to the 1987/88 season, which at one stage saw us in second from bottom position, we did not know that promotion was on again, this season. However, a fine run in the second half of the season, with only one defeat and one draw since last December, set the scene for a cliff-hanger of a finish for the Div. IV. Runners-up shot and promotion to Division III. To clinch promotion we required four points from our last two matches. Three points entailed a three-way play-off and less than that would have left us in fourth spot, missing promotion.

COLLEGE GREEN (1) 1 RATHKENNY ROVERS (0) 0

Both sides required the points as the visitors were struggling against relegation. John Hughes gave us the lead in what turned out to be a dour struggle. Martin, Hughes, Purcell and Broughan excelled in what had to be a very controlled game. One match left — two points still required.

COLLEGE GREEN (1) 1 RATHKENNY ROVERS (0) 0

In this Reilly Cup match we had a virtual repeat of the previous Sunday. This time Gerry Murtagh scored in the final quarter and we clung onto the lead, albeit with a few late goal-mouth scares. Hughes and Ray Broughan impressed.

KILCARN HOUSE (0) 1 COLLEGE GREEN (1) 4

The day of judgement dawned at Tara Mines. The home side had turned in a credible record in the second part of the season and represented formidable opposition. Representative from the two promotion hopefuls looked on, no doubt wishing for our defeat. Ray Broughton put us ahead at the interval, on a very bumpy pitch. In the second half disaster struck when Kilcarn converted a penalty after a hand ball incident, midway through the second half. The old cliché about the 'going getting tough' came into play. From the kick-off a determined skipper, Paddy McGovern set off on run, beat four players, moved the ball into the Kilcarn box and eureka. Handball and a penalty. Paddy then stepped up himself and slotted the ball in the net. Kilcarn pressed for an equaliser, but Ray Broughan and Ciaran McGroarty broke down the flanks and got a goal apiece to leave it 4-1. That was it — promotion to Div III and several small lemonades were consumed over the next few nights. Two years ago we could never have considered promotion in two successive seasons.

COLLEGE GREEN (1) 1 SHAMBO (0) 0

This Reilly-Cup Quarter-Final pitted us against the Div III champions. The game was very keenly contested and the fast-flowing, entertaining action could easily have resulted in a comprehensive win for College Green who had two goals disallowed in the first half. Tony O'Connor headed the home side into the lead after twenty minutes from a Paddy McGovern corner (Kevin Moran eat your heart out). Tony and Paul Broughan played very well in defence and Paddy McGovern and Ray Broughan were the other stars. Sean Lennon made several excellent saves to deny Shambo. All credit to the visitors who not only contributed to a fine match, but also filled the League Championship Cup (several times) in "Cassidy's" after the game, epitomising

the friendly rivalry between the two clubs. Ironically Shambo 2nds were runners-up to College Green in Div V last season.

COLLEGE GREEN (1) 3 CASTLE VILLA (0) 0

The visit of the Div IVA Champions in the semi-final of the Reilly Cup produced one of our best performances this season. This measured and authoritative display, against the very skillful Moynalty side, stemmed from a Ciaran McGroarty goal in the first quarter. Gerry Murtagh added a second and Ciaran himself finished the scoring. The largest home gate of the season cheered on a very entertaining match. Both Ray Broughan and Michael Martin put in fine performances.

THE FINAL

At the time of going to press we were preparing for the Reilly Cup Final in Navan, versus Dean Cogan. A win in this competition would certainly be the icing on the cake in what has been a remarkable season. A good sized contingent is expected to cheer us on win or lose. Last year we lost the equivalent competition, on penalties, after a 4-4 extra time draw. This year — who knows.

Yours sincerely,
Declan Forde.



MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

Congratulations are in order to Maynooth 3 for capturing the Kildare Badmintons Associations Class 6 League Title. After emerging from their Quarter Final by the narrowest of margins, they faced a very strong Sallins side in the Semi, played in Behans, Clane. After an absorbing struggle, Maynooth emerged victorious, with super-sub Marie Connolly's performance the highlight of the night. And also on to a meeting with Grail Ropes of Newbridge, again played in Behans. Maynooth's dedication throughout the season paid off as they completely overwhelmed an experienced Ropes side. In the eight match final, Maynooth ran out 5-1 winners. Needless to say, the bubbly flowed long into the night as Maynooth B.C. lifted its second major title, in two years. For the second Maynooth 3 Dominic Nyland (Captain), Pat Farrell, Paul Murphy, Mick Lynch, Olive O'Shea, Miriam Maher, Helena Murphy and Carmel Nolan.

Congratulations are also in order for Maynooth 1, who also qualified for the Kildare Finals in Class 4. Having won their section impressively, Maynooth were into the final against Athy R.F.C., again played in Behans. On the night however, it was not to be, as Athy pipped Maynooth in an exciting final. Nevertheless it was a great team effort. Many clubs would be happy just to get to the final. Maynooth was the only club with two finalists on the night.

Maynooth 1 also had the bonus of representing Kildare in the Leinster Inter County Championship. Drawn away in the quarter final, Maynooth travelled to Newcastle Co Wicklow, to play the local side. Maynooth's experience came to the fore as they seconded a 5-0 victory over Newcastle. Maynooth were at home to Kingscourt of Cavan and this was one of the most exciting matches ever played in the Parish Hall. At the end of the night, the teams were level 4-4. When the sets were counted, the sides were still level. And so on the actual points scored, Maynooth were to lose out by a heartbreaking 4 points. Still it was a magnificent effort and with a little more luck, Maynooth might have made it. Maynooth 1 are Derek Gleeson (Captain),

Paddy Nolan, Michael Martin, Hector Dalton, Bernie Farrell, Rose Glennon and Mary Butler.

The following are the Committee, elected at the recent A.G.M., for next season. Chairman: Joe Farrell, Match Secretary: Anne Gleeson, Committee: Paul Murphy, Dominic Nyland, Hector Dalton, Sean O'Connor, Marie Connolly, Edel Bean. Selectors: Paul Murphy, Dominic Nyland, Michelle Farrell.

Congratulations to two of our ladies on leave of absence, Carla Brennan and Marie Moen, on their recent new arrivals. Bon voyage to Oonagh Ryan and Joe Moran who departed to Iraq and Holland.

At the time of writing, our club tournament is under way. This years events promises to be one of the most exciting in years, with everyone involved. Our Annual Supper Dance will be held in Slevins at the end of May. It promises to be a great night, with the presentation of trophies, as well as dancing to "Misty Blue". All friends of Maynooth Badminton are welcome.

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Joe Farrell, (Chairman).



MAYNOOTH 1

Runners-Up Kildare League

Leinster Inter-County Semi Finalists

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Ladies: (L to R) Anne Dalton, Mary Butler, Bernie Farrell.

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JUNIOR BADMINTON

Hard luck to our Junior Badminton team who were defeated by a very strong Leixlip team in the quarter finals of the Community Games. The team members were as follows:

Girls: Helen Buckley, Lisa Loughnane, Suzanne Higgins, Fiona O'Malley.

Boys: Kenneth Kiloran, Paraic Hogan, Derek Fleming, Rory McDonogh.

Club tournaments will take place shortly. All children will be notified. A special 'Thank You' to Paddy Nolan for all his time given to the Community Games Teams.

Rosemary Hanley, (Sec.)



Maynooth Club is having its most successful year for some time. All teams, from juveniles right up to Junior A, are in contention for honours in their respective competitions, with the minor football team doing particularly well, not having been beaten this season, so far. -

HURLING

The recently reformed hurling team is also doing well. Powered by stalwarts like Tommy Fay, Liam Doyle, Tom Coffey and T. Purcell they are restoring hurling to its rightful place in Maynooth gaining in support for the game all along. Quotations are being received at the moment for work on Phase 1 of the proposed new pavillion and this work should be starting very soon.

Michael Caden, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Maynooth Golfing Society's annual Weekend outing was held on April 28/29th last. This year we travelled to Dingle and stayed in the Dingle Skelligs Hotel, playing our golf on Sybil Head Golf Course, Ballyferriter. The facilities and meals provided by the Hotel were excellent, and despite adverse weather conditions, all the players enjoyed the challenge of the Sybil Head Golf Course.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank a number of people who helped to make the weekend such a success. Firstly, Mr. and Mrs. Sean Cluskey, Proprietors, Dingle Skelligs Hotel and their staff for the manner in which they looked after us. Secondly, I would like to thank Mr. G. Partington, Hon. Secretary, Sybil Head G.C., for the excellent facilities provided. Next, I would like to thank Birchall's Transport for the use of their coach and also their driver, Ben Humphries, who proved to be very popular. Finally, I wish to thank our President, J.C. Carey, our Captain, Peter Brazil and other Committee Members, together with all the Society Members and friends who travelled on the weekend.

Congratulations are due to the Overall Winner, Christy Kenny, (35) 70 and all the other prizewinners listed below.

DINGLE April 28/29:

Results:

1st Overall: Pts
C. Kenny (35) 70

2nd Overall: Pts
M. Dempsey (15) 66

CLASS 1:

1st. L. Farrelly (12) 62
2nd. R. Delamere (12) 61
3rd. G. McTiernan (17) 56

CLASS 2:

1st. J. Kelly (17) 62
2nd. W. Moore (18) 54
3rd. D. Nyland (23) 52

CLASS 3:

1st. P. Brazil (38) 40
2nd. S. Moore (24) 36
3rd. T. Flanagan (27) 33

FRONT 18

J. Moore (12) 29

BACK 18

S. Tracey (18) 25

PAR 3'

P. Foy (26) 6

Caddies Prize

M. Scanlon

A great night was had by all at the presentation of prizes in Caulfield's Lounge on Friday, May 6th.

A report on our outing to the Curragh on May 28th will appear in the next edition of the Maynooth Newsletter.

Finally, I would like to wish our Captain, Peter Brazil every success on Captain's Day, at Longford Golf Club, on June 25th next.

Sean Tracey, Hon. Secretary.

PHOTOGRAPH

Members of Maynooth Golfing Society and friends who travelled to Dingle.





MAYNOOTH TAE KWON-DO SCHOOL

Congratulations must be extended to the R.I.T.A. team who competed in the 6th World Championships in Budapest, in April. In the team event, Ireland drew Greenland in the first round and came through well only to draw Canada in the second round. Canada are perhaps one of the strongest teams in the I.T.F. and the Irish lads fought well but were eliminated in the second round. Doing quite well in the individual sparring was Mr. Matthew Ronan (Wexford). Mr. Ronan got into the third round before being eliminated, but did extremely well considering that this was his first World Championship. Mr. Ronan went on to the special technique section and was defeated by a mere 1/2 point for the trophy in this section. He certainly had a great tournament and represented his country well.

During the course of this event, an invitation had been extended to, and accepted by, Finland, to visit Ireland, for a team event next October. This will be an open Black Belt tournament, climaxing in the team events. Date will be confirmed later.

The Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do Association would like to congratulate some of its Junior and Senior members who graded in Navan two weeks ago. Everybody concerned passed there challenge without problems. We look forward to the Annual National R.I.T.A. Championships on Saturday 21st May. There will be 27 competitors Junior and Senior from Maynooth. We wish them all the best. On the 19th of June four members will be taking part in the Evening Press Ladies Mini-Marathon with the hope of "Raising Funds" for the club.

P.R.O. Maynooth
Peter Byrne.

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STREET TALKING

Two new shopfronts went up on the street last month, and both of them seem to have met with general approval to judge from the comments we've overheard. O'Neill's the butchers have come up with a smart new twinset, with details in eye-catching red, while North Kildare Travel, true to its name, is travelling for the second time in five years as it moves a few doors eastwards to a newly converted premises. Street-talking offers its congratulations and best wishes to both enterprises.

North Kildare Travel is on the corner of Main Street and Double Lane, but it strikes us that the lanes off the other side of the Main Street don't appear to have names — or if they do it isn't marked on the map in Maynooth Information Directory. Can anyone tell us if they have names, or suggest some suitable ones. It would make a good competition for Community Week, if the Council want to pick up on the idea, and they could use some of the Newsletter's profits to put up nameplates. I have in mind the lane by Jim Smyth's, the Butcher, leading to Doctor's Lane. This thought is prompted by an exchange overhead recently. Two students were making their way into the college when a passer-by stopped them and enquired the name of the stream which runs along Parson Street by the college wall. The two looked blank for a moment; then one of them brightened: "Would it be the Boyne?" he offered. By the way, what is that stream called?

Those three strange looking tanks in the back corner of the Quinnsworth carpark are bottle-banks, put there by Rehab. So, all you drinkers and others, remember to take your empties along when you go shopping and pop the bottles in the appropriate container: green glass in the green one, brown in the brown, and clear in the white. It is a good idea for getting rid of some of the litter, and it helps a good cause, as Rehab can raise money out of the volume of recycled glass. So well done Quinnsworth for giving them the space, and also for the tidying up of the boundary with the cattle mart.

Early on Saturday morning (14th May), while looking at the bottle banks, I sat in my car and watched as someone in the car park whiled away fifteen minutes cleaning his car. This person, so concerned with cleanliness, carelessly tipped out his ash-

trays, shook the accumulation of months from the floor of the boot, and swept newspapers and bags off the rearshelf on to the ground around him and, once he had created his own miniature tip, drove off happily. Meanwhile, in a corner of the car park, I saw a young lad employed by Quinnsworth to go round the area picking up loose papers, looking in weary despair at what had happened. But remember, if that area does not look as neat as it might, it doesn't seem to be the store's fault, but ours — we are the community that makes the rubbish. Watch out, there's a lout about!

SYMPATHY

Sympathy to the Cribben family on the death of their son Patrick.

Sympathy to the family and relatives of the late Catherine O'Flaherty, Kilgrague, Maynooth.

Sympathy to the sons, nephews, nieces, grandchildren, great grandchildren other relatives of the late Christina Mooney. The Maws, Kilcock.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Mrs. Joe Neill, Greenfield. May 25th. Her daughter Mrs. Dymna Nulty, Blanchardstown. May 15th. Her grand-daughter Lisa Doyle, Chelsea, England. Age 4 on May 16th.

Peter McTernan, Dunboyne May 11th and his brother Martin, Laurence Avenue, May 26th.

Happy 1st birthday to Daniel Kenna on the 14th June and to his brother Alan who will be 3 on the 23rd of June from Finola.

Aoife Daly, Colistown, Kilcloone. 10 years on 31st May from her sisters Clíodhna and Etain.

Happy birthday to Annalisa Mooney, Maynooth Park age 3 on June 4th also to Michelle age 18 on June 10th from Daddy and Mammy.

Happy 11th birthday on 22nd June to Gareth McStravick from his darling sisters Orla and Avril.

Happy birthday to Mary Nolan, Greenfield Drive, on 3rd June from her mother, father and sisters.

Happy birthday to Proinnsias Breathnach, Rail Park — 4th June.

BIRTHDAYS

Joan O'Brien, Newtown, June 1st. Her sister Mrs. Antoinette Kiernan, Germany, June 2nd. Her brother Liam O'Brien, Kilcock, June 13th.

Mrs. Eleanor O'Reilly, Leixlip, June 4th.

Her brother Owen Byrne (jnr), Greenfield, June 9th.

Their mother Mrs. Nell Byrne, Greenfield, June 14th.

Emma Fay, Parson Street, Age 10 on June 20th.

Mrs. Annie Burke, Newtown, May 14th.

Her son Patrick Burke, Newtown, May 28th.

Her grand-daughter Marie Burke, Newtown, age 5 on May 15th.

Gareth McStravick 11 on June 22nd.

ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to Owen Byrne, Greenfield who became engaged to Siobhan O'Reilly, Sarsfield Park, Lucan on May 6th.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations to Joseph Heslin, Smithstown, Maynooth and Pauline Donovan, Ring, Waterford who were married April 13th. The young couple will reside in Smithstown.

WELCOME

Welcome to Jim and Angie Ryan who have taken up residence in 103 Carton Court, Maynooth. Wishing you may happy years in Maynooth.

Best of luck to the Sherry family who have taken up residence at 51 Laurence Avenue

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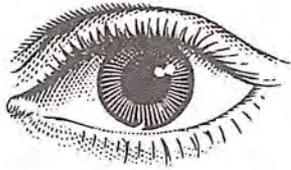
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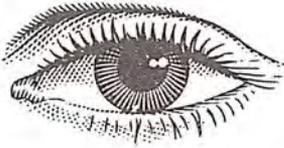
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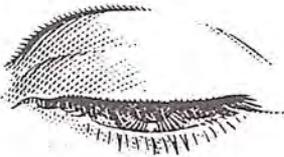
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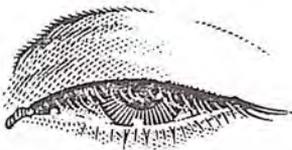
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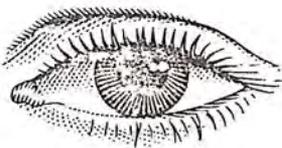
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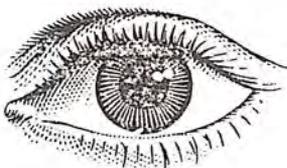
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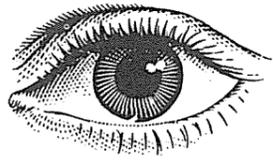
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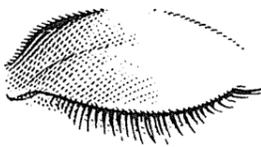
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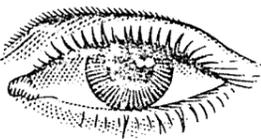
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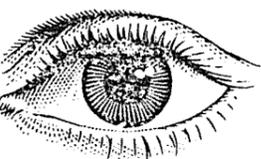
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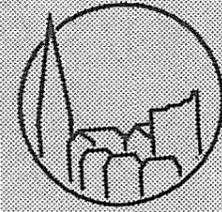
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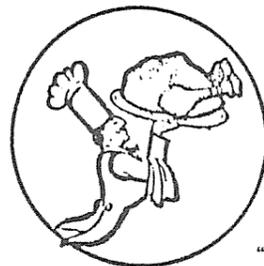
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EDITORIAL

COLLEGE OPENS ITS DOORS

The Newsletter commends the College for its generosity in opening its doors to the Old Maynooth Exhibition. This is a superb display of paintings produced by local artist Jarlath Finn. Readers will be familiar with Jarlath's skills through his Newsletter covers over the last few months. The College is also hosting the Douai Boys' Choir performance during Community Week. We would recommend everyone to take the opportunity to visit the college to enjoy these events. It is unfortunately all too rare that the College facilities are made available to the people of Maynooth. The College swimming pool lies virtually unused during the Summer months, yet the children of Maynooth have no access to this facility. Officially, the reason given for not making the pool available to properly supervised swimming sessions is insurance, yet when insurance cover was obtained, the response was still no. Maynooth has very little to offer the large number of young people who form part of our community, particularly in Summer, when time can hang heavily during the school holidays. We appeal to the College authorities to reconsider their position on this issue.

Elsewhere in this issue we give details about events taking place during Community Week, and there should also be enough posters throughout the town to ensure that no-one can remain in ignorance of the annual jamboree for the town. We wish every success to the Social and Recreation Committee, led by the indefatigable Bridie O'Brien. But on behalf of the Tidy Towns' Committee, may we remind people to take home their litter from all of the events which are being organised. We must make every effort to improve our ratings in this competition. We have an attractive environment to give us a good start, but too many people, through thoughtlessness, and carelessness despoil this valuable heritage of ours.

THE LIBRARY DIARY

To all groups, associations and organisations etc. who organise events for the Maynooth area; We would like to draw your attention to the Diary in Maynooth Library. The Diary is there to be used by all, to log coming events. In this way all groups will know what's on, when and where. By making full use of this Diary we will all avoid clashing dates and this should make for better running of events for all.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES 20/6/88

Re: Television Aerial

Mr P. Fitzgerald, Mr Brendan Travers and Mr Jimmy Travers attended our meeting. It will take at least 3 to 4 months to perfect the system. They are waiting until the soccer is over to transfer equipment from Celbridge to Maynooth relays. They will raise the mast another 20 ft, and the f.m. radio channel will be re-introduced. In the future it may be possible to get more channels, U.T.V. is on channel 5 and will have to be transferred as R.T.E. transmit on this channel.

People who have been disconnected will be asked if they want to rejoin, and will be re-connected without charge if they pay before 31st July. At the moment 6 months bills will be accepted.

Accountant: Mr. P. Fitzgerald, Main St., Maynooth, Ph. 285296

Faults: Mr. Jimmy Travers, Ph. 288365
Mr. Brendan Travers, Ph. 045-68835

The people involved with Maynooth relays will meet with the Community Council on a quarterly basis to work along with us.

TIDY TOWNS

The Committee is working hard to tidy up the town but some thoughtless person is dumping household rubbish on the square and spoiling all their efforts. They are out working every Thursday night at 7.30. Meeting in the square, so come along and help to clean up your town.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

Seven gold medals were won on Sunday for Community Games swimming, 2 in Gymnastics and 1 in modelling. Congratulations to the winners and these children will represent Kildare in the National Finals in Mosney. The committee will need £400 to send the children to Mosney.

Mary Simon P.R.O.

Exciting Ten Days in Maynooth

Maynooth Community Council are bringing an eventful ten days at the beginning of July, with the Douai Boys Choir, the official opening of the Old Maynooth Exhibition and Community Week.

Choir: The Douai Boys Choir will perform in Maynooth as part of their world tour on Friday July 1st in the St. Maxima at 8 p.m. Tickets are only 10 and they are available from the Community Council Office and from members of the Council. The choir formed here two years ago and are highly acclaimed throughout the world, having visited America and other European countries. Their repertoire varies from Danny Boy to art, including such favourites as everybody's knocking at yo' door, The Eucharistic hymn of the republic and pieces by Debussy, Ravel and Poulenc. The choir will be composed of 48 people, boys from the ages of 10 to 14 and teenagers from 13 to 20. This is an occasion not to be missed and anyone who appreciates good music will have a memorable experience.

Old Maynooth Exhibition

Saturday the 2nd July the Old Maynooth Exhibition will be officially opened in the Staff Dining Room of St. Patrick's College at 11 a.m. by a ceremony (to be confirmed). This exhibition comprises 20 wall hangings of original paintings of Maynooth carried out by hand and coming artist Jarleth Finn. Subjects include the building of the old Canal, Carton House, the Mill, the Glebe, St. Patrick's College, the Mill related events. The research for this project was carried out by Imelda Healy and Eileen Fitzpatrick and all

three were employed by the Council under their extremely successful Social Employment Scheme. St. Patrick's College have sponsored the mounting of the exhibition and the reception which follows the event. The Council would sincerely like to thank both Mgr. Ledwith and Loughlin Sweeney of the College for all their help and encouragement. The College have offered the Exhibition a permanent home in the Dining Room for the foreseeable future.

Without the support of the community the week cannot be successful. Support your Community Council and the varied events which caters for all tastes.

COMMUNITY WEEK 3 - 10 JULY

Sun. 3rd

1. Childrens fancy dress parade from Quinnsworth 3 o'clock to Harbour Field, led by St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band.
2. Display of Irish Dancing by Maher School of Dancing.
3. Maynooth Accordion Band recital in Harbour Field.
4. Final of soccer matches (Inter estates).
5. Under 16 Disco in Parish Hall 8-11 p.m.
6. Traditional music in Brady's (Sunday night).

Mon. 4th

1. Football match in Harbour Field 8 o'clock.
2. Table Quiz in L.A. 9 o'clock.

Tues. 5th

1. Football Match in Harbour Field 8 o'clock - inter gaelic pub.
2. Table Quiz in L.A. 9 o'clock.

Wed. 6th

1. Folk Group and Traditional music in Caulfields 10 p.m.

Thurs. 7th

1. Recital by Brass Reed Band in square 8.45 - 9.30 p.m.
2. 60's music in Slims, 10 p.m.

Fri. 8th

1. Kildare Ramblers in L.A. 10 p.m.
2. Disco in Parish Hall 8-11 p.m.

Sat. 9th

1. Final of Pub matches in Harbour Field 8 o'clock.

Sun. 10th

1. Sponsored swim in canal 12 o'clock.
2. Baby competition in Harbour Field 3.30 p.m.
3. Final of stud leagues in Harbour Field (afternoon).
4. Presentation of cup to winning team (afternoon).
5. (Night) Fancy dress parade from square 10 o'clock to parish hall. Dance to The Partners until 2 o'clock. Prizes for the best fancy dress.

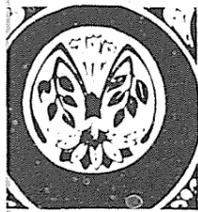
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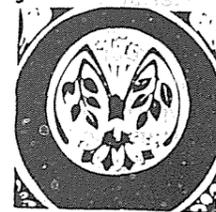


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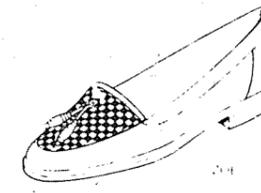
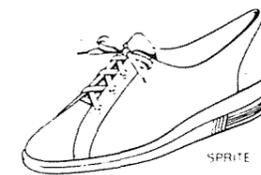
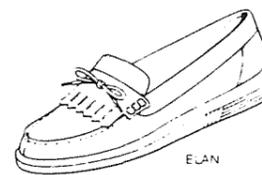
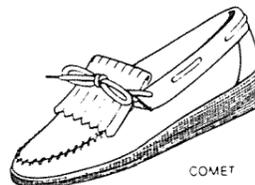
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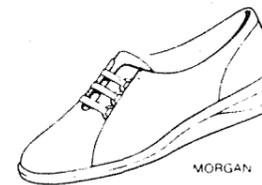
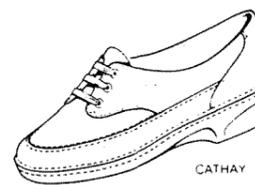
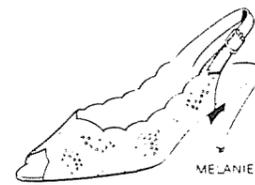
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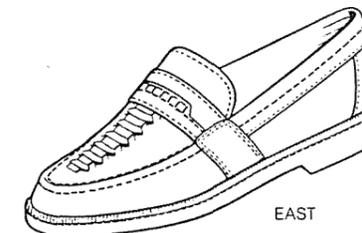
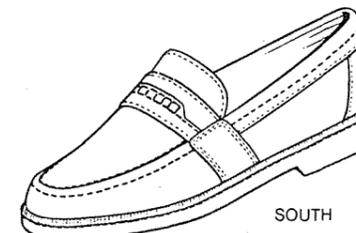
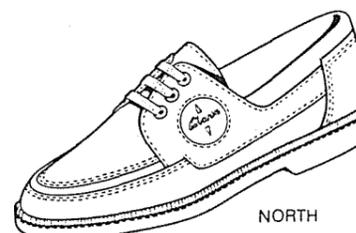
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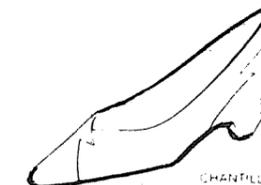
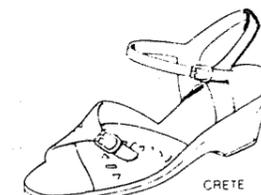
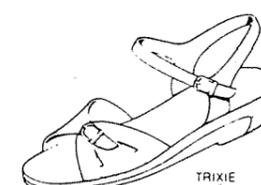
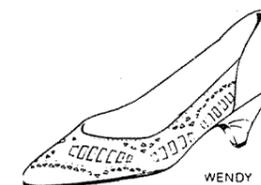
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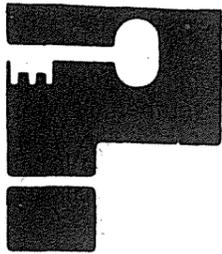


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This column has been compiled by the Maynooth Community Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the public.

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The Carton Exhibition

Not many towns or villages in the hinterland of Dublin can boast of a Great House the likes of Carton. Maynooth and Carton are inextricably bound together historically and in the landscape today, and it is fitting that on the eve of the Community Week which sees the launching of the Old Maynooth Exhibition, that a display on Carton should be on view in the Public Library. As most readers know, Carton House and Demesne were established in the last third of the eighteenth century by the 14th Earl of Kildare. Around the same period he set about building his village of Maynooth to match the glory and symmetry of his House. The house and gardens, parklands, lakes and woods are an important part of our community and national heritage and the exhibition "Carton - a Landscape Legacy" is designed to demonstrate the making of this heritage and its continuing relevance for us today.

The House and Demesne currently continue in private ownership, though rumours abound that it will shortly be sold. Several years ago The Carton Committee, with local and national representation, was established to ensure that the Carton legacy was protected from speculative and

destructive development. The Committee continues to keep watch and will certainly oppose any repetition of attempts to build in the grounds or to transform the landscape (as proposed in the late '70s). In recent years Carton has been reasonably well maintained, though the trees and woodlands have been seriously affected by culling and storm damage. Recently considerable work was undertaken to restore the lake and to dredge the Rye river. I'm sure many people would be interested in assisting in any voluntary replanting programme if an untarnished future could be assured for Carton.

A great many visitors passing through Maynooth throughout the summer express an interest in the origins of Carton, as well as the village of Maynooth. Their curiosity about Maynooth will be satisfied with the new exhibitions sponsored by the Community Council, which tells the story of Maynooth and its Castle in a series of unique drawings by Jarlath Finn. Many of the queries on Carton will be answered by the other exhibition, which will be displayed throughout the summer in the Library in the Main Street - the street laid out by the Duke of Leinster in the 1770s.

P.J. Duffy

A report entitled Maynooth - a Community Profile was launched in the public library in June, with the presentation of copies to librarian, Margaret Walsh-Gannon, and Community Council Chairwoman, Muireann Ni Bhrolchain by Proinnsias Breathnach on behalf of the team of

thirteen Maynooth people who had together compiled the report.

The report was the outcome of a course on community development, organised by St. Patrick's College, Maynooth in 1986. Participants in the course carried out a comprehensive survey of a number of aspects of Maynooth life, the results of which are given in the report. A survey of employment in the area is particularly interesting, in that it is revealed that Maynooth is a significant source of employment opportunities in itself. Almost 800 people were employed in Maynooth, with the College being the largest employer, with 300 employees. The next largest single employer is Kavanagh's mill with 54 employees. The report shows, however that less than half of those employed in the town are actually living in Maynooth itself. Most jobs are in services, nevertheless the report concludes that Maynooth provides a good mix of employment.

The section of the report devoted to tourism should raise some interest in the untapped tourism potential of Maynooth. Pointing out that by the year 2000 it is expected that tourism/leisure will be the largest industry in the world, it is suggested that the Maynooth area with its long historical tradition, is ideally located in relation to Dublin to take advantage of the large number of tourists who arrive in the capital each year. The many places of interest in and around Maynooth include the College, the Castle, Carton, the town area with its Georgian origins, the Canal, the Folly, and Taghadoe. The report highlights the negative visual impact of tasteless plastic signs, although in recent months, there has

been a vast improvement in shop fronts on the Main Street. Suggestions for tourist developments such as a Visitor Information Centre, and the reintroduction of banquets in the Castle are made. Given that there are no medieval type banquets in the Dublin area on the lines of Bunnally Castle, it is likely that some entrepreneur could make a killing by taking up this idea. Finally, the report gives the results of a survey of people in Maynooth concerning their attitudes to living in Maynooth. Questions were also asked about the Community Council, and the

MAYNOOTH A COMMUNITY PROFILE



Presentation of "Maynooth - A Community Profile" to (Front row, from left) Muireann Ni Bhrolchain, Cathaoirleach, Maynooth Community Council; Margaret Walsh-Gannon, Maynooth Public Library; and Mary Ryan, Extra Mural Studies Organiser, Maynooth College. Also pictured are participants in the Community

Development Course: front row, Ann Mulligan, Kay MacKeogh; Second row, from left: Imelda Delaney, Mary Farrell, John Delaney, Eilis O'Malley, Mary Horn and Patricia Cleary; at the back Cathal Power and Proinnsias Breathnach. Not in picture; Peter Holland, Brian McGarvey, Claire Sexton.

Newsletter. This section concludes that Maynooth has changed from a small village with a strong sense of identity, to a small town, where a considerable proportion of people are not involved in local organisations, are not familiar with community leaders, do not read the local newsletter, and are unaware of the vast array of activities which are going on. These people look to Dublin to satisfy their entertainment, educational and consumer needs. Maynooth is a town where these people sleep. However, it is encouraging to note that most people find Maynooth to be a pleasant environment in which to live, although there was considerable dissatisfaction with social amenities. The report concludes with a useful index of all voluntary organisations in Maynooth, giving information on activities, as well as giving contact addresses. Anyone who is interested in obtaining a copy of this report, should contact the Community Council office. There is also a copy in the library.

MAYNOOTH RELAYS LTD.,

A new company is being set up to take over the Cable System. The directors are Brendan & James Travers. They are currently examining the equipment and the reception in general. It is the new company's intention to concentrate on service and respond quickly to demands. Customers' patience is requested for another short period. There will be constant dialogue with the Community Council. Fees not yet paid to be sent to Maynooth Relays Ltd.

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Residents' Associations News.

RAILPARK RESIDENT'S NOTES

Railpark Residents

23rd saw the biggest gathering of Railpark Residents since the barbecue year, although the occasion was somewhat more serious in intent. The meeting was convened in the Post Primary School to launch the Neighbourhood Watch scheme, and at a moment too soon, if the stories by the many residents present, all of whom have had some brush with the criminal elements of our society, were anything to go by.

The meeting was first addressed by Sgt. Callanan, who has responsibility for Neighbourhood Watch schemes in the area. He gave some excellent advice on how we individually and collectively can work to frustrate the criminal. Simple precautions such as installing proper locking devices on doors, cancelling milk and papers taken away were advised. According to Sgt. Callanan, the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme is simply the official recording of good neighbourliness. With increasing affluence in recent years, we are inclined to forget our responsibilities to protect our own and our neighbours property. Most crimes are crimes of opportunity, so as a community, and helped by our involvement in the scheme, we can reduce the level of opportunities which are so generously, and thoughtlessly provided for unwelcome visitors.

Sgt. Higgins and Garda Dan Mahan assured the attendance that they were in complete support of

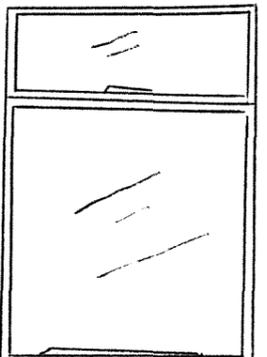
the Scheme, and wished it every success. Also present at the meeting were local TDs, Emmet Stagg, and in more local, in fact resident TD, Bernard Durkan, who also expressed his support for the initiative. They did not let get away without hearing of

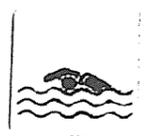
Residents' displeasure with the inadequate level of policing in the neighbourhood. A twenty four hour service should be available in a town of this size, and in addition, the lack of a patrol car severely hampers the response time of our local gardai, who do an excellent job with very few resources.

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Aine Kennedy is now the local co-ordinator of the scheme, and a number of street co-ordinators volunteered their services at the meeting. More will be heard of the scheme in the next few months, as residents will be issued with information packs. We would like to express our gratitude to the residents who made a very generous donation which is to be used towards erecting signs in the estate, and who wishes to remain anonymous.

TELEVISION RECEPTION

Frank McCarrick contacted the Dept. of Communications concerning the faulty reception provided courtesy of Celbridge Relays. He has been assured that Maynooth Relays have now taken over the provision of piped TV, and that there should be an improvement in the near future. We'll keep an eye on the situation.

BARBECUE

The annual barbecue was scheduled for Saturday 25th June, so we hope to be able to report in the next issue on the wonderful time which everyone will, of course, have had on the occasion.

CLEAN-UP TIME

Clean-up day was organised for 25th June. Two skips were provided for the old Christmas trees and redundant washing machines. The County Council provided finance for one of the skips. The estate is looking very well these days, now that the trees are straightened. A lot of attention is being paid to gardens, and perhaps Emer and Ed should be commended for giving inspiration to all with their efforts! Some of the trees in the pavement could do with trimming, as it is getting more difficult to walk under them without blinding oneself by an overhanging branch.

SOCCER SEVEN-A-SIDE

The new inter-estates seven-a-sides soccer rules really separated the men from the boys this time. With under 35 year olds excluded from play, veterans in their early thirties are feeling aggrieved. With stalwarts Liam Hughes and Martin Coyne gone to newer fields, and veterans such as Brendan Keegan waiting for their next birthday, Railpark is going to find it difficult to repeat their great victory of last year. Still, we wish the team the

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t of luck in their endeavours - the limit will probably have risen to 65 rs next time around.

LPARK NAME

idents who think that Railpark was ned after the railway should go m to the Library to have a look at the ellent Carton exhibition. Have a c at the copy of a map made for the e of Leinster, made in 1747, long ore railways were heard of. This o of Maynooth shows very clearly Rail Park, showing that the rail in stion had more to do with what you around boundaries than what you e trains on.

IVING ON AND MOVING IN

I finally, we say farewell to some of long standing residents, Murty and n Sullivan and family, and Jack and ie Eakins, who are planning to ve out of Railpark, the Sullivans to ridge, and the Eakins to Cashel. t of luck to both families in their new es. Continuing the trend towards ended families in Railpark, we come Kathleen Hanley, who is ited to the Meallys, and the inedys, who are related to the inedys, of course.

BAUFIELD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

re was a Residents' meeting held in nooth Post Primary School, on rsday June 16th to which we got a s turn out of Residents.

o in attendance were Mr. B. Durkan, Paddy Power, T.D. and Councillor ry Brady. The two important items he agenda were:-

he Cul De Sac of Beaufield Estate. you are aware a deputation was t to the Celbridge Area Committee January 11th 1988. No decision made since then. We were rmed on Thursday 9th June that we

to send a further deputation on day 13th June in Naas. Two nbers of the Committee, Mr. Sean ay & Mr. Pat Hendricks both ressed the Celbridge Area meeting all the facts, and were advised they ld be notified of a decision in due rse.

he application for 14 shops and a lic house in the Beaufield Estate. as discussed with the residents it procedures had been taken up to t, and what options are left open to t. Both items were discussed with all politicians in attendance, and we e that our plight has been fully ified to them. We want to take this

opportunity to thank them for taking time out to attend. We were informed that the Celbridge Area Committee will be meeting again in early July, and we trust that the politicians will emphasise our cause strongly to the rest of their Committee and the County Engineer. When the Residents' Committee has any further information, we will let you know immediately. Any subscriptions still outstanding for the Residents' Association, can you, please deliver them to one of the following committee members.

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Brian Staunton 3 Beaufield Avenue
Caroline Hartnett 15 Beaufield Avenue
John Langan 17 Beaufield Avenue
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Recent Planning Applications

Old Railpark: Extension and new entrance to house, Mr. & Mrs. Killoran.
Moneycooley: Retention of stables at rear of dwelling house, T. Cahill.
Moyglare Road, Crewhill: Dormer bungalow, E. Donovan.
Moyglare Road, Crewhill: Dormer bungalow, S. Donovan
Greenfield Shopping Centre: Change of use from retail to snooker club, Units 7, 10, and 17, Fintan Gunne, Receivers.
18 Parson Street: Retention of 2 storey extension at rear, W. Ryan.

Letters.



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Dear Editor,

The committee of the above Association would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and friends of Presentation Convent girls school for their support over the last year with our fund raising. We would particularly like to thank the Business Community of Maynooth who generously donated prizes for our Christmas Raffle and all those who helped in every way to make our microwave demonstration a great success. To Sr. Aquinas and her staff we extend our appreciation and thanks for their help at all times.

Through your efforts and generosity we have succeeded in buying new sports equipment, a fridge for the school milk, and much needed new books for the school library. We have also acquired a maintenance contract for the photocopier which helps to relieve pressure on the school's running expenses, and for which Sr. Aquinas, Principal, is most appreciative.

Once again, thanks to all concerned.

Our A.G.M. will be held in October of this year and we hope to have a guest speaker from the National Parents Council. Further notification of our A.G.M. will be advertised nearer the date.

Your sincerely,
Maire Adderley,
Secretary, Parents Association.



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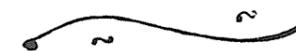


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POLITICAL PARTY NOTES

FINE GAEL NOTES

The May meeting of the Maynooth branch was held in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth on Tuesday May 24th. There was a large attendance for our 31st meeting before the summer break and a variety of items were discussed. The meeting was addressed by Deputy Bernard Durkan.

Crinstown and Donaghstown: Following representation by Deputy Bernard Durkan to the County Engineer the following reply has been received. "These are country roads which are certainly in need of attention. Due to staff being currently engaged on priority work on main roads, it is regretted that immediate attention cannot be provided with the reduced staff now available. The situation has been noted and some repairs will be effected later."

Psychiatric Accommodation: Deputy Bernard Durkan received the following reply from the Minister for Health regarding alternative accommodation for patients in St. Dymphna's Hospital, Carlow, from County Kildare and his position regarding negotiations between his Department, The Eastern Health Board and the South Eastern

Health Board". Psychiatric services in County Carlow and in a major part of County Kildare have been provided from St. Dymphna's Carlow. In accordance with the policy outlined in the report 'Planning for the Future' it is intended by both the South Eastern and Eastern Health Boards to develop community based psychiatric services in County Kildare and Carlow. I have approved tenders for a new admission unit and day hospital at Naas General Hospital and construction is expected to commence in the near future. Pending the completion of this unit, the Eastern Health Board will be in a position to provide interim admission facilities for patients from County Kildare".

3. National Lottery: The following are some of the answers to a number of questions raised by Deputy Bernard Durkan regarding monies from the National Lottery. a) The total amount received by the Government from the National Lottery and the amount allocated by the Department of Finance to various projects throughout the country. "The amount allocated by the Government for 1987 and 1988 is £71.434 million on the basis of the anticipated surplus for both of these

years."

b) With reference to funds from the Department of the Environment the Minister Mr. Pdraig Flynn listed the amounts to each county. The amount allocated to County Kildare was £92,000.

c) In a question addressed to the Taoiseach regarding National Lottery Funds allocated by his Department in each county to date, the following answer was received. "£14.96 million has been allocated to date to my Departments from the proceeds for arts and culture and Irish language related projects." A breakdown of the monies per County was given - County Kildare received £33,000 for the Castletown Foundation.

d) In a question to the Minister for Education regarding proceeds for various projects in County Kildare the following reply was received. "It is assumed the Deputy refers to projects under the Capital Grant Scheme for the provision of Recreational Facilities. To date the total value of grants provisionally allocated to County Kildare in 1988 is £45,000.

e) Regarding tourism in County Kildare Deputy Bernard Durkan put a question to the Minister for Tourism and Transport regarding grant aid for Kildare Tourism from National Lottery

proceeds "As Tourism is not one of the beneficiary areas specifically listed in Section 5 of the National Lotteries Act 1986 no monies have been allocated to my Department".

f) A similar question to the Minister for Education received a similar reply.

4. Deputy Bernard Durkan is available each Saturday at 2.30 p.m. to meet with constituents at the Geraldine Hall, Maynooth.



WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

PROINSIAS DE ROSSA IN MAYNOOTH

As part of his current national familiarisation tour, the recently elected President of the Workers' Party, Proinsias de Rossa T.D., visited the North Kildare area on June 24 last. Having first attended a get-together of party members in Maynooth, Proinsias went on to meet the public at the Quinnswoth Shopping Centres in both Maynooth and Celbridge, before acting as guest of honour at a social gathering of party supporters in Leixlip.

In his speech at the latter event, Proinsias de Rossa praised the local party's efforts on behalf of the working people and unemployed of North Kildare, and welcomed the continuing expansion of the party in the area. He also pointed to the need for co-operation on the left in Irish politics, a topic which he has made a major theme since his election. With the three main conservative parties united in their current onslaught on the living standards of the least well-off sections of the community, never has there been a greater need for those groups which claim to represent working class interests to create a common front to protect these interests, said Proinsias de Rossa.

TOWN COMMISSION CANDIDATES NAMES

During his visit to Leixlip, party leader Proinsias de Rossa T.D. launched the campaigns of the Workers' Party's candidates for the forthcoming Town Commission elections in Leixlip. The party will have two candidates, Catherine Murphy and Sean Purcell. Both Catherine and Sean have been leading figures in the fight against local charges and have a long record of involvement in working class issues in Leixlip. Catherine, from Leixlip Park,

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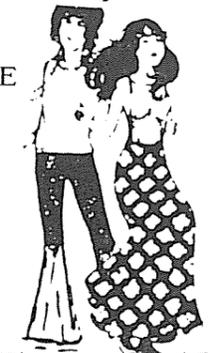
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who is also a leading member of Leixlip Combined Residents' Association, works in the home while Sean, a part-time fire fighter, is from Newtown Park.

BODENSTOWN COMMEMORATION

The Worker's Party annual commemoration was held at Wolfe Tone's grave at Bodinstown Cemetery on June 26th. Catherine Murphy, the party's representative in North Kildare, presided and the oration was given by Proinsias de Rossa T.D., President of the party, who confirmed the Workers' Party commitment to Tone's ideal of a secular, democratic and non-sectarian republic.

LOCAL CHARGES

Prominent Workers' Party members were among a number of people who had their water supply cut off in the Newbridge district recently. Although they have since reconnected themselves, the County Council went to great expense and effort to make these disconnections. One wonders why they don't go to the same effort to recover the much more serious arrears due to them from commercial rates and

land tax.

The recent threatening letter sent by the County Council to those refusing to pay local charges in North Kildare is only a bluff. The number of defaulters is so large that the Council can only at most, carry out a few token disconnections. However, it is amusing to note that the same letter threatens to recover refuse charges through the courts 'as a simple contract debt'. Since the Council is refusing to collect the refuse from those who are unwilling to pay, how can they then demand payment for a non-existent service?.



LABOUR PARTY NOTES

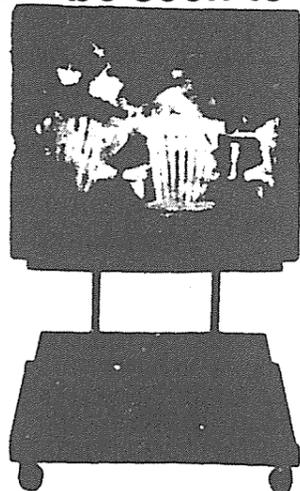
Constituency Annual General Meeting There was a large attendance of party members at the Kildare Constituency AGM in Johnstown on June 9th. Among the issues discussed was an emergency motion, proposed by Col. Purcell, condemning the proposed introduction of toll charges on several roads in the county. It was pointed out that plans exist to make

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Maynooth-Leixlip by-pass and Naas-Newbridge by-pass tolls and that, in addition, parts of existing road network in the county will be subjected to tolls. The Government's Party in Kildare will be at the forefront of the widespread opposition to the 'privatisation' of the county's roads.

CONDITIONS OF AVENUE
Deputy Emmet Stagg has made representations to Kildare Co. Council regarding the condition of 'the avenue' to Carton at the top of the town. He has asked that, as a priority, the grass should be cut and that the whole area should be maintained on a regular basis.

LEINSTER PARK
Deputy Emmet Stagg has been in contact with Kildare Co. Council on behalf of the residents of Leinster Park. He has asked that the poor condition of the entrance to their estate should be seen to as a matter of urgency.

ADDITIONAL COLLECTION
The Labour Party National Collection will be taken up on the weekend of Friday and Saturday, July 24th and 25th. In Maynooth we look forward to your support as in previous years.

COMMUNITY WEEK
The branch would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Community Council and its Social and Recreational Committee for putting together what looks like a very full programme of events for Community Week. A feature of the week will be an inter-stud football competition.

The final will be held in the Harbour Field on Sunday, July 10th and the winning team will receive the Emmet Stagg Perpetual Cup donated by the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party.

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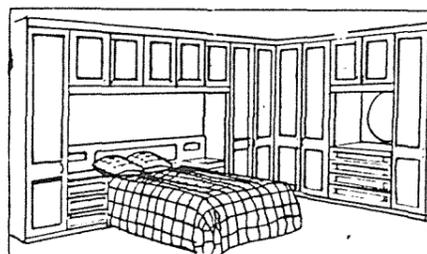
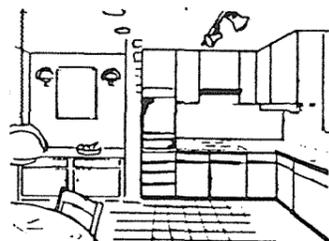
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Maynooth Castle

A Focal Point of Local History Mary Cullen

We are not able to follow every step taken by the Fitzgeralds 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 Willemo de Penkiston	11s
De Johanne Borly	XXXIXs
De Thoma Walleys	1d
De Philippo Molagh	VIIIIs
	Xd quad
De Johanne Hothum	Vs 11d
De Stephano Lydyr'	Cxs 111d
De Monycoull assign'	Lys sine secta
De Willemo Hoyloff	Vd

Summa XI Li LXD quarter

Then come the farmers:

De Johanne Brail	XXXVis IIIId
De Thoma filio Willelmi Brail	XIIIIs Xd
De Gregorio de Stanes	Xs
De Johanne Marescallo	XIs IXd
De Johanne Pistore	VIs
De Philippo filio Gilberti	Vs
De Matheo Broun	XIIId
De Radulfo fabro.	VId
De Ada Masoun	XIIId
De Philippo Kellagh	Vd 06

De Johanne Broun	XVIIIIs IXd
De Willelmo Broun	XXXIs
De Ricardo Holer'	XIIIIs
De Alexandro Bakon	IIIIs
De Roberto Broun	Xs VId
De Galfrido carpentario	IIIs
De Petro Boy	XIIId
De Stephano filio Ricardi Lyddio	IIIs
De Willelmo Morok	XIIId
De Willelmo Joliff	IIIIs Id

The next category is that of cottiers:

De Roberto mercatore	VId
De Emotra vidua	VId
De Waltero cissore	IIIIs IIIId
De Thoma Dermot	XIIId
De Willelmo Sutore	XIIId

De Henrico Sutore	XIIId
De Radulfo filio David	XIIId
De Rogero arch arblaster	XIIId
De Philippo Olaghlin	IIIs
Summa	XIs (IIIId)

Finally come the lowest category of all, the betaghs:

De Philippo Ofethan	XXXIIIs IId
De Non ' Corody	XVIIs IIIId
De Nicholal Mcconyn	XXs Id
De Andrea Ocachan et Thoma Ocachan	XXXVIIIs
De Galfrido Okenken	XXVIIIs
De Petro Odor'	XVIIIIs VId
De Thoma Odor'	XXIIIIs VId
De Simonè Odor'	XVIIIIs
De Henrico, Mekell'	XIIId

De Johanne Bryan de Rouschall et de Ricardo OBryane	XXXIs (Vd)
De Juliana vidua	XIIId
De Thoma Okenken	LIIIIs
De Alexandro Okenken	LIIIIs
De Alicia Laghlyn	XIIId
De Willelmo Oconeran	XIIId
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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 in 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 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. arblaster), 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" it may be the origin of the surname of John and Thomas Brail on our list. It would mainly indicate a skill in demand among the Normans. If we can continue to calculate 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." To think of William, or his father or grandfather, bringing this desirable skill across the Irish Sea to the manor of Maynooth. This 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. In all the rental brings to life for us a vigorous and flourishing community developing around the castle of Maynooth.

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TREET TALKING

These bright summer mornings the rain street comes alive earlier and earlier. Anyone who makes an early start to the day will know that there are regular faces to be seen setting off to or returning from work at six o'clock or earlier; a few long distance lorries, the newspaper deliveries, cars setting off early on holiday, all make their way through the quiet and shuttered hopfronts. The street really begins to hop movement as the time for the first bus to Dublin approaches - 06.25 a.m., which can get you into Dublin well before half past seven. It's still a while before the shops begin to open; Aidan's throws open the doors at 7.30 every day, and stays open until 10 p.m.; Barton's has its petrol pumps ready for business at 7 a.m. although the shop does not open until an hour later. For those needing an early coffee and light breakfast, The Elite starts serving at 7.30, while something more substantial is available from Mooney's Restaurant. By nine o'clock when the rush is on, the street has three of four hours of activity behind it.

Maynooth is now well served by neat shops, a delicatessen, and a greengrocer. One great lack in the town is a good fish shop, which would make available a variety of fresh fish presented in an attractive and knowledgeable way. A specialist fish shop can provide a feast for the eyes as well as for the stomach. Any chance of that, I wonder?

Much activity in the car park to the rear of Quinnsworth lately, where diggers and dumpers have been working up to 1 o'clock some nights, putting in a new drainage system. While they are at it, how about doing something with those ramps or "sleeping policemen" on the approaches to the car park? I agree that some such device is necessary and useful to slow down drivers, but that does not mean that the ramps have to be as ill-designed as they are at present, being far too steep and quite unmarked.

The Tidy Towns committee has its usual bulletin elsewhere in the newsletter, and theirs is an objective that deserves the support of all of us. Talking down the Main Street, whether five o'clock in the morning or midday on Sunday, one is presented with a carpet of old bags, wrappers and heaven knows what. "Street-Talking" has just returned from a fact-finding trip to France, and was struck by how much less freely bags are handed out by

shops over there. This is no discourtesy; if a bag is necessary, you can have one, but otherwise you can carry away your purchases yourself and there is less likelihood of litter. Moreover, the bags are more likely to be of paper rather than plastic. Now, I know the use of paper is stripping the world of its forests, but at least it is biodegradable and does eventually return to great organic cycle nature. Plastic bags just cling to the surface of the world, enveloping it like a contraceptive, preventing life. We need a law, saying shops should only provide them to married adults who can

produce a prescription. That would solve the litter problem.

BEWARE OF CYCLING CHILDREN

Would you give a six year old a loaded gun to play with? Or a box of matches? Of course no parent in their right mind would do so. Yet how many parents have given children of a similar age, and younger, a bicycle, and let them out on the streets, without supervision? A bicycle in the possession of a child who has no road sense, and who is unable to control it, is a potentially lethal weapon.

This can be observed almost daily in Maynooth — particularly in the estates which, because traffic is relatively light, appear to be safe for children. Unsupervised children on bicycles race along paths, and shoot on to roadways, without any warning, and are a danger both to themselves, to motorists, and to other children.

A Maynooth resident has contacted the Newsletter concerning an encounter he has had with one such child, which has left him with a fifty pound bill for damage to his car. A young child on a bike drove off the path without looking, and without warning, and hit this resident's rear wing with his handlebars. Fortunately, the motorist was going at no more than five miles an hour, having just left his driveway, and we are not following a little coffin to Laragh-bryan.

Apparently, the child's parents are not willing to pay for the damage caused to the car, so the motorist, through no fault of his own, is left with the option of going to court, or paying up.

Could we appeal to parents to ensure that if they give bicycles to their children, that they are sure that the child is old enough to understand the rules of the road, and to apply them. Parents must accept responsibility for the consequences of allowing their children to operate a machine which they are unable to handle properly. Motorists and pedestrians should be especially wary if they see very young children on bicycles. Speeding motorists flying through housing estates are a menace, but even the most careful motorist can do nothing when a child flies out on to the road without warning.

Maynooth Bridge Club

Beginners lessons commencing September at Moyglare Manor. If interested in Bridge in a relaxed and enjoyable atmosphere. Phone 285378 or 285179.



Maynooth Bridge Club Prizewinners at Function in Moyglare Manor were back;- Breda Mullins (Player of the year), Rose Hayes, Aine McDonough & Rose Dillane (Captains Prize winners) Ursula Walshe & Mary Lalor.



MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

Now in our fifth month of opening, the members are still growing steadily, also the volunteers for work is increasing. It is good to see more people getting involved in credit union activity, because this is a community business and gives people the opportunity to help each other and make life easier. Also, we have more good news for our members and hopefully new members. Due to the courtesy of the landlords of Maynooth Shopping Mall, beside Quinnsworth, Maynooth Credit Union will in the near future open a sub-office in the mall on Friday evenings. This we feel is a step forward in providing a better service for the community of Maynooth. As of yet opening hours have not been decided, but will be displayed in both the main office in Harbour House and our new sub-office in the mall as soon as possible. So why not call to see us. We will only be too happy to see you and help in any way possible.

We would like to take this opportunity and thank sincerely the landlords of the shopping mall for helping Maynooth credit union to provide a better service for the people of the community.

Main Office Hours:

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Saturdays 10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.
P.S. Watch out for our sub-office on Friday evenings. (See you there).

POST PRIMARY SCHOOL MAYNOOTH

Congratulations to Jeremy Farrell and Tara Dunne both of whom won prizes in the 'Child of Achievement Awards' sponsored by MacDonalds.

Jeremy got his award for the charitable work he has done in his own area over the last year and was presented with his Certificate of Merit in the Royal Hospital, Kilmaham on Wednesday, June 22nd. Tara got first prize for her 'tee-shirt' design in a competition organised in conjunction with the awards. Tara was presented with her prize of a Home Computer and Accessories also at the Reception on June 22nd.

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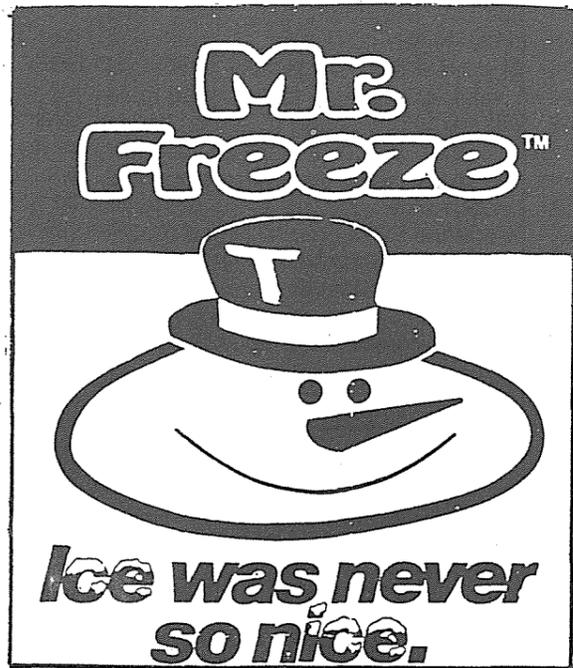
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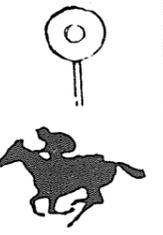
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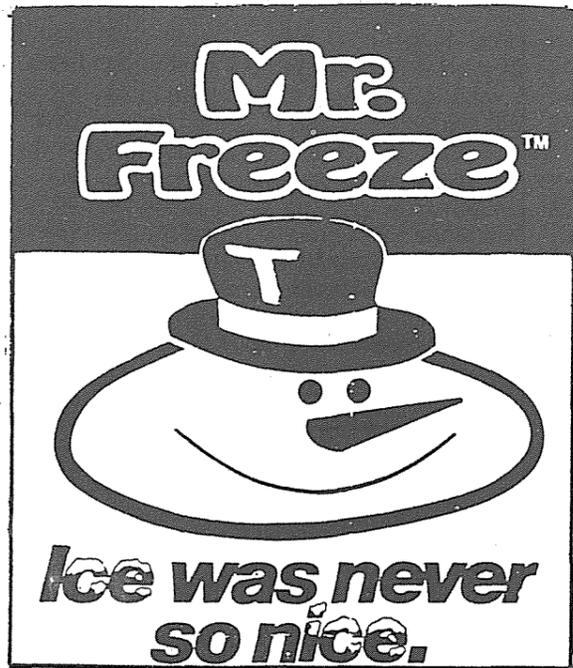
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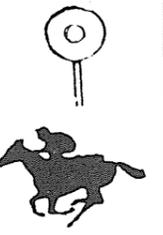
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AGES 8-12
1st prize
Thomas Mullally
Annes, Kilcock Rd., Maynooth.

2nd Prize
Daniel Roberts
Raghbryan, Maynooth.

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John Gaffney
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Childrens Corner.



JAPANESE GARDEN

Can you cross the bridge in this Japanese garden?

LEAVES AND TREES

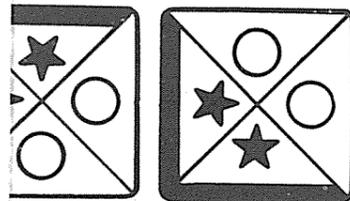
Can you pair up the leaves with the correct trees?



Joke:
What's white and fluffy and swings from tree to tree? A meringue-utang.

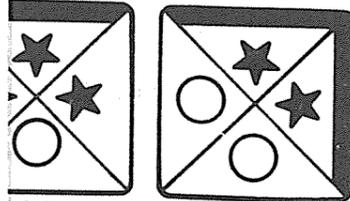
Odd man out

One of these six shapes is the odd man out?



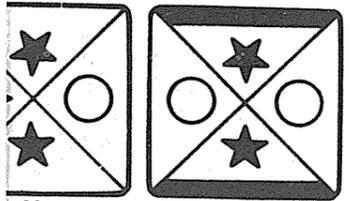
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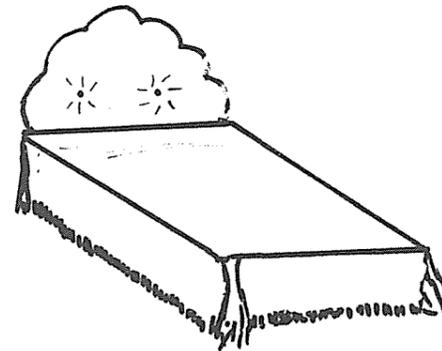
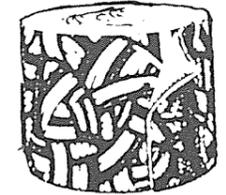
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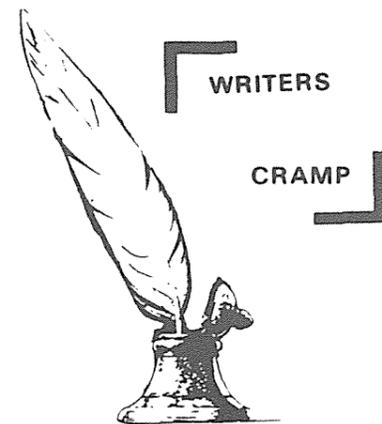
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For a thousand days
And nights
And nights, dark nights
With cat's reflective eyes for light
To see the lonely walk
Down through the dewed grass to
garden
Trees gone wild -
Feel wild and alone and free!
To run when your heart bursts from
The doldrum rigours of a day
Of slaving, mindless, Labour: Pay
(It's some life contrived
By stones coal, gold and oil
Big wheeling to whims of rich guys)
People's set ways, and conventions
Go unbroken by and by
We remain the great unspoken
And we don't even try
To use our wits free our minds
Get new highs:
Dumb and mentally numbed
Everyday people cannot object
We can only scavenge for what we can
get
(... And to flog blank verse to death...
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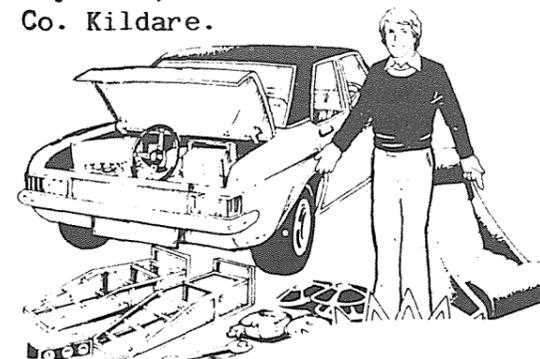
HALLEY RECALLED

Last night I saw your bearded face
As hurtling forth from deepest space
And gambolling round the earth you
come
To pay your homage to our sun.
I knew you'd come to cheer men's
eyes,
Oh wandering prisoner of the skies,
But next time round you well may see
The grave of all humanity?

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TIDY TOWNS

Perhaps, at last, a few people, other than the Tidy Towns Committee are beginning to see that the general appearance of Maynooth is embarrassing. We had thirteen at our meeting on June 7, which, with an apology or two thrown in, is a welcome development. And the goodwill didn't stop there but deftly moved from talk to brush and spade handling. Already a commendable amount of hours have been spent cutting grass, gathering up litter and scuffling unsightly weeds.

We have bought a lawnmower (February Collection) and with it and a continued involvement of generous helpers we may succeed in our modest goal of making our environment even a little better and cleaner.

That said, we are still under no illusion about the unfairness of the contest. Thirteen against the rest cannot hope for a remarkable victory. Litter is still our greatest problem and compared to bottles, wrappers and cartons, a good juicy, healthy, even if errant, thistle is a totally wholesome

sight. So would those of you who have yet to see what a thoroughly objectionable sight a littered street is, please at least allow for the possibility that others have a right to walk on clean pavements. Obviously it doesn't matter to you, but it does matter! It matters too that the individual who is dumping household refuse on the green area in the middle of the town should not do it again. And as well as keeping litter off that area, perhaps people would avoid walking on the grass there just to give it a chance. Likewise outside the church: the green area is not for parking cars!

The Tidy Towns Committee is delighted with the present trend being set in shopfronts. Is the challenge being taken up by all we wonder? Surely victory has not been conceded already!

Finally, the Tidy Towns Committee is pleased that the Chamber of Commerce has expressed an interest in helping in whatever way it can. Representatives of the Committee have met with members of the Chamber of Commerce and we await developments.

P.R.O. Tidy Towns Comm.
G.M.

.C.A. NOTES

The Annual General meeting was held in the I.C.A. hall on Thursday 9th June. Madame President welcomed everyone. Mrs Bridie Brady was returned as President unopposed.

Sympathy was extended to the family of Maura Travers, a past I.C.A. member, and also to the families of Gerard McDonald and Molly Kearney.

Mrs Brady thanked her committee and everyone for their help during the year, and paid a special tribute to Mrs Rita O'Reilly, and Mrs Maisie McMyler for their help. The overall monthly competition winner for the year was Mrs G. Tracey, 2nd Mrs. B. Farrell, 3rd Mrs B. Brady.

The "make and model" was held in Lumville House on Thursday 26th May. Congratulations to Mrs Gee for winning the advanced knitting section with her knitted garment. Two ladies represented Kildare in the "Cappaquinn Chicken Recipe Competition", one was Mrs B Brady, our President. It was held in Mullingar early in June. Next months competition is a "Boiled Fruit Cake".

The Maynooth Annual show will be held in the Post Primary School on 15th and 16th July. All exhibits for the show must be staged on Friday 15th July between 7.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. sharp.

We wish to thank all those who sponsored classes, presented cups, and trophies, donated raffle prizes, or made any financial contributions to the show. There are two special baking classes "The All Ireland Barry's Tea Brack," sponsored by Barry's Tea, and secondly "All Ireland Home Baking Award," sponsored by Mr and Mrs McCarthy — Hardware Merchants, Prosperous. We thank Mr and Mrs McCarthy for their generous sponsorship. Entry forms for all the above competitions are available at Barry's Maynooth, "The Country Shop", and Sean's, Greenfield Shopping Centre.

Next meeting will be held in the C.A. hall Thursday July 7th.

Straight from Millennium Exhibition in Dublin

Don't forget to come and see and fine display of Irish Cotton Crochet at the C.A. Home Produce, Craft and Flower Show on July 16th at the Post Primary School. The display pieces have been on show at the Bank of Ireland in Dublin as part of the Millennium Exhibition. You will also have the opportunity to view the winning pieces from the Craft Competition at the R.D.S. for the past four years. an excellent crochet maker will be present and will answer questions on any difficulties you may

have whether they relate to the rose, the shamrock or the basic beginner stitches.

Hope to see you all at the Show which is open to the public between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. All staged exhibits must remain on show until 5 p.m. Schedules available from the Country Shop, Barry's Shop, Sean Donovans' or any member of the I.C.A.

Maisie McMyler
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BOB'S KITCHEN

SUMMER SALADS TANGY APPLE SALAD

Ingredients

2 Cooking Apples
(peeled and chopped)
2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 bunches watercress, trimmed and roughly chopped
4 tomatoes chopped
1 large onion
(peeled and finally chopped)
6 oz blue cheese such as Danish Blue
1/4 pt. low fat natural yoghurt
Freshly ground black pepper

Method

Place apples in serving bowls then pour the lemon juice over. Toss well until thoroughly coated. Add watercress, tomatoes and onion. Crumble blue cheese. Add to bowl with the yoghurt and pepper to taste mix all the ingredients together then serve as a side salad.

CRUNCHY MUSHROOM SALAD

Ingredients

6 oz butter mushrooms
4 sticks of celery, trimmed
4 oz walnut pieces
2 tbspcider vinegar
4 tbspcider vinegar
1 tbspcider vinegar
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1 tbspcider vinegar
Salt and pepper
1/2 tbspcider vinegar
1 tbspcider vinegar
1 tbspcider vinegar

Method

Wipe and wash the mushrooms, dry on kitchen paper, then slice thinly chop the celery. Mix mushrooms celery and walnuts together, then arrange in side salad serving bowls. Place vinegar, oil, orange rind, seasoning to taste mustard, honey and chopped dill in a screwtop jar shake vigorously until well blended. Pour over salad just before serving and garnish each portion with a sprig of dill.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

We are very grateful to all those benevolent people who have donated books to us in the past - over 500 books have been given to us so far. So anyone wondering what to do with old books - please remember us - we are

always delighted to receive donations, particularly childrens books. Because of the non-replacement of a staff member, there will not be any of the usual summer activities in Maynooth Library this year. No doubt, these will be sadly missed by the children of the town. However, we will probably be able to manage some story-time sessions.

Some new books received recently include:

Ludlum, Robert - The Icarus Agenda
Steel, Danielle - Wanderlust
Brown, JH and Powell-Smith, V - Horse and Stable Management
De Rossa, Peter - Vicars of Christ: The Dark Side of the Papacy

Currently on exhibition are some beautiful watercolours by Deirdre Shanley and Rosemarie Ledwith - all for sale, and catalogues are available in the library. Don't forget to pack your library books along with the sun-tan lotion.

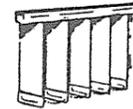
Maynooth Marathon Bus Traveller

It was the end of lifetime of routine for a retiring ESB worker today. After 33 years of catching the 6.45 a.m. bus from Maynooth every working day, Mr. Larry Begley of School Street, Maynooth stepped off the Number 66 this morning to be hailed as Dublin Bus's most faithful customer.

The 65 year old ESB storeman has caught the same bus to work every day for most of his working life, travelling 150 miles a week or a total of over 250,000 miles on the same route.

And today, Mr. Begley, who has just retired, was honoured by Dublin Bus was a presentation from the managing director to mark his unswearing loyalty to the buses. "I got the same bus every morning from the Square and I was never once late for work," he declared. One of the biggest changes over the three decades Mr. Begley has travelled on the route, was, of course, the fares. "When I started, it was 11 old pence for a ticket to Maynooth, and you could get a five day ticket for eight shillings and sixpence. Now it's £2.20 for a day's travel", he said.

Mr. Begley, who is married and has a family of seven, was presented by Dublin Bus managing director, John Hynes with crystal, as well as a Dublin Bus bag, umbrella, tie and other gifts at the 66 terminus today.



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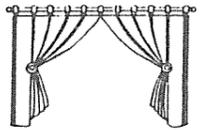


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SPORTS NEWS



MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C.

The Annual General Meeting took place on Sunday June 12th in the I.C.A. Hall at 11 a.m. The following officers were elected for the coming season.

Chairman: Tom Dempsey
Secretary: Seamus Feeney
Treasurer: Liam McCall
Asst. Treasurer: John Saults
P.R.O.: Gerry Durack
Other Committee Members:
Brian Farrell
Padraig Kearney
Lennie Murphy
Willie Saults

Fr. Eoin Thynne was made Honorary Chaplain and Emmett Stagg T.D. was made Honorary President. Deputy Stagg who attended the meeting, expressed his thanks and made a number of interesting suggestions about possible improvements for next season. On behalf of the committee I would like to thank Deputy Stagg for attending the meeting and for his continued interest in the progress of the club.

The new season begins on August 21st so it won't be long before training will be under way again. Further details later. New members are always welcome and may contact any of the above named committee. Finally, following Ireland's great performances in Germany, let's hope that some of Jack Charlton's magic can rub off on Maynooth Town in the new season!

Gerry Durack (P.R.O.)



College Green F.C.

Reilly Cup Final

We made the Divisional Cup Finals for the second year running. Last year we lost out on penalties in an eight goal thriller. The other parallels were the fact that we then finished on top of the Divisional League Table: this year's runners up spot in the league suggesting ultimate cup success?

There were other interesting ingredients to this game. The trophy on offer was a memorial cup sponsored by the family of a young Dean Cogan F.C. player, who died from injuries received in an M.D.L. game last season. Dean Cogan, who also finished Div. 4A runners up, qualified as our Cup Final Opposition. Undoubtedly we could not have come across any other team that could have been as well motivated to win. A number of fixture hiccups on the way to the final did little to help. Even though the game took place on a Thursday night, a sizeable contingent travelled from Maynooth. A large Navan crowd thronged Claremont Stadium for what proved to be the Cup Final of the season.

This correspondent was not present at the game and has to rely on the slightly jaundiced views of colleagues for an account of the night. However, the more impartial sources such as the "Meath Chronicle" proclaimed "College Green Capture Cup" - "an abundance of goals and plenty of entertainment for the large crowd"; "College Pass Final Exam!" - said the "Meath Weekender". College Green opened the scoring 1-0 an equalizer 1-1; then 2-1; 2-2 and 3-2 at half time; A Dean Cogan equalizer 3-3 before College Green went ahead 4-3. We survived a late siege in the last 10 minutes, to hold on to win by the odd goal in seven. The loyal following cheered on the Maynooth side with a non stop chant of "here we go" from the 80th minute to the final. Ciaran McGroarty was one of the heroes of the night with two goals.

Gerry Murtagh and John Hughes along with Paul Broughan and Paddy McGovern were the other outstanding players. Paul was presented with the "man of the match" award afterwards. Without a doubt it took one of the College Green's best ever performances to overcome an inspired Dean Cogan side who quite simply put in one of the hardest 90 minutes they have ever endured. One or two libations were consumed on certain licensed premises and at other place of resort. This ended a great season, which only a couple of months ago promised nothing.

M.D.L. PRESENTATION DANCE

An excellent night was had by all at the Annual presentation Dance. Some 250 attended the function at the "County Club" in Dunshaughlin. We received the "Div. IV player of the year" award. Our other Oscar Traynor nominee Paddy McGovern took the Div. V award last year. Congratulations Ciaran!

College Green F.C. A.G.M.

Details will be notified to members shortly. It is hoped to hold the A.G.M. soon and election of officers, plans for next season etc. will be dealt with on the night.

M.D.L. A.G.M.

This will have taken place in Navan on the 29th of June. Finally, a special word of congratulations to Managers Broughan and O'Connor and Club Captain McGovern for having steered the side through a very stormy period, to a very successful conclusion. Jack's boys weren't the only "boys in green" to finish on a proud note this season.

Declan Forde,
Chairman.

Maynooth Athletic Club

The Kildare championships were held in Kilcock and despite the bad weather it proved to be a very successful weekend for the club.

They won fifty five individual medals plus five gold medals for relay teams and one bronze medal.

GU/11 Patricia Purcell three gold (100m, 300m, 600m, and silver in the long jump). Eimear O'Sullivan 2 silver (100m, 300m, and bronze in 600m). Margaret Brennan bronze in 100m.

GU/12 Gillian Power 1 gold in ball throw. Emma McCluskey, three silver (100m, 300m, 600m).

GU/13 Caoimhe O'Sullivan (Gold in long jump silver 100m) GU/15 Catherine Gleeson bronze 100m, Lisa McCluskey (gold 800m silver 400m). Carmel Noonan (silver 800m bronze 400m also silver in U/16 javelin and discus).

GU/16 three gold (long jump, 400m and discus). Junior ladies Nuala Noonan (100m senior ladies javelin, silver in both and two bronze, shot and discus). Sharon Ennis (bronze in 100m and javelin).

Helen Tracey three gold javelin, shot and discus. Vet ladies 0/30 Patsy McCluskey silver 1,500m. Vet 0/35 Helen Redmond bronze 800m, 4th in 1,500m. Margaret Noonan silver shot.

Vet ladies 0/40 Maire Gleeson silver 100m. Boy's U/12 Paul Flood (gold long jump), Niall Gillick (bronze high jump) Boys U/13 Aust n Noonan (two gold long jump, 600m) Senior mens shot. Paddy Power gold, Philip McDermott silver. Vet mens 0/40 200m Paddy Power gold. Tony Callaghan silver Brian Redmond bronze. Vet.men 0/40 100 m Paddy Power gold. 56lb

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Part of the Leinster championships were held at Belfield under excellent conditions Saturday. Our only success was Lisa McCluskey who came second in 1,500m and Carmel Noonan 4th. Sunday Lisa McCluskey put in a very good performance to come second in 800m. Carmel Noonan was again 4th and Brian Redmond came first in Vet mens 0/40 1,500m. Unfortunately the juvenile Leinster Championships clashes with the County Community Games finals so the juveniles will not be taking part in Leinster Championships. We wish them all the best in their events at the Community Games.

B. Tracey



UNDER AGE HURLING

The U/12 and U/14 Hurling Teams had their most successful season ever with both teams reaching the finals of their competition. Unfortunately after gallant performances both teams went down in the finals to local rivals Celbridge. This was particularly galling for the U/12's who had already beaten Celbridge during an unbeaten run in the league which took them straight into the final, in a group that also included Castledermot, Rathangan, Ballymore,

Kilcock and Clane. Though disappointed with their display in the final these lads are nothing if not dedicated and all are determined to be back next season either still as an U/12 or in the U/14 team.

Panel: D. Moore, S. Brennan, P. Leacy, R. Casey, B. Collins, F. Ward, M. Bennett, R. Cotter, E. Flynn, S. Griffin, N. Gillick, D. Buckley, P. Farrell, J. Canny, A. Gaffney, M. Suir, J. Doyle, M. Flynn, S. Bennett, E. Mullally.

The U/14's had a more difficult road to the final after losing their opening match to Celbridge. However they redeemed themselves with fine subsequent displays to reach the semi-final against Clane which they won in extra time after being three goals down at half time. Furthermore, Andrew Fay away in school and David McCartan injured were not available and this did not help their cause. As with the U/12's they can be proud of the fact that they reached their final and can go one better next year.

Panel: R. Cotter, P. Ward, E. Lacy, M. Nolan, P. Leacy, D. Tobin, J. Lee, G. White, J. Nevin, M. Donnelly, S. Cotter, D. Mahony, P. Farrell, F. O'Brien, N. Gillick, D. Flynn, R. Bennett, C. Kennedy, S. Griffin, J. Flynn, B. Collins, D. McCartan, A. Fay.

A word of thanks to the mentors P. Comerford, J. Canny, L. Leacy and M. Gleeson who restricted to one days - Saturday morning practice session per week. Is there anybody out there who could take these lads for a mid week session? If so please contact any of the above mentors or any club official.

A word of praise to the many parents who came out to cheer on their little heroes and a sincere word of thanks to Mr. Danny Casey who presented the two teams with sets of hurleys.

Michael Caden P.R.O.

FEILE NA nOG COMPETITION

Maynooth G.A.A. Club have again for the second successive year decided to take part in the Feile Na nOg

Competition. The aims of Feile na nOg is to promote Gaelic Football and other national games and pastimes in a pleasant and entertaining way. A visiting team from County Tyrone will be in Maynooth for the weekend 8th, 9th, 10th, July. they along with the Maynooth U/14 Gaelic Football Team will be taking part in football matches and skills competitions over the weekend. The finals of the Feile na nOg competitions will be held in Newbridge on Sunday 10th July. The finals will be preceded by a grand parade which will involve clubs from the whole 32 counties. This therefore is an event of national importance. The Maynooth G.A.A. Club sees this as a great opportunity not just for the club but for the whole of Maynooth to show the magnificent co-operation and community spirit that exists in the town, and thus ensure that the team from County Tyrone take away with them a favourable impression of Maynooth. Mr. Phil Brady of Bradys licensed premises has certainly given us a tremendous start in that he very kindly and generously has presented the U/14 players with a set of jerseys and we are greatly indebted to Phil for his sponsorship.

Our sincere thanks to Mrs. Carey of Caulfields Public House for her very generous donation to Maynooth Juvenile Football & Hurling Teams.



MAYNOOTH TAE KWON-DO SCHOOL

Congratulations to Maynooth Tae-Kwon Do.

Winning the 12 Trophies in the recent R.I.T.A. National Championships, Maynooth School produced some great Tae-Kwon Do.

In the Junior Yellow Belt Sections, Ciara Power came close to taking first place in the patterns but she was just pipped at the post by the son of the fifth

Maynooth G.A.A. Club



Picture shows Mr. Phil Brady of Bradys Public House presenting a set of jerseys to Maynooth U/14 G.A.A. Football Team.

degree black belt. John Greene and John Clarke gave two great displays in their respective Yellow Belt pattern sections to earn third place. In the Junior Green Belt Section Robert Kennedy took a well earned second place. In Junior Green Belt sparring, Fintan O'Connell took first place. Robert Kennedy second place and Oliver Nevin third place. Well done boys! In a younger Green Belt sparring section, Antony Kennedy won second place using some great jumping techniques.

In the senior Green Belt section, Caroline Traynor took first place in Jestructin with a sizzling side kick. Alan Riordan took second place in sparring and John McLoughlin a third in patterns and Martin Traynor a third in sparring. Well done Maynooth.

Congratulations to all those members who have been promoted after the recent grading examination given by Mr. Robert Howard 5th Degree and Mr. Antony Phelan 5th Degree.

Three of our lady members took part in the recent Dublin City Mini Marathon to raise funds for Maynooth School of Tae-Kwon Do. They are: Lynn Power, Patricia Cleary and Caroline Traynor. Thanks a million girls.

The recent demonstration by Maynooth School of Tae-Kwon Do at the Royal Canal Amenity Group Fair went very well and we look forward to our next demonstration which will be held on July 10th.

The recent visit to Maynooth by Mr. Francis Barrett, 4th dan was a great success and we hope that Mr. Barrett will make a return visit and soon!

Maynooth Tae-Kwon Do
P.R.O. Peter Byrne

JUNIOR BADMINTON

All sessions have now ended for the Summer Holidays. Congratulations to the following who won their End of Season Club Tournaments.

- Group 1 Girls: 1st Niamh O'Melia
2nd Sarah Sheehan
- Group 1 Boys: 1st David Ryan
2nd Desmond Mullally
- Group 2 Girls: 1st Gilliam Carr
2nd Yvonne Casey
- Group 3 Girls Doubles:
1st Emer Hogan & Helen Buckley

Well done to the winners and to those who didn't win also, well done good try. Have a nice Summer children, see you all in September. D.V. watch out for notices. Any new members wishing to start in September contact secretary No. 286334.

Rosemary Hanley

SWIMMING CLUB



MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB
SPLASHNEWS

We have now come to the end of a successful year. The Swimming Gala on June 11th was a fitting end to the classes. We congratulate all the children who have completed the swimming course, and we hope to welcome back most of our members next September. The waiting list will be carried forward to September and hopefully we will be able to accept new members. Due to demand we have not been able to accommodate all the children on the waiting list during the year. The A.G.M. of the swimming Club was held on June 16th. We wish all our members a good summer. Please remember to swim safely - never go swimming alone, stay within your depth; swim towards the shore and wait one hour after meals before swimming. Have fun!

Deirdre Hetherington
P.R.O. Maynooth Swimming Club

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MUINTIR MHAIGH NUADHAT

Clairr O'Connor who lives in Rail Park has recently returned from New York where she was an exchange playwright at the New Dramatists. Under the New Dramatists International Exchange Programme, which has been in operation for the past eight years, writers have an opportunity to travel and to meet and share experiences and ideas with theatre professionals from other countries. Clairr was accepted for inclusion in the exchange programme on the basis of the script for a play which she submitted. While at the New Dramatists the play "No Return" which deals with the 1986 divorce Referendum and its effect on various members of the same family, was given a staged reading. A staged reading could probably be described as a production with scripts in hands. She also gave readings of her poetry. As someone who is more than something of an ignoramus of the world of literature, as any of my table-quiz colleagues can testify, I was under the impression that any writer who achieved any measure of success

would have been scribbling away from the time they could hold a crayon. I was therefore surprised to learn that Clairr was in her late twenties before she took up writing.

Despite her relatively late entry into the world of writing she has had a substantial amount of success in having her work published. She has had poetry published in journals in Ireland, England and America. She had work included in "Pillars of the House" (Wolfhound Press, 1987) an anthology of verse by Irish women from 1690 to 1987. This level of publishing is in itself a testament to the standard of her work. As any author will tell you one of the most difficult aspects of writing is trying to convince publishers to publish your work. Clairr's work has also won prizes at literary festivals.

In addition to having poetry published Clairr has been busy with plays. Apart from the already mentioned "No Return" her play "Getting Ahead" has also achieved a good measure of success. It was broadcast on B.B.C. Radio 4 as part of the Monday Play series. "Getting Ahead" deals with the

teachers strike in England. She is currently working on another play for the B.B.C. and on a script for a series called Plays Plus for an educational publishers in London.

Clairr was born in Croom, Co. Limerick and grew up in the Rathbane area of Limerick City. She attended University College Cork where she obtained a degree in English and Medieval History. She also has a Masters Degree in Education from Maynooth College. She has lived in Maynooth for the past nine years with her husband Kevin Honan and son Eamon. She is currently on career break from her job as a teacher in Colaiste Chiarain Leixlip. Prior to coming to Maynooth she taught for some years in England. It was in fact through her work as a teacher that she first developed an interest in drama. She regards drama as a very useful educational aid. In addition to her writing Clairr also has an interest in the performing side of theatre which should be an advantage to any dramatist. She is founder and director of the Larine Players who have staged some productions in Maynooth in recent years.

Who knows but that we may have in our midst one of the famous writers or directors of the theatre of the future.

Jim Cunningham

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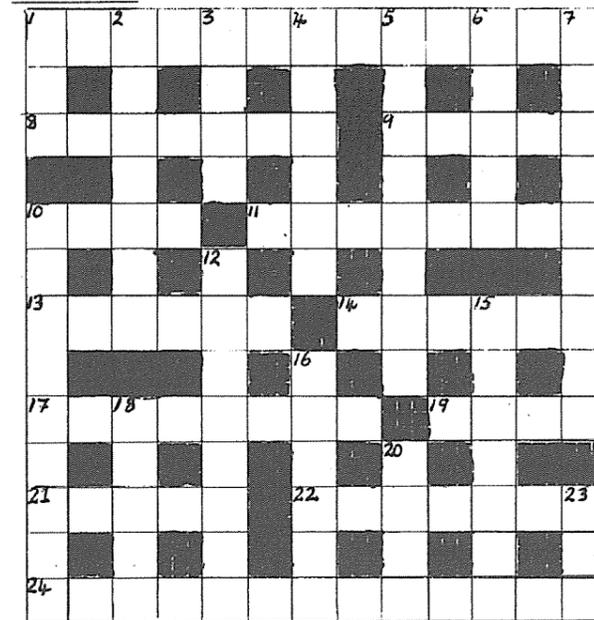
CROSSWORD No. 8 by Demon.

Across

- Don't turn deaf ear so inside woodland park (7,6).
- Deceive with diplomacy in order to touch (7)
- Arrange lease to support work of art (5)
- Take a long ladder to start with, when working on such a building (4)
- Bends oar, breaks it, then gets bigger (8)
- Sailor lies back to slide down rope (6)
- It's a bad mark to get drunk! (6)
- Run fast, Fran, to this place - it's only six miles away (8)
- Maynooth, probably, in the reader's case (4)
- Bid nothing very loudly, then hesitate... (5)
-and this local business can soon get put out (7)
- An article, information, correspondence all at your fingertip's (3,10)

Down

- O'Rourke or Cowhie, for example, get back cash on delivery! (3)
- Minus? Confuse (7)
- & 23. This letter opener is expensive, man! (4,3)
- Cast or performers (7)
- In charge of every shilling? Boss don't wear that! (8)
- Follow us back into east and north east (5)
- Far seeing instrument might make one pee in closet (9)
- Car or bus, for instance, can make for fun after I get out of train (9)
- Wind pressure provides aerial support in combat (3,5)
- Lots of cattle here (3,4)
- Hops two steps, for instance (6)
- Steal a weapon (5)
- Is there ice cream in this road marker? (4)



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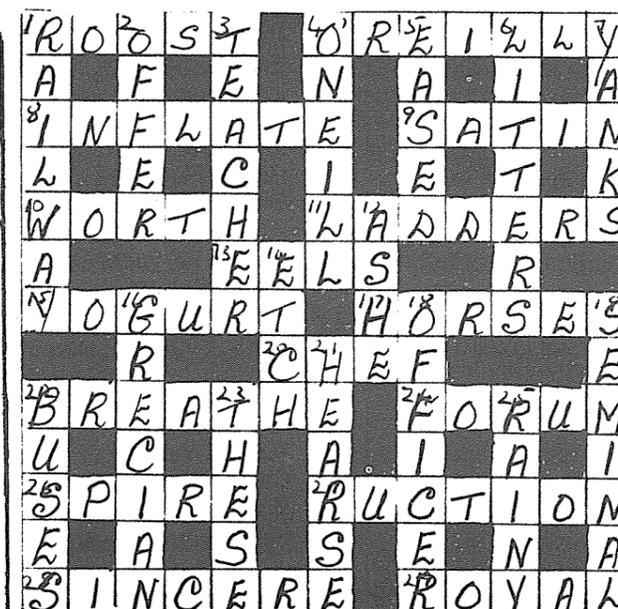
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Community Games.

ATHLETICS

G U/8 60m

1. Brid-Anne O'Shea
2. Bernadette Keigher
3. Elizabeth King

G U/8 80m

1. Catherine Duff
2. Brid-Anne O'Shea
3. Niamh O'Connor

GU/10 100m

1. Josephine Gallagher
2. Virginia Breslin
3. Michelle Gillick

GU/10 200m

1. Josephine Gallagher
2. Susan Dillon
3. Andrea Ennis

GU/10 60m (Hur)

1. Linda Haren
2. Michelle Gillick
3. Virginia Breslin

GU/12 100m

1. Gilliam Power
2. Patricia Purcell
3. Ciara Power

GU/12 600m

1. Patricia Purcell
2. Emer O'Sullivan
3. Margaret Brennan

GU/13 600m walk

1. Paula O'Shea
2. Emer O'Sullivan
3. Darina O'Malley

GU/14 100m

1. Emma McCluskey
2. Caoimhe O'Sullivan
3. Sharon Lee

GU/14 800m

1. Emma McCluskey
2. Ciara Dillon
3. Sharon Lee

GU/14 L/J

1. Caoimhe O'Sullivan
2. Orla Doran
3. Fionnula Gallagher

GU/14 Shot

1. Geraldine Breslin

GU/14 Puckfada

1. Geraldine Breslin

GU/16 100m

1. Lisa McCluskey
2. Helen O'Shea
3. Carmel Noonan

GU/16 1500m

1. Lisa McCluskey
2. Carmel Noonan

GU/16 High Jump

1. Noeleen McCluskey
2. Janet Whittaker

GU/17 100m

1. Fiona Lawlor

GU/17 Marathon

1. Emer Farrelly
2. Sandra Stewart

G. Fun Relay U/14

1. Janet Whittaker
2. Patricia Purcell
3. Michelle Gallagher
4. Emma McCluskey

Team 2

1. Niamh O'Melia
2. Meave Stynes
3. Virginia Breslin
4. Helen O'Shea

Team 3

1. Ciara Power
2. Caoimhe O'Sullivan
3. Eleanor Tyrell
4. Susan Roberts

Ladies O/17 200m

1. Ecila Lorenzo
2. Carmel Byrne
3. Ina Connolly

Mothers Race 100m

1. Marie Connolly
2. Ecila Lorenzo
3. Ina Connolly

Toddlers 3 & 4 years G

1. Gilliam Flemming
2. Gilliam Corbally

Toddlers 5 & 6 years G

1. Elizabeth King
2. Lynn Brennan
3. Claire Hogan

Swimming

GU/8 F/R Stroke

1. Rachel Watson
2. Caroline Farrell
3. Elizabeth King

G U/10 F/R Stroke

1. Susan Dillon
2. Anna Flood
3. Lorraine Farrell



Boys under eight 60 metres. Winners Patrick McDonald, Karl Ennis, Christopher Arthurs. Also in photograph is Hugh Crawford (Chairman Kildare Community Games) who presented awards.

G U/10 B/K Stroke

1. Susan Dillon
2. Anna Flood
3. Clodagh King

G U/12 F/R Stroke

1. Aoife Callaghan
2. Yvonne Casey
3. Gemma Haren

G U/12 B/R Stroke

1. Aoife Callaghan
2. Yvonne Casey
3. Cathy Grassick

G U/14 F/R Stroke

1. Ann-Marie Gallagher
2. Ciara Dillon
3. Helen Buckley

G U/14 B/K Stroke

1. Ann-Marie Gallagher
2. Dorcas Dillon

G U/16 B.K. Stroke

1. Martina Gallagher
2. Deirdre Stynes

B U/8 F/R Stroke

1. Christopher Arthurs
2. Eoin Kelly
3. Martin McLoughlin

B U/10 F/R Strokes

1. James Gallagher
2. Declan Buckley
3. Edward Nevin

B U/10 B/K Stroke

1. Declan Buckley
2. Edward Nevin
3. James Gallagher

B U/12 F/R Stroke

1. Richard Cotter
2. Liam Kelly
3. Rohan Igoe

B U/12 B/R Stroke

1. Richard Cotter
2. Liam Kelly
3. Rohan Igoe

B U/14 B/K Stroke

1. Brett Igoe
2. Peter Burke

B U/14 F/R Stroke

1. Brett Igoe
2. Colin Hanley
3. Allen O'Shea

B U/16 F/R Stroke

1. Evan Igoe
2. Simon Cotter

B U/16 B/K Stroke

1. Evan Igoe

B U/16 B/Fly Stroke

1. Simon Cotter

ART

G U/8

1. Karen Hildabrand
2. Sharon Cummins
3. Meadhbh McManus

G U/10

1. Orla Chaill
2. Jennifer Hildabrand
3. Catheriona Tumelty

G U/12

1. Kerrie-Jean Lynch
2. Miriam Gormally
3. Deirdre McIntyre

G U/14

1. Helen Buckley
2. Niamh Coughlan
3. Emma McCluskey

G U/16

1. Grainne Coughlan
2. Deirdre Stynes
3. Fiona O'Malley
3. Fiona Lynch

B U/8

1. Martin McLoughlan
2. Karl Ennis

B U/10

1. Fergal Nangle
2. Gerard Mealy
3. David Coughlan

B U/12

1. Raymond Flemming
2. Rohan Igoe
3. David Ryan

B U/14

1. Kenneth Killoran
2. Michael Meally
3. Allen O'Shea
3. Peter Burke

B U/16

1. Paul Daly

G U/14 Modelling

1. Claire O'Connor
2. Rita Thompson
3. Darina O'Malley



U/10 100m Girls. Josephine Gallagher, Virginia Breslin, Michelle Gillick. Also Owen Byrne who presented the awards.

GYM

G U/8

1. Brid-Ann O'Shea
2. Aideen Billings
3. Isabelle Fay

G U/10

1. Niamh Mulready
2. Claire McDonough
3. Nichola Horn

G U/12

1. Paula O'Shea
2. Ann-Marie O'Farrell
3. Tracey Kearney

G U/14

1. Genevieve Fay
2. Clare Barwall
3. Helen McMahan

G U/16

1. Gilliam McDonough
2. Helen O'Shea

B U/8

1. Jose Lorenzo
2. Seamus Cummins
3. Conor O'Malley

B U/10

1. John Moran
2. Keith Flemming
3. Michael Walsh

B U/12

1. Conor Billings

B U/14 GYM

1. Niall O'Shea

ATHLETICS

B U/8 60m

1. Patrick McDonald
2. Karl Ennis
3. Christopher Arthurs

B U/8 80m

1. Karl Ennis
2. Patrick McDonald
3. Christopher Arthurs

B U/10 100m

1. David Coughlan
2. Stephen Brennan
3. Daniel Roberts

B U/10 200m

1. Stephen Brennan
2. Declan Buckley
3. Michael Flynn

B U/10 60m (Hur)

1. David Coughlan
2. John Canny
3. Kenneth Kirby

B U/12 100m

1. Jamie Lawlor
2. Paul Flood
3. Ted Robinson

B U/12 600m

1. Paul Flood
2. Jamie Lawlor
3. Stephen Noonan

B U/12 Puckfada

1. Niall Gillick
2. Eric Flynn
3. Richard Cotter

B U/14 100m

1. Kenneth Killoran
2. Colm Hanley
3. Padraic Hogan

B U/14 800m

1. Kenneth Killoran
2. Patrick Hawkins
3. Austin Noonan

B U/14 L/J

1. Austin Noonan
2. Edward Lacey
3. Bernard Robinson

B U/14 Shot

1. Padraic Hogan
2. Brian Collins
3. Derek Hemming

B U/13 600m Walk

1. Patrick Hawkins
2. Johnathan Arthurs
3. Niall O'Shea

B U/16 100m

1. Hugh Purcell
2. Gavin Callaghan

B U/16 1,500m

1. Gavin Gallagher
2. Damien Birchall

B U/16 High Jump

1. Hugh Purcell
2. John Gormally
3. Damien Birchall

B U/16 Discus

1. John Gormally

B U/17 100m

1. Michael O'Shea

B U/17 Marathon
1. Enda Breslin

B U/14 Relay
First Team:
Stephen Noonan
Edward Leavy
Michael Flynn
Karl Ennis

Second Team:
Niall Gillick
Robert Casey
Patrick Hawkins
Keith Flemming

Third Team:
John Gormally
Johnathan Arthurs
Peter Burke
Jose Lorenzo

Men O/17 200m
1. Paddy Power
2. Peadar Haren
3. Niall Byrne

Fathers 100m
1. Colm McDonald
2. Tom Purcell
3. Pat King

Toddlers 3 & 4 years B.
1. Pearse Ennis
2. Eric Roberts
3. Barry Hogan

Toddlers 5 & 6 years B.
1. Connor Diggins
2. Colm Cahill
3. Jose Lorenzo

Mixed Relay O/14

First Team
Lisa McCluskey
Jennifer Arthurs
Richard Scanlon
Donal Fitzpatrick

Second Team
Colin Hanley
Patrick Ryan
Elaine Steward
Finola Gallagher

Third Team
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Deirdre Stynes
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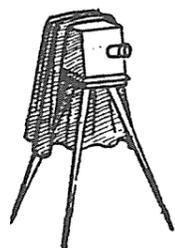
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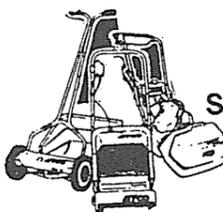
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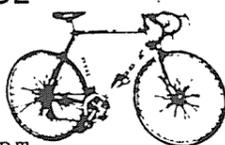
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

WEEK 1

JULY

Monday 4th Registration, Badge & Booking (Geraldine Hall) 10am 1pm. £1 30
Tuesday 5th Free Day
Wednesday 6th 2.30 Crazy Games (Rail Pk.) (No film)
Thursday 7th 2.30 Crafts
2.30 Junior Rounders
2.30 Senior Rounders
Friday 8th 10.00 Outing to Monkstown Swimming Pool.
Names will be taken on the 4th July.

Fishing Competitions will be organised two evenings a week.

WEEK 2

Monday 11th Morning 10.30 Teams to be picked (Harbour Field)
2.30 Hike & Picnic.
Tuesday 12th 10am. Barbecue to Donadea
Orienteering
7.30 Fishing (Harbour).
Wednesday 13th 10.30 Soccer Leagues (Harbour)
2.30 Afternoon Treasure Hunt from Harbour Field.
7.30pm Film((Salesian House).
Thursday 14th 10am. Outing to Hellfire Club.
Friday 15th 10.30 Semifinals & Finals of Soccer.
NO AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES.

WEEK 3

Monday 18th 2.30 It's a Knockout in Rail Pk.
Tuesday 19th 10.30 Basketball Leagues in the morning.
2.30 Bingo in Salesian House.
Wednesday 20th 10.30 Bowling in Stillorgan.
7.30 Film in Salesian House.
Thursday 21st 10.30 Basketball Finals
2.30 Simple and Difficult Orienteering from Salesian House.
Friday 22nd 9.30 Avondale Trip.

WEEK 4

Monday 25th 10.30 Tennis Championship.
2.30 Table Quiz (Salesian House).
Tuesday 26th 10.30 Donadea Trip (£1.00).
Orienteering & Barbecue.
Wednesday 27th 10.30 Tennis Championship
2.30 It's a Knockout (Rail Pk.)
7.30 Film (Salesian House).
Thursday 28th 10.30 Tennis Finals.
2.00 Concert (Geraldine Hall)
Friday 29th 2.00 Departure from Maynooth for 'Camp Ballinakill'.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Maynooth Community Council wishes to clarify the position regarding Insurance for the Harbour Field. We stress that the Public Liability Policy held by the Community Council only covers

the activities of their own property the Community Council Owners Insurance in Any other body of respect of the field organisations who The Playground is use the field must not insured at all. carry their own insurance. When the position was clarified with the insurance company, it was recommended that the Trustees of the Harbour Field should hold Muireann ni Bhrolchain Chairwoman.



Eye Hear

A Fair Cop for Maynooth?
Readers may be aware that Sergeant Higgins will be retiring from the force in the near future, after many years of service to the Maynooth Community. It has been suggested that his successor may be somewhat different in style to Sergeant Higgins, and that the person in question may even be a woman. What a blow for women's equality at last!

Property Values are Rising:
A bungalow on c.3/4 acre at Ballygoran, Maynooth was sold recently for £61,500 by a local auctioneer. There had been a large enquiry for the property and the auctioneers expressed themselves satisfied with the price achieved. They stated that there is a shortage of good class residential property of this nature available in the Maynooth/Celbridge/Leixlip area. They are particularly anxious to find suitable properties in the £60/£80,000 bracket for disappointed underbidders. This is something which the Newsletter pointed out sometime ago. There is not enough variety in the range of housing available in the Maynooth area.

THE OLDE FAIR DAY

While most of the country celebrated the unexpected delights of cheering an Irish soccer team to victory in Stuttgart, the Maynooth Kilcock Lions were regretting that they hadn't consulted the crystal ball. They had the misfortune to schedule their Olde Fair Day for the day of the epic Ireland England encounter, long before such a possibility was even dreamed of. The crowd was, understandably down on last year, with presumably a consequent drop in income. So Ireland's glory may be a loss to some of our senior citizens who were set to benefit from the funds raised for holidays in Mosney.

CROCODILE MAYNOOTH?

The scaffolding and black plastic sheefing shrouding the Roost for three days in June may have led to some speculation as to what was going on inside. According to our sources, a commercial for Fosters beer was being made in the antique bar of the Roost. While the bar may look authentically antique, we can reveal that it has only looked like that since Noel and Anne Cassidy took over. Sure what matter, let's hope all had a giddy mite, and the usual customers didn't suffer too much in their exile in the lounge.

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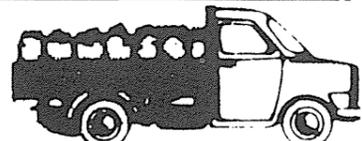
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Cassidy - June 10th, 1988, Anne (nee Treacy) and Noel, of Foxrock and Maynooth, take pride in announcing the arrival of Annika-Noelle, a sister for Tracey, Amanda, Barry and Paul.

Welcome to Alison Mann (aged nine years) who is coming from Toronto for a two week stay in Ireland with Fiona Smyth who lives in Lock House, Laraghbryan.

Congratulations to Mrs Brigid Waldon (nee Nolan, Greenfield), Palmerstown on the birth of baby girl, sister for Amy.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Tony McTernan, Avondale June 7th.
Yvonne Dunne, Parson St. June 8th.
Mrs. Pauline Dowling, Greenfield June 29th.

Mrs. Lizzie Mee, Mariaville 80 years young June 15th.

Jason Burke, Newtown age 12 June 12th.

Eamonn Mac Keogh, Railpark, best wishes on the 28th July.

Ann McStravick, 26th July, Greenfield Drive.

21st Birthday

Congratulations to Michael O'Regan, Main St. Maynooth who celebrated his 21st birthday on June 21st.

Congratulations to Margaret Nolan, Newtown who celebrated her 21st birthday on June 6th. A party attended by her parents and a host of friends was held in The Leinster Arms for the happy event.

PRETTY MAYNOOTH WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Geraldine O'Connor, Greenfield, Maynooth and Alan Birchall, St. Patrick's Park, Celbridge who were married in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth June 6th.

and to

Lorna Dunne, Greenfield, Maynooth and Christopher Merriman, Main Street, Clane who were married in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth June 8th.

Congratulations to Sonia Fusciardi and Shaun O'Sullivan on their recent marriage. The young couple will reside in Beaufield.

Congratulations to Eddie and Carol Sherry, Laurence Avenue on the birth of their daughter on 27th May. A sister for Christopher and John.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Phil and Breda Brady, Clock House, Maynooth who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on June 2nd.

and to

Mr. Bob and Mrs. Kathleen Quinn, Green Lane Leixlip who celebrated their golden anniversary on June 12th.

ORDINATION

Archbishop of Dublin Dr. Desmond Connell ordained Fathers John Loftus and John Kenny in Maynooth College Chapel June 5th, both will serve in the diocese of Killala. It was the first ordination he performed there and the first ordination in the College Chapel since 1968.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy to the husband, sons and daughters of the late Mrs. Murtagh, Greenfield.

Sympathy to the parents, sisters and relatives of the late Gerard McDonald, Doctors Lane.

Sympathy to the husband, sons, daughter, brothers, sisters and relatives of the late Sheila Flood, Ballymun, formerly Mariaville and Parson St.

Sympathy to Aidan Killoran, Maynooth Park on the death of his mother in Ballymote.

Sympathy to John Hearn, Greenfield on the death of his mother in Celbridge.

Sympathy to the sister and relatives of the late Maura Reilly (nee Sammon), Manor Court, Maynooth formerly Celbridge.

Sympathy to Jim Dowling, Greenfield on the death of his brother in Australia.

Sympathy to the family of Eileen Murphy nee Courtney, who died on 18th June.

Sympathy to the wife and family, brothers, sisters and relatives of the late Dan Doolan, Australia, and late of Maynooth.

Sympathy to Danny Devine, Divine Word Missionaries, Maynooth, on the death of his father.

TONY'S TREBLE

Congratulations to Tony McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip formerly Parson Street, who received Player of the Year trophy from his team Caragh Albion F.C. Ballydowd. Tony also got some reward when playing with Maynooth Town F.C. and with Maynooth Cromm Abu G.A.A.

BON VOYAGE

Best of luck to Orla McStravick and Neava Redmond of Greenfield Drive who are going to work as au pairs in France for the summer.

Gone to Australia on holidays wishing Mrs Hand and Paul, Main St, Maynooth a very happy holiday in Australia with their families. From Liam and Margaret Bean and family, "Lemar", Dunboyne Rd., Maynooth.

Welcome Home From Australia

Welcome home to Tommy and Oonagh Murray, Australia, formerly from Laurences Avenue, Maynooth and Dublin Road. Tommy and Oonagh are spending their 3 months holidays with their son Adrian and Mary and family, Celbridge Road, Maynooth. Hope they enjoy their holiday from Liam and Margaret Bean and family, "Lemar", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth.

Congratulations to Lyndon James Mullan of T.C.D. winner of the Crampton Centenary Engineering award.

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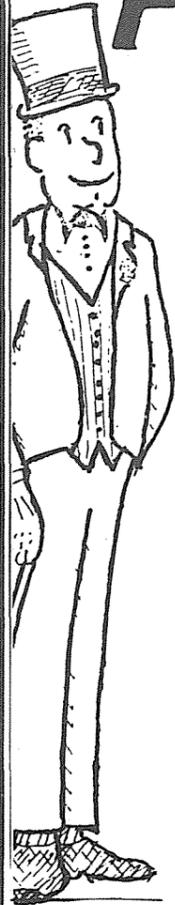
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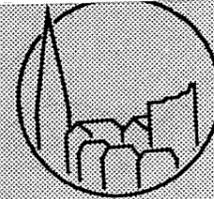


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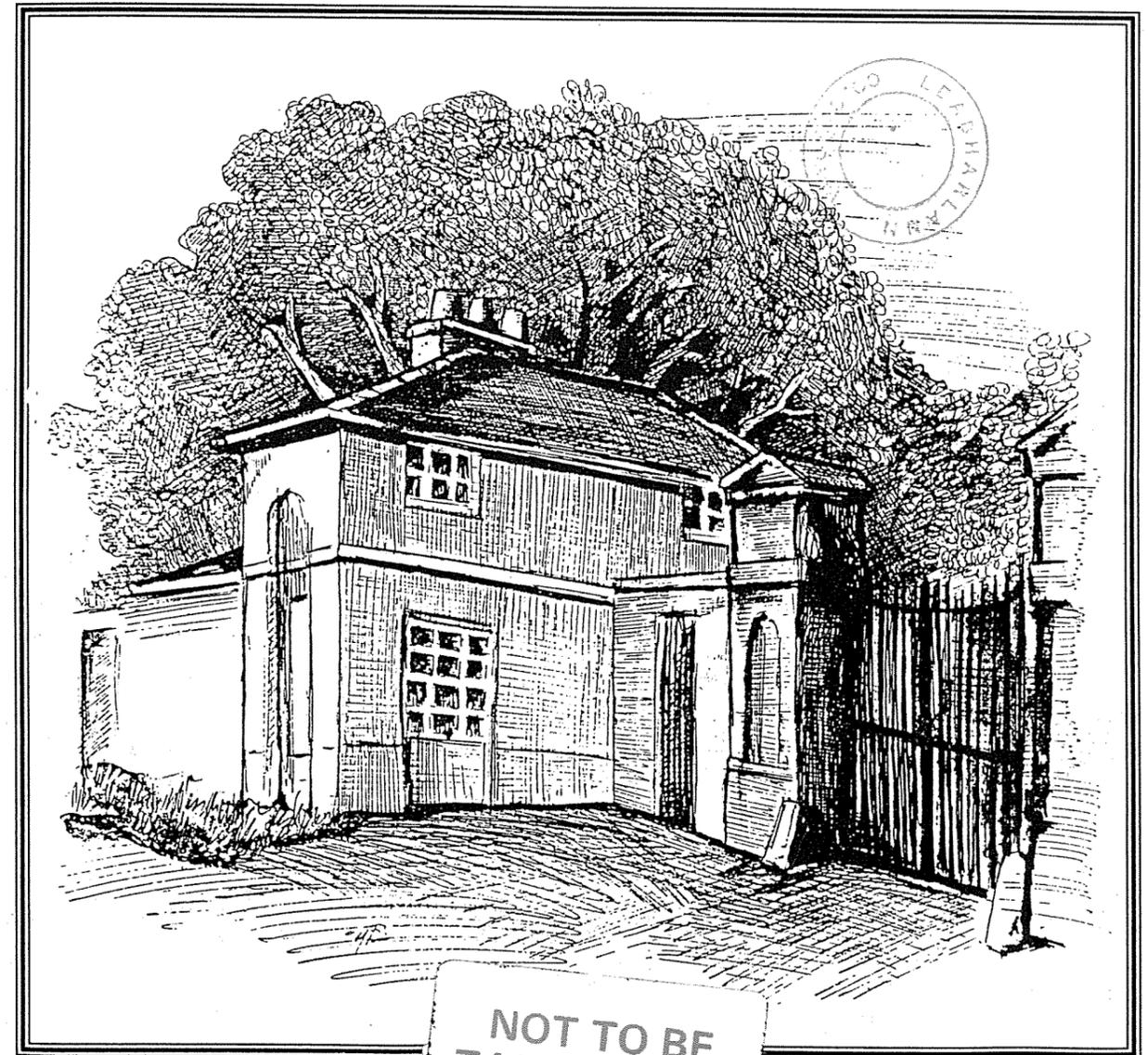


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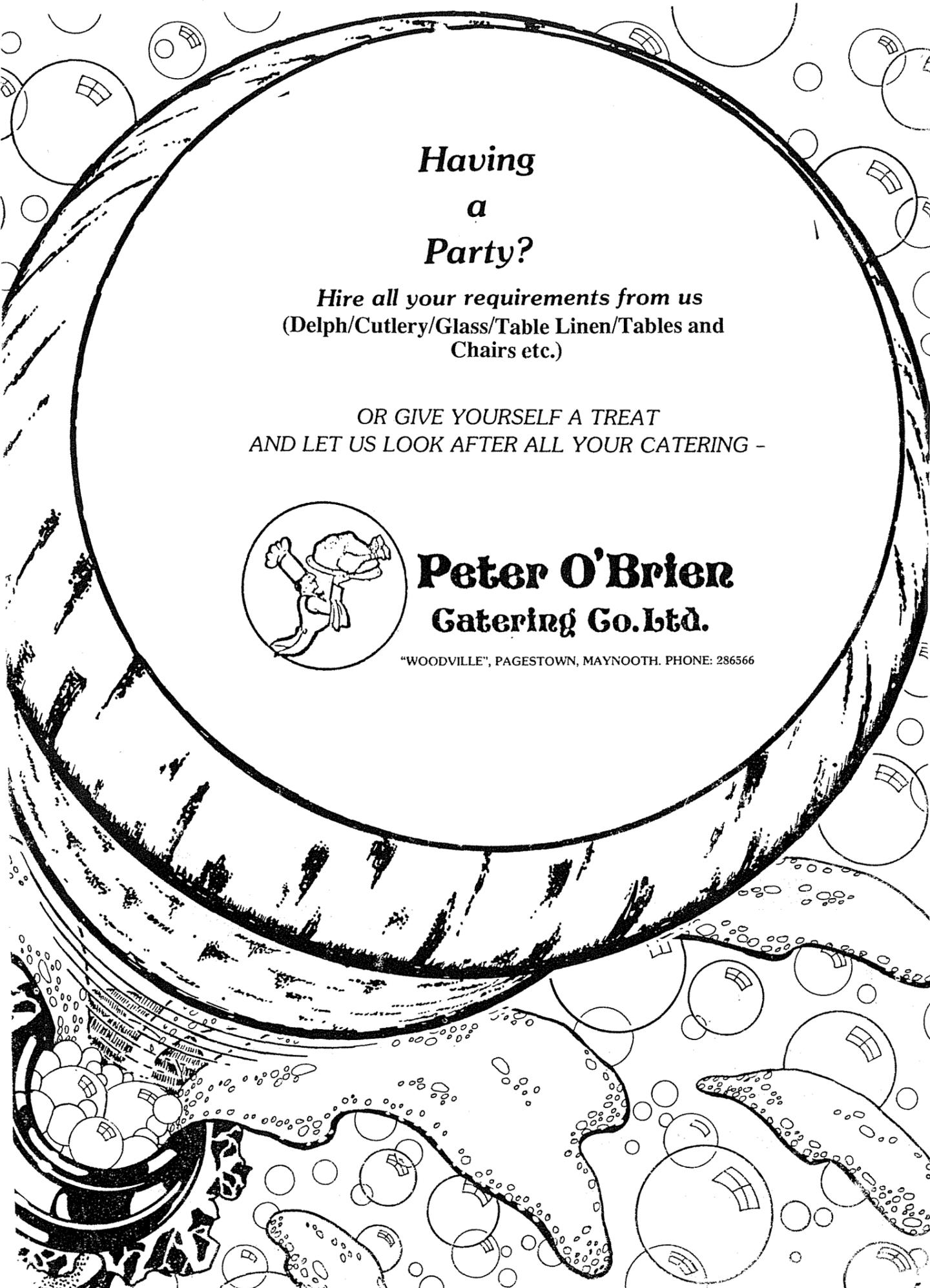
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Editorial

WRITERS NEEDED

The Editorial Board is about to lose one of its most active contributors, Street Talker, alias Peter Denman, for the next few months. Peter is off to the United States, to work on his writing skills.

We are appealing to anyone out there who would like to make some contribution to the newsletter to step forward. We are constantly on the lookout for material, especially related to events and issues with a Maynooth flavour. Even if you would prefer not to attend meetings, we would be happy to consider any written material for publication. Pieces should be no more than 500 words, and can be as small as ten words.

The Editorial Board would also welcome any comments or suggestions readers have to make on how we can continue to improve the newsletter. Remember, the newsletter is produced for the people of Maynooth, by the people of Maynooth. So if you have ideas for new features, please send them on to the Newsletter Office — telephone 285922.

TRAVELLERS HALT IN MAYNOOTH

The Newsletter welcomes the six traveller families who have now taken up residence in the halting site at Blacklion, and we wish the families all the best in their new homes. We hope that the minimal facilities provided, although constituting a vast improvement on their previous circumstances, will enable the travellers to go about their lives with some dignity. The County Council has appointed a social worker who will liaise with the travellers and the settled community. A committee is to be set up which will carry out the task of managing the site, and maintaining communications.

The Newsletter now urges the County Council to provide a temporary halting site for the travellers who cannot be accommodated in the permanent site. The shanty town on the Kilcock road was a terrible indictment of Irish society, and should not have been tolerated, either for the sake of the travellers at risk from passing traffic, and from disease, or for the sake of the settled community, who understandably, have pride in their environment, and to whom the caravans and assorted debris were an offensive eyesore.

Congratulations to the families in-

involved for cleaning up this area prior to their departure to their new home.

Farewell to Community Council Administrator Kathy Robson who has worked so hard this last year. We wish her every success and happiness in her new life in London. We extend a warm welcome to her successor, Christina Saults and hope not to work her too hard! The Newsletter also welcomes Carolann Reaper onto the Editorial Board.

A get well wish to Tom Geraghty from Greenfield Supermarket who was involved in a car accident on the Celbridge Road. Hope to see you back in the shop soon!!

THE LIBRARY DIARY

To all groups, associations and organisations etc. who organise events for the Maynooth area; We would like to draw your attention to the Diary in Maynooth Library. The Diary is there to be used by all, to log coming events. In this way all groups will know what's on, when and where. By making full use of this Diary we will all avoid clashing dates and this should make for better running of events for all.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The last meeting of the Community Council was held on Monday 18th July. The new Students Union representative, Eric Gaughran was welcomed to the meeting by the Chairperson.

It was pointed out to the Council that due to the takeover by Maynooth Relays the T.V. channels are now on different frequencies. Subscribers are requested to retune their T.V. sets.

CORRESPONDENCE

In the correspondence to the Council, we were informed that Sgt. Higgins will be retiring from his position in September. A dinner will be held in the Springfield Hotel to mark this event at the end of September.

The Chairperson of the Council was asked by the Students Union to provide a short article on the Community Council for inclusion in their Handbook this year. We are pleased at the obvious interest shown by them in the town and the Council.

A letter was received from a Trustee of the Harbour Field. Within this context the Council would again like to stress, as was stated in the previous issue of the Newsletter, that the Harbour Field is only insured by the Community Council for events held by the Council itself. Any other group or organisation wishing to use the field should take out its own insurance.

Letters were also received from councillors Durkan and Stagg concerning the harassment of a family in the Old Greenfield area. The police are investigating the matter.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tidy Towns

The Committee is going ahead with the clean-up of the town each Thursday night at 7.30pm and they meet in the Square. Any help from the community would be more than welcome! We note with pleasure the vast improvements in both shop fronts and premises in the town centre over recent months. This adds greatly to the appearance of the town and long may it last! Other shopowners could take a leaf out of their book.

The representative for Cluain Aoibhinn queried the fact that the Tidy Estates were not judged during Community Week as was normal procedure. It was clarified that this was due to difficulties in finding appropriate judges. It is hoped to hold the judging in August and we apologise to the various Residents Associations who were disappointed.

SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL

The committee expressed extreme disappointment with the lack of support which the community in general gave Community Week. The Table Quiz was the best attended event. There is a full report elsewhere in this edition.

COMMUNITY GAMES

Maynooth should be proud of the eleven youngsters who have qualified for the Community Games Finals in Mosney to take place in August/September. They qualified in the following events — Swimming, the Athletic Walk, Gymnastics and Modelling. The Community Council agreed to give a sum of money to finance the finalists in their trip to the Finals.

It is hoped to hold a '60s night in the Hitchin' Post at the end of September — so keep your eyes open and be sure to tell your friends and neighbours. There is no better way to dance the night away. This event will help defray the expenses involved in sending the youngsters to Mosney.

THE NEWSLETTER

It was decided to make the Editorial Board of the Newsletter a direct sub-committee of the Council and to abolish the Communications sub-committee which was responsible for the organisation of the Maynooth Directory and the Old Maynooth Exhibition.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Meetings of the Community Council will now be held on the *second Monday* of each Month, instead of the third Monday and the venue will be the Community Council Offices.

CO-OPERATION BETWEEN OFFICE AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

It was decided that the supervisor of the Social Employment Scheme in the Community Council Office is to be co-opted onto the Community Council and may act as secretary to the meeting when necessary. This should result in a closer liaison between the office and the Council itself.

It was also decided that the chairperson and/or the secretary of each sub-committee will be a Community Council member, or must be co-opted onto the Council. This will result in a more cohesive body and greater co-operation between the committees and the Council itself.

The Council are delighted to announce that the Halting Site for the travellers is now open on the Dublin Road. The Kilcock Road has been left in very good condition. Members of the Council will be involved with the Travellers Settlement Committee along with the Social Worker from Kildare County Council and other members of the community. We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to the people of Maynooth for their support for this venture and Kildare County Council for building the site. However, we intend writing to Kildare County Council requesting that they clean up and improve the actual entrance to the site itself.

It is the firm intention of the Community Council to begin work on next year's Community Festival in September. All local clubs and organisations will be contacted for their support and help well in advance of the event.

DOUAI BOYS CHOIR

The Community Council would like to thank both Carol Clifford and Kathy Robson for their dedicated and unstinting work in organising this event, and particularly the families who accommodated and fed the members of the choir absolutely free of charge. Unfortunately the event was very badly supported and the behaviour of the choir left much to be desired. This results in the Community Council deciding not to host this project in future. We would also like to thank Telemecanique and Maynooth Office Supplies for their sponsorship of the concert. Our thanks also to the College for providing the facilities to give lunch to the choir on the Saturday.

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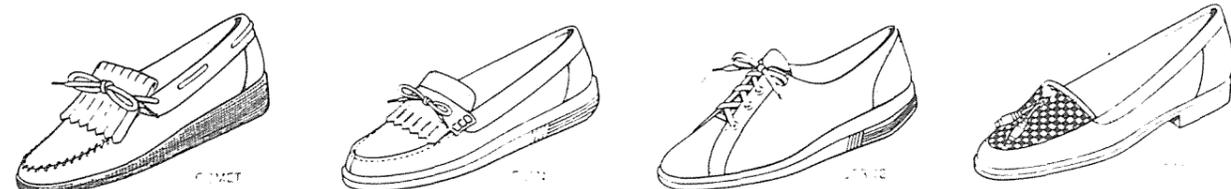
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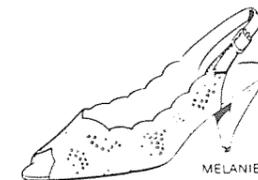


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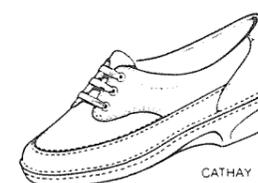
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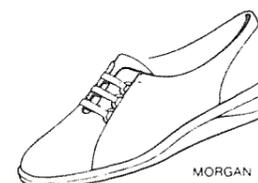
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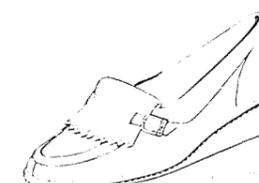
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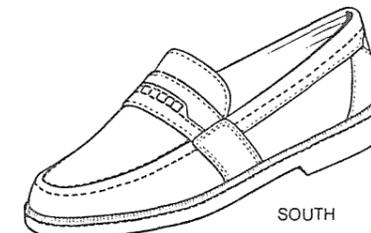
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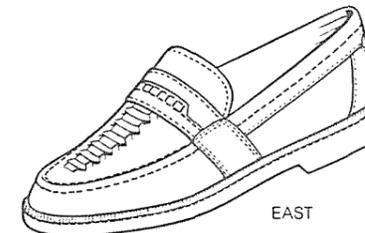
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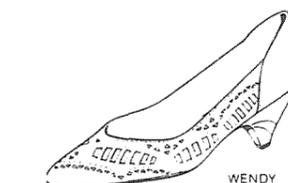


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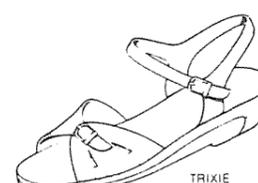


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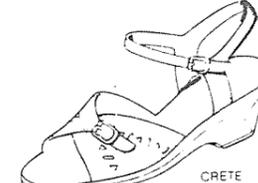
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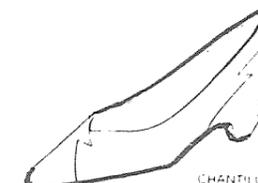
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OLD MAYNOOTH EXHIBITION

The exhibition was opened by Fr. O'Donnell, Vice-President of the College on the 2nd July. We would again like to thank the College for sponsoring and hosting this event and Fr. O'Donnell for performing the opening at extremely short notice. The permanent location of the exhibition will be decided by the College in the near future.



At the opening of the Old Maynooth Exhibition left to right: Mary Simon, PRO, Community Council, Fr. Matt O'Donnell Vice President, Maynooth College, Bernadine Dullaghan and Jarlath Finn, artist.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATION

We would like to stress that the following areas are no longer represented by a Council member. This is despite all efforts to find representatives. It has been decided therefore that it is now the responsibility of the various areas themselves to provide representatives. This is essential if they wish to have their problems and concerns aired at Council level. These are the areas: Beaufield; Old Rail Park/Straffan Road; Moyglare Road; Crinstown (Area D); Carton Demense.

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Residents' Associations News.

CARTON COURT MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Community Week is well behind us now with what looks like the best of the summer weather. A lot of hard work was put into organising this very special week and it certainly went down well. Carton Court Residents would like to thank the organisers for providing us with a very exciting and eventful week.

The main event for Carton Court during Community Week was the Inter-Estate Football Finals. Congratulations are in order to both our teams for succeeding in getting to the Finals. There was great support from Residents at all the matches and with this same support we are sure to win the cup next year. The final results for the mens team were: The Crescent 2 and Carton Court 1 (The Crescent scoring at the last minute with a penalty shoot-out.) The women's team were also defeated in the finals by Ballygoran with a score of 1-0.

The committee would like to thank the Residents who came out on both "Clean-Up Days" to try and polish up the Estate. Neither days were of much success. Judging for the Inter-Estate competition has been postponed so at this stage there are no results available.

Residents will be relieved to note that Celbridge Relays has now been taken over by Maynooth Relays Ltd. Tel. 285296. This new company will hopefully provide us with a better overall service. Residents who have ceased their subscriptions may be re-connected on payment of £27 on or before 31st July thus avoiding a re-connection fee.

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Dear Editor,

We would like to take this opportunity of apologising to all those who came to hear us in Caulfields on Wednesday July 6th. Unfortunately we were able to lay due to a double booking. We were originally scheduled to begin playing at 10.00 p.m. At 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday evening a member of the Social and Recreational Committee approached a member of the Folk Group and told her that the time had been changed to 9.00 p.m. and that the group was to play until 10.00 p.m. only, as someone else was scheduled to play from 10.00 to 12.00.

Given the numbers in the group, the equipment involved, the very short notice and the fact that we had been advertised for 10 p.m., not to mention a previous venue change, we felt that the situation had become totally unacceptable.

On arriving to 'set up' at 9.30 we found that the same committee member was unwilling to discuss the matter with us, and gave us the option of either playing for one hour only or of not playing at all.

Having spent many hours rehearsing to prepare a programme of at least 2½ hours, having incurred expenses renting instruments and because of the disappointment felt by us, we felt that we would not generate a happy atmosphere and that it would have been futile to 'set up' for only one hour.

Since we were prepared to provide a nights entertainment free of charge we are very upset with all that has happened.

We have heard various accounts of what happened and we hope that we have put the record straight.

Yours sincerely,
Sent in on behalf of the Folk Group.

VIVA MAYNOOTH

My name is Miguel, I come from Pamplone, a town situated in the north of Spain. This is my first time in Ireland and I'm going to stay here for a month — I have several reasons for coming to Ireland. The most important are: learning English (which is a language that has become very useful

wherever you go) and having a good time while I get to know new friends and a different country.

We all are very happy with you as our host families and almost everybody is very friendly to us. I and most of my friends and schoolmates are looking forward to coming again next summer to Maynooth where we are enjoying very much our stay in Ireland. Hopefully the weather will be better.

(MAYNOOTH COMES TO MANCHESTER)

Dear Sir/Madam,

Just a few lines to say how delighted I was to see all those familiar faces from Maynooth while on their recent and very successful visit to Manchester, with the Irish Dancing group from Maynooth.

As I'm now living in Preston Lancashire I could not resist the opportunity to take my wife and baby son over to Manchester to see them all and it really made our day. As it gets lonely living over here, especially if you're Irish meeting all those people made me feel like I was right back in Maynooth again.

How nice it was to see Irish dancing again, all those girls from Maynooth, children and teenagers alike really showed them over here what Irish dancing was all about. When it came to prizes they really cleaned up and deservedly so.

Maynooth will be very proud of them all, as I know we all are over here. They all are a fine tribute to their parents and teachers alike. But at the end of the day it came that time when we said our goodbyes again and I had to return to Preston, something I found very hard to do and left with a lump in my throat.

But to everyone involved a very special word of thanks for making it a wonderful day and not letting me forget I come from Maynooth. Something I'll always be proud of.

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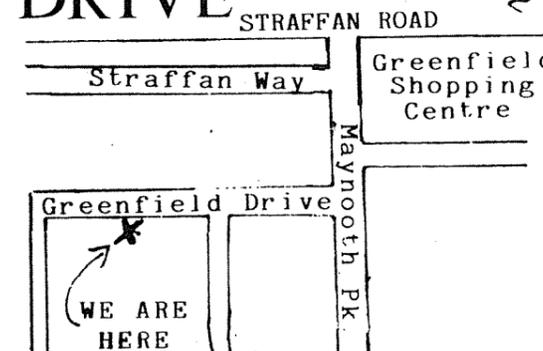
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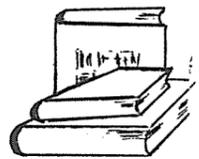


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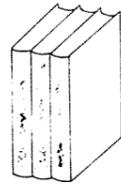
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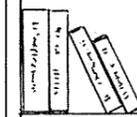
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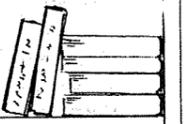
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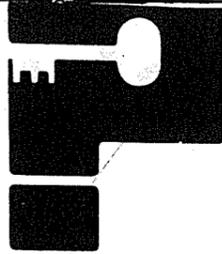
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** It was recently announced that unemployed people will be allowed to holiday outside the State and still qualify for unemployment payments on their return. The details and starting date for this have yet to be announced.

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Noel Dalton, Willie Saults, Catherine Fay, Michael Quinn, Pat Farrell, Jacqueline, Patricia & Nora Connolly who gave up their free time to help us.

The Sponsored Swim had to be deferred to a future date due to lack of water in the canal. There are many shops not mentioned in this column but I thank them all. During the past three years they have all been approached and have been very generous.

Finally I would like to thank all the Staff in the Community Council Office and the Chairwoman of the Community Council for all their help of which they gave unstintingly.

B.O.B.

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243 Grainne Hayes, Rathcoole. £25

Our grateful thanks to all our friends who made this draw a success.

In the light of recent perceived difficulties in extradition procedures between the United Kingdom and Ireland, it is essential that the Minister for Justice rejects suggestions made within his own party, at as high a level as National Executive, regarding changes in Extradition law.

These suggestions would appear to be emanating from a wing of Fianna Fail which refers to terrorists and murderers as "Republican activists", and disagree with extraditing anyone charged with such vile acts "while the conflict is going on."

The Minister should make clear his full support for the implementation of extradition procedures as laid down by the law here in the light of such attacks on the principle of extradition.

The "nod and wink" approach being sought by some members of Fianna Fail is what has allowed the appalling suffering of thousands of people on this island to continue for so long.

There should be no doubt as to the Government's intentions with regard to extradition despite dissenting voices in the government party being expressed at public meetings and elsewhere.

The vast majority of Irish people reject violence and have nothing but contempt for those who involve themselves in such activities.

Let there be no seeds of doubt sown in the minds of the public and the international community by the unchecked words of the wild men of Fianna Fail.

The Maynooth Branch of the Progressive Democrats will resume its monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of October.

The officers of the Branch are:—

Chairman: Louis Lennon Phone 286012

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The officers are available to attend any meeting in the Maynooth area. Please contact any of the above or the undersigned.

Michael Kelleher (Phone 286842) P.R.O.



LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Beaufield Residents

Emmet Stagg T.D. has made representations on behalf of Beaufield Residents regarding a proposal to use a road through the estate as a link road from the Rathcoffey Road to the Straffan Road/Maynooth bypass.

The residents of the estate are rightly concerned that the high volume of traffic through the estate that would result in a danger to young children.

Cup Victory for Corbally

Corbally were victorious in the Inter-Stud cup sponsored by the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party which took place during Community Week. In the final, played in the Harbour Field on July 10th, Corbally beat Airlie Stud 2-0 in a closely fought match. Emmet Stagg presented the Emmet Stagg Perpetual Cup to the winning captain, Frank Conlon after the match. In presenting the Cup, Deputy Stagg congratulated all the stud farm teams who had taken part in the competition.

Taxation Leaflet

Maynooth Branch has had a very positive response to a 'Taxation Leaflet' distributed throughout the county earlier this year. The leaflet called for reform of the taxation system which at the moment is heavily biased in favour of the rich, financial institutions and big corporations. The fact that wealth tax and inheritance tax have been abolished and that the majority of big companies pay no tax at all means that the PAYE sector is bearing over 90% of the taxation burden. This burden on PAYE workers can only be lifted if the tax base is broadened and that means that the rich, big farmers and business paying their fair share. PAYE workers have the power to bring this about — but only if they vote for candidates who will genuinely represent their interests. The Fianna Fail-Fine Gael-PD coalition is incapable of introducing radical tax reform as they are committed to a set of policies which give generous tax breaks to big business and owners of capital. The Labour Party, on the other hand, is committed to a just tax system where all pay their fair share.

Improvements to Fire Station

Following representations by Deputy Stagg the Co. Council has confirmed that a tender has been accepted and work should commence shortly on improvements to Maynooth Fire Station.

Road At Post-Primary School

Deputy Stagg has been informed that work on the road at the post-primary school in Maynooth, commencing with drainage, should start shortly and be completed by the end of the holidays.

Did You Know...?

If you are widow, deserted wife or single parent you will no longer be entitled to claim the half-rate payment of Disability Benefit, Maternity Allowance, or Unemployment Supplement from January 1988. The Labour Party introduced these

major benefits for women in the 1970s.

Clinics

Emmet Stagg T.D. is available to meet constituents at his clinic in Caulfield's 4.00—5.30 pm every Saturday. Councillor Colm Purcell holds his clinic in the Leinster Arms at 8.00 pm every Friday.

WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

MAYNOOTH BY-PASS

The Workers' Party welcomes the recent decision of the Minister for the Environment to go ahead with the Leixlip/Maynooth/Kilcock By-Pass road. While the loss of passing trade may affect some local businesses, the overall effect of the By-Pass on the Maynooth community will undoubtedly be beneficial, providing a more pleasant, less polluted and safer living environment. In fact, Maynooth will become more attractive both for potential residents and tourists, so that local businesses may end up better off in the long run.

There have been some misgivings locally over the use of the Straffan Road to gain access to the By-Pass. The Workers' Party will carefully monitor the situation to ensure that the highest safety standards are incorporated in the proposed upgrading of this road, and that satisfactory safety levels are observed by traffic using the road. The Workers' Party will also press for the early construction of the proposed ring road which is designed to take pressure off the Straffan Road after the By-Pass is built.

The Workers' Party is most perturbed by reports that the new By-Pass may be a toll road. Motorists are already paying enough taxes without having further impositions placed upon them. The Workers' Party will strenuously oppose any attempt to impose tolls on the By-Pass. As we have constantly argued in the past, if all the taxes owed to the state by self-employed and business interests were collected, there would be no need for the additional taxes and cutbacks being implemented by the present government.

MAYNOOTH HALTING SITE

The Workers' Party welcomes the Halting Site for travellers, recently opened on the Dublin Road. This site is earmarked for travellers who are normally resident in the Maynooth area, and will provide these families

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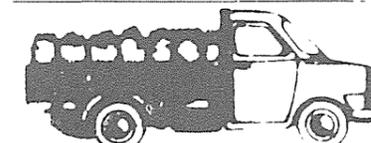
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This Halting Site is but the first step towards solving the problem of unsightly travellers' encampments which has affected Maynooth quite badly in recent years. The Workers' Party will now press for the implementation of the next step, which is the provision of a site for transient travellers, such as those currently encamped on the Kilcock Road. Such a site will clearly need to be much bigger, but must contain proper facilities if it is to be a success. The Workers' Party believes that there is a need for a nationally co-ordinated and state-funded approach to the provision of a network of halting sites, and that it should not be left up to each cash-starved local authority to deal with the issue as best it can.

VICTORY FOR CORBALLY STUDS

The highlight of the Community Week was the Inter-Stud 7-a-side Soccer Tournament for the Emmet Stagg Perpetual Cup. Eight stud farms entered teams, Kilmacredock, Damastown, Troytown Hosp., Airlie, Corbally, Tara, Grangewilliam and Derrinstown.

All matches were played in the Harbour Field and the final taking place on Sunday 10th July. Corbally defeated Airlie 2-0 in a very exciting final. Emmet Stagg presented the cup, which was sponsored by the local branch of the Labour Party, to Francis Conlon the captain of the Corbally team immediately afterwards. Teams and supporters retired to Caulfields for refreshments and celebrations which lasted well into the night.

John McGinley.



Emmet Stagg, T.D. presenting Emmet Stagg Perpetual Trophy to winners of the Inter-Stud Farm 7-a-side competition.

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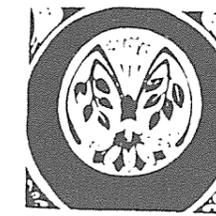
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THE GREENS

AN ASSESSMENT OF THEIR POLITICAL EFFECTIVENESS

The Green movement is a relatively new political phenomenon among the mass democratic movements of the western world. In many Western countries, the Greens have established their own organisations and political parties. In 1984, they won eleven (11) seats in the European Parliament. In 1987 they received 8.3 per cent of votes in the Bundestag elections in the German Federal Republic and secured 42 seats.

BACKGROUND

The 1970's saw the rise of environmental movements in Western Europe giving rise to a new form of social protest and political impetus for the Greens. Thus, the demand for the protection of the environment provided the Green's original philosophical and activist base.

ECOLOGICAL PROBLEMS IN THE MODERN WORLD

The Greens saw problems in global terms so that they were able to associate the numerous factors affecting the human species and the environment. To the fore in their political platforms are environmental protection, the need for nuclear disarmament, nuclear free zones in Europe (Western and Eastern), slowing down/halting the arms race, and reduction in armed forces. They are concerned at the state of International Relations and the effects that the arms race and policies of Militarist States have on the state of the world's socio-economic and ecological problems. Arising from such ideological

orientation, Green organisations are found participating in the peace movement in many Western countries.

ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL POLICIES

The concern for poverty in developing countries and the need to improve the standard of life among the ethnic populations, resulted in a concrete programme of solutions including: A moratorium on debt payments; protection of natural resources from multinationals; sanctions against racist States; adherence to U.N. policy of giving 0.7 of Gross National Product to developing countries.

The Greens have a critical attitude to economic exploitation of hired labour. They believe in co-operation with the working class and its organisations in the struggle for peace and disarmament. It may be that a degree of Utopianism has crept into their overtly optimistic thinking, which coupled with a somewhat naive political outlook e.g. the rejection of national sovereignty, leads to a certain immature and contradictory profile in the face of present political realities.

DIVERSE ELEMENTS

Differences exist between Green organisations of different countries for which there can be no full accounting except to stress the social base of the movement. Originally, members mainly comprised youth, intellectuals and the employed, many of whom were never actively involved in politics, but had some

experience of social concern and protest.

It is understandable that any political movement not yet completely formed, and in the process of development, will display elements of contradiction and immaturity. It remains to be seen if the diverse elements constituting the Greens movement can be moulded into an effective political force in the coming years.

POLITICS OF SURVIVAL

In an increasingly united, yet diverse world, the closing years of the 20th century make more urgent the need for radical changes in political thinking on a global scale and involvement with the most pressing issues facing mankind today, namely, the threat of nuclear extinction and the solution of socio-economic and ecological problems to assist the survival of civilisation into the 21st century.

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Large numbers of people turned up at Maynooth Harbour and the adjacent Harbour field on the afternoon of Sunday the 19th of June, 1988 to welcome the arrival of approximately twenty-five craft. The convoy had earlier set off from the slip-way at Confey near Leixlip, passing through the thirteenth lock where new gates have been installed. Duke's Harbour, Maynooth, had not seen such activity since the early 1940's when turf was carried through to Dublin by barge.

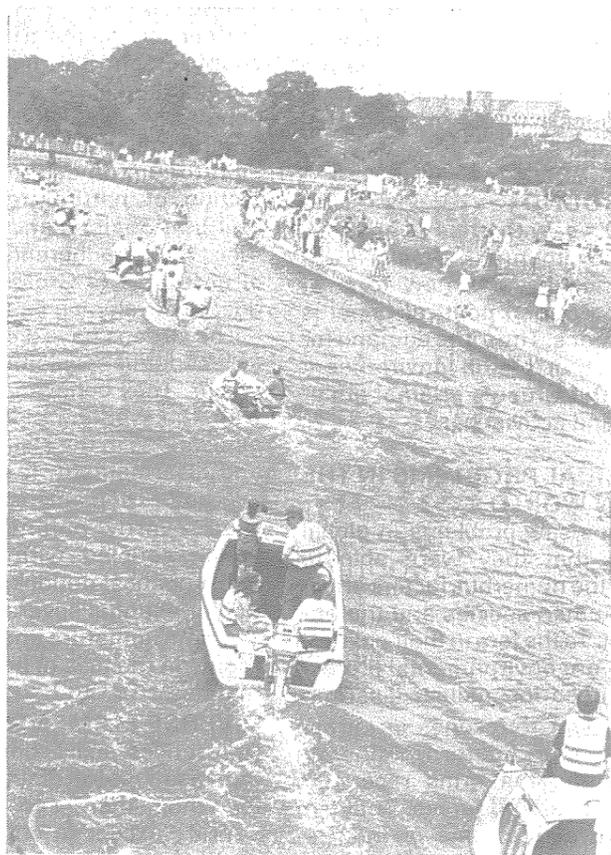
The parent body of the Royal Canal Amenity Group hosted a small reception for the "boatpeople". Matt Kennedy, Chairman of the Maynooth R.C.A.G., made a short speech of welcome which was followed by speeches from Kathleen Brewster of the Office of Public Works and Eddie Slain, Chairman of the parent body. These rousing speeches were followed by a more rousing and complete version of the Anthem of the R.C.A.G. — "The Ould Triangle". Approximately seven boats provided short Canal trips for the many children who attended. Members, friends and supporters of Maynooth R.C.A.G. assisted at the reception, sold teas and sandwiches, bread, cakes and toffee apples, and did children's face-painting and other novelty events. The Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School gave a well attended exhibition, while music throughout the afternoon was provided by St. Mary's Band and Maynooth Accordion Band. Maynooth Scouts and Scout Leaders provided and erected the Reception Tent while Maynooth Summer Project provided the Tent for tea and sandwiches and the Cassidy family of "The Roost" sponsored the Public Address System.

Sincere thanks were due to all the helpers and supporters. The weather held for the afternoon and from many comments subsequently, people appeared to have enjoyed the afternoon.

The following four nights were taken up with the Annual Flag Collection. The response was, as always, generous and the collectors were heartened by the many expressions of goodwill and encouragement from the householders and businesses in Maynooth. It sounds almost a cliché to say that the Canal Project could not simply survive without the financial support and goodwill of the community but that is the case.

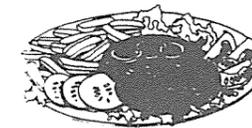


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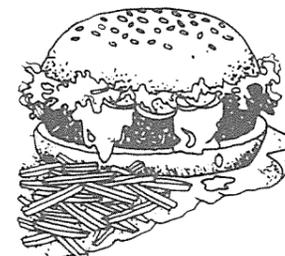
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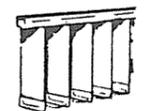
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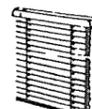
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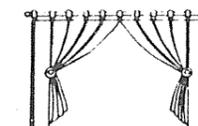
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After many months of speculation, the minister for the Environment has announced officially, the construction of the long awaited motorway which is to bypass Maynooth.

The new motorway will be eleven miles long, and will bypass Leixlip, Maynooth and Kilcock. It will link the dual carriageway, west of Lucan, which is near completion, with the existing main N4 road to Galway, west of Kilcock, and there will be interchanges south-east of Leixlip and south of Maynooth.

There will be nine new bridges, including one pedestrian bridge, along the route, and there will be two lanes in both directions.

The motorway will cost, at 1988 prices, over 39 million pounds, most of which will come from state road grants; it is hoped that finance will also be available from the European Regional Development Fund, and the European Investment Bank.

It is expected that the motorway will bring significant benefits to Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip, through the elimination of traffic congestion, and noise and air pollution, as well as the reduction of traffic hazards.

Unfortunately, no firm dates have been mentioned as yet. However, the Department hopes to include construction dates in the blueprint for road development nationally, which the Minister hopes to publish shortly.

Harassed Maynooth commuters can only hope that relief will not be too far away. As anyone who has had to stand in the Main Street in recent times can testify, traffic through Maynooth is destroying what could

be a very pleasant environment. On Fridays, the Main Street, and the Dublin Road out as far as Blacklion, sometimes, traffic is reduced to walking pace.

Traffic Hazards in Town

There are at least two locations in town which are crying out for effective traffic management - before a serious accident occurs. The first is in the Square, where it is about time that a one way system was introduced. There have been several near accidents between vehicles coming in from the Main Street on both sides of the square. It would be much safer for all concerned for traffic to enter the Main Street from Aidan Flood's side, and to turn for the Straffan Road from Brady's Pub side.

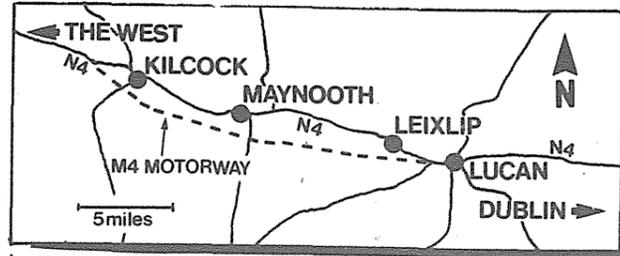
The second location has already witnessed a number of collisions - in one of which a car carrying passengers to the ferry was seriously damaged. This is outside the shopping centre. Again, some of the problems could be overcome with an enforced one way system, which would force shoppers to enter the car park at the far end of the centre, and to leave at the near end. Cars slowing down to turn in to the centre without adequate warning have been the cause of a number of rear end collisions. Over to the powers that be to do

something about the situation.

MIXED UP GEOGRAPHY

We thought that the Maria Marron, journalist in the Leinster Leader, was trying to re-arrange the geography of North Kildare in a recent article. The article referred to a painting of a tiger in the window of Donovan's Newsagent in Greenfields Shopping Centre, which as far as we are aware, was and still is out on the Straffan Road, in Maynooth. Despite this well-known fact, the headline to the article described Donovans as the Celbridge Newsagents.

However, perhaps Maria was right, and Celbridge now starts at Paddy Ryan's garage. Those with an eye for such things, will have noticed that the sign post at the T-junction, which always indicated that Celbridge was five miles away, give or take a centimetre, now sports a sign pointing to Crodaun Forest Park - but makes no reference to Celbridge. Perhaps the Eastern Regional Development Organisation plan to turn the Maynooth Lucan Leixlip Celbridge parallelogram into a metropolis is already in operation, with the deletion of boundaries between the towns.



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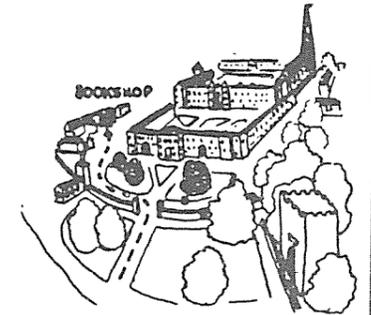
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A Focal Point of Local History Mary Cullen

While the Fitzgeralds were establishing themselves in Maynooth and their other new possessions, and bringing in settlers from England and Wales, they were also busy on number of other fronts.

The ruling elements of the O'Byrnes or Ui Faelain were pushed out of their old territories. Some of them moved into County Carlow, where, ironically, they allied with their former rivals the MacMurroughs, but the leading O'Byrne line turn up in the early fourteenth century in the barony of Wicklow. From here they spread north to establish their new territory stretching from Delgany in the north to Shillelagh in the south. Here they remained as a constant irritant to the Dublin government.

Meanwhile the Fitzgeralds were busy adding to their possessions. From the document quoted last month dating from between 1185 and 1189, in which John, son of the king of England and lord of Ireland, confirmed Gerald FitzMaurice, son of the first Maurice, in the lands of Maynooth and others, it appears that Gerald was granted these territories as a gift or grant from his brother William, Lord of Naas. The document goes on to confirm Gerald also in lands in Munster which he acquired as the heir of another brother Alexander who had been granted them by his uncle Robert Fitzstephen. Nearer home Gerald was expanding to the east into the territories of the O'Connors or Ui Failighe. The modern county Offaly takes its name from the Ui Failighe but the areas are not identical as can be seen from the map accompanying this article. This explains the presence of the baronies of east and west Offaly in modern county Kildare, and it was into these baronies that Fitzgerald moved, pushing out the O'Connors Faly. And from these new acquisitions he acquired the title of baron of Offaly, under which title he sat in parliament in 1205. The O'Connors remained in control of the rest of Ui Failighe until the plantations of Laois and Offaly during the reign of Mary Tudor in the sixteenth century.

The Fitzgeralds also naturally became involved in ecclesiastical developments in the Maynooth area. They arrived in Ireland at a time of rapid and far-reaching change in the Irish

Church. As mentioned in an earlier article, the Church in Ireland had developed an organisation that was very different to that in the rest of western Christendom. Firstly, there was no network of defined territorial dioceses, each ruled by a bishop and sub-divided into defined parishes. Instead the Irish organisation was based on the monastic *paruchia*, the scattered groups of small monasteries all descended from, and dependent on, a single mother foundation. Secondly, the Irish system of hereditary succession had been adopted into the ecclesiastical system, so that the monasteries had become virtually the possession of particular clans. Thirdly, most aspects of the lives of Irish lay people proceeded as they had before the coming of Patrick and with little reference to Christian teaching. For example, and an example that was constantly bewailed by reformers, marriage for the Irish remained a secular affair; men and women could and did divorce each other on various grounds, and could

and did freely remarry. Not very surprisingly, in view of this last, a large proportion of marriages took place within the forbidden degrees of relationship.

All these anomalies were the source of considerable scandal to would-be reformers, both Irish and European, and the twelfth century saw a major movement to bring the Irish Church into line with Western Christendom. The reforms were carried out through a series of great synods. Three of these had been held before the Normans arrived in Ireland and a good deal of the work had already been carried out by then. Their arrival did not interrupt the reform movement. Indeed one of the ostensible reasons for Henry II's interest in Ireland was zeal for religious reform and it seems certain that the expectation that he would further the movement made him welcome in many quarters.

The reformers' efforts were successful in some of the major areas of attack and unsuccessful in others. A



Diocesan centres set up at Rathbreasail (1111) and modified at Kells (1152) and provincial boundaries.

- Common centres.
- Kells only.
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Copied from J. Watt, *The Church in Medieval Ireland*.

Church government of bishops ruling territorially defined dioceses was established in stages. The synod of Rathbreasail in 1111 created two provinces of the Irish Church to correspond with the ancient division into Leath Mogha and Leath Chuinn. Munster and Leinster comprised the province of Cashel and Ulster and Connacht the province of Armagh. Maynooth was included in the area of the new diocese of Glendaloch set up by the synod. At this stage Dublin posed a problem for the reformers as seventy years since it had established itself as a diocese subordinate to Canterbury. As the Irish reformers did not mean to make the re-organised Irish Church in any way dependent on the English Church this probably explains why no diocese of Dublin was mentioned by this synod. The problem seems to have been solved by 1152 when the Synod of Kells further divided the Irish Church into four archdioceses, Armagh, Cashel, Dublin and Tuam. At this stage Glendaloch became one of five suffragan sees of the archdiocese of Dublin.

All this was on the credit side for the reformers and was accompanied by the bringing in to Ireland of new religious orders from the continent, e.g. the Cistercians who were established at Melifont in 1142. But on the other hand little impact was made on Irish-style marriage and the old system of hereditary succession to ecclesiastical office soon crept back. However, once the new dioceses were established the way was open to a parish organisation in place of the older Irish system whereby pastoral care was provided by a monastic community whose area of responsibility was probably not clearly defined and whose first commitment in any case was to the monastic calling. Because the Normans arrived in Ireland while the parish system was only beginning to get off the ground they naturally had a considerable influence on its development in the areas they controlled. In the Gaelic where Norman influence was slight or non-existent parishes tended to be co-terminous with the lands of old clan groupings. In the Norman-dominated areas the boundaries of the parishes were often determined by the parcelling out of lands to feudal tenants.

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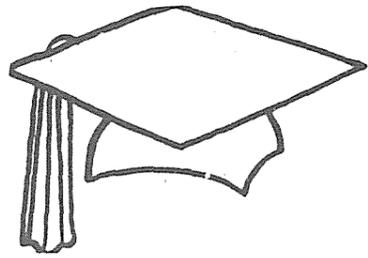
Well done to Jeremy Farrell on being presented with his 'Child of Achievement' Award at the Presentation Ceremony in the Royal Hospital Kilmainham recently.

Jeremy got his award for his time and efforts in raising badly needed funds for charitable causes. Nice to see that while he was quietly working others recognised the merits of his labours which resulted in this re-

cognition.

Well done! Jeremy is a first year student in the Post-Primary School, Maynooth.

Congratulations also to Lyndon Mullan on winning the Crampton Centenary Engineering Award in T.C.D. This is one of the most prestigious awards in T.C.D. We wish Lyndon continued success in all his future examinations.



COLLEGE NEWS

Firstly congratulations to all those who got their exams. And better luck next time to those who didn't. The College came alive for the few weeks last month as the students came back to receive their exam. results. But this month has become yet again very quiet.

The "Old Maynooth Exhibition" opened at the beginning of July. The Exhibition is housed in the College Staff Dining Room. The College has agreed to house this delightful exhibition for a while.

The College Museum is locked all the time now. There are no definite opening hours. This is due to vandalism and the Museum was broken into some time ago. The key for the Museum is held in the Lodge of the College and by Fr. Casey who is Rector of it. Although very small, the Museum is well worth a visit. Hopefully, within the next year or two, it will be more accessible to the public.

We would like to congratulate Michael Martin from Space Technology Ireland and Pauline Maguire from the J.P. II Library on their recent marriage that took place in Ardclough on July 8th. Also to Mary Ryan from Adult Education on her marriage to David Treacy. Congratulations to the two happy couples.

Congratulations to the College Authorities for a splendid job done in removing the plaster cover from the central portion of Riverstown Lodge (the administration building on the Old Campus) and repointing the fine stonework underneath. Perhaps in time the same can be done to the rest of the building.

The joint College/Community Council Sports Complex committee recently had a meeting with Mr. Paddy Power T.D. to push the case for funding from the National Lottery for the project. Mr. Power undertook to do his utmost in the matter.

Congratulations to Philip Dix, of Carton Court, on his recent promotion to Senior Lecturer in the Biology Department.

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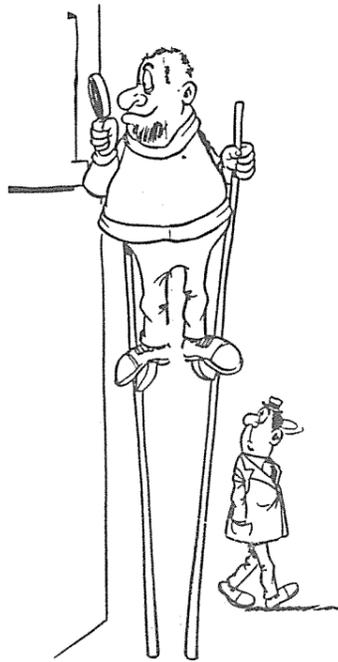
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TIDY TOWNS

The Tidy Towns Competition for 1988 is probably over by now and our efforts have been assessed by those judges who have passed unnoticed through the town. I wonder what was their impression! Except for the blight of litter, I expect that they will have seen improvements almost everywhere. Shop-fronts are better; grass has been maintained; weeds have been scuffled and flowers have tentatively begun to suggest what they could do for the general appearance of Maynooth.

Litter! Maynooth is still as dirty as ever and will remain so until an attitude is created which is intolerant of litter on our streets. If our four schools would only take an aggressive line on this in the coming year, the change could be sudden and total. I wonder if the managers of the four schools have ever come together to discuss what they could do to improve the appearance of Maynooth?

With regard to the Competition. As was originally intended, we look on it only as an instrument which could help people to become aware of their environment. The results, when announced, will be a measure of that awareness. We'll wait and see!

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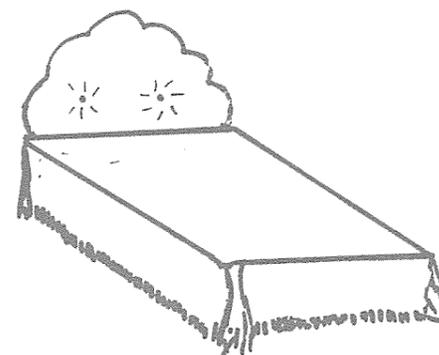
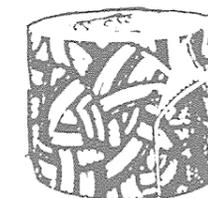
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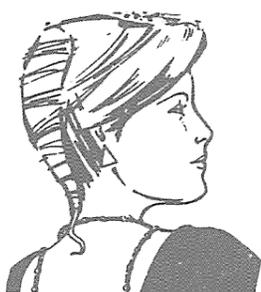
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Kildare Council of Trade Unions

The Co. Kildare Council of Trade Unions was set up several years ago to uphold the joint interests of workers in the County Kildare area, and has established itself as a vital and representative body. By means of regular meetings in Newbridge or Naas it has become a voice for workers, whether employed or unemployed. Last September it opened the Droichead Nua Centre for the Unemployed on Newbridge Main Street, to provide an information and resource centre for those out of work, and this is to be followed by similar centres in Athy and Naas. The situation in Maynooth is also being borne in mind, but the Council is aware that there are alternative facilities currently available here.

The Council has been active in voicing the concerns of local trade union members, and has arranged regular meetings with TDs for the Kildare constituency. The progress of these meetings is closely monitored by the Council. Some time ago the Council raised the matter of the appalling conditions prevailing at the Social Welfare Offices in Maynooth and in Clane, and notes that there have been some changes in the Maynooth office recently. And last month Fr Micheal Mac Greil, a Maynooth based member who was one of the Council's delegates at the annual meeting of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions, made newspaper headlines with his speech to the assembly. Current plans in the Council include a seminar on Education to be held in the autumn, probably in early October, which will be open to all interested participants. Watch out for details.

Unions currently represented on the Co. Kildare Council of Trade Unions are: ITGWU, FWUI, UCATT, AEU, INUVGATA, IFUT, TUI, ASTMS, and INTO. But more importantly, if you work in Kildare and your union is not there, find out why. And if you are without union representation in your place of work, or, like so many in the country, without work, the Council of Trade Unions is there to help in any way it can. Contact the Centre for the Unemployed at Edson Hall, Main Street, Droichead Nua, or the Hon. Secretary of the Co. Kildare Council of Trade Unions, 3 McDonnell Drive, Athy, Co. Kildare. Tel: 0507-31014

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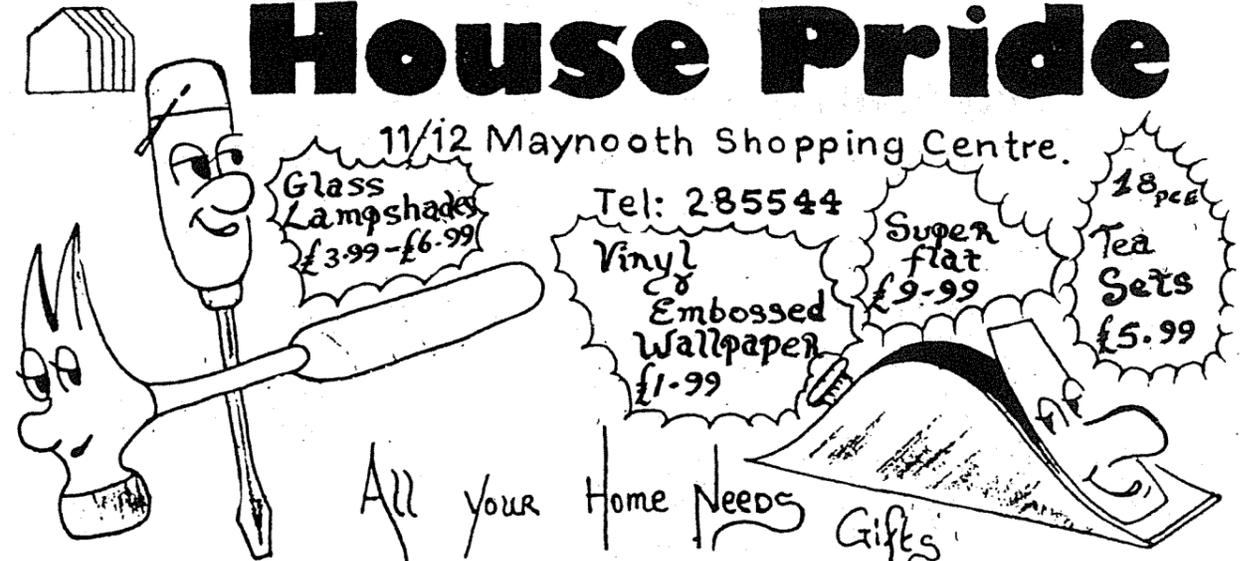
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ROYAL CANAL NEWS

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Declan O'Connor.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

Our Annual Flag Collection took place between the 20th and 23rd of June. The response was, as always, generous and our members and our supporters who assisted were heartened by the many expressions of goodwill and encouragement from the house-holders and businesses in Maynooth. The Annual Collection emphasises once again that the Canal Project has been and continues to be a Community Project in every sense. To the people of Maynooth, we can simply say "Thank you once again". Dublin was invaded on the West Side by the Vikings from Maynooth on the 18th of August. We organised a Boat Push from Maynooth to Dublin on that day to raise additional funds. In the August Newsletter you will read details of our Great Treasure Hunt. It will involve testing your powers of observation of the town and immediate district of Maynooth.

Work on the Social Employment Scheme is now centred in the area of Bond (Puck's) Bridge, where a new wall is being built. The Office of Public Works has practically completed the bank clearance from there to Jackson's bridge at the fourteenth lock. In due course the O.P.W. will dredge that stretch of canal and install new Lock Gates.

Our Committee needs new members. In a wider sense the Project has the potential to provide employment and to contribute to making Maynooth a major tourist stop-over. Any persons

Until recently this stretch of bank was practically inaccessible. A walk to Jackson's Bridge starts with the discovery of the Joan Slade River which runs under the Canal and Railway on its way to join the Lyreen river near Kavanagh's Mills. Nearby you will find a quay where boats were unloaded with provisions for Maynooth College. Jackson's Bridge is a magnificent Arched Bridge which in itself is unique in having a separate Archway for the horse which pulled the Canal Boats in the early days. Standing on the bridge in the direction of Maynooth will give a perfect view of the Lyreen river to the point where

it is culverted beneath the railway and then the canal to emerge in the farmland belonging to St. Patrick's College before joining with the Rye River near the town. In many ways the architecture of the bridge can best be appreciated by crossing to the southern side of the bridge and looking back from the side road nearby.

The preparatory work for the construction of the slip-way in Maynooth Harbour continues and a Lagoon has now been formed which will be pumped out before foundations are poured.

The present low level of the Canal is due to a number of factors, principally the dry spell of some weeks ago, a loss of water at the thirteenth lock some weeks ago and a leakage of water at a point along the long level, between Kilcock and Enfield. The low level led to the cancellation of the sponsored swim on the 10th of July as part of Community Week. The Summer Project Fishing Competition proceeded. Fishing on the Canal, appears as popular as last year. Apart from the more common coarse fish the Canal has specimens of Carp and Tench, which can be very shy and elusive. A family of ducks has been recently introduced to the harbour area thanks to (Garda) Peadar and May Haren and their children of Greenfield Drive.

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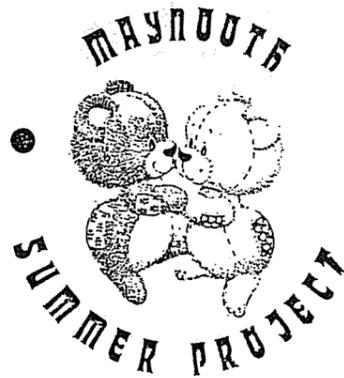
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

On registration day we were bombarded with approximately 400 children, wishing to register for the Project. The Summer Project is getting more popular by the year and this can be seen by the number of children taking part in all the events every day. The bus trips have all been booked out completely for every outing and paid for in advance. At the time of going to press, i.e. mid July, every outing till the end of July is fully booked. It is very encouraging for the leaders to see the children turning up in their hundreds as this shows that there is a great need in the area for this kind of Project. We would like to thank all the parents who have turned up to help and we would be hoping that most of these parents will join our group and be leaders next year. The Project has now grown to such a size that we need to double our leaders for next year if we are to put on the same programme. The highlight of our Project is of course our annual camp. This year we are going to Salesian College in Ballinakill. We are taking 60 unaccompanied children for 3 nights camping in the grounds of this lovely College and our grateful thanks to our Salesian family for this and also the use of their house in Maynooth for all our meetings and films, Bingos and quiz, etc. during the Project. We wish all our Project children a happy holiday and will give a run down with photographs of our camp in the next issue.

The Maynooth Chamber of Commerce invites quotations for the erection and dismantling of the Maynooth Christmas Tree Lighting in December, 1988. Please contact: The Secretary Main Street, Maynooth. for details.



BRU BOSCO NOTES

Hi there, we hope that all our members are enjoying their summer holidays.

The final night barbecue on 24th June was blessed with fine weather, all the rolls, sausages and salads disappeared in jig time, washed down with orange and coke.

As part of our celebration of Don Bosco Centenary we said a special "Buiochas" to Peig, to let her know that we do think of her. We had a Duiske Crystal Plate especially engraved with "Don Bosco's head and the Don Bosco '88 Logo". We drew lots and four members represented the club and went up with the gift and a card signed by virtually all the members. We hope to have Peig back with us when we reopen in September.

Well done Sinead Casey on winning the *Overall Children's Craft Cup* at the Annual Maynooth Show, we are absolutely thrilled for you.

We intend sending notices to all members when we are re-opening. We will also put posters in the shops and schools. This year we intend — by popular demand — having both crafts and drama on alternative weeks in addition to our normal activities.

As part of the Centenary Celebrations we hope to host a get together of the youth clubs in Crumlin, Clondalkin, Celbridge and ourselves. We expect this event to take place around the beginning of October.

Sincere thanks to that band of hard working leaders who have been with the club for the past year especially Fiona O'Connor who was studying for her leaving cert and the boys from Salesian House and the College.

As usual we are **begging** people to give even one night a month to the young people of the town. Why not give Brian a ring at 285131 some night for a chat to find out what the commitment would entail.

We can definitely guarantee that you would never be bored and that you would be surprised at the amount the *young people* have to give and are

willing to share.

Enjoy the summer and don't forget about that phone call, we really do need *your* help.

See you all next month.



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MAYONNAISE

- 2 egg yolks;
- 1/4 tsp. dry mustard
- salt and pepper
- 1/4 pint olive oil
- 1 desertsp. lemon juice
- 1 tsp. tarragon vinegar
- 1 tsp. chilli vinegar

Separate the eggs and put yolks in a basin with seasoning. Add oil a drop at a time, beating all the time with a whisk or a wooden spoon. When sauce is thick and smooth, gradually add lemon juice, if used, add the vinegar and mix well.

VANILLA ICE-CREAM

- 3/4 pint of milk
- 2 eggs
- 2 tps. sugar
- 1 tsp. gelatine
- 1/2 tin evaporated milk, previously boiled in tin for 20 mins.
- vanilla essence

Scald the milk, mix the egg yolks and sugar, add the milk and cook without boiling until the custard thickens, then cool it. Dissolve the gelatine and add to custard. Whip the evaporated milk and fold into the custard. Flavour well with essence and freeze to a mush. Whip the egg whites and stir them into the mixture, then continue to freeze until sufficiently stiff.

THANK YOU MAYNOOTH

On behalf of the Irish Handicapped Childrens Trust Fund I wish to thank the people of Maynooth for their fantastic generosity towards my recent collection. Your contribution of £500 was given to a very worthy cause and is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Tommy Daly.

Tommy raised money through asking Maynooth Residents to guess how long Dublin postman, Tony Dull, would take to complete a 27 mile run through the Dublin mountains. In all £1700 was raised to help send handicapped children to Lourdes.

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We would like at this stage of the games to thank all those who took part in the Community Games at local and county level. We also wish to thank all those who helped in any way, i.e. fundraising, running all the events and all the team managers, etc. to make the games the success that they were. Congratulations to all our medal winners in the County Championships. They were: —

- Claire O'Connor U/14 Gold — Modelling
- Susan Dillon U/10 Gold — Freestyle
- Aoife Callaghan U/12 Gold — Freestyle
- Ciara Dillon U/14 Gold — Backstroke
- Brett Igoe U/14 Gold — Backstroke
- Evan Igoe U/16 Gold — Backstroke
- Ann Marie Gallagher U/14 Gold — Breast Stroke
- Simon Cotter U/16 Gold — Butterfly
- Brid Ann O'Shea U/8 Gold — Gymnastics
- Conor Billings U/12 Gold — Gymnastics
- Patrick Hawkins U/13 Gold — Athletic Walk

These children will represent County Kildare in the National Finals in Mosney in September and we wish them every success. We are also very grateful to the Community Council, who will fund-raise on behalf of these children, to ensure that they have a good week-end in Mosney for their finals. The Community Games collection was not as good this year as other years and therefore the committee are not in a position to fund the children this year.

The following are other prize winners at county level.

- James Gallagher U/10 Bronze — Freestyle
- Richard Cotter U/12 Silver — Freestyle
- Martina Gallagher U/16 Silver — Backstroke
- Boys Squad U/13 Silver — Swimming
- Brett Igoe — Richard Cotter — Liam Kelly — James Gallagher and Edward Nevin
- Kenneth Killoran U/14 Silver 800m
- Enda Breslin U/17 Silver — Marathon
- Hugh Purcell U/16 Silver — High Jump
- Lisa McCluskey U/16 Silver — 1500m.
- Carmel Noonan U/17 Silver — Marathon

Caoimhe O'Sullivan U/14 Bronze — Long Jump
Noeleen McCluskey U/16 Bronze — High Jump
Girls Relay U/12 Bronze — Athletics
Gillian Power, Patricia Purcell, Ciara Power, Margaret Brennan and Emer O'Sullivan.

Girls relay U/17 Bronze — Athletics.
Lisa McCluskey, Carmel Noonan, Catherine Gleeson, Helen O'Shea and Fiona Lawlor.

That is a total of 37 medals for Maynooth from County Championships and great credit it due to the children of Maynooth on gaining these awards for their area. Children travelling to Mosney will be given a timetable of transport and events nearer the date. Once again happy training to all who have reached the National Finals and GOOD LUCK.

DOUAI CHOIR

Maynooth was visited by the famous choir on July 1st. They sang like angels in the Aula Maxima but unfortunately the behaviour of a minority of the choir after their concert left a lot to be desired. The Community Council would like to thank the families who hosted the choir and also apologise for any inconvenience caused by their thoughtless behaviour.

CROSSWORD NO. 9 BY DEMON

Across

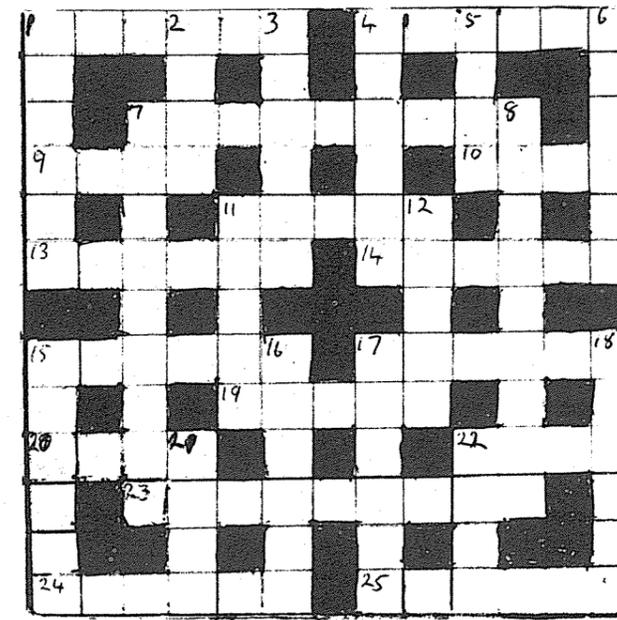
1. This bus operator is not going back after passing a pub (6)
4. 1000s follow reversing cart to see tyre-marks (6)
7. I fled all around after beauty begins to build this estate (9)
9. Describes seaman who can ? 94)
10. Oil container starts sucking up more petroleum (4)
11. It's safer to arrange payment of these on 8 Down (5)
13. A chest can be made to hold shampoo, for instance (6)
14. Outfitter follows tinker (6)
15. This surrounds and tops off college wear for clerics (6)
17. Made amends for sound in commercial (6)
19. Money for ice? (5)
20. Space for bed or mush (4)
22. Part of bottom useful, when seen from behind, for Japanese wrestling (4)
23. I get excited seeing leg in these garments from Hidden Treasures! (9)
24. Soft offer (6)
25. Adder up of staggering amount ? (6) Down

1. Sometimes for heart, soon for Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip (2-4)
2. Leaves on this every year (4)
3. Confectionery destroys a gut? No! Yes! (6)
4. I put a landlord's sign around the thing in the Square (6)
5. As Liam lies back he feels ill inside (4)

Winner of the £5 prize for 'Demon' No. 8 Crossword is
Michael O'Sullivan,
481 Straffan Rd,
Maynooth.

Solution to No. 8 below

1	D	O	N	A	D	E	A	F	O	R	E	S	T
2	O	O	E	C	V	N	E						
3	C	O	N	T	A	C	T	E	A	S	E	L	
4	P	R	O	R	U	E							
5	T	A	L	B	R	O	A	D	E	N	S		
6	R	U	A	S	L	C							
7	A	B	S	E	I	L	B	L	O	T	T	O	
8	N	R	D	S	H	P							
9	S	T	R	A	F	F	A	N	H	E	R	E	
10	P	I	O	N	C	M							
11	O	F	F	E	R	C	O	N	A	N	S		
12	R	L	C	E	N	R							
13	T	H	E	N	E	W	S	L	E	T	T	E	R



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6. Late meal for P.P.? Sure! (6)
7. Dark and beastly king is found a little way to the east of Maynooth (9)
8. 56 or 67A, for instance, and its operator (6,3)
11. Beastly flare out (5)
12. Flavoured like a seaman (5)
15. Escort, confused, unlikely to wear one under 23 . . . (6)
16. Wave can put a curl in your hair (6)
17. Get off 8 Down in flames (6)
18. The medical man is finished, and this cattleman no longer herds his beasts to the mart (6)
22. Each TD has one, each 8 has about seventy
Solution to last months crossword (the word "abseil" caused problems for several otherwise correct entries who spelt it "absail")

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SPORTS NEWS



MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C.

As mentioned in the last issue, the new season will begin on August 21st and preparations for the kick-off are already underway. Training resumed at the Dublin road pitch on July 26th. Most of the club's players have been involved in local tournaments and congratulations are due to those who played a prominent part in winning the Naas Paddock tournament and the Celbridge 5-a-side. Let's hope the good form shown in these competitions continues into the new season. Once again let me remind any new players who may be interested in joining that they are always welcome to attend training on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The more the merrier!

**Gerry Durack,
P.R.O.**

UNDER 17 SOCCER TOURNAMENT

The recent Under 17 Boys and Girls Soccer Tournament reached its climax on Sat. 16th July when the finals were played at the Harbour Field.

In the Girls Final, Greenfield beat the Unknowns in a game which produced some good football that provided excellent entertainment for the large attendance. Antoinette Mooney and Fiona Lynch gave displays which augurs well for ladies football in Maynooth in the not too distant future and were the mainstay of the Greenfield team. Sandra Stewart and Sandra Gillick also gave promising performances for the Unknowns.

The Boys semi-finals were close fought affairs with Laurence's Ave. just ousting the promising young Renegades team. In the second semi-final, Greenfield "A" had a hard fight to overcome the Grasshoppers. This gave the crowd the atmosphere of a real cup game with normal time and extra time failing to separate two well matched teams. Tension built up as the teams prepared for a penalty shoot-out. It was nip and tuck until Michael Murphy scored the deciding penalty for Greenfield after Alan Dunne had saved a Grasshoppers penalty. In the final Michael Kelly inspired Laurence's Avenue to overcome Greenfield by two goals to nil.

Having to play the final only 30 minutes after a long and hard fought semi-final proved too much for Greenfield and they had to concede defeat after a hard battle.

The organisers would like to thank Maynooth Town F.C., and Maynooth Boys Soccer Club for the use of footballs and nets for the tournament. John Sauls for his assistance in refereeing, Corbally Stud and Sean Power Bookmaker for sponsorship of trophies.

**Lenny Murphy, Pdraig Kearney
Organisers.**



G.A.A. NEWS

Maynooth newly formed junior hurling team had their first championship game against Carragh at Clane on Friday evening 8th July. After an entertaining and hard fought match we were eventually beaten. Our cause was not helped by the fact that we lost our goalkeeper Tommy Fay through an eye injury at the start of the game. His many friends in Maynooth will be pleased to hear that his injury is not serious.

Our junior A football team is in strict training at present for our next championship match against Ballykelly at Naas on July 25th, 2.30 start. We are looking for all possible support for this game.

Congratulations to Mick Nevin on a great display for Kildare minors in Croke Park in the match against Meath. In the opinion of many followers of the game this young lad has got what it takes to make a great footballer.

Michael Caden P.R.O.

FÉILE PEILE NA nÓG 1988

Maynooth G.A.A. club hosted the Féile again this year over the weekend 8 — 10th July. Donaghmore, Co. Tyrone were the visiting U/14 team in Maynooth and they went on to win the final in Newbridge after very exciting games against a number of teams among them being the Maynooth U/14 team. Such was the hospitality shown to the Donaghmore Team by the people of Maynooth is in general, before they left an invitation was issued to the U/14 panel to pay a return visit to Tyrone in the not too distant future, and we will certainly take up this very generous offer.

The Maynooth U/14 team also enjoyed considerable success over the weekend as they won the award for the best dressed team in the Grand Parade. The club would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Phil Brady of Bradys licensed premises and Mr. Jack McElhinney of the Leinster Arms for their very kind and generous sponsorship of the gear for the lads.

A special word of praise for the families who provided accomodation for the Donaghmore lads, the ladies who provided tea and sandwiches and all those who helped in anyway to make it a memorable occasion.

On the domestic front the U/14 team had a convincing win over Kill with fine performances from Joey Nevin, Kenneth Killoran, Dermot Ryan and Michael O'Farrell in goals. After an epic struggle against Sarsfield the U/16 advanced to the next round of the championship where they play Straffan/Rathcoffey. It was a fine team performance with a special contribution by Michael Kelly at midfield.

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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY NEWS

Maynooth Golfing Society held the Captain's (Peter Brazil) Outing in Longford Golf Club on June 25th last. The Outing was very well supported by Members and visitors alike and everyone enjoyed playing the excellent Golf Course on what turned out to be a lovely day.

There are a number of people I would like to thank but first of all, I would like to congratulate Peter Brazil, our Captain for the manner in which he carried out his duties and for the superb Overall Prize he presented on the day. I would like to take this opportunity to wish him every success for the remainder of the year as Captain of Maynooth Golfing Society.

Thanks to Longford Golf Club for the excellent facilities and meals provided and also to Ben Humphries, Birchall's Bus Driver for getting us there and back safely. A special word of thanks to all our Sponsors, too numerous to mention who all helped to make the day such a success.

Congratulations are also due to the eventual Overall Winner, Eugene Mara (14) 37 and also to the other prizewinners, listed below.

CAPTAINS OUTING LONGFORD June 25th, 1988.

RESULTS

	PTS
1st Overall E. Mara (14)	37
2nd Overall S. Laheen (17)	35
3rd Overall W. Coughlan (18)	34
Gross T. Wade (7)	78

CLASS 1

1st. T. Ledwith (12)	30
2nd. L. Ledwith (3)	28
3rd. L. Farrelly (11)	27 (Back 9)
4th. R. Delamere (12)	27 (Last 3)

CLASS 2

1st. H. Carty (14)	33 (Back 9)
2nd. D. Casey (14)	33
3rd. J. McBride (16)	30 (Back 9)
4th. J. Murray (16)	30

CLASS 3

1st. T. Flatley (25)	32
2nd. M. Hall (19)	31 (Back 9)
3rd. D. Nyland (23)	31 (Back 9)
4th. S. Tracey (18)	31

PAST CAPTAINS J. Murray (16)	30
FRONT NINE C. Kenny	17
BACK NINE G. McTiernan	18
PAR 5s M. Dempsey	4
PAR 3s R. Boland	6
VISITORS	

1st. V. Sherlock (14)	33
2nd. T. Fay (6)	29

Finally, Members are reminded that our next Outing is to Athlone Golf Club on October 1st. As this is Our, Presidents (John C. Carey) Outing, a large attendance is expected and the 1st Tee is reserved from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

*Sean Tracey
Hon. Secretary.*



Eugene Mara, the overall winner (on left) accepts the congratulations of Maynooth Golfing society's Captain Peter Brazil

MAJOR CANOE SLALOM CHAMPIONSHIP FOR LIFFEY VALLEY AREA

The Liffey Valley area will be the star attraction in the forthcoming 'Europa Cup' Canoe Slalom Championships to be staged at Sluice Weir, on the Liffey beside the Spa Hotel in Lucan from 4th to 7th August.

The Europa Cup or European Championship Series is held every two years over two events. Up to now the event has usually been staged on the major rough water rivers of Central Europe. The Irish Canoe Union, organisers of the event, received a major boost by being asked to stage one leg of this year's event.

The venue selected was the Sluice Weir on the Liffey at Lucan, Co. Dublin. This site has been used for many years as the premier site for both canoe slalom competition and as a training location. It provides the turbulent rapid section of water which forms the essential ingredient of the sport of canoe slalom. This is

very exciting as a spectator sport condensing all the action into a 500 metre section of white water.

The Irish Canoe Union is extremely grateful to Frank and Margaret Senior, who are the landowners, for their permission to stage this major event. Without their help and assistance Ireland would not have the opportunity to see the best of the Worlds slalom canoeists in action in this spectacular event.

An influx of between 150-200 competitors and a large number of spectators to the Lucan area over the days of the competition is expected.

The event will get under way with a parade of the participating nations through Lucan village followed by the Opening Ceremony. The competition proper will then start on Friday with Practice Runs for all competitors. Saturday will see the K1 Women and C1 classes in action. The main event

on Sunday will be the K1 Men and C2 classes. This will be followed by the Closing Ceremony.

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STREET TALKING

Whoops! It just had to happen. After my piece last month on the early opening times of some local shops, it has been drawn to our attention that Barry's on Main Street open at a quarter to seven. Any advance on 6.45?

More changes on the street, and among the most welcome is the face-lift to one of its most venerable and most frequented buildings — The Leinster Arms. The new, more restrained frontage, without the inappropriate neon signs, restores it to being one of the most impressive and eye-catching buildings in the town. Ever since its days as a hotel, the "LA" has occupied a central role in the life and activities of the town; pubs may come and go in the popular affection, but one feels that the LA will be there for ever, with its range of food and drink for locals and for passers-by. Floreat!

Its recent change of ownership marks a new stage in the life of this Maynooth institution. Meanwhile, we are glad to learn that its former owners will be retaining a commercial interest in the town with the opening of a new shoe shop.

About a year ago or more this column commented on the slow but sure spread of business to the "west end" of Maynooth, down Mill Street. We were therefore gratified to note the opening there recently of "Westend Furnishing", which will provide carpets and furnishings. There is no current supplier of such goods at the moment, and since the closure of M&E Carpets in Celbridge a couple of months ago the area has been sorely lacking such an outlet.

Maynooth is rather better equipped with video libraries, but that is one area in which the greater the range of choice, the better. So, video freaks and the occasional discriminating viewer alike will be glad of the new video store alongside "Westend", which offers films at the rate of just 99p a night.

This column yields to none in its admiration of banks and bankers, but really the Bank of Ireland has gone too far. The little red flashing sign on the counter telling us to borrow, borrow, borrow, wasn't too bad — a

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little unobtrusive, but at least it didn't make any noise. Now, however, some bright spark has held the idea of piped music, interspersed with cheery messages about "Golden Years" accounts and the advantages of PASS. At any moment one expects to hear Maurice Pratt come on and say "We've an excellent offer on soiled pound notes today, customers!". And the music... at least they could play something appropriate: "The Banks of my Own Lovely Lee", perhaps, or Nat King Cole singing "Money Lisa". Anyway, if this is the Bank of Ireland's idea of swish customer relations, forget it. And don't try to tell us it's to pass the time while we wait in the queue; we'd prefer not to queue at all, thank you.

(But the people I feel really sorry for are the bank staff they have to put up with it all day)

Another idea floated in the Newsletter some time ago was the provision of a street-map of Maynooth. Now there is a fine plan in the shelter of the "thing" on Main Street, showing the shops, principal buildings, and housing estates — except Leinster Park, which is left in anonymity. What did they do wrong? The post office is also in the wrong place!

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BIRTHS

Congratulations to Noelle and Raymond McTernan, Greenfield, birth of a baby boy, brother for Aoife and Aileen.

Paul and Mary Fitzgerald (nee Begley, Pound Street) Forest Park, Leixlip, birth of a baby girl.

Bernadette and Jeff Dartnell (nee Breen) Clarendon House, Maynooth, Clondalkin. Baby Girl.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

To Kevin McGovern, Greenfield - Aug. 22nd

Michael McGovern Greenfield - Aug. 29th

Maureen Collins, Mariaville - Aug. 29th

Belated birthday greetings to Regina McGovern who celebrated her 1st birthday on July 12th.

Happy birthday to Neva on August 14th from Mam, Dad and Big Sis.

Happy birthday to Seanan Clifford, 14 years old on August 15th.

Mrs. B. Naughton, Greenfield, July 1st

Declan Barry, Main Street, July 23rd

Garry Burke, Newtown, 17, July 4th

Anna Denihan, Patricks Restaurant 19, July 5th

John O'Neill, Greenfield, 20, July 12th

Aoife McTernan, Greenfield, 6 July 1st

Deirdre McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip, 13 July 3rd

Ciara McTernan, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne 5, July 13 and her mammie Jackie July 23rd.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to Jim and Ann Barry, Main Street, who celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary June 27th.

Gerard and Mary McTernan, Greenfield, their 15th on July 8th.

Harry and Ester Brady, Highfield, Killocock, their 32nd on June 20th.

Peter and Jacqueline McTernan, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne, their 11th on July 23rd.

Best wishes to Kevin McNamara, Castle Stores, Maynooth and Brigid Kenny, Celbridge, who were married recently. Also good luck to Kevin's sister, Margaret, and her pal Joan O'Riordan, Cluain Aoibhinn who are going to Australia.

Belated congratulations to Sean and Catherine Fay who celebrated their 6th wedding anniversary on 3rd July.

Congratulations to Jim and Roisin Smyth, Caragh, Co. Kildare who cele-



"The Crescent"
Joe Brady, Gerry Durack, Michael Murphy, Malachy McCann, John Leavy, Derek Leavy, Jim Kenny. Winners of the mens soccer competition

brated their 11th wedding anniversary on July 3rd. Jim is our local butcher.

25th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Belated congratulations to John and Eithne Carey, Main Street Maynooth who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on June 25th.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy extended to:— Daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren and relatives of the late Mrs. Catherine Fleming, Carton Court, formerly Killarney.

Wife, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren of the late Michael Molloy, Straffan Way, late Baltracey.

Sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, relatives of the late Molly Flood, O'Neill Park.

Sympathy to Fr. George Millar, Divine Word Missionaries, Maynooth and Australia on the death of his father Mr. James Millar, Dublin.

Sympathy to the family, relatives of the late Mary (Molly) Flood, O'Neill Park, Maynooth.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Gerald McDonnell, Doctor's Lane wish to thank most sincerely the many people who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. A very special word of thanks to Fr. B. Supple P.P., Fr. J. Dunne S.M.A., Fr. E. Conway St. Patrick's College and all the other priests in Maynooth, Dr. Maurice Cowhey, the doctors and nurses of

St. James's Hospital, those who attended the removal Mass and funeral especially the scouts for their beautiful guard of honour, Sr. Aquinas and the girls' National School for their guard of honour and singing, those who sent Mass Cards, floral tributes and letters of sympathy. Our great friends and neighbours too numerous to mention, their prayers and help have eased our great loss. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of all.

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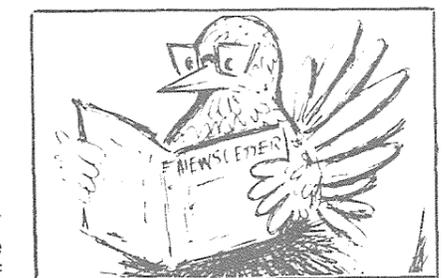
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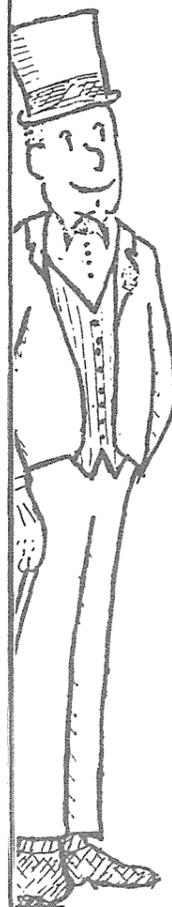
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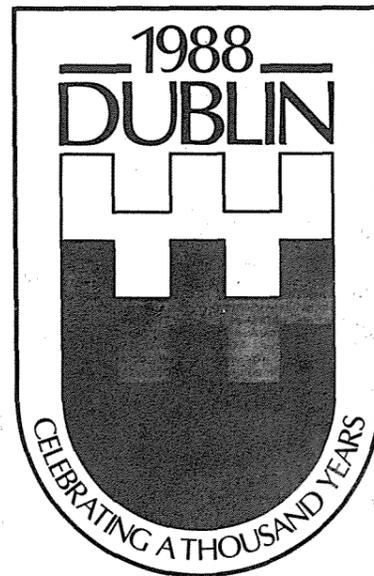
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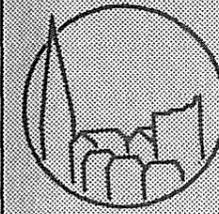
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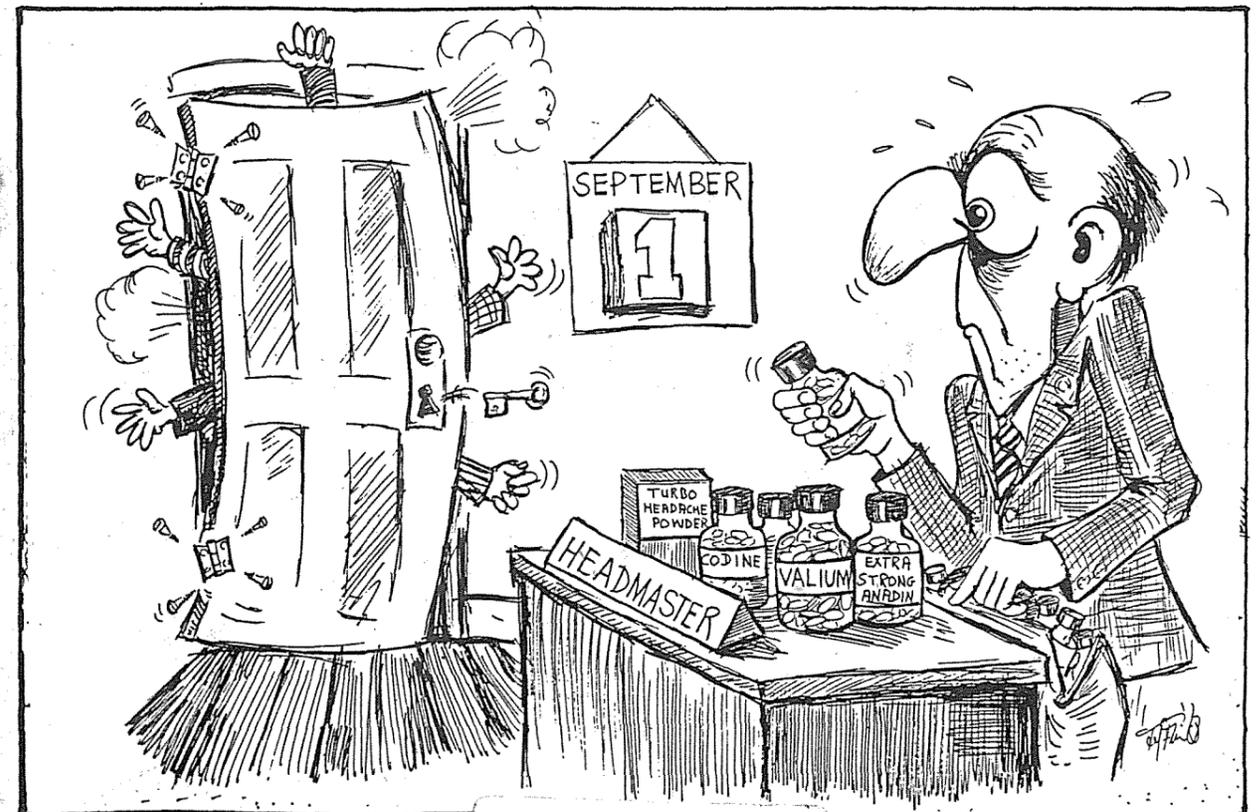


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NOTE TO CONTRIBUTORS

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Editorial

Tidy Estates Competition

We publish the results of the Tidy Estates competition in this issue. Well down to those who won awards this time around. This competition has done an excellent service for the people of Maynooth as it has forced us to look at our own environment, to see what we ourselves are doing to it by carelessness and neglect. Many people have been stimulated to go and redress some of the harm done to our environment by litter, graffiti, neglected vegetation. However, the Tidy Towns Committee is quick to point out, that not enough people are willing to do their bit. Everyone can help by not dumping litter, by keeping their own property clean and presentable. They can also help the Tidy Towns Committee on their communal clean ups, as well as doing their own individual cleanups. Many people are concerned, quite rightly, about Sellafield and Nuclear Power — but closer to home, our environment is under greater threat from ourselves than from any outside forces.

As a start, the Newsletter reminds readers that it's Cemetery Sunday on 28th August. So off to Laraghbryan and help clean up our act.

LIFE'S A LOTTERY

And finally with publication of the list of recipients of lottery funds we cannot help noticing that Maynooth is conspicuously absent from the list. Perhaps as a constituency we're not marginal enough, perhaps we should campaign for a Minister. Even if we did get an allocation who knows what case would be regarded as most deserving? Some of the allocations in other counties are eccentric to say the least.

POETRY COMPETITION

More awards are announced in the form of the results of our third annual Poetry Competition. Once again our judge was pleased with the quality of the entries. It is good to see that a small town like Maynooth can produce such a crop of writers, willing to submit their work to the test. The Newsletter considers that one of its primary roles is to encourage members of the community to realize their potential as writers. Everyone has something to express, and all too often, there is no scope for expressing ideas, feelings or emotions publicly.

If you can speak and think, you have the basis for the ability to write. So work on it. The Newsletter as always welcomes contributions from anyone who has anything to say.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE RESULTS

And more results. By the time this is published, Leaving Certificate results will have been published. Best wishes to all of those school leavers ready to embark on the rest of their lives. For many, the future can only promise unemployment here or emigration. Last year for the first time since the 1920's, the population of Ireland actually dropped, helped by the haemorrhage of our people to employment opportunities abroad. There are positive aspects of short-term emigration. The experience gained abroad can be put to the benefit of Ireland on return. But how many are likely to return now? What a waste of a resource.

coming in another section of this issue.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The Council takes a well-earned holiday in August, although some of the committees are still working away, particularly the *Tidy Towns* whose current work may be seen outside the Church.

The Tidy Estates have been judged and information should be forth-

The Chairperson and some members of the committee have met with the social worker from Kildare County Council with a view to beginning the *Travellers Settlement committee*. The first step is the organization of a school bus and then to get a pre-fab built with a view to organising classes as required by the travellers themselves.

Although the Council itself is on holidays, the office does not close at all during the summer, there is always a full-time staff there to answer any enquiries on any matter.

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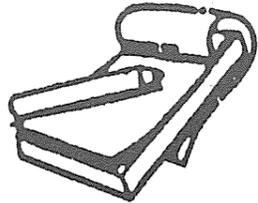
A *BATTLE OF BANDS* is being organised through the office by Caolán Clifford, there will be further information in this issue — it will take place in September. Watch out for posters round the town. Other fundraising events will be taking place within the next six months to fund the Social Employment Scheme and the two Teamwork placements who work in the office.

We would like to welcome our new workers, Caolán, Louise, Maurice and Marita to the office.



(Left to Right)

Peter Denman (College), Mary O'Donnell (Judge), Jillian Byrne (Winner Teen-age), Kay MacKeogh (Newsletter), Yvonne Nolan (Winner Under 12), Bernadette Cotter (Winner Adult), Dominic Nyland (Community Council).



POETRY COMPETITION WINNERS

The winners of the Newsletter's annual poetry competition were presented with their prizes at a ceremony in the public library on Thursday, 11th of August.

The competition was judged by Mary O'Donnell, from Newtownmac-cabe, who is achieving national, and indeed, international recognition, as a poet. Her work has been published in anthologies, and literary journals, and her first collection will be published in the new year.

In general, according to Mary, the poems submitted suffered from an addiction to rhyming schemes, which create a mechanical effect. She advised aspiring poets to write from personal experience, and warned them of the perils of forcing their thoughts into rhyme. It is difficult to write well in rhyme, and she hopes that next year's entrants will liberate themselves from the constraints they impose on their writing.

The winner in the adult section was Bernie Cotter, from Beaufield Estate, whose poem; Lines Written at the Kitchen Sink, dealt with a topic which is not aired very often. There was a large entry in this section, and Mary commented that those who did not win should not be discouraged. She advised them to keep writing — this is the only way to improve and develop.

There was a small entry for the teenage section, and Mary praised the courage of those who entered for persevering. Gillian Byrne from Barrackstown Stud was the winner, with her poem 'Living Hell', about the effects of nuclear destruction.

There were two winners in the

children's section, Yvonne Nolan from Maynooth Park, aged 12, who wrote a lovely poem called Summer Dreams; and Cormac Ashe whose poem My Mother's Advice entertained the audience because of its rather unusual subject matter.

The prizes are funded by the College, and by Joe Wall of Cardinal Press. On behalf of the College, Peter Denman expressed his pleasure in being associated with the competition. It is important to encourage writing in a community, and to inspire a love of literature. A number of poets visit the college to read their work during the year, and members of the Maynooth community are always welcome to attend.

On behalf of the Community Council, Dominic Nyland commented on the high standard of poetry discovered through the competition, and on the Council's support for such initiatives.

Kay Mac Keogh of the Editorial Board of the Newsletter reminded those present that this was the third competition to be organised by the Newsletter; the Newsletter is committed to providing an opportunity for expression to any member of the community. She thanked the College and Joe Wall for their generous support for the competition, the Library for providing a venue for the prize-giving, Mary O'Donnell for judging, and Carol Clifford, for the trojan work she put into organising the competition.



SUMMER DREAMS

The tide comes in to wash away our castles in the sand.
Our palaces that last one day,
will crumble in our hand.

The tallest waves grow in the sun
and die in tiny streams.
They take our castles one by one,
they cannot take our dreams.

Yvonne Nolan,
26 Maynooth Park, Aged 12

MY MOTHER'S ADVICE

To cure the worms in your tummy
You've got to eat something yummy,
Like crushed rabbits' tails,
And slime from snails,
That'll cure the worms in your tummy.

Now you've set them on the run,
You've got to upset the tum.
Eat some dynamite with honey,
Then add something yummy,
Like crushed dog's nose,
And boiled badgers' toes,
That'll cure the worms in your tummy.

Now to get them out.
Stick two fingers down your mouth,
Then suddenly, rumble, rumble,
Here it comes, prepare to grumble.
Down the sink it goes.
Gurgle, gurgle, clunk, there it goes.

Cormac Ashe,
Ballygoran, Aged 11.

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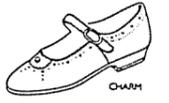
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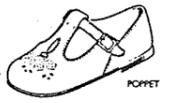


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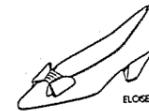


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Heavy with domestic connotation
And the baby with mischievous charms
Confine conscious thought in bundles tight
So all the notions, ideas, plans
Will find it hard to see new light
within their yet unlimited spans.

Thoughts that might have changed the world
Struggle against the soap-sud tide
Hoping to become unfurled
But once again they sdlly subside
With the dishwasher down the sink
They swirl away and disappear
Gone for today, till the missing link
May one day hopefully pull them clear.

Bernie Cotter
3 Beaufield Close.

LIVING HELL

No more nukes! we hear them cry
As atom bombs go flying by
And here and there as in a crowd
springs up a "lovely" mushroom cloud.

Russia and the U.S. fight,
Not concerned with our plight.
Buildings falling round our ears,
No homes to shelter us, our fears,
All round there is destruction
Not a thing is left to function.
In the crossfire we are caught
Just 'cause of the power they've got!
Love and peace did not win through
There was nothing left for us to do.

Gillian Byrne,
Barrackstown Stud.

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MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS AGAINST LOCAL CHARGES

M.R.A.L.C. wishes to thank and congratulate all those residents of Maynooth who have signed our petition to the elected members of Kildare County Council over the past number of weeks and in particular outside Quinnsworth shopping centre on the weekend of 15/16th July.

Hundreds of people have now signed our petition which calls on the Councillors for our area, namely, Gerry Brady, F.F., Bernard Durkan, F.G., Jim Gallagher, F.G., Colm Purcell, Labour, Emmet Stagg, Labour, to;

1. Cease threatening water supply disconnections
2. Resume full collection of refuse for all

We will be presenting the County Councillors with the petition shortly and we will also ask them to remove the water and refuse charges from the Co. Co's. estimate for 1989 which they will draw up in the autumn.

We also wish to condemn the actions of the County Manager in disconnecting water supply to residents in other parts of the county who have not paid the charges on principle. K.C.C.'s action represents a major health hazard to the families concerned and their jackboot tactics

clearly demonstrate the extremes that the Council have to go to to impose these unacceptable taxes on the people of Kildare.

We also wish to point out that our petition received widespread support from residents who have paid part or all of local charges under duress as a result of K.C.C.'s campaign of intimidation.

The committee will shortly be running a 300 club draw to cover our printing and other expenses. We urge all residents to support this venture.

During the remaining part of this year we will be intensifying our campaign against the charges and we are confident that we will have the support of the majority of the residents of Maynooth in our efforts.

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- Michael Quinn, 13 Laurence Avenue, 285258 (Chairman)

Community Information Centre Notes

Q. Since November 1986 I have been receiving a special payment of £20 p.w. from the Dept. of Social Welfare along with my Invalidity Pension. I was told at the time that this payment was to compensate me for losing out because of the new rules about equality. My wife is in receipt of Disability Benefit. Now I find that this payment has been reduced from £20 to £18 per week. This reduction has made nonsense of the 3% increase in my Invalidity Pension. Is this a cut-back by the back door?

A. The transitional payment of £20 p.w. which you have been receiving since November 1986 was made to compensate you for the fact that with the introduction of E.C. equality measures at that time you no longer qualified for an adult dependant allowance for your wife. It was intended at the time that this transitional arrangement would end after a year. In fact the payments were extended beyond November 1987 and remained unchanged until July of this year. The situation now is that people who had been in receipt of

£20 p.w. have had that payment reduced to £18 and those in receipt of a £10 p.w. compensation payment have had that reduced to £9 p.w. This would appear to be the beginning of a phased withdrawal of these special payments.

This column has been compiled by Maynooth Community Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the public.

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Thurs. 7 p.m. — 8 p.m.
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TRAINING COURSES

The N.S.S.B. will be giving a training course in Maynooth, in the mornings, September/October. The date has not been finalized. There is no charge for this course. Anyone wishing to do this course should contact Norah McDermott in the Community Council Offices, Tel. 285922.

Frances Daly, Organizer.

Letters...Letters.



92 Pairc an Raillie,
Ma Nuad,
Co. Chill Dara.

Dear Editor,

I see that An Post has bowed to the opposition of the residents of Terenure and Templeogue to the proposed loss of their Dublin 6 postal status. According to newspaper reports, "the residents had not been consulted and An Post recognised that they had made a mistake in not doing so"; further, "the company's aim was to bring a better service to the people and their anxiety to do so had brought about a mistake".

Such abject apologies on the part of An Post will, no doubt, bring a wry smile to the citizens of Maynooth who, two years ago, had the local

post office transferred from the Main Street to a shopping centre located away from the town's main residential areas. Although the relocation of such a vital facility clearly would have had a major impact on a small community, no attempt was made by An Post to inform the local community council about the move (let alone discuss it with them) in advance; instead, the council had to rely on the "grapevine" to hear about it.

The community council decided to oppose the move, partly because of the effect it would have on Maynooth's historic town centre, but mainly because of the inconvenience and hazards it would pose to old age pensioners and car-less mothers of young children, given the lack of footpaths and chaotic traffic in the vicinity of the shopping centre in question. A near-unanimous re-

sponse was obtained to a petition organized in the town's housing estates. An Post's response to this impressive show of community solidarity was to argue that their new corporate status meant that commercial considerations had to take precedence, and that their decision to move the post office was final.

Then again, Maynooth is mainly a working and lower middle class community, located on the fringe of the Dublin urban area, not nearly as well-heeled as the Dublin 6 postal district. Of course, An Post is a state company, supposedly answerable to All the people: such is the distribution of power in our so-called democracy.

Is mise, le meas,

Proinnsias Breathnach

Railpark,
Maynooth.
13-7-88

Dear Editor,

In a recent issue you pointed out that the name Railpark owes nothing to the proximity of the townland to the railway line, as evidenced by the earliest O.S. maps.

However, it should be noted also that the name Railpark is one word, for on the same page a Planning Permission Notice contained the words Rail Park, while further on in the issue, the name was abbreviated to Rail Pk. This form is becoming widespread, but to me its usage is akin to describing the National Flag as Green, White and Gold.

For those unfamiliar with Railpark,

let me point out that the townland extends from the Town Bridge (Mullen) to Pike's Bridge, from there to Ballygoran Cross, and then back via the Celbridge road to the canal. With the exception of Railpark Estate, land usage is agricultural, and the area is divided into large holdings, Land Commision holdings and Towns Park. A right of way once existed to Grangewilliam Cemetery, and the remains of a kiln are the only ruins of interest. The land has fed the finest cows, fattened stores, and grown everything from Beet to Winter Wheat.

Returning to the O.S. map, it appears that all of Railpark is of the same age, which brings me to a usage of the name which I find particularly abhorrent i.e. the prefix of 'Old'. A large number of people seem

to think this is a separate district, and unless the address has an accompanying number the person resides in 'Old Railpark'. I shudder to think that some residents are actually giving this form as their address, but let me add that the E.S.B., Telecom, the Revenue commissioners, and the Water Dept. of Kildare Co. Council have no problem locating me. Further, wasn't it fortunate that the city of York didn't adopt the prefix 'OLD' when the new version was founded.

Railpark now consists of two peripheral roads (Celbridge Road and Ballygoran Road), a Cul-de-sac (the boreen) and Railpark Estate. It surely must be possible to locate anybody within the boundaries without using Antiquarian Appellations. So please, Railpark then (check the library), Railpark now!
Patk. A. Farrell.

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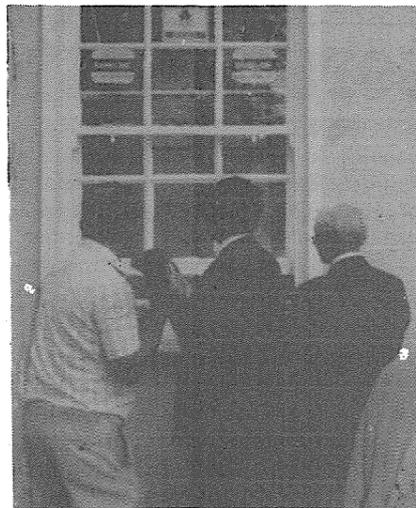
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STREET TALKING

It was Friday lunch-time, a couple of weeks ago, when everyone was making a bee-line to the banks to cash the well earned pay cheques. Just another typical Friday in Maynooth... or was it? 1.25 p.m. and one couldn't help but notice the small group of uniformed cashiers chatting very intimately outside the door of a certain bank. 1.30 p.m. and still they're at it! There was either a lot of gossip to catch up on or one of them was spinning a very long yarn indeed. Still more people gathered but not alas to cash in on their pay cheques but rather to cash in on the street gossip. Clearly something was awry.

Sure enough, up hops this fellow, sleeves rolled up, onto the window sill to bang at the window pane with a hammer no less! Much banging and a little broken glass later the window was unlatched, not wide enough, though, for him to get in (let's face it breaking into a bank is no mean feat!). As the gossip spread it transpired that the bank who likes to say yes had to say no on this particular occasion since the keys were inside and the bank staff were outside. 1.45 p.m.; Scores of spectators gather and



All hands on board

still no budge on the window.

An official suit-clad gentleman approached our workman and both went to conference, the former adjusting his tie in the rising heat and the latter scratching his head in bewilderment. They disappeared into the bustle of the lunch time shopping and re-emerged with two thick planks. Finally the window was levered open at 2.05 p.m. to the applause of our well entertained spectators and to the relief of our intrepid bank-breakers. But sure on a grand sunny day, that it was, wasn't everything bound to come right in the end.

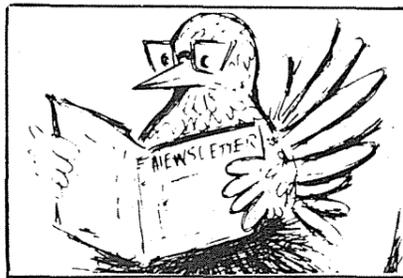
Not so entertaining was the episode of Main Street history that occurred in the Bank of Ireland on August 11th last. At approximately 2.05 p.m. on that day two men on a motorcycle drove up onto the path to the bank door armed with a gun and a knife and masked by their helmets. Neither



We're in at last

of them spoke a word while in the bank. One jumped the counter while the other held the staff and two customers at gunpoint. It was all over in seconds and the raiders sped away on their unregistered motorbike with approximately £2,500-£3,000 in cash. They headed towards the town bridge.

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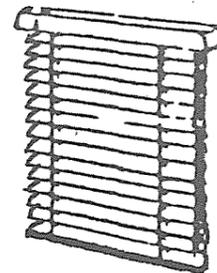
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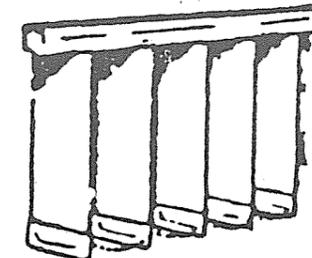
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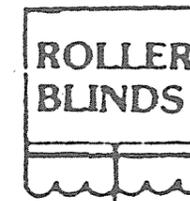


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PARTY POLITICAL NOTES.

FINE GAEL NOTES

1. Bond Bridge

The following reply has been received from the Minister for the Environment regarding road re-alignment and bridge replacement at Bond Bridge, Maynooth.

"This bridge is located on a regional road. Primary responsibility for improvement on such roads rests with the local authority. The funding for this being met from local resources supplemented by the block grant for roads.

In 1988, a special grant of £40,000 had been allocated to Kildare County Council as a contribution towards the costs of site investigations and the preparation of preliminary reports for schemes to improve Bond Bridge and Shaw Bridge which is also on a regional road. The Department has issued approval to the local authority's proposals for the appointment of a consulting engineer to prepare a preliminary report for the Bond Bridge Scheme. Following completion of the report and cost estimates, the local authority may submit detailed proposals for the scheme to the Department for consideration."

2. In a question to the Minister for Justice regarding reported crimes in the various towns in North Kildare, the following reply was received by Deputy Bernard Durkan.

"The information is readily available only in relation to Garda sub-districts."

The offences are broken down in four groups. The following is the breakdown for the Maynooth sub-district:

	1985	1986	1987
1. Offences against the person	10	6	2
2. Offences against property with violence	35	62	34
3. Offences against property without violence	18	13	19
4. Other indictable Offences	1	1	Nil
	64	81	55

3. Roadway outside Maynooth Post Primary School.

Following representation by Deputy Bernard Durkan to Kildare County Council the following reply was received:

"Work on this road, commencing with drainage is due to start any day and should be completed by the end of the holidays, in as much as this year's allocation extends."

4. By now the residents of Maynooth will be pleased that the travellers have moved to the Halting Site. Appropriate action will be taken to ensure that there is no further camping by travellers in the vicinity of Maynooth.

5. Another item which should please us here in Maynooth following representation by Deputy Bernard Durkan is the arrival of the litter bins, two on the Straffan Road and three new bins on the Main Street. We must now use them and not abuse them.

6. Deputy Bernard Durkan is available each Saturday at 2.30 pm to meet with constituents at the Geraldine Hall, Maynooth.

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Did you Know...?

1. Almost £13 million pounds has been cut from the Child Benefit scheme. Payments have remained frozen at 1986 levels. The Child Benefit Scheme was introduced by the Labour Party in 1986.

2. If you have to claim Long Term Disability Benefit you now need 260 stamps (5 years constant employment) as against 156 in January 1987. This is a cut of £9.25 million affecting many thousands of claimants. The Labour Party maintained and improved these basic entitlements all during the 1970's and 80's.

3. The 11% increase for the Long Term Unemployed last month works out at a bare 7% for a married couple with three children. The Labour Party first introduced special increases for the long term unemployed in 1983. Many families will now see their increases claimed back in increased local authority rents.

4. If you pay P.R.S.I. Contributions you are now paying more than ever before. The ceiling has gone up and the rate has been increased from 1% to 1.25%. Under this government you pay more for fewer and poorer services.

If any of these cuts, or the dozens of other cuts, in Social Welfare affect you then next time round support the Labour Party and fight the cuts.

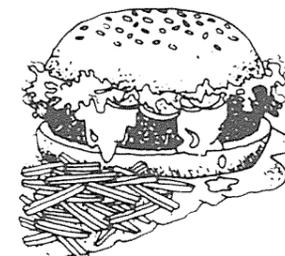
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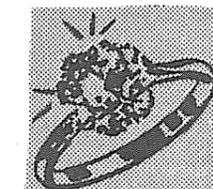
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WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

NATIONAL COLLECTION

The Workers' Party annual door-to-door national collection will be carried out in Maynooth over the next couple of weeks. Although the present government's policies have left many ordinary working class families with little cash to spare, we urge every household to make as generous a contribution as possible, in order to maximise the effectiveness of the Workers' Party campaign against the anti-working class policies of the main political parties.

CONSTITUENCY REVISION

The cynical approach to politics of the Fianna Fail party has never been more apparent than in the terms of reference handed to the committee set up to revise the boundaries of Dail constituencies in the light of the 1986 census results. Despite the fact that no public disquiet had been expressed over the existing pattern of constituencies, which had gone a long way towards providing effective proportional representation, the government has — with the apparent connivance of Fine Gael — blatantly

decided to eliminate the five-seat constituencies which give the smaller parties their best opportunity to secure Dail representation.

Although the Minister for the Environment has gone on record as stating that the aim of this move is to reduce the number of "unwieldy" constituencies, in fact it is the compact urban five-seaters which will be the main casualties, as the much more unwieldy rural five-seaters will be protected by the added stipulation that county boundaries should be preserved where possible. While the existing Workers' Party seats appear secure from this move, the obvious aim is to prevent the party from gaining several extra seats, especially in Dublin. Such gains have become increasingly likely given the erosion of Fianna Fail support in working class districts in the capital indicated by successive opinion polls. It is no surprise that the gains achieved by Fianna Fail in these polls have occurred mainly among the better-off sections of the population.

It is quite possible that the constituency revision could see Kildare being divided into two three-seat constituencies. There will, however, be no let-up in the Workers' Party's efforts to represent the interests of working class people in all parts of the county.

SOCIAL WELFARE INCREASES

Many families will have found themselves little better off from the social

welfare increases implemented at the end of July because of the niggardly decision on the part of the government to simultaneously cut the "cushion" payments introduced to protect some families from the worst effects of the so-called "equalisation" of social welfare introduced last year. In fact, in certain circumstances, some social welfare recipients could actually be WORSE off. The Workers' Party has already highlighted this anomaly at national level. However, anybody wishing to have their own positions investigated should contact the local Workers' Party representative, Catherine Murphy, at 244903.



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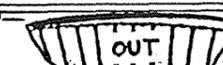
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

Our Junior A football team have been playing well all season and have now reached the semi final of the junior championship. They are also well placed in the league and could well be in line for promotion at the end of the campaign. The junior B team have also been doing well and they are in the top four in their division.

Under the watchful eye of manager and trainer, Mick Mealey, ably assisted by Tommy O'Flaherty, the teams have trained hard, and would deserve any success that comes their

SPORTS NEWS

way. We wish them luck.

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Mick Gillick on the birth of their son and we also wish to congratulate Mick Martin on the happy occasion of his marriage.

Michael Caden, P.R.O.

**FÉILE PEILE NA nÓG
1988**

U/14 and U/16 Football Teams:—

The U/14 football team has reached the league semi final. A lot of work

has gone into the team and the tremendous efforts made by the lads themselves are beginning to show dividends. If every member of the panel were to attend the training sessions from now on, there is little doubt but it would take a very good team to beat them. So remember lads turn up for training.

The U/16 football team has reached the semi final of the championship having beaten St. Lawrence's in the quarter final. The final score was somewhat flattering to Maynooth though they did play good stuff in the second half. It is generally felt, however, that unless everyone gives of their best for the full hour the semi final will not be won. The semi final is in Clane on the 25th August at 7.00 p.m. so lads it is up to yourselves to ensure that ye are fully prepared by attending the training sessions.



ATHLETIC CLUB

August is always a quiet month regarding club activities. Training also goes slack as so many are away on holidays. A trip to Antrim during his holidays certainly paid off for Brian Redmond as he came away with two gold medals in the vets all Ireland Championships. The club is now busy preparing for the Road Race on 25th of September this is a popular race and we hope the entries will be even bigger this year. Everyone really enjoys this run which takes in part of Carton Estate. So all of you who do a bit of jogging at all, don't forget to get your entry in.

Another very important date in the clubs calendar is the A.G.M. which takes place on Wednesday 14th September in the club house at Maynooth Post Primary School. Anyone who is interested at all please try to attend. We would love to see some new faces at this meeting. Also anyone who has anything to discuss regarding training etc. We hope you will be there at 8.30 p.m. on the 14th September.

The track and field season is coming to a close but don't forget its what you put into your training during the winter months that determine how good your performance will be next season. I would once again like to thank all of you who continue to support our monthly draw and also those who go around selling the tickets.

Barbara Tracey, P.R.O.



FEILE NA nÓG Maynooth U/14 football team Recent winners of best dressed team



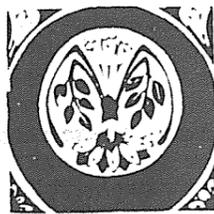
Donaghmore U/14 football team, Recent winners of Feile na nÓg 1988. Visiting team in Maynooth for the Feile.

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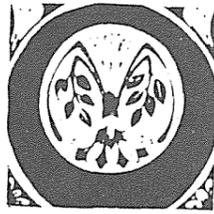


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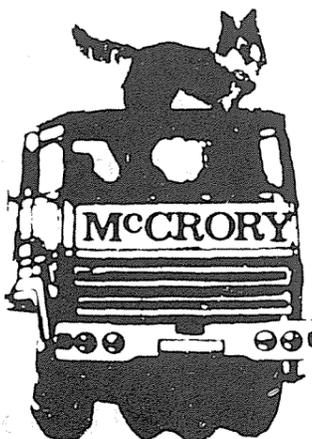
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BOB'S KITCHEN

Barbecued Pork Pockets
Ingredients: Imperial/metric
4x5oz./150g lean pork chops
1 small onion, finely chopped
1 level teaspoon curry powder, salt and pepper
4 tablespoons apple juice
2 tablespoons vinegar
1 level teaspoon brown sugar
1 level teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 level teaspoon ground cloves

Method:
1. Trim the fat from the chops, dice and render out in a frying pan. Using a sharp pointed knife, slit each chop to the bone to make a pocket.
2. Combine the onion and curry powder and use to fill the pockets.
3. Season the chops on both sides. Add the apple juice, vinegar, sugar, cinnamon and cloves to the rendered fat and stir well.
4. Brush the chops on both sides with the spice mixture.
5. Place on a rack and cook under a moderately hot grill for about 10 minutes on each side, basting with the spice mixture, until cooked and golden brown.

Serve with hot buttered potatoes and a green salad.

MARSHMALLOW BISCUIT BARS
These will be a children's favourite.
Ingredients: Imperial/metric
4oz./125g marshmallows
4oz./125g margarine
4 level tablespoons golden syrup
4 oz./125g Rice Krispies
3 oz./75g glace cherries, chopped
2oz./50g chopped nuts (optional)

Method:
1. Heat the marshmallows and margarine over a gentle heat until both have melted.
2. Add all the remaining ingredients and mix well.
3. Place the mixture in a greased 7 inch/18cm. square tin and spread evenly.
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24th SEPTEMBER, 1988

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We regret any inconvenience caused on our last attempt which unfortunately we couldn't hold due to circumstances beyond our control.

ENTRY FORM

NAME OF BAND: _____ NO. OF MEMBERS IN BAND: _____

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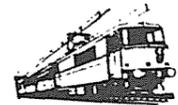
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"MIRRORS"

By Deaglan O Connachtain

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Reflection of the inner eye,
Now unclothed, bare, transparent,
The last vestige of falsehood removed.
Clever was the mind,
Behind the starry facade —
Delightful in its composure,
... Dreams not yet fulfilled.
Memories of legend,
Of greatness... deceived,
Bitter, now, is the heart —
That created it all.
All traces stripped away,
Underneath lies confusion,
The death of false life —
Blossoms yet another.

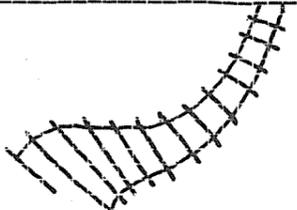
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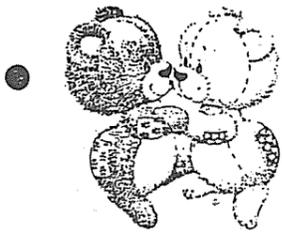


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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT 1988

Once again we had a terrific project. Over 300 children registered and they and their leaders had a ball.

During week one we played crazy games, made some really lovely crafts, played rounders and finished the week with 130 people going by train and Dart to Monkstown swimming pool.

For the next three weeks it was all go. We hiked, picniced, barbequed, treasure hunted and played soccer. The highlight of week two was a very successful day trip to the Hellfire Club.

We played basket ball and tennis, bingo and went bowling in Stillorgan. We mastered orienteering and "it's a knockout". Week three provided a gorgeous day in Avondale where we had a guided tour of Parnell's home.

Week four saw us barbequing in Donadea — (again!).

The project finished for most of the children on Thursday 28th with a really marvellous concert in the Geraldine Hall. The very talented and courageous children who took part deserve our congratulations and thanks for a very entertaining afternoon. The concert was followed by prize giving and a party.

On Friday 29th, 100 of us went to the Salesian College in Ballinakill, Co. Laois for our summer camp.

We had a wonderful weekend. It lashed for two and a half days but that didn't matter! Thanks to the Salesians, we used their terrific gym and their T.V. room for videos. The local outdoor pool is a memory that will linger on and on (brrrrr). Fr. Ross came down from Maynooth and we all took part in a beautiful Mass on Sunday. Dan taught us all lovely hymns and we finished by raising the roof with "Rise and Shine" — the project Anthem!!

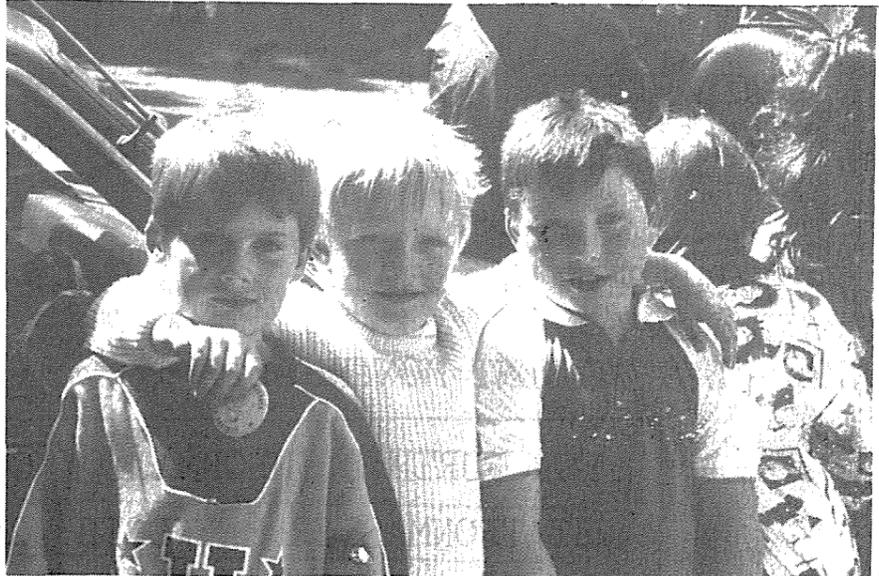
We would like to thank very sincerely John Campion, Dan Ryan — Salesians and Brendan Walshe — Columbans for all their help during the Project. We are also very indebted to Salesian House for all their facilities and to Salesian College — Ballinakill for allowing us the use of their grounds and facilities for our Camping weekend.



Very talented ladies at the Summer Project Concert. They are: Patricia Purcell, Margaret Brennan, Grace Kelly and Emma McCluskey.



Great fun in "It's A Knockout" at Rail Park.



Happy Faces at the Barbeque in Donadea.

BUTTERFLY FARM AT STRAFFAN

(Notes taken from Leinster Leader)

An interesting afternoon's outing awaits visitors to our newest local attraction, the Butterfly Farm at Ovidstown, Straffan. The farm is the result of Desmond Fox's hobby. When he was only eight Des started collecting and breeding but abandoned the hobby for a while in adult life. Moving to Ovidstown, Dundrum-born Des returned to his hobby with renewed vigour. "The location was suitable," says his wife Iris, "so we erected the tropical house and got the plastic tunnel."

Although the butterfly farm is costly, it is not run as a commercial enterprise. The fees charged to visitors do not bring in huge revenue and any money made goes back into the farm. Heating costs are high. "The tropical house is thermostatically controlled," says Iris. "Temperatures need to be 60 at night and around 86 during the day. It costs as much on a hot day to keep the place cool as it does to keep it warm on a cold day."

The primary objective of the farm is the conservation of butterflies. "There is a shortage of butterflies in Ireland right now. Insecticides upset their habitats, intensive farming, hedge-cutting and pollution take their toll on the butterfly population: butterflies need very high light levels and therefore sunshine is highly important.

Des and Iris concentrate on breeding butterflies to release them back to the wild. They describe themselves as conservationists. "If somebody doesn't do something about the diminishing number of butterflies our grandchildren won't have a chance to see them," says Iris.

In terms of breeding, a breeder is successful if he manages to get right through the butterfly cycle for the second time round, for example, if he manages to get the butterflies from the egg to caterpillar to chrysalis to adult butterfly stage and back again.

John Lavery, Tralee, is one of this country's noted breeders, says Iris and Seán Burke, Senior, Tallaght, is also an enthusiastic breeder. Seán's son, Seán Junior, is at present helping Des and Iris in Straffan.

Some of the butterflies are imported from a butterfly farm in Penang, among them the Monarch, Swallow Tail, Papilio Chayon. The butterflies rely on two types of plants: nectar plants for the butterflies themselves and food plants for the caterpillars. In the tropical house, an Australian flower, the Lantana which flowers all year round, provides the nectar.

Among the indigenous Irish butterflies found at the farm are the Tortoiseshells which can be released anywhere; the Brown Hairstreak which is native to the Burren and Galway and which must be sent back to those specific areas; the Brimstone and the Dark Green Fritillary and Large Heath.

Besides breeding and collecting of

butterflies at the farm, the butterfly exhibition in a display area is important. "We frame all the butterflies that you see here ourselves," says Iris. "We even make our own frames in an effort to cut costs." Des, who is an expert at setting and handling butterflies and who has been doing so for years does all the setting and farming.

It takes between eight and ten weeks for a butterfly to dry out. The setter cannot touch the butterfly's because the colour is easily destroyed. If handled properly the butterflies retain their colour and last a lifetime. "The display area," says Iris, "is very educational and there's always someone here to chat to visitors about the exhibits".

In addition to butterflies the display area also houses a scorpion, eight tarantulla spiders from South America, a lizard from Tunisia and Natterjack toad from Kerry, the sole species of Irish toad.

Des and Iris' two sons, Alan (6) and Ian (5), breed butterflies but, says Iris "we don't push it."

Des, who runs an engineering supplies business in Dublin with his brother, works at the butterfly farm in the evenings. For Iris, it is almost a full-time job. Why does she do it? "Because I love it," she says. "It's very much addictive. Once you've bred butterflies and seen the full cycle, you're addicted."

Further information about the butterfly farm is available from Iris at (01) 271109.

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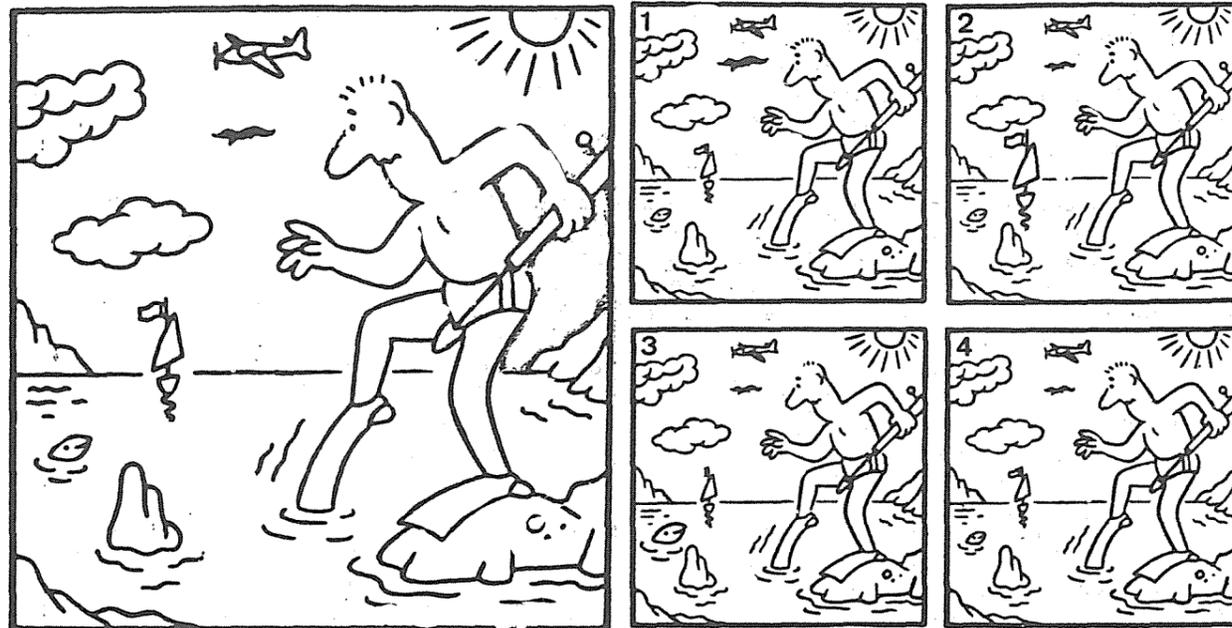
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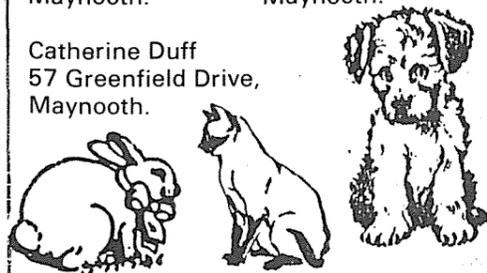
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Catherine Duff
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Children's Corner announces a new Competition for children with pets. You are invited to send in a brief story or description of your pets along with a photograph. Entries must be in by Monday 19th September. 5p.m.

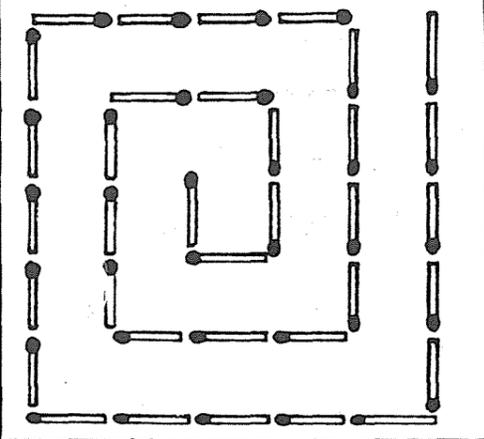
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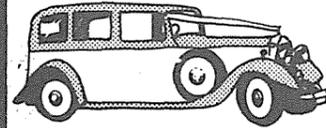
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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL ENVIRONMENTAL SUB-COMMITTEE:

JUDGES' REPORT 1988

SHOP FRONTS COMPETITION

The judges inspected every commercial establishment in the village, Maynooth shopping centre and Greenfields shopping centre. On the basis of criteria such as — general maintenance, originality/character, harmony with the surroundings, presentation of window display, and the level of effort put into improvements, the following awards were made.

FIRST PRIZE:

O'NEILL'S FAMILY BUTCHERS

There have been some significant new developments in the Town over the past year, some good and some bad. The judges felt that the developments which have contributed to a visible improvement in the town's commercial facades should be given encouragement. This most recently installed new shop front (together with its adjoining unit) represents a tasteful blend of tradition and nostalgia which can only add to an increasingly attractive unity in the Main Street's shop fronts.

SECOND PRIZE:

North Kildare Travel

Again in this case, a former residential property has been converted impressively with the traditional shop front — which, though it is pastiche, represents a successful borrowing from Ireland's old shop front legacy. It represents an important improvement in this part of the Main Street also.

THIRD PRIZE:

The Geraldine Arms

One of the oldest, earliest and most tastefully maintained establishments.

COMMENDATIONS:

Bradys: For a continuing high level of maintenance at this important junction of the Square. While recognising the need for change in colour schemes — grey and white is not as effective as the previous starker contrasts.

The Leinster Arms — Probably the most important structure in the Main Street, it is well maintained and presented. The new signs can only be an improvement.

SPECIAL CATEGORIES

Best shops in Maynooth Shopping Centre — Shades and Petals (Quinnsworth Shopping Centre). No award made for Greenfield Shopping Centre.

TIDY DISTRICTS COMPETITION

The judges inspected all the housing areas in Maynooth. They paid particular attention to open grass areas/play areas, the general level of maintenance apparent in the estate, the front garden displays, the state of verges, kerbsides, walls, fences, shrubbery and the appearance of the houses themselves. On this basis the following awards were made.

FIRST PRIZE:

Rail Park

Tidy, well maintained and pleasing area, where the open plan or low fencing gives an overall unity that is added to by the mature trees. Open green areas are well looked after.

SECOND PRIZE:

Cluain Aoibhinn

For overall maintenance of effort in the face of the continuing negative impact of the number of rented houses. Well presented area, well maintained open areas. Verges well kept and trees present a nice aspect.

THIRD PRIZE:

Old Greenfield, Phase One

A tidy and pleasing place containing some nice gardens. It has improved over previous years. Green areas are well looked after — evidence of communal effort.

COMMENDATIONS

Greenfield Estate: The largest estate showing greater variability than others, but the overall impression is of a mature, proudly kept area.

College Campus. Apart from the obvious positive impact of the old campus, the new campus and new library area with extensive and impressive tree plantations creates an important impression on visitors entering from the West. Though it reflects greater resource investment than the rest of the town, it is still a bonus for Maynooth.

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COMMENTS ON OTHER AREAS

Parson's Street: Tidy, pleasing colour scheme. The road and footpath towards Cluain Aoibhinn is a disgrace and is hazardous for pedestrians.

College Green: A nicely maturing area with a tasteful sign. There was evidence of an above average amounts litter and the kerbs could have been maintained. Open areas very nicely presented.

Beafield: Nice entrance and nice lay-out, obviously still settling down, though there is evidence of considerable effort at maintenance. Pleased to see the retention of old field hedges, though they could be tidied up a bit.

Old Greenfield phase three: A lot of litter and unkempt areas. Obvious lack of trees and garden colour.

Old Greenfield phase two: A tidy and neat area — again trees would improve it substantially.

Greenfield Lane: Though the road surface is very poor a nice impression is created by some well maintained and colourful garden displays.

Carton Court: Open areas are very well kept. Kerb maintenance could be improved. Overall a very tidy and pleasant place.

Kingsbry: Improving, but obviously there is a slow-down in completion of the estate. The road surface is still temporary. It could do with lots of planting for future improvements. Some of the smaller areas/cul-de-sacs obviously showing considerable

effort by their residents which is offset by intervening derelict spots.

Manor Court: A pleasant apartment development, which shows some problems in maintenance of lawns and grass areas.

Moyglare Road and Village: A variable area of residential properties and hostels, the effects of which are spoiled by the woeful state of the road, footpaths (mostly non-existent) and roadside verges (unkempt). Moyglare Village which is unfinished, has considerable potential — the retention of the mature trees at the entrance is a definite plus factor.

O'Neill Park: Pleasant little cul-de-sac which has not changed over the years. The verge along the main road shows half-hearted attempts at tidying up — cotoneaster plants have been swamped by ragwort and thistles.

Leinster Park: A nice quiet bungalow development.

Travellers Halt: This recent development has considerable potential which hopefully will be maintained.

General Remarks: There is obvious evidence of effort by the community to keep their houses/streets/roads and estates in a tidy and well maintained fashion. Everybody deserves congratulations.

The maintenance of open spaces was particularly impressive — because it is obvious that a considerable amount of energy and effort goes into these grass cutting operations. In addition, the retention of older field

boundaries/hedges is an important link with the older rural landscape. The hedges beside Greenfield Shopping Centre and in Carton Court are especially well maintained. Perhaps more could be done about hedges in the Beafield area. The restoration of the Harbour and Canal is an important development which will substantially improve the amenities in this part of the town. The open space outside College Gates and Castle continues to be a very distinguished feature of the town.

The Town Centre continues to improve and there is an obvious attempt to establish a cohesion in the appearance of the shops along the Main Street. The Square is showing the results of tasteful restoration over the past year, though the toilet block is a continuing anomaly. Is it beyond redemption?

On the negative side, a number of things can be said. Some are beyond the capacity of the local community to improve (for example, footpaths), but something might be attempted communally on other points. Footpaths in Maynooth generally are very sub-standard. This is surprising in a town with such a large pedestrian and cyclist population — either mothers and small children or students. The Students' Union especially should put pressure on the Local Authority to provide footpaths of an acceptable standard. Special attention should be drawn to the footpaths of Cluain Aoibhinn, the Moyglare road, Dunboyne road — and generally throughout the Main street. There are some open areas which have significant negative impacts — a derelict area with a Sign "Dogs loose" is particularly unattractive.

The Harbour field, though showing signs of improvement, together with the rather neglected playground, could do with a bit more attention, especially now that the Canal has been upgraded. The Avenue to Carton, which is a most attractive feature in Maynooth shows great neglect. There are too many unauthorised property development signs around the town. Two in particular create a negative impression — outside the Catholic church on the Galway road. With regard to Shop Fronts, most recent developments opposite the Country Shop have contributed little to the character of the town. Greenfield Shopping Centre is a typical suburban Shopping Centre — plastic, functioning and characterless. Perhaps Quinnsworth, with its substantial resources, could upgrade the front and general environs of their new property in Maynooth?

Finally, the judges noted the new Map in the Main Street. While credit is due for this development, an improved version might be put in place. Because of the size of the Map, most of the places mentioned in the numbered key might be easily lettered onto the map — with only individual buildings (such as the Post Office) numbered for the key. The Post Office seems to be in the wrong location. Additionally, all the housing districts around should be referred to on the map.

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Maynooth Castle

Gerald FitzMaurice, first baron of Offaly and Lord of the Manor of Maynooth died in 1203. His son, the second baron of Offaly and the second Maurice Fitzgerald, had a long and distinguished career during which the FitzGerald moved decisively into a leading role in Norman-Irish Society. In 1232 he was appointed to the highest political and administrative position in Ireland, that of justiciar, and he retained it until 1245. The government of Norman Ireland was modelled on that of England and the King was represented in Ireland by the chief justiciar. At a time when the kings of England were active rulers, directly and personally at the head of military affairs, civil administration and the judicial system, their representatives in Ireland had correspondingly wide powers and responsibilities. His official duties, and his zeal to further the family interest, took Fitzgerald all over Ireland.

His father and his uncle, Gerald and Thomas FitzMaurice, had been granted the manors of Croom and Shanid respectively in County Limerick. At Croom Maurice built a castle and from its name came the famous war-cry and motto of the Kildare Geraldines, 'Crom Abu', while from the castle of Shanid came the war-cry of their cousins the Desmond Geraldines, 'Shanid Abu'. The castles were about sixteen miles apart and on the borders of a O'Brien territory so that the rival cries of the FitzGerald on the one hand and the 'Lamhlaidir Abu' of the O'Briens on the other constantly rang out as the Castles were attacked and the de-

fenders fought back. Later on the Butlers became the chief rivals of the FitzGeraalds and in 1495 an act of parliament was passed which stated that, 'forasmuch as there hath been great variances, malices, debates, and comparisons between diverse lords and gentlemen of this land', it was no longer lawful for anyone to get involved, 'as in using these words Cromabu and Butlerabu, or other words like, or contrary to the king's laws, his crown, and dignity, and peace, but to call only on St. George, or the name of his Sovereign Lord the kind of England . . .'

Maurice FitzGerald also brought the new mendicant religious orders, the Franciscans and Dominicans to Ireland. For the Franciscans he founded an abbey in Youghal where many members of the Desmond branch of the family were later buried. In 1235 he was granted the manor of Sligo where he founded a priory and built a castle for himself to serve as a base for his planned invasion of Tir Chonnaill. Of the castle no trace remains today but the beautiful ruins of Sligo Abbey remain as one of the show-places of the town today.

It was the second Maurice FitzGerald also who built the castle at Maynooth, the great keep with its surrounding curtain wall with towers at the corners and the fine entrance gate. He built so well that most of his work still stands while later additions have long since vanished.

As well as the castle, Maurice also built the adjoining chapel which, greatly altered over the centuries, is

the nucleus of the present Church of Ireland, parish church. It is very interesting to find the new chapel or church at Maynooth incorporated, together with the older churches we have already met and which date back long before Norman times, in the newly developing parish system. As noted in the last article, Irish parish organisation was only beginning when the Normans arrived. The diocesan structure had been completed and this was of course essential before territorially defined parishes could emerge. The groundwork for these had also been laid by the Synod of Cashel in 1171-2 when it had been laid down that every man should pay tithe for the support of his parish church. The paying of tithes the tenth part of the produce of land or stock, was the basis of the defined parish throughout Europe, and it had developed in England during the tenth century. With the paying of tithe the word 'parish' became applied to a geographical area rather than to the people comprising it. The Normans who came to Ireland were already familiar with the idea of a parish supported by tithe and ready to introduce it into their new holdings.

The Lord of the Manor was usually anxious to have his lands recognized as an independent parish, and this accounts for the relatively small size of parishes in Norman populated areas. The Lord enforced the payment of tithe and often kept the advowson, or right of presentation to a church benefice, himself or might hand over the whole benefice to some religious house. The benefice was the ecclesi-

astical post or office to which property or revenue was attached, and the holder of the benefice was the incumbent. The incumbent of a parish was responsible for the provision of the essential services, such as the saying of Mass at stipulated times. The incumbent who might be a religious house or an individual, very often did not provide these services in person but paid a vicar to do so, and this system became so widespread throughout Christendom that canon law developed to regulate the division of the revenue of a parish as between the rector, who had the right to the tithes and any other income and the vicar who was paid a stipend or salary to carry out the parish work.

This pattern we now see operating in the Maynooth area. Fr. MacSweeney finds the priory of St. Catherine at Leixlip, and the churches of Leixlip, Confey, Taghadoe, Laragh-bryan, Maynooth and Donaghmore all included in the thirteenth century in the rural deanery of Leixlip. A rural deanery was a sub-division of a diocese, presided over by its dean whose main function was to act as a channel of communication between bishop and clergy. With the exception of St. Catherine's which was founded in 1218 for the canons of St. Victor by Warisius Petche, Lord of Lucan, the other churches within the deanery had, according to Fr. MacSweeney, parochial status. It also fits the pattern when we find Maurice Fitzgerald in 1248 requesting Archbishop Luke of Dublin to erect the chapel of Maynooth into a prebend of the Cathedral of St. Patrick's and retaining in his own hands and those of his successors the nomination to the prebend. This meant that some member of the cathedral chapter became entitled to a stipend coming from the revenue of the church of Maynooth in return for officiating there at stipulated times. The name of the first Prebendary of Maynooth, installed on 12th October 1248, was Richard de Carren.

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By the time this issue of the Newsletter is out the BOAT PUSH will be over. It is planned for August 18th at 2 p.m. from the Square. A full account will be given in the next issue of the Newsletter.

On the fundraising front, the next project is a TREASURE HUNT, but this is not any ordinary hunt. Take a good look in your local shops for posters and answering sheets at £1 each, also see advert in this magazine. Our thanks to Declan O'Connor for setting up the quiz. We would also like to thank Barretts for transporting our dumper from Athlone. It is very encouraging for the committee to receive sponsorship like this for our project. We continually get support from the businesses and people of Maynooth and this indeed makes our work easier in seeing our project through.

Our resident family of swans were somewhat disturbed by a new arrival recently. An exhausted swan arrived on the banks of the canal, probably driven by the unusually strong July gales. He was rescued by the SES workers and now seems to be recovering his strength and settling in -further up the canal away from the indigeneous family. Thanks especially to John Leavy who came to the Community Council office and contacted the Wildlife organization.

BACK TO LEARNING

Mary Ryan, now back in business, after her recent marriage, has announced an exciting crop of opportunities for adults wishing to learn something new this Autumn. Mary is the organiser of extra-mural studies in the college and will be happy to discuss the course offerings with anyone who is interested. Telephone 285222. Courses start in October, but early registration is advised. Among the courses are:

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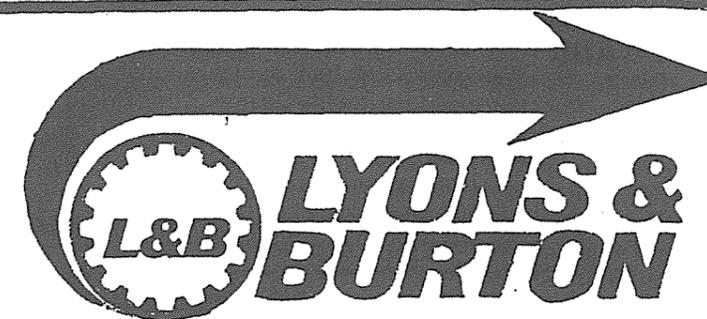
The next project for the workers will be the erection of a slipway for boats on the Canal. The proposed plans will be put up in the Library to be seen and viewed by the public. As usual, stone will always be welcome from anyone prepared to donate such.

Muireann Ní Bhrolchain P.R.O.

Trivial Pursuits in Maynooth
By now most houses have received a notice advertising our "Where in Maynooth" competition. The prize is £50 and an entry form will admit you

free to a music night we have organised in Cassidy's Roost on Thursday 8th September where the Folk Group will play.

At this stage you will have found a pair of two-faced liars in the town -the clocks at Brady's Pub and Noone Motors, while you might have attempted to walk upright on the old mill wheel beside the main road at Kavanaghs in an effort to find the **Circular Steps**. Give the competition a try. It's great fun for all the family. You can buy an entry form in local shops.

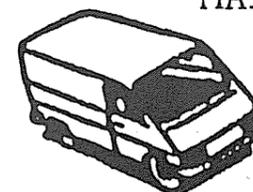


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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Our club has been on holidays since June. We met in July for our annual outing which this year took us to Co. Galway to visit the lovely gardens of Dr. Lorna McMahon. About 45 members and friends set off, our first visit was to the Royal Tara China where we had a most interesting conducted tour of the factory to see the beautiful china as it emerged through the various stages until it ended in the showrooms.

After lunching there we set off for the gardens. In brilliant sunshine we spent a lovely afternoon walking through these beautiful gardens, which were planned, planted, and cared for, by Dr. McMahon. She related the whole story which started when the family moved from Dublin to live there. At that time it was just woods and farming area surrounding their house. Year by year she has cultivated and planted more and now she can be justly proud of her work. We were treated to afternoon tea, and then left for Salthill where we

spent the evening. I think everyone agreed we had a marvellous day, thanks to Imelda Desmond and Bridie Brady for organising it.

Our next meeting takes place on 20th September at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. hall. Demonstration by Irene Cole. All are welcome. Admission Non Member £1.00.

Betty Farrell, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

At the meeting held on July 7th. President Mrs Brady introduced the new committee as follows:—

Vice President and Griana Teacta: Helen Doyle.
Secretary: Patricia O'Neill.
Asst. Secretary and Produce Promoter: Rosemary Hanley.
Treasurer: Margaret Gee
Asst. Treasurer and P.R.O. Kay Burns
Contest Sec.: Joan Howard-Williams
Asst. Promoter: Joan Shannon
Crafts Promoter: Mary O'Gorman
Sports and International Officer: Vera Kearins
An Timire: Ursula Walshe
Hostesses: Mrs Curran and Mrs O'Hara

Sympathy was extended to Mrs McArdle on the death of her father.

Congratulations to Mrs. Mary Connelly on the birth of her baby girl.

The hall which has been subjected to some mindless vandalism is receiving a much needed face lift over the summer months. Madam President wished all members a happy and safe summer holiday. Next meeting is on September 1st in the I.C.A. hall at 8'clock.

Rosemary Hanley (ass. sec.)

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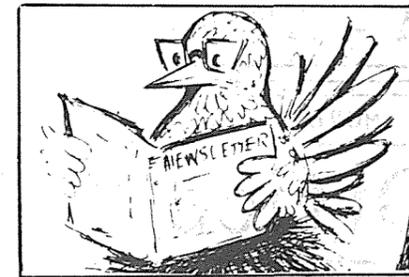
THE CRESCENT

The Players of the Crescent Men's Veteran Team would like to thank everyone for the support which they gave us in the recent Community Week Tournament. On our way to the final we defeated Old Greenfield, Maynooth Town, Straffan Way, Maynooth Park and in the final beat a sporting Carton Court in a penalty shoot-out. Here's looking forward to next year's tournament.

Michael Murphy

THE LIBRARY DIARY

To all groups, associations and organisations etc. who organise events for the Maynooth area; We would like to draw your attention to the Diary in Maynooth Library. The Diary is there to be used by all, to log coming events. In this way all groups will know what's on, when and where. By making full use of this Diary we will all avoid clashing dates and this should make for better running of events for all.



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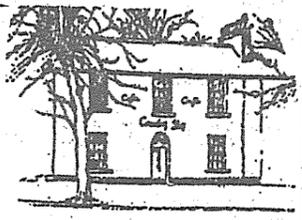
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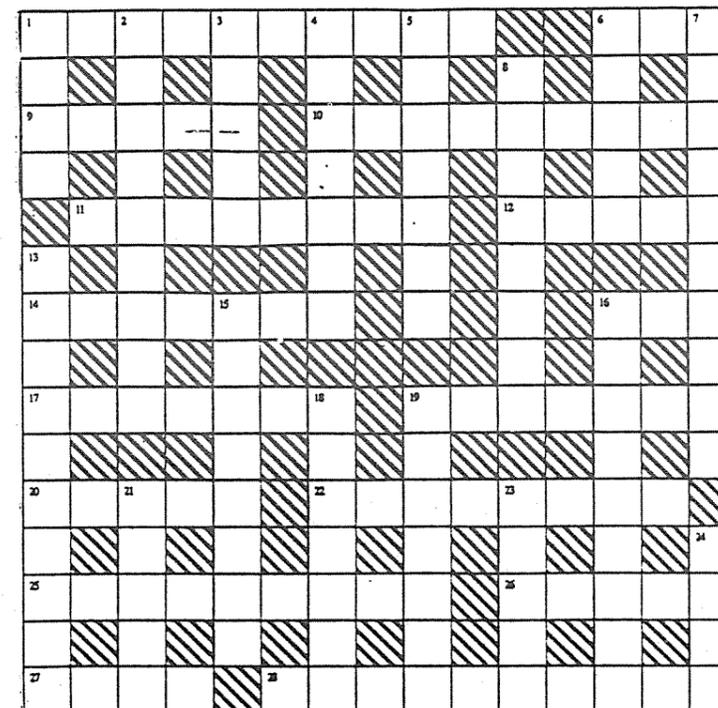
Entries for No. 10 Crossword to News-
letter by Monday 19th September.

ACROSS

- Regal passage (5,5).
- Pull an unsettled gut (3).
- Sal is a bit ropy (5).
- It's fireworks when she's around (9).
- As desire upsets the coastal resident (8).
- Vital part (5).
- This man has an iron fist (6).
- Downhill in a skid (3).
- Fidelity, on my oath (7).
- What the government takes to the health service (7).
- Slick way of cooking (2,3).
- Leave your train in this estate (8).
- Half six from Connolly (4,5).
- Do the chickens come to drink here? (5).
- What father wore at the window (5).
- Mam, test egg for local rep (5,5).

DOWN

- Go to north Dublin town in a hurry (4).
- When all the troubles seemed so far away (9).
- Quiet intervals (5).
- Consented (7).
- The ninth-flower is Obelix's friend (7).
- Object to confused night in the square (5).
- Verdant pasture in Maynooth (5,5).
- Woman from the iron cave (8).
- Geraldine is up in arms here (10).
- It's too chill to cover the table (8).
- Exploding star is more than ravenous (9).
- Measure ship's limb (4,3).
- Blind people with this (5).
- Watering hole in a barren place (5).
- Get plastered in France or Texas (5).
- It's a social gathering of male chauvinists, dear (4).



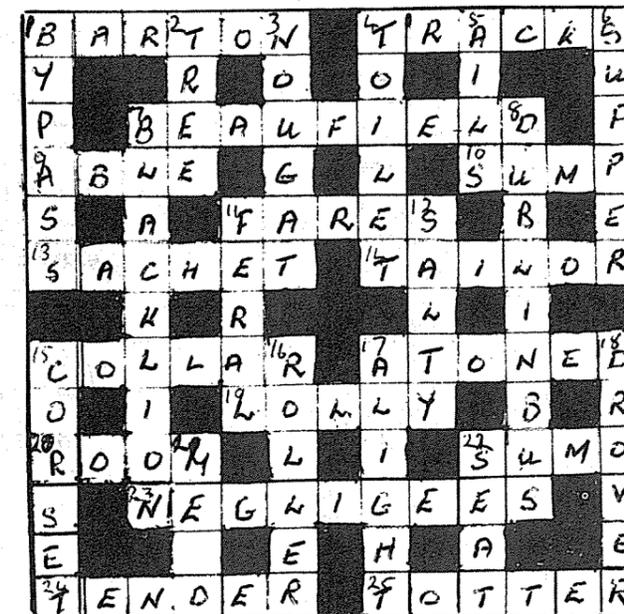
CROSSWORD - FIVE POUNDS PRIZE

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We apologise for the omission of clue 21 down in last month's crossword. We have allowed for this error in judging the competition.

Solution to No. 9 below.



Winner of the £5 prize for DEMON No. 9 Crossword

is: B. Furlong,
110 Carton Court,
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Further Progress on Maynooth By-Pass

Following the recent go-ahead given by the Minister for the Environment to the Leixlip/Maynooth/Kilcock By-Pass, Kildare County Council has issued Compulsory Purchase Orders to acquire the land needed for the road's construction. Because the by-pass will be 17.6 kilometres (11 miles) long, and will be built to motorway standards, a large amount of land is required for the project. In all, some 100 landholders are due to lose 200 acres to the scheme.

About one quarter of these landholders are in the Maynooth area. Those mainly affected include Bryan and Cara McCann, Treadstown House (about 17 acres), Peter Twomey, Newtown House (15 acres), the estate of Gerald Brady, Nobber, Co. Meath (14 acres), Joseph Bruton, Ravensdale, Leixlip (13 acres), Patrick Francis Dunne, Dowdstown (7.5 acres), Patrick Mahon, Newtown (7.5 acres), Margaret Flood, Cormickstown (7 acres), Richard Killian, Reeve's Castle, Straffan (6 acres), and Headon Investment Company (6.5 acres). Full details of the compulsory purchase orders are contained in the Irish Press of July 25.

All landholders concerned were given 21 days to lodge objections with the High Court, which will adjudicate on their validity. Construction of the by-pass is scheduled to begin in 1990, and to last between three and four years. The total cost is estimated at £50 millions, of which £9 millions are earmarked for 11 bridges. The new road will begin at the Spa Hotel, Lucan (where it will join with the Lucan by-pass, due to open in August/September) and end west of Kilcock (see map). The only access point will be south of Maynooth on the Straffan Road (near the junction with the Ballygoran road, between Barrett's and Noone's garage).

A new road is to be built from Newtown to provide direct access to the Straffan Road, near the junction with the by-pass. If this is not completed by the time the by-pass opens, Kildare County Council intends closing off the end of Greenfield Lane, to prevent it being used by Newtown residents to gain access to the Straffan Road. The Straffan Road itself is to be widened and straightened to cater for the extra traffic anticipated, and traffic lights will be installed at the Celbridge Road junction. Maynooth

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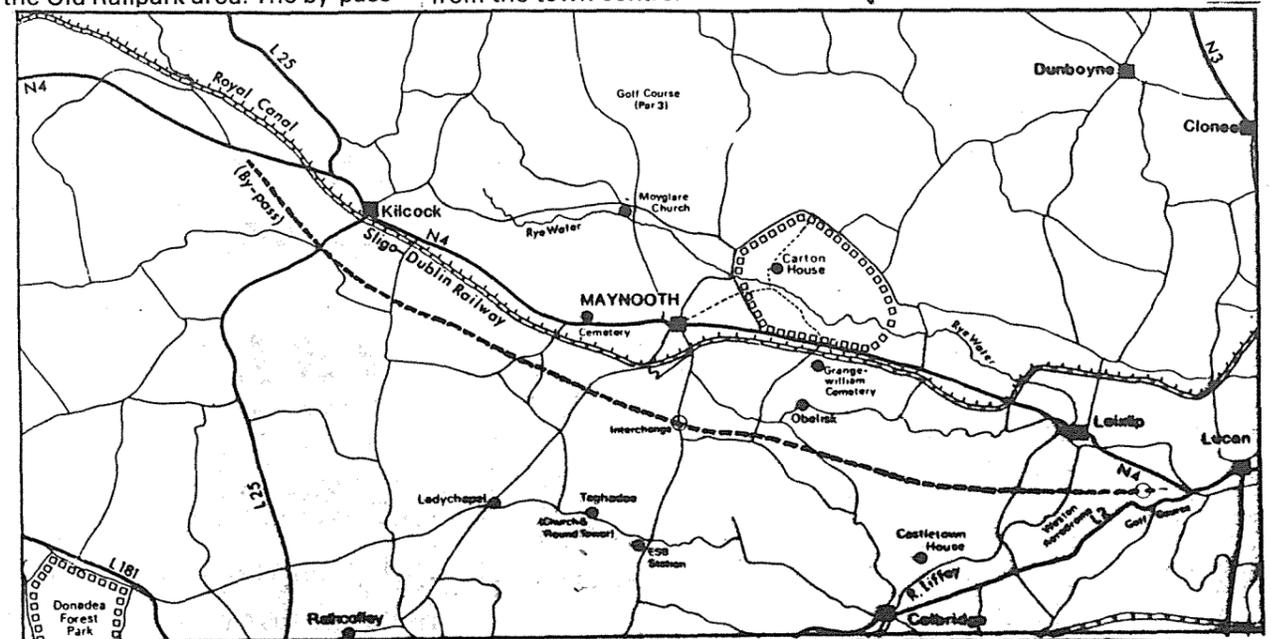
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Community Council has made detailed representations to the County Council concerning safety along the road.

The County Council has long-term plans for a second relief road, running behind Carton Court and Greenfield Estate, as far as the canal. This is designed to cater for future traffic which will be generated by additional housing which is expected to be built in the Old Railpark area. The by-pass

will make Maynooth much more accessible to Dublin, and the demand for housing in the area is expected to increase as a result. However, Maynooth Community Council has pressed Kildare County Council to build this relief road as early as possible, and join it to the Dunboyne Road at Blacklion via a new bridge over the canal, in order to divert traffic coming from the Dunboyne direction away from the town centre.

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Jimmy and Christina Timmons would like to express their thanks for all the prayers and good wishes during Jimmy's recent illness. A mass will be offered in appreciation.

FARRELL: The family of the late Margaret Farrell, Easton Road, Leixlip wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathized with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who sent Mass cards letters of sympathy, serephic certificates and floral tributes. Those who attended removal of remains Mass and funeral. Special word of thanks to kind neighbours, Fr. O. Thynne P.C. Maynooth. Trusting this will be accepted by all as an expression of our gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass eill be offered for their intentions.

Devine: I wish to thank most sincerely those who sympathised with me in the recent and sad bereavement of my father, Hugh Devine, Donemana, Co. Tyrone and Maynooth, Co. Kildare; those who sent Mass cards, letters of sympathy, wreaths and floral tributes; those who attended removal of remains, acknowledgment will be accepted as a token of my appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your attentions.

The wife and family of the late Patrick Tracey, 7 Double Lane, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their sad bereavement, those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes and all who attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral. A special word of thanks to Fr. Cogan, Fr. Supple, Dr. Maurice Cowhey, Management and staff of Kavanagh's Manor Mills, Telemechanique, St. Patrick's College and our great friends and neighbours too numerous to mention, their prayers and help have eased our great loss. We trust you will accept this as a small token of our appreciation. Holy Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

SYMPATHY:

Sympathy is extended to wife, daughters, brother, sister-in-law, son-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives of the late Patrick Tracey, Double Lane.

Daughters, Sons, Brother, Sister, Brothers-in-law, Sister-in-law, grandchildren and relatives of the late William Murtagh, Greenfield.

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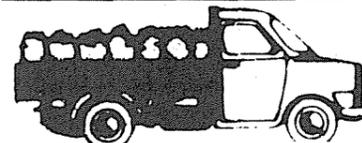
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Sympathy to Mrs Molly Lovely, Dillons Road, Maynooth, and Mrs Kitty Tracey, Doctors Road, Maynooth, on the death of their sister Mrs Bridget Turpin in England who died recently. Sons, Daughter, Sisters, Brother, Daughters-in-law, Son-in-law, grandchildren and relatives of the late Frances Fahy, Maynooth and Kilbeacanty, Galway.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Marian Bright on her success on passing her driving test.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to Ann (nee Dalton) and James Malone on the birth of their Daughter. Ann works in Country Shop Restaurant.

To Noelle (nee Barry, Main St.) and Garda Donal Kelly, Abbeyleix baby girl, first grandchild for Jimmie and Ann.

Janet and Harry Leavey Greenfield, baby girl.

Tina Holly (nee O'Hearne, Greenfield) and Neil Holly, London, baby girl.

RECENT BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to Mary Bean, "Nuada" Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who celebrated her birthday on August 14th. From Tony, Aisling and baby Brian.

James (Chiko) Dowling Greenfield, July 7th

Michael Molloy, Millstreet 20 August 1st

Clodagh Quinn Greenfield, 13 August 1st

Mrs K. McEvoy Greenfield, August 1st

Mrs Baba Newton Greenfield, August 7th

Her son Michael, Germany August 7th

Brian Farrell Greenfield, August 7th

Joseph Fleming Greenfield, age 5 August 3th

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Congratulations to Liam and Margaret Bean "Lemar" Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary on 18th August.

LEATHER WEDDING

Congratulations to Jacqueline Balenger (nee O'Brien, Newtown) and Husband Kevin Wales celebrated their 3rd wedding anniversary August 3rd and Happy Birthday to their Son David age 1 October 11th.

RUBY WEDDING

Belated congratulations to William and Eileen Henrick, O'Neill Park, who celebrated their 40th anniversary on July 1st.

WEDDING

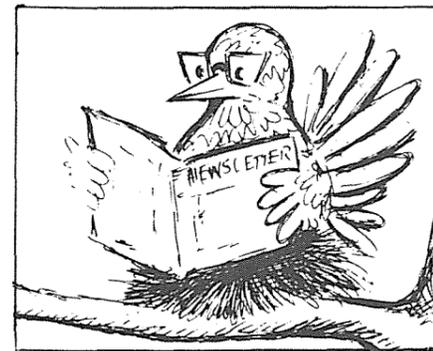
Congratulations to Dennis Breen, Claremount House, Maynooth and Mary Costello, Skerries, who were married recently.

RECENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Parson Street: Erection of 11 2-storey detached dwellings; J. Hoare Parson Street: Construction of porch and car port to bungalow; M. Rafter Laragh: Use of site for dismantling of cars; Noel Higgins Newtown: Erection of two storey dwelling house; B. Burke Newtown: Erection of two storey dwelling house; J. Molloy Newtown: Erection of two storey dwelling house; G. Boland

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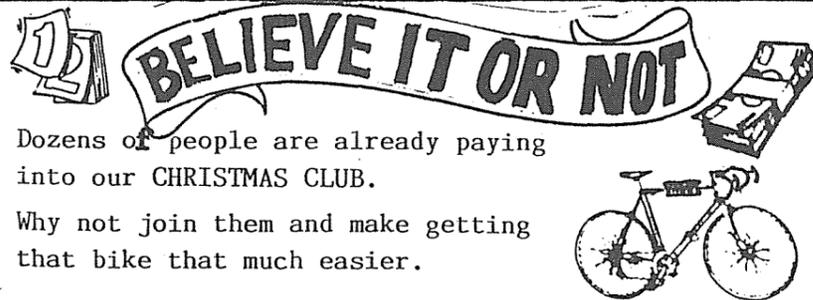
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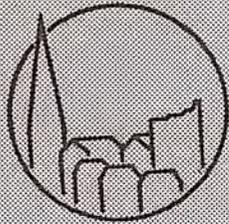
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Any contributor seeking further guidelines in this matter is invited to contact the committee.

NOTE TO CONTRIBUTORS

We request all of our contributors to make sure their material is legible. If possible, material should be typed, but as not everyone has access to typewriters, the best way to present material is to use either neat legible writing or block letters, on one side of the paper one.

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Editorial

LOTTERY LOOT

We mentioned in our last edition that Maynooth did not figure in the payouts from the great political slush fund of alltime — the Lottery. However, an eagle eyed reader spotted among the small print that local residents Professor Seamus Smyth and Dr Padraig O Gormaile had been awarded a small sum to finance a trip to Canada. We understand that this is what happened when you ask the Department of Foreign Affairs for support for academic and cultural missions abroad. They just dip into the lottery.

WATER CHARGES

The long threatened disconnections of water were put in force in Maynooth last month. Residents protesting against the continually rising charges toward their water supplies cut off by workers, who we are told are recruited under the Social Employment Scheme by Kildare County Council. Without taking sides on this issue the Newsletter enquires when is this issue going to be settled? There is considerable weight of opinion against the payment of these charges which are seen as a form of double taxation. Those who remember as far back as 1977 will recall that rates were abolished and income tax rates raised to compensate. There is no sign of rates coming down, as charges increase every year.

TOWN COMMISSION

No one can have failed to notice the forest of election posters in Leixlip for the forthcoming town commission

election. It took many years for Leixlip to be awarded Town Commission status. Perhaps Maynooth Residents could start a campaign now for similar status.

COPY DATES

The Newsletter has suffered some verbal onslaughts in recent months following the copy dates as people seek to submit their material too late for publication. We would like to remind contributors that we must stick rigidly and impartially to deadlines. Firstly because the Editorial Board must vet all items for publication, and secondly because of the strict deadlines imposed on us by our typesetter and printer. So all of those who feel that we are being unfair? you're not the only ones. The only way to avoid the frustration of not having your words of wisdom published is to submit before the copy date, which for the November issue is on Monday 17th October.

TIDY TOWNS DISAPPOINTMENT

What a disappointment faced the Tidy Towns Committee. At the time of going to press, the judges comments were not available — however, the verdict was down six marks on last year. This is a slap in the face for the committee and the residents of Maynooth who have tried so hard over the year to improve the environment. The odds seem insuperable, however we must now assess our situation to see where we go from here. We just can't accept a situation where our lovely town sinks lower and lower beneath a sea of filth.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

TIDY TOWNS

Congratulations to Railpark on winning tidy estates and to Cluain Aoibhinn the runners up and Old Greenfield who came third. Congratulations also to O'Neills Butchers on winning first

prize for the shop front and North Kildare Travel second prize and the Geraldine Arms third prize. The tidy towns committee would also like to thank the people who helped to clean up Laraghbryan Cemetery. Also thanks to R.C.A.G. for allowing the committee to present the above prizes at their function in the Roost on Thursday 8th Sept. Thanks also to Social and Recreational Committee for funding the prizes.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

Thanks to the Community Council for funding the trip to Mosney for Community Games Competitions. Congratulations to the Maynooth competitors who did so well at the Community Games Finals at Mosney and to Evan Igoe who won a silver medal in the Boys under 16 Back Stroke.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MAYNOOTH RELAYS

Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Travers attended the meeting on behalf of the company. It was decided that they would supply the Newsletter with updated news of progress. New cable has been installed in Greenfield Drive, Laurence Avenue and work will begin soon in College Green and Kingsbry.

Louis Lennon was welcomed to the Council as a representative for the Straffan Road and surrounding area. Norah McDermott was also

welcomed as supervisor of the office and as Secretary to the Council.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letters were received from the five T.D.'s enclosing letters from FAS regarding the current position of Teamwork and Social Employment Schemes. It was stated that Teamwork and S.E.S. workers were not being replaced on many schemes due to an over run in placements throughout the country.

The Chairperson and Supervisor met with Eamonn Rapple, FAS Regional Director for the area concerning the schemes. He indicated that

he was very pleased with the schemes in the Maynooth area.

Kildare County Council wrote to say that they will see to cleaning the entrance to the Halting Site.

It was agreed that the Council should write to Kildare County Council concerning Carton Avenue and the area adjoining Manor Court.

Mary Simon, P.R.O.

FUNDRAISING

Fiddlers Green played in the Roost on September 22nd.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS in Slims on September 24th.

AMERICAN TEA PARTY October 22nd to be held in the Parish Hall, with the Community Games Committee.

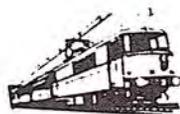
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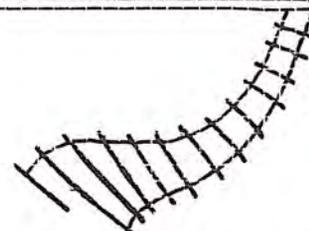
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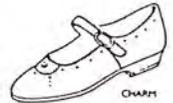
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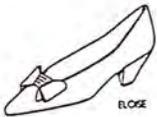
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Dear Editor,

I would like to thank all those people involved in our recent Jumble Sale. The youngsters who went out door to door in all weathers for weeks beforehand to collect jumble. Kevin Comerford who collected the larger items for the sale and delivered them to their new owners, a much put upon man who bore it all with great fortitude. Christina Dowling who ran the tea rooms with the single minded determination of the Mafia, if you went in for tea you invariably came out with a handful of tickets. This

earned her the nickname The God-mother, she had ways of making you buy. We had great fun on the day, all the helpers were wonderful, and there were marvellous bargains to be had. Thank you too to all the people who came out and supported us despite the weather, and to the Ladies of the I.C.A. who allowed us to use their hall.

And may I express a personal word of thanks to Garda Peadar Haran who helped me out of a tough spot and eased by conscience. On the day we made a grand total of £210 which will go a long way to replacing the windows and doors of the Bitá Bosco house at Spanish Point.

Spot prizes were donated by, West-

end Carpets, Rye Vale Books, Step n' Style, Billies Boutique, 2 Guys, McCormacks, Tricias hairdresser, Moulin Rouge Boutique, Conroys Chemist, Doyles, The Sports Locker, Carlton Cleaners, The Newsagents, Shopping Centre, Petals, Coffee Kitchen, Head to Toe, New Waves, Ultravision, F.M.K. Casuals, The Drapery, the Shopping Centre, Maynooth Jewellers, Caulfields, Bradys, The Elite Bakery, The Leinster Arms, Top of the Crop, The Flower Pot, Greenfield Supermarket, Seans News-agents, Mulcahys Butchers, Smiths Butchers and Aidens News-agents who supplied all our needs for the tea rooms and Hugh Jordan & Co. Ltd., and Vinnie Doyle, Artist Extraordinaire.

Many thanks on behalf of

Fr Gerry Myres

Dear Editor,

Once again the ugly word "Nite" has appeared on a local hoarding. I see "Nite" everywhere — not only locally but even beyond the Pale. For a time I thought perhaps it was olde English posterd in a University town — but no. It has ousted the lovely sound of night. 'How deep was the night' will never again have the same impact. Please bring back the word night with all its beauty. Can you imagine dark clouds ambling across a nite sky. The nightingale must surely croak at the thought of being called a nitingale.

Please let us have "night" back.

Alice Drennan,
Old Greenfield
Maynooth.

Dear Editor

In the August edition of the Maynooth Newsletter you included a very welcome piece congratulating those students who passed their examination and wishing good luck next time to those who failed.

Unfortunately, this demonstration of goodwill on your behalf and concern for students was not indicative of the attitude of the entire community. The Autumn Examinations commenced on Thursday 5th August and many students faced difficult tests of their ability. Sadly, on the night of Friday 26th August, Cluain

Aoibhinn residents held an outdoor party. Many students found the noise levels quite unacceptable and thus found it difficult to gain valuable sleep considering the difficult day ahead. Despite the fact that this party continued until the early hours of Saturday morning and that there was a lot of noise and activity, Cluain Aoibhinn Resident's Association has consistently opposed any student activity in the immediate area and has frequently argued against noise levels made by students.

We are not suggesting that noise levels created by students are always at acceptable levels, but on behalf of students in the College we wish to express our disappointment that Cluain Aoibhinn Residents seem to be adopting one law for themselves and one law for students. In the interests of all concerned, we feel that at all times the residents should be fair and honest in all their dealings with students and only thus can they expect students to reciprocate this.

Yours sincerely,

Eric Gaughran, (President Students' Union)
Liz Murphy, (Vice President)

On behalf of all students.

Dear Editor,

I wish to protest about the discrimination practiced by Kildare County Council. For most of the summer months we have suffered very badly from inadequate public lighting in the estates around Maynooth. Laurence Avenue in Greenfield Estate had one light lighting. There are 60 houses approx. on Laurence Ave, Maynooth Park, Greenfield Drive and Straffan Way fared badly but not to the same extent as Laurence Ave. Railpark on the other hand was lit up like a Christmas Tree. There were some lights out but no area was pitch black. The circle of bungalows was practically flood lit.

I would like to know is it because there is a T.D. living in Railpark that they had not got to suffer like Greenfield Estate, or was it that the people who turned out the lights got their numbers reversed and left on what should have been off and off what should have been on.

Signed.

In the Dark.

P.S. There is a slight improvement in the position at present.

(name with the editor).

An Cúigéan Colún

Agus an t-alt seo á scríobh agam, tá bás na róna sa Mhuir Bhailt, ar chósta na hAlban agus anois ar chósta na hÉireann mar ábhar mór nuachta. Bronntanas eile ón duine dár gcomhchréatúirí neamhurchóideacha ar an saol seo!! Truailliú de shaghas éigin is bunchúis leis an slad seo, — cé go bhfuil roinnt easaontais fós i measc eolaithe cé acu dumpáil mhadraí (Huskies) a raibh "distemper" orthu nó ábhar dochrach tionsclaíoch eigin ba fhíorchúis leis. Tá scéalta mar é coitianta go leor na laethanta seo, sa chaoi gur deacair a shamlú nach bhfuil an lámh in uachtar ag neamhshuim, neamhaird, agus meon "cuma liom" i dtaobh cúrsaí éiceolaíochta. Nach maith dúinn é, agus nach comhartha dóchais é líon na n-eagraíochtaí a bhfuil sé mar chuspóir acu suim a mhúscailt i measc an daonra chun an timpeallacht in Éirinn a chosaint, a chaomhnú, agus a fheabhsú.

Is ag dul i gcumhacht atá siad chomh maith, creidim, agus is ár leas uilig é sin gan amhras. Más spéis leat obair aon dreama acu, céard tá dod' bhac, téigh i dteangbháil leo. Beid

siad buíoch díot as do bhallaíocht agus do thacaíocht, fiú mun n-éiríonn leat riamh freasta ar chruinniú nó obair a dhéanamh dóibh. Seo thíos cúpla seoladh aisiúla le súil go bhfuil cupla earcach i measc mhuintir Mhá Nuad!: *An Comhaontas Glas* (Green Alliance), 5, Upper Fownes St., B.A.C. 2. Tá leabharlann bheag acu dá mbaill, ina bhfuil leabhair atá rí-spéisiúil. Cuireann siad nuachtlitir amach gach re mí chomh maith.

Foilsíonn *Earthwarch*, Radharc an Chuain, Beantraí, Co. Chorcaigh, iris bhreá shúimiúil saor in aisce dá mhaill. Seirbhís éagsúil a chuireann *Crann*, Killegar, Co. Liatroma, ar fáil. Is é an cuspóir atá acu ná méadú a dhéanamh i líon na gcrannlethanduilleogach a chuirtear sa tír seo, chomh maith le aird na ndaoine a tharraingt ar dí-fhoraoisiú an domhain. Traénálann siad daoine óga i gcúrsaí foraoise, agus cuireann siad eolas, comhairle, agus crainn ar fáil do ghrúpaí agus do phobail bhailte agus chathracha. Foilsíonn siad nuachtlitir in aghaidh gach seasúir.

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Co. Kildare Competitors soared to the top of the medal-winners table over the two weekends of finals at Mosney. Great thanks is due to all the competitors and committed adult managers who made the games so successful. Ann Cotter and Norah McDermott from Maynooth did the job of managers on the first weekend and Norah McDermott was County Manager on the second weekend.

We would like to congratulate the Maynooth competitors, Evan and Brett Igoe, Susan and Ciara Dillon, Conor Billings, Simon Cotter, Aoife Callaghan, Brid Ann O'Shea, Clare O'Connor, Patrick Hawkins and Ann Marie Gallagher for their superb performance at National level. They did Maynooth and Co. Kildare proud by the standards they reached and on their excellent conduct over the two weekends in Mosney, even if most of them were out of the medals. Special congratulations to Evan Igoe on winning the silver medal in the Boys U/16 Back Stroke. Evan has been a great competitor in swimming for years with the Community Games and we wish him well in his future swimming. We once again thank Maynooth Community Council for their sponsorship in sending the competitors to Mosney.

We would like you all to take note that we are running our annual American Tea Party on 22nd October 1988 in the Parish Hall. This promises to be a very good night's entertainment and we would ask you earnestly to support this as it is a very worthwhile cause. We have approximately 400 children taking part in Community Games at area level each year, so even if only half those parents support us, we would be assured of a successful night. Tickets will be on sale at a later date for this event. Keep the date free, as we now have to start preparing for 1989 Games.

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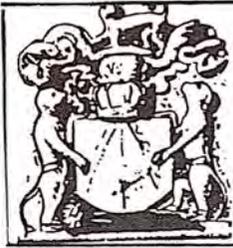
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ROYAL CANAL NEWS

BOAT PUSH

The R.C.A.G. carried out our most unusual fundraising project on Thursday 18th August. This entailed pushing a boat from Maynooth to Dublin, with the intention of raising money for the local committee to continue the sponsorship of the Social Employment Scheme. There were to be twenty people involved initially, however the final turnout was an amazing 35! They included children, teenagers, committee members and those working on the canal with the S.E.S. The initial plan was to leave Maynooth at 2 p.m. and arrive at O'Connell Street at 9 p.m., to push the boat through the major towns on the route such as Leixlip, Lucan, Palmerstown, Chapelizod etc., and that the bus would transport the contingent in between the towns.

However, even the best laid plans can go awry and eventually blood, sweat and tears went into the Push - a lot more than originally imagined! The bus failed to turn up and when the second bus broke down, tears of

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

joy when the third bus finally joined the boat and walkers at Lucan. A clown, sailor and gypsy tried hitching a lift but were taken as a joke by passing motorists. Blood was spilt when Norah McDermott tripped and had to be rushed to hospital and 4 stitches went in over one eye. Appearing in hospital dressed in a clown's suit as Norah was - was more than embarrassing!

However, the boat was pushed from Thomas Street to O'Connell Street where the boat maker Eugene McKiernan of Panda Boats joined us to see Charlie McCreedy T.D. present the boat to Mr. Foy for Best Fisherman of '88 Award at 9 p.m. Those involved were the committee, the S.E.S. workers and other miscellaneous volunteers: Breda Cunningham, Joan Shannon, Robert MacDonald, Mary MacDonald, Sean Halton, Fergal and Kevin Walsh, Tanya McDermott, DARINA O'Malley, Robert, Tanya and Michael Kennedy, John Leavy, John Paddy, Christie Dempsey, John MacKeown, James Dee, Michael Bolger, Brendan Edwards, Guy Malone, Nancy Connerney, Christina Saults, ~~Caulin~~ Clifford, Conor McMahan, Don Foley, Norah and Philip McDermott, Juliana and Matt Kennedy, Eileen Fitzpatrick,

Muireann Ní Bhrolchain and Hugh O'Sullivan who drove the car and pulled the boat all the way.

We would also like to thank the bus driver and Dr. C. O'Rourke. We would also like to thank Kelly's Bread, Top of the Crop, Mulcahy's Butchers, Tayto, Geraghty's Supermarket, Quinns-worth, The Elite and Buckleys. The work on the slipway is well underway. John McKeown, the engineer, visited the site and afterwards the digging, levelling and filling was completed. Three hundred tons of sub-base material has been utilised and the blinding is now finished. The concreting should be completed in a fortnight. The work on the wall at Cluain Aoibhinn should be in pristine condition within the next fortnight also unless there are some unforeseen circumstances. The dumper is now on site.

SCULPTURED MONUMENT FOR CANAL

Local artist Vincent Doyle has offered to present the group with a statue of a young boy fishing: to commemorate all the children who have fished there for generations. The sculpture will be covered in a gold leaf and he hopes to get sponsorship for the project from business within the town.

Muireann Ni Bhrolchain P.R.O.

WHERE IN MAYNOOTH?

People were spotted wandering vacantly at odd hours of the day and night, staring at buildings, bridges, rivers etc. for the past fortnight. They were trying to complete the infuriating "Where in Maynooth" quiz set by our Treasurer Declan O'Connor. The results were announced at the musical night provided by the local Folk Group in a packed Roost on Thursday 8th September. We would like to extend our thanks to the Roost, the Folk Group and those following who donated prizes for the raffle: Phil Brady, Caulfields, The Roost, House Pride, Newtown Stores, Terry Edwards, Joe Buckley, Mulcahys, Donovan's, Tom Geraghty, Quinns-worth, Kiernans, McCormack's Chemist and Barrys. The prize of £50 was finally divided between Vincent Watson and Mrs. Leavy.

WHERE IN MAYNOOTH PARISH

1. Start with free drink — (or so you think) in 2 streets. *Ans: Parson St. Main St.*

2. "Oh Sweet Larine so often seen". *Ans: Coonans House.*

3. Find old style telephone boxes. *Ans: Old Greenfield, Greenfield Shopping Centre, Lady Chapel.*

4. "I've stood here with My Birth Certificate for 189 years". *Ans: Annes Bridge.*

5. Find the sign for "Manser Ltd". *Ans: Town Centre Mall.*

6. "IMOGENFECIT, 1987". *Ans: Pope's Statue College.*

7. Rye House. *Ans: C.P.L. Motors.*

8. The oldest lady in Maynooth fall beneath your feet for the second time. *Ans: John Slade River.*

9. The Connaught Football champs rule — at least on this building. *Ans: Quinns-worth.*

10. Find four diamonds on a gate. *Ans: Brady's Gate, The Square.*

11. If you go back, double and cross over you could be heading for a row. *Ans: Dillons Row.*

12. Back to the monkey puzzle what faces. *Ans: Castle view.*

13. All the Presidents men (not forgetting yourself, Sir). *Ans: Regans. Main St.*

14. Take care when you step over or under Richard Evans. *Ans: Bridges on Canal.*

15. Find a two-faced liar in the town. *Ans: Brady's Clock or Patrick's Clock.*

16. Avondale House. *Ans: Convent Lane.*

17. Locate the circular steps. *Ans: Mill Wheel.*

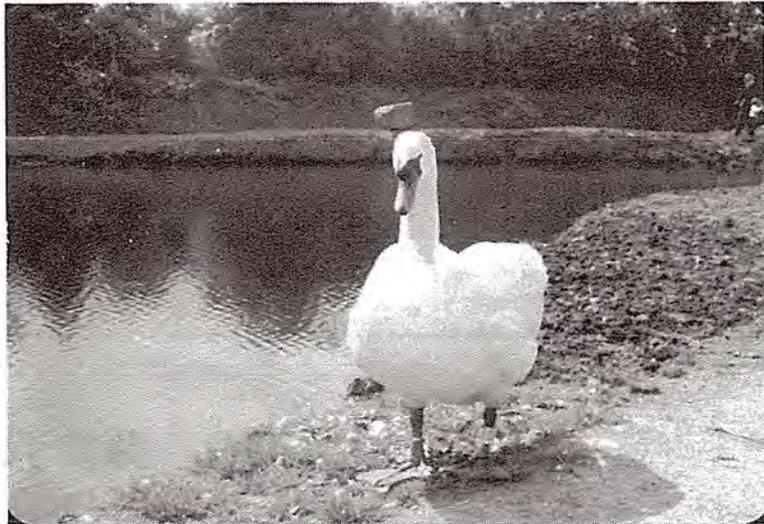
18. This house was established in 1903. *Ans: Caulfields.*

19. You'll find this famous Dublin 2 area address in Maynooth. *Ans: College Green.*

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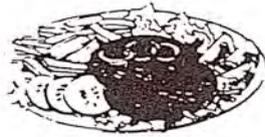
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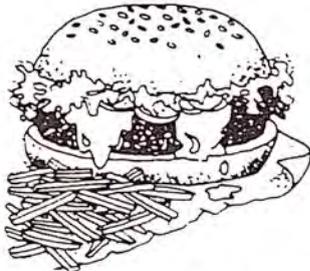
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The Credit Union is affiliated to the Irish League of Credit Union and representatives attend chapter meetings monthly. This keeps us up to date on all activities within the Union.

During the month of September we will have a team taking part in the Credit Union quiz. This is an annual event for 16-20 year olds to encourage young people to become involved in Credit Union. We shall let you know next month how they get on.

One of our members has been nominated as Credit Union person of the year. May we wish her the best of luck.

Through the courtesy of the landlords of Maynooth shopping centre we now have a sub-office in the mall. Again we hope this will improve our service to our members.

When you are visiting the mall be sure and note the magnificent Credit Union sign over the office as this was donated to us by Maurice Fitzgerald, signwriter, site 3 Greenfield, Maynooth, for which we are most grateful.

The new opening hours from 6th October are as follows:

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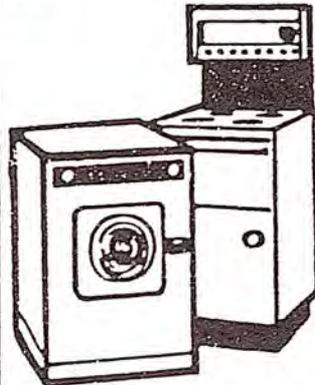
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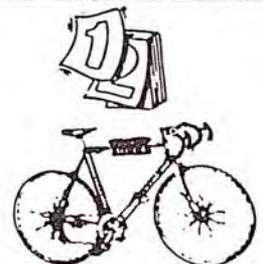
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MUINTIR MAIGH NUADHAT Sergeant Mick Higgins

This past month has seen the end of an era in Maynooth Garda Station, following the retirement of Sergeant Mick Higgins after nineteen years' service to Maynooth.

Mick Higgins is a native of Killereim near Tuam, Co. Galway and despite having been away from his native county for thirty three years he hasn't lost any trace of his Galway accent. He joined the Gardai in nineteen fifty five at the age of twenty four, having previously worked on his father's farm, and at various labouring jobs. If he hadn't succeeded in his application for the guards he had decided to emigrate, like many others in the mid-fifties.

When he left the training depot which was in the Phoenix Park in those days, his first posting was to Kilkenny. He didn't particularly like his first few weeks in the job and, in fact almost packed it in. However, he stayed on and after nine weeks was transferred to Malahide. After a short period there and another brief spell in Lusk he moved to Cabinteely in March 1957. He married Phyllis in April 1960 and was transferred across Dublin again to Coolock in July 1960 where he remained for six years until he was promoted Sergeant and moved to Ballymore Eustace in March 1966. He was there until he came to Maynooth in August 1969.

During his years in Maynooth he has seen the place change from little more than a country village to its present size. He still feels, though, that it is sufficiently small for the Gardai to have fairly good local knowledge which is invaluable in the detection of crime. Maynooth, in his view, is still relatively crime free. Interestingly, Mick doesn't think that there is that much more lawlessness than there was in the past or that young people are as dismissive of authority as they are sometimes portrayed to be. He cites as examples the gangs who were a feature of Dublin life thirty and more years ago. In discussing policing methods he maintains that from the point of view of effectiveness, there was a lot to be said for the direct approach for which some members of the force were well-known in the past. That is not to say that he advocates a return to those methods, but he does feel that today's Gardai may feel somewhat inhibited in their dealings with crimi-

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nals particularly since the establishment of the Complaints Board. Indeed he is a little sceptical about the value of the board and thinks that a lot of time may be wasted by it investigating spurious complaints.

In the area of crime prevention Sergeant Higgins welcomes the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes and feels that they can be a very valuable weapon in the fight against house-breaking, in particular. He has typically forthright views on the question of the opening hours of the Station. He maintains that, with the limited staff resources available, it is more beneficial for the guards to be out on the street rather than tied to the office.

The role of the local Garda Sergeant can be a very demanding one, in Mick's view. The sergeant has responsibilities not alone in the areas of crime prevention and detection but also such areas as traffic signs where his recommendation is vital. And as in any job where there is contact with the public it is impossible to please all of the people all of the time. Mick says that his own rule of thumb over the years in the performance of his duties was to try to apply the common sense approach. Despite having good days and bad days over the years, he says that he enjoyed his time as a policeman and it is a career which he could recommend to any young person.

He himself hasn't missed a day's work due to illness in 25 years, so in his case at any rate it has been a healthy life.

Although he has been involved in many cases over the years, including 30 fatal road accidents, the case which sticks out most in his memory is the time when he had occasion to arrest a "bishop". This was a case in the early seventies of a con artist

who posed as a bishop and was accepting donations throughout the country. He eventually decided to attend a bishop's conference at Maynooth. Mick was tipped off about his impending arrival and was waiting for him. The interesting thing about this cleric was that, whatever his knowledge of theology, his political geography was somewhat lacking. Having evaded extradition to England where he was wanted for deception by means of a successful appeal to the Supreme Court, he then boarded a bus for Derry. His departure from Busarus was noted by the Gardai and the RUC arrested him when he crossed the border.

Mick's family are all abroad at present. Annette teaches in Malta, Paula is a research scientist in London and Michelle is a merchandiser with a fashion house also in London. Mick and Phyllis have now moved into their house in Railpark where we hope they will have many happy years of retirement.



Sergeant Higgins

POLITICAL PARTY NOTES



LABOUR NEWS

PUBLIC LIGHTING

Maynooth Labour Branch wish to thank the public for the overwhelming response to the petition organised by the Branch to have public lighting restored.

With the approach of the dark evenings there is an acute awareness of the dangers involved in this policy of darkness.

Labour Councillors have now tabled an emergency motion for the next County Council meeting demanding that the lights be turned on and that this be funded by the closure of the 'Thing' in the Square and other such institutions throughout the County.

The public should now lobby the other Councillors to support this motion.

BUILDERS SITE

Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested Kildare County Council to take action with the Developer of the Beaufield scheme to remove the site huts and other builders waste which is now an unattractive eyesore and is attracting undesirable attention by vandals and cider drinkers.

LOCAL CHARGES

The Branch deplores the destructive action of Kildare County Council in cutting off water supplies to houses in Maynooth recently. In the process stopcocks were destroyed and foot-paths damaged and left dangerous. These terror tactics have forced some residents to pay — but only under duress. We will continue our opposition to the charges as an inequitable additional taxation and will support the North Kildare residents against the charges in their campaign to abolish the charge.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to John McGinley (50 Greenfield Drive) who has been elected Chairperson of the Kildare constituency Labour Party. John, a long time member of the party joins his branch colleagues David Moyonan and Michael Quinn on the Constituency Executive.

HOUSE VISITS BY DEPUTY

We wish to record our thanks to the residents of Maynooth for the warm and courteous reception accorded to Deputy Emmet Stagg when he recently called to houses in the area.

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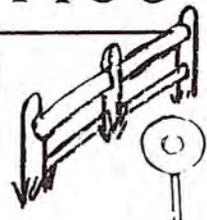
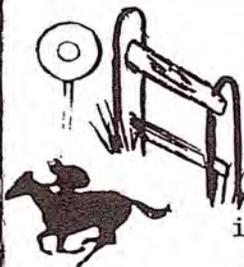
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**LABOUR NOTES
TONY SMITH MEMORIAL WALK**

The annual walk organised by the Labour Party to collect funds for Maynooth Old Folks Committee will be held on Sunday 16th October. Sponsor cards are now available and the public are requested to respond in the usual generous way to this worthy cause. If you wish to take in this sponsored walk contact David Moynan at 2 Convent Road or phone 272149.

PERMISSION FOR NEW PUB

The Branch have learned with dismay that Kildare County Council have granted planning permission for a public house at Newtown, Maynooth, beside the new Beaufield Estate and adjoining other proposed residential developments.

This case was discussed briefly at the last meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council when officials and the County Manager indicated to the local Councillors that permission would be refused.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has now placed the matter on the agenda for the next meeting and the Maynooth Branch are fully supporting the appeal to An Bord Pleanala by residents and others to have the decision reversed.

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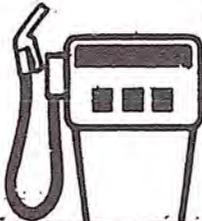
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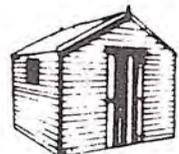
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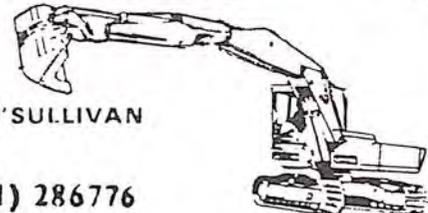
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WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

Local Charges

Kildare County Council is expected to suffer a further major cutback in its grant from the government in the coming year. As a result, we can expect another massive increase in local charges. Although nominally these charges are supposed to be for water supplies and refuse collection, in reality they are a general tax to pay for County Council services. This will become ever more apparent as the charges are increased by amounts way above the rate of inflation, and way above the actual cost of supplying water and collecting refuse.

Quite simply, what is happening is that the government is shifting the burden of taxation from central to local level. Thus, cosmetic reductions in taxation in the annual budget are being more than cancelled out by extra impositions by the Council. This, despite the fact that the government continues to give massive subsidies and tax concessions to private industry for non-existent jobs, while

refusing to come to grips with the general refusal of the self-employed to pay their fair share of tax. Is it any wonder that PAYE workers are refusing to pay local charges - the only tax that THEY can refuse to pay?

In the meantime, Kildare County Council is taking steps towards the complete privatisation of the refuse collection service. This would mean that private contractors would sell special refuse bags directly to households, and would only collect these bags. Thus, large families would automatically be required to pay more for refuse collection, regardless of ability to pay. This is yet another example of the spread of Thatcherite principles, whereby the state reneges on its responsibilities for providing vital public services for the common good, and instead allows the private sector to reap handsome profits, particularly at the expense of the less well off.

It is inevitable that further dumping of refuse, destroying our environment and creating a public health hazard, will result from the direction the County Council is being forced into by the refusal of the government to provide them with adequate financial support. The Workers' Party will continue to campaign vigorously for a new approach to local government financing which will put an end to the chaotic position in which local author-

ities are increasingly being put throughout the country.

Dental Treatment for Spouses of Insured Workers

A large proportion of Irish dentists have refused to operate a new scheme introduced by the Department of Health whereby the spouses of insured workers should themselves be entitled to dental treatment. This despite the fact that under the new scheme, insured workers are only entitled to fillings and extractions, whereas under the previous scheme they are entitled to almost all types of treatment, including crowns and bridges.

In all of County Kildare, only six dentists are operating the new scheme — three in Leixlip, and one each in Maynooth, Celbridge and Naas. With a waiting list of seventeen months for dental treatment from the Eastern Health Board, patients are having to pay for urgent treatment when they shouldn't have to, while the Department of Health and the dentists argue out their dispute. This demonstrates once again how it is the less well off members of society who are the main victims of a system of private healthcare, and how essential it is to introduce a comprehensive public health system which will treat illness on the basis of need rather than ability to pay.



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MAYNOOTH REMEMBERED

Rev. Canon Matthew O'Donnell, Vice President of the College, has kindly allowed us to publish the text of his address at the opening of the exhibition of paintings of Old Maynooth in July.

"As the President cannot be here this morning, may I first, on his behalf, bid you welcome.

We are very pleased to host this Exhibition on Old Maynooth, organised by the Maynooth Community Council, and look forward to further co-operation with you over the years.

As you know, this College celebrates its second Centenary in seven years' time, and in those years we shall be trying to assemble as much as possible about the Maynooth of the past century. Our interests then coincide — to preserve a knowledge of the past, and a feeling for the past, among the wider Maynooth community.

It is not enough to preserve the history you get in history books — the story of the important events. There is also a kind of micro-history — the way that people lived: ordinary people, who had no remembered role on the national stage.

Maynooth has changed more, I suppose, in the last forty years than in the two centuries before that. The village lay between Carton and the Castle — later succeeded by the College, and the road bent around to take in this axis. The Canal came, and the railway, and later the buses — at first small companies fighting one another for passengers, before settling for a single carrier. Through most of that century not much seems to have changed. Maynooth described itself as 'the same old three and fourpence'. Carton employed large numbers; and the Duke came in his carriage to take the train to Dublin on Tuesdays, and afternoon tea with the Rector on Saturdays. The landed families around formed their own society. The villagers dabbled in a little mild agriculture — hens and pigs and a cow, and the hay for the winter feeding.

The young boys of the village received their initiation into economic activity by 'carrying cases' (for the clerical students arriving at the railway station: the going rate was just over 1p per case) and by 'minding crows' (acting as animated bird-scarers in the cornfields). Quite coincidentally, the clerical students were known as 'crows'; and the saying-of-the-month for September was "The winter is in: the crows are

back".

The village was a very uncluttered place: you get that feeling very strongly from Lawrence's pictures. The street was largely empty: people walked down the middle of it, and lived. Most especially, a lady with a new outfit was liable to introduce it to her neighbours by walking down the centre of the main street to early Mass on a Sunday. Children played football on a pitch that used the Convent gates as one set of goalposts and the entrance to the Doctor's Lane as the other — and were more seriously discommoded by passing cows than by traffic.

There were a few long-established shops, including, surprisingly, an off-licence; but there was also a rapid turnover of smaller shops. Most of these failed quickly, their demise marked by the curtaining of the window and the appearance of the potted geranium.

You cannot now hear the sounds of children playing in the street, or the other characteristic sounds of the past — the pounding of horses' hooves and the grinding sound of iron-shod wheels: but you can see the village largely as it was if you have occasion to be abroad early on a Sunday morning — for then the traffic and the parked cars are absent, and a returning ghost of the last century would recognise most of it.

Maynooth has very recently made the transition from a small static society in which everyone knew everyone else, to a very much larger and mixed society. I do not see this as something to be regretted.

Ours is a pleasant environment in which to live, and it is good to see it availed of; but it would be a great pity if we did not somehow graft the new on to the old, for then you have a history and an identity: you have your own place.

Of course we must not try simply to preserve the past, to prevent change. There are old institutions that survive — like the Mortality Society; there are others that perhaps should be resurrected (if they are not still alive) — like the Dramatic Society of old. There are others which are gone forever — like 'the men at the corner'. These were male discussion groups with a fixed location, an open agenda, a fairly stable membership, and a lofty contempt for climatic conditions.

Also gone is the general familiarity with local townland names, and the leavening of Irish words which survived in the language of the people to very recent times. There are fields in

Crewhill called "the Pairc Bhan" and "the Cruitin". A family's prosperity was referred to as "lan a mhala". A bundle of firewood tied together was a "breisne".

In seeking to develop our present society, it is good to have an eye to the past: not that the past is all good, for there was intolerance in it too. The "runner-in" was despised (anything less than 3 generations) and so also was the migrant, and, of course, the people from Leixlip and County Meath!

I promised not to make a long speech, so let me conclude by congratulating the Maynooth Community Council for its enterprise in mounting this Exhibition; with a special word of thanks to Jarlath Finn, Imelda Guiney and Eileen Fitzpatrick who I am told did most of the work, and finally to express the hope that the college and community can continue to cooperate in promoting an appreciation of our shared history.

V. Rev. Canon Matthew O'Donnell
Vice President

MAYNOOTH PRAYER GROUP

A Charismatic Prayer Group is held in Salesian House Oratory, every Tuesday evening at 8.15 p.m.

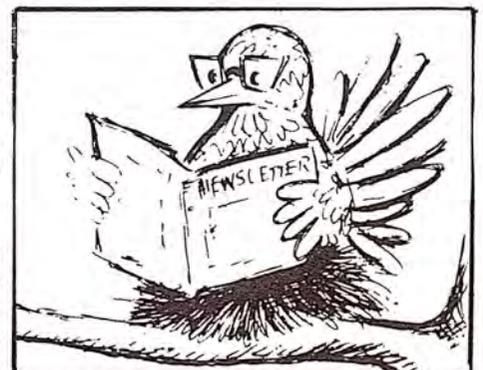
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THE LIBRARY DIARY

To all groups, associations and organisations etc. who organise events for the Maynooth area; We would like to draw your attention to the Diary in Maynooth Library. The Diary is there to be used by all, to log coming events. In this way all groups will know what's on, when and where. By making full use of this Diary we will all avoid clashing dates and this should make for better running of events for all.



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Maynooth Castle

The Fitzgeralds continued to increase both their possessions and their standing in the Norman Irish Community as the thirteenth century advanced. This was no doubt due in large part to their own energies and abilities but also to a certain element of luck. What they had they were able to hold onto, and consolidate because they never lacked for a male heir to inherit properties intact while when other families died out in the direct male line, by Anglo-Norman law the inheritance was divided among the heiresses and in this way many estates found their way into the hands of absentees. For example, Strongbow's own lordship of Leinster was broken up in this way. Strongbow died leaving a son who was a minor and who died before coming of age. His sister Isabella became the heiress and the lordship of Leinster passed to her husband William Marshall. It descended to his heirs until the death in 1245 of Anselin Marshall the last surviving grandson of Strongbow and Aoife, daughter of Dermot MacMurrough. The lordship was now divided among five sisters and was broken up into the Lordships of Carlow, Kildare, Kilkenny, Leix and Wexford. Kildare passed into the hands of the de Vesci family for a period.

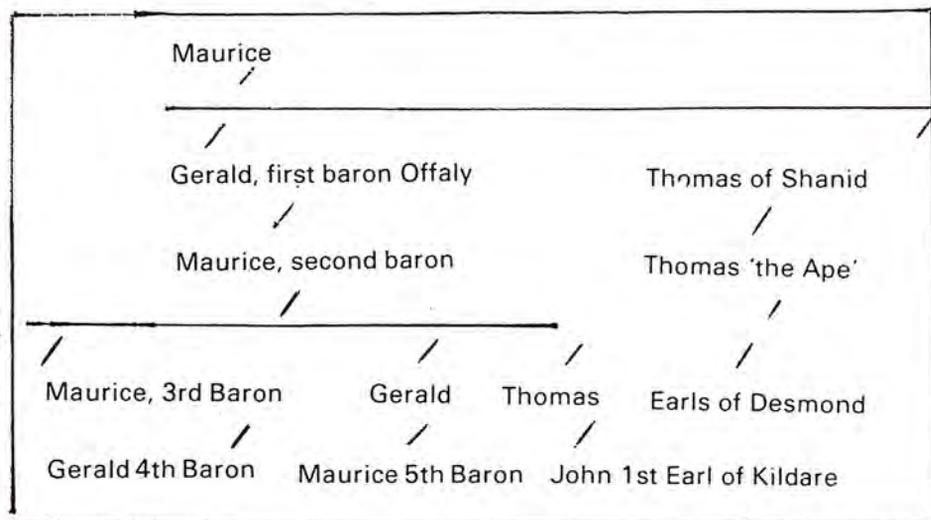
Maurice Fitzgerald, second baron of Offaly, died in 1257, apparently after a single combat encounter with an O'Donnell of Tir Chonaill. Wounded, he retired to Youghal where he took the habit of the Franciscans at the monastery he had founded and there he died. He was succeeded as third baron of Offaly by his son Maurice FitzMaurice. The third baron married Emelia de Longespee, heiress of the old territories of the O'Tooles, O'Murethy of Ui Muireadaigh, which lay south of Ui Faelain, and so acquired Kilkea, and Castledermot. Professor Otway-Ruthven reckons that by the end of the thirteenth century the Fitzgeralds held the overwhelming majority of the Knights' fees of the County of Kildare.

In 1277 the third baron died and was succeeded by his son Gerald FitzMaurice. Gerald had already completed the Grey Abbey at Kildare, commenced by William de Vesci, and had founded the Franciscan Abbey at Clane in 1271. By this time the community around Maynooth must have grown considerably for in 1286 Edward 1, by the grace of God, King of England, lord of Ireland, and duke of Aquitaine' granted to Gerald FitzMaurice the fourth baron of Offaly, the right 'to hold a market every Friday at his Manor of Maynooth in

the County of Kildare in Ireland and one fair there once yearly of three days duration, on the vigil, day and the day after the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary, always providing the said market and fair do not interfere with the neighbouring merchants and fairs'. Gerald died in 1287, having been wounded in battle with Turlough O'Brien in Thomond and was buried at his Abbey at Kildare. He died without issue and was succeeded by his cousin Maurice Fitzgerald, the fifth baron, and son of Gerald the second son of the second baron. He too died without issue and was succeeded as sixth baron by John FitzThomas, another cousin of Thomas, third son of the second baron. The table shows how the Offaly or Kildare Fitzgeralds managed always to produce a male heir descended directly from the first Maurice.

Castle of Woodstock, near Athy, when there was an alarm of fire. In the confusion that ensued the children were forgotten, and when the servants returned to search for him, the room in which he lay was found in ruins. Soon after a strange noise was heard on one of the towers, and on looking up they saw an ape, which was usually kept chained, carefully holding the child in his arms. The Earl afterwards, in gratitude for his preservation, adopted a monkey for his crest and supporters, and some of his descendants, in memory of it, took the additional motto of 'non immemor beneficii'.

The other tradition is, that Thomas FitzMaurice was only nine months old when his father and grandfather were slain at the battle of Callan, 1261. The child was at Tralee, and on his attendants rushing out alarmed

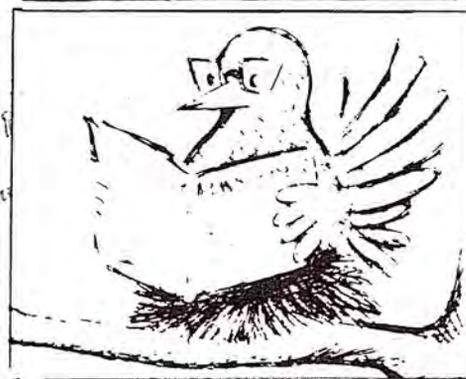


John FitzThomas inherited the FitzGerald estates in Connacht as well as Offaly and after a fairly stormy career, during which he was at times very much in favour with the English King, he won back favour by services rendered to Edward 11 during the campaign in Ireland of Edward Bruce, brother of Robert Bruce of Scotland, and was created Earl of Kildare in 1316, shortly before he died.

Over the gateway into Maynooth Castle can be seen carved in stone the coat of arms of the Kildare Fitzgeralds with the monkey crest and two monkeys supporting on either side. There are two stories of the origin of the monkeys, one concerning John FitzMaurice first Earl of Kildare and the other concerning his cousin Thomas FitzGerald of the Desmond line. The Marquis of Kildare gives them as follows:

'John FitzThomas, afterwards Earl of Kildare, then an infant, was in the

at the intelligence, he was left alone in his cradle, when a tame baboon or ape took him up in his arms, and ran with him to the top of the tower of the neighbouring abbey. After carrying him around the battlements, and exhibiting him to the frightened spectators, he brought the infant back to its cradle in safety. Thomas was, in consequence, surnamed 'An Appagh' (in Irish), 'Simicus' or 'the Ape'. He, however, was ancestor to the Earl of Desmond.



Residents' Associations News.

MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS AGAINST LOCAL CHARGES

As reported last month we have now completed our petition campaign/-opinion poll to our five local County Councillors regarding water disconnections and non collection of refuse. The following is the text of our letter sent to the County Councillors.

Dear Councillor,

As you will be aware we have organised a petition of residents in Maynooth to oppose the County Manager's campaign of water supply disconnections and non-collection of refuse, (see sample attached). We have now completed our petition.

The collection of signatures was conducted in two ways:

a) A door-to-door canvass in Maynooth Park

b) Signatures collection outside Quinns Shopping Centre on the weekend of July 15/16.

The following is an analysis of households who signed:

Maynooth Park	64
Shopping Centre	137
	201

Please note that of all residents petitioned in Maynooth Park, only four declined to sign.

We intend to present this petition to the County Secretary on Friday 30th September. Should you wish to view the petition prior to this date, please contact myself at the below address, or any committee member.

Based on the results of this petition, which was carried out to reflect the attitudes of all Maynooth residents towards local charges, it is now clear that the majority are opposed to local charges in principle. The fact that many residents have paid part, or all of the local charges under duress, did not deter them from signing.

We would respectfully ask you as our elected Councillor to:

1) Instruct the County Manager to cease water supply disconnections and to resume full refuse collection.

2) Remove all local charges from the 1989 estimates.

We would also like to take this opportunity to express our disgust at K.C.C.'s action in disconnecting water supply to a number of households in our town on Tuesday 23rd August. Does this action have your support?

We would appreciate an early writ-

ten reply to our petition and specific requests as set out above, so that we, and all the residents of Maynooth are fully aware of your position on this matter.

Yours sincerely,
Matthew Carroll, P.R.O.
9.9.88.

At time of copy date 19th September we have received a reply from only two, namely Councillors Durkan and Purcell. Further replies are on the way and we will be publishing the response of all 5 Councillors in the next issue of Maynooth Newsletter.

Since the above letter was sent further water disconnections were made by K.C.C. on Tuesday 13th September in yet another attempt to intimidate residents who have refused to pay. Reports reaching M.R.A.L.C. indicate that these tactics, which include the vandalising by K.C.C. of public pathways, have been unsuccessful.

We wish to reiterate our determination to continue our campaign on behalf of all residents who oppose the charges irrespective of whether they have paid or not.

A.G.M.

The first A.G.M. will take place in the I.C.A. Hall at 8 p.m. sharp on Friday 7th October. A full report of the committees work during 1987/88 will be made. Everyone who is opposed to local charges are invited to attend and participate.

MONEY

Finally, if you haven't been approached for the subscription, (a mere £5 per annum), please drop it in to treasurer, Eamonn MacKeogh, 119 Railpark. This money is used for grass cutting, tree straightening, and sundry other purposes, designed to benefit the residents of the estate.

RAILPARK RESIDENTS NOTES TIDY ESTATES COMPETITION

Straightening up the trees in the estate was an expensive, but worthwhile investment. Railpark was awarded the first prize in the Tidy Estates Competition organised by the Tidy Towns Committee this year — and a lot of credit must be given to Mick Garvey for his miraculous effect on the trees. The estate looked really well this year, as a number of residents got carried away with paint brushes and new curtains, and a touch of the Gerry Dalyitis. Well done to all residents, and let's hope we can keep up the good work for next year.

There are still a considerable amount of improvements required. A lot of weeds are growing at the kerbsides, which would only take a few minutes

to control. Some of the trees have branches which are dangerously low, and will surely take someone's eye out sometime. We hope to do some work with the hedge along the Straffan Road before the winter sets in.

The condition of the paths is something over which we have no control — whatever scant amount of cement was applied in the original building of the estate has long since worn away — and recent attacks by council workers on the water supply of those resisting water charges have left yet more gaping depressions. Again, a source of potential danger for young and old residents alike.

BARBECUE

It's a little late at this stage to report on the barbecue which happened in June. However, just a brief reference to note that the event of the year was well attended by a wide selection of residents, with all ages mixing, and having fun. The tantalising aroma of steaks and burgers proved too tempting to resist for several young guests, and the neighbourhood watch scheme proved essential in ensuring that the dinner survived to reach its rightful owner. Thanks to Mulcahy's Butchers for providing sausages for the hungry hoards, and to all who made the event so successful.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The residents' association has ordered signs for the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, which are to be erected at the entrance to the estate in the near future. Aine Kennedy is the local co-ordinator if you are looking for assistance.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Well, we are back to that time of year when the children go back to school and the summer weather begins, even if only for a week. The committee met on Monday, 5th September and we covered all that had happened over the summer recess. The committee wish to thank Muireann for all her hard work. A vote of sympathy has been extended to M. Callaghan on the death of his mother and to A. Byrne on the death of her mother-in-law.

The main item of interest was that an extension has been sought to the planning permission granted for the snooker hall/club in the Greenfield Shopping Centre. This time an opening on the front is being requested and along with space inside the centre. The people living close to the centre are very disturbed by this, but even they agree that the council is

unlikely to consider the fact that none of the residents in the area want the snooker hall. But then the council members do not have to live in the estate do they??? An objection has been lodged with the council.

In this year's Tidy Estates Competition run by the Community Council, Greenfield Estate was commended (although we did not fare well in the Tidy Towns). Fair credit must go to lovely displays on the Straffan Road entrance to the estate. It was noticed that the edges of the paths and the greens never seem to be cleared in some areas. Grass cuttings are still being dumped on the green in Greenfield Drive. Community spirit and a little consideration would be apprec-

iated from the guilty parties, please!!

The Association intends to resurrect a garden competition for next year and there will be prizes to encourage those of us who have never won before. The mowers have been buzzing around very efficiently all summer, thanks to the care given them by the regular users. **By the way anyone who has not paid their sub is NOT insured to use the mowers or any of the Association's equipment.**

A survey of the residents of Laurence Avenue shows a vast majority of the people in favour of closing the Celbridge Road entrance. This would reduce the volume of traffic and eliminate the heavy lorries

which have been cutting through it. The council is looking into the matter. Quite a number of trees have had a bad beating this year from weather and other sources. perhaps households could "ADOPT A TREE", taking responsibility for ensuring that the stake remains intact and in position, and that the tree is not abused by anybody or anything.

The Neighbourhood Watch scheme should be in action within the next few weeks. Anyone interested can take part and it should not take up too much time (it does not involve long committee meetings).

T.V. reception should be improving everywhere soon.

Carmel Hogan, P.R.O.

CLUAIN AOIBHINN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

ESTATE SPORTS

The Estate held its third annual sports and social day on the 27th August. Nearly everyone on the estate attended and it was a great success.

Gerry Fitzpatrick who headed its organising sub-committee, presented the sports in his usual efficient manner and ensured everything ran smoothly. Our thanks to him and all the parents and committee members who helped carry the burden of the day.

The children then enjoyed a magical show by "Eugene". It was a great pity however that his show was so short. This was followed by a Disco under the capable hands of "Marvellous Martin", who soon had them all rocking and jumping around the marquee until 10 o'clock. Many of the adults joined in. There did not appear to be much difficulty in getting the children to bed after their busy day.

The adults then had their bar-b-que and social get together with music provided by Gerry Fitzpatrick and an assortment of singers which went on until the small hours of the morning. Several residents saw the sun coming up but admit it was a bit hazy.

In general it was a well organised day enjoyed by everyone from the oldest to the youngest. I would like to thank all those who contributed to the success of the day by helping in the organisation. Gerry Fitzpatrick, Freddie O'Melia, John McGrath, Jim Ryan, Kate Filbert, Denis Lynch. Eileen Fitzpatrick who typed up all the forms, lists and letters in relation to the sports. Michael Walsh who collected and returned the tent. Martin McLoughlin who organised an adequate supply of the "Black

Stuff". A special word of thanks to our barman, Con Hayes, who was able to produce a pint that would put a lot of bars to shame. Denis Lynch for the use of his trailer tent and Seamus Brennan for arranging the bar-b-que equipment. We would also like to thank Bailey & Co. for the marquee and Pat Dolan, Sound Services, for the amplification and disco equipment.

The committee would like to extend it's sincere thanks to our sponsors, especially our local supporters, who gave so generously. We are sure it must be very difficult for them when so many organisations look to them constantly for prizes etc. Everyone in Cluain Aoibhinn should remember to support their local shops at all times.

The sponsors are in no particular order, as each and everyone gave with a good heart; again thanks to everyone of them and those not mentioned who were not asked to donate.

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On a slightly sadder note now we take this opportunity to sympathise with Gerry Fitzpatrick and his wife Eileen. Gerry unfortunately fell from the ladder when dismantling the equipment in the marquee resulting in him being hospitalised for ten days with a back injury. We wish him a speedy recovery.

FRONT GARDEN COMPETITION

Cluain Aoibhinn held its first front garden competition this year. Judging was done by John Joe Costin who furnished a comprehensive report on most gardens.

1st Prize Freddie O'Melia No. 59

2nd Prize Seamus Brennan No. 61

3rd Prize Tom McMullon No. 63

Several gardens were highly commended. We hope this will inject some impetus to all to try and improve their frontage for next year.

Again we would like to implore all home owners when tending their garden to look around and see if there is any area around that needs attention.

Remember none of the committee members or those who do try to keep the estate in order will be offended if you do a bit.

TIDY ESTATE COMPETITION

The committee of Cluain Aoibhinn would like to congratulate Railpark on winning the 'Tidy Estate Awards' this year. We in Cluain Aoibhinn should take heart for the very positive comments which have been made by visitors, townspeople, etc., about the improvements in our estate this year. The roses and flowers, etc., have all given a greater beauty to the area.

There is still some areas which need attention, the black patch, the back of the estate and the intended rockery at the front. It is up to each individual to look after their own areas. There is not an estate work force, however, if anyone needs a hand we are sure someone will help.



There are now two categories for the Children's Colouring Competition.
Ages 4 – 7 and 8 – 12.

Extra copies of the children's colouring competition page are available
in the Community Council Office.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

AGE _____

Closing date Monday 17th October 5.00 p.m.

Children's Corner.



Joke :

Why didn't the skeleton jump out of the window?
He didn't have the guts.

Why do bananas wear suntan lotion?
Because they peel easily.

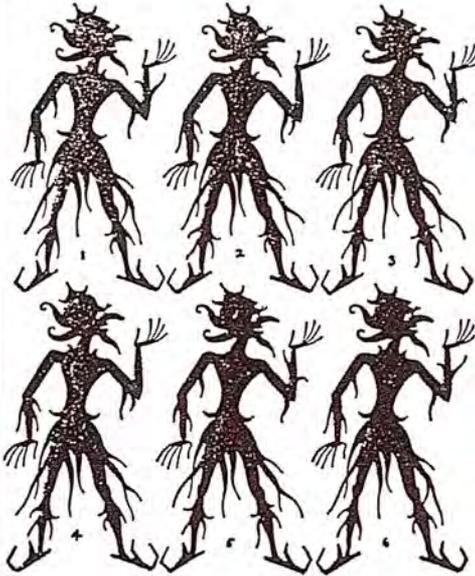
What do you call 3 lemonade bottles?
A pop group.



What do short-sighted ghosts wear?
Spooktacles.

SHADOW PUPPETS

These ragged robins are not all exactly alike. There are three pairs of identical twins. Can you spot them?



Winners of September Competition

Ages 4—7 years

1st Prize
Fiona Phelan
38 Greenfield Dr.,
Maynooth.

2nd Prize
Tamara Burke
Killeaney,
Maynooth.

Runners up
Michelle Cunningham
79 Maynooth Park,
Maynooth.

Richard McGovern
833 Greenfield,
Maynooth.

Brian Rice
75 Maynooth Park,
Maynooth.

Ages 8—12

1st Prize
Aideen McCann,
Coach House,
Carton,
Maynooth.

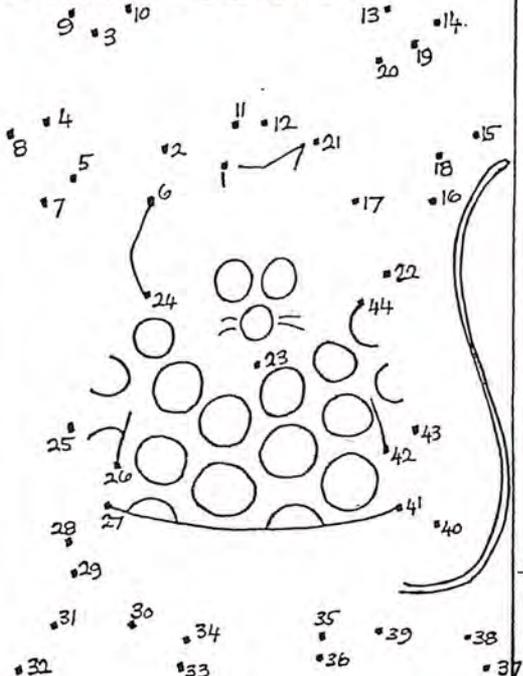
2nd Prize
Grainne O'Rourke
Innisfree,
Celbridge Road,
Maynooth.

Runners up

Ciara O'Sullivan
29 Temple Lawns,
Celbridge.

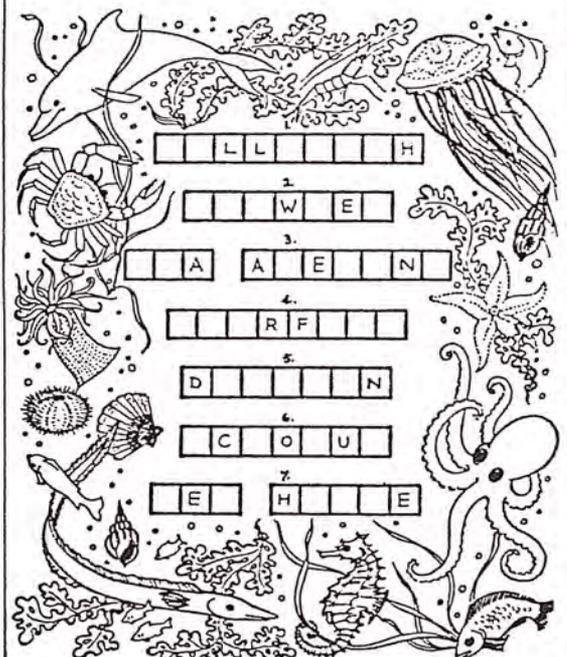
Cormac Eddery
85 Maynooth Park
Maynooth.

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UNDER THE SEA

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CHILDRENS' PET COMPETITION



We are delighted to have received responses to our pets' competition which was announced very quietly last month. We publish two of the

entries below. Thank you, Sinead and Joanne for your lovely stories about your pets.

Now we want to shout a bit louder to all of our other children's corner readers. Do you have a pet that you love very much? Tell us about him or her, we would like to hear all about them.

We will be giving a prize for the two stories we like best — and we will

publish the clearest photographs. If you are under ten, please send in your story and photograph of your pet if you have one, to arrive at the newsletter before 17th of October 1988.

We look forward to hearing from you.



PETS.....

"MY PET MISTY"

Hello! I am going to tell you about my pussy cat and her name is Misty. Misty is my second cat. You see I had another cat called Claire. My mammy messes with Misty. Misty is a persian. Persians have lovely colours. Mistry takes things from other peoples gardens like dish-cloths and socks and carries them into our garden in her mouth. Once she even brought a little girl's pair of tights into our garden and we still don't know who owns them. Isn't she funny!! This is a picture of her in our neighbour's bird-house. She is birdwatching! I love Misty and I think she loves me.

My name is Sinead Keenan and I live in 95 Rail Park Maynooth. I am seven years old. Bye for now.



AND MORE PETS.....

"TUSSEX"

The night the Devil came for Granny

When my cat was a year old my granny came to stay for the weekend. I put Tussex in her box and went to bed. During the night we heard a scream. Daddy rushed into granny's room. Tussex was in one corner and granny under the blankets. The window was open and Tussex had jumped in and onto granny's bed. Granny said she thought the Devil had come to take her.

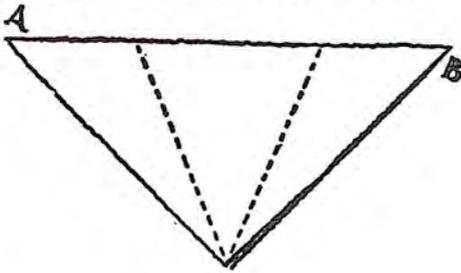
Joanne Cunningham,
79 Maynooth Park.
Aged 8.



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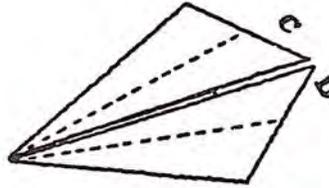
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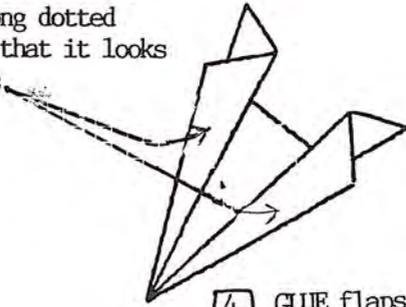


2. Fold A and B to centre along dotted lines.

3. FOLD corners C and D UNDER along dotted lines so that it looks like this.



4. GLUE flaps down.



HERE ARE SOME SUGGESTIONS AND ADAPTATIONS.

5. MAKE a pair of holes each side and thread elastic through to hold it to your head.



6. CUT out black parts for eyeholes.

DEVIL or WIZARD

7. PAINT YOUR MASK.

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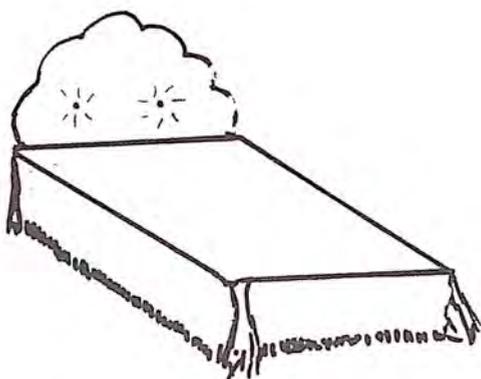
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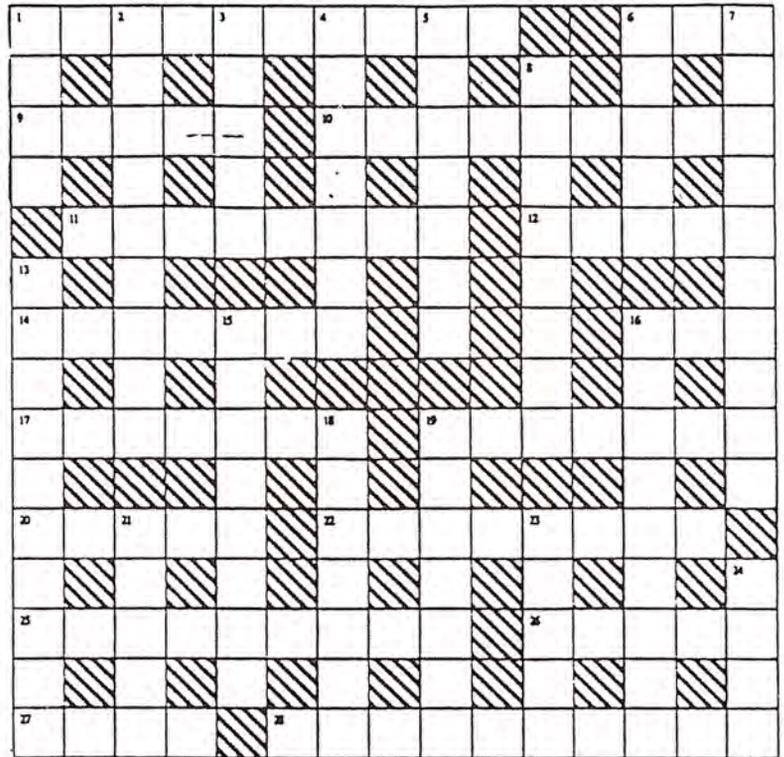
CROSSWORD CLUES

ACROSS:

- 1 This local stud ran at the end (10).
- 6 Place the ball at the hole (3).
- 9 Savour in this state(5).
- 10 Beyond all bounds (9).
- 11 Forest fleas (8).
- 12 A numerical relation (5).
- 14 A hard place for Ed to sleep on (7).
- 16 A tool to punch holes in the law (3)
- 17 Makes the blood boil(7).
- 19 Nowhere to be found(7).
- 20 A pint-sized state,one's self included,perhaps (5).
- 22 The party member maybe advancing, butthere's a rodent inthe end (8).
- 25 Chew after the flagpole (9).
- 26 Incompetent pet is inadequate (5).
- 27 Appendage with an aptitude for detection (4).
- 28 A book worm from all directions in the compass (10).

DOWN:

- 1 A receptacle for the knight? (4)
- 2 The ultimate commandmay result in a jar (4,5).
- 3 Lose hope of return on effort (5).
- 4 This local erectionis the height of folly (7).
- 5 A cause to unite the Greek Island at the end (7).
- 6 Indicate the meaningof it all (5).
- 7 The local education factory (3,7).
- 8 One clerk gives credit (8).
- 13 This mariner seems competent at first (4,6).
- 15 It looks like the vital part must expire at last to make this transparent muslin (8).
- 16 An ultimate finish(1,5,3).
- 18 A doleful restaurant according to the ballad (3,4).
- 19 Mother starts the actors in a folk play (7).
- 21 Abstains (5).
- 23 A hundred begins the backward evil chap (5).
- 24 Agitate in the last iron (4).



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MAYNOOTH'S RAPID GROWTH CONTINUES

Maynooth is now the sixth largest town in County Kildare, according to the recently-published first volume of the 1986 Population Census. With a population of 4,768, Maynooth easily surpasses Kildare Town (4,268) which occupied sixth place when the previous census was carried out in 1981. In that year, Maynooth contained 3,388 people, giving a growth rate in the intervening period of 41%, as against 12% for the county as a whole and 3% nationally.

This rapid growth, of course, is mainly due to overspill from the Dublin area. This is even more apparent in the case of Leixlip which, with a 1986 population of just under 12,000, is now the largest urban area in the county, having overhauled Droichead Nua (Newbridge) in the period since 1981. However, the most spectacular growth of all has been shown by Celbridge, which increased by a massive 55% to 7,135 between 1981 and 1986. All in all, the Rural District of Celbridge No. 1 (Celbridge No. 2 is in Dublin County) - including Maynooth, Leixlip, Celbridge and Kilcock - grew from 25,000 to 32,000 in this period.

The commuter belt does not stretch far beyond Maynooth and Celbridge, however. More distant places such as Kilcock (1986 population 1,414), Straffan (303) and Clane (1,767) have now grown much since 1981. Some places have, in fact, shrunk in size since 1981. These include Sallins and Coili Dubh and, further afield, the larger centres of Monasterevan and Castledermot. One wonders what would be the effect on Kilcock if the train station there was to be re-opened. The same applies to Sallins, as there is talk of re-opening the station there also, with a view to serving the Naas area.

Going back to the 1971 Census, before the development of North Kildare as a residential area for commuters to Dublin had really got under way, Maynooth's population (including the College) was a mere 1,374, compared with 1,579 for Celbridge and 2,414 for Leixlip. At that Monasterevan was also larger than Maynooth - it is now less than half the size of Maynooth.

One peculiar feature of the population of Maynooth is the fact that it has a surplus of males - 200 of them, in fact. Nationally, there are slightly more females than males. This is due to the fact that women, on average, live longer than men, although, apparently, slightly more males are born



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than females. Maynooth's special case is, of course, due to the College. Since it was opened up to lay students, the sex balance in the College has been evened up quite a bit. However, the large Theology Faculty still has a great preponderance of males, a situation which is likely to persist as long as the Catholic priesthood remains an exclusively male preserve.

Finally, for those interested in electoral politics, there has been much talk of County Kildare being divided up into two three-seat constituencies for the next general election. Since the constituencies were last revised, the population of the county has grown from 97,000 to 116,000. On the basis that, traditionally, there has been one T.D. for every 20,000 people, this might suggest that an extra T.D. is in order. However, the indications are that a national average of 21,000 people per T.D. will apply to the next revision, which would leave Kildare a long way short of the figure needed to justify six T.D.'s.

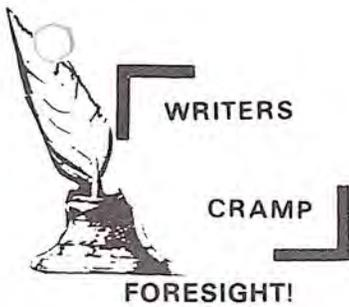
However, there will be an amount of variation around the national average in arriving at the ratio in individual constituencies. With neighbouring Laois-Offaly and Wicklow also containing a surplus population relative

to their present quota of T.D.'s, there could be transfers of population between these counties and Kildare. It is also possible that part of North Kildare will be incorporated into a Dublin constituency, as was the case prior to the last revision. Who remembers Brian Lenihan buying drinks for party supporters in Caulfields during the 1977 general election campaign?

Laraghbryan Cemetry Clean-up

Maynooth tidy towns Committee would like to thank all who put flowers/plants etc. on their family graves during the general clean-up. We thank those usual old reliables and members of our own committee who worked tirelessly to get the cemetery into shape. We can only hope that next year more people will help in this community venture, to give our former residents a tidy dignified place to rest.

A temporary farewell (we hope) to the Kiely family of Greenfield Drive who are off to Johannesburg for 3 years. The best of luck from your many friends in Maynooth.



FORESIGHT!

Pietro Bernardone, how blind of you,
To cast away your son;
He brought more wealth to Assisi
town
Than ever you'd have done!

ASSISI

Assisi, eye of Umbria —
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Beyond the name of
Francesco Bernardone,
Who spurned that name
And calling God his Sire
Brought heaven to earth
Rejecting all earth's lures
And clinging to Jesus on the cross
Fused with him there on the
Summit of Mount Laverna.

Assisi, rich with gospel poverty —
Portiuncula, San Damiano, Rivo
Torto,
All hallowed spots of Francis' love —
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1 oz butter
6 eggs
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salt and pepper

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DEVILLED EGGS

8 eggs, hard boiled
2 oz butter
1 small onion, finely chopped
1 teaspoon curry powder
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
Salt and Pepper
1 oz salted peanuts

Halve the eggs, remove the yolks and mash or sieve. Heat the butter in a pan and cook the onion until soft. Add the curry powder, Worcestershire sauce then the egg yolks. Season to taste. Spoon the mixture into the egg whites and top with the chopped nuts. Serve with salad or crisp toast.

Variations: Mix the yolks with softened butter or mayonnaise and grated cheese; mashed sardines, finely chopped smoked salmon or other smoked fish or chopped shellfish or ham and chicken.

TIDY TOWNS

The result of the 1988 competition are out and we have not done well. Maynooth was less tidy this year than last and we are eagerly awaiting the detailed comments of the judges. We are disappointed and as soon as we know exactly where we lost marks we will get to work and try again to make the town less unsightly.

In the November edition of the **Newsletter** we hope to publish the entire report. Don't miss it. It may have something to say to you!

Gabriel Martin,
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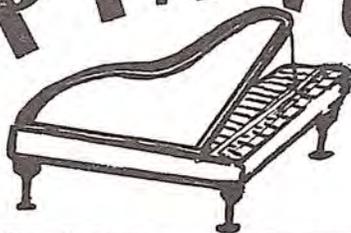
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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The I.C.A. resumed their monthly meeting on September 1st, when Madam President welcomed back new and returning members from Summer vacation.

Brannera for Bread making was presented to Brid Sheil by Mrs Bridie Brady. She was congratulated by our produce promoter Rosemary Hanley. This month's competition "A pot of homemade raspberry jam" was won by Betty Farrell, 2nd Margaret Gee, 3rd Maisie McMyler.

The badminton ladies are again working hard each Tuesday and Thursday mornings 11.00 — 12.30. Crafts continue every Monday night 8 p.m. — 10 p.m. Set dancing every Wednesday night 8 p.m. in I.C.A., hall. The next meeting will be held on October 6th in the I.C.A. hall at 8 p.m.
K. Burns P.R.O.

NOTICE

It has been brought to our notice that cloakroom tickets have been sold in the name of I.C.A. in the past weeks. We wish to inform you, that nobody has been authorised to sell tickets on behalf of the I.C.A.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. ANNUAL SHOW AWARDS

The Annual Show run by Maynooth I.C.A. was again very successful, entries were up from last year and the standard was very high, leaving the judges with no small task. The committee wish to thank all those who sponsored classes, presented cups and trophies, donated raffle prizes or made financial contributions, and to all who helped in any way in the running of the show.

CUP AND TROPHY WINNERS

Overall Cup + £25	Eileen Tiernan
Flower Cup	Rita Sheehan
Floral Arranging Cup	Joan Downey
Vegetable Cup	John Brick
Fruit Cup	John Brick
Home Produce Cup	Rosemary Wallace
Craft Cup	Eileen Tiernan
Childrens Cup	Sinead Casey
Teenage Cup	Marie McMyler.

Flower Garden Cup	Thomas Nolan
Mixed Garden Cup	Mrs Sheehan
Confined Garden Cup	Ann Doohan
Best Childrens Craft	Sinead Casey
Best Rose	Rita Sheehan
Best Adult Craft	Margaret Gee
Best Vegetable	John Brick

Best Teenage Baking	Marie McMyler
Best Childrens Baking	Sabrina Keegan
Best Fruit Baking	Paddy Doyle
Best Adult Baking	Mary Halton

Best Childrens Art	Catherine Tumilty
Best Teenage Craft	Damien Carroll
Best Fruit Cake	Myra Salmon
Best Floral Arrangement	Joan Reynolds

CLASS WINNERS

Class 1.	K. Nolan
Class 3.	R. Sheehan
Class 4.	R. Sheehan
Class 5.	C. Marsh
Class 6.	R. Sheehan
Class 7.	S. Angel
Class 8.	S. Angel
Class 9.	G. Stagg
Class 10.	J. Bergin
Class 11.	J. Brick
Class 13.	M. Darlington
Class 14.	M. Souhan
Class 15.	J. Downey
Class 16.	J. Desmond
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Class 18.	J. Downey
Class 19.	J. Downey
Class 20.	B. Gleeson
Class 21.	J. Reynolds
Class 22.	M. Curry
Class 23.	M. Darlington
Class 24.	R. Sheehan
Class 25.	R. Sheehan
Class 26.	J. Brick
Class 27.	N. O'Brien
Class 28.	P. Doyle
Class 29.	J. Brick
Class 30.	J. Brick
Class 31.	P. Doyle
Class 32.	S. Angel
Class 33.	J. Brick
Class 34.	N. O'Brien
Class 35.	J. Brick
Class 36.	R. Wallace
Class 37.	M. Darlington
Class 38.	M. Scanlon
Class 39.	T. Moloney
Class 40.	N. Ralph
Class 41.	M. McMyler
Class 42.	R. Wallace
Class 43.	M. Halton
Class 44.	R. Wallace
Class 45.	C. Nolan
Class 46.	B. Morris
Class 47.	N. McGrath
Class 48.	N. Kenny
Class 49.	N. Kenny
Class 50.	R. Wallace
Class 51.	M. McMyler
Class 52.	M. Salmon
Class 53.	M. Gee
Class 54.	T. Moloney
Class 55.	M. Campbell
Class 56.	M. Campbell
Class 56A.	M. McMyler
Class 56B.	Marie McMyler
Class 57.	M. Gee
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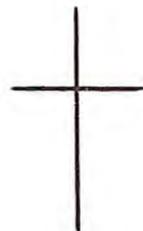


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SCALE THE HEIGHTS

The countryside of Maynooth cannot have been the inspiration for the name of local rock band — Scale the Heights which has been attracting some media attention recently. The band started two years ago, and plays most of its gigs in Dublin, although it has played in Celbridge, Cork and Mullingar recently. They had made two appearances on the television programme, Borderline, and they won the Carling Hot Press Band of the Year competition this year.

According to a recent article in the Leinster Leader, the band members are David O'Driscoll, Tony Doherty, Paul McAllister and Liam Kirkpatrick. The manager is Michael O'Regan. Most of the band members live in Maynooth, although Paul McAllister lives in Celbridge. The band got together while they were at Maynooth Post-primary School.

Their music is described as different, and is designed for entertainment — no other musical influence dominates. Most of their songs are written by David O'Driscoll, among whose compositions are 'Just for the day', and 'Gone to Texas'.

TIDY ESTATES COMPETITION

The following was inadvertently omitted from the judges' report contained in the last issue of the **News-letter**:

Doctor's Lane

A quiet cul-de-sac development which is maturing nicely. The poor road surface detracts from the overall effect.

Leinster Cottages

A nicely maintained area. Showing the benefits of co-ordinated painting schemes which enhance the small town terrace atmosphere. The adjoining park development adds to the amenity of this area, but would benefit from proper landscaping, including re-seeding and tree planting.

Moyglare Road

In their report, the judges made reference to the poor state of the Moyglare Road. The poor road surface and absence of footpaths make this one of the most dangerous parts of the town for pedestrians and motor vehicles alike. Telecom Eireann must take much of the blame for the state of the

road surface. They appear to find it necessary to dig the road up on a fortnightly basis. Perhaps they could be persuaded to terminate their excavations and fund the restoration of the carriageway — and maybe even finance the establishment of the footpath.

T.E.F.L. COURSE

The Language Centre in the College is offering an 8 weeks (40 hours) course leading to a diploma in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (T.E.F.L.)

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LIONS INTERNATIONAL

Holiday in Mosney for Maynooth Old Folk

On Sunday 12th June last, the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club held their "Olde Fair Day and Pony Racing". This event has become more and more popular every year and the proceeds finance a week's holiday for a group of Old Folks in Mosney. Lions Clubs from all over Ireland send groups on this holiday every August and for many, it is their first holiday ever.

This year the Olde Fair Day and Pony Racing made a profit of £3,500 thanks to the generous sponsorship of many local businesses and to those who supported the event on the day.

This support helped in so small way to achieve the target set by the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club of taking sixty old folks to Mosney. On Saturday 20th August, this merry band of travellers and friends to the assembly point at Caulfield's in Maynooth to begin their coach journey.

The Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club, which was formed in March, 1981, also serves the areas of Celbridge, Straffan, Clane, Enfield and Donadea. Every effort was made by the organis-

ing committee to ensure that the old folks from all these areas came on the trip and preference was given to those whom the Lions considered would best benefit by the holiday. Twelve old folks from Maynooth were selected for the holiday.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

The club is only surfacing, so to speak after the summer recess. As this report goes to press we are preparing for our September meeting. We are looking forward to meeting all our members and friends and to a very interesting demonstration by Irene Cole.

The October meeting on Tuesday 18th will be our A.G.M., and we hope all our members will be present. Our President Mrs. Imelda Desmond who has done trojan work during her two years in office will be vacating the chair, and plenty of willing workers are needed to form a new committee. So ladies, don't forget Tuesday 18th October — come in force and cast your vote.

Betty Farrell, P.R.O.

PRESENTATION CONVENT PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Dear Parents,

Our A.G.M. will be held on Tuesday 18th October 1988 at 8 p.m. in the

school. We are delighted to have as guest speaker a representative from THE NATIONAL PARENTS' COUNCIL. Everybody welcome. Refreshments served.

M. Adderley, Secretary.

KILDARE-MAYO ASSOCIATION

Following our very successful first night out on St. Patrick's night a Supper Dance has now been arranged for 14th October 1988 from 9 pm to 2 am in Osta John Devoy.

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We are currently in the process of compiling a membership list. We would like any person of Mayo origin who has not already been contacted to get in touch with one of the above members as soon as possible.

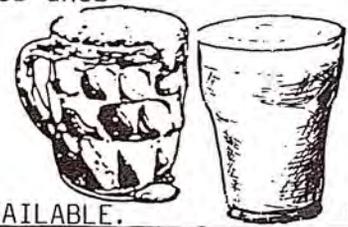
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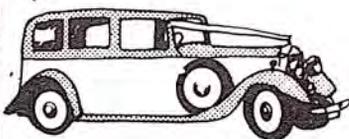
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Denis Enright, Annette Regan (Frank Regan and Associates Ltd.), Tom Dempsey (Club Chairman), Frank Regan, Philip Doyle (Club Captain), Seamus Feeney (Club Secretary), Liam McCall (Club Treasurer), Dessie Farrell (who represented the Club on the Leinster Junior League representative team).

Gerry Durack.
P.R.O.

"TAE KWON DO CLUB"

There has been an absence of this column in recent issues but we are all now back in full swing, and here is the latest news.

Our most recent event was a colour belt, junior and senior black belt tournaments held on Sunday, 11th of September in Maynooth Parish Hall.

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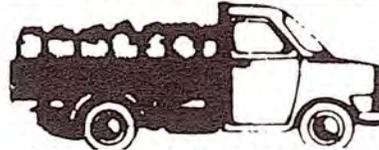
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In the hall shouts and cheers could be heard as spectators and students cheered on the familiar faces of their friends and families in a competition which turned out to be a great success.

We saw some good sparring and patterns on the day and heard the familiar sound of wood being broken. There was a tremendous display of the fine art "Tae Kwon Do". Clubs travelled from all over Ireland to attend the competition in the hall, and I'm sure they all enjoyed their day. The competition was organised by the instructors and committee of Maynooth "Tae Kwon Do Club". There was a lot of outside help on the day and we would like to thank the Hall committee for the use of the hall, and the Order of Malta for their help. We are grateful to everyone who helped out on the day, and especially to the people who took part in the competition. There was great support for the students of all the clubs who put their best effort into the competition and there were also many happy

faces as the prizes were presented.

Congratulations are in order for Ciara Power who took second place in the junior green belt pattern and Martin Traynor who took third place in the same event. Sean Foy also took first place in the destruction with a powerful break of three inches of wood. Garreth Loane took third place in the sparring and Caroline Traynor took first place in destruction, side kick. Well done everyone!

We would also like to wish the best of luck to all the members who are grading on the 24th of September in St. Mark's School, Tallaght under Master Ki-Ha?Rhee 8th degree and Chief Instructor to the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland.

There will be a senior and junior beginners class starting in the very near future and times and dates will be published in next months issue. We hope to see a lot of new faces joining our classes.

P.R.O., C.T.

SWIMMING CLUB



MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

SPLASHNEWS

The club's A.G.M. was held last June. We were disappointed at the poor attendance by parents, but our thanks to the few who did attend. We would appreciate greater participation by parents in the club's activities, in organising the swimming sessions and supervising bus journeys to and from Stewart's Sports Complex. We can best serve the interests of the children if the parents come forward with their suggestions, comments and help. The Maynooth Swimming

Club is very successful, we have full membership and there is always a waiting list for places, so we would like to see the parents becoming more involved and we would greatly appreciate your help.

Our sincere thanks and gratitude to the outgoing members of the committee, to Carmel Nolan (Treasurer) and Mary King (Ass. Treasurer), and a special appreciation to Catherine Mulready, who travelled with the children almost every Saturday throughout the year. The 1988/89 committee is as follows:

- Chairman:** Owen Byrne
- Secretary:** Rosemary Smyth
- Treasurer:** Frances Callaghan
- Ass. Treasurer:** Sheila Flemming

The current swimming session began on the 10th of September and will continue for 10 weeks, up to and including the 19th of November. There will be no swimming on the 29th of October. This session we

were able to offer places to 30 children on the waiting list, and we are hoping to be able to offer places again at the start of the next session.

Deirdre Hetherington, P.O.O.

REPORT ON INTER ESTATE 7 A SIDE, BELATED AS IT MAY BE

This is the 4th year Greenfield Residents Association has run this tournament and despite competing against World Cups, European Cups, elections, hail, rain and even thunder and lightning it has lost none of its popularity, in fact it has established itself as a foremost fixture for the last 2 weeks of June and supporters from the different areas are beginning to call part of the field their own such as the stretford end, Hill 16 etc. What a pity the field is not more attractive to people with seating, shrubbery and facilities for the children to play in. It is ideally suitable for this and the people of Maynooth should insist on this as they and their children deserve it.

Getting back to the games the standard was high and very competitive in both ladies' and men's. There was the usual bad luck stories and only if we had trained, but as the tournament progressed joints were beginning to loosen up.

Coming to the finals Carton Court looked good for the double but Ballygoran and the Crescent had other ideas and devised successful strategies on the day. Congrats to Ballygoran ladies and the Crescent men and thank you to all other teams who took part also thank you to our referees Melanie, Lenny and John and anybody who gave a hand with the pitch and nets etc.

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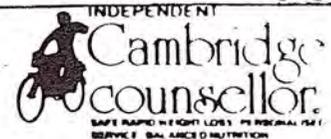
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Peter Holland.

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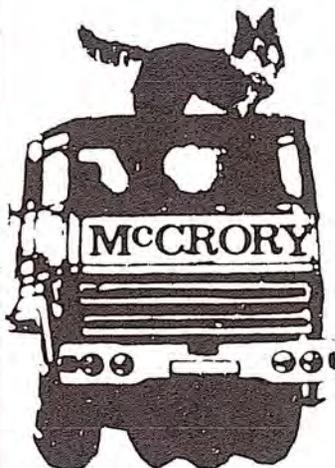
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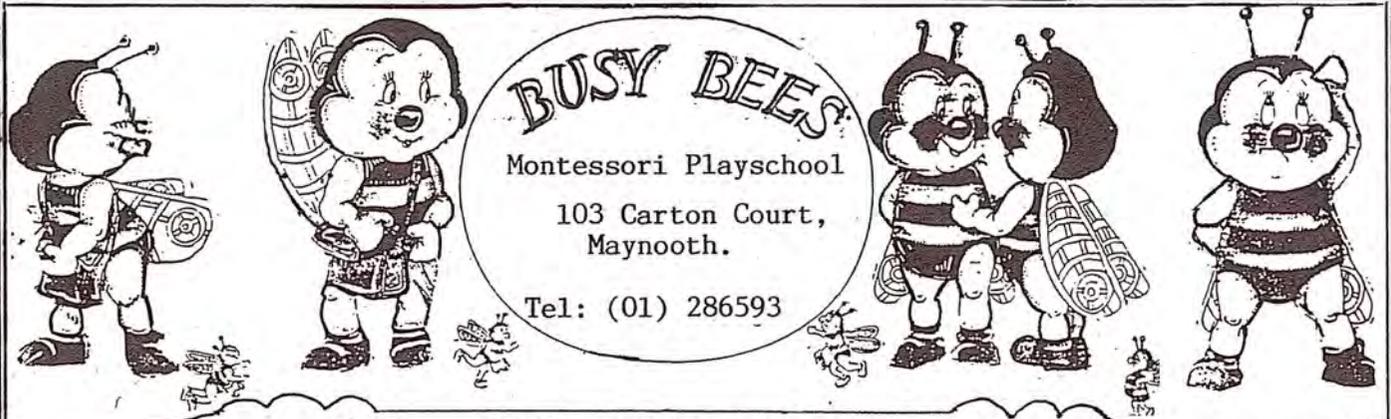
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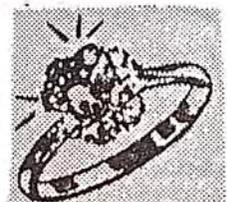
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TALKING

I remember the reaction of an acquaintance when he heard I was living in Maynooth. 'Bit of a one-horse town that, isn't it?' he remarked, recoiling in subtle horror at my fate.

'Not at all, not at all', I said off-handedly, doing my best to defend the place that had gradually become 'home'. Of course at the time I had a sneaking feeling he was right. It was so damned inconvenient, even if it was only fifteen miles from the city centre. The things I needed, could simply not be obtained in Ma Nuad of the Existential Pot-Holes and many Alleyways, necessitated frequent hops on and off the No. 66 in search of the required goods. I'm not talking about curtains (which couldn't be got in Maynooth in those days either), or pots and pans (equally difficult to come by), or spare parts for the car, (the kennelling facilities for the dog (the wha? I hear you say). Perish the thought. How tenderly, how fondly I recalled the hills and *smooth* streets of that lively provincial town whence I came, where practically everything one needed to make life possible could be found.

I refer of course, to the typewriter ribbon in particular, and supplies of paper, staples, paper-clips and envelopes in general. Do I hear trumpets? Cor anglais?? A brass band??? I believe I do. For it's here, Ladies and Gentlemen, Mesdames et Messieurs, meine Damen und Herren. I refer — in case it hasn't registered — to MAYNOOTH OFFICE SUPPLIES, situated above Coonan's office on Main Street. The place, this Mecca, this haven from which Eileen Fitzpatrick operates, can get you almost anything you need by way of office equipment within 24 hours, and sometimes even the same day. The man behind the scene, *Paddy Boyd*, also offers a printing service and will deliver goods ordered. Photocopying rates are quite

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Talking about hats, was the ring-master wearing one at the circus? I didn't get to see it, to my deep chagrin, being a circus fanatic of some decades standing. But I saw the tigers in the Square. Ahh, the luvvely pussy-cats in from the wild in their stripey suits. . . Seriously though, I have misgivings about these big cats every time I see them. One part of me adores the sight of them, the smell of them (quite a funk too — it filled the Square), the absolute unfathomability of their yellow eyes. Another part is uneasy, because I suspect that these creatures are in some way unhappy animals — which must be one hell of a torment if we accept that animals live in an eternal *present*. And you can't confine any natural force for long without some sort of backlash.

Which reminds me — all you 'green'-minded ecological and environmental thinkers, turn to the Irish column post haste — therein lies a trove of vital addresses for those who want the planet to survive, with all its luvvely pussy-cats and accommodating office-suppliers, and the existential pot-holes and alley-ways . . . Cheers.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR FORTHCOMING WEEKS

Sun. 1st Oct.	Convent School Walk, 2p.m.
Thur. 6th Oct.	Fashion Show, Carton House.
Sun. 9th Oct.	Junior Talent Show, Kilcock.
Mon. 10th Oct.	Comm. Council Meet. Office 8 p.m.
Fri. 14th Oct.	Kildare-Mayo Ass. Dinner dance.
Mon. 17th. Oct.	Deadline for Newsletter items.
Tues. 28th. Oct.	Flower Club A.G.M. 8p.m.
" " "	Parents Ass. G.N.S. 8p.m. A.G.M.
Sat. 22nd Oct.	American Tea Party, Parish Hall
Thurs. 3rd Nov.	Fashion Show- R.C.A.G. Hitchin Post.
Tues. 8th. Nov.	Comm. Games A.G.M. Office 8pm.

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COLLEGE NEWS

NEW YEAR BEGINS

As this issue of the Newsletter reaches the shops, students from all over the country will be packing their bags to descend on Maynooth for the new academic year. And the news is that this year, more students than even before will be attending the College. This is because there will be the same number of First Years as last year's record level, while the survivors from last year's entrants will constitute the largest Second Year ever.

In fact, Maynooth College is becoming more popular than ever with Irish school leavers. This year, the applications for a place at Maynooth were up by nine per cent compared with 1987. While about the same number placed Maynooth first in their CAO application form, it was noticeable this year that much greater numbers were placing Maynooth second than in previous years. This means, for example, that students from the Cork catchment area, having placed UCC first in their applications, are now much more inclined to place Maynooth second rather than UCD or UCG.

Andrew Egan, the College Admissions Officer, gave insight into the way places are allocated at Maynooth. With a total of 360 places available in First Arts and 170 in First Science, the College has to estimate how many of those who have named Maynooth in their CAO applications will actually come to Maynooth if offered a place. A majority of those offered a place will not accept because they have also been offered a preferred place elsewhere or because, for one reason or another, they cannot go on to third level at all. Based on the experience of previous years, the College offers places to all those who attain a certain minimum level of points, in the expectation that a certain proportion of these will refuse the offer.

One can gauge how expert the College has become from this year's outcome. All 800 applicants who had

obtained at least 17 points were offered places in First Arts; of these, 360 accepted — exactly the number of places which were available. In Science, 400 offers were made based on a cutoff level of 18 points, of whom 160 accepted, just ten less than the number of places available.

However, not all those who have accepted will eventually take their places — mainly because some will opt instead for places in the teacher training colleges, which send out their offers quite late in the day. There will be little trouble in filling any extra available places — at the time of writing there was a waiting list of 420 for First Arts and 215 for First Science. An idea of how competitive the demand for university places has become can be gauged from the fact that three more points are needed to get into Maynooth this year compared with 1987.

Maynooth College would love to take in as many students as want to go there, but strict limits on the numbers of places available have been set by the Higher Education Authority. This means that many students who have the minimum qualifications to attend the National University of Ireland (of which Maynooth is a part) — two honours and four passes in the Leaving Certificate — will not, in fact, be able to enter the University (or any other Third Level college, in most cases) and will either have to repeat the Leaving or seek employment (if such is available in Ireland today).

CONDOLENCES

The Newsletter extends its sympathy to Tony Fahey (Department of Sociology) on the recent death of his mother, and to Peter Denman (Department of English) on the death of his father-in-law.

ANTIPODEAN JOURNEY

College Vice-President, Seamus Smyth, Head of the Geography Department, recently travelled to Australia as Ireland's official representative at the International Geographical Congress. He returned with an added bounce in his step, no doubt due to a surfeit of kangaroo steak!

BELFAST BOUND

Paddy Duffy of the Geography Department will be spending the coming academic year at the Institute of Irish Studies at Queen's University, Belfast. Formerly a resident of Maynooth Park Paddy is now ensconced in the

Meath landscape. Also spending the coming year at the same Institute is Dympna McLoughlin, of Carton Court. A graduate of Maynooth College, Dympna is currently completing her Ph.D. degree at Syracuse University in the U.S.A.

LEINSTER ARMS SOLD

The Leinster Arms, has been sold to Gerry Brady, Trim, Co. Meath, Hotelier for a figure reported to be in excess of £700,000, by local auctioneers, Coonans.

The property comprised Licenced Premises with restaurant and disco together with large car park and eight apartment two storied residence. The Auctioneers commented that they are very satisfied with the price achieved and said they had an excellent demand for licenced premises in the Kildare area, particularly within a 20 mile radius of Dublin. So if you have a pub for sale, now's the time to put it on the market.

EXTRA MURAL LANGUAGE COURSES 1988-1989

The Language Centre in the College offers extra-mural courses at three levels — Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced — in the following languages:— Nua-Ghaeilge, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Russian and Modern Greek. (All courses are subject to demand).

These courses are open to all registered students and staff in the College, and to members of the public. Each course is two hours weekly, from October to April, and all classes are taught by native speakers.

Classes will commence on the week of October 24th. Participants should register with the Secretary, Ann Mc Stravick, before that date.

Registration fee is £20.00 for College students and staff, £50.00 for members of the public, to be paid on registration for courses.

For further information, details of times and location of classes, please contact:—

Deirdre Hetherington,
Telephone No. 285222, Ext. 414.

Ann Mc Stravick,
Telephone No. 285222, Ext. 309.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

MOLLOY

The wife and family of the late Michael Molloy, Straffan Way, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement. Those who sent mass cards, floral tributes and letters of sympathy; those who attended removal, mass and funeral. A special word of thanks to the priests of the parish and the kind neighbours and friends in Straffan Way. The Holy Sacrifice of the mass has been offered for your intentions.

Farrell: The family of the late Ellen Farrell, Easton Rd., Leixlip, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who sent Mass Cards, letters of sympathy, wreaths and floral tributes. Those who attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral. Special word of thanks to all our kind neighbours. We trust you will all accept this as a small token of our appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

SYMPATHY

Late Mr. H. Thynne

Mr. Henry Thynne died last week. He was a native of Kilshanny, Co. Clare, and father of Fr. Eoin Thynne, Parish Chaplain, Maynooth. The late Mr. Thynne, an ex-Garda, had lived in Dublin for a number of years. His funeral took place to Ballygall Road Church, Glasnevin, and burial was in Esker on Thursday. He is survived by his wife, sons, daughters, and other family members.

To Mrs. Maureen Troy, O'Neill Park, on the death of her brother John (Mara) O'Toole, Lucan.

Wife, sister, brothers, sister-in-law, nieces, nephews of the late Michael Maxwell, Laragh.

Parents, brothers, sisters, brother-in-law, grandparents, uncles, aunts, relatives and friends of the late David Morahan, Newtown.

Sympathy to Peter and Siobhan Denman of Leinster Park on the recent death of Siobhan's father.

Wife, sons, daughters, relatives and friends of Patrick Hubert Mooney, Toolestown.

Good luck to Conor McMahon and Paula O'Sullivan who left to make their fortunes in England on September 22nd.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Colin Brown of 18 Maynooth Park on winning the B.M.X. Raleigh Bike competition in Mosney. He won the weekly competition and then went forward to win the overall competition at the end of the season and was presented with a trophy and B.M.X. Bike.

Assumpta McDonnell, Breda Brennan and Orla McStravick past pupils from St. Wolstons who achieved enough points to gain places in Maynooth College in the first round allocation. They all hope to study Arts.

RECENT BIRTHS

Congratulations to Della and Mick Griffen, St. Marys Park, Leixlip on the birth of a baby boy.

To Willie and Regina Kilduff, Laragh-bryan, Maynooth on the birth of their son.

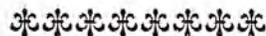
Congratulations to Margaret and Colm McDonald on the birth of their 8lb 3oz baby girl. Colm works with the Royal Canal Amenity Group.

Congratulations to Antoinette and Daragh Crosby of Carton Court on the birth of their baby girl who is a new sister to Sorcha.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Joe Moore Straffan Road and Margaret Scanlon Maynooth Park, who were married recently in St. Marys Church, Maynooth, and to Dessie Farrell, O'Neill Park, and Deirdre Stafford, Swords, in St. Columcille's Church, Swords, also Declan Barry, Main Street, and Mary McHale, Clontarf in John The Baptist Church, Clontarf.

Congratulations to Meta Gee, Carton Estate and Paul Coyle, Kingsbry who were married on 19th September.



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to Gearoid and Ita McTernan, Parson Street, who celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary Sept. 3rd.

Congratulations to Tony and Mary Bean "Nuada" Dunboyne Rd., Maynooth, who celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary on Sept. 3rd.

Ivory Wedding

Larry and Marie McTernan, Highfield, Kilcock, on their 14th anniversary, Sept. 21st.

Willow Wedding

Raymond and Noelle McTernan, Greenfield on their 9th anniversary, August 24th.

Paper Wedding

Fred and Catherine Gibbons, Kingsbry on their 1st, Sept. 11th.

Peter and Delia O'Connor, Greenfield, on their 23rd, August 18th.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Keith McTernan, Dunboyne, aged 10, Sept. 9th.

Aileen McTernan, Greenfield, aged 3, Sept. 22nd.

Damien O'Connor, Greenfield, aged 19, Sept. 10th.

Francis Conway, Greenfield, Sept. 10th.

Cindy Moore, Moygaddy, Sept. 8th.

Mrs K. Peppard (nee Coyne, Dillons Row) London 78 August 21st. Kathleen an annual visitor, celebrated her first birthday in her native Maynooth in 50 years.

Mick Naughton, Greenfield, Sept. 21st.

90 YEARS YOUNG

Special birthday greetings to Jack (John) Darlington, Maynooth Road, Celbridge. Age 90 September 17th. This comes from Farrell and Grady families and to Owen Murphy, Kilwogan, Celbridge age 90 on August 10th this comes from your many friends in Maynooth.

21 TODAY

Congratulations to Nancy Nevin, Barrogstown who celebrated her 21st birthday September 11th. The happy event was celebrated with a party in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip, attended by her parents, brothers, sisters relatives and a host of friends. A great time was had by all.

BIRTHDAYS

Michelle McGovern, Greenfield, 4 years October 1st.

Thomas McGovern, Greenfield, 5 years October 6th.

From Nannie Una, and Uncle Kevin.

Happy birthday to Edel Fay, Leinster Cottages, Maynooth, who celebrated her fourth birthday on the 15th Oct.

Birthday greetings to Lynda Haren who will be 10 years old on 23rd October. From all the family.

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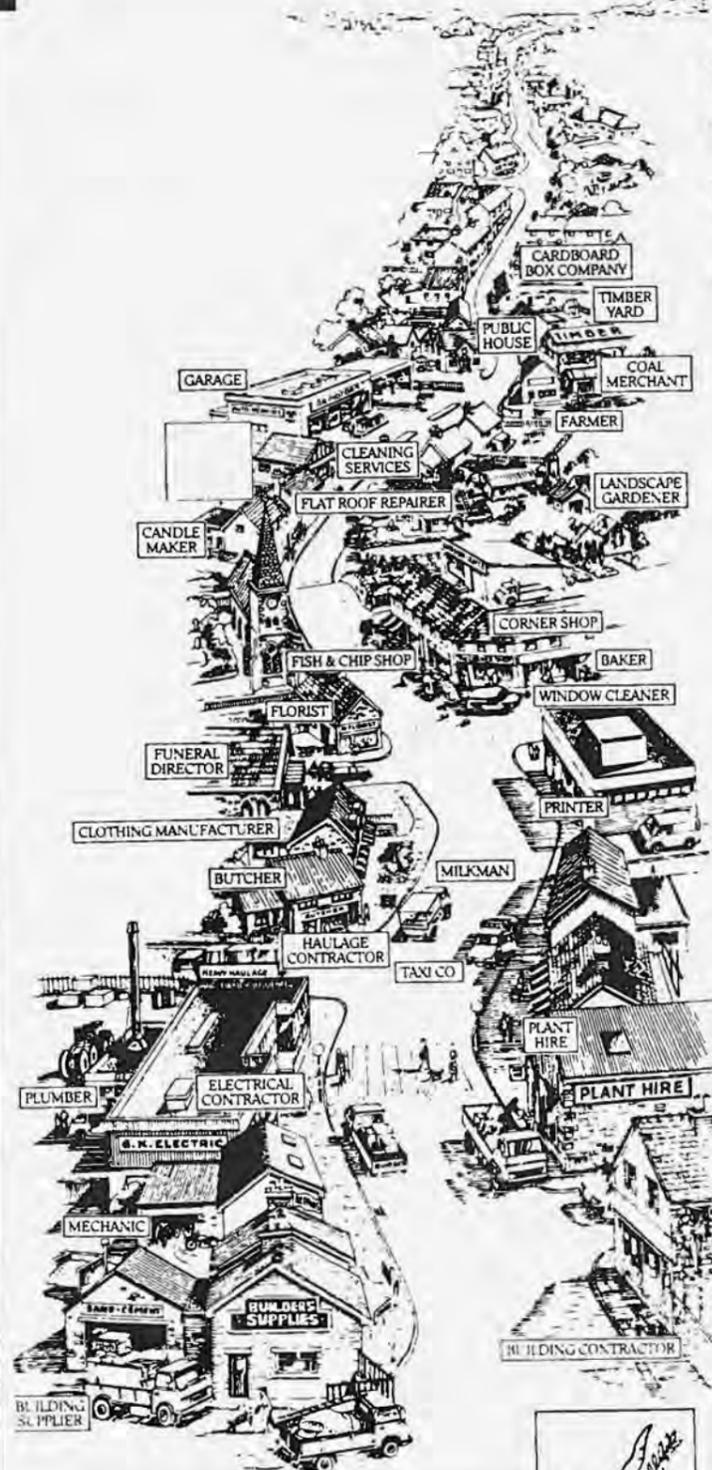
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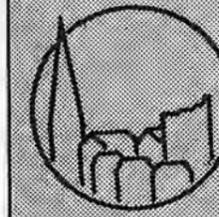
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NOTE TO CONTRIBUTORS

We request all of our contributors to make sure their material is legible. If possible, material should be typed, but as not everyone has access to typewriters, the best way to present material is to use either neat legible writing or block letters, on one side of the paper one.

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EDITORIAL

HALLOWEEN FUN

Hallow'een has come again, and we hope that all our readers have a good time. Just a word of warning to parents though — keep an eye on the children as they play around the bonfires. Hallow'een is the busiest night of the year for the fire brigades around the country, and many children, and indeed adults have ended up in hospitals with burns. Also, hallow'eens have been marred by what might be charitably called high spirited teenagers going on the rampage, again, parents ensure that your children are under your control.

STUDENTS AND RESIDENTS

The College students are now settled into Maynooth life again, and the traditional hostilities are in danger of being declared. Over the years, the lifestyles of students and their more permanent neighbours have led to conflict, often because of lack of

trust, thought and consideration for others. It must be admitted that students have caused considerable distress to others by their behaviour. However, the vast majority of students are not interested in destroying neighbourhoods. Certainly, they are young, carefree, and interested in enjoying their first taste of freedom. It can be difficult for the residents to appreciate this as they hear loud music and roars and laughter from the other side of the semi, as they try to get their children to sleep.

The Newsletter calls on all residents, and students, some of whom spend more time in Maynooth than a lot of the 'permanent' residents ever do, to come to some understanding about rules of behaviour which will not infringe on anyone's freedom. After all, many of the students settle down in Maynooth after graduation, themselves to witness the problems caused by their successors.

work that needs doing in the area.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

OLD MAYNOOTH EXHIBITION

We are trying to find a premises to house the Exhibition in the near future. I will let you know the venue and when the Exhibition will be on in the next issue of the newsletter.

It was stated that the FAS application had gone in for the renewal of the S.E.S. scheme in January 1989. We would like to thank Des Murray the local placement officer for all his work for us over the year. It was also decided to put an ad in the newsletter looking for a typewriter and photocopier for use in the office.

LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY

It was decided to write to Fr. Supple seeking his support for a collection at the church to be used as funds to clean up the cemetery. We would also apply for a flag day re above.

The Tidy Towns committee will organise to meet and talk with the local engineer Mr. Condrón, re: the graveyard and other amenity type

SPORTS COMPLEX

A letter from Mr. P. Power T.D. to Mr. Dalton Bursar Maynooth College re: the proposed recreational site. Lots of discussion took place on this issue and it was decided that the Community Council should stay with this project as long as the Management Committee was properly controlled, if and when this venture gets off the ground. It was also stated that on behalf of this project we should write to the Minister for Sport Mr. Frank Fahy for a slice of Lottery money towards this project.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATION

We would like to stress that the following areas are no longer represented by a Council member. This is despite all efforts to find representatives. It has been decided therefore that it is now the responsibility of the various areas themselves to provide representatives. This is essential if they wish to have their problems and concerns aired at Council level. These areas are: Beaufield; Crinstown (Area D); Carton Demense; Town 1 vacancy.

The next meeting will take place on Monday 14th November 1988 in the Council Offices at 8 pm sharp.

Your local Community Council is responsible for organising the St. Patrick's Day Parade, Community Week, Community Games, Tidy Towns committee the Newsletter, The Maynooth Directory and various fundraising events to sponsor seven SES workers and two on the Teamwork Scheme. They are not responsible for the Harbour Field, Playground, Swimming pool funds or Geraldine Hall.

Mary Simon.
P.R.O.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

The Band competition which took place in the Leinster Arms (Slims) on Saturday 24th September from 7.30 to 12.00. The eagerness of the audience was evident from their prompt appearance at 7.30 on the dot. The place was packed at 8.30 with the youth from all over Kildare to support the bands who had entered the competition. Before going further, we would like to congratulate the members of the bands themselves for appearing well before time and setting up their equipment, ensuring that the event went without a hitch. The audience were well-behaved, attentive, enthusiastic and their last reaction was to ask when the next competition would take place. Without being patronising, we were thrilled with the audience reaction and they were a credit to themselves. So much for the troublesome youth of today — we certainly saw the better side of youth that Saturday night!

We could not cope with the entries which streamed in at the last minute to the co-ordinator in the Community Council Office, Norah McDermott. It is obvious that Kildare is blooming with musical talent and that the

standard is extremely high. We were sorry that **Freeze Machine** from Enfield could not make it at the last minute — due to lack of transport. Having heard them last year, we were looking forward to hearing them again. But the line-up was impressive and covered all corners of Kildare with **Shout** from Celbridge, **Warsaw** from Maynooth, **Freebird** covered Straffan/Celbridge and Leixlip, **During Stone Down** also from Leixlip, **Black like Me** from Athy, **No Motive** from Maynooth again and **Perfect Stranger** from Naas. I think all of us older (!) ones were extremely impressed with the standard from all bands.

I would like to thank Norah McDermott, Caolán and Máire in the Office who did all the hard work in co-ordinating the event. Norah also picked up the P.A. and Philip McDermott returned it the following morning. I would also like to extend my thanks to the others who helped during the afternoon and that night: Dominic Nyland and Eilis O'Malley from the Community Council, Gerry Fitzpatrick who made a great M.C., Pat Farrell, Martin Houlihan and Martin Lynch who all offered their services without even being asked.

Mr. Gerry Brady, the new owner of the Leinster Arms and Shane both deserve special mention for giving us the premises and allowing the competition to take place — without them it would never have been possible.

The patient judges, who again gave their services without cost, were Steve Tanner, Hugh Crawford, Annette and Lloyd Bracken and Tadgh Lynch. Thanks to them also. Their decision was as follows:

1st Prize **Perfect Stranger** from Naas
2nd Prize **During Stone Down** from Leixlip

The prizes, £50 and a Trophy and £25 were sponsored by the following: Pat Boyd of Maynooth Office Supplies, Bank of Ireland, Allied Irish Banks, Barrys, The Cycle Shop and the Country Shop. The Trophy was

donated by the Sports Locker and raffle prizes by the following: Eileen's Hairdressers, Kavanaghs Mill, Bartons, Cahills, Dara Discs and Mulcahys Butchers.

It is hoped to organise another event of this kind within the next six months due to the interest shown by both the bands and the audience. There is little enough for young people to do around Maynooth in the evening. It should also be added that there was a mineral only bar in Slims that night.

FIDDLERS GREEN IN THE ROOST

The attendance at this event was not as large as the Battle. It was held in conjunction with a Fosters promotion on Thursday 22nd September. Perhaps we are providing entertainment for the wrong age group! Everyone there enjoyed themselves immensely however and there were excellent raffle prizes from both Fosters and the Community Council. We would like to thank The Roost and the staff for the premises again.

Prizes for the raffle were provided by Aidans, Kavanaghs, Caulfields and the Roost itself. I would like to thank them and those who helped on the night: Dominic Nyland, Norah McDermott, Tom McMullon, Tommy Flanagan, Breed Connolly, and Bridie O'Brien who sold tickets for the raffle.

It should be stressed that events such as these are organized for two reasons — to provide entertainment and also to raise monies to fund the seven Social Employment Scheme workers and two Teamwork workers who are employed by the Council in the Office on the Main Street. As sponsor for such a Scheme, the Council must raise funds each year, therefore we would ask that people support the functions so that we may continue to provide these jobs, which often lead to fulltime employment when the Scheme is over.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin
(Cathaoirleach)

ART AWARD

Congratulations to Elaine Fleming, 63 Maynooth Park, who recently won first prize in an art competition run throughout the National Schools in Kildare in conjunction with the annual fete of St. Raphaels, Celbridge. Elaine is a pupil at the Presentation Convent National School in Maynooth. She was presented with her prize of a 35mm camera and a collection of paints for her school at the presentation of awards on Sunday 16th 1988 in Celbridge. Well done Elaine.

SPECIAL NOTICE

A very special thank you to the people of Maynooth from Sergeant and Mrs. Higgins. Mick and Phyllis would like to thank publicly everyone who in any way gave us such a wonderful send off and will appreciate their

gesture all our lives and treasure the splendid gifts for ever — especially the Station Party, Peadar, Peter, Dan, Dathal and Michael, The Chamber of Commerce, Garda Sergeants and Inspector Association, Mr. Caoimhin Bean P.C. and Mairead, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Brady and Mrs. Hanna Flood, and to Mai for the presentation of that magnificent Bouquet, and everyone who attended the function in the Springfield Hotel. A thousand million thanks once again.

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TIDY TOWNS

So here it is, as promised, the Bord Fáilte report on Maynooth as a Tidy Town! It's embarrassing but this is what they wrote. Out of 24 entries in Kildare we tied for last place with... well, I'd better not mention the name in case of libel action! Read the report carefully and answer just one question. Could you do anything to help?

APPEARANCE OF APPROACH ROADS verges, streets, back lanes and footpaths. Also car parks, seats, telephone kiosks, post boxes, litter bins, pumps and road signs.

All approach roads are overgrown and small amounts of litter were noted. This was in evidence on the Galway approach. The Dunboyne approach is overgrown. Weeds have been allowed to grow much too freely on walls and kerbs and footpaths. The standard of street furniture still leaves much to be desired.

Max.	1987	1988
40	13	12

PRESENTATION OF RESIDENTIAL AREAS including open spaces.

Some individual effort was noted but overall, open spaces are neglected and very overgrown. Try and control weed growth. Road conditions do not make this task easy. Little is also a problem under this heading. *Until the litter problem is tackled no improvement will be evident in Maynooth.*

Max.	1987	1988
20	15	15

PROGRESS REPORT

Centre: MAYNOOTH
County: KILDARE
Category: E
1988 MARK: 114

EFFORT assessment may take into account sustained effort over a number of years or the overcoming of special local difficulties.

There is evidence of some good individual effort but community effort is lacking in Maynooth. Thank you for filling in the questionnaire and attaching map which was most helpful to the adjudicator. As mentioned in last year's report you should draw up a plan, say over 5 years, set out your objectives and target dates.

Max.	MARKS	1987	1988
40	28	26	

TIDINESS appropriate placing of litter bins, absence of litter, advertising hoardings and indiscriminate dumping.

The litter problem seems to have gone out of control. A lot of litter was noted on Link Road along Carton Estate heading from Dublin approach to Dunboyne approach. Litter was in evidence on road outside Maynooth Livestock Sales. The side roads and back streets off the main street was full of litter, large plastic bags having been dumped there. The area of the toilet block is disgraceful. Litter was everywhere. Flyposting and graffiti should be removed. The litter bin container here was broken and overflowing with broken bottles etc. Lots of litter was noted on way to Health Centre.

Max.	1987	1988
35	15	13

PRESENTATION OF BUILDINGS shops, business premises, banks, factories, historic and public buildings, derelict sites and buildings, statues and monuments.

Buildings on the main street were well presented. The entrance to Maynooth College was excellent. Buildings or minor approaches are drab

and are in need of attention. Try and remember that Maynooth extends beyond the main street. The area of the toilet block should be a feature and not an eyesore as at present.

Max.	1987	1988
35	30	30

PRESENTATION OF NATURAL AMENITIES open spaces, village greens, river banks, foreshore, parks, trees.

The area opposite Livestock Sales on right hand side of Dublin approach is overgrown and takes from the overall impression of tree planting. The playground near the Health Centre is neglected and is in need of attention. Weeds noted on wall opposite Mill. Open spaces throughout all need attention. Some small improvement was noted in the area of the Royal Canal Harbour.

Max.	1987	1988
30	19	18

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Student's Union,
Maynooth College.
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Eric Gaughran
(President)

CLUAIN AOIBHINN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

12th October 1988.

Dear Editor,

It is with deep regret we read the letter published by you from Mr. Gaughran, President of the Students Union in last month's edition. We the Residents of Cluain Aoibhinn feel that this letter has obviously been written out of a feeling of vindictiveness against the Residents of our estate.

Firstly we would like to point out that the Annual Sports Day and get together was held on **Saturday** 27th of August and not on **Friday** 26th as stated in the report by Mr. Gaughran. The following day was Sunday and to our knowledge the College do not hold any exams on a Sunday, however, we do admit as you will see

from our report in same edition that the get together did go on until the early hours of the morning. If Mr. Gaughran had bothered to check he would have learned that a number of students attended our entertainment that night having been invited by residents, we also had residents from College Green and Beaufield present. The amplification system was turned off at 3.00 a.m. and after that it was just a quiet sing-song and chat.

We know that the honours students stay around most of the summer as they sit their exams in Autumn but you can't help but smile at the irony of Mr. Gaughran's report maybe if these poor students whom were disturbed on the night of the 27th of August had availed of all the other nights study and sleep during term time they might not have had to re-sit their exams a second time and be around for the one day each year that the Children and Adults of our estate come together for a good day and nights entertainment.

The residents of Cluain Aoibhinn demand a full apology in your next edition for this very damaging and most inaccurate report.

Tom McMullon,
Chairman.

Dear Editor,

I am writing this brief note to apologise for an error contained in a letter written by the President and Vice-President of the Students' Union to the October edition of the Maynooth Newsletter. The date mentioned by ourselves was the 26th August while it should have read Saturday 27th August. This mistake was more of an oversight than a deliberate and conscious mistake.

On a further brief note, I would like to reaffirm the principle of the letter—namely, that the residents of Cluain Aoibhinn (and, unfortunately, as so often, it is only a few people getting the rest a bad name) should try to live by the laws that they impose, (and they have no right to impose these rules either) on students. If the community is to prosper, students and residents must learn to live together and help each other. Students want this to happen, and most of the community feel likewise but we must do things together.



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— sister, half-sister, daughter, stepdaughter, grand-daughter, niece, sister-in-law, daughter-in-law.

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the prescribed relative you are —

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Faoi láthair, tá sé thar a bheith taitneamhach siúlóid ann, olleispéir-eas céadfaoch an Fhómhair dod' fháisceadh, na crainn ildaite, boladh tais an mheatha, agus fuaimeanna rúnda mórthimpeall ort. Is gnách slua réasúnta a bheith ann tráthnóna Domhnaigh má bhíonn an aimsir measartha, ach tugaim faoi deara go gclóinn an tromlach leis na cosáin atá gar don chaisleán agus don loch. Má bhíonn fonn ort cúl a thabhairt do chomhluadar daonna is furasta cosáin uaigneacha a aimsiú, agus ní minic go mbuailfidh tú le héinne orthu. Ach ní inmholta an rud é sin do chuile dhuine, go háirithe iad siúd nach bhfuil ró-scafánta, nó éinne nach bhfuil ró-mhuiníneach as bheith ag siúl ina (h)aonar. Mar níl aon chomharthaí ardaithe fós ag lucht na foraoise chun treo agus fad na siúlóidí a léiriú don phobal. B'fhurasta é sin a dhéanamh, agus déantar é in a lán foraoiseacha eile.

Faoi láthair, tig leat teacht ar ghabhal ann, agus tuairim dá laghad ní bhíonn agat cá dtéann aon chosán díobh, nó cá fhad é ar ais go dtí an carr-chlós. Sea, tá fhios agam gur furasta filleadh an treo a dtagann tú, ach ní hé is mian le siúlóirí a dhéanamh go hiondúil. Chuirfeadh sé go mór le taitneamh na siúlóide fíos a bheith ag duine cá bhfuil sé/sí ag dul nó cé mhéad míle atá fós le siúl.

Tá cuid de na cosáin úd atá ansalach agus rachfá go rúitín sa phuit-each orthu. Dá bhrí sin, is inmholta an rud é buataisí ruibéir a chaitheamh má shocraíonn tú dul ar na cúl-chosáin. Ach is beag iad na fadh-banna seo nuair a thógann tú pléisiúirí iomadúla na foraoise san áireamh. Is mór is fiú dul ar strae nó do bhróga a shalú. Bainigí triail as. Siúl-aigí libh.

Martin Nugent.

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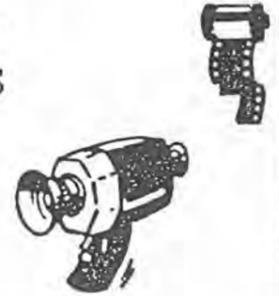
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Anyone who has taken a walk by the canal recently cannot but have noticed the extraordinary progress of the slipway in the Harbour area. The concreting has already begun and this should be completed within the next three weeks, weather permitting! The work carried out by the FAS workers has been trojan and everyone deserves our thanks and congratulations. We would also like to thank the Office of Public Works for their unstinting care and attention to the project. Someone else who deserves our thanks and should be mentioned is the local placement officer for FAS — Des Murray who has been extremely supportive during the year long scheme.

The next fundraising event which the RCAG are planning is a Fashion Show which is to take place in the Hitchin' Post on Thursday 3rd Novem-

ber at 8 p.m. There will also be a Cabaret provided by the Folk Group, tickets will be £2 and it should be an excellent nights entertainment. Most of the shops in the town have agreed to provide clothes for the occasion so that all types of clothing will be on display. So come along and have a good time with clothes, music and a drink as well.

Don't forget the next **Where in Maynooth** — form in the Newsletter and a prize of £30. Out on the road again and start searching!

Muireann Ni Bhrolchain.
P.R.O.

The artist Vincent Doyle has offered to provide a statue to commemorate the completion of the Harbour and the slipway. It is intended that it

should depict a young boy fishing and that it will be a monument to all the children who have fished in the canal over the years and those who will do so in future. The statue will stand beside the island in the Harbour.

Vincent is hoping that the businesses in the town will fund this project and therefore donate the statue to the people of Maynooth. To this end, letters have been distributed to the various businesses by Vincent which is to be followed by a letter from the RCAG explaining the project. It should be a major tourist attraction when the canal is in full use. For further information, or to give a donation contact Norah McDermott, Secretary, RCAG, c/o Maynooth Community Council Office, Town Mall, Main Street, Maynooth.

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We would like to congratulate the O'Shea Family from Smithstown who won The Coonan Best Family performance trophy for the 1988 season. This is the families 2nd year to win this trophy. It is very encouraging to see families taking such an interest in the games. The family had a total of 28 points as follows, Brid Ann 8, Puala 6, Helen 6, Niall 4 and Michael 4. Our congratulations to the O'Shea Family.

The runner up families were as follows: Mc Cluskey family, Barogstown, 19 points, Dillon family, Maynooth Park, 17 points, Purcell family, Laurence Ave. 16 points, Gallagher family, Greenfield Drive, 15 points and Breslin family, Leinster Park, 14 points.

We would like to congratulate Kenneth Killoran, Maynooth Park, on winning the Newsletter individual best competitor trophy for the 1988 season with a score of nine points. The runners up in this category were Brid Ann O'Shea, 8 points, Susan Dillon, 8 points, Emma McCluskey, Ciara Dillon, Karl Ennis, Declan Buckley, David Coughlan and Richard Cotter all on 7 points. Our best wishes to all these competitors and hope to see you all next season.



 *Happy Halloween*
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Residents' Associations News.

RAILPARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

The gremlins got into the pasting up in the last issue, and the final paragraph of the Railpark Residents' Notes appeared under the Maynooth Residents Against the Local Charges notes, leaving treasurer Eamonn Mac Keogh scratching his head in puzzlement. This paragraph was designed to remind Railpark residents who have not been approached by members of the Committee for subscriptions for 1988, or who have not paid as yet, to drop in 7 pounds to Eamonn Mac Keogh, at 119 Railpark. So those who thought that MRALC was imposing local charges of its own can breathe a sigh of relief.

LIGHTS:

A letter in the last edition referred to the lack of lights in Maynooth Park. Unfortunately, this was contrasted with the seemingly more favourable distribution of lighting in Railpark. The committee would agree that the level of public lighting in general in Maynooth is appalling as a result of Council action in switching off these lights. Railpark may appear to have more lights on than in other areas, however the level of lighting is totally inadequate, and some members of the committee have lacerations to prove it. The presence of our local politician has not been of great benefit to us in terms of getting things done — have a look at the condition of the paths for instance.

The committee met in September to discuss finances in particular, and the general upkeep of the estate. Considerable work is required to make the pathways safe. The question of whether the residents should tackle the pathways themselves was discussed, but a decision was deferred in view of the financial position of the Association, and perhaps the possible lack of enthusiasm for tackling the job in the first place.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

There has been some progress on the snooker hall in the shopping centre. The Council have been in touch with us and have laid out the details of what has been granted. It has been unanimously decided to go to An Bord Pleanala to appeal the decision.

The petition for the closure of Laurence Avenue has been acknowledged by the Council. Further news anon!

We would ask all the children, when spending their pocket money in the shops at the weekend, to take care to ensure that they put ALL of their rubbish into the bins provided by the shopkeepers. Take care kids, it is your environment too.

We hope the grass will only need to be cut once more. Most of the mowers seem to have thrived on the hard work, but one is a little the worse for wear and may need some intensive care over the winter. Luckily we have our own consultant on hand, and do not have to wait for a "Public Appointment"!!

It was unanimously agreed that the reception on the piped T.V. has improved. There may be some spots of trouble but we feel they will be dealt with as soon as possible. It was pointed out that some people felt it was unfair of the new company to ask for the payment of arrears considering the bad reception in the latter period of Mr. Hayes REIGN, but generally it was agreed that the cost of rectifying the legacy of trouble left by the above needed every little bit of funding available.

You may be having some trouble with the public lighting in the Estate. If so, do not bother ringing the ESB, ring Edel Boland, Kildare County Council. Apparently until the Council are contacted, nothing will be done to ensure that we get even our meagre share of lighting from the budget. So if the light outside your house has gone, give Edel a ring and see what happens. Just as a matter of interest the shortage of lights only seems to affect North Kildare. There is ample light all over the rest of the county. When a motion was tabled to question the fairness of this situation, the motion was disallowed. So much for democracy in Kildare. *Perhaps with the winds of change blowing in Leixlip, the parties in power will give a little more consideration to North Kildare. We will see!!!*

Carmel Hogan, P.R.O.

BEAUFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Dear Resident,

As you are no doubt aware at this stage, planning permission has been granted by Kildare Co. Co. to Lark Developments for the proposed building of 14 shopping retail outlets and a Public House in the Beaufield Estate.

An appeal has been lodged with An Bord Pleanala to try and get this decision overturned, and we will keep you informed with the progress.

There has still been no further developments with regards to the opening of the main Beaufield Road. The County Engineer has not made a decision in this matter.

We are attempting to get some decision from Lark Developments and Kildare County Council about tidying up the estate. We have been told by both parties that it will be done, but there are no signs of anything stirring.

It has been put to the committee that the main Beaufield Road is to be used to convey construction traffic for Phase 2.

It has been clearly stated to the Council that this will not be tolerated, but as yet we have had no response. This would also mean that Lark Developments have no intentions of putting the top surface on the main road until Phase 2 is completed.

As you know, the road is in a terrible condition at the moment, with a few dangerous 'pot holes'. There is no way we are prepared to wait that length to have it completed. We have suggested an alternate route for this traffic to the Kildare Co. Co. and are awaiting their response.

As we get an update on any of the above we will keep you informed.

TALK ON GARDENING

A very informative and interesting talk was given by Mr. Hardiman on all aspects of gardening this summer. Though not well attended, it proved very rewarding for those who attended.

PLANS

Further events are planned for the near future. Details in the next issue.

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

ESTATE CLEAN UP

As noted in the last issue the association mounted a highly successful estate clean-up some weeks ago as well as getting some of the overgrown green areas cut back to acceptable levels. Many thanks to the ladies and gents who spent part of the weekend completing this necessary task. As expected it was the usual small band who are always willing to do the work. More help next time please.

BARBECUE

The association held a highly successful residents barbecue despite the weather which caused a late

postponement on the original date. Many thanks to all those who helped make it such a success especially the musicians and singers who entertained the small band who braved the cold into the early morning.

SOCCER

The indoor soccer season began on Tuesday September 20th and will be on every Tuesday between 10 pm and 11 pm at Leixlip Amenity Centre. Any-

one living in the Estate is welcome.

COMPLETION OF ESTATE

The committee have been busy compiling a list of all the defects and problem areas in the estate and will be again in contact with the developers and Kildare County Council to try and speed up the works which have to be completed before the estate is take over by the local authority.

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MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS AGAINST LOCAL CHARGES

In last months edition we published an open letter to the 5 local County Councillors representing the Maynooth area regarding the results of our petition — poll which indicates majority opposition to Local Charges. The letter also specifically asked them to:—

1. Instruct the County Manager to cease water supply disconnections and to resume full refuse collections.
2. Remove all local charges from the 1989 estimates.
3. Do you support the water disconnections in Maynooth?

The following is the responses received.

Councillor Gerry Brady (Fianna Fail)
Mr. Brady declined to give a written reply but when contacted by phone he said that he has noted the contents of our letter and will put it before his Party for consideration. He personally is opposed in principle to Local Charges but is bound by his Party's line. He does not oppose water disconnections of residents who can afford to pay the charges but have refused to do so.

Bernard Durkan T.D. (Fine Gael)
The following is Mr. Durkan's full written reply.

Dear Matt,

Thank you for your correspondence dated the 9th September regarding water and refuse charges.

I have written to the County Manager asking that he would take into account your request during compilation of the 1989 Estimates though I feel that given the state of finances at present in the Council, there is little likelihood of him acceding to this request.

The difficulty is that the local authority is spending almost half a million per annum which arises directly from interest on outstanding charges, rates, etc and which has to be carried on overdraft.

This is the reason that public lighting had to be partially extinguished which in turn caused other serious problems and unless the local authority can cut its costs either by reduction of services or by some other means, it is likely that the charges will continue.

Needless to say, I am saddened by the fact that so many people have had their water supply and refuse services discontinued over the past year or so, but, as you will recall, I

pointed out this possibility on numerous occasions to many people including yourself over the past number of years. Some residents made arrangements to pay charges by way of deferred payment and others did not.

I should also point out that the County Manager has received numerous representations from house holders who have paid their charges up to the present time indicating that they would refuse to pay such charges in future unless action was taken against those who had refused to pay.

As always I see it as my duty as a public representative to advise the public as fully as possible in all such matters, and since my information is that removal of service charges from the Book of Estimates will result in further large scale cuts in services and redundancies of which there have been to date in the current year 46 with a further 6 pending.

Continuation in this direction will only result in more cuts in public lighting, removal of emergency services etc, and consequent hardship on the entire community.

Therefore before I could reply to the final paragraph of your letter, I would need to know whether all of the people in Maynooth are in favour of a further reduction in services, redundancies, and are aware of all the implications.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard J. Durkan, T.D., M.C.C.

Councillor Jim Gallagher (Fine Gael)
Mr. Gallagher declined to give a written reply but by phone he said that he would ask the County Manager to take a sympathetic view of ceasing water disconnections and restoring refuse collections in certain cases only. He would follow the Party line regarding the 1989 estimates but supports the recent disconnections in Maynooth.

Councillor Colm Purcell
The following is Mr. Purcell's full written reply.

Dear Matt,

Firstly, I would like to thank you and your committee for your very excellent work in the MALL.

I must say that I am very disgusted at the Councils action in cutting off the water supply to households in Maynooth and also in refusing to collect refuse.

Maynooth Residents Against Local

Charges has my full support and I can assure you that I will, together with my Labour Colleagues on the council be voting against any book of estimates that contain charges for water/refuse or that contain cuts in public lighting.

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Colm Purcell M.C.C.

Emmet Stagg T.D.
The following is Mr. Stagg's full written reply.

Dear Matt,

Further to your letter of 9/9/88, I write to endorse the results of your petition — poll of Maynooth Residents regarding local charges. Through my own contact with the people of Maynooth I am aware of majority opposition to these unjust charges which I and my Labour colleagues on the Council have so bitterly opposed.

In answer to your specific requests I wish to state:—

1. I have and will again demand of the County Manager that he cease water disconnections and refusal of refuse collection.
2. I will vote for the removal of local charges from the 1989 estimates.
3. I am totally opposed to and condemn the spate of water disconnections in Maynooth.

Please be assured of my continued support for the campaign.

Yours sincerely,
Emmet Stagg.

300 CLUB DRAW

We wish to thank all those who supported our draw and the winner of the £100 prize was Mrs. (Billy) Nolan, 26 Leinster Cottages.

A.G.M.

This was held on Friday 7th October and the following officers were elected:— Michael Quinn, Chairman, Matt Carroll, Secretary and Pat Hanley, Treasurer. Two members of Celbridge residents against Local Charges were present.

LEIXLIP TOWN COMMISSION RESULTS

MRAHC is pleased to note that four anti local charges candidates were handsomely elected and this confirms the findings of our own poll. Their victory is also ours.

POLITICAL PARTY NOTES

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

LEIXLIP ELECTIONS

Voters in Leixlip elected their new Town Commission on October 5th and the result represented a tremendous performance by the Labour Party. Members of the Maynooth branch were closely involved in the campaign in Leixlip which saw two of the three Labour Party candidates elected. Cllr. Colm Purcell topped the poll and was elected on the first count while Frank O'Neill was elected on a later count.

The Labour candidates received widespread support on the issue of opposition to Local Charges. As in Maynooth, many residents in Leixlip have paid the charges under duress only to find public lighting in their estates being turned off and the range of services being provided by the Council being continually cut back. Significantly those parties supporting the charges all did very poorly in the Leixlip election. In particular, Fianna Fail's U-turns on the issue appear to have been remembered by the electorate this time round and they only had one candidate elected as a result.

Councillor Colm Purcell, the new Vice-Chairperson of Leixlip Town Commission, together with his fellow Labour Co. Councillors Emmet Stagg,



MAYNOOTH TOWN LADIES SOCCER CLUB PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Emmet Stagg T.D. presenting the Player of the Year Trophy to Cherry Prendergast from College Green. The trophy was sponsored by the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party and the presentation took place in Caulfields.

TD, and Kieran Coleman will be opposing the imposition of Local Charges in the coming year's estimates. The evidence of the Leixlip election suggests that a growing number of north Kildare residents support their stance.

TONY SMITH MEMORIAL WALK

The annual Tony Smith Memorial Walk in aid of Maynooth Old Folks, organised by the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party, took place on Sunday 16th of October last. The walk followed a 10k route through Carton demesne. The Branch would

like to thank all sponsors who contributed so generously. It is expected that the walk will raise in excess of £1,200 for Maynooth Old Folks.

PAY MORE — GET LESS!

If you pay PRSI then this year you are paying more than before. The ceiling has gone up, and the rate has been increased from 1% to 1.25%. With the current state of the Health services and cutbacks in welfare entitlements its obvious that 'pay more — get less' is the message under Fianna Fail.

FINE GAEL NOTES

The September meeting of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael was held on Tuesday 27th in the ICA Hall. Being the first meeting after the summer break, it was extremely well attended and a lively discussion took place on many varied topics.

Deputy Bernard Durkan told members that he had taken up the matter of Beaufield Estate and its completion with Mr. Batty White of Kildare County Council and received the following reply:

"Further to your representations regarding the completion of Beaufield Estate I had a meeting with Lark Homes to discuss the completion of Phase I and the following works were agreed.

1. The open space formerly used as a site compound by Lark Homes for Phase 1 is to be fully cleared of all

buildings and rubble and fully landscaped. Clearance of the area has already commenced, and the landscaping will be completed when top soil from Phase 2 due to commence shortly, becomes available.

2. Repairs are to be carried out to the main access road through the estate and the final surfacing is to be laid to the remaining cul-de-sacs. This work is to be done by Messrs Roadstone next month.

3. The final surfacing of the main access road cannot be done at present as this road will be used during the construction of Phase 2.

4. The area opposite Beaufield Green is to be cleared of rubble.

The taking in charge of Phase 1 does not arise at this stage, and this will only be considered when Phase 2 is built and the main access road can be given a final surfacing. Before taking in charge, a detailed inspection of the estate will be carried out by the Council, and the developer will have to have all roads, footpaths, main

sewers (foul, surface water), public lighting and open spaces fully completed to standard. In the meantime, there is a current Insurance Bond covering the development."

Deputy Bernard Durkan has asked Kildare County Council if it would be possible to arrange the upkeep of the graveyards throughout the county. He suggested that this could be achieved by co-operation with the various parish groups, and the County Council's assistance.

NATIONAL COLLECTION

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed so generously to our National Collection on 8th and 9th October.

CLINICS

Deputy Bernard Durkan is available to meet constituents every Saturday at the Geraldine Hall Maynooth at 2.30 pm approx.



WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

GREAT LEIXLIP RESULT

The Workers' Party produced a tremendous performance in the Leixlip Town Commission election, obtaining more first preference votes than any other party, and getting their two candidates, Catherine Murphy and Sean Purcell elected on the first count. This result was a deserved vindication of the consistent hard work put in by both candidates, and their local organisation, over a number of years. It also signified a decisive rejection of the policies being implemented by the Fianna Fail government with the support of the other two conservative parties. It is noteworthy that the other main "opposition" party, Labour, finished second to the Workers' Party in the number of votes obtained.

The big parties subsequently tried to dismiss the result as a matter of purely local issues, with no national significance. This, despite the massive presence of these parties' "big guns" during the closing phases of the election. The fact is that the dominant issues in the election — local charges, poor public lighting, and the lack of a permanent building for Confey College — are all the local manifestations of national spending cutbacks which mainly affect the less wealthy groups in Irish society. With the latest opinion polls giving the Workers' Party and Labour almost a quarter of the vote in the Dublin area, it is clear that working class opposition to these measures is mounting dramatically.

TAX AMNESTY SCANDAL

The massive influx of unpaid taxes into the government coffers as a result of the tax amnesty provides a clear vindication of the argument put by the Workers' Party over the years that tax reform offers a better solution than spending cutbacks to the problems of the government finances. Bearing in mind that the vast amount paid to date is probably only a fraction of the amount actually due, it is clear that the PAYE sector — who pay over 90% of all income tax revenue — has simply been taken for a ride down through the years.

When one looks at the efforts being made by local authorities to save

money and collect local charges, or the attention being paid by the government to tighten up on social welfare payments, and compare these with the pathetic efforts to collect hundreds of millions of outstanding taxes from business people and farmers, one can see clearly how our political system is geared to preserve the privileged position of the rich. Indeed, it is a scandal that those who came forward in their tens of thousands to pay taxes owing over many years will avoid having to pay any interest on their arrears, even though the government is having to pay interest to the hilt on the loans which had to be borrowed because this tax money was not forthcoming when it was due. It is clear that a new system of effective tax collection for the self-employed will have to be devised and implemented. Such a system, however, is hardly likely to be forthcoming from those parties whose membership and financial support come mainly from those same self-employed.



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PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS NEWS

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Our policy of getting this country back to living within its means is now the basis of government policy.

We are committed to:

* TAX REFORM

Radical income tax reform, and the abolition of employee PRSI; an income tax system of 25% and 40%, to be achieved over 5 years. We see a

fair tax system as the key to generating enterprise and job creation in our depressed economy.

*** WORK FOR ALL**

A nationwide network of community work schemes, modelled on the Social Employment Scheme, allowing the long-term unemployed to join the workforce; restoring their sense of dignity, and allowing much needed community and environment work to be done.

*** ENVIRONMENT POLICY**

Protecting and enhancing our natural and built environment. As a community we must declare war on pollution of all sorts, and polluters must be made to pay the full cost of their vandalism. At this year's National Conference, Des O'Malley dedicated the party to being the Environment Party of Ireland.

*** CARING FOR ALL**

Social welfare and health policies aimed at ensuring that the weakest sectors of our society are looked after. Equality of access to hospital care on the basis of need, and ending the scandal of long waiting periods for admissions. Our welfare policy is to target resources on the really needy.

*** INSTITUTIONAL REFORM**

Major institutional reform, and a peaceful resolution of the terrible conflict in the North. Our new draft Constitution proposes abolition of the Senate, and redrafting Articles 2 and 3 to reflect an aspiration to Irish unity based on consent.

*** DAIL PENSIONS BILL**

Our Bill to abolish Ministerial Pensions was rejected by Fianna Fail and Fine Gael, but we acted ourselves as if it had become law.

*** PLANNING BILL**

Our Planning Bill to end the scandal of unfinished housing estates, and to prevent speculators getting massive compensation when they are refused planning permission, was widely hailed.

*** LOTTERY FUNDS BILL**

Our Bill to establish an Independent Board to allocate National Lottery funds on the basis of objective criteria has also received popular endorsement.

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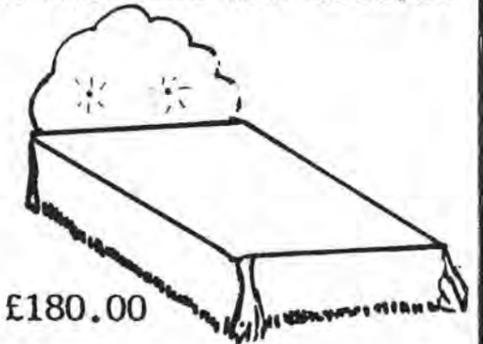
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Maynooth Castle

By Mary Cullen

From a map in J. Otway, Ruthven. *A History of Medieval Ireland.*

John Fitzthomas Fitzgerald was created the first earl of Kildare in 1316. By this time the county system had been introduced into Ireland. When the Normans came to England in 1066 they found there before them a system of local government based on shires or counties. The shire was sub-divided into hundreds and each hundred and each shire had its own court which met at regular intervals. At local level the king was represented by the Sheriff, or shire-reeve, an official who presided at the shire court. The Normans naturally brought this system with them to Ireland. While the original grants of land to the invaders were based on the extent of Irish tribal territories, the new shires, or counties, usually followed the lines of the new divisions that developed as the settlement proceeded. The lordship of Leinster, originally Strongbow's grant, had been sub-divided into the shires of Kildare, Carlow, Kilkenny and Wexford by the time it was divided between the Marshall heiresses in 1247. As there were five sisters and four counties the split could not be simply a county apiece, and so a fifth share was created from the lands in the modern counties of Leix and Offaly which were then part of the county of Kildare. These lands were not formed into a new county but remained part of County Kildare and were administered by the County Officials. The accompanying map shows the extent of the medieval county of Kildare. The barony of Arklow was then included in the County of Kildare because it was held by the Kildare FitzGerald and it was administratively more convenient to include it with their other holdings.

The first Earl did not survive long to enjoy his newly acquired dignity and was succeeded by his son Thomas in September of 1316. He died at Maynooth and was buried in the Grey Abbey at Kildare. Thomas, the second earl, became sheriff of Kildare in 1317. He married in 1312 Joan, daughter of the famous 'Red Earl' of Ulster, Richard de Burgo. Joan's sister Ellen, or Elizabeth, married King Robert Bruce of Scotland, and her sister Margaret was the wife of Thomas' cousin Maurice FitzThomas Fitzgerald, who became the first earl



Boundary of County Kildare in 1300 superimposed on the modern county boundaries.

— = boundary of the medieval county of Kildare.

..... = modern county boundaries.

Note that the barony of Arklow is part of Kildare.

of Desmond in 1329. The second Earl of Kildare died at Maynooth in 1328 and he too was buried in Grey Abbey at Kildare. Lady Joan married for the second time at Maynooth the following year and her husband, Sir John Darcy, was granted by King Edward III, in his capacity as guardian to the heir who was a minor, the lands of Kildare, Maynooth, Crom, Adare, and Estgrene during the minority of the fourth earl. The third Earl, who succeeded in 1328, died the following year at the age of twelve and was buried with his father. His brother Maurice then became the fourth earl. The marquis of Kildare says that he was 'a person of great piety', and a benefactor of the Priory of St. Wolstans. When he died in 1390 he was buried in Christ Church Cathedral in Dublin.

The fifth Earl, Gerald, succeeded in 1390. There is a certain confusion about the succession to the earldom at this stage. The marquis of Kildare says that Gerald's son John succeeded as sixth earl at his father's

death in 1410, and was succeeded in his turn by his only son Thomas as seventh earl in 1427.

Professor Otway-Ruthven finds some obscurity as to the succession at this period Elizabeth, daughter of the fourth earl, had married the fourth earl of Ormond and it seems that the Kildare lands passed to Ormond by his wife's right. Thomas the seventh earl whom she identifies as the grand-nephew, not grandson, of the fifth earl, was recognised as earl in 1456 and later recovered all the Kildare inheritance. It seems then that John, the sixth earl, may not have been officially recognised as such, but the marquis of Kildare tells us that he 'strengthened and enlarged the Castles of Maynooth and Kildare'. Maynooth by this time had been the chief seat of the earls of Kildare for more than one hundred years and was known as 'one of the largest and richest Earl's houses in Ireland'.

During the fourteenth century the Kildare FitzGerald, with their cousins the earls of Desmond and the

Butlers, earls of Ormond, emerged as the most powerful of all the great Anglo-Irish families. By this time the Gaelic Irish were fighting back strongly against English advances, and were pushing back the boundaries of English influence. At the same time the great Anglo-Irish families, including the Geraldines and particularly the Desmond branch, were becoming Gaelicised and 'more Irish than the Irish themselves'. The English kings had problems at home and ambitions on the continent that prevented them from concentrating their full force on Ireland. From 1338 to 1453 England was involved in the Hundred Years War with France, and almost immediately after that had ended the struggle began between

the houses of York and Lancaster for the throne of England. In these circumstances the tendency was to leave the government of Ireland to one of the great Anglo-Irish lords who, because of his close relationship with the Gaelic Irish, could maintain relative peace and law and order with much less expenditure of men and money than could the English King. With the exception of the Butlers of Ormond, most of Ireland supported the Yorkists in the English struggle. When the Yorkist Edward IV came to power in 1461 he made the earl of Desmond chief governor in Ireland. Then both the earl of Desmond and his cousin of Kildare were accused of treason by their enemies because of their relations with the Gaelic Irish.

Desmond was replaced as chief governor by the Englishman Sir John Tiptoft, and then was arrested by him and executed for treason in 1468. Kildare escaped, crossed to England and pleaded his case successfully with the King. With a rebellion in Ireland because of the treatment of Desmond, Tiptoft was recalled, and, since the Butlers were on the wrong side and the house of Desmond alienated, a long period of Kildare pre-dominance began. The seventh earl became chief governor in 1471. His son, Gerald the eighth earl, known as Garret Mor or the Great Earl, who succeeded in 1477, is probably the best known and most colourful of all the Kildares and needs an article to himself.

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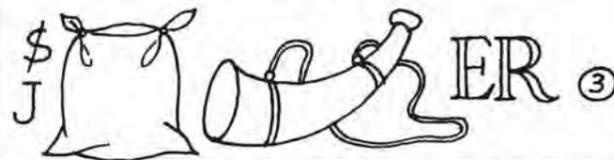
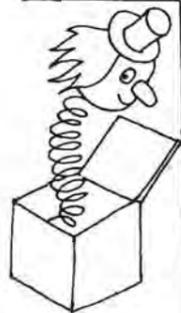
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Childrens Corner.

Nursery Rhymes

Work out the nursery rhyme characters.



Joke tile

Someone's at the door collecting for a swimming pool.
Mum: Give them a glass of water.

Woman: Is this bus running on time?
Driver: No, it's running on wheels.

Can a mouse jump higher than an oak tree?
Yes, oak trees can't jump.

What is out of bounds?
An exhausted kangaroo.



Man: Waiter, waiter, where's my turtle soup?
Waiter: You know how slow turtles are.

WINNERS OF THE OCTOBER COMPETITION:

Ages 4-7 years

1st Prize
Rory McKeivitt
4 Laurence Ave.,
Maynooth.

Runner Up
Ciara Leavy,
839 Greenfield,
Maynooth.

2nd Prize
Gillian Corbally,
22 Maynooth Park,
Maynooth.

Runner Up
Darragh Carr,
21 Rail Park,
Maynooth.

Elaine Tobin,
108 Rail Park,
Maynooth.

Ages 8-12 years

1st Prize
Noel Daly,
548 O'Neill Park,
Maynooth.

Runner Up
David Leavy,
840 Greenfield,
Maynooth.

2nd Prize
Ciaran McKeivitt,
4 Laurence Ave.,
Maynooth.

Runner Up
Martin Farrell,
11 Greenfield Dr.,
Maynooth.

The Maynooth Branch of the Allied Irish Banks has kindly offered to sponsor the Childrens Colouring Competition from now on. Watch out for the fabulous prizes which will be announced next issue.

CHILDRENS PET COMPETITION

We are delighted to have received further response to our pets competition. We publish one of the entries below. Thanks to Fiona for the lovely poem and her pet.

We call on all our childrens corner readers to send in a story or poem with a photograph of their pets.

So come on kids! See if your pet can win a prize for you. Send in your entries not later than Monday 14th November.

Crossword No. 12 by 'Sprite'.

Winner of the £5 prize for Sprite No. 11 Crossword is:

**Rosemary Hanley,
8 Greenfield Drive,
Maynooth.**

MY PET

I have a little terrapin
His name is Timmy
He is very small
And he is very funny
When we bring him for a walk
He even tries to talk
He loves when its hot
And sleeps when its not
Thats all about my Timmy

**Fiona McIntyre,
30 Railpark,
Maynooth.
Aged: 8 years.**



International riders pay a flying visit to Maynooth in the Nissan Classic Race.

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Maynooth Newsletter wishes to announce a **New Service**. You can now buy your friends and relatives (home and abroad) a years/6 months subscription to the Newsletter. The subscription fee is minimized to copy and postage costs. For further details call us at 285922.

Would Ross O'Sullivan please contact the Community Council Offices re runner up prize in the colouring competition in August.



MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES COMMITTEE

Active aged week was this year held between the 9th and 16th of October. It started with a Table Quiz on Sunday 9th and was enjoyed by all who attended.

On Tuesday morning instead of the usual morning session a coach brought them to Carton and then back to the I.C.A. Hall for refreshments. Then on Tuesday evening they were invited by the Evergreens in Clane to participate in their Table Quiz. The six who played came home delighted having won a player. They also received a pot plant each.

Thursday night was cabaret night. This event took place in the new look Leinster Arms, music was provided by the Partners and the evening was enjoyed by all.

On Sunday 16th The Tony Smith Memorial Walk took place and also Cospoir and I.C.A. walk for the national day of ageing. A certificate was received by all who took part in this walk. There were services and prayers in both Churches on the two

Sundays in connection with Active Aged Week. There is on display in the library until the 13th November a number of crafts made by the elderly. **THE SALE OF WORK** and Wheel of Fortune will take place in the Parish Hall on **SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER** usual stalls. The elderly will have their own stall selling their crafts, samples of which are to be seen in the library. Please support our sale in any way you can. We will have our

usual house to house collection for this event. Look forward to seeing you all there on the 13th.

Our next party will be in Mid November — everyone will be notified. Our morning sessions continue as usual on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the I.C.A.

Apologies for having no notes in the last two issues.

Sheila Jolley, P.R.O.

Trees

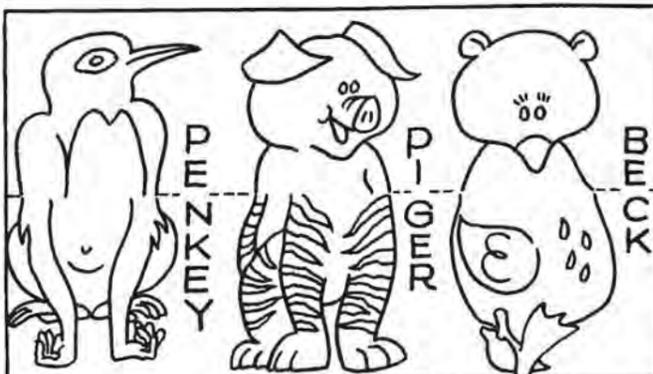
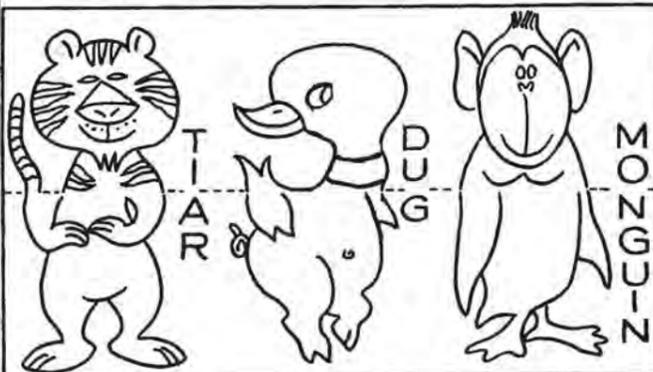


1	2
3	4
5	6

Work out the names of six trees.

Funny Lot

Cut out the two oblongs, then cut along the dotted lines. Then have lots of fun finding the matching halves.



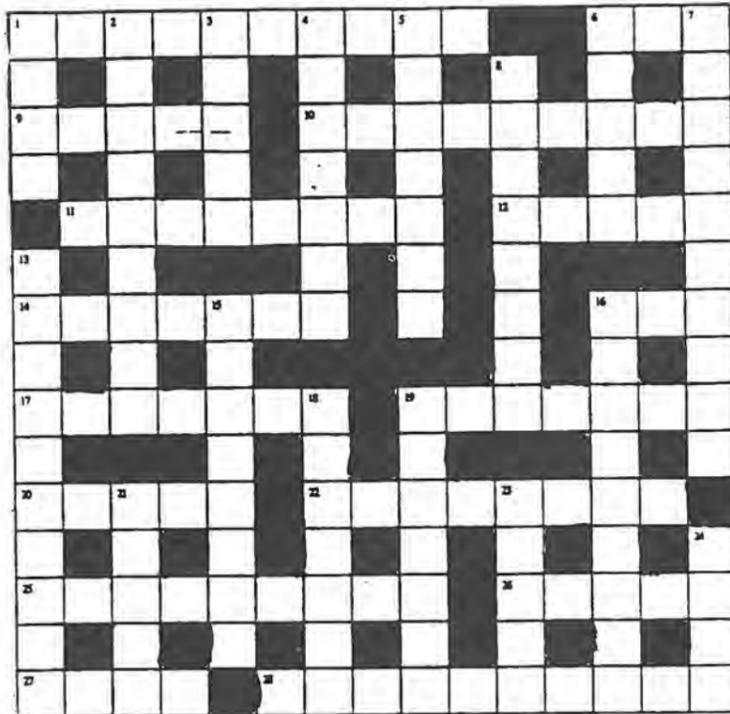
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CROSSWORD NO. 12 By 'SPRITE'

CROSSWORD CLUES

ACROSS:

- 1 Local rag (10)
- 6 Get whiskey from local water supply (3)
- 9 Mother's offspring wears an apron sometimes (5)
- 10 Consigned to lower divisions (9)
- 11 It may take more than ten at last to make her look better (8)
- 12 This head is red by inclination and partly by name (5)
- 14 Confused feline may perform at the end (4,3)
- 16 Crush the preserve (3)
- 17 In her, it will be passed on (7)
- 19 Where father realizes the value of possessions (3,4)
- 20 Form a judgement without sufficient evidence (5)
- 22 Throw off in an unrestricted fashion for surface excavations (4-4)
- 25 I'm firmly fixed (9)
- 26 The ma is upset but she's got Sam Og (5)
- 27 Confuse and raze the poet for a pound (4)
- 28 Start the couriers in disarray (10)



CROSSWORD - FIVE POUNDS PRIZE

Monday 14th November 1988

Name:.....

Address:.....

DOWN:

- 1 I mean to call for a title (4)
- 2 Another side of the ma while she's upset (9)
- 3 Loren is upset to be like Garbo (5)
- 4 Mixed up men trot in distress (7)
- 5 Volunteers (7)
- 6 Stare in confusion at the property levy (5)
- 7 Terms of affection as ten men read peculiarly (10)
- 8 Do an injustice to one (8)
- 13 Heading for a less militant season? (10)
- 15 Vera is a bit harsh (8)
- 16 Joan deals in an upset fashion as she makes her way through Maynooth (4,5)
- 18 Here comes our belt to cause distress (7)
- 19 Staggers to rest after the tee (7)
- 21 This chap seems more wooden (5)
- 23 A male clerical assistant initially can play with this (5)
- 24 In this way, as a result (4)

SOLUTION TO No. 11 BELOW



Winner of 'Sprite' no. 11 Crossword is: Rosemary Hanley, Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUTER LINE TO BE UPGRADED

Four new stations are to be opened on the Maynooth-Connolly Station commuter railway line as part of a plan recently announced by Iarnród Éireann to upgrade commuter railway services in the Dublin area. The new stations will be located at Confey (at the top of Captain's Hill in Leixlip), Coolmine, Blanchardstown and Broombridge (between Cabra and Finglas, near Liffey Junction, from which two separate lines lead into Connolly Station).

Expansion of the Maynooth service had been held back by a lack of rolling stock. Indeed, scheduling on the Maynooth line appeared to be controlled as much by when engines were available from the mainline services as by the needs of commuters. However, this problem has been eased by the acquisition of additional machines from Northern Ireland Railways. At the same time, this move was itself spurred by the success of the Maynooth service, according to Iarnród Éireann.

The new stations will inevitably add to the length of the journey from Maynooth to Connolly Station, al-

though some services may be express or limited-stop. On the other hand, Iarnród Éireann plans to significantly expand the number of trains travelling each way on the line on a daily basis, which should greatly improve the range of choice open to those using the service. In particular, there will be services from Maynooth around midday, the lack of which is a serious drawback with the current service.

One of the side effects of the opening of the new stations will be that Maynooth College will become much more accessible to students from the rapidly-growing suburbs along the line. As reported in the last issue of the Newsletter, the college is already greatly oversubscribed as regards demand for places, and would not be able to cater for extra students as things stand at the moment. However, the fact that Maynooth would be rendered much more accessible than Trinity College and particularly UCD might cause the government to sanction further expansion to absorb this extra demand. This would be a great boost for the college.

Iarnród Éireann's plans also provide for the opening up of the Dublin-Cork line to commuter services for the first time. While this line normally terminates at Heuston Station, which is poorly located for commuter traffic,

there is a little-used spur line extending under the Phoenix Park which links up with the Maynooth line at Glasnevin. It is intended to use this line to bring commuters to the heart of the city, although, interestingly, the terminus for this service will be Pearse Station at Westland Row. Presumably Connolly Station is already too busy to act as terminus for the new service.

Iarnród Éireann has already decided to open stations at Islandbridge (where the Phoenix Park link merges with the Heuston line), Inchicore, Ballyfermot, and Clondalkin, and is looking at the possibility of other commuter stops. These could include stops serving Lucan, Celbridge, Sallins/Naas, Newbridge and even Monasterevin, Kildare, of course, is already a regular stop for the construction of a spur line from Clondalkin to serve the Tallaght area.

All in all, then, the scene seems set for a fairly dramatic upgrading of commuter rail services in the area to the west of Dublin. This welcome development should make life a lot more pleasant for regular travellers, including those still needing or choosing to use their cars, who should find the roads a lot freer as more and more of their fellow travellers opt for Iarnród Éireann's "easy ride".



WRITERS

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CHILDREN

Children are a blessing
To their Mother and Fathers pride
When once Mother lay caressing
Her one and tender child
Then families are created
By such love and tenderness
For this love cannot be deluted
With a new born child to bless
Swiftly years go bye
When kids grow to be strong
From a tiny infants cry
To a new world to belong
I look at them in play
With adventure and such fun
Happy is their every day
In a new world just begun
Children grow to be strong and stern
With a future life to live
Many things for them to learn
With plentiful love to give
They are a blessing and a prayer
With youth to guide their way
Their presence fills the air
With so much fun to stay

"MOTHER"

My Mother is so good to me
Through strife she aids me so
Like fruit from the apple tree
She guides me as I grow
Love without fail she is
Trying to make ends meet
As I give her a gentle kiss
To remind her she's a treat

Cherish your Mother I say
Treat her with love and care
As in life her hair turns grey
With so much love to share
Mother I say to you
Although I neglected you at times
You are the first one in my heart
It is to you my heart unwinds

Lady you brought me to this earth
As all my life springs from you
You are the reason of my birth
Reared with care so true
No one can take your place
As I am so aware
Your best in the human race
Your love is a gentle prayer.

Written by:

Patrick Murray,
23 Foxdene Park,
Balgaddy,
Clondalkin,
Dublin 22.

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Well do you like our revamped name? We decided to drop the word "youth" as really we cater for everyone from 11 up to early twenties — that is if they don't all become leaders before then.

Anyway, we have started our new year on a very positive note. We have a new Secretary — Fiona O'Connor and Treasurer — John McGarry. Both Fiona and John have been with the club as members over the past number of years responsible for rewiring the whole hall when we had the "AnCO" project renovation four years ago. Subsequently he was selected to go to Louvain to rewire the Irish College.

Fiona is presently attending a course on Childcare — showing her

love of young people in another way.

Peig is getting along fine and we should really congratulate her daughter Helena who has been awarded a 1st class honour M.A. The title of her thesis was "Co-operatives" — it looks as though she is carrying on the family tradition of interest in the community, even as she studies.

Back to everyday matters. Club opened last Friday night. We were delighted to welcome lots of new members, its always good to see new faces. We intend having craft classes on alternate Thursday starting 20th October and to this and we have been lucky to get May Daly to come along and give her expert advice and help. We are also hoping that some of our adults in the community will come along to help. The time is not too long 7.30 — 8.30 once a fortnight. You could call it investing in the future — what the youth of today learn, they in turn will pass on as the adults of tomorrow. Please Help!

As we are having alternate weeks — we are starting our drama, song and dance on Thursday week 27th October. Again the same time 7.30 — 8.30 and as usual help is needed. We intend taking part in the forthcoming C.Y.C. competitions. "Bopar-

ama" disco dancing and "Rising Stars" which incorporates music, song and dance.

As the Olympics are just over we intend keeping the interest going and we will have indoor 5-a-side soft football. There are three age groups here U/14, U/16, U/18. We also intend to have basketball and Volleyball as well as our usual Uni-Loc which is a firm favourite.

Needless to say we continue our weekly cooking session on Fridays and will have the odd vidoes as well.

As you can see we have a very full and varied calendar in store for the next year. We are in the Red at the moment but during the coming weeks we will have our "Annual Flag Days" and we ask for your support. We also intend having a table quiz in the near future so watch out for the posters. We always welcome visitors so why not drop down some Friday night or to come to our "specialist" nights on Thursdays.

Sincere thanks to all who help in any way in helping us help the young.

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MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

The junior quiz team did very well in the Chapter quiz. They were exceptionally knowledgeable on the Credit Union, indeed they would put a lot of us to shame. The team members were Paul Daly, Gerard Murphy, Catherine Ashe and Fiona Lawler. Congratulations to them. The poster competition is the next event taking place. This is a nationwide event with the winning posters being used for the 1990 calendar. It is open to all age groups.

When we receive full details from the Irish League of Credit Unions, we

shall display all relevant details and make the entry forms available to all. **Let us do Maynooth Proud**

As the number of people joining and transferring to our Credit Union continues to grow we are now opening the sub-office on Quinnsworth Mall on Thursday nights. A full list of opening hours can be found at the end of this report.

When joining the Credit Union don't be shy about asking questions. All our personnel are well trained and if they cannot answer you directly you can be sure they will find the

answer for you.

The sub-office on Quinnsworths Mall does not lend itself to confidential discussion. It is ideal for collecting of cash and taking new members. So if you at any time need to have a private interview be sure and use our office in the Harbour.

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Thursday, The Mall 7 pm-8.30 pm
Friday, The Mall 7 pm-8.30 pm
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CU There.

THE JOHN PAUL II LIBRARY

On the 12th October the John Paul II Library was presented the Standing Conference of National and University Libraries (SCONUL) Library Design Award for 1988. This award was presented to the Library for its very attractive, well-sited building. The Library was considered a very good example of modern design what with its open plan work areas and flexible lay-out. This prestigious award is considered of great importance in the U.K. and Ireland. It is the first time any such award has been presented to a library in Ireland.

Other libraries that received the SCONUL Library Design Award were the Durham University Library, and the Newcastle University Library, both England.

His Eminence Cardinal O'Fiaich later unveiled a plaque marking the award.



From left to right:

Msgr. M. Ledwith, Mr. Quincy (representative from SCONUL), Cardinal O'Fiaich, Dr. Thomas Kabdebo (Chief Librarian).

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

I read in the October issue the remarks made by the editor regarding copydate, and the verbal onslaught the Newsletter staff suffer from contributors who want to break the rules of deadline. While I have never been one of these offenders, each month I wish I had just a few more days before writing my report.

The Club's monthly meeting takes place on the third Tuesday of each month. Deadline for the Newsletter is the third Monday. Hence my problem.

As I write this article we are just about to have our A.G.M. We are now eight years in being and going strong. We are looking forward to the election of a new Committee, with a new lady in the chair. When the business of voting is over, we endeavour to make it a social gathering and end the evening with tea and birthday cake.

Our November meeting takes place on Tuesday 15th at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall as usual. The Demonstrator will be Margaret Auld and we are looking forward to a most interesting evening of flower arranging.

Next date for flower arranging enthusiasts to remember is 13th December, our special Christmas Demonstration given by Mrs. Marie Cunningham in S.V.D. Hostel Moyglare Road. This meeting is open and all are welcome.

My sincere thanks to the Editorial staff for their co-operation during the year.

Betty Farrell, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH BROWNIE PACK

It is with great regret that I have to announce the closing of the Maynooth Brownie Pack. For insurance purposes I needed the help of two parents per session and unfortunately this was not forthcoming. The children are still interested but without sufficient parental support, I cannot continue to run the Pack. If there are any adults interested and willing to commit themselves to a Brownie meeting of one and a half hours duration each Saturday morning, (10.00 to 11.30 a.m.) plus a planning meeting once a month and are willing to do the training to become Guiders, please contact me at

52 Greenfield Drive
Maynooth

and I will put you in touch with the Irish Girl Guides who will let you have the dates of trainings for Brownie Guiders. The only qualifica-

tions required are an interest in the children, and time and willingness to learn.

The Brownies is run on an entirely voluntary basis and from the experience of the last nine years, I would say that the children thoroughly enjoy it. It seems a terrible shame to have to close the pack when the children are the ones who lose out. There are now 24 very disappointed little girls in Maynooth. If enough parents were willing, each would only have to attend one session plus one planning session per month.

Please think about it for your children's sake as it is very difficult to restart a pack once it closes down.

The pack will be officially closed on 30th November and I will then notify the IGG and any outstanding balance in the bank account will pass to them and the equipment will be disposed of to benefit a children's charity.

Carmel Hogan.
Brown Owl.

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POST PRIMARY SCHOOL, MAYNOOTH

Another academic year, another group of First Year students — another set of Leaving Certificate students about to take their place in society as students in their third level, apprentices or employees. In these difficult times for young people our wish for all concerned is that they get fixed up in whatever they desire.

Excitement about the Russian trip is beginning to rise. In the first week of November a group of fifty students and teachers from the school will set out for Russia. Already passports, roubles and general information are changing hands. By the time they set off, excitement will be infectious.

Advance notice that the Social Highlight of the year the Maynooth Post-Primary Annual Debs Ball will be held again this year in the Keadeen Hotel on November 18th. Anybody interested in tickets is advised to book early because the demand as usual is expected to be great.

The A.G.M. of the Parent/Teacher Association will be held on October 11th at 8.00 pm. Parents are asked to mark this on their calendar.

CALENDAR OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thurs. 3rd Nov. Fashion Show and Cabaret in Hitchin Post 8 p.m.

Thurs. 3rd Nov. I.C.A. meeting 8 p.m.

Fri. 4th Nov. National I.C.A. Drama Competition in Newbridge.

Sat. 5th Nov. National I.C.A. Drama Competition in Newbridge.

Tues. 8th Nov. Community Games A.G.M. in C.C. Office at 8 p.m.

Sun. 13th Nov. Old Folks Sale of Work in Parish Hall at 2 p.m.

Sun. 13th Nov. Maynooth v Clane (away) 11.30 a.m.

Mon. 14th Nov. Community Council Meeting in C.C. Office 8 p.m.

Sun. 27th Nov. Maynooth v Kilcullen (Home) 11.30 a.m.

Sun. 11th Dec. Maynooth v Kilcock (away) 11.30 a.m.

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STREET TALKING

ping fraternity when they are already doing the needful and stocking their trolleys as if the Siege of Derry were underway once more? Funny thing is, out in the Merrion Centre last week there was none of that. What I heard instead was a calming Baroque symphony — Bach or Handel, one of the German chaps from the 17th century (music lovers may correct my dates). I'm not saying that classical music is the great cure-all: Merely that it seems unnecessary and a trifle unfair to advertise (and so aggressively) when we're already in the supermarket. I don't need it. It's enough to make people feel like the Stepford Wives as they move hypnotically through the passages of 'Happy Shopping Land'. Next thing I'll be waltzing down the aisles with an innane grin of my face...

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- 2 medium onions, diced
- 3 medium potatoes, diced
- 1½ pint chicken stock
- 12 oz. tomatoes, skinned and diced
- 1, 8 oz. can beans
- salt and pepper

Garnish: chopped savoury and chopped chives. Fry the bacon and onions in a pan for 5 minutes. Add the remaining ingredients and cook steadily for 10 to 15 minutes. The potatoes should still be firm. Top the soup with the herbs.

SPICED CHICKEN SOUP

- 3 oz. butter or chicken fat
- 1 uncooked chicken joint
- 2 medium onions, finely and neatly diced
- 1 oz. flour
- 1 tablespoon curry powder
- 2 pints chicken stock
- 1 oz. long grain rice
- salt and pepper
- 2 dessert apples
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice.

Heat the butter in a pan. Fry the onions and chicken. Stir in the flour and curry powder, then gradually blend in the stock. Bring the mixture to the boil, stirring, then add the rice, a little salt and pepper and simmer for 25 minutes. Slice the peeled apples, sprinkle with the lemon juice. Fry for a few minutes. Add the apples to the soup and heat for a few minutes.

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COLLEGE NEWS

Full First Year Enrolment

As explained in the last issue, the College Admissions Office has to estimate in advance what level of points to set in order to get the required number of first year entrants. While the level of points set this year proved extraordinarily accurate in terms of the initial level of acceptances received, a number of these subsequently withdrew, so that further offers were sent out on lower points levels in order to make up the shortfall. Eventually, all available places were filled on seventeen points for Arts and sixteen points for Science. These, therefore, could be regarded as the minimum targets for anybody thinking of attending Maynooth next year although, with competition for places growing all the time, a higher points level is likely to be required.

Demonstrations

It seems to be becoming increasingly fashionable to conduct demonstrations at the College gates during the periodic meetings there of Ireland's Catholic bishops. The latest of these, organised by the Irish Council Against Blood Sports, and protesting against the involvement of priests in hare coursing, received considerable national media attention during the bishops' October meeting. As a result, the regular protest by Father Patrick Keane, suspended some time ago from his diocesan duties by the Archbishop of Dublin, was pushed very much into the background.

ACADEMIC HONOURS FOR LOCAL WOMEN

Two local women were recently in receipt of high academic distinctions. Dympna McLoughlin, of Carton Court, was awarded the degree of Ph.D. in Geography by Syracuse University in the USA. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McLoughlin of O'Neill Park, Dympna is a graduate of Maynooth College, from which she also obtained her M.A. degree in Geography. On the basis of her Master's thesis, Dympna was awarded a Travelling Studentship by the National Univer-

sity of Ireland which allowed her to attend Syracuse University for her doctoral studies. The subject of her doctoral thesis was the organised migration of women from Irish workhouses to North America in the mid-nineteenth century.

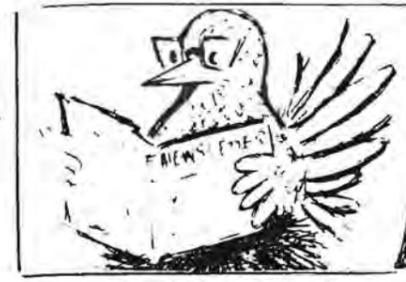
Two of Dympna's sisters, Celine and Aine, are also Maynooth graduates, as is Dympna's husband, Jim Walsh. Dympna is currently a Research Fellow at the Institute of Irish Studies in Queen's University, Belfast.

Meanwhile, Helena Lynch, daughter of Paddy and Peg Lynch of Maynooth Park, was awarded her M.A. degree with First Class Honours in Geography from Maynooth College in September. The subject of Helena's thesis was the Workers' Co-operative movement in Ireland. Helena's brother, Tadhg, is also a student at Maynooth College.

We wish both Dympna and Helena all the best in their future careers.

Retirement

A long-serving member of the College teaching staff retired at the end of the last academic year. Father Patrick Corish, Professor of History, has retired upon reaching the appropriate age. Apart from his



eminent academic contributions to the College Fr. Corish was, at one time, College President.

... And New Arrivals

Three new members have joined the academic staff as a result of redeployments from Carysfort College of Education, which closed during the summer. These are Maeve Martin (Education), Seamus Mac Gabhann (English) and Jim Walsh (Geography). The College is fortunate to have been able to acquire the services of such experienced personnel at this time of educational cutbacks. We extend our best wishes to them in their new positions.

Award of Doctorate

Congratulations to Tom Collins, popular Lecturer in the College's Centre for Adult and Community Education, who was recently awarded a Ph.D. in Sociology by the National University of Ireland. A graduate of Maynooth College, Tom lives with his wife Ethel (one of five Fagan sisters from Moy-nalvey who are also all Maynooth graduates) and three children in Dunsany, Co. Meath.

THE LIBRARY DIARY

To all groups, associations and organisations etc who organise events for the Maynooth area. We would like to draw your attention to the Diary in Maynooth Library. The Diary is there to be used by all, to log coming events. In this way all groups will know what's on, when and where. By making full use of this Diary we will all avoid clashing dates and this should make for better running of events for all.

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Celbridge Photographer, better known in North Kildare for his Wedding and Portraiture photography showed another side to his talents when winning the Irish Times Olympus Photographic competition in the "Movement" section. Hugh was photographing a landscape for a travel brochure in Southern Corfu when a young Greek boy ran into the frame. Snap, and an award winning photograph is in the bag.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The monthly meeting took place on the first Thursday of October. Mrs. Bridie Brady presided and welcomed everyone. Madame President extended sympathy to Mary Burke on the death of her brother-in-law.

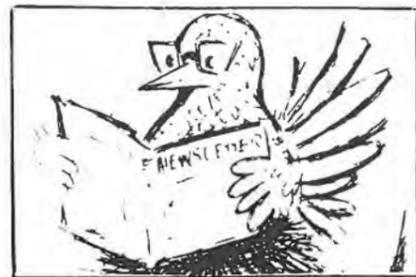
During awareness week a crafts demonstration was organised by our V.C.O's in Castletown House, on Sunday 25th September. Mrs. Satchwell our Federation President thanked the guild members who helped to make the day a resounding success. Imelda Delaney our V.C.O. invited Celbridge Guild to a demonstration on crafts, on Monday 26th September. She expressed gratitude to Mary O'Gorman and Joan Shannon for giving the demonstration on soft toy making, and for making Celbridge welcome.

The National Drama is being hosted by Kildare. It will take place in Newbridge on the 4th, 5th, and 6th of November. There are twenty one counties taking part.

The guest speaker this month was Mr Paddy Desmond. He gave a most informative talk on Insurance, ranging from personal to house, and car insurance. We wish to thank Mr. Desmond for presenting two books on "The Lives of Famous Irish People" for a draw. Helen Finn and Mary Doyle were the proud winners.

We have crafts every Monday 8 pm - 10 pm. Badminton every Tuesday and Thursday 11 a.m.-12.30. Set Dancing on Wednesday night at 8 p.m. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd November in the I.C.A. Hall at 8 p.m.

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SPORTS NEWS



COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

A.G.M.

At the recent A.G.M. the following officers were elected:

Chairman/P.R.O.: Declan Forde
Secretary: Paul Broughan
Treasurer: Philip Purcell
Asst. Treasurer: Joe Carey

Tony O'Connor and Paul Broughan were re-appointed Managers for 1988/89, despite a late £500,000 bid from Athletic Madrid for Tony (somebody called Atrison was second choice). The manager subsequently appointed Philip Purcell as Club Captain (something for Phil to do in his declining years).

1988/89

Two new players have signed this year, Brian O'Brien and Hugh Reilly. Both have made a great impression.

This year sees the club competing in Division 3 of the M.D.L. and consequently the task grows more difficult.

Results to Date

The opening shield match resulted in a disastrous 5-1 defeat at the hands of Ratoath Harps second string. Suffice to say that few players enhanced their reputations on the night.

League

College Green (0) 4
Stackallen Rovers (1) 1

In a very open and entertaining match we produced our best performance of the season. New skipper Purcell and debutant O'Brien got on the score sheet. Managers O'Connor and Broughan also found the net. Paul Broughan and Paddy McGovern were outstanding for the home side.

Dunboyne (1) 2 College Green (1) 2

We produced a great first half performance but ran out of steam in the second half. A depleted side did very well in the final analysis to hang onto

the draw. At an earlier stage in the game we could have run out comfortable winners. A succession of peculiar refereeing decisions denied us of two certain and two possible penalties. As the second half wore on, Dunboyne grew stronger and only sterling performances from Paul Broughan and John Hughes stemmed the tide. Tony O'Connor did impressions of "Stonewall" Jackson. Paul Broughan and Joe Buckley were the scorers.

College Green (2) 5 College Rovers (0) 3

The "battle of the colleges" produced very poor fare. However, a win is a win. Paddy Govern scored twice from the shot, with goals also coming from Paul Broughan and Gerry Murtagh. Joe Carey scored the fifth goal, his first for College Green. This result put us in second place in Div. 3.

Athboy Utd. (0) 1 College Green (0) 3

On a wet, heavy and difficult pitch both sides produced a good game for the "Meath Weekender's" featured match. "College Looking Good Again" the headline read. Playing against a steep slope we were always under pressure in the first half. After ten minutes it needed a superb save from Hugh Reilly to deprive Athboy. Ray Broughan's rebound off the crossbar was about our only strike on goal in the first period. Almost on the hour Athboy netted. This produced an immediate backlash. Three goals came in reply. Joe Buckley and Ray Broughan took the first two opportunistic goals. Ray's brother Paul finished the contest with a third, as he almost casually sauntered down the field and beautifully placed the ball in the bottom far right corner. This good result left us on top of the Div. 3 table.

College Green (1) 3 Munster/Connaught (1) 2

The home side played an almost full-strength side for the first time this season and as the saying goes "flattered but to deceive".

Moments of brilliant football interspersed with mediocre fare, or vice versa depending on your outlook on life. O'Brien, Hughes and McGovern excelled at midfield. McGroarty in his first match of the season showed how we missed him up to now.

Midway through the first half the visitors went in front. From the kickoff John Hughes equalised. Murtagh put

the home side ahead and McGroarty made it 3-1. Munster/Connaught reduced the deficit with fifteen minutes to go. McGroarty almost made it 4-2 with seconds to go, but a reflex save denied him.

Overall College Green produced excellent passages of play and at times, by contrast, faded out completely. In fairness, though, the visitors gave them a very tough game and proved to be extremely fast on the break, in what proved to be a very exciting match.

Forthcoming Attractions

The 20th of November Challenge Cup match pitches us at home to Div. 1A giants Grave Rangers. Ciaran McGroarty's return should boost us against the Drogheda side. After the Munster/Connaught match Ciaran was presented with last seasons "Div. 4 Player of the Year award".

Congratulations

To Philip and Stella Purcell on the birth of Ciaran. To Michael and Pauline Martin on the occasion of their marriage.

Yours sincerely,
Declan Forde.
Chairman/P.R.O.



MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

At an extraordinary meeting the following committee was elected.
Chairman: Michael Gleeson
Vice Chairperson: Bernie Dunne
Secretary: Bernie Dunne
Competition Sec.: Marie Gleeson
Treasurer: David Jolly
Registrar: Patsy McCluskey
Joint P.R.O.: Barbara Tracey and Margaret Noonan.
Remainder of Committee: Helen Redmond, Brian Redmond, Margaret Gillick, Paddy Power, Paddy Lynch, David Cunningham.

We would like to welcome the new

people on the committee and really appreciate them coming forward.

We would like to thank the following who donated spot prizes for the recent road race. Elite, Seans' Newsagents, Barberstown Hotel, Moyglare Manor and the Roost.

Anyone who has not registered for 88-89 season, it is now time to do so. Family membership £25 per annum. Senior members £10 and juniors and juveniles £2.50. Training every Tuesday and Thursday in the G.A.A. grounds 7 o'clock until 8.

B. Tracey and M. Noonan

MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C.

The Club has been busy during October, for as well as the League the first rounds of some of the major cups were played. Some recent results:

October 2nd. Anner United 1 Maynooth Town 2

This was a hard-earned but well deserved win in the Premier Division as the team had to overcome appalling injury problems which at one point reduced them to nine men! Sean Moore and Philip Doyle scored.

October 9th. Maynooth Town 3 Edenderry Town 4 (After extra time).

Like so many of our clashes with Edenderry this Leinster Junior Cup tie was a thriller despite being badly understrength, the team put up a great fight and were in fact within

five minutes of victory in normal time. Terry Moore, Tony Kearins and Ray McArdle scored.

October 16th. Clondalkin Celtic 2 Maynooth Town 3

A great win over difficult opponents in the F.A.I. Junior Cup. Once again the team showed great character and courage in overcoming injury problems. The introduction of Gerry Mulhall as a substitute was an inspired move as he scored two of the goals, Sean Moore getting the third.

Finally, a reminder that the Christmas Draw has started. We look forward to your continued support.

Gerry Durack, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH TOWN LADIES SOCCER CLUB

Once again our season has come to a close. Although it was not as successful as last year we must remember we were promoted two divisions owing to our good performance in the previous year.

Firstly I would like to thank everyone responsible for our success over the last two years, namely Michael Dempsey, Johnnie Thompson, Pearce Breslin, and the many people who supported us over this period.

Secondly I would like to thank the players who gave of their best throughout the season, and most of all those players who prepared the pitch when necessary, which was very often. Also we would like to thank Lennie Murphy and Joe O'Rourke who marked the pitch when required. A special word of thanks to

the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party, who sponsored the Player of the year Trophy, which was won by Cherry Prendergast and was presented by Emmet Stagg T.D. in Caulfields on 24th September 1988.

To keep the Club going we now require players from aged 15 years and upwards and if anyone is interested please contact Christina Saults at 286914.

Finally we would like to wish Clare O'Mahony who has emigrated to England the best of luck.

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Sunday 27th November
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Sunday 11th December
Maynooth V Kilcock — Away

Please come along and give our U/17 Team your support as this is our minor team for 1989. Best of luck to you lads.

CHRISTMAS DRAW: We are running our Christmas Draw again this year. This draw goes towards our National School Teams. Our school fields two U/10, two U/11 and two U/13 teams and travelling expenses are high so your support is required in this draw. Looking forward to your support.

Preparations for the building of our new club house are progressing slowly but surely, more information on this in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Michael Caden,
P.R.O.

TOM FLOOD CUP FINAL

St. Finians (Newcastle) 2.13
Maynooth 1.4

St. Finians defeated Maynooth (holders) in Tom Flood Cup Final on Sunday 2nd October before a large attendance. It was a good sporting game but it was obvious from the early stages that St. Finians were the more dominant team. Maynooth could not get into the game in any sector of the field. At half time they were behind by 2.6 — 0.1, the point coming from a free by J. Nolan. All Maynooth supporters thought Maynooth might make the same come back in the second half as they did against Lucan

in the semi-final but it was not to be. On a bad day for Maynooth only a few players need mentioning. M. McManus, P. Kearney and midfielder P. Ennis. There were celebrations when the match ended and St. Finians captain received the cup from Mrs. Flood for the first time and afterwards in the Roost. Well done to St. Finians. We would like to thank our sponsors of this very successful tournament. They were Diggins and Conway Builders, Noel Cassidy the Roost, Liam Flood Bookmakers, Aidan Flood, the Square. We would like to thank John O'Rourke, Manager of the Roost for presenting the trophies to the winners and runners up.

DELANEY CUP FINAL

The U/13 football team finished off a great season with a resounding victory over Celbridge with the score 3.8 - 0.4. This was a performance of excellent quality by the Maynooth lads who gave an exhibition of precision football from start to finish. Michael

O'Farrell again proved that he is a goal keeper of class and with Kenneth Killoran and Joey Dempsey excellent in the backs Celbridge found scoring very difficult. With Joey Nevin and Gerard Horn completely dominating mid field the Maynooth forward line had a field day with all six forwards scoring, namely Eddie Mitchell, Dermot Ryan, Martin Donnelly, John Lee, Eamonn Dunne and Colm Browne.

The Maynooth G.A.A. underage selectors namely Joe Nevin, Liam Lacey, Aidan Killoran and Michael Ryan would like to take this opportunity of thanking first of all the players for their excellent contribution during the season and their behaviour both on and off the field and for the many happy memories you gave us, the parents who turned out the lads in such great style, those who helped with the Feile Na nÓg and finally but by no means least the people who very willingly provided transport to matches.



Photograph shows Pat Delaney son of the late Peter Delaney presenting the Delaney Cup to the captain of the Maynooth U/14 Team also in the photo is Mick Gillick Chairman of Maynooth G.A.A. Club.



Photograph shows Maynooth U/14 Team back row left to right. L. Lacey Selector, L. O'Donnell, M. O'Farrell, G. Horn, J. Dempsey, K. Killoran, P. Hogan, E. Dunne, D. Ryan, D. Fleming, M. Ryan Selector. Front row left to right: E. Lacey, D. Mahony, E. Mitchell, J. Nevin Captain, C. Browne, J. Lee, J. Lynch, P. Lacey, M. Donnelly.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB UNDERAGE FOOTBALL

U/16 Championship

In the semi final against firm favourites Moorefield at Clane the Maynooth Team have an excellent display of power packed football before going under by two points. Both teams showed how the game should be played and had Freddie Leavey's shot gone into the net instead of over the bar there is little doubt but that Maynooth would have won and justice done.

U/14 League

The U/14 football team went under to a much physically stronger Suncroft team in the league semi final play at Kill. The Maynooth lads re-

fused to be intimidated by the size difference and right from the throw in up to the final whistle they gave a scintillating display of open football played in a tremendous spirit of complete commitment and self discipline. Having put together numerous excellent moves they failed on several occasions to finish with scores which the moves richly deserved. One such move saw the final pass going to Gerard Horn who did everything right but unfortunately for Maynooth his blistering shot came off the bar and was scrambled clear by Suncroft. This by and large was a team effort by Maynooth but one player who deserves special mention for his sheer courage total commitment and excellent play and that player is David Mahony.

In the U/14 Dublin Leagues match against the famous St. Vincents Club the Maynooth lads set up something

of a record as having being forced to travel with only 13 players they took on the famous Vincents Club who refused to play 13 a side and beat them. Early on Maynooth had some difficulty in dealing with the two extra players that Vincents had but soon they came to terms with the numerical disadvantage and with Joey Nevin winning the midfield battle they found that with forwards of the calibre of Cathal Ryan, Martin Donnelly, Niall Gillick and Patrick Farrell they could secure enough scores to win the match. Enda Lyons was a pillar of strength in the backs and along with Peter Lacey, Michael Meally and John Lynch they easily coped with the Vincents forwards. Meath won the All Ireland with only 14 men for part of the game but the lads from Maynooth won a famous victory with only 13 players for the entire game.

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY PRESIDENT'S OUTING OCTOBER 1st 1988

Maynooth Golfing Society held the President's Outing to Athlone Golf Club on October 1st last. A total of 37 travelled, including our President, J. C. Carey, members, visitors and caddies. In spite of adverse weather conditions everyone enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our President for his support and sponsorship, which is greatly appreciated by all concerned. We sincerely hope that he will remain with us as President, as we celebrate our tenth (10th) anniversary next year.

Congratulations are due to the eventual overall winner Seamus Feeney, and indeed to all the prize-winners, listed below.

PRESIDENTS OUTING ATHLONE October 1st

RESULTS

	PTS
1st Overall	
S. Feeney (14)	33 (on back 9)
2nd Overall	
S. Laheen (14)	33
3rd Overall	
J. Ryan (12)	31
Gross	
L. Ledwith (Scratch)	21
CLASS 1	
1st. N. O'Halloran (11)	33
2nd. B. Mara (12)	28



Mr. J. C. Carey (centre) presents his prize to overall winner Seamus Feeney. On left is Maynooth Golfing Society Captain, Mr. Peter Brazil.

3rd. B. Delamere (12)	27	
4th. E. Ledwith (9)	24	Par 3s
CLASS 2		G. McTiernan (17)
1st. T. Dunning (14)	35	
2nd. J. McKeown (16)	29	Par 5s
3rd. M. Dempsey (14)	28	T. Ledwith (11)
4th. J. McBride (13)	27 (on back 9)	
CLASS 3		Visitors Prize
1st. C. Kenny (28)	29	J. Duffin (18)
2nd. T. Sheehan (18)	28	
3rd. T. Flatley (23)	27	
4th. W. Moore (18)	25	
Front 9		
D. Nyland (23)	17 (Last 3)	
Back 9		
M. Hall (19)	13 (Last 3)	

A report of our final outing of the year (Oct. 29th, Edenderry), the final of the Matchplay Competition and Golfer of the Year will appear in the next months edition of the Maynooth Newsletter.

Sean Tracey,
Hon. Secretary.

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Have you heard about us? Well! We have a very active conference (men and women) here in the parish of Maynooth. We are a caring society, visiting the lonely, the deprived, and the suffering, helping and advising in numerous ways.

We made arrangements and sent

some people to a holiday home where they spent a memorable and enjoyable week, and we also assisted in sending 3 people to Lourdes this year.

We had a flag day collection recently, and I take this opportunity to thank everyone for their generous response. I would like to thank espec-

ially the directors and management of Quinnsworth supermarket for allowing us the facility of collecting at the entrance to their store.

Many thanks again to all concerned.

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PLANNING PERMISSION APPLICATIONS

Maynooth. Permission is sought from Kildare County Council for change of use of residence to doctor's surgery at No. 8 Doctor's Lane, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Maynooth. Full planning permission is sought from Kildare County Council for extension and alterations to cottage and to install septic tank at 205 Rail Park, Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Signed: P. O'Donoghue.

Maynooth. Full detailed planning permission sought from Kildare County Council for housing development and ancillary works at College Land, Rathcoffey Road, Maynooth, Co. Kildare for Fernside Homes Ltd.

Maynooth. Full planning permission is sought from Kildare County Council for extension and alterations to cottage and to install septic tank at Ballygoran, Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Signed: P. O'Donoghue.

Maynooth. I am applying to Kildare County Council for full planning permission for office and workshop extension and store to my garage premises at Barrogstown, Maynooth. — Ray Crofton.

Maynooth. Permission sought from Kildare County Council to demolish existing extension and erect new dormer extension at 12 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth — Oliver Bright.

Maynooth. Full detailed planning permission sought from Kildare County Council for housing development and ancillary works and walls at Collegelands, Rathcoffey Road, Co. Kildare for Fernside Homes Ltd. Signed: W. Connolly.

Maynooth. Permission being sought from Kildare County Council for retention of back stairs and entrance porch of premises to North Kildare Travel and retention of change of use of part of ground floor at Main Street, Maynooth. Signed: P. Ennis.

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Birthday greetings to Mrs. B. Saults, Parson St. Nov. 1st and Carolann Reaper, Carton Court, Nov. 27th. Also to Norah McDermott Nov. 20th.

Get well wish to Ray McTernan, Old Greenfield, Maynooth and Paula McTernan, Laurences Avenue who are both convalescing at home following their recent operations.

Get well wishes to Mrs. Smith of Parson Street, from her neighbours.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mr. Liam Nolan, Leixlip, formerly Maynooth who got his degree in Engineering. Liam is son of Mr. and Mrs. William Nolan, 26 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth. Well done Liam.

Happy birthday to William Black, Celbridge who celebrates his birthday on November 10th also his fiancée Jacinta Nolan who celebrates her birthday on the 26th November.

BIRTHDAYS

David McTernan, Highfield, Kilcock. 10 yrs. October 19th.

Trevor Burke, Newtown, 14 yrs. October 10th.

Paula O'Connor, Greenfield, 16 yrs. October 10th.

21 Today

Congratulations to Caron Cassidy, Railpark who celebrated her 21st birthday on October 8th. A party in Keanes, Kilcloone was attended by her parents, family and friends.

Caroline Traynor, Greenfield who celebrated her 21st birthday on October 21st. A party in Brady's Lounge attended by parents family and friends was enjoyed by all who attended both functions.

LOST

Watch with square gold face with roman numerals with brown leather strap. If found please contact 80 Maynooth Park as soon as possible.

FOUND:

On Parson Street 17th October, Ladies brooch; gold coloured overlapping leaves. Please apply to Community Council Offices, Town Centre Mall, Main Street, Maynooth.

REHAB LOTTERY WIN

Congratulations to Gearóid MacTeir-nain, Parson Street, who won a Holiday in Irish Cottage Holiday Homes. The lucky ticket was purchased in Barry's Newsagents, Main Street.

EMIGRATED

Best wishes and good luck to Mary Quinn, Greenfield who has gone to work in London and to Joanne O'Brien, Newtown who has gone to work in Wales.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Paper Wedding

Congratulations to Donald and Noelle (nee Barry) Kelly who celebrated their first wedding anniversary on October 15th.

Cotton Wedding

Martin and Paula McTernan, Laurence Ave., who celebrated their second wedding anniversary on October 11th.

Sympathy

Sympathy to Noel McDonagh, Dublin, on the death of his brother, Noel from Galway and formerly from Main St., Maynooth.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Elizabeth Mulligan, Buckley's Lane, Leixlip, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who sent Mass Cards, letters of sympathy, Serephic Certificates and floral tributes. Those who attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral. Special word of thanks to kind neighbours, to Father Cogan P.C. Maynooth and to the Nursing staff of Peamount Hospital. Trusting this will be accepted by all as an expression of our gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for their intentions.

Accommodation for Students

Accommodation for Students in Celbridge. Boys or Girls, partial board. 67A Maynooth-Celbridge bus passes the door. Phone 288548 after six.

Welcome Home

Welcome home to Mrs Hand, and Paul, Main St. Maynooth, who returned home recently from Australia where they spent 3 months holidays with their relatives and friends.

Maynooth Weddings

Congratulations to Anne Horan, Greenfield and Michael Hand, Rathmines who were married in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth September 21st and to Kevin McDonnell, Clonagh and Noreen O'Keeffe, Cluain Aoi-bhinn who were also married in St. Mary's Church, October 8th.

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2. Half-demolished houses at Dillons Row unsightly.
3. Unkept hedge and bushes on right-hand side and unsightly wire fence at old dump.
4. Severe flooding in front of Dempsey's further aggravated by lack of proper footpaths.
5. Old water pump looks drab and kerb along Convent wall in poor condition.

Recommendations

1. Starting again at speed-limit signs, trim hedge on lefthand side, cut bushes and rebuild broken parts of wall.
2. Complete demolition of old houses and clean up site.
3. Trim hedge and cut bushes on right-hand approach and remove or replace wire fence at old dump.
4. Contact Kildare Co. Council to alleviate flooding in front of Dempsey's and to provide footpaths at same.
5. Paint water pump.

SECTION 8—ROYAL CANAL BETWEEN PUCKS BRIDGE AND TOWN BRIDGE

Findings

1. Both banks overgrown with bushes, briars and weeds.
2. Foot-bridge drab and colourless and in need of repair, steel railing rusty.
3. Centre of harbour overgrown with weeds and dominated by mud-bank.

Recommendations

1. Cut back bushes and hedges on both banks between the two bridges.
2. Foot-bridge should be cleaned, repaired and repainted, the steel railing should also be repainted.
3. The harbour would have to be cleaned mechanically.

This section is one which could only be undertaken with the co-operation and permission of C.I.E. It is also an area where dramatic progress could be made with the help of C.I.E., particularly with regard to the cutting of weeds in the Canal itself.

This concludes the report.

GENERAL REMARKS

Although not mentioned specifically there are several houses and buildings throughout the area that are in dire need of a fresh coat of paint, this is very important. If there are any cases where this might cause hardship the committee would suggest the setting up of a fund to buy materials.

The recommendations in the report, if implemented, do not represent any guarantee that Maynooth will win the Tidy Towns Competition but they can improve our position and are a first step in that direction.

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DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Saturday 17th July there will be a gymkhana in the grounds of Carton Estate, and on Sunday, 18th July there will be a field-day with all sorts of attractions at the same venue. We are indebted to the generosity of the Hon. David Mall Cain who is giving us the use of the beautiful grounds of Carton for these two days. The proceeds of all these functions will go to the swimming pool fund and then to the further development of the Harbour Field recreational centre, and Mr. Mall Cain has always taken a deep interest in both projects. The various prizes for the gymkhana are being sponsored by firms and individuals from Maynooth and other parts of the county. The various events and the names of their sponsors will appear on the printed programmes

EMERGENCY

As we are living in the 01 phone area the instructions for calling the emergency services, that is, gardai, fire brigade and ambulance are to dial 999.

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GRAPEVINE

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

To begin with this month we really start with a gripe. It has to do with the recent Field-day in Kilcloon. May we say first of all though that it was enjoyable - the children loved 'Pets Corner' although one of them was seen nearly to collapse with fright when a sheep (having no respect for persons) 'baa'd' in his ear. Another youngster seeing a cow graciously manuring the grass was heard to scream loudly 'Look, he's doing it'. We all wondered what was the excitement. Our gripe has to do with how one got to the actual field in the first place. Assuming the place was near the village, people travelled hereto but then travelled miles, following small direction signs to the field which was near the Moyglare Road in fact. The journey home was less than half that of the outward journey and much less frustrating. Perhaps the organising Committee might remember this small point next time out. For a very enjoyable afternoon, many thanks.

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The Maynooth Development Association are organising a Gymkhana and Field Day to be held at Carton Estate on the 17th and 18th July next. We hope everyone will give their support as we are assured of plenty of entertainment, side-shows etc. The Development Association are trying to complete two major tasks at present - The Swimming Pool & the Harbour Field Sports Complex & playground. As we all know only too well, inflation eats into cash nowadays - so the quicker things are completed the better. By supporting the Association you are helping yourself & the Community at large. Members of the Community Council have been under increasing pressure from the people recently as to when likely playing facilities for children especially will be ready. We hope the field itself will be ready for the Community games next year - work continues on the playground.

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We understand that the Community Council wish to thank all who gave their assistance in helping to organise & carry to successful conclusion the recent Canal Race & Scouts Walk in particular.

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Our belated congratulations to recently ordained Fathers Patrick Monahan & Patrick Kavanagh, Maynooth.

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You have heard the ditty which goes 'Little Bo Peep she lost her sheep & didn't know where to find them'. The recent reported escapade of some of our public representatives brings this little rhyme to mind. A number of them were seen recently in the Maynooth area in the dark of night & all carried flashlamps. It was difficult to get to the bottom of this but it transpires that they were out looking for votes which they had recently dropped or lost. Our advice to local people is this - if you have any votes or get any in the near future, hold on to them & if anyone comes to your door looking for them you are strongly advised not to hand them over as the politicians use the votes to get into the Dail where they get paid! The only comment we have to make is that it's disgraceful the way these people go around the Country losing votes - there should be a law against it.

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In this vein also we hear that some children in Greenfield Estate recently organised a Sale to raise money for the Third World. The Sale was held in Mrs. Redmond's Garage in Greenfield Drive & over £30 was gathered. Well done!

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The new show-house at Carton Court (off Straffan Road) was recently opened by Miss Ireland. She was followed into the house by a large number of males but she went out through a back-door which the builders had wisely built into the house & is reported to have disappeared up Brady's field. The next reasonable question we ask & wonder about is - who will open the Loo in the square? Well, Mr. Ireland, gave us some help on this. He apologised for being late for Carton Court but said the ship had been somewhat late arriving from Van Diemen's Land (Mr. Ireland's ancestors had been sent there around the time of the Famine). Regarding the 'thing' in the square, Mr. Ireland said 'I'm just your man for the job. Sure abroad I'm known as 'king of the Loos' he boasted: his wife LooLoo smiled at this. Whatever about the toilets we can offer no suggestions as to what C.I.E. have in mind for the bus-shelter but given it's great interest in music it is rumoured that they might open a ballroom there.

There is no truth in the rumour that Livestock Marts are to be re-named 'Cow Parlours'. This was conveyed to us in an interview with Major Colonel General Thomas Brown of the A.F.B. (i.e. Association of the Friends of Bovines) - he was confined to bed suffering from a recurrent dose of blood poisoning & tetanus as a result of having medals pinned to his chest. He did say though that just because they played music for cows, gave them free transport & respected everything the cow did & had, was no reason for special treatment. We hope the Minister for Agriculture reads this.

The Community Council wish to thank everyone who gave books, cakes, etc., for their sale in the Geraldine Hall - the response was fantastic & the sum of approximately £140 was made. The Council expressed some reservations however on the actual number who actually turned up at the Sale itself & felt many more could have supported the venture. Many were conspicuous by their absence. To those who did give & to those who did come along to buy - your co-operation was much appreciated.

An appeal was recently made in the Newsletter by the Swimming Club for some fathers to come along to accompany young swimmers to various pools for lessons. It's unbelievable to think that not even one came forward to offer assistance. It appears that people would like others to do something for their children & we wonder if this kind of response is typical. The organisers deserve better.

IT COULD NEVER BE ME

The following ten rules for guidance in doing away with a voluntary organisation, were recently published in the "Queensland Digger" official organ of the Returned Soldiers, Sailors' and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia:

1. Do not come to a meeting, or if you do, come late. Do not think of coming if the weather doesn't suit, or if you have another engagement of lesser importance.
2. If you attend a meeting, find fault with the work of the officers (particularly the secretary) and other members.
3. Never be nominated for the Committee. It is easier to criticize than to do things. Be sure, however, to be annoyed if you are not appointed to a Committee.
4. If you are asked by the Chairman to give your opinion on an important matter, tell him you have nothing to say. After the meeting tell everyone what should have been done.
5. Do nothing yourself. If other members get busy, grumble and declare that the association is run by a clique.
6. Do not listen to the business, and afterwards complain about nobody ever telling you anything.
7. Vote in favour of some action, and then do exactly the opposite.
8. Agree with everything that is said in a meeting and then disagree outside.
9. Get all the benefits you can through the work of the association, but don't contribute anything yourself.
10. If you are asked to pay an overdue subscription, resent such impertinence and tender your resignation!

MAYNOOTH VISTA
By Newcomer

This month I have resigned from the outdoor scene and gone all domestic.

The exorbitant price of potatoes - be they old or new - is a topic worn so threadbare that, per se, has become a byword but the angle that really gets me down is that the housewife can no longer pick her selection from the open sack but must accept whatever is dished up to her in a plastic bag. There is no way of checking that the contents are good or bad or that the designated weight is what it claims to be. I always understood that traders could not legally sell food unfit for human consumption but in the case of 'hygienically' packed potatoes this does not seem to apply. If you get one rotten potatoe in a bag you are lucky as the average in a seven pound bag is four and if the bag weight is correct you are paying for at least half a pound of 'the auld sod'. In the case of new potatoes you are buying what, when I was young used be set aside for pig feed. Potatoes were then graded and those under a certain size could not be sold. God be with us days;

In this balmy week of high Summer, we, in our house have been preparing for the bleak months of November to March.

You have probably noticed that many of the houses in the new estates are now being fitted with open-fire central heating. These new back boiler grates not only give you the comfort of a fire at which to sit of an evening but half its heat is no longer going up the chimney it is being used to heat four or five radiators in other rooms of the house. The advantage of the open fire is that any form of solid fuel may be used - coal, turf, logs - what you will.

I had a brain wave and investigated its possibilities. Having already oil fired radiator central heating - at ninety pounds for a fill of oil - I consulted the experts to see if I could not instal one of these modern boiler fires in my sitting room grate and link it in to my existing heating system, so giving me the alternative of oil or solid fuel heating as I desired. The answer 'No problem'. 'Well' said I 'why don't you advertise it?' 'Because' said the experts 'we are so busy installing these open fire systems in houses now being built

that we have not yet got round to considering your suggestion. The only difficulty you will have is getting some one to do it for you.'

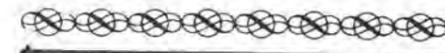
The experts were right. Five separate domestic heating contractors came and examined my central heating system. All said that there would be no difficulty in doing what I proposed. All went away promising to send me an estimate for the work and not from one of them did I ever hear again. After five months trying at last I achieved success. My contractors have just finished the job and left. There was no domestic upheaval, very little dust or dirt and for less than three fills of oil - a cost I should certainly recover in saving over two years - I can have my usual sitting-room fire in the evenings a cylinder full of hot water, two bedrooms, bathroom and hall heated until my fire goes out at midnight.

In the morning my oil fired boiler comes on to re-heat the bedrooms and bathroom while dressing and to cater for any other rooms in the house I may wish until I switch off and allow my evening fire to take over once again.

Sorry! On this occasion I have gone away out, but I thought somebody with radiator heating might be interested.



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17th	Gymkhana Carton Estate
18th	Field, Sports Day etc. in Carton Estate.

DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

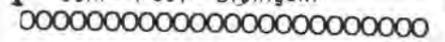
MEN WANTED

Reliable stewards are needed to help run the Gynkhana and field day to be held in Carton on Saturday 17th July & Sunday 18th July. An opening Meeting to organise stewarding will be held in the Geraldine Hall on Thursday 8th July at 8.30 p.m. It will be greatly appreciated if all organisations will send some capable and responsible volunteers to this Meeting.

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12th - 2 days	The Hindenberg
14th - 2 days	Roommates also Mini Skirt Mob.
16th - 1 day	Rancho DeLuxe
17th - 1 day	One of Our Dinosaurs is Missing
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Community Council News

The Council are very thankful to all those who contributed and purchased at the recent Book and Cake Sale and are glad to report that it realised in the region of £150. There are still some books remaining, and it is hoped that we may be able to have a stall at the Castle on Sunday 4th July when we hope to dispose of more.

At the June Council Meeting, the following items were discussed:
Filling of Vacant Council Seats: As a number of seats have become vacant through resignations, non-attendance etc., it is proposed to get the Council back to full strength. Already nominations were asked for the Cluain Aoibhinn area and Mrs. White, Cluain Aoibhinn, and Mr. Dempsey, Cluain Aoibhinn, have been nominated. As these were the only two nominations, and as there are two vacant seats, they have been deemed to be elected. The remaining seats will be filled as soon as possible.

Bus to Greenfield Estate: Following representation to C.I.E. it was found that, due to the fact that one householder objected to buses turning at The Crescent, Straffan Road, they could not extend the Bus service up to Greenfield Estate until the Estate is taken over by the County Council. This is, apparently, in accordance with usual practice. Buses are not supposed to reverse on the public road and a complete turning circle is required. While the Council understands that many people in all the Estates are inconvenienced, they cannot see how they can help further.

T.V. Mast: The proposed piped television service is still meeting 'heavy weather'. Some considerable trouble is still being experienced at the legal end but everything possible is being done to expedite matters.

Banquets: The Council have been asked and intend to help where required with preparations for the Banquets, on 2nd, 3rd, and 4th July.

Tidy Towns: The Council have studied the report of the Tidy Town sub-Committee with a view to getting things moving in the Autumn.

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POST-PRIMARY SCHOOL, MAYNOOTH

Once again the Post-Primary School, Maynooth took the major share of the scholarships to the Gaeltacht in Gorey Co. Wexford.

These Scholarships are awarded by the Co. Kildare V.E.C. on the results of a competitive oral and written examination in Irish. Of the 15 scholarships available this year the students of the Post-Primary Maynooth won 6. The winners were; Patricia McGarry, Valerie Mee, Catherine Carr, Morgan Kennedy, Paul Cullen and Anthony Nelson.

SPORT: For the second successive year the students of the Post-Primary Maynooth won the team prize for the best all-round school at the annual Athletics meeting for Vocational schools held in the Curragh in the beginning of June. Some very good individual performances were returned and the standard of the students should be an encouragement to those interested in the promotion of athletics. The following is the list of medal winners:

BOYS:

High Jump -3rd- M. Giblin
Long Jump -1st- C. Kavanagh
800 metres -2nd- M. Scanlon
100 metres -1st- P. Fitzgerald
200 metres -1st- S. Moore
400 metres -1st- M. Scanlon
Relay 1st- Maynooth

SENIOR GIRLS:

High Jump -2nd- E. Kennedy
800 Metres -2nd- E. Kennedy

JUNIOR BOYS:

Long Jump -2nd- V. Moore
High Jump -3rd- V. Moore

100 Metres -1st- M. Dunphy
800 Metres -2nd- L. Murphy
200 Metres -1st- M. Dunphy
400 Metres -1st- L. Murphy
3rd- J. Heslin
Relay 2nd Maynooth

JUNIOR GIRLS:

400 Metres -3rd- B. Leonard
100 Metres -1st- M. Redmond
High Jump -1st- C. Mullally
3rd- D. McGarry

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Editorial

A stroll along Carton Avenue, or the Long Avenue to give it its correct title, can be a delight in the cool of a summer evening, with the scent of the wild flowers adding even greater enjoyment. This is, and has been a favourite ramble for the residents of the old town for generations. We are lucky, indeed, to have such a beautiful walk more or less within the town and are no doubt the envy of many another town, or village. Rambling along one can quite easily forget the traffic, and other cares and distractions, in short one can be at peace.

It is also very pleasing to see that very little vandalism by way of damage or pollution show here and it is a credit to young and old alike. It is good to know that all seem to appreciate the wonderful facility allowed us.

Having commented on the Avenue with the scent of woodbine, white-thorn and what have you, we could not advise anybody to turn left at the top of the Avenue and head for Kildare Bridge. This is, without doubt, an anticlimax indeed. Not far from the top of the Avenue, after the fragrance of the flowers, our noses are nicely 'tuned in' and it is not long until a new 'fragrance' meets us. About 150 - 200 yards from the river we get a foretaste of the odour from the river which gets progressively worse until we reach the bridge. One look across the bridge will convince one that it is truly not a river we are crossing but an open sewer. Most people have smelled the river at Mill Street, on the way to the parish Church, but at Kildare Bridge it is 100% worse.

Older generations will remember sitting on Kildare Bridge on a summer evening enjoying the perfume and pleasant odours blowing from Carton. At that time it was most pleasant but unfortunately this is no longer the case. They will remember also when the river was plentifully stocked with fish and many a fine river trout graced a Maynooth table. Now, the same trout could not live or breathe in the filth officially called the Rye Waters.

A walk back along the river will show where alot, or even most of the objectionable sewage is coming from and it is time that we here in the Town got together and did something about it. Until people amalgamate and demand to have this and other types of pollution attended to, things will only go from bad to worse. Private people are not the only ones responsible for the state of the river, and elsewhere, the authorities themselves have a large responsibility in the matter. It is now time for all those responsible to check into the matter before the ordinary people invoke the law to protect their right to breathe fresh air and walk clean roads.

MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL

A large contingent attended the 'Wolfe Tone' commemoration ceremony at Bodenstown. Deputy Paddy Power laid a wreath on behalf of the party, the last post and reveille were sounded, tricolour hoisted. Coil Dubh accordion band played a selection of martial airs while soloist Julia Dempsey sang some ballads.

The members of Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann are very disappointed with Kildare County Council and their failure to do something about the dangerous bend at the Church. It was a sorry sight last week on the morning of the ordination of two Maynooth priests to have a big articulated truck blocking the entrance and demolishing about fifty feet of the wall.

BROTHERHOOD OF MAN

EUROVISION WINNERS 1976

(Save All Your Kisses For Me)

Tickets are now on sale at BARTONS GARAGE, MAYNOOTH. Price £1.50. For the show of a lifetime - Yes - The Brotherhood of Man, Eurovision Winners 1976 - who are appearing live at 'The Country Club' Portmarnock on Tuesday 27th July 1976.

To facilitate those who have not got their own transport - Buses will be leaving the following centres at 7p.m. for the Country Club.

Maynooth, Leixlip, Palmerstown and Chapelizod and returning immediately after the Show for a mere 70p extra return.

So if you have friends at one of these Areas who you have not seen for some time then why not make a night of it and go and see this GREAT SHOW.

Tickets are also on Sale in 'The Captains Inn' Leixlip and 39 Palmerstown Ave., Palmerstown, also Sound of Music, Burgh Quay.

You are advised to book early as tickets are limited.

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For further information contact Jim Cotter, 3 Lawrence Avenue.

Mr. Terry Boylan, Chairman of Kildare County Council attends at Mooney's Restaurant, Main Street every Saturday from 12.00 noon to 4.00 pm. All are welcome. Phone Celbridge 288259

BOYS PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Boys of 5th & 6th standards were confirmed by His Grace Bishop O'Mahony on the 5th of June. The ceremony was highly impressive & both girls and boys looked splendid on this very important day in their lives.

The boys of 6th Class will be finishing their Primary Education on the 30th of June & after 5 years in this School they will be missed. They were a good well-mannered group of boys and the Staff of the School wishes them every success in their future lives.

For the first time Senior Infant & First Class Boys will be coming to the Boys School on the 1st of July. Let's hope their stay here will be a happy and fruitful one.

Although the New Extension is practically ready, furniture will not be available until August. Consequently some of the Classes will be accommodated in the Post Primary School, for the short time in July that the School will be open. Many thanks to the C.E.O. and the Head-Master of the Post Primary for giving the Room required.

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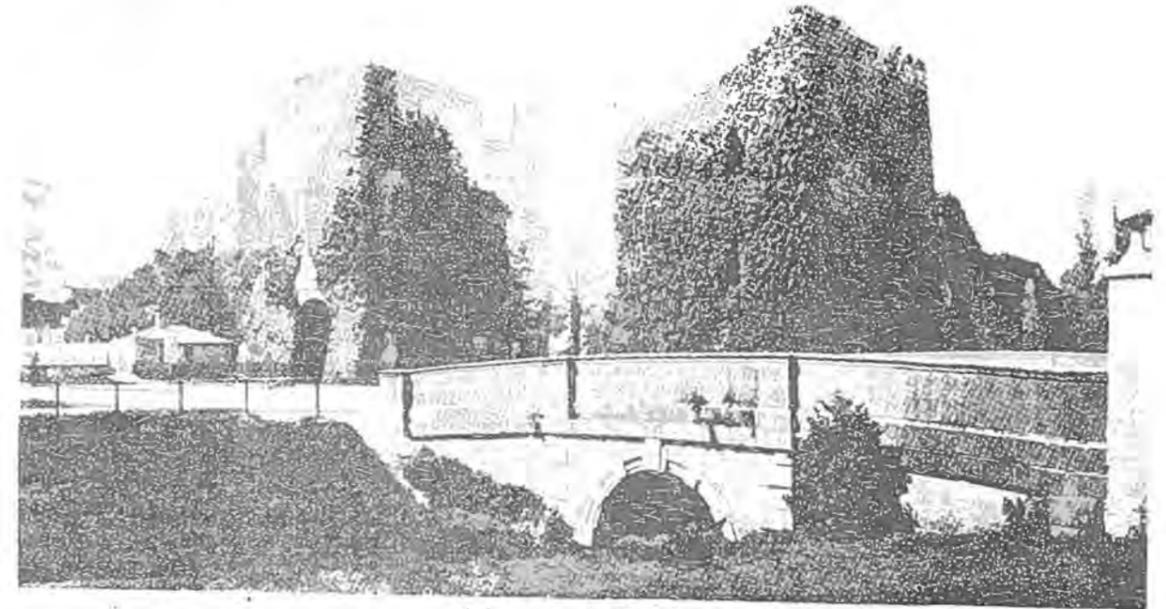
Gerald FitzMaurice, first baron of Offaly and Lord of the Manor of Maynooth died in 1203. His son, the second baron of Offaly and the second Maurice Fitzgerald, had a long and distinguished career during which the FitzGerald's moved decisively into a leading role in Norman-Irish Society. In 1232 he was appointed to the highest political and administrative position in Ireland, that of justiciar, and he retained it until 1245. The government of Norman Ireland was modelled on that of England and the King was represented in Ireland by the chief justiciar. At a time when the kings of England were active rulers, directly and personally at the head of military affairs, civil administration and the judicial system, their representative in Ireland had correspondingly wide powers and responsibilities. His official duties, and his zeal to further the family interest, took Fitzgerald all over Ireland.

His father and his uncle, Gerald and Thomas FitzMaurice, had been granted the manors of Croom and Shanid respectively in County Limerick. At Croom Maurice built a castle and from its name came the famous war-cry and motto of the Kildare Geraldines, 'Crom Abu', while from the castle of Shanid came the war-cry of their cousins the Desmond Geraldines, 'Shanid Abu'. The castles were about sixteen miles apart and on the borders of a O'Brien territory so that the rival cries of the FitzGerald's on the one hand and the 'Lamhlaidir Abu' of the O'Briens on the other constantly rang out as the Castles were attacked and the defenders fought back. Later on the Butlers became the chief rivals of the FitzGerald's and in 1495 an act of parliament was passed which stated that, 'forasmuch as there hath beengreat variances, malices, debates, and comparisons between diverse lords and gentlemen of this land', it was no longer lawful for anyone to get involved, 'as in using these words Cromabu and Butlerabu, or other words like, or contrary to the king's laws, his crown, and dignity, and peace, but to call only on St. George, or the name of his Sovereign Lord the king of England....'

Maurice FitzGerald also brought the new mendicant religious orders, the Franciscans and Dominicans, to Ireland. For the Franciscans he founded an abbey in Youghal where many members of the Desmond branch of the family were later buried. In 1235 he was granted the manor of Sligo where he founded a priory and built a castle for himself to serve as a base for his planned invasion of Tir Chonnail. Of the castle no trace remains today but the beautiful ruins of Sligo Abbey remain as one of the show-places of the town today.

It was the second Maurice Fitzgerald also who built the castle at Maynooth, the great keep with its surrounding curtain wall with towers at the corners and the fine entrance gate. He built so well that most of his work still stands while later additions have long since vanished. The accompanying plan shows the extent and layout of the castle in the seventeenth century by which time very extensive additions had been made. Note that the seventeenth century maker of the plan described the keep as the 'Old Castle'

As well as the castle, Maurice also built the adjoining chapel which, greatly altered over the centuries, is the nucleus of the present Church of Ireland, parish church. It is very interesting to find the new chapel or church at Maynooth incorporated, together with the older churches we have already met and which date back long before Norman times, in the newly developing parish system. As noted in the last article, Irish parish organisation was only beginning when the Normans arrived. The diocesan structure had been completed and this was of course essential before territorially defined parishes could emerge. The ground-work for these had also been laid by the Synod of Cashel in 1171-2 when it had been laid



Maynooth Castle

by the Synod of Cashel in 1171-2 when it had been laid down that every man should pay tithe for the support of his parish church. The paying of the tenth part of the produce of land or stock, was the basis of the defined parish throughout Europe, and it had developed in England during the tenth century. With the paying of tithe the word 'parish' became applied to a geographical area rather than to the people comprising it. The normans who came to Ireland were already familiar with the idea of a parish supported by tithe and ready to introduce it into their new holdings.

The Lord of the Manor was usually anxious to have his lands recognised as an independent parish, and this accounts for the relatively small size of parishes in Norman populated areas. The Lord enforced the payment of tithe and often kept the advowson, or right of presentation to a church benefice, himself or might hand over the whole benefice to some religious house. The benefice was the ecclesiastical post or office to which property or revenue was attached, and the holder of the benefice was the incumbent. The incumbent of a parish was responsible for the provision of the essential services, such as the saying of Mass at stipulated times. The incumbent, who might be a religious house or an individual, very often did not provide these services in person but paid a vicar to do so, and this system became so wide-spread throughout Christendom that canon law developed to regulate the division of the revenue of a parish as between the rector, who had the right to the tithes and any other income and the vicar who was paid a stipend or salary to carry out the parish work.

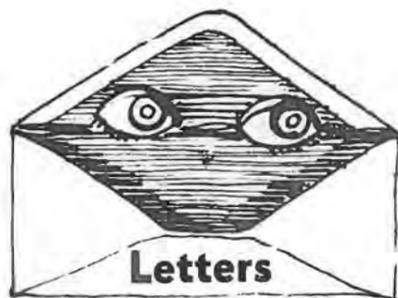
This pattern was operating in the Maynooth area. Fr. MacSweeney finds the priory of St. Catherine at Leixlip, and the churches of Leixlip, Confey, Taghadoo, Laraghbryan, Maynooth and Donaghmore all included in the thirteenth century in the rural deanery of Leixlip. A rural deanery was a sub-division of a diocese, predated over by its dean whose main function was to act as a channel of communication between bishop and clergy. With the exception of St. Catherine's which was founded in 1218 for the canons of St. Victor by Warisius Petche, Lord of Lucan, the other churches within the deanery had, according to Fr. MacSweeney, parochial status. It also fits the pattern when we find Maurice Fitzgerald in 1248 requesting Archbishop Luke of Dublin to erect the chapel of Maynooth into a prebend of the Cathedral of St. Patrick's and retaining in his own hands and those of his successors the nomination to the prebend. This meant that some member of the cathedral chapter became entitled to a stipend coming from the revenue of the church of Maynooth in return for officiating there at stipulated times. The name of the first Prebendary of Maynooth, installed on 12th October 1248, was Richard de Carren.

References: Rev. M.T. MacSweeney, 'The Parish of Maynooth (1040-1614)' in Irish Ecclesiastical Record, LVI, 4, 1940



Jacqueline O'Neill, of Greenfield, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, who received her private secretary diploma at the annual presentation of awards and diplomas to students of the High School Secretarial College, Limerick.





Letters to the Editor

Dear Editors,

We are happy to note comments on our efforts to complete the work on our estate, which was left uncompleted due to the developer going into receivership. Your encouragement will help us to continue with, and complete the job. However, the rather ambiguous references of Newcomer leaves us and our many friends outside the estate rather perplexed and we can only guess as to his reasons.

For the benefit of readers and of Newcomer we would like to briefly review our efforts to have the work on the estate completed. It is now five years since work started on the development of Rail Park. The

Residents Association was formed by the first residents to move into the estate. Almost immediately efforts were made to persuade the developer to complete the footpaths, open spaces etc. These efforts continued for the first three years to no avail. Then in early 1975 the developer went into receivership and the associations effort were concentrated on persuading the County Council to foreclose on an insurance bond which the developer had lodged with the Council. Representations were made to local representatives, T.D.s and even to two Government Ministers. All efforts to persuade the local authority failed. In a review of the situation early this year it was decided by the residents of the estate to finish the work themselves. This was decided because we realised that if we did not help ourselves, not many others were interested in helping us, least of all the County Council.

A group of very enthusiastic residents got to work and using equipment in all instances provided by local people both

from the estate and outside we have now completed development of 1½ acre green area and footpaths. Work on the area bordering the Celbridge road, should have commenced before publication of this letter.

The Cost of the work to-date has been approximately £300, nothing like the vast sums suggested by Newcomer. The money was raised by small subscriptions from a large number of residents, not large sums from wealth-tax dodgers living on the estate as suggested.

Finally we would finish by applauding the self help philosophy being promoted by the Community Council and ask them to continue encouraging small groups such as ourselves.

We feel uplifted by your encouragement.

Yours sincerely

Tom Fahey

Secretary,
Rail Park Residents Association.

RAIL PARK ESTATE

Dear Residents,

Your Association has been requested by the Post Office to ask each householder to identify his Residence by Number visibly displayed. The suggestion is to place number on front wall or wooden railing.

Post Office staff are having great difficulty in finding their way, and the quality of their service to you depends on your help NOW. Equally should the services of Doctor, Priest, or Police be required in any emergency it is imperative that your number can be seen easily from the road.

May we suggest that your co-operation in this matter is totally to your advantage and encourage you, one and all, to get the good work underway as soon as possible. Thanking you in anticipation:

For and on behalf of the
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GARDENING

By Colm Kennedy

Lettuce is the main ingredient of any salad. It is so easy to grow that the real skill is in having a constant supply for the table over as many months as possible. Radishes can also be grown successfully and with very little effort. With lettuce it is important to sow the right varieties at the right time. The cabbage head group can be divided into two classes, flat and smooth, that can be grown over a long period, is crisp and is mainly for Summer cropping. The variety Suzan is a beautiful pale-leaved variety. Cos is a tall-pointed variety and is a crop that can be overwintered. Tomatoes should be doing nicely now especially those under glass - give good support instead of an individual cane for each plant. A good method of support for indoor tomatoes is to run a strong wire the length of the greenhouse above the plants and just below the roof. Strong galvanised hooks made of wire are pushed into the soil and a strong garden string is attached to the hook at one end and wire at the other. It is an easy matter as the plant grows to give the string an occasional twist around the plant. With outdoor tomatoes a strong stake will suffice and tie or string the plants to this. Be careful with the outdoor varieties as weather conditions can have a very bad effect and plants which receive any check will take a long time if ever to recover.

Shrubs and roses that have flowered should be trimmed of old flower buds and given a bit of a tidying up - with the rose it will be a great help to further flowering and can be a help in reshaping. Cut out any dead or diseased branches and this will be a great help with the general appearance of your garden. A little fertilizer or bonemeal added to the soil and watered in will promote growth especially with those shrubs which start growth and flower early in the year.

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We are anxious if anyone in the town can name all those in the top and bottom pictures - if so we will print them in next Newsletter. We're sure many memories will be stirred.



A group of local schoolchildren on a recent outing in the locality. The observant will notice the Obelisk and Taghadoe Round Tower in the pictures. These two pictures given by Liam Bean.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The June Meeting was well attended, starting with a very interesting talk and demonstration on 'Summer Salads' given by Sister Lucille from The Divine Word Hostel. We appreciated very much Sister coming at short notice and hope she enjoyed her few days holiday in the South. Sister judged the 'Tray Bake' competition. There was a very large entry won by Mrs. Fegan and second Mrs Desmond. Tea was then served before the Meeting.

Mrs. Doyle told us all about the B.I.M. Finals at the 'Tara Tower Hotel' in Dublin. She was representing Kildare. Antrim, Meath, & Cavan took the first three prizes in that order. Mrs. Doyle's recipe was 'Cod Supreme' given below, a very good week-day meal and easy to prepare.

Mrs. Desmond has the Maynooth Flower Show Schedules for the 10th July. Anyone interested who has not got one already please contact Mrs Desmond, Secretary, Main Street, Maynooth.

The Raffle was won by Mrs Brennan Moyglare.

The next competition 'A Funny Picture' The Meeting then concluded.

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SPORTS PAGE

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RESULTS OF MAYNOOTH HANDBALL & SQUASH DRAW

- £30 Helen Doyle, Leinster Cottages.
 £10 Mrs. J. Treacy, Mariavilla.
 £5 Garry Irvin, c/o C.P.I. Lucan
 £5 Mary Kennedy, Laraghbryan.
 £5 Mrs. D. Casey, 30 Cluain Aoibhinn.
 £3 Mrs. J. Troy, 556 O'Neill Pk.
 £2 Joseph Hefferan, c/o O'Brien's.
 £1 S. Hely, 31 Cluain Aoibhinn.
 £1 Mrs. D. Treacy, 745 Greenfield
 £1 Mr. S. Treacy, 745 Greenfield
 £1 Cecil McAssey, The Harbour.
 £1 Nurse Hyland, The Harbour.
 £1 Tom McMullon, Cluain Aoibhinn.
 £1 Jim Ryan, 12 Cluain Aoibhinn.
 £1 Mrs. L. Bean, Rye View.
 £1 Edward Kavanagh, Newtown.
 £1 Mrs. J. Treacy, The Green
 £1 Mrs. J. Troy, 556 O'Neill Pk.

The following Promoters won £1 each. P. Conroy, R. McTiernan, Mrs. J. Cullen, C. Power, J. Brazil, C. Nelson, E. Bean, S. O'Flaherty, J. Moore, D. Quigley.

The next draw will be held in the Geraldine Hall on the 13th July at 9.p.m. Promoters are asked to have cash handed in before date of draw. This will be the last draw this year. On behalf of the Committee I wish to thank all who supported us during the past two years including the promoters who did excellent work, we have over £2000 collected. Further development will be in the Newsletters as we progress.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Mary Cullen's article was a source of great pleasure to the Maynooth Swimming Club. We hope all Swimmers in Maynooth young and old appreciate the foresight of the 'Development Association', in starting on this project so many moons ago, without them North Kildare, taken present circumstances into account, would definitely never get a pool. As for the Committee we are now more determined than ever to push ahead with our plan to have our own Instructors and Life Guards ready for the great day, that we know now, will definitely come.

'Faith Can Move Mountains' but does anybody in Maynooth

know what it takes to move Daddies! Oh yes there are always the few old reliables, but these seem to be made from a different mould without them we would all be lost. Our Chairman Eoin Byrne is a Daddy, and he is just the greatest, when he is not tied up with the Fire Brigade.

Apart from the 'Good News' from Mary Cullen, things have not gone so well for us this month. Something went wrong with the Boiler at Naas Pool, and all our sessions had to be cancelled. What does one want with a Boiler in this sizzling heat - That is the question our Secretary was naive enough to ask 'Peter' who is in charge of Naas Pool, and is a most obliging fellow with all the answers. He explained that the Pool had been filtered at Whit, then refilled, only to find a fault in the Boiler. This meant that the water was almost at freezing point, and as no Sun could in to heat it, the Management felt they would only make enemies by opening the Pool. See there is an explanation for everything.

COOKERY

'COD SUPREME'

Ingredients

- 2 lb. Filleted Cod
 4 Tomatoes.
 6ozs Rice
 ¼ Mushrooms
 1 hard boiled Egg
 Salt & Pepper
 ¼ Pint Milk

To Garnish

Mushrooms, Egg, & Lemon Slices.

Stuffing

- 1oz Margarine.
 2ozs. Bread Crumbs
 2ozs finely chopped Onions
 1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Parsley Sauce

- 1oz Flour
 1oz Margarine
 ½ pint of Milk
 2 tablespoons of Chopped Parsley
 Seasoning.

Method

Prepare the stuffing. Melt Margarine in a saucepan, add the Onion, and cook for 3 minutes, remove from heat, add bread-crumbs, chopped Parsley, Seasoning, and mix well.

Skin the Cod, and cut into two equal parts, place one piece in a well greased casserole dish, place ¾ of the stuffing on this, cover with other piece of fish, brush with a little melted Butter, add 1 tablespoon of Milk, and bake in a hot oven - (Gas 6 to 7 - 450) for 30 minutes.

Stew Mushrooms in a little Milk. Place Rice in boiling water and cook until tender.

Scoop out Tomatoes, mix with remaining stuffing and refill Tomatoes with this mixture. Cook in hot oven for 7 minutes.

To make the Sauce, melt the Margarine, add Flour, Pepper, and Salt, and cook for 1 minute. Add the Milk and chopped Parsley, and blend well. Bring to the boil and cook for 3 minutes.

To Serve

Remove Fish from oven, pour Parsley Sauce over, arrange Rice and Tomatoe around Fish. Garnish with Mushrooms, Egg, and Lemon Slices.

Serve Hot.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWN

Report on survey carried out on behalf of Maynooth Community Council

Introduction

At a full delegate meeting of Maynooth Community Council held in October 1975 the members expressed interest in the Tidy Towns Competition sponsored each year by Bord Failte. After some discussion the meeting agreed that in order to determine the amount of work involved, a survey of the Town should be carried out with special emphasis on the approach roads. A sub-committee under the Chairmanship of B. Durkan was delegated the task of conducting the survey and reporting on its findings. The members of the sub-committee were: Mary Cullen, Colm Kennedy, Robert O'Reilly, Ted Kelly, Joey Murphy and Eugene O'Reilly Jnr. At its first meeting the committee decided to divide the Town and its approach roads into sections which would enable an individual or group to undertake and complete the work on any one of these sections without having to become involved in the whole project.

As it is not the policy of this committee to cause offence and the success of the venture depends entirely on the voluntary co-operation of everybody concerned, it is to be hoped that persons whose property or dwelling receives unfavourable mention in the report do not misconstrue its recommendations as being in any way defamatory or compulsory.

REPORT

SECTION 1-KILCOCK ROAD

Findings

- The river was found to be partially covered by bushes and undergrowth and is used as a dump by members of the public and by itinerants who are parked nearby.
- The green margins on either side of the road are uneven and irregular.
- Pallets of fertiliser, when stacked high are unsightly.
- Green in front of Church untidy, uneven and is used by motorists as a car park.
- Stone wall on Moyglare side of green, broken down.

Recommendations

- The river could be cleaned up but this would be a long drawn-out and time consuming process, so most of the committee favoured the planting of quick-growing trees to conceal the river and its banks from view. The itinerants should be prohibited from parking here.
- By spreading top-soil and maintaining a regular border on both sides of the road the general appearance of the area would be greatly enhanced.
- The owner of the local mill could be approached with a view to lowering the level of the stacks of fertiliser.
- The green in front of the Church needs top-soil to fill depressions and needs a general tidy-up, a higher kerb might help keep motorists from parking there.
- Total removal seems to be the best way to deal with the broken wall. This would make the road wider, and the small green area behind the wall could also be cleaned up.

All areas with fresh top-soil to be reseeded and all grass kept cut.

SECTION 2-MOYGLARE ROAD TO MILL STREET

Findings

- Itinerants parked beyond S.V.D. House causing litter problem. Hedge overgrown.
- Margin along S.V.D. House uneven, untidy and waterlogged. Wooden railing drab and colourless and unlevel.
- Corner at bottom of Pound Street being used as dump.

Recommendations

- Remove hedge and prohibit parking by itinerants.
- Approach Kildare Co. Council for the provision of proper footpaths on both sides of road. Contact S.V.D. regarding the possible levelling and painting of wooden railings.
- Prohibit dumping at Pound St.

SECTION 3-FROM GARDA STATION TO CLUAIN AOIBHINN (via Parson Street and Newtown)

Findings

- Wall along river ivy-covered and has a number of broken spots. Roof of gate lodge moss-covered and in need of repairs.
- Road margins in Newtown waterlogged and uneven.

Recommendations

- Clear ivy from wall and repair any broken parts in same. Approach owner of gate lodge in Parson St. with a view to repairing roof.
- Contact Kildare Co. Council to provide footpaths for Newtown and Cluain Aoibhinn.

SECTION 4-MAIN STREET

Findings

- Trees slightly overgrown.
- Some buildings drab and colourless.
- The street lacks colour, such as floral decoration.

Recommendations

- The trees should be carefully pruned at least every two years.
- Encourage all householders to repaint regularly, in some cases a combined venture might be undertaken.
- In order to introduce floral decoration the committee suggests either the building of permanent flower beds at regular intervals between the trees or the provision of earthenware flower pots. In either case the householders might maintain the flowers.

A special effort will have to be made to keep the street litter-free.

SECTION 5-STRAFFAN ROAD

Findings

- Between New Greenfield and Town Bridge, hedges overgrown and trees ivy-covered. Some broken spots in walls and gate-piers. Grass on verges overgrown and also some ivy on walls.
- Wall along swimming pool site unlevel.
- Area of drinking pond untidy and overgrown with weeds and bushes. Unsightly wire on top of high wall beside bus stop.

Recommendations

- Clean up trees and trim hedges, repair walls and gate piers, cut ivy off walls and keep grass margins cut.
- Level top of wall at swimming pool site.
- Cut bushes and clean up drinking pond. Seek the co-operation of the owner with a view to removing wire from top of wall nearby.

SECTION 6-DUBLIN ROAD

Findings

- Wide shoulder in front of mart unsightly and waterlogged.
- Footpaths needed along Leinster Path.
- Hedge along O'Neill Park in need of trimming.
- High wall ivy-covered.

Recommendations

- Have shoulder in front of mart raised and resurfaced. Kildare Co. Council would have to undertake this, also a kerb be an advantage.
- Seek the co-operation of Kildare Co. Council for the provision of footpaths at Leinster Park.
- Trim hedge at O'Neill Park.
- Clean ivy off wall.

As the main approaches are most important the committee is of the opinion that the Green at O'Neill Park could be greatly improved by the planting of shrubs and flowers. If some garden seats were provided it would be a nice amenity area for the people of the Park.

SECTION 7-DUNBOYNE ROAD TO CONVENT GATE

Findings

- Starting at speed limit signs, untidy hedge on lefthand approach, parts of wall broken down and margins overgrown.

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AYNOOTH NEWSLETTER

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Dear Reader,

In a programme on T.V. on Sunday last ("The City") we were shown how a town or city may decay through lack of involvement of the inhabitants. Maynooth is growing but it would be a great pity if the spirit of the town should die through lack of involvement of the people.

Involvement takes many shapes and forms. To some it is the helping of a neighbour in difficulty, to another looking after old people and to still another the organising and providing of amusements and games for young people. Another form of involvement is helping to improve the appearance of the town and it is in this latter form that we now draw your attention.

The "Tidy Towns Drive" is now ~~underway~~ for this year (details elsewhere in this issue) and here everyone, from the youngest to the oldest, can show involvement. Active workers are badly needed and those willing to help should contact the Tidy Towns Committee, but apart from this, each individual can do a bit, be it ever so small.

Refer, of course, to the litter question. You can make a resolution not to drop any yourself, you can advise your children, you can give good example. Even one bit

of litter in the bin improves the situation and, if a number of people do this, there will be a big improvement. Take it as a personal or family matter, the result can be surprising. Show that you care, be involved, the effort is not great.

The Editorial Committee.

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ON CENTRE.

und raising campaign has been started for the
on of the hall at The Harbour. A committee,
f those using the hall, has been formed and
term plan is to provide a clean hall with
activities, mainly for the youth of the town
h can be availed of by other sections.
Following a most successful Bingo session, which
the campaign, the committee are presently
g a Ballad Session, to be held in the Hitching
June 18th. Well known Groups will attend and
particulars of these will have given later.
for this function will be on sale shortly and
support is earnestly requested. The Secretary
committee formed is Miss. Bridget Delaney,
and she will be very pleased to supply
information.

SS NOTES.

st month saw our Unit on duty again at the
le" at Kill and Members have also gone on two
with the Senior Youth Club. A lecture on
id and a demonstration on Artificial Respiration
ven to the C6ill Dubh Branch I.C.A. The Unit
so be on duty to-day at the Go-Kart Race
at Castledermot.
series of First Aid Lectures are commencing
Abbey Hall, Celbridge, on Thursday 28th May
m. All are welcome to attend.
he Branch is eager for young boys and girls
the ranks. Those interested should contact
nch member.

"We Aim to Clean up This Town"

ould you give a hand at tidying up The Pound
on Tuesday next, at 7.30 p.m. and rid the
town of another eyesore? Your help
would be greatly appreciated.

YOUTH CLUB REPORT.

Club members have had quite an exciting time
recently out of doors.

Thirty club members set out for the Wicklow
mountains on Sunday 26th April. The venue was Mullagh
Cleevaun (2788 feet) which is the second highest
mountain in Wicklow.

Sunday, May 10th, members set out for Duff Hill
(2308 feet) but owing to poor visibility with mist
on the mountain, this climb was cancelled. Instead,
the party drove to the Sallygap and walked a short
distance to the two Lough Brags where they rested
and picniced.

The C.R.C. Herald Walk on Sunday, May 3rd proved
to be tiresome but very entertaining for a group of
club members. All of the group completed the ten
miles from Abbey Street to Baldoyle and were presented
with certificates signed by Jimmy Saville. The concert
afterwards provided by top entertainers included
Dickie Rock and Fr. Michael Cleary.

The meeting on Wednesday night last was given
by Fr. Bradley S.V.D. Fr. Bradley talked about young
peoples' place in the "Kingdon of Downtown" and showed
the union between this and the kingdon which Christ
began. "Young people" he said "see, often more
clearly than adults, that the task of their portion
of the twentieth century is to integrate and further
challenge the secular world and to challenge it to
further greatness". Quoting from pop and folk songs,
Fr. Bradley went on to show the part young people must
play in this world. He finished by referring to the
"three D's" in life - drink, drugs and death. This
meeting has been one of the most interesting this year
and Fr. Bradley's next visit to the club is being
looked forward to by all.

DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the Association in St. Mary's
Hall on Thursday 8th May the following Income and
Expenditure account was presented to members:-

MAYNOOTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

Income and Expenditure Account to 31st March, 1970.

Expenditure.

Weekly Pools Fund:-	Dec. 1968	£500.		
	Mar. 1969	300.		
	June 1969	300.		
	Sept. 1969	300.		
	Dec. 1969	500.		
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or Change - Garden Fete.			62.	0. 0
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es.			108.	0. 0
Waters - Walk and Garden Fete.			<u>3218.</u>	0. 8
Bank as per Reconciliation Statement			<u>3523.</u>	13. 1
			<u>£6741.</u>	<u>13. 9</u>

Receipts.

Balance on old Account handed over by Mr. J. Buckley	£16. 4. 6
Subscriptions as per appended list.	410.15. 0.
Bingo - August 1968.	20. 0. 0.
Card Drive per T. Flood - Nov. 1968.	33. 2. 0.
Mrs. Satchwell's Bazaar.	123. 3. 4.
Dance Spa Hotel, per Mrs. Satchwell & Mrs. Reilly	450. 5. 0.
Sponsored Walk and Barn Dance.	816. 1.11.
Garden Fete - Moyglare House.	626. 9. 6.
" " - Dance North Kildare Club.	202. 1. 3.
" " - Raffle " " "	13.13. 0.
Sale of Brasses & Ornaments.	203. 7. 6.
Mrs. Satchwell's Christmas Party.	10. 0. 0.
Raffle for Easter Egg.	38. 0. 0.
Talent Competition.	75. 0. 0.
Concert Boys Club.	14. 0. 0.
Income from Weekly Pools Fund.	3689.10. 9.

£6741. 13. 9.

letter from the Secretary of the County Council informing the Association that, subject to approval, a site in Pound Lane had been approved as a site for the Swimming Pool. A resolution was passed at the Council meeting authorising the Secretary to proceed with the purchase of the site.

As so much has been achieved the Association is appealing for further action in connection with the construction of the pool and it was decided to start a new drive to obtain the full amount of the guarantee required by the Co. Council.

TIDY TOWNS DRIVE.

Tidy Towns Drive is commencing again and the Association is again appealing for active support. A circular is the result of last year's competition will be sent out shortly to each household from which it was seen that Maynooth reached the "Good" category.

This was achieved through the efforts of a very few and there is no doubt that a lot more can be achieved with help. The Committee therefore appeal for help, especially from young able bodied young men and girls, and the co-operation of all. As will be seen from our note in this issue, a start will be made at clearing and planting The Pound this coming week and, if twelve or so people were to give just one hour, a great deal of work could be done.

The County Council have been very helpful and have done a number of heavy jobs and have assured us of their continued support.

Money, of course, is needed to supply shrubs, plants, etc. and subscriptions would be greatly appreciated, and can be handed in to Miss. Geoghegan, or any committee member.

In addition to financial help, the general public can help by dropping all litter in the bins provided, by keeping their own premises as tidy as possible and, to go a step further, by keeping the front of their own premises, if possible, free from litter. It will be necessary for parents to remind their children frequently not to drop litter.

There is no doubt but that with a little effort on everybody's part, we could reach the "Highly recommended" category or better still reach the "Awards" stage. As you will see from the circular which we will issue, the adjudicators in last year's competition harped constantly on litter and there is no doubt that, if this was eliminated, our score would soar. One paper less on the streets could be a mark gained, so don't forget to do your little bit.

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POLITICAL PARTY NOTES

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

LEIXLIP ELECTIONS

Voters in Leixlip elected their new Town Commission on October 5th and the result represented a tremendous performance by the Labour Party. Members of the Maynooth branch were closely involved in the campaign in Leixlip which saw two of the three Labour Party candidates elected. Cllr. Colm Purcell topped the poll and was elected on the first count while Frank O'Neill was elected on a later count.

The Labour candidates received widespread support on the issue of opposition to Local Charges. As in Maynooth, many residents in Leixlip have paid the charges under duress only to find public lighting in their estates being turned off and the range of services being provided by the Council being continually cut back. Significantly those parties supporting the charges all did very poorly in the Leixlip election. In particular, Fianna Fail's U-turns on the issue appear to have been remembered by the electorate this time round and they only had one candidate elected as a result.

Councillor Colm Purcell, the new Vice-Chairperson of Leixlip Town Commission, together with his fellow Labour Co. Councillors Emmet Stagg,



MAYNOOTH TOWN LADIES SOCCER CLUB PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Emmet Stagg T.D. presenting the Player of the Year Trophy to Cherry Prendergast from College Green. The trophy was sponsored by the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party and the presentation took place in Caulfields.

TD, and Kieran Coleman will be opposing the imposition of Local Charges in the coming year's estimates. The evidence of the Leixlip election suggests that a growing number of north Kildare residents support their stance.

TONY SMITH MEMORIAL WALK

The annual Tony Smith Memorial Walk in aid of Maynooth Old Folks, organised by the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party, took place on Sunday 16th of October last. The walk followed a 10k route through Carton demesne. The Branch would

like to thank all sponsors who contributed so generously. It is expected that the walk will raise in excess of £1,200 for Maynooth Old Folks.

PAY MORE — GET LESS!

If you pay PRSI then this year you are paying more than before. The ceiling has gone up, and the rate has been increased from 1% to 1.25%. With the current state of the Health services and cutbacks in welfare entitlements its obvious that 'pay more — get less' is the message under Fianna Fail.

sewers (foul, surface water), public lighting and open spaces fully completed to standard. In the meantime, there is a current Insurance Bond covering the development."

Deputy Bernard Durkan has asked Kildare County Council if it would be possible to arrange the upkeep of the graveyards throughout the county. He suggested that this could be achieved by co-operation with the various parish groups, and the County Council's assistance.

NATIONAL COLLECTION

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed so generously to our National Collection on 8th and 9th October.

CLINICS

Deputy Bernard Durkan is available to meet constituents every Saturday at the Geraldine Hall Maynooth at 2.30 pm approx.



WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

GREAT LEIXLIP RESULT

The Workers' Party produced a tremendous performance in the Leixlip Town Commission election, obtaining more first preference votes than any other party, and getting their two candidates, Catherine Murphy and Sean Purcell elected on the first count. This result was a deserved vindication of the consistent hard work put in by both candidates, and their local organisation, over a number of years. It also signified a decisive rejection of the policies being implemented by the Fianna Fail government with the support of the other two conservative parties. It is noteworthy that the other main "opposition" party, Labour, finished second to the Workers' Party in the number of votes obtained.

The big parties subsequently tried to dismiss the result as a matter of purely local issues, with no national significance. This, despite the massive presence of these parties' "big guns" during the closing phases of the election. The fact is that the dominant issues in the election — local charges, poor public lighting, and the lack of a permanent building for Confey College — are all the local manifestations of national spending cutbacks which mainly affect the less wealthy groups in Irish society. With the latest opinion polls giving the Workers' Party and Labour almost a quarter of the vote in the Dublin area, it is clear that working class opposition to these measures is mounting dramatically.

TAX AMNESTY SCANDAL

The massive influx of unpaid taxes into the government coffers as a result of the tax amnesty provides a clear vindication of the argument put by the Workers' Party over the years that tax reform offers a better solution than spending cutbacks to the problems of the government finances. Bearing in mind that the vast amount paid to date is probably only a fraction of the amount actually due, it is clear that the PAYE sector — who pay over 90% of all income tax revenue — has simply been taken for a ride down through the years.

When one looks at the efforts being made by local authorities to save

money and collect local charges, or the attention being paid by the government to tighten up on social welfare payments, and compare these with the pathetic efforts to collect hundreds of millions of outstanding taxes from business people and farmers, one can see clearly how our political system is geared to preserve the privileged position of the rich. Indeed, it is a scandal that those who came forward in their tens of thousands to pay taxes owing over many years will avoid having to pay any interest on their arrears, even though the government is having to pay interest to the hilt on the loans which had to be borrowed because this tax money was not forthcoming when it was due. It is clear that a new system of effective tax collection for the self-employed will have to be devised and implemented. Such a system, however, is hardly likely to be forthcoming from those parties whose membership and financial support come mainly from those same self-employed.



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FINE GAEL NOTES

The September meeting of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael was held on Tuesday 27th in the ICA Hall. Being the first meeting after the summer break, it was extremely well attended and a lively discussion took place on many varied topics.

Deputy Bernard Durkan told members that he had taken up the matter of Beaufield Estate and its completion with Mr. Batty White of Kildare County Council and received the following reply:

"Further to your representations regarding the completion of Beaufield Estate I had a meeting with Lark Homes to discuss the completion of Phase I and the following works were agreed.

1. The open space formerly used as a site compound by Lark Homes for Phase 1 is to be fully cleared of all

buildings and rubble and fully landscaped. Clearance of the area has already commenced, and the landscaping will be completed when top soil from Phase 2 due to commence shortly, becomes available.

2. Repairs are to be carried out to the main access road through the estate and the final surfacing is to be laid to the remaining cul-de-sacs. This work is to be done by Messrs Roadstone next month.

3. The final surfacing of the main access road cannot be done at present as this road will be used during the construction of Phase 2.

4. The area opposite Beaufield Green is to be cleared of rubble.

The taking in charge of Phase 1 does not arise at this stage, and this will only be considered when Phase 2 is built and the main access road can be given a final surfacing. Before taking in charge, a detailed inspection of the estate will be carried out by the Council, and the developer will have to have all roads, footpaths, main



PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS NEWS

The third National Collection is now underway throughout the country. The party's activities depend entirely on voluntary subscriptions for funds, and in Maynooth we thank you for your support in helping us to change the face of Irish Politics.

Our policy of getting this country back to living within its means is now the basis of government policy.

We are committed to:

* TAX REFORM

Radical income tax reform, and the abolition of employee PRSI; an income tax system of 25% and 40%, to be achieved over 5 years. We see a

fair tax system as the key to generating enterprise and job creation in our depressed economy.

★ WORK FOR ALL

A nationwide network of community work schemes, modelled on the Social Employment Scheme, allowing the long-term unemployed to join the workforce; restoring their sense of dignity, and allowing much needed community and environment work to be done.

★ ENVIRONMENT POLICY

Protecting and enhancing our natural and built environment. As a community we must declare war on pollution of all sorts, and polluters must be made to pay the full cost of their vandalism. At this year's National Conference, Des O'Malley dedicated the party to being the Environment Party of Ireland.

★ CARING FOR ALL

Social welfare and health policies aimed at ensuring that the weakest sectors of our society are looked after. Equality of access to hospital care on the basis of need, and ending the scandal of long waiting periods for admissions. Our welfare policy is to target resources on the really needy.

★ INSTITUTIONAL REFORM

Major institutional reform, and a peaceful resolution of the terrible conflict in the North. Our new draft Constitution proposes abolition of the Senate, and redrafting Articles 2 and 3 to reflect an aspiration to Irish unity based on consent.

★ DAIL PENSIONS BILL

Our Bill to abolish Ministerial Pensions was rejected by Fianna Fail and Fine Gael, but we acted ourselves as if it had become law.

★ PLANNING BILL

Our Planning Bill to end the scandal of unfinished housing estates, and to prevent speculators getting massive compensation when they are refused planning permission, was widely hailed.

★ LOTTERY FUNDS BILL

Our Bill to establish an Independent Board to allocate National Lottery funds on the basis of objective criteria has also received popular endorsement.

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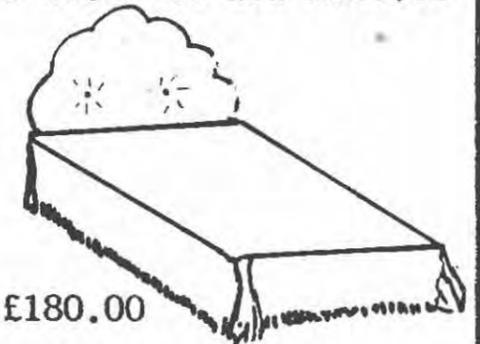
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Maynooth Castle

By Mary Cullen

John Fitzthomas Fitzgerald was created the first earl of Kildare in 1316. By this time the county system had been introduced into Ireland. When the Normans came to England in 1066 they found there before them a system of local government based on shires or counties. The shire was sub-divided into hundreds and each hundred and each shire had its own court which met at regular intervals. At local level the king was represented by the Sheriff, or shire-reeve, an official who presided at the shire court. The Normans naturally brought this system with them to Ireland. While the original grants of land to the invaders were based on the extent of Irish tribal territories, the new shires, or counties, usually followed the lines of the new divisions that developed as the settlement proceeded. The lordship of Leinster, originally Strongbow's grant, had been sub-divided into the shires of Kildare, Carlow, Kilkenny and Wexford by the time it was divided between the Marshall heiresses in 1247. As there were five sisters and four counties the split could not be simply a county apiece, and so a fifth share was created from the lands in the modern counties of Leix and Offaly which were then part of the county of Kildare. These lands were not formed into a new county but remained part of County Kildare and were administered by the County Officials. The accompanying map shows the extent of the medieval county of Kildare. The barony of Arklow was then included in the County of Kildare because it was held by the Kildare FitzGerald and it was administratively more convenient to include it with their other holdings.

The first Earl did not survive long to enjoy his newly acquired dignity and was succeeded by his son Thomas in September of 1316. He died at Maynooth and was buried in the Grey Abbey at Kildare. Thomas, the second earl, became sheriff of Kildare in 1317. He married in 1312 Joan, daughter of the famous 'Red Earl' of Ulster, Richard de Burgo. Joan's sister Ellen, or Elizabeth, married King Robert Bruce of Scotland, and her sister Margaret was the wife of Thomas' cousin Maurice FitzThomas Fitzgerald, who became the first earl

From a map in J. Otway, Ruthven. *A History of Medieval Ireland.*



Boundary of County Kildare in 1300 superimposed on the modern county boundaries.
 = boundary of the medieval county of Kildare.
 - - - - modern county boundaries.

Note that the barony of Arklow is part of Kildare.

of Desmond in 1329. The second Earl of Kildare died at Maynooth in 1328 and he too was buried in Grey Abbey at Kildare. Lady Joan married for the second time at Maynooth the following year and her husband, Sir John Darcy, was granted by King Edward III, in his capacity as guardian to the heir who was a minor, the lands of Kildare, Maynooth, Crom, Adare, and Estgrene during the minority of the fourth earl. The third Earl, who succeeded in 1328, died the following year at the age of twelve and was buried with his father. His brother Maurice then became the fourth earl. The marquis of Kildare says that he was 'a person of great piety', and a benefactor of the Priory of St. Wolstans. When he died in 1390 he was buried in Christ Church Cathedral in Dublin.

The fifth Earl, Gerald, succeeded in 1390. There is a certain confusion about the succession to the earldom at this stage. The marquis of Kildare says that Gerald's son John succeeded as sixth earl at his father's

death in 1410, and was succeeded in his turn by his only son Thomas as seventh earl in 1427. Professor Otway-Ruthven finds some obscurity as to the succession at this period Elizabeth, daughter of the fourth earl, had married the fourth earl of Ormond and it seems that the Kildare lands passed to Ormond by his wife's right. Thomas the seventh earl whom she identifies as the grand-nephew, not grandson, of the fifth earl, was recognised as earl in 1456 and later recovered all the Kildare inheritance. It seems then that John, the sixth earl, may not have been officially recognised as such, but the marquis of Kildare tells us that he 'strengthened and enlarged the Castles of Maynooth and Kildare'. Maynooth by this time had been the chief seat of the earls of Kildare for more than one hundred years and was known as 'one of the largest and richest Earl's houses in Ireland'.

During the fourteenth century the Kildare FitzGerald, with their cousins the earls of Desmond and the

Butlers, earls of Ormond, emerged as the most powerful of all the great Anglo-Irish families. By this time the Gaelic Irish were fighting back strongly against English advances, and were pushing back the boundaries of English influence. At the same time the great Anglo-Irish families, including the Geraldines and particularly the Desmond branch, were becoming Gaelicised and 'more Irish than the Irish themselves'. The English kings had problems at home and ambitions on the continent that prevented them from concentrating their full force on Ireland. From 1338 to 1453 England was involved in the Hundred Years War with France, and almost immediately after that had ended the struggle began between

the houses of York and Lancaster for the throne of England. In these circumstances the tendency was to leave the government of Ireland to one of the great Anglo-Irish lords who, because of his close relationship with the Gaelic Irish, could maintain relative peace and law and order with much less expenditure of men and money than could the English King. With the exception of the Butlers of Ormond, most of Ireland supported the Yorkists in the English struggle. When the Yorkist Edward IV came to power in 1461 he made the earl of Desmond chief governor in Ireland. Then both the earl of Desmond and his cousin of Kildare were accused of treason by their enemies because of their relations with the Gaelic Irish.

Desmond was replaced as chief governor by the Englishman Sir John Tiptoft, and then was arrested by him and executed for treason in 1468. Kildare escaped, crossed to England and pleaded his case successfully with the King. With a rebellion in Ireland because of the treatment of Desmond, Tiptoft was recalled, and, since the Butlers were on the wrong side and the house of Desmond alienated, a long period of Kildare pre-dominance began. The seventh earl became chief governor in 1471. His son, Gerald the eighth earl, known as Garret Mor or the Great Earl, who succeeded in 1477, is probably the best known and most colourful of all the Kildares and needs an article to himself.

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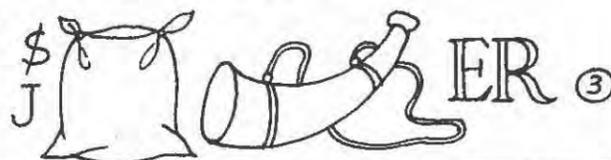
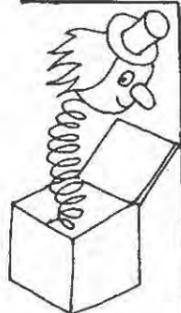
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Childrens Corner.

Nursery Rhymes

Work out the nursery rhyme characters.



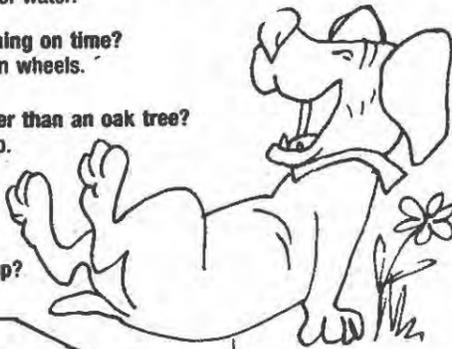
Joke tile

Someone's at the door collecting for a swimming pool.
Mum: Give them a glass of water.

Woman: Is this bus running on time?
Driver: No, it's running on wheels.

Can a mouse jump higher than an oak tree?
Yes, oak trees can't jump.

What is out of bounds?
An exhausted kangaroo.



Man: Waiter, waiter, where's my turtle soup?
Waiter: You know how slow turtles are.

WINNERS OF THE OCTOBER COMPETITION:

Ages 4-7 years

1st Prize
Rory McKeivitt
4 Laurence Ave.,
Maynooth.

Runner Up
Ciara Leavy,
839 Greenfield,
Maynooth.

2nd Prize
Gillian Corbally,
22 Maynooth Park,
Maynooth.

Runner Up
Darragh Carr,
21 Rail Park,
Maynooth.

Elaine Tobin,
108 Rail Park,
Maynooth.

Ages 8-12 years

1st Prize
Noel Daly,
548 O'Neill Park,
Maynooth.

Runner Up
David Leavy,
840 Greenfield,
Maynooth.

2nd Prize
Ciaran McKeivitt,
4 Laurence Ave.,
Maynooth.

Runner Up
Martin Farrell,
11 Greenfield Dr.,
Maynooth.

The Maynooth Branch of the Allied Irish Banks has kindly offered to sponsor the Childrens Colouring Competition from now on. Watch out for the fabulous prizes which will be announced next issue.

CHILDRENS PET COMPETITION

We are delighted to have received further response to our pets competition. We publish one of the entries below. Thanks to Fiona for the lovely poem and her pet.

We call on all our childrens corner readers to send in a story or poem with a photograph of their pets.

So come on kids! See if your pet can win a prize for you. Send in your entries not later than Monday 14th November.

Crossword No. 12 by 'Sprite'.

Winner of the £5 prize for Sprite No. 11 Crossword is:

**Rosemary Hanley,
8 Greenfield Drive,
Maynooth.**

MY PET

I have a little terrapin
His name is Timmy
He is very small
And he is very funny
When we bring him for a walk
He even tries to talk
He loves when its hot
And sleeps when its not
Thats all about my Timmy

**Fiona McIntyre,
30 Railpark,
Maynooth.
Aged: 8 years.**



International riders pay a flying visit to Maynooth in the Nissan Classic Race.

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Maynooth Newsletter wishes to announce a **New Service**. You can now buy your friends and relatives (home and abroad) a years/6 months subscription to the Newsletter. The subscription fee is minimized to copy and postage costs. For further details call us at 285922.

Would Ross O'Sullivan please contact the Community Council Offices re runner up prize in the colouring competition in August.



Trees

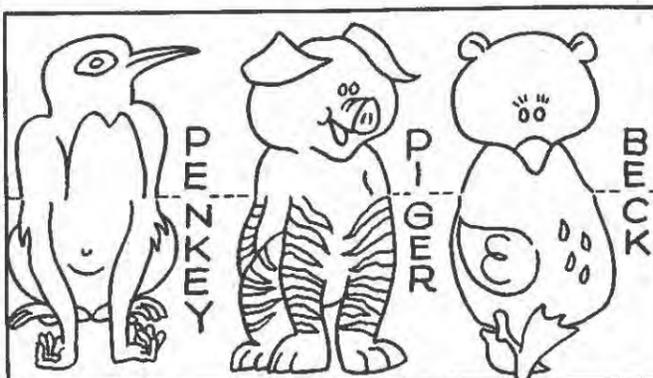
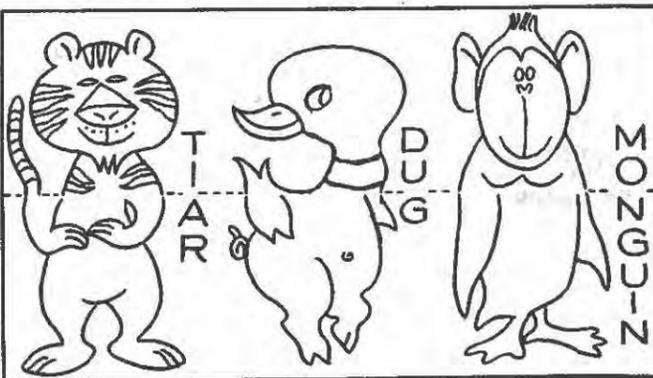


1	2
3	4
5	6

Work out the names of six trees.

Funny Lot

Cut out the two oblongs, then cut along the dotted lines. Then have lots of fun finding the matching halves.



MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES COMMITTEE

Active aged week was this year held between the 9th and 16th of October. It started with a Table Quiz on Sunday 9th and was enjoyed by all who attended.

On Tuesday morning instead of the usual morning session a coach brought them to Carton and then back to the I.C.A. Hall for refreshments. Then on Tuesday evening they were invited by the Evergreens in Clane to participate in their Table Quiz. The six who played came home delighted having won a player. They also received a pot plant each.

Thursday night was cabaret night. This event took place in the new look Leinster Arms, music was provided by the Partners and the evening was enjoyed by all.

On Sunday 16th The Tony Smith Memorial Walk took place and also Cospoair and I.C.A. walk for the national day of ageing. A certificate was received by all who took part in this walk. There were services and prayers in both Churches on the two

Sundays in connection with Active Aged Week. There is on display in the library until the 13th November a number of crafts made by the elderly. **THE SALE OF WORK** and Wheel of Fortune will take place in the Parish Hall on **SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER** usual stalls. The elderly will have their own stall selling their crafts, samples of which are to be seen in the library. Please support our sale in any way you can. We will have our

usual house to house collection for this event. Look forward to seeing you all there on the 13th.

Our next party will be in Mid November — everyone will be notified. Our morning sessions continue as usual on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the I.C.A.

Apologies for having no notes in the last two issues.

Sheila Jolley, P.R.O.

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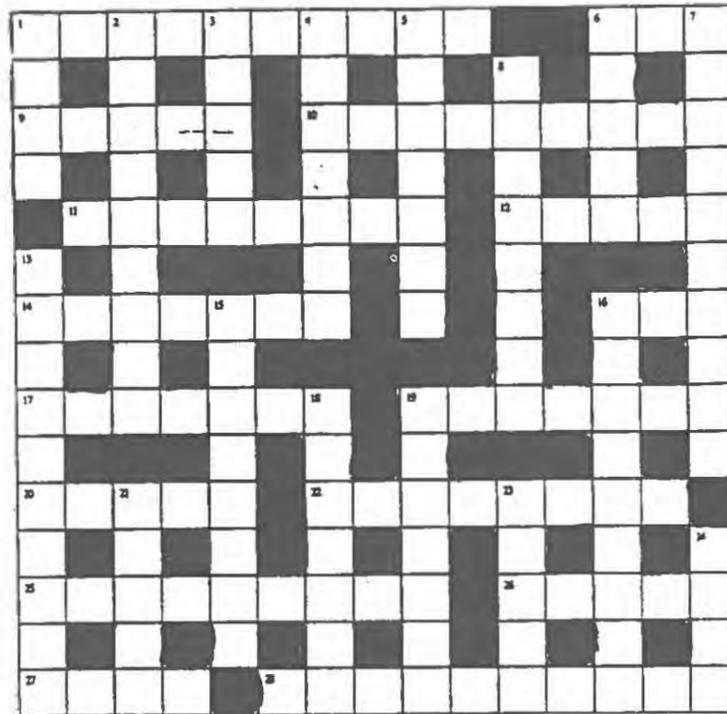
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CROSSWORD NO. 12 By 'SPRITE'

CROSSWORD CLUES

ACROSS:

- 1 Local rag (10)
- 6 Get whiskey from local water supply (3)
- 9 Mother's offspring wears an apron sometimes (5)
- 10 Consigned to lower divisions (9)
- 11 It may take more than ten at last to make her look better (8)
- 12 This head is red by inclination and partly by name (5)
- 14 Confused feline may perform at the end (4,3)
- 16 Crush the preserve (3)
- 17 In her, it will be passed on (7)
- 19 Where father realizes the value of possessions (3,4)
- 20 Form a judgement without sufficient evidence (5)
- 22 Throw off in an unrestricted fashion for surface excavations (4-4)
- 25 I'm firmly fixed (9)
- 26 The ma is upset but she's got Sam Og (5)
- 27 Confuse and raze the poet for a pound (4)
- 28 Start the couriers in disarray (10)



CROSSWORD - FIVE POUNDS PRIZE

Monday 14th November 1988

Name:.....

Address:.....

DOWN:

- 1 I mean to call for a title (4)
- 2 Another side of the ma while she's upset (9)
- 3 Loren is upset to be like Garbo (5)
- 4 Mixed up men trot in distress (7)
- 5 Volunteers (7)
- 6 Stare in confusion at the property levy (5)
- 7 Terms of affection as ten men read peculiarly (10)
- 8 Do an injustice to one (8)
- 13 Heading for a less militant season? (10)
- 15 Vera is a bit harsh (8)
- 16 Joan deals in an upset fashion as she makes her way through Maynooth (4,5)
- 18 Here comes our belt to cause distress (7)
- 19 Staggers to rest after the tee (7)
- 21 This chap seems more wooden (5)
- 23 A male clerical assistant initially can play with this (5)
- 24 In this way, as a result (4)

SOLUTION TO No. 11 BELOW



Winner of 'Sprite' no. 11 Crossword is: Rosemary Hanley, Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUTER LINE TO BE UPGRADED

Four new stations are to be opened on the Maynooth-Connolly Station commuter railway line as part of a plan recently announced by Iarnród Éireann to upgrade commuter railway services in the Dublin area. The new stations will be located at Confey (at the top of Captain's Hill in Leixlip), Coolmine, Blanchardstown and Broombridge (between Cabra and Finglas, near Liffey Junction, from which two separate lines lead into Connolly Station).

Expansion of the Maynooth service had been held back by a lack of rolling stock. Indeed, scheduling on the Maynooth line appeared to be controlled as much by when engines were available from the mainline services as by the needs of commuters. However, this problem has been eased by the acquisition of additional machines from Northern Ireland Railways. At the same time, this move was itself spurred by the success of the Maynooth service, according to Iarnród Éireann.

The new stations will inevitably add to the length of the journey from Maynooth to Connolly Station, al-

though some services may be express or limited-stop. On the other hand, Iarnród Éireann plans to significantly expand the number of trains travelling each way on the line on a daily basis, which should greatly improve the range of choice open to those using the service. In particular, there will be services from Maynooth around midday, the lack of which is a serious drawback with the current service.

One of the side effects of the opening of the new stations will be that Maynooth College will become much more accessible to students from the rapidly-growing suburbs along the line. As reported in the last issue of the Newsletter, the college is already greatly oversubscribed as regards demand for places, and would not be able to cater for extra students as things stand at the moment. However, the fact that Maynooth would be rendered much more accessible than Trinity College and particularly UCD might cause the government to sanction further expansion to absorb this extra demand. This would be a great boost for the college.

Iarnród Éireann's plans also provide for the opening up of the Dublin-Cork line to commuter services for the first time. While this line normally terminates at Heuston Station, which is poorly located for commuter traffic,

there is a little-used spur line extending under the Phoenix Park which links up with the Maynooth line at Glasnevin. It is intended to use this line to bring commuters to the heart of the city, although, interestingly, the terminus for this service will be Pearse Station at Westland Row. Presumably Connolly Station is already too busy to act as terminus for the new service.

Iarnród Éireann has already decided to open stations at Islandbridge (where the Phoenix Park link merges with the Heuston line), Inchicore, Ballyfermot, and Clondalkin, and is looking at the possibility of other commuter stops. These could include stops serving Lucan, Celbridge, Sallins/Naas, Newbridge and even Monasterevin, Kildare, of course, is already a regular stop for the construction of a spur line from Clondalkin to serve the Tallaght area.

All in all, then, the scene seems set for a fairly dramatic upgrading of commuter rail services in the area to the west of Dublin. This welcome development should make life a lot more pleasant for regular travellers, including those still needing or choosing to use their cars, who should find the roads a lot freer as more and more of their fellow travellers opt for Iarnród Éireann's "easy ride".



WRITERS

CRAMP

CHILDREN

Children are a blessing
To their Mother and Fathers pride
When once Mother lay caressing
Her one and tender child
Then families are created
By such love and tenderness
For this love cannot be deluted
With a new born child to bless
Swiftly years go bye
When kids grow to be strong
From a tiny infants cry
To a new world to belong
I look at them in play
With adventure and such fun
Happy is their every day
In a new world just begun
Children grow to be strong and stern
With a future life to live
Many things for them to learn
With plentiful love to give
They are a blessing and a prayer
With youth to guide their way
Their presence fills the air
With so much fun to stay

"MOTHER"

My Mother is so good to me
Through strife she aids me so
Like fruit from the apple tree
She guides me as I grow
Love without fail she is
Trying to make ends meet
As I give her a gentle kiss
To remind her she's a treat

Cherish your Mother I say
Treat her with love and care
As in life her hair turns grey
With so much love to share
Mother I say to you
Although I neglected you at times
You are the first one in my heart
It is to you my heart unwinds

Lady you brought me to this earth
As all my life springs from you
You are the reason of my birth
Reared with care so true
No one can take your place
As I am so aware
Your best in the human race
Your love is a gentle prayer.

Written by:

Patrick Murray,
23 Foxdene Park,
Balgaddy,
Clondalkin,
Dublin 22.

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Well do you like our revamped name? We decided to drop the word "youth" as really we cater for everyone from 11 up to early twenties — that is if they don't all become leaders before then.

Anyway, we have started our new year on a very positive note. We have a new Secretary — Fiona O'Connor and Treasurer — John McGarry. Both Fiona and John have been with the club as members over the past number of years responsible for rewiring the whole hall when we had the "AnCO" project renovation four years ago. Subsequently he was selected to go to Louvain to rewire the Irish College.

Fiona is presently attending a course on Childcare — showing her

love of young people in another way.

Peig is getting along fine and we should really congratulate her daughter Helena who has been awarded a 1st class honour M.A. The title of her thesis was "Co-operatives" — it looks as though she is carrying on the family tradition of interest in the community, even as she studies.

Back to everyday matters. Club opened last Friday night. We were delighted to welcome lots of new members, its always good to see new faces. We intend having craft classes on alternate Thursday starting 20th October and to this and we have been lucky to get May Daly to come along and give her expert advice and help. We are also hoping that some of our adults in the community will come along to help. The time is not too long 7.30 — 8.30 once a fortnight. You could call it investing in the future — what the youth of today learn, they in turn will pass on as the adults of tomorrow. Please Help!

As we are having alternate weeks — we are starting our drama, song and dance on Thursday week 27th October. Again the same time 7.30 — 8.30 and as usual help is needed. We intend taking part in the forthcoming C.Y.C. competitions. "Bopar-

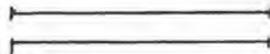
ama" disco dancing and "Rising Stars" which incorporates music, song and dance.

As the Olympics are just over we intend keeping the interest going and we will have indoor 5-a-side soft football. There are three age groups here U/14, U/16, U/18. We also intend to have basketball and Volleyball as well as our usual Uni-Loc which is a firm favourite.

Needless to say we continue our weekly cooking session on Fridays and will have the odd vidoes as well.

As you can see we have a very full and varied calendar in store for the next year. We are in the Red at the moment but during the coming weeks we will have our "Annual Flag Days" and we ask for your support. We also intend having a table quiz in the near future so watch out for the posters. We always welcome visitors so why not drop down some Friday night or to come to our "specialist" nights on Thursdays.

Sincere thanks to all who help in any way in helping us help the young.



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MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

The junior quiz team did very well in the Chapter quiz. They were exceptionally knowledgeable on the Credit Union, indeed they would put a lot of us to shame. The team members were Paul Daly, Gerard Murphy, Catherine Ashe and Fiona Lawler. Congratulations to them. The poster competition is the next event taking place. This is a nationwide event with the winning posters being used for the 1990 calendar. It is open to all age groups.

When we receive full details from the Irish League of Credit Unions, we

shall display all relevant details and make the entry forms available to all. **Let us do Maynooth Proud**

As the number of people joining and transferring to our Credit Union continues to grow we are now opening the sub-office on Quinnsworth Mall on Thursday nights. A full list of opening hours can be found at the end of this report.

When joining the Credit Union don't be shy about asking questions. All our personnel are well trained and if they cannot answer you directly you can be sure they will find the

answer for you.

The sub-office on Quinnsworths Mall does not lend itself to confidential discussion. It is ideal for collecting of cash and taking new members. So if you at any time need to have a private interview be sure and use our office in the Harbour.

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Thursday, The Mall 7 pm-8.30 pm
Friday, The Mall 7 pm-8.30 pm
Saturday, The Harbour
10 am-12.30 pm

CU There.

THE JOHN PAUL II LIBRARY

On the 12th October the John Paul II Library was presented the Standing Conference of National and University Libraries (SCONUL) Library Design Award for 1988. This award was presented to the Library for its very attractive, well-sited building. The Library was considered a very good example of modern design what with its open plan work areas and flexible lay-out. This prestigious award is considered of great importance in the U.K. and Ireland. It is the first time any such award has been presented to a library in Ireland.

Other libraries that received the SCONUL Library Design Award were the Durham University Library, and the Newcastle University Library, both England.

His Eminence Cardinal O'Fiaich later unveiled a plaque marking the award.



From left to right:

Msgr. M. Ledwith, Mr. Quincy (representative from SCONUL), Cardinal O'Fiaich, Dr. Thomas Kabdebo (Chief Librarian).

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

I read in the October issue the remarks made by the editor regarding copydate, and the verbal onslaught the Newsletter staff suffer from contributors who want to break the rules of deadline. While I have never been one of these offenders, each month I wish I had just a few more days before writing my report.

The Club's monthly meeting takes place on the third Tuesday of each month. Deadline for the Newsletter is the third Monday. Hence my problem.

As I write this article we are just about to have our A.G.M. We are now eight years in being and going strong. We are looking forward to the election of a new Committee, with a new lady in the chair. When the business of voting is over, we endeavour to make it a social gathering and end the evening with tea and birthday cake.

Our November meeting takes place on Tuesday 15th at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall as usual. The Demonstrator will be Margaret Auld and we are looking forward to a most interesting evening of flower arranging.

Next date for flower arranging enthusiasts to remember is 13th December, our special Christmas Demonstration given by Mrs. Marie Cunningham in S.V.D. Hostel Moyglare Road. This meeting is open and all are welcome.

My sincere thanks to the Editorial staff for their co-operation during the year.

Betty Farrell, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH BROWNIE PACK

It is with great regret that I have to announce the closing of the Maynooth Brownie Pack. For insurance purposes I needed the help of two parents per session and unfortunately this was not forthcoming. The children are still interested but without sufficient parental support, I cannot continue to run the Pack. If there are any adults interested and willing to commit themselves to a Brownie meeting of one and a half hours duration each Saturday morning, (10.00 to 11.30 a.m.) plus a planning meeting once a month and are willing to do the training to become Guiders, please contact me at

52 Greenfield Drive
Maynooth

and I will put you in touch with the Irish Girl Guides who will let you have the dates of trainings for Brownie Guiders. The only qualifica-

tions required are an interest in the children, and time and willingness to learn.

The Brownies is run on an entirely voluntary basis and from the experience of the last nine years, I would say that the children thoroughly enjoy it. It seems a terrible shame to have to close the pack when the children are the ones who lose out. There are now 24 very disappointed little girls in Maynooth. If enough parents were willing, each would only have to attend one session plus one planning session per month.

Please think about it for your children's sake as it is very difficult to restart a pack once it closes down.

The pack will be officially closed on 30th November and I will then notify the IGG and any outstanding balance in the bank account will pass to them and the equipment will be disposed of to benefit a children's charity.

Carmel Hogan.
Brown Owl.

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POST PRIMARY SCHOOL, MAYNOOTH

Another academic year, another group of First Year students — another set of Leaving Certificate students about to take their place in society as students in their third level, apprentices or employees. In these difficult times for young people our wish for all concerned is that they get fixed up in whatever they desire.

Excitement about the Russian trip is beginning to rise. In the first week of November a group of fifty students and teachers from the school will set out for Russia. Already passports, roubles and general information are changing hands. By the time they set off, excitement will be infectious.

Advance notice that the Social Highlight of the year the Maynooth Post-Primary Annual Debs Ball will be held again this year in the Keadeen Hotel on November 18th. Anybody interested in tickets is advised to book early because the demand as usual is expected to be great.

The A.G.M. of the Parent/Teacher Association will be held on October 11th at 8.00 pm. Parents are asked to mark this on their calendar.

CALENDAR OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thurs. 3rd Nov. Fashion Show and Cabaret in Hitchin Post 8 p.m.

Thurs. 3rd Nov. I.C.A. meeting 8 p.m.

Fri. 4th Nov. National I.C.A. Drama Competition in Newbridge.

Sat. 5th Nov. National I.C.A. Drama Competition in Newbridge.

Tues. 8th Nov. Community Games A.G.M. in C.C. Office at 8 p.m.

Sun. 13th Nov. Old Folks Sale of Work in Parish Hall at 2 p.m.

Sun. 13th Nov. Maynooth v Clane (away) 11.30 a.m.

Mon. 14th Nov. Community Council Meeting in C.C. Office 8 p.m.

Sun. 27th Nov. Maynooth v Kilcullen (Home) 11.30 a.m.

Sun. 11th Dec. Maynooth v Kilcock (away) 11.30 a.m.

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STREET TALKING

ping fraternity when they are already doing the needful and stocking their trolleys as if the Siege of Derry were underway once more? Funny thing is, out in the Merrion Centre last week there was none of that. What I heard instead was a calming Baroque symphony — Bach or Handel, one of the German chaps from the 17th century (music lovers may correct my dates). I'm not saying that classical music is the great cure-all: Merely that it seems unnecessary and a trifle unfair to advertise (and so aggressively) when we're already in the supermarket. I don't need it. It's enough to make people feel like the Stepford Wives as they move hypnotically through the passages of 'Happy Shopping Land'. Next thing I'll be waltzing down the aisles with an innane grin of my face . . .

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salt and pepper
2 dessert apples
1 tablespoon lemon juice.

Heat the butter in a pan. Fry the onions and chicken. Stir in the flour and curry powder, then gradually blend in the stock. Bring the mixture to the boil, stirring, then add the rice, a little salt and pepper and simmer for 25 minutes. Slice the peeled apples, sprinkle with the lemon juice. Fry for a few minutes. Add the apples to the soup and heat for a few minutes.

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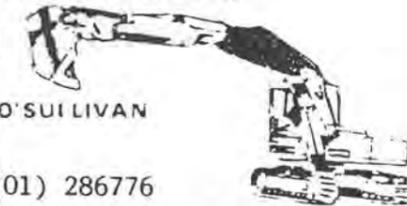


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COLLEGE NEWS

Full First Year Enrolment

As explained in the last issue, the college Admissions Office has to estimate in advance what level of points to set in order to get the required number of first year entrants. While the level of points set this year proved extraordinarily accurate in terms of the initial level of acceptances received, a number of these subsequently withdrew, so that further offers were sent out on lower points levels in order to make up the shortfall. Eventually, all available places were filled on seventeen points for Arts and sixteen points for Science. These, therefore, could be regarded as the minimum targets for anybody thinking of attending Maynooth next year although, with competition for places growing all the time, a higher points level is likely to be required.

Demonstrations

It seems to be becoming increasingly fashionable to conduct demonstrations at the College gates during the periodic meetings there of Ireland's Catholic bishops. The latest of these, organised by the Irish Council Against Blood Sports, and protesting against the involvement of priests in hare coursing, received considerable national media attention during the bishops' October meeting. As a result, the regular protest by Father Patrick Keane, suspended some time ago from his diocesan duties by the Archbishop of Dublin, was pushed very much into the background.

ACADEMIC HONOURS FOR LOCAL WOMEN

Two local women were recently in receipt of high academic distinctions. Dympna McLoughlin, of Carton Court, was awarded the degree of Ph.D. in Geography by Syracuse University in the USA. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McLoughlin of O'Neill Park, Dympna is a graduate of Maynooth College, from which she also obtained her M.A. degree in Geography. On the basis of her Master's thesis, Dympna was awarded a Travelling Studentship by the National Univer-

sity of Ireland which allowed her to attend Syracuse University for her doctoral studies. The subject of her doctoral thesis was the organised migration of women from Irish workhouses to North America in the mid-nineteenth century.

Two of Dympna's sisters, Celine and Aine, are also Maynooth graduates, as is Dympna's husband, Jim Walsh. Dympna is currently a Research Fellow at the Institute of Irish Studies in Queen's University, Belfast.

Meanwhile, Helena Lynch, daughter of Paddy and Peg Lynch of Maynooth Park, was awarded her M.A. degree with First Class Honours in Geography from Maynooth College in September. The subject of Helena's thesis was the Workers' Co-operative movement in Ireland. Helena's brother, Tadhg, is also a student at Maynooth College.

We wish both Dympna and Helena all the best in their future careers.

Retirement

A long-serving member of the College teaching staff retired at the end of the last academic year. Father Patrick Corish, Professor of History, has retired upon reaching the appropriate age. Apart from his



eminent academic contributions to the College Fr. Corish was, at one time, College President.

... And New Arrivals

Three new members have joined the academic staff as a result of redeployments from Carysfort College of Education, which closed during the summer. These are Maeve Martin (Education), Seamus Mac Gabhann (English) and Jim Walsh (Geography). The College is fortunate to have been able to acquire the services of such experienced personnel at this time of educational cutbacks. We extend our best wishes to them in their new positions.

Award of Doctorate

Congratulations to Tom Collins, popular Lecturer in the College's Centre for Adult and Community Education, who was recently awarded a Ph.D. in Sociology by the National University of Ireland. A graduate of Maynooth College, Tom lives with his wife Ethel (one of five Fagan sisters from Moyvalley who are also all Maynooth graduates) and three children in Dunsany, Co. Meath.

THE LIBRARY DIARY

To all groups, associations and organisations etc who organise events for the Maynooth area, We would like to draw your attention to the Diary in Maynooth Library. The Diary is there to be used by all, to log coming events. In this way all groups will know what's on, when and where. By making full use of this Diary we will all avoid clashing dates and this should make for better running of events for all.

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Celbridge Photographer, better known in North Kildare for his Wedding and Portraiture photography showed another side to his talents when winning the Irish Times Olympus Photographic competition in the "Movement" section. Hugh was photographing a landscape for a travel brochure in Southern Corfu when a young Greek boy ran into the frame. Snap, and an award winning photograph is in the bag.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The monthly meeting took place on the first Thursday of October. Mrs. Bridie Brady presided and welcomed everyone. Madame President extended sympathy to Mary Burke on the death of her brother-in-law.

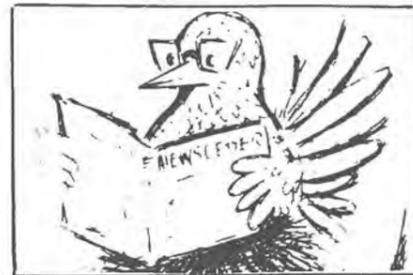
During awareness week a crafts demonstration was organised by our V.C.O's in Castletown House, on Sunday 25th September. Mrs. Satchwell our Federation President thanked the guild members who helped to make the day a resounding success. Imelda Delaney our V.C.O. invited Celbridge Guild to a demonstration on crafts, on Monday 26th September. She expressed gratitude to Mary O'Gorman and Joan Shannon for giving the demonstration on soft toy making, and for making Celbridge welcome.

The National Drama is being hosted by Kildare. It will take place in Newbridge on the 4th, 5th, and 6th of November. There are twenty one counties taking part.

The guest speaker this month was Mr Paddy Desmond. He gave a most informative talk on Insurance, ranging from personal to house, and car insurance. We wish to thank Mr. Desmond for presenting two books on "The Lives of Famous Irish People" for a draw. Helen Finn and Mary Doyle were the proud winners.

We have crafts every Monday 8 pm - 10 pm. Badminton every Tuesday and Thursday 11 a.m.-12.30. Set Dancing on Wednesday night at 8 p.m. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd November in the I.C.A. Hall at 8 p.m.

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SPORTS NEWS



COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

A.G.M.

At the recent A.G.M. the following officers were elected:

Chairman/P.R.O.: Declan Forde
 Secretary: Paul Broughan
 Treasurer: Philip Purcell
 Asst. Treasurer: Joe Carey

Tony O'Connor and Paul Broughan were re-appointed Managers for 1988/89, despite a late £500,000 bid from Athletic Madrid for Tony (somebody called Atrison was second choice). The manager subsequently appointed Philip Purcell as Club Captain (something for Phil to do in his declining years).

1988/89

Two new players have signed this year, Brian O'Brien and Hugh Reilly. Both have made a great impression.

This year sees the club competing in Division 3 of the M.D.L. and consequently the task grows more difficult.

Results to Date

The opening shield match resulted in a disastrous 5-1 defeat at the hands of Ratoath Harps second string. Suffice to say that few players enhanced their reputations on the night.

League

College Green (0) 4
 Stackallen Rovers (1) 1

In a very open and entertaining match we produced our best performance of the season. New skipper Purcell and debutant O'Brien got on the score sheet. Managers O'Connor and Broughan also found the net. Paul Broughan and Paddy McGovern were outstanding for the home side.

Dunboyne (1) 2
 College Green (1) 2

We produced a great first half performance but ran out of steam in the second half. A depleted side did very well in the final analysis to hang onto

the draw. At an earlier stage in the game we could have run out comfortable winners. A succession of peculiar refereeing decisions denied us of two certain and two possible penalties. As the second half wore on, Dunboyne grew stronger and only sterling performances from Paul Broughan and John Hughes stemmed the tide. Tony O'Connor did impressions of "Stonewall" Jackson. Paul Broughan and Joe Buckley were the scorers.

College Green (2) 5
 College Rovers (0) 3

The "battle of the colleges" produced very poor fare. However, a win is a win. Paddy Govern scored twice from the shot, with goals also coming from Paul Broughan and Gerry Murtagh. Joe Carey scored the fifth goal, his first for College Green. This result put us in second place in Div. 3.

Athboy Utd. (0) 1
 College Green (0) 1

On a wet, heavy and difficult pitch both sides produced a good game for the "Meath Weekender's" featured match. "College Looking Good Again" the headline read. Playing against a steep slope we were always under pressure in the first half. After ten minutes it needed a superb save from Hugh Reilly to deprive Athboy. Ray Broughan's rebound off the crossbar was about our only strike on goal in the first period. Almost on the hour Athboy netted. This produced an immediate backlash. Three goals came in reply. Joe Buckley and Ray Broughan took the first two opportunistic goals. Ray's brother Paul finished the contest with a third, as he almost casually sauntered down the field and beautifully placed the ball in the bottom far right corner. This good result left us on top of the Div. 3 table.

College Green (1) 3
 Munster/Connaught (1) 2

The home side played an almost full-strength side for the first time this season and as the saying goes "flattered but to deceive".

Moments of brilliant football interspersed with mediocre fare, or vice versa depending on your outlook on life. O'Brien, Hughes and McGovern excelled at midfield. McGroarty in his first match of the season showed how we missed him up to now.

Midway through the first half the visitors went in front. From the kickoff John Hughes equalised. Murtagh put

the home side ahead and McGroarty made it 3-1. Munster/Connaught reduced the deficit with fifteen minutes to go. McGroarty almost made it 4-2 with seconds to go, but a reflex save denied him.

Overall College Green produced excellent passages of play and at times, by contrast, faded out completely. In fairness, though, the visitors gave them a very tough game and proved to be extremely fast on the break, in what proved to be a very exciting match.

Forthcoming Attractions

The 20th of November Challenge Cup match pitches us at home to Div. 1A giants Grave Rangers. Ciaran McGroarty's return should boost us against the Drogheda side. After the Munster/Connaught match Ciaran was presented with last seasons "Div. 4 Player of the Year award".

Congratulations

To Philip and Stella Purcell on the birth of Ciaran. To Michael and Pauline Martin on the occasion of their marriage.

Yours sincerely,
 Declan Forde.
 Chairman/P.R.O.



MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

At an extraordinary meeting the following committee was elected.
 Chairman: Michael Gleeson
 Vice Chairperson: Bernie Dunne
 Secretary: Bernie Dunne
 Competition Sec.: Marie Gleeson
 Treasurer: David Jolly
 Registrar: Patsy McCluskey
 Joint P.R.O.: Barbara Tracey and Margaret Noonan.
 Remainder of Committee: Helen Redmond, Brian Redmond, Margaret Gillick, Paddy Power, Paddy Lynch, David Cunningham.

We would like to welcome the new

people on the committee and really appreciate them coming forward.

We would like to thank the following who donated spot prizes for the recent road race. Elite, Seans' Newsagents, Barberstown Hotel, Moyglare Manor and the Roost.

Anyone who has not registered for 88-89 season, it is now time to do so. Family membership £25 per annum. Senior members £10 and juniors and juveniles £2.50. Training every Tuesday and Thursday in the G.A.A. grounds 7 o'clock until 8.

B. Tracey and M. Noonan

MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C.

The Club has been busy during October, for as well as the League the first rounds of some of the major cups were played. Some recent results:

October 2nd.
 Anner United 1
 Maynooth Town 2

This was a hard-earned but well deserved win in the Premier Division as the team had to overcome appalling injury problems which at one point reduced them to nine men! Sean Moore and Philip Doyle scored.

October 9th.
 Maynooth Town 3
 Edenderry Town 4 (After extra time).

Like so many of our clashes with Edenderry this Leinster Junior Cup tie was a thriller despite being badly understrength, the team put up a great fight and were in fact within

five minutes of victory in normal time. Terry Moore, Tony Kearins and Ray McArdle scored.

October 16th.
 Clondalkin Celtic 2
 Maynooth Town 3

A great win over difficult opponents in the F.A.I. Junior Cup. Once again the team showed great character and courage in overcoming injury problems. The introduction of Gerry Mulhall as a substitute was an inspired move as he scored two of the goals, Sean Moore getting the third.

Finally, a reminder that the Christmas Draw has started. We look forward to your continued support.

Gerry Durack, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH TOWN LADIES SOCCER CLUB

Once again our season has come to a close. Although it was not as successful as last year we must remember we were promoted two divisions owing to our good performance in the previous year.

Firstly I would like to thank everyone responsible for our success over the last two years, namely Michael Dempsey, Johnnie Thompson, Pearce Breslin, and the many people who supported us over this period.

Secondly I would like to thank the players who gave of their best throughout the season, and most of all those players who prepared the pitch when necessary, which was very often. Also we would like to thank Lennie Murphy and Joe O'Rourke who marked the pitch when required. A special word of thanks to

the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party, who sponsored the Player of the year Trophy, which was won by Cherry Prendergast and was presented by Emmet Stagg T.D. in Caulfields on 24th September 1988.

To keep the Club going we now require players from aged 15 years and upwards and if anyone is interested please contact Christina Sauls at 286914.

Finally we would like to wish Clare O'Mahony who has emigrated to England the best of luck.

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Sunday 27th November
Maynooth V Kilcullen — Home

Sunday 11th December
Maynooth V Kilcock — Away

Please come along and give our U/17 Team your support as this is our minor team for 1989. Best of luck to you lads.

CHRISTMAS DRAW: We are running our Christmas Draw again this year. This draw goes towards our National School Teams. Our school fields two U/10, two U/11 and two U/13 teams and travelling expenses are high so your support is required in this draw. Looking forward to your support.

Preparations for the building of our new club house are progressing slowly but surely, more information on this in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Michael Caden,
P.R.O.

TOM FLOOD CUP FINAL

St. Finians (Newcastle) 2.13
Maynooth 1.4

St. Finians defeated Maynooth (holders) in Tom Flood Cup Final on Sunday 2nd October before a large attendance. It was a good sporting game but it was obvious from the early stages that St. Finians were the more dominant team. Maynooth could not get into the game in any sector of the field. At half time they were behind by 2.6 — 0.1, the point coming from a free by J. Nolan. All Maynooth supporters thought Maynooth might make the same come back in the second half as they did against Lucan

in the semi-final but it was not to be. On a bad day for Maynooth only a few players need mentioning. M. McManus, P. Kearney and midfielder P. Ennis. There were celebrations when the match ended and St. Finians captain received the cup from Mrs. Flood for the first time and afterwards in the Roost. Well done to St. Finians. We would like to thank our sponsors of this very successful tournament. They were Diggins and Conway Builders, Noel Cassidy the Roost, Liam Flood Bookmakers, Aidan Flood, the Square. We would like to thank John O'Rourke, Manager of the Roost for presenting the trophies to the winners and runners up.

DELANEY CUP FINAL

The U/13 football team finished off a great season with a resounding victory over Celbridge with the score 3.8 - 0.4. This was a performance of excellent quality by the Maynooth lads who gave an exhibition of precision football from start to finish. Michael

O'Farrell again proved that he is a goal keeper of class and with Kenneth Killoran and Joey Dempsey excellent in the backs Celbridge found scoring very difficult. With Joey Nevin and Gerard Horn completely dominating mid field the Maynooth forward line had a field day with all six forwards scoring, namely Eddie Mitchell, Dermot Ryan, Martin Donnelly, John Lee, Eamonn Dunne and Colm Browne.

The Maynooth G.A.A. underage selectors namely Joe Nevin, Liam Lacey, Aidan Killoran and Michael Ryan would like to take this opportunity of thanking first of all the players for their excellent contribution during the season and their behaviour both on and off the field and for the many happy memories you gave us, the parents who turned out the lads in such great style, those who helped with the Feile Na nÓg and finally but by no means least the people who very willingly provided transport to matches.



Photograph shows Pat Delaney son of the late Peter Delaney presenting the Delaney Cup to the captain of the Maynooth U/14 Team also in the photo is Mick Gillick Chairman of Maynooth G.A.A. Club.



Photograph shows Maynooth U/14 Team back row left to right. L. Lacey Selector, L. O'Donnell, M. O'Farrell, G. Horn, J. Dempsey, K. Killoran, P. Hogan, E. Dunne, D. Ryan, D. Fleming, M. Ryan Selector. Front row left to right: E. Lacey, D. Mahony, E. Mitchell, J. Nevin Captain, C. Browne, J. Lee, J. Lynch, P. Lacey, M. Donnelly.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB UNDERAGE FOOTBALL

U/16 Championship

In the semi final against firm favourites Moorefield at Clane the Maynooth Team have an excellent display of power packed football before going under by two points. Both teams showed how the game should be played and had Freddie Leavey's shot gone into the net instead of over the bar there is little doubt but that Maynooth would have won and justice done.

U/14 League

The U/14 football team went under to a much physically stronger Suncroft team in the league semi final play at Kill. The Maynooth lads re-

fused to be intimidated by the size difference and right from the throw in up to the final whistle they gave a scintillating display of open football played in a tremendous spirit of complete commitment and self discipline. Having put together numerous excellent moves they failed on several occasions to finish with scores which the moves richly deserved. One such move saw the final pass going to Gerard Horn who did everything right but unfortunately for Maynooth his blistering shot came off the bar and was scrambled clear by Suncroft. This by and large was a team effort by Maynooth but one player who deserves special mention for his sheer courage total commitment and excellent play and that player is David Mahony.

In the U/14 Dublin Leagues match against the famous St. Vincents Club the Maynooth lads set up something

of a record as having being forced to travel with only 13 players they took on the famous Vincents Club who refused to play 13 a side and beat them. Early on Maynooth had some difficulty in dealing with the two extra players that Vincents had but soon they came to terms with the numerical disadvantage and with Joey Nevin winning the midfield battle they found that with forwards of the calibre of Cathal Ryan, Martin Donnelly, Niall Gillick and Patrick Farrell they could secure enough scores to win the match. Enda Lyons was a pillar of strength in the backs and along with Peter Lacey, Michael Meally and John Lynch they easily coped with the Vincents forwards. Meath won the All Ireland with only 14 men for part of the game but the lads from Maynooth won a famous victory with only 13 players for the entire game.

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY PRESIDENT'S OUTING OCTOBER 1st 1988

Maynooth Golfing Society held the President's Outing to Athlone Golf Club on October 1st last. A total of 37 travelled, including our President, J. C. Carey, members, visitors and caddies. In spite of adverse weather conditions everyone enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our President for his support and sponsorship, which is greatly appreciated by all concerned. We sincerely hope that he will remain with us as President, as we celebrate our tenth (10th) anniversary next year.

Congratulations are due to the eventual overall winner Seamus Feeney, and indeed to all the prize-winners, listed below.

PRESIDENTS OUTING ATHLONE October 1st

RESULTS

	PTS
1st Overall	
S. Feeney (14)	33 (on back 9)
2nd Overall	
S. Laheen (14)	33
3rd Overall	
J. Ryan (12)	31
Gross	
L. Ledwith (Scratch)	21
CLASS 1	
1st. N. O'Halloran (11)	33
2nd. B. Mara (12)	28



Mr. J. C. Carey (centre) presents his prize to overall winner Seamus Feeney. On left is Maynooth Golfing Society Captain, Mr. Peter Brazil.

3rd. B. Delamere (12)	27	
4th. E. Ledwith (9)	24	Par 3s
CLASS 2		
		G. McTiernan (17)
1st. T. Dunning (14)	35	Par 5s
2nd. J. McKeown (16)	29	
3rd. M. Dempsey (14)	28	T. Ledwith (11)
4th. J. McBride (13)	27 (on back 9)	7
CLASS 3		Visitors Prize
		J. Duffin (18)
1st. C. Kenny (28)	29	
2nd. T. Sheehan (18)	28	
3rd. T. Flatley (23)	27	
4th. W. Moore (18)	25	
Front 9		
D. Nyland (23)	17 (Last 3)	
Back 9		
M. Hall (19)	13 (Last 3)	

A report of our final outing of the year (Oct. 29th, Edenderry), the final of the Matchplay Competition and Golfer of the Year will appear in the next months edition of the Maynooth Newsletter.

Sean Tracey,
Hon. Secretary.

**SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL
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Have you heard about us? Well! We have a very active conference (men and women) here in the parish of Maynooth. We are a caring society, visiting the lonely, the deprived, and the suffering, helping and advising in numerous ways.

We made arrangements and sent

some people to a holiday home where they spent a memorable and enjoyable week, and we also assisted in sending 3 people to Lourdes this year.

We had a flag day collection recently, and I take this opportunity to thank everyone for their generous response. I would like to thank espec-

ially the directors and management of Quinnsworth supermarket for allowing us the facility of collecting at the entrance to their store.

Many thanks again to all concerned.

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PREVIOUS MUSICAL EXPERIENCE WOULD BE HELPFUL BUT NOT ESSENTIAL.

PLANNING PERMISSION APPLICATIONS

Maynooth. Permission is sought from Kildare County Council for change of use of residence to doctor's surgery at No. 8 Doctor's Lane, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Maynooth. Full planning permission is sought from Kildare County Council for extension and alterations to cottage and to install septic tank at 205 Rail Park, Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Signed: P. O'Donoghue.

Maynooth. Full detailed planning permission sought from Kildare County Council for housing development and ancillary works at College Land, Rathcoffey Road, Maynooth, Co. Kildare for Fernside Homes Ltd.

Maynooth. Full planning permission is sought from Kildare County Council for extension and alterations to cottage and to install septic tank at Ballygoran, Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Signed: P. O'Donoghue.

Maynooth. I am applying to Kildare County Council for full planning permission for office and workshop extension and store to my garage premises at Barrogstown, Maynooth. — Ray Crofton.

Maynooth. Permission sought from Kildare County Council to demolish existing extension and erect new dormer extension at 12 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth — Oliver Bright.

Maynooth. Full detailed planning permission sought from Kildare County Council for housing development and ancillary works and walls at Collegelands, Rathcoffey Road, Co. Kildare for Fernside Homes Ltd. Signed: W. Connolly.

Maynooth. Permission being sought from Kildare County Council for retention of back stairs and entrance porch of premises to North Kildare Travel and retention of change of use of part of ground floor at Main Street, Maynooth. Signed: P. Ennis.

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Birthday greetings to Mrs. B. Sauls, Parson St. Nov. 1st and Carolann Reaper, Carton Court, Nov. 27th. Also to Norah McDermott Nov. 20th.

Get well wish to Ray McTernan, Old Greenfield, Maynooth and Paula McTernan, Laurences Avenue who are both convalescing at home following their recent operations.

Get well wishes to Mrs. Smith of Parson Street, from her neighbours.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mr. Liam Nolan, Leixlip, formerly Maynooth who got his degree in Engineering. Liam is son of Mr. and Mrs. William Nolan, 26 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth. Well done Liam.

Happy birthday to William Black, Celbridge who celebrates his birthday on November 10th also his fiancée Jacinta Nolan who celebrates her birthday on the 26th November.

BIRTHDAYS

David McTernan, Highfield, Kilcock. 10 yrs. October 19th.

Trevor Burke, Newtown, 14 yrs. October 10th.

Paula O'Connor, Greenfield, 16 yrs. October 10th.

21 Today

Congratulations to Caron Cassidy, Railpark who celebrated her 21st birthday on October 8th. A party in Keanes, Kilcloone was attended by her parents, family and friends.

Caroline Traynor, Greenfield who celebrated her 21st birthday on October 21st. A party in Brady's Lounge attended by parents family and friends was enjoyed by all who attended both functions.

LOST

Watch with square gold face with roman numerals with brown leather strap. If found please contact 80 Maynooth Park as soon as possible.

FOUND:

On Parson Street 17th October, Ladies brooch; gold coloured overlapping leaves. Please apply to Community Council Offices, Town Centre Mall, Main Street, Maynooth.

REHAB LOTTERY WIN

Congratulations to Gearóid MacTeir-nain, Parson Street, who won a Holiday in Irish Cottage Holiday Homes. The lucky ticket was purchased in Barry's Newsagents, Main Street.

EMIGRATED

Best wishes and good luck to Mary Quinn, Greenfield who has gone to work in London and to Joanne O'Brien, Newtown who has gone to work in Wales.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Paper Wedding

Congratulations to Donald and Noelle (nee Barry) Kelly who celebrated their first wedding anniversary on October 15th.

Cotton Wedding

Martin and Paula McTernan, Laurence Ave., who celebrated their second wedding anniversary on October 11th.

Sympathy

Sympathy to Noel McDonagh, Dublin, on the death of his brother, Noel from Galway and formerly from Main St., Maynooth.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Elizabeth Mulligan, Buckley's Lane, Leixlip, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who sent Mass Cards, letters of sympathy, Serephic Certificates and floral tributes. Those who attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral. Special word of thanks to kind neighbours, to Father Cogan P.C. Maynooth and to the Nursing staff of Peamount Hospital. Trusting this will be accepted by all as an expression of our gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for their intentions.

Accommodation for Students

Accommodation for Students in Celbridge. Boys or Girls, partial board. 67A Maynooth-Celbridge bus passes the door. Phone 288548 after six.

Welcome Home

Welcome home to Mrs Hand, and Paul, Main St. Maynooth, who returned home recently from Australia where they spent 3 months holidays with their relatives and friends.

Maynooth Weddings

Congratulations to Anne Horan, Greenfield and Michael Hand, Rathmines who were married in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth September 21st and to Kevin McDonnell, Clonagh and Noreen O'Keeffe, Cluain Aoi-bhinn who were also married in St. Mary's Church, October 8th.

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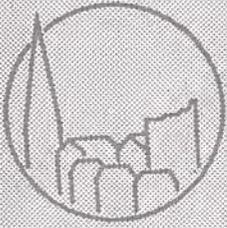
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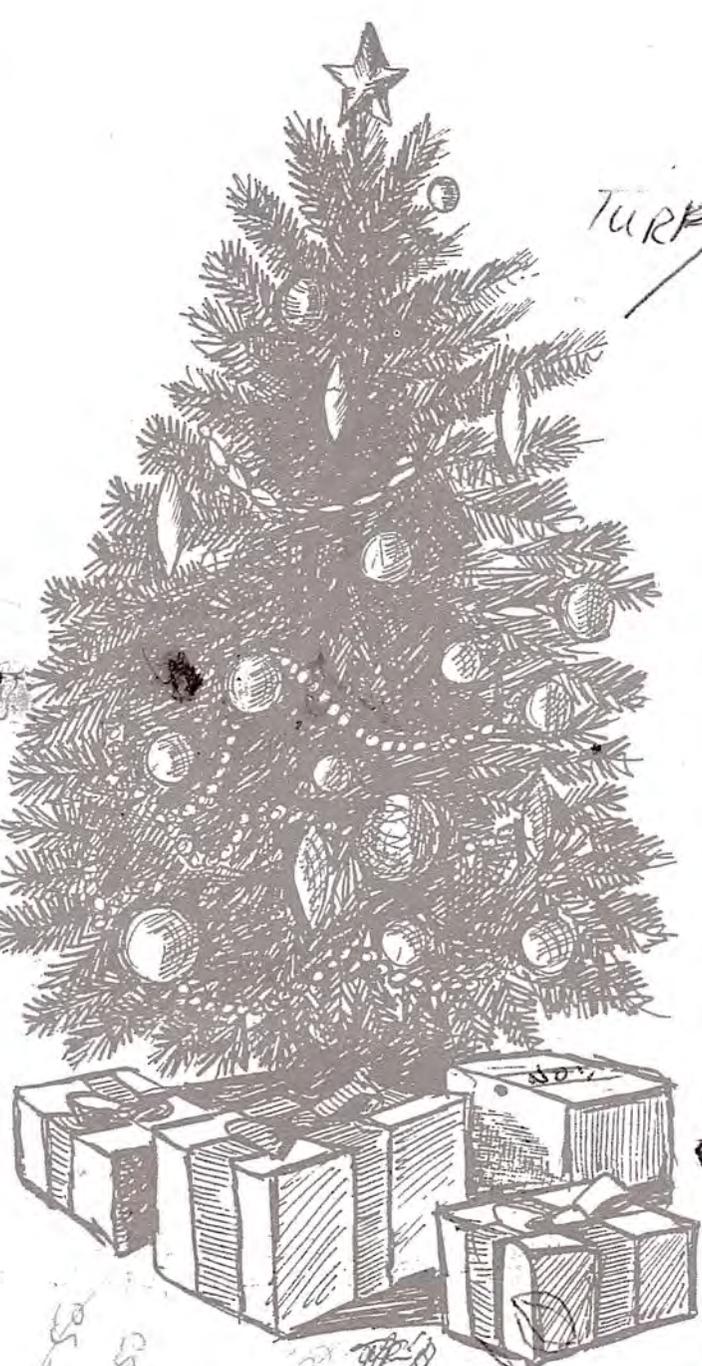
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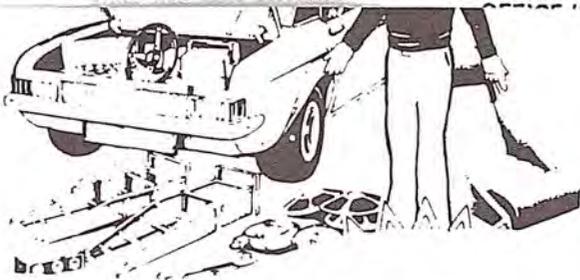
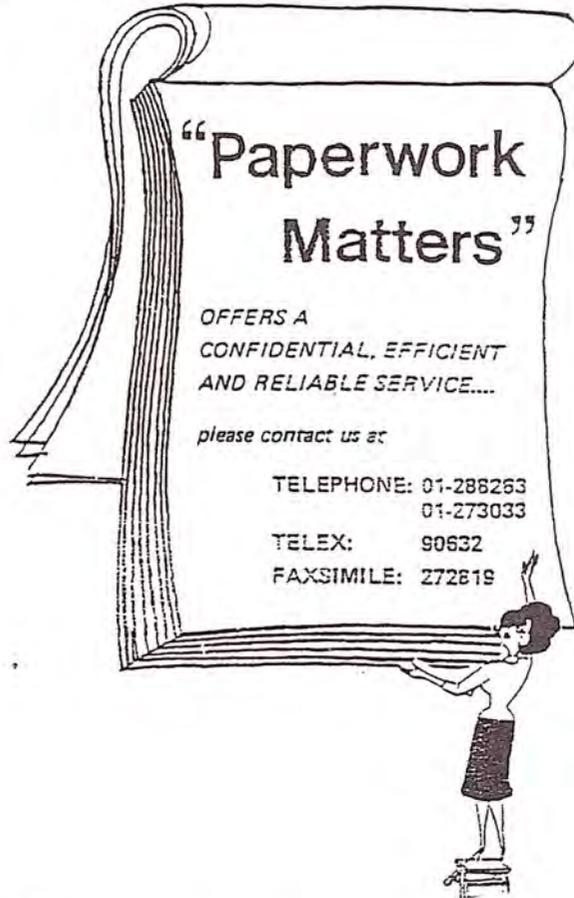
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TIDY TOWNS REPORT

The committee met with the principals of the Post Primary with a view to educating children to keep Maynooth **LITTER FREE**. Projects and posters are planned as part of the campaign and an **ANTI-LITTER WEEK** is planned for Maynooth in the new year. Further news available in a later issue.

Six Social Employment Scheme workers have been allocated in Maynooth for a year to carry out essential work on the Cemetery and other areas within the town which need urgent attention.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

The trophies for the best individual performer and the best family in the Community Games were presented at the American Tea Party on Saturday 22nd October by Hugh Crawford, Chairman of the County Board.

We would like to welcome the new Vice-Chairman Peter Connell onto the Executive Committee.

SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL

The Christmas Tree is to be erected on the "Thing" as usual by the committee. We would like to welcome John McGinley as Vice-Chairman of the committee.

COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

The date for the festival is set for Friday 16th June — Sunday 25th June. Clubs and Societies within the

town are invited to contact the office about proposed events for the festival. If they would like to be represented on the committee itself, again contact the office, 285922 or write to Maynooth Community Council, Town Mall, Maynooth.

FAS SOCIAL EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

FAS have approved the renewal of the SES to Maynooth Community Council. We would like to thank Mr. Des Murray, the placement officer, for his help and co-operation in this matter.

The SES workers keep the Community Council Office open and provide the services which are invaluable to the general population of Maynooth. The work they do is not immediately noticeable and their dedication and hardwork frequently go unrecognised. But most societies within the town depend on their services and the office has become a nerve centre of activity and information in Maynooth. Perhaps its importance will never be recognised until it closes down. There is no danger of such a disaster in the near future, but a Social Employment Scheme and the office do not fund themselves. Additional funding from the community is essential and therefore the Community Council must fundraise to sponsor the Scheme, and continue to provide employment for nine people. There is an overdraft of £4,000 which must be cleared, outstanding since the inception of the Schemes in '85-'86. The yearly sponsorship necessary is £3,000.

To clear the overdraft and to sponsor the 9 jobs, the following fundraising

events have been planned. Community support is essential to continue this local employment.

1. **A '60's Night** in the Hitchin Post, Thursday 1st December 8 - 11 p.m. Great raffle prizes. Admission £2.

2. The Maynooth Information Directory is to be updated by the Social Employment Scheme workers.

3. **A Daisy Pat** event is to take place in the G.A.A. field hopefully on St. Patrick's Day. This entails marking the field in 50-70 squares. Within those squares another 50 lines will be contained. Each line sells at £1, a full square would sell at £50. A cow is released into the field and wherever it decides to do its "business" — that will be the square within which the possible winners line will be. A draw will be held from the 50 lines that night to decide the eventual winner!

4. A dance in the Parish Hall will be the venue for the draw on St. Patrick's night.

5. Lord Mayor Campaign

Clubs and Societies are invited to put forward candidates for this Campaign and to present them to the town on St. Patrick's Day. The candidate with most sponsorship gathered will be the winner. The money gathered would be divided 50% to the club/society and 50% to the Maynooth Community Council. The winner would be announced during Community Festival. It is up to the club/societies to organise its own fundraising events.

Dear Editor,

I wish to take issue with Bernard Durkan's letter to Maynooth Residents Against Local Charges as published in last months Newsletter. He attempted to blame residents who have not paid Local Charges for causing Kildare Co. Co.'s current financial crisis. This of course is quite ridiculous as the real culprits for the Council's underfunding has been successive Governments who each year have reduced monies due to the Council. He has completely ignored the fact that when domestic rates were abolished in 1977 PAYE and VAT were increased to compensate for the loss of revenue. Since then those taxes have yielded increases of approx. 400% while support for Local Authorities has been increased by a mere 55%. Indeed for the period 1988/9 Co. Kildare's funding has

Letters.



actually been cut back by approx. £1.3 ml.

More maliciously he attempted to further blame residents who don't pay Local Charges for redundancies in Kildare Co. Co. Such hypocrisy coming from a Fine Gael T.D. whose party is supporting the Fianna Fail Economic Policies which are not only

starving Local Authority of necessary funds to provide services which PAYE workers have already paid for, but also causing job losses and real hardship in Health and Education.

Finally, Mr. Durkan also ignored the tax avoidance evasion etc. which some in the private enterprise sector practise with seeming impunity. I wonder why!

Yours sincerely,
Peter Holand,
72 Maynooth Park.

P.S. I note that Cllr. Gerry Brady says that he is personally opposed to Local Charges but yet he supports water disconnection. Could he please inform us how he can reconcile what seem to me to be an obvious contradiction between these two points of view.

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expressed understanding and support for those who had been intimidated by the Council into paying part of the charges. The Branch congratulated the Maynooth Residents Against Local Charges and its Chairperson Michael Quinn on their continuing campaign of opposition to the charges.

The Branch also called on the residents of Maynooth to reject the position of the Fianna Fail, Fine Gael and PD councillors on the issue of charges. Immediately prior to the local elections of 1985 Fianna Fail candidates gave a commitment to abolish local charges and to demand that local authorities should receive adequate funding from central government. However, immediately on gaining a majority on the Council they reversed this position and have presided over a rapid escalation in the level of charges over the past three years. Fine Gael, on the other hand, have been consistently in favour of the charges. In addition they have worked hand in hand with the Fianna Fail government in cutting back on support for local authorities.

LIGHT OVER DARKNESS

At the beginning of 1988, Kildare Co. Council, on the proposal of the County

shortly, if you believe that you may not be on the new register then it is in your interest to check it out.

CELBRIDGE ENTRANCE TO ST. LAWRENCE AVENUE

The Branch has requested Deputy Stagg to fully support the St. Lawrence Avenue Residents in their efforts to make the Avenue a cul-de-sac and thereby improve safety for children in the area.

BACK ENTRANCE TO PHASE 2 AND 3 GREENFIELDS

Arising from complaints from residents, Deputy Stagg has made representations to the Co. Council concerning the deplorable condition of the roadway serving the back entrance to phases 2 and 3 Greenfields.

BOND BRIDGE

Despite repeated calls for action from residents in the area, the condition of Bond Bridge still poses a serious hazard to both motorists and pedestrians. The County Council have applied for a grant from the Dept. of the Environment towards the provision of a new bridge and Emmet Stagg has been active in campaigning towards that end. In the event of that funding not becoming available im-

Report and design earlier this year and sent to the Department for Approval of Contract documents for investigation. The cost of this project could be up to £800,000 and work will be put in hand when the necessary finance is provided."

2. N4 at Laraghbryan

Deputy Bernard Durkan in a question to the Minister for the Environment asked for the reason for the long delay in the completion of the road realignment on the above — if he will confirm that land acquisitions have been agreed — if there have been any recent changes in relation to land acquisitions and if he proposes to make sufficient funds available to Kildare Co. Council in order to have the work completed during the coming year.

"Phase 1 has been completed at a cost of £804,000. A revised design for Phase 2 has been approved by the Department costing an estimated £500,000. The question of a grant will be reconsidered when the road grant allocations for 1989 are being determined.

The question of land acquisition is a matter, in the first instance, for the local authority and the landowners involved. It is understood that the local authority consider that it may be necessary to make a Compulsory Purchase order in respect of some of the property involved."

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salt and pepper

GARNISH

1 canned red pepper, finely chopped
1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Heat the fat or butter in a saucepan, add the vegetables and cook for 5 minutes, then stir in the flour. Stir over a low heat for 2 to 3 minutes, then gradually blend in the milk and turkey stock. Bring the liquid to the boil and continue stirring until a smooth sauce. Add the diced turkey, corn, cream and salt and pepper. If possible, allow the mixture to stand for a while so the flavours blend together. Reheat gently for about 7 to 8 minutes. Garnish with red pepper and parsley. Serve with cooked rice, pasta or new potatoes.

THE LIBRARY DIARY

To all groups, associations and organisations etc who organise events for the Maynooth area. We would like to draw your attention to the Diary in Maynooth Library. The Diary is there to be used by all, to log coming events. In this way all groups will know whats on, when and where. By making full use of this Diary we will all avoid clashing dates and this should make for better running of events for all.

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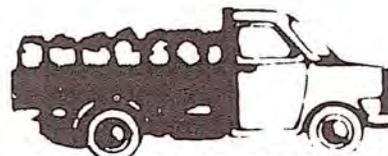
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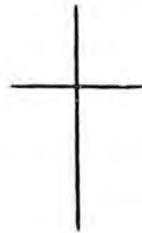


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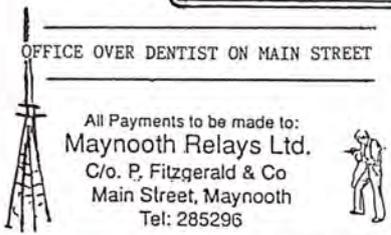
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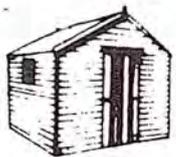
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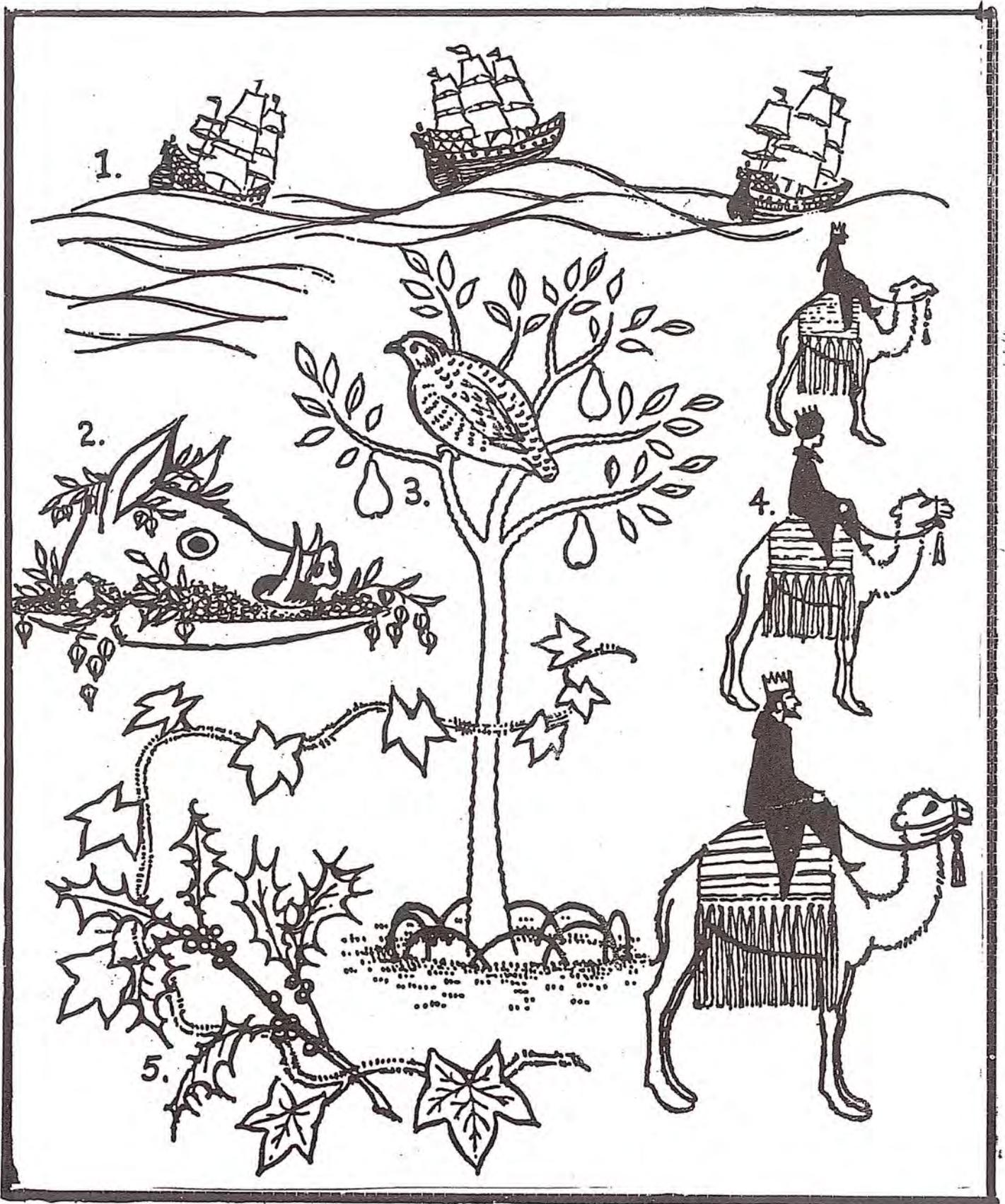
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Mrs. Brigid Saults interviewed by Jim Cunningham.

Brigid Saults is a tiny twinkle-eyed woman who lives at No. 9 Parson St. with her daughter Christina and two sons John and Willie both of whom are well known particularly in soccer circles in Maynooth. Although she is not a native of Maynooth, Brigid has lived here most of her life and has for long been one of the town's best-known and respected residents.

Brigid was born in Ballinacagh, near Prosperous, where her father was a land steward. After her mother's death when Brigid was thirteen years of age she spent much of her time in Maynooth where her aunt kept a shop. When her father died three years after her mother she moved permanently to Maynooth to live with her aunt and uncle.

However, in common with many others at that time, as now, she went to England to work. She says that she can hardly believe now how unaware of the big world she was when she headed off to England at the age of twenty. But she did have a sister there and she was anxious to see a bit of the world.

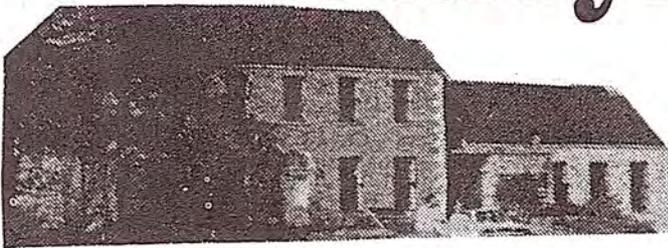


Most of her time in England was spent working as a housekeeper for a family who had jewellers shops. It is a measure of their regard for her that members of the family were in contact with her regularly up until quite recently.

Two events in particular stick out in Brigid's mind from her time in England. One is the famous romance of Mrs. Simpson and Edward whose abdication occurred while she was

there. She remembers different attitudes among English people at the time. Some resented the fact that their King would renege on his responsibilities for the sake of an American divorcee whose main ambition, they thought, was to be queen. Other people presumably the more romantically inclined, regarded the affair as a great love story and had great sympathy for Edward. Brigid particularly recalls the priest at her local church

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asking the congregation at Mass to pray for their recently abdicated King rather than to seek to condemn him.

The other event which Brigid remembers vividly is hearing Neville Chamberlain announce that "this country is now at war with Germany". This proved to be the signal for her to return home as pressure was immediately applied from home for her to come back to the safety of this country. She returned in late October 1939. Indeed, her aunt and uncle had been trying for the previous year to get her to come back due to the deepening crisis in Europe over German expansion. Her sister did come back in 1938, but it took the outbreak of actual war to shift Brigid.

Following her return she worked, again as a housekeeper in Dublin and in Saggart and then spent seventeen years working in the College. Initially she worked in catering in the infirmary and later looking after Professors' rooms. She speaks with great affection of the many students and priests whose acquaintance she made during her time in the College.

Brigid married John Saults in 1953. John was a well-known figure around Maynooth who spent his working life mainly between C.I.E. and Maynooth College. Sadly, he died four years ago.

It was after John's death that Brigid became interested in a hobby that

had absorbed a lot of her energies in recent times. She had always had a liking for writing, having written a poem expressing her loneliness when she first went to England. But following a course in creative writing which she undertook a few years ago she has been more productive. She has had pieces of prose and poetry published and has had her work read on television. Her interest in writing is probably linked to her great love of reading which has occupied her time since childhood. Her uncle who was rather strict discouraged the reading of novels. However, when Brigid joined the convent library he relented somewhat, presumably, on the grounds that if they came from the convent they couldn't be all that bad.

Another great interest of Brigid's is politics. Her father was always a republican supporter and their house always provided tea or whatever sustenance was required for men on the run during the War of Independence. Brigid has been a life-long admirer of De Valera whom she holds in esteem when she married was always a political household. Her father-in-law, who had fought in the British army during the Boer War, was active during the troubles and on the republican side during the Civil War. He subsequently joined the Labour Party and was a County Councillor

for the party. He was a close associate of William Norton, then leader of the Labour Party. It is probably a measure of Brigid's independent streak that despite marrying into a Labour Party family she retained her loyalty to Fianna Fail, although she was never a member of the party. She will admit though that she has sometimes, for reasons of a particular candidate's personal appeal, crossed party lines to vote.

Brigid also has a fund of stories which she had heard over the years particularly ghost stories. Although she is not a great believer in ghosts herself she recalls a very strange incident at the time of her mother's death for which she can offer no rational explanation. During the time when her mother was very ill, a sheep came into the house and moved up to her mother's bed and then ran out again. Her mother died shortly after. The strange thing was that there were no sheep on the farm. Her father had a notion that the sheep might have been some sort of herald of death. Brigid is not sure but she regards the incident as her closest brush with the supernatural.

Hopefully, she has many years ahead of her in Parson Street before she has any need to worry about the supernatural.

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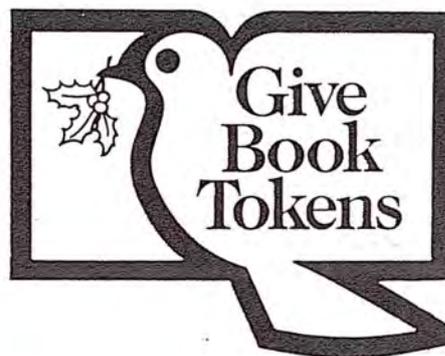


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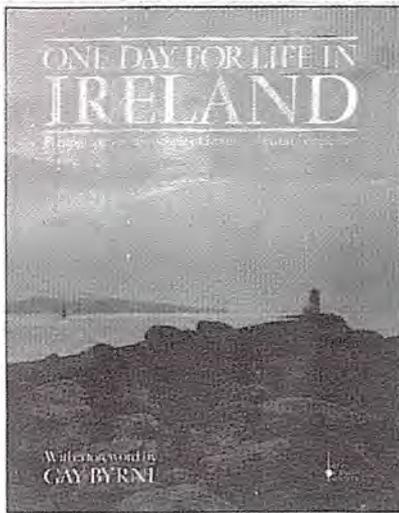
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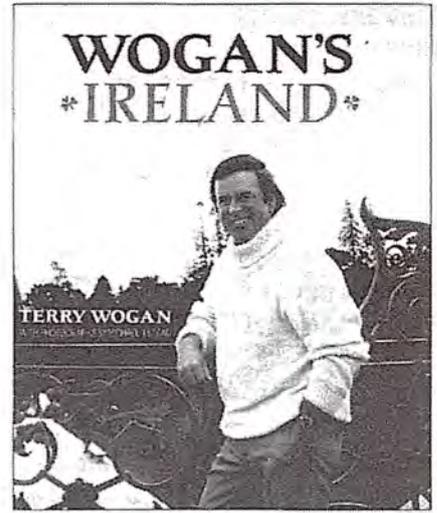
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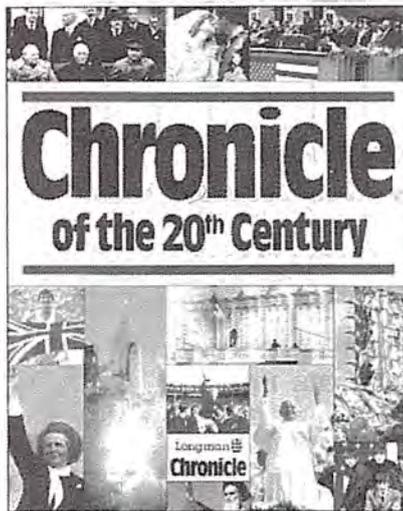


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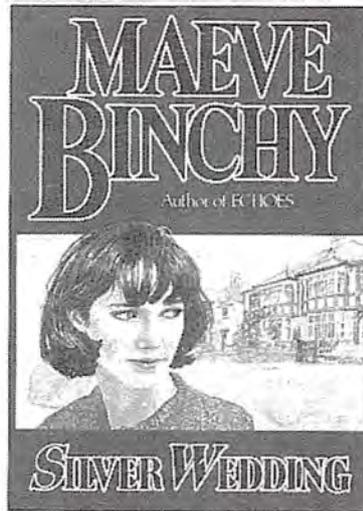
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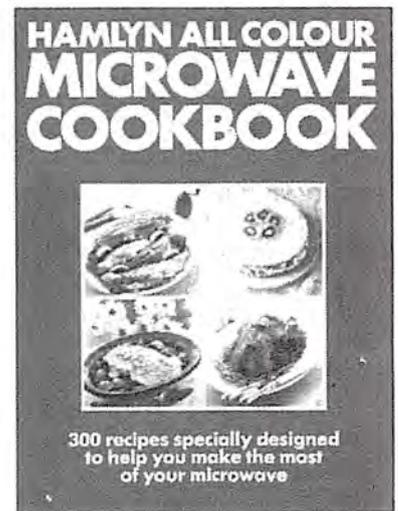
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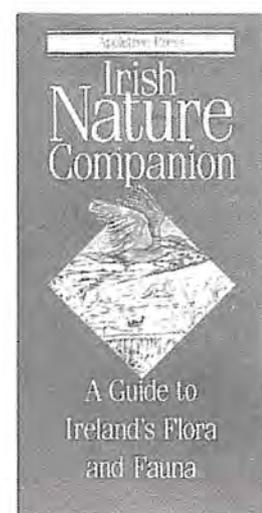
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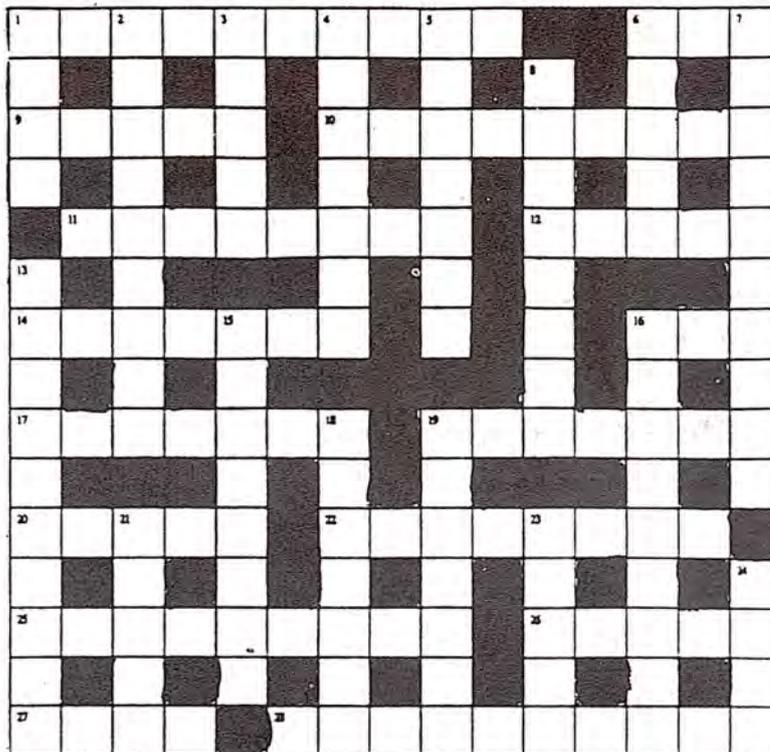
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 10. Ted is troubled - he fell off a cliff (9)
 11. Be singular, be extraordinary (5,3)
 12. The boy is confused at first, but still plays the ocarina (5)
 14. My bib is semi wet as I hit the bottle (7)
 16. As a pen, it's not big(3)
 17. Trevino drives away from the wind (7)
 19. Strategy to finish the diversion (7)
 20. A tonic and the facial neuralgia is cured (2,3)
 22. It's not real coffee but it may help wipe away things(5,3)
 25. The male experts are scarlet, but are they militant? (3,6)
 26. I've no fear concerning father (5)
 27. Sway in an upset manner(4)
 28. Put ten into ten at the beginning of this week (4,6)
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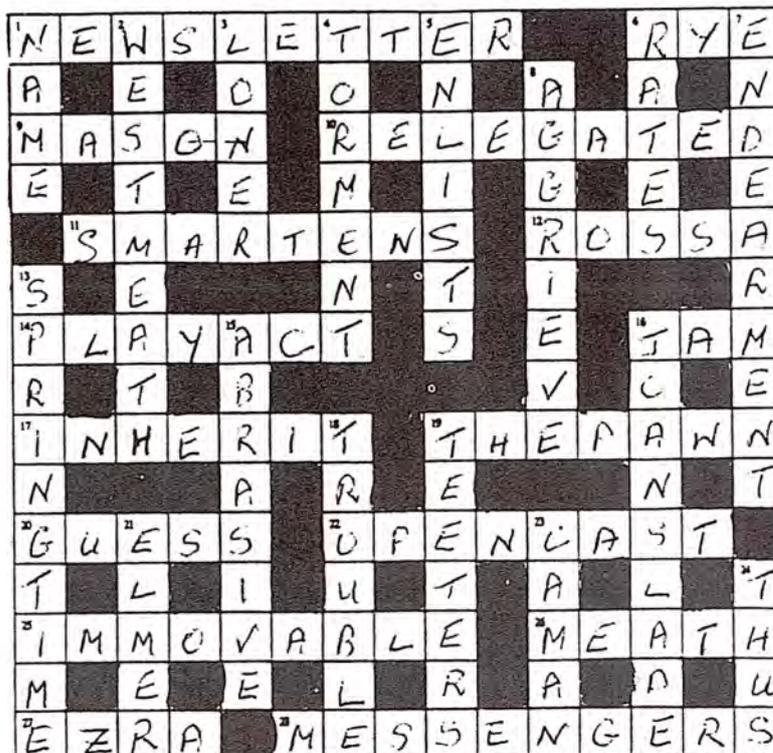
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3. New York or London, it's not immaterial (5)
4. Attack with the apse now (7)
5. Is e' turfed out and found to be false? (7)
6. Albert, my cherished flower (5)
7. Put rice into radical Edward, and changed course (10)
8. Sid is upset at being rendered defenceless (8)
13. The herb ends in commotion near the long avenue (7,3)
15. Political limbs, sometimes made of paper? (8)
16. The French escort resides beside the campus (9)
18. Ed will announce the girl from the banner county (6)
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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

The Kildare 10 mile championship was held in Carbury and Maynooth were the winners in the Vet ladies team, they were Patsy McCluskey 1st O/30, Helen Redmond 2nd O/35 and Marie Gleeson 1st O/40. Well done ladies. Peter Keegan was 1st in Vet men O/45.

There were more successes in Dunboyne in the Leinster 10 mile championships with another win for Patsy McCluskey (1st O/35), Helen Redmond was 3rd O/35 and we had

Brian Redmond 1st O/45.

The first round of the Kildare cross country championships was held in Carbury. Michelle Gillick 5th girls U/10, girls U/12. A fine win for Patricia Purcell. Eimear O'Sullivan 4th, Ashling Redmond 8th and Yvonne Reidy 20th. They received 2nd team award with 33 pts. Girls U/14 Fiona Redmond 4th and Emma McCluskey 7th. Boys U/14 Paul Flood 9th. Girls U/14 won 1st team award with Lisa McCluskey 1st, Carmel Noonan 3rd and Catherine Gleeson 10th (14 pts) this was a good start to the season. In the Novice ladies. Helen Redmond had a fantastic race about 800 metres from the finish Helen took the lead and there was no holding her a super finish and well deserved 1st place. Marie Gleeson and Bernie Dunne made up the team which took 3rd place.

In the Novice men our only runner was Brendan Moran. Two of our members were chosen to run on the Irish teams in Ronce Belgium. They were Patsy McCluskey for the Vet Ladies and her daughter Lisa in the Girls U/17 team. We wish them well and know they will give their best. In the club draw held in the Bingo on Wednesday 9th November.

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TAE KWON DO

Congratulations to members of Maynooth "Tae Kwon Do" School, who passed their grading on the 22nd of September under Master Ki-Ha-Rhee in Tallaght. Also, well done to our most recent Senior and Junior members who all passed their first grading.

Eyes watched and ears listened to Master Rhee as he talked to students about the Art. Nerves rattled as students stood before him to grade. At the end of a long night, everyone did well. On leaving the hall, students

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We would like to congratulate our Instructor Michael Devereux, who claimed his second degree black belt under Master Ki-Ha-Rhee in September. Well done Sir!

At the National Stadium in Dublin on Saturday the 22nd of October, a competition took place between Ireland's R.I.T.A. team and the United Kingdom's U.K.T.A. team. It was a black belt tournament and was a spectacular night. Instructor of Maynooth "Tae Kwon Do" Club Tom Mclvor, took part in the event, and as usual, was a credit to the club.

Sean Foy has been absent from our club due to an injury caused at work, and we all hope to see him back soon, fully recovered.

Junior classes are now starting on Monday night at 6.00 p.m. and Senior classes on Tuesday night at 8.30 p.m. So we hope to see a lot of people down on these nights to join. **The first two classes are free.** So you cannot go wrong by just becoming fit and learning how to defend yourself using the Art.

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MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

The Club would like to welcome both new and old members to the new season. Derek Gleeson has taken over as Chairman from Joe Farrell. Our grateful appreciation to Joe for the time and effort he has given to the Club.

The new season has just started and our immediate congratulations to the 1st Team who got off to a great start with a 7-1 victory over Clane. Good luck to our 2nd, 3rd and Ladies League teams in their forthcoming matches in the Dublin League.

Club nights are Mondays 8.00-11.00 and Thursdays 7.00-11.00. To help beginnings with the basic skills, Sean O'Connor and Dominic Nyland have been running a coaching practice on Thursday nights. At present the club has a limited number of vacancies for players of league standard.

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Best wishes to two former members Edel Bean and Joe Moran who were recently engaged and are now employed in Holland. Good luck to Eimear Mangan who now resides in England. Congratulations to Mick and Pauline Martin, Joe and Margaret Moore on their recent marriages.

Finally, a happy and peaceful Christmas to all club members.

Olive O'Shea, Sec.

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Due to the fact that the P.R.O. is in bed with "flu" there will be no contribution from the G.A.A. in this edition. The chairman would like to wish a happy Christmas to all our members and supporters.

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A party was held on Sunday 6th November. There was a smaller crowd than usual as it coincided with Cemetery Sunday. Those that attended had an enjoyable time. The Sale of Work Wheel of Fortune took place in the Parish Hall on Sunday 13th November and was a great success. Thank you to all who helped in any way, it was much appreciated. A special word of thanks to the elderly who had their own craft stall, their work was greatly admired, well done all.

There will be a party in the Divine Word Hostel on Sunday 11th December. As usual anyone over 60 welcome to our morning sessions on Tuesday and Thursdays in the I.C.A. Hall and also to the parties. Best wishes to all for Christmas.

Sheila Jolley, P.R.O.



EIGHT LOVELY LADIES MAKING A PRETTY PICTURE

THE MAYNOOTH BY-PASS: FURTHER DETAILS

Now that the Lucan By-Pass has finally opened, the urgent need for work to begin on the Leixlip-Maynooth-Kilcock By-Pass has been brought into sharp focus once again. As outlined in previous issues of the Newsletter, the latter by-pass will begin where the Lucan by-pass ends near the Spa Hotel, and will skirt around the south of Leixlip, Maynooth and Kilcock, rejoining the Galway road to the west of Kilcock. The road will be built to motorway standards, and the only access point along its entire 17.5 kilometre length will be provided from the Straffan Road, just outside Maynooth. A large amount of land will be required for the project, and, in a previous issue, the Newsletter provided details of the landowners who will be principally affected.

The Newsletter has been taking a closer look at the detailed plans for the by-pass, work on which should begin in the next year or so. Beginning from the western end, the by-pass begins just west of the entrance to Pitchfordstown Stud. To the south-west of Kilcock, it cuts across the Clane Road at the entrance to Courtown House. At this point, a new stretch of road is to be built curving behind the houses on the north side of the Clane Road, along the edge of Bawnogues Common, passing over the by-pass via a new bridge, and cutting through the Newtown Road before joining the existing Clane Road beyond the entrance to Courtown House. The existing road will be blocked off where it meets the by-

pass. This realignment is necessary for reasons of safety, drainage and visual amenity.

Moving eastwards, the by-pass will go under the Kilcock-Laragh road, which will be raised via a bridge and slightly realigned at this point. Just west of Maynooth, at Laraghbryan, a local road runs south from the Kilcock Road, over the canal and railway, and then splits in two, with one road running via Treadstown to Laragh, and the other running to Crinstown. Both of these roads will be cut off and replaced by a new road running from where they join, over the by-pass, and connecting up with the Laragh-Crinstown Road. Those familiar with the area should be able to follow this!

The Maynooth-Rathcoffey Road will pass over the by-pass via a new bridge at Newtown (just beyond Cluain Aoibhinn). Further east, the lane connecting Rowanstown House to Newtown will be cut off and replaced by an accommodation road running along the by-pass onto the Straffan Road. The by-pass will pass under the Straffan Road between Noone's Garage and Barrett's. The Straffan Road will be raised via a new bridge and slightly realigned. Four ramps will connect the Staffan Road with the by-pass to allow entry and exit in both directions.

Further east, the road from Ballygoran House to Ballygoran Cross on the Maynooth-Celbridge Road will be closed off, as will the present Celbridge Road itself just beyond Barrogstown Cross (where the road to the Obelisk joins the Celbridge Road).

Instead, a new section of road will be built running south from Barrogstown Cross, over the by-pass and then splitting in two, with one spur running east to rejoin the Celbridge Road, and the other running south to join the Ballygoran-Moortown-Kilwogan Road. This will allow traffic coming from the Straffan Road direction via Moneycooley Cross to get onto the Maynooth-Celbridge Road. It also means that traffic coming from Maynooth to Celbridge will have to turn right at Barrogstown, and then left after crossing over the by-pass, in order to get back onto the old Celbridge Road.

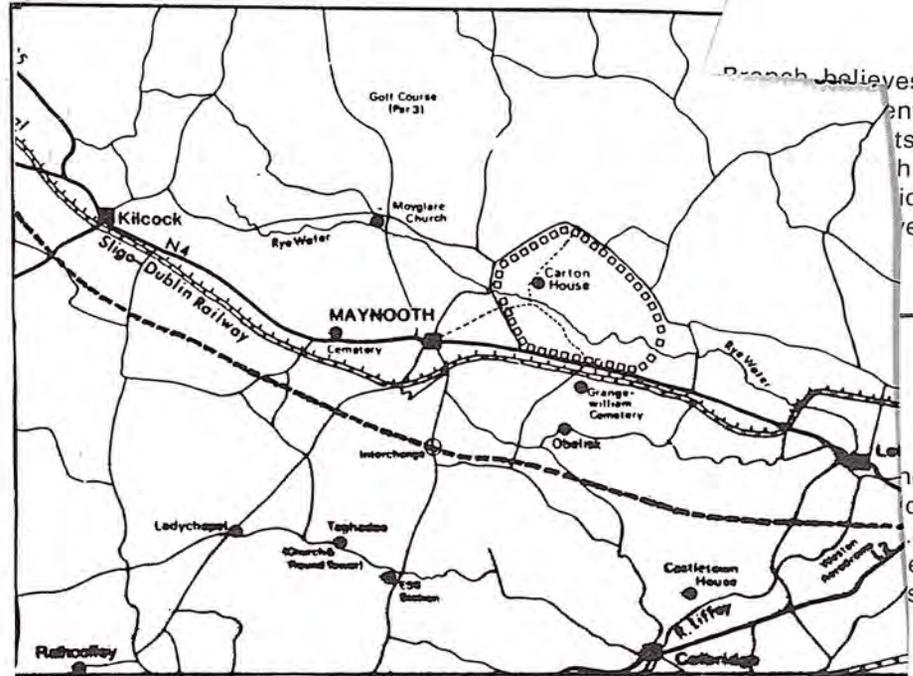
Further east again, a new bridge is to be built to accommodate the lane leading to Castletown House via Leixlip Gate. The by-pass then passes under the Leixlip-Celbridge Road between Leixlip Park Estate and the IMP Meath Factory site, crosses the Liffey, cuts through Cooldrinagh Lane (which runs from the Leixlip-Lucan Road between the Salmon Leap pub and the Springfield Hotel as far as the Lucan-Celbridge Road) and joins up with the Lucan by-pass just beyond the old Tara Co-op premises. Cooldrinagh Lane will be cut off (except for a pedestrian overpass).

A new stretch of road will be built from the junction with the Lucan by-pass out to the Celbridge-Lucan Road. This means that traffic from Celbridge will then have direct access onto the Lucan by-pass, which is not the case at the moment.

Although the by-pass has been designed to minimise disruption,

many landholdings will inevitably be split in two, and provision has been made, as much as possible, to provide links between parcels of land separated in this way. In some cases, the County Council proposes to buy up small pieces of land cut adrift by the by-pass. A number of dwellings standing in the way of the by-pass will have to be demolished; those concerned will be rehoused or otherwise compensated. The by-pass will be depressed into the landscape over several stretches in order to minimise noise, air pollution and visual intrusion, particularly in the vicinity of built up areas.

The by-pass will have two carriageways separated by a median; each carriageway will have two lanes and a hard shoulder. As with motorways generally, there will be restrictions as regards the types of vehicle which can use the by-pass, hitch-hiking and minimum speeds. One wonders how the myriad of hitch-hikers who currently use Maynooth as the launching pad for their journeys west will adjust to this situation!



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A Focal Point of Local History Mary Cullen

Garret Mór, the Great Earl of Kildare, lived from 1456 to 1513. This was a period when the kings of England ruled Ireland, in so far as they can be said to have ruled it at all, through the agency of a great Anglo-Irish Lord acting as the deputy of a nominal lord lieutenant of royal blood. With a few interruptions Garret Mór was acting governor of Ireland from 1478 to his death in 1513. He was of Fitzgerald stock on both sides. His mother was Joan, daughter of James, the executed seventh earl of Desmond, and his father was Thomas, seventh Earl of Kildare. Garret was most probably born at his father's chief castle of Maynooth, and grew up there with his two sisters and three brothers.

The Great Earl first took office as governor of Ireland during the reign of the Yorkist king Edward IV, and the Kildares, with most of the lords of Ireland, continued to support the house of York throughout its struggle with the rival house of Lancaster for the throne of England. So indispensable did his services in keeping Ireland relatively peaceful and trouble free appear to both rival English houses, that his governorship of Ireland survived not only the downfall of the Yorkists but even his own active involvement in an attempted coup to restore them. In 1485 the Lancastrian Henry Tudor defeated the Yorkist Richard III at the battle of Bosworth and became king as Henry VII. In 1487 a pretender, Lambert Simnel, who claimed to be a nephew of Edward IV, was crowned in Dublin as Edward VI with Kildare's support. An invasion of England to place the claimant on the throne followed and Thomas, brother of the Great Earl, fought and died on his side at the battle of Stoke where Simnel was defeated and taken prisoner. A few years later yet another pretender claiming to be a Yorkist heir appeared at Cork. Again Kildare plotted to help make him king of England though on this occasion he did not go to the length of rebellion.

At this stage the Tudor King Henry VII, not surprisingly, experimented with removing Kildare from power in Ireland. In his place he sent over an Englishman, Sir Edward Poynings in 1494. Poynings held a famous parliament at Drogheda which passed an act limiting the power of Irish parliaments. It also outlawed the war-cries

of the Fitzgeralds and the Butlers, and attained the Great Earl, that is it passed an act declaring him a traitor. He was arrested, sent to England, and lodged in the tower of London. During his long detention in England his wife, Alison Eustace, died of grief in November 1494. From the Tower, Garret Mór, was brought before the king and his Council and accused of many offences by enemies and rivals from Ireland. In an article in the *Journal of the County Kildare Archaeological Society* for 1896, Lord Walter FitzGerald, using contemporary accounts, recounts what happened:

'The Bishop of Meath commenced by accusing the Earl of sundry offences, and amongst others of forcing him from the sanctuary. The Earl answered that he was not sufficiently able to defend himself, as the Bishop was a learned man, and so was not he, and thus he might be able to get the better of him in an argument. Thereupon the King advised the Earl to select a councillor, and any one he choose he would surely get. The Earl replied he doubted he would get the good fellow he would select. 'By my troth, thou shalt,' said the King. 'Give me your hand on it' said the Earl. 'Here is my hand,' said the King, 'choose well, for thou art badly in need of a good one.' 'I will choose the best in England,' said the Earl. 'And who is that?' asked the King. 'Marry! the King himself,' replied the Earl, 'and by St. Bride I will choose none other.' At this the King laughed, and turning to the Council remarked, 'A wiser man might have choosen worse.'

'After finishing with the Bishop of Meath's complaints, the Bishop of Cashel eventually came forward and accused the Earl of having burnt his cathedral on the Rock of Cashel, and at the same time produced numerous witnesses to prove the fact. But contrary to their expectations, the Earl not only confessed it, but added: 'By St. Bride! I never would have done it but I thought the Bishop was inside.' This being said in front of the bishop himself made the King laugh heartily, and he was so impressed with the bluntness and frankness of the Earl, that on the Bishop of Meath irritably exclaiming: 'Your Majesty must see all Ireland cannot rule this man,' the King at once replied: 'Then he shall rule all Ireland.'

And thus the Earl was restored to his honours and estates, and appointed Lord Deputy by letters patent, dated 6th August, 1496'.

Not only this but he returned to Ireland with a new wife, Elizabeth St. John, who was a cousin of the King. After this restoration to the post of deputy Garret Mór ruled Ireland until his death in 1513. He could still use parliament in his own interests as long as he had Henry's approval. He held control over appointments to most of the great offices, in church and state, control over the way in which revenue was spent, and command of the royal forces in Ireland, and of the royal artillery. Apart from all this he exercised great power in his own right as Earl of Kildare and this he built up by judicious alliances. His daughters married into the great Irish and Anglo-Irish families of O'Donnell, O'Carroll, MacCarthy Reagh, Butler and Burke. He was recognised as virtually the 'uncrowned king' of Ireland and historians have speculated as to his chances of success if he had launched an all-out campaign to repudiate the authority of the kings of England and set himself up as king of Ireland. This however he never attempted to do and was satisfied to rule Ireland in the interests of his family and allies, using to the full all the resources available to him as deputy of the king, and representing his actions to the king as being in the interest and defence of royal power. In this he was so successful that Henry VII created him a Knight of the Garter as a reward for his victory in the battle of Knocktoe, or Cnoc Tuagh, near Galway, in 1504, a battle which was the result of long-standing family feuds in Ireland and where, with the help of Irish and Anglo-Irish forces drawn from all over Ireland, the Great Earl defeated a strong rival in the person of his son-in-law Ulick Burke, Lord of Clanrickard.

Garret Mór died at Kildare in 1513 as the result of wounds received in a skirmish near Kilkea with a party of the O'Mores of Leix. He was buried before the high altar of St. Mary's Chapel in the choir of Christ Church. The chronicler, Richard Stanyhurst has left this description of the Great Earl; he was 'a mightie man of stature, full of honore and courage, who had bin Lord Deputy and Lord Justice of Ireland three-and-thirtie years, Kildare was in government mild, to his enemies sterne. He was open and

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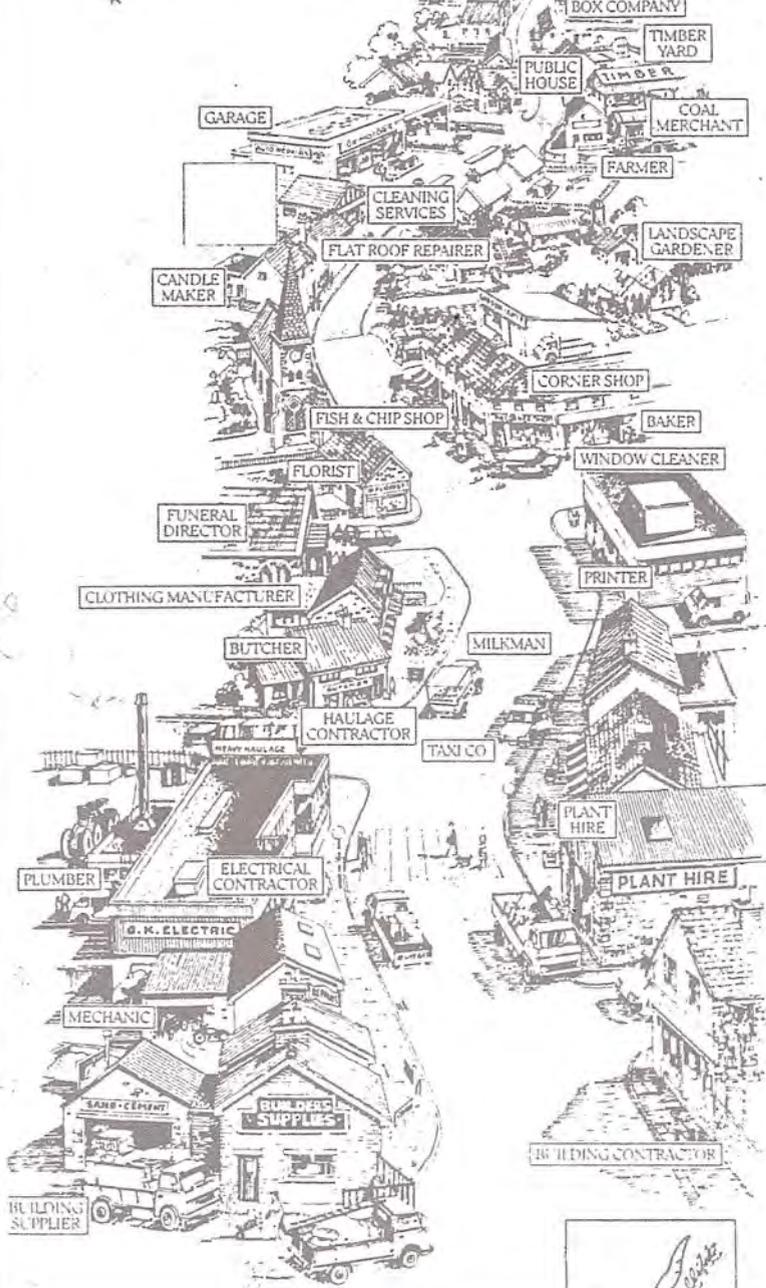
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