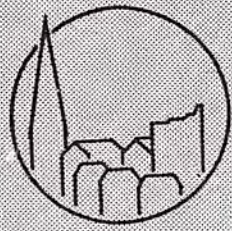


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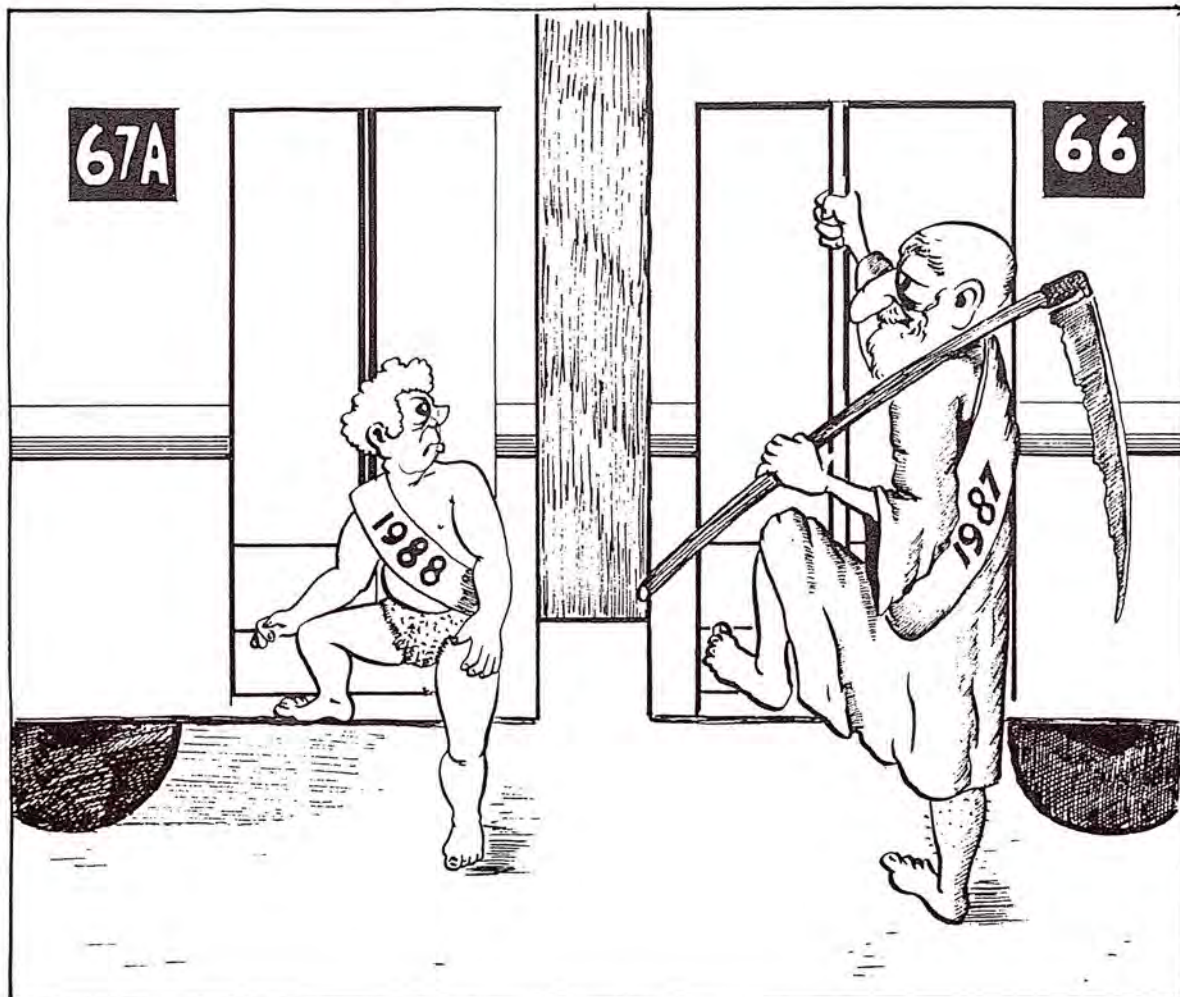
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# Editorial

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.



## 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 *Sanis 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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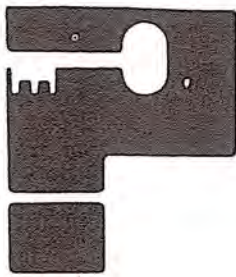
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### Working Abroad

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 exPrimate 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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## 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, '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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# Maynooth Castle

## 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, Kilmacred-dock, 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 octagonal 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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# 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 Dynamos (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 Dynamos (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 Sandymount 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

<b>Maynooth</b>	<b>3-7</b>
<b>St. Vincent's</b>	<b>3-4</b>

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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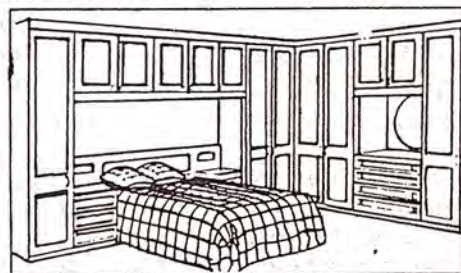
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# POLITICAL PARTY NOTES

## 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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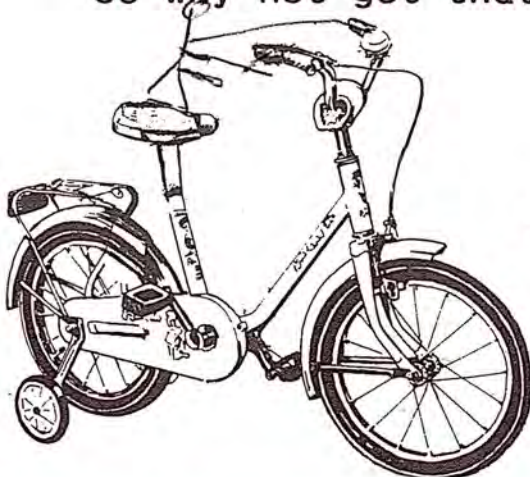
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of decontrolling the retail price of milk and have agreed that I will not make any decision in this matter until I know the outcome of the negotiations that are taking place at present with the EC Commission on a national milk board to replace the 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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## POST PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN November 1987

**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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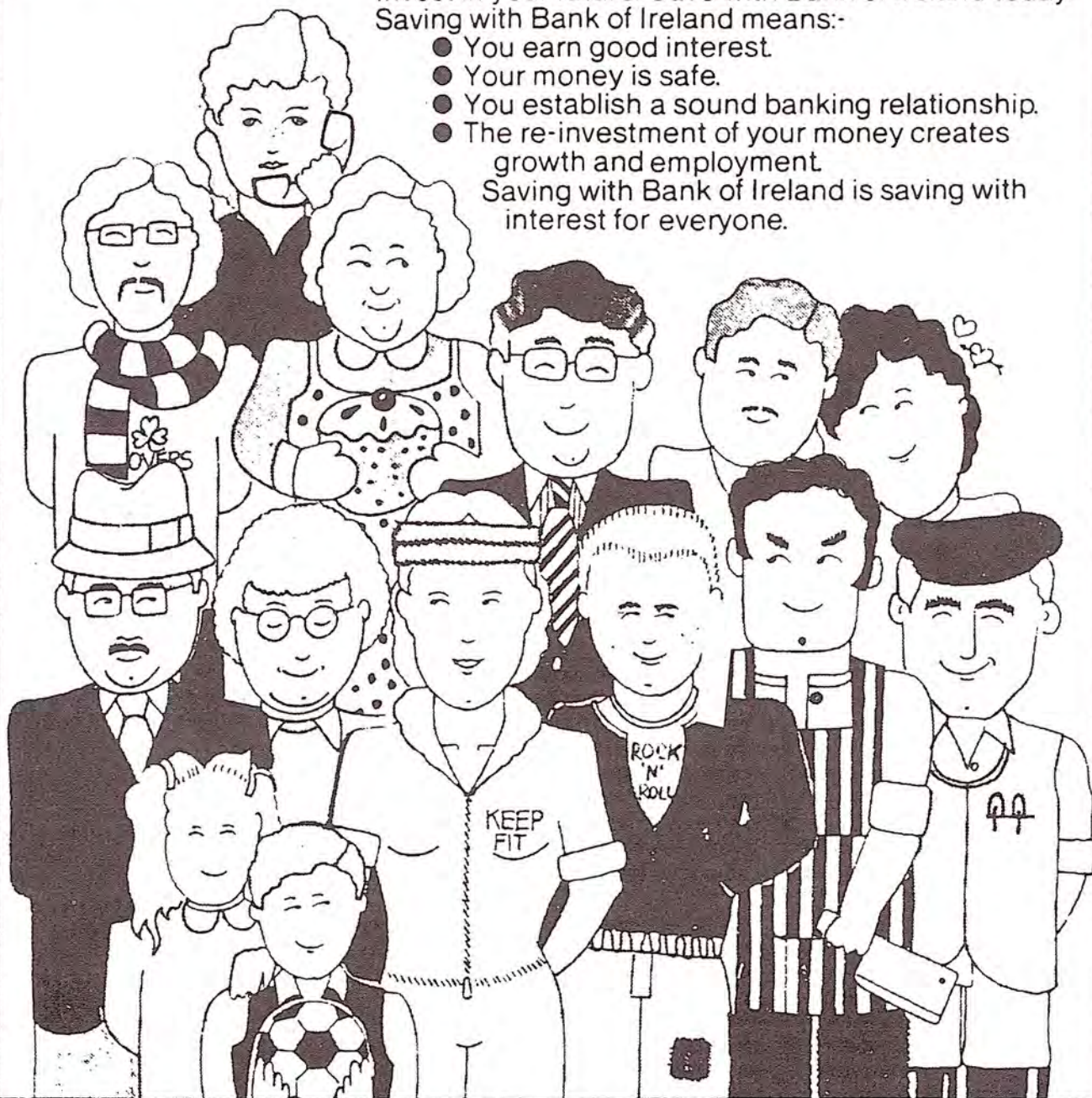


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feel that distance lends enchantment, that far flung destinations must certainly be more attractive, more stimulating and generally better off? Do we hope to encounter in change a sense of complete freedom — often to be accompanied indeed by equally 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, unpleasant 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 Liverpudlians 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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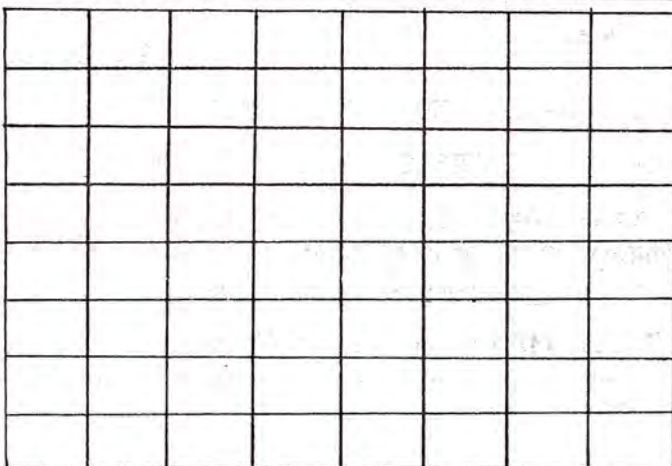
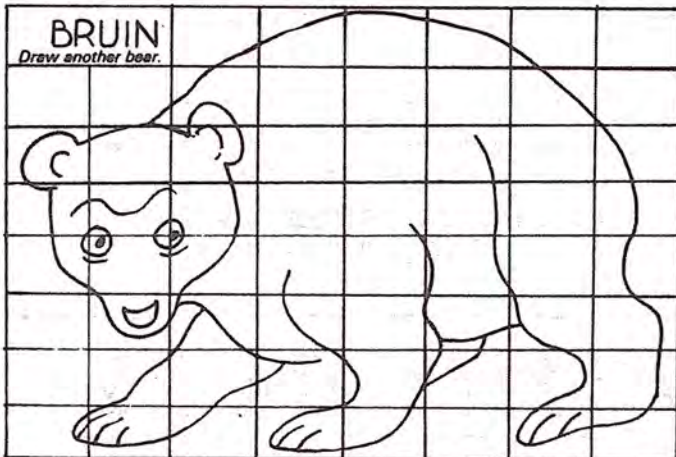
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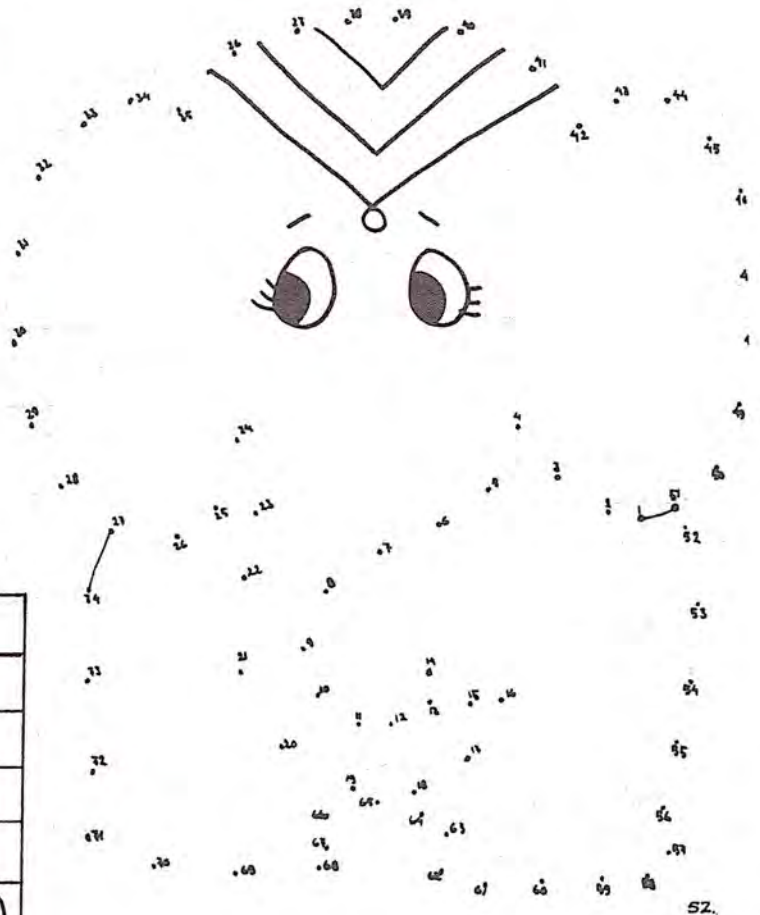
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## STREET TALKING

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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.

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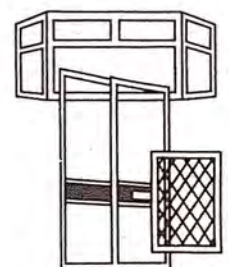
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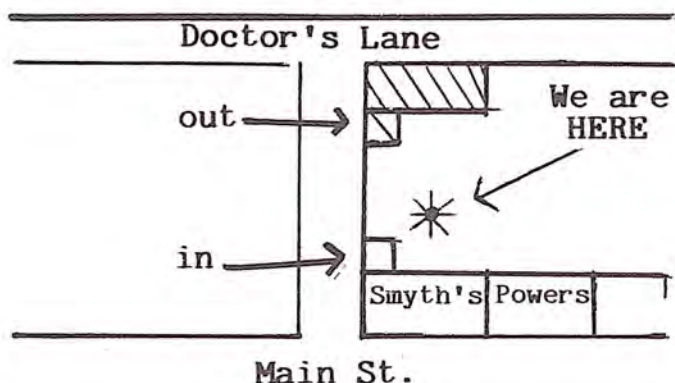
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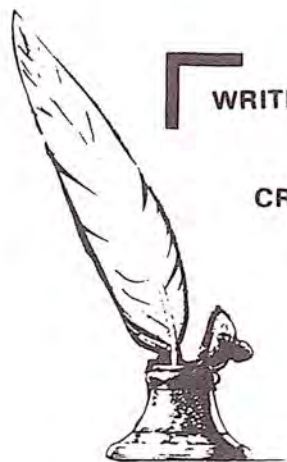
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Mass;  
You heard the holy preacher say:  
'Just tidy up or stay away'.  
And Protestants and Hindus too,  
And Sikhs and Muslims, tho' so few,  
Must grant religion has a role,  
For dirt offends the human soul.

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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display.

They'll strive the ways of man to find,  
His craze for power and bacon rind,  
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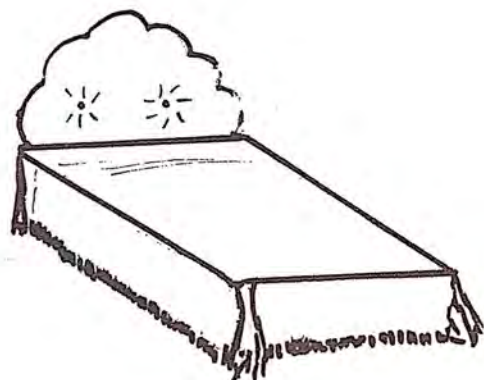
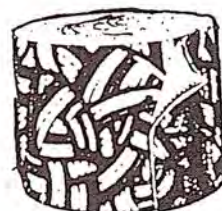
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3. Where can you find "Munster and Leinster Bank" written small along the main street?
4. Who was the sculptor of the statue of Pope John-Paul II which was unveiled in the college grounds last September?
5. Farmer's Pool is at the meeting point of what two rivers?
6. How many legs has the pump in Leinster Park?
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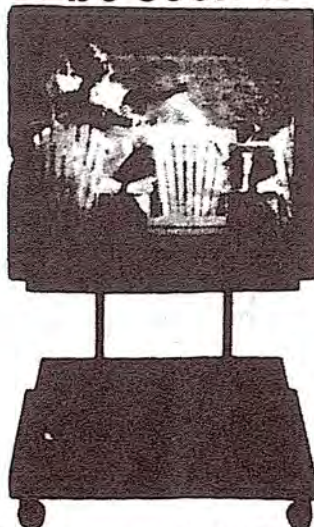
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Competitions were organised during the week for the best essay, short story, poem or limerick with a number of suggested themes including "The Pursuit of Happiness", "Better to Wear Away Than to Waste Away" and "To Most Men, a Woman with a Good Figure 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.

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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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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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### 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

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.

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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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## ROYAL CANAL AMENITY NEWS

### 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.

Classes will commence on 1st February.

### 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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Mary Murtagh, Secretary



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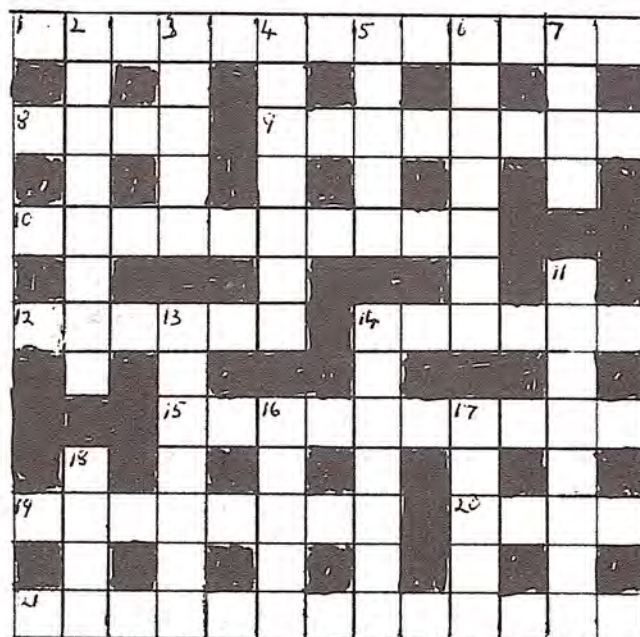
ACROSS

1. 'E fingered doll confusedly on way to this 8 Across of Maynooth (3,10)
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.  $BGMT \times 2 + AS = TD$  (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)

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-consenting 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?

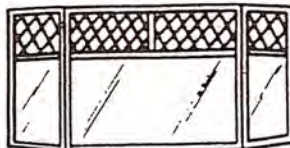
The implications of rape are profound. For the victim there is the emotional trauma, the fear, disgust, anger, guilt and self-blame, from which they may never fully recover. The implications for us as a society are just as profound, for us to try and justify rape, or to remain silent in the face of such 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
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## Recent Births.

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

Joe Moore, Straffan Rd., and Margaret Scanlon, Moneycooley who were also engaged recently.

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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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