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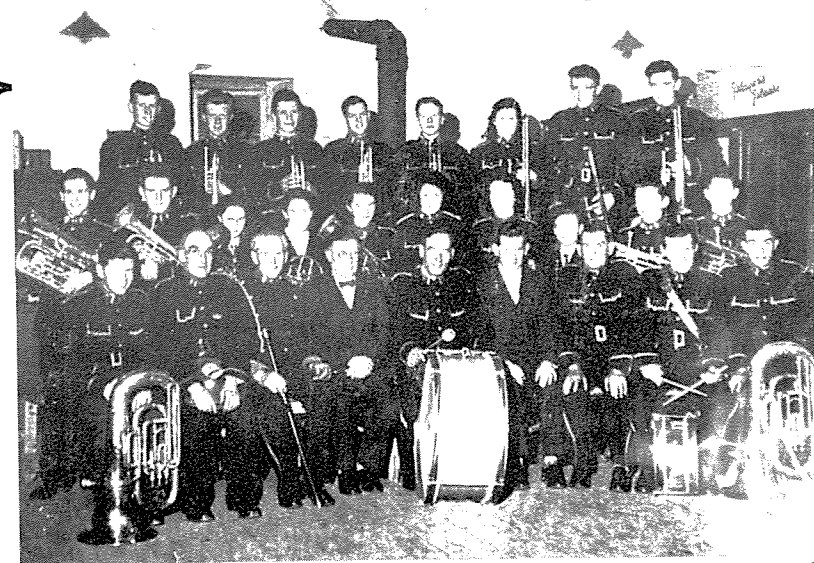
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(see Band Bulletin Notes inside)



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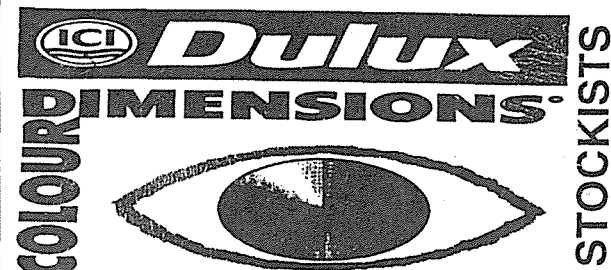
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St. Patricks Day Committee

The St. Patricks Day Committee are again appealing for bands, large bands, small bands, marching bands etc. We wish to have a particular good display this year as 1995 is the bicentenary of St. Patricks College. Please get in touch with John McGinley or Freda Kelleher C/O Maynooth Community Council office - Phone 6285922.

Festival

The date for the annual festival has not yet been finalized but we would hope that it will be held after the "Thing in the Square" has been demolished or August whichever comes soonest. Any ideas to make this a truly memorable festival. Please contact P. Condon, Maynooth Community Council Office : Phone 6285922.

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We are receiving a number of applications for the position of supervisor on our proposed FAS Scheme. Start up date 1st March 1995. We will also be advertising through FAS for workers for the above scheme. Ongoing discussions with the College, Chamber of Commerce, Community Council and ourselves are taking place to improve the environment of Maynooth during the bicentennial year.

We have invited both the College and the Chamber of Commerce to send representation to the next tidy towns meeting.

We also hope to have another couple of bins installed shortly on the Main Street. We think they are beginning to have an impact on the litter in the town.

**Richard Farrell
P.R.O.**

BAND BULLETIN

Apologies to all our regular BULLETIN readers who caught your friendly scribe "mitching" last month. The truth is that I thought I was being given a month off when my usual friendly Newsletter reminder did not arrive but it obviously lost its way in a deluge of Christmas cards.

Christmas Carols

Anyway it's back to the grindstone this month with news that our Christmas Carol Music this year was an outstanding success. We made a real effort to visit as many areas as possible with a reasonable amount of success, particularly in Woodlands Estate in Newtown where we received a very warm reception. We also continued our long standing tradition of visiting the Presentation Sisters in their new house in Castlebridge and wish them well in their new surroundings. We would like to extend a sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously during our recitals.

Christmas Traditions

Tradition was once again repeated with our annual Christmas morning parade from 11 o'clock Mass, which has been done continuously since 1932. Unfortunately, the weather was not too kind to us but we gave a short recital in the Square for the benefit of the many listeners who waited to hear us. Glad to see so many new faces in the crowd. New Year's Eve, another of our traditions, again attracted large numbers of revellers with the odd unruly "rebellor" as usual thrown in for good measure. By and large it was a good natured event with sufficient hugs and kisses to see us through to New Year's Eve next year.

40 Year's Celebration

On Saturday, 11th February, we are organising a Dinner Dance in Harry's of Kinnegad to celebrate the 40th year of the setting up of the Boy's Band Section of St. Mary's Band in 1955.

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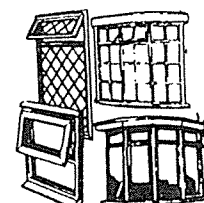
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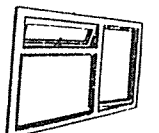
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This move, organised by the Band Committee at the time, ensured the continuation of Maynooth Band at least to the year 2000. The boys, we are glad to say, were soon joined by the girls until we now have almost a 50/50 membership. The past 40 years have seen many members of both sexes pass through the Band Hall door and unfortunately quite a number have had to leave for all sorts of reasons.

Saturday, 11th February, now gives us an opportunity for all of these ex-members to get together with their friends and families to swap stories with each other and tell the current members what it really was like before central heating, luxury coaches and properly fitting uniforms and how we had one pot-bellied stove to heat the entire Band Hall, how our luxury coach was a cleaned out cattle lorry and how pleased we were with our "brand new" ex-Garda uniforms. And that's just for starters! So if you want to meet your old band buddies go to the 40 Year Reunion Dinner Dance, Harry's, Kinnegad, Saturday, 11th February. Tickets only £12.50 each. Bus available £2.00 each. Tickets available from: Kevin Boyd, tel: 6285903 or Elaine Bean tel: 6285634. Due to the large numbers expected tickets are in limited supply so please book early.

Hope to have all the news on the reunion in the March issue.

BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Annual Social Night provisionally booked for Fri. Feb 17th in Maynooth G.A.A. Club. Music from Fred Hennessy and a great night is in prospect. Tickets will be on sale soon, £3 each or 2 for £5.

Also if you have not already sent in your annual subscription, please do so as soon as you can. Many thanks to those who have already done so.

P.R.O.

Michael Quane.

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Medical Card Income Guidelines from 1st January 1995

Income Guidelines (from 1st January 1995)
(net income after PRSI)

Single Person Living Alone

Aged up to 66 years £84.50
Aged between 66-79 years £92.50
Aged 80 years and over £96.50

Single Person Living with Family

Aged up to 66 years £74.50
Aged between 66-79 years £79.50
Aged 80 years and over £82.50

Married Couple

Aged up to 66 years £122.50
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Aged 80 years and over £144.00

Allowances

For child under 16 years £14.50
For dependant over 16 years with no income maintained by applicant £16.00

For outgoings on house (rent etc.) in excess of £14.50
Reasonable expenses necessarily incurred in travelling to work in excess of £13.00

Persons aged 16 to 25 dependent on their parents will not be entitled to a medical card unless their parents also hold a medical card.

Persons with no income other than:

- Old Age Non-Contributory Pension (Maximum)
- Deserted Wife's Allowance
- Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Allowance
- Disabled Persons (Maintenance) Allowance
- Lone Parent's Allowance (max)
- Single Woman's Allowance (max)
- Widow's (Non-Contributory) Allowance (max)
- Orphan's (Non-Contributory) Allowance (max)
- Supplementary Welfare Allowance

will be regarded as being eligible for a medical card. Hardship cases are dealt with individually on merit.

• **Income Assessed is net income after PRSI deductions**
PRSI payments will be deducted from gross income to get assessable income. However it is **income before tax** that is counted.

• Social Welfare Recipients

People getting the maximum rate of certain means tested social welfare payments normally qualify for a medical card without having a further means test. This doesn't mean that they automatically get a medical card, they must still apply to the Health Board. People on reduced rate social welfare payments will have a further assessment of their means.

• **Lone parents with dependants** will be treated under the same income guidelines as married couples with dependants.

• **Long-term unemployed and lone parents on schemes**, such as Community Employment will be allowed retain their medical card.

• In assessing family income, **where a child is in full-time third level education** and is not grant-aided, the allowance for a child over 16 will be doubled.

• Young people

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students are financially dependent on their parents, they will only be eligible for a medical card if their parents are medical card holders. The decision as to whether someone is financially dependent or independent is left to the Health Board.

• Nursing Home Fees

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I.C.A. NOTES

Maynooth Guild of the Irish Countrywomen's Association held its first meeting of 1995 on 5th of January in the I.C.A. Hall. Mrs Imelda Delaney, president, welcomed all the ladies to the meeting and wished everyone a 'Very Happy New Year'.

Activities

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall each Tuesday and Thursday, starting at 10.45 a.m. New members are always welcome.

Craft sessions are held in our own hall on Wednesday mornings (10.30-12.30) and on Monday nights, starting at 8.00 p.m. At present, the ladies are doing embroidery, soft toy making and cross stitch. Mary O'Gorman, craft promoter, reminds ladies that they should now be preparing for the Kildare and the National Make and Model competitions. The theme for the National Competition is 'An Outfit Suitable for a Visit to Aras an Uachtarain'.

I.C.A. Magazine

The good news this month is that the I.C.A. magazine, 'The Irish Woman', which used to be distributed at Guild meetings, will now be posted directly to members. The bad news is that the yearly subscription has gone up to £3.50. This magazine is published four times a year and it contains lots of I.C.A. news, photos, etc. Anyone interested in ordering 'The Irish Woman' magazine should contact Helen Doyle.

Next Meeting

The next Federation meeting is scheduled for Kill on 22nd of March. All members are welcome to attend this meeting. Our next Guild meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd of February at 8.00 p.m. The competition on that night will be a Bi-lingual Quiz. This will take place at the end of the meeting and the winning team will go forward to represent Maynooth at County level. I look forward to a large attendance at this meeting as these quizzes are usually great fun.

Connie Harpur
P.R.O.

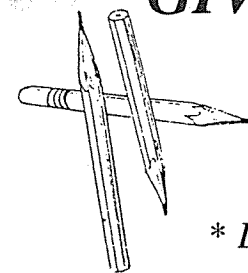
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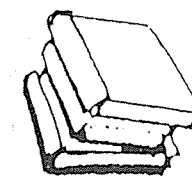
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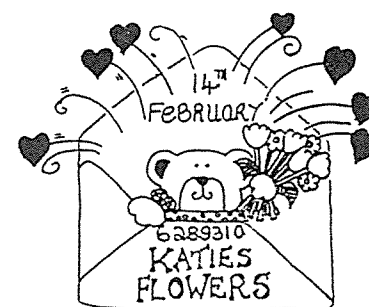
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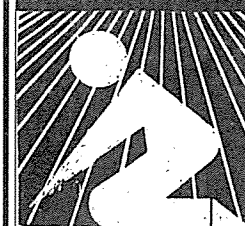
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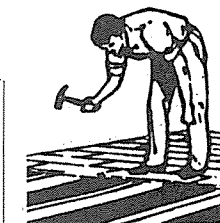
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If you are considering withdrawing your savings to meet some expense, why not ask the advice of the Credit Union staff first. They will be happy to help you.

Finally may I remind all our primary school students that the schools quiz is coming up towards the end of February.

Details will be available in the schools quite soon.

Michael Mooney

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

December Meeting

This was our Christmas Party with mince pies, Christmas cake and fun for everyone, held on Tuesday 13th. The demonstrator was Teresa Collins, whose knowledge, skill and wit made everything look so easy. Her clever use of candles was very enlightening to say the least. She also judged the club competition based on the theme "A Christmas Scene."

The competition winners were:-

Class A. First - Kathleen Cleary, Second - Felicity Satchwell, Third - Sarah Angel. Very Highly Commended - Noleen O'Brien and Highly Commended - Mary Doyle.

Class B. First - Maureen Stephens and Second - Moira Baxter. Class C. First - Joan O'Connell, Second - Amanda Harris, Third - Nell Byrne and Very Highly Commended - Toni Read.

The winners of the turkey raffle were First - Mary Doyle and Second - Mary O'Neill.

There was no meeting in January.

February Meeting

This will take place on Tuesday 21st in the Divine Word Hostel at 8 p.m. Non-members welcome - Admission £2. This meeting will prove to be quite exciting as it is Members' Night. Demonstrators will be Sarah Angel, Noleen O'Brien, Mary Doyle, Mary Cleary and Eileen Burns.

The competitions are:- Class A, "Walking in the Rain" a landscape exhibit space 30". Classes B & C, a "Hall Table" exhibit space 24".

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*Toni Read,
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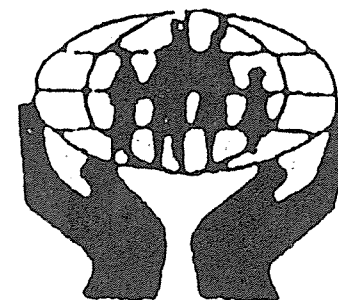
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MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

We are one year in operation now, our anniversary disco is on the 21st January 1995 at the usual venue. The D.J. for the night is Ray Darcy from The Den: he will also do compere on Blind Date which is to start off the night. Admission on the night is strictly by ticket only, which are available from the usual sources. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people from Maynooth and Kilcock and other areas who assisted us during the last year. I would also like to encourage more adults to get involved as leaders. On behalf of the committee we would like to congratulate Paul Byrne and Aideen Walsh on their recent engagement. Paul and Aideen met through the club where they are adult leaders.

Martin Caine.

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our Annual Dinner took place this year on Jan. 8th in the usual venue, the Post Primary School, and we thank Mr. Tom Ashe for all his help and support in this regard.

120 people enjoyed a beautiful four course meal of turkey and ham etc., courtesy of Mr. Peter O'Brien, to whom we owe a great deal of gratitude for his continued generosity. The second half of the evening was spent in the company of "The Partners" who provided the music.

Congratulations to the winners in our Waltzing competition. 1st place was taken by Anne Kenny and Madge Dowling. 2nd by Tosheen Farrell and Imelda Farrelly and 3rd by Imelda Delaney and Carmel Reilly. The judges for the event were, Dr. Fionnuala Grogan and Bernadette Larkin P.H.N. E.H.B. and Kevin McGovern. Many thanks to them, and all who helped to make the evening so enjoyable.

Our A.G.M. will be held in the Health Centre on Tuesday Feb 7th at 8p.m. and our Valentine's Party takes place on Sun. Feb 19th in the Post Primary School at 3.30 p.m.

Finally we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Kathleen O'Neill, Jenny Lanigan, Margaret Mooney and Kit Edwards. May they rest in peace.



Josephine Moore (Chairperson) with Mr. Peter O'Brien of O'Brien's Catering, Monread Rd., Naas. Mr. O'Brien has provided the catering for the Christmas party, free of charge for over eight years for which the committee are deeply grateful.



Josephine Moore, Chairperson of Old Peoples' Committee with Bernadette Larkin and Fionnuala Grogan of Eastern Health Board with the rest of the Committee.

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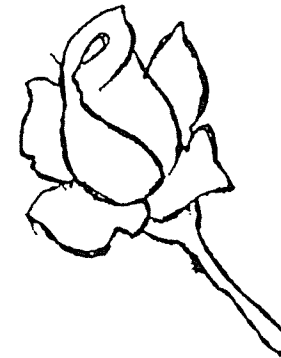
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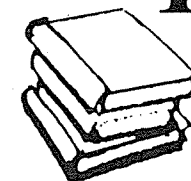
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT '95

Now that the New Year is here it is time to get down to business for the forthcoming project.

Just to update you on what has happened since our A.G.M. in October '94, we set to work on holding our Christmas Fair which we held on December 8th in the Boys National School. The income received from this and from our Flag Day will be used to subsidise many events held during the summer.

The committee wish to thank everyone for their help and support on both occasions. At our meeting, held on January 11th, we set about the planning of the 1995 programme and we will continue to inform you of our progress as the months go by.

We look forward to your continued support.

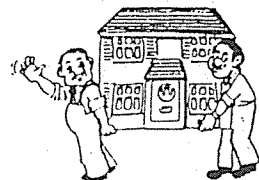
P.R.O Margaret Loane.

PRESENTATION CONVENT PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of the Association was held on November 18th, 1994. There was an informative First Aid demonstration and lecture given by the Red Cross. Equipment funded by the Association was on view. The committee thanks all those parents who gave their support but stresses that funds must be raised for the forthcoming year for numerous projects including the funding of the P.E. teacher which is not provided by the Department. Your support of all fundraising events would be greatly appreciated. Should you have any suggestions or can offer your time, please contact one of the committee.

1994-95 Committee: Chairperson, Sean Cushen; Secretary, Grainne Walsh; Treasurers, Jean Kennedy, Noreen Curran; Members, Catherine Heslin, Brian O'Brien, Eithne Barry, Brigid Cody, Lesley Doyle, Catherine Bruton, Martin Connolly, Siobhan O'Neill.

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SCOUT NEWS

Cubs: On December 13th there were 6 new cubs and 3 new cub leaders invested. The ceremony was attended by the proud parents of the cubs being invested and it was a memorable night for all involved. After the ceremony the pack leaders provided light refreshments for the parents and a massive amount of lemonade and sweets for the cubs.

Scouts: December has been a busy month for the scouts. As part of their fundraising activities they have been out selling Christmas logs which they made themselves. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who has supported us in this venture. I would also like to thank St. Patrick's College authorities who kindly allowed us to use their swimming pool on December 15th. This was a night of great crack and was greatly appreciated by all the scouts and leaders who availed of it.

Venturers: Maynooth venturers recently took part in a regional event which consisted of a day out to Holyhead. They departed early on a Saturday morning (which was a feat in itself as normally they don't surface until late afternoon), and despite bad weather, had quite a good time. The venturers would also like to thank all the people who supported their table quiz in the Maynooth G.A.A. hall.

On January 5th, 1995 the scouts held a disco in the Students' Union Hall. All those who turned up agreed that it was a great night for the scouts. Hopefully we will be able to run another one in the near future. I would like to thank the college authorities and Ronan Barry for all their assistance in organising the event.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody in Maynooth a happy New Year and to say thank you for all your help in 1994.

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Christmas Raffle.

This was a successful fund raising event for the group. Again our thanks to "The Roost" which hosted the actual raffle, and to the many local benefactors as detailed in the last issue. The winner of the first prize Christmas hamper was another popular benefactor, Paddy Boyd, of Maynooth Office Supplies.

The New Supervisor.

Mr. Tom Flatley from Maynooth Park replaces Kevin Breslin as the supervisor for our Community Employment scheme which currently employs twenty seven people. Tom is from Knock in County Mayo and is married to Ann (formerly O'Keeffe) from The Harbour, Kilcock. They are resident in Maynooth for a long time, and more recently Tom has been working on our scheme for close on two years. The quality of the five applicants for the position was excellent.

Where are they Now?

Philip Mc Dermott, who was our popular and excellent foreman and supervisor for many years is now supervisor of the Community Employment Scheme sponsored by the Town Commissioners in his native Leixlip, where he currently has command of seventeen workers.

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GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The association is monitoring carefully the impact of the gas installation work on our estate, particularly in the grassed areas on greens and footpaths.

The link road to the By-Pass has resulted in loss of one line of trees and we plan to ensure that remaining trees are not damaged in on-going discussions with the site engineer.

Residents will be advised of a fire prevention lecture being currently organised. Date and venue to be advised.

*Richard Farrell
P.R.O.*

OLD GREENFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION A.G.M.

The Annual General meeting of the Old Greenfield Residents Association was held in the Boys National School on Thursday January 12th.

The Chairperson, Manus McCarron, welcomed everybody to the meeting. A special welcome was made to Garda Martin Caine who reported the success neighbourhood watch was having.

Officers Elected.

ChairpersonManus McCarron
Vice Chairperson Paul Finan
Secretary / Pro Leo Armstrong
Asst. SecretaryKathleen Creggy
TreasurerKevin McGovern
Asst. Treas.Joe Byrne

It was agreed that a constitution for the Association would be rectified at another General meeting to be held on first Tuesday in February at same venue at 8.30 p.m..

RAIL PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

Straffan Road Development

Rail Park residents are now beginning to get used to a new vista following the removal of the hedgerow and trees between the estate and the Straffan Road. We are also having to get used to all the muck at the entrance to the estate and along the footpath into the town. While this (hopefully) is temporary, much more permanent is the increased difficulty motorists are facing trying to get out onto the road due to the increased flow of traffic generated by the opening of the by-pass. It remains to be seen what the situation will be like when the new traffic lights are installed at the junction with the Celbridge Road.

Meanwhile, the ad-hoc Committee of Straffan Road Residents' Associations is maintaining a watching brief on developments,

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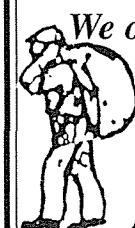


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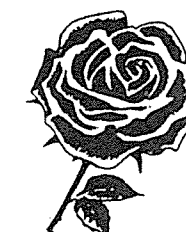
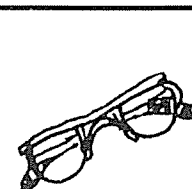
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Residents Associations

under the capable Chairmanship of Ciaran Hassett of Carton Court. Eddie Tobin and Proinnsias Breathnach are the Rail Park representatives on this committee, although when they were unable to attend a recent meeting, Tommy and Marese Killian willingly stepped into the gap.

The present County Council plans are to build a five-foot high wall on both sides of the road, with three-foot stretches near junctions to assist sight lines for motorists. There will be a footpath on both sides of the road and provision for a cycle path. The work of clearing hedges and trees and marking out the boundary of the new road is now almost complete, and construction work on the new road is scheduled to begin in February and finish by the end of the year. Work on the bridge, of course, is already well advanced, and is scheduled to be completed in May. The new bridge will be merged with the existing bridge.

We hope to keep Rail Park residents up to date on developments through the medium of this column.



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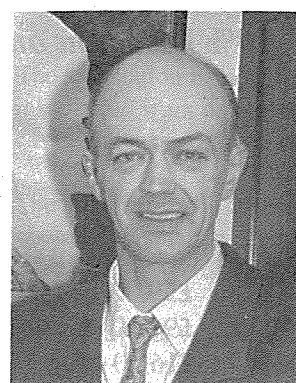
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BOOK REVIEW



Vincent Doyle or Vinny as he is more commonly known, was born in Maynooth in 1953. As a child he attended the old National School. From there he went to the tech in Lucan, as there was no second level education in Maynooth at that time. Things have changed thank God. He attended Bolton St. College and at seventeen years of age he developed an interest and love in painting. He went to the National College of Art and Design to acquire more skills for his beloved hobby. It was successful, as he took a great interest in the artists of the impressionist period such as Van Gogh, Monet, Degas and others. I have seen a lot of his paintings over the last year and even to me, who wouldn't know a Van Gogh from a cows derriere, they looked mighty impressive. The above mentioned may be for the experts and connoisseurs but Vinny did not let the ordinary "five-eights" down. His paintings and drawings of the Maynooth area are brilliant. Many of his works use the spire as a background. He has also painted the Obelisk, Carton, Laraghbryan, Ladychapel and any other building or scenic location of interest or beauty in the area. His paintings would look well on any wall.

There we will leave Vinny the painter. Being busy trying, "maybe in vain" to make the footpaths and roads of Maynooth safe to walk on he has found the time to take the pen and start writing, (imagine trying to fill all those pot-holes). He started in November '93 and working mostly at weekends has produced the books and has a book of poems ready for the press.

His novel "Sue" is described as an Irish-American love story. I read this book over the last few days and thought it had a most unusual beginning. Then Vinny is a most unusual fellow. From a sing song and a booze up in Bradys with the locals, "including the Messiah", to a session in Roches I wondered where this book was going. It later developed a great and interesting theme. It holds a lot of Vinny's humour. In there also is a lot of imagination, from an innocent involvement with the I.R.A. to a not so innocent involvement with the Mafia. His love scenes are kinda different to any I've read 'but then again' - like the Lord he left the best wine to the last as he finishes the book very unusually. If you want to know any more about it - "buy the book". To show its worth American publishers are printing 300,000 copies of "Sue" for the American market.

For the children and those of us who are still children he produced a gem in "Anytime Fairy Stories". A great book of short stories, some about local characters and myths. From "The Rabbit who lost his front teeth" through "Bollas Big Belly" on to "The Ghost of Silken Thomas", you won't leave it down. Vinny's book of Poems which I have not yet seen is basically on Women in the Work Force. Wait for it! continued

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P. Kelly

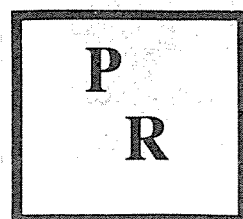
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DRINK LAW

Amid claims from the Vintners' Association of the disastrous impact on their members from the new drink laws and denials and counterclaims from the politicians, Gardaí and media, we decided to ask a selection of locally affected groups their view of the situation.

Martin Ryan, of the Kilcloone Inn, was all against drink driving but felt that the ordinary working man was entitled to a few drinks. Although he's not organising a petition against the law, his customers are very much against the prohibitive effect of the 80 ml limit. Over the Christmas he didn't notice any downfall in trade but he felt this was due to visitors home from America and elsewhere. However, the first signs are indicating a post Christmas drop in sales. Martin Ryan believes that people are afraid or unwilling to take the car out for the one pint and are staying at home instead.

Noel Brady from Brady's in Maynooth has noticed the change, but believes that it's not that people are staying at home altogether, rather they're adapting. Brady's, he says, is a working mans' pub. Normally those who were going out three or four times a week will find the cost of taxis etc., or just the inconvenience, taking away one of their nights out. It's not that the Irish pub scene will diminish rather people will adapt to the lower limits by organising lifts or giving up one of their usual drinking nights.

Roche's pub, being dependent on local trade, and with it's isolated location will be badly hit, says Mrs. Roche. "Are people going to drive 3 miles for one pint?", she asks. Pubs like Roche's could disappear as a result of getting Ireland into the European norm. "We've kept this pub going through thick and thin. In the '50's when trade was bad my husband had to go to England to work", she adds. "We've been here many, many years and before us the Carrolls had the pub for 150 years - now the business could be forced to close". Mrs. Roche sees these events as part of a bigger picture. There is a silent conspiracy to get rid of the smaller traders. The local Garda Barracks and Post Office, have closed down. Distributors won't sell petrol to small stations whose orders aren't large enough. "Something has to come over society", she believes, "Legislators treat Ireland as if it has the amenities of Europe", but that's not so. Having a daughter working in The Hague, she's seen the trams working throughout the night. It's all very well to legislate for a car-free society if other transport is provided, she believes, but here these rules are unfair as we haven't the structure to support alternatives. Mrs. Roche goes as far as calling the new law a form of prohibition and supports the march planned on Dáil Eireann at the end of January.

Eugene O'Shea of M.C.L. Cabs found it hard to ascertain the impact of the law on his trade. The Christmas is so busy that any increase in trade would just be part of the 50% of calls they have to refuse at that time of the year anyway. But he believes that people are more frightened to take a drink and drive than ever before, especially the young. "They've more respect for their licence than perhaps older generations". "It takes longer to get it and with high insurance prices they never

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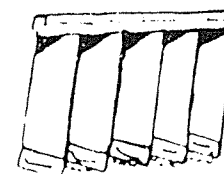
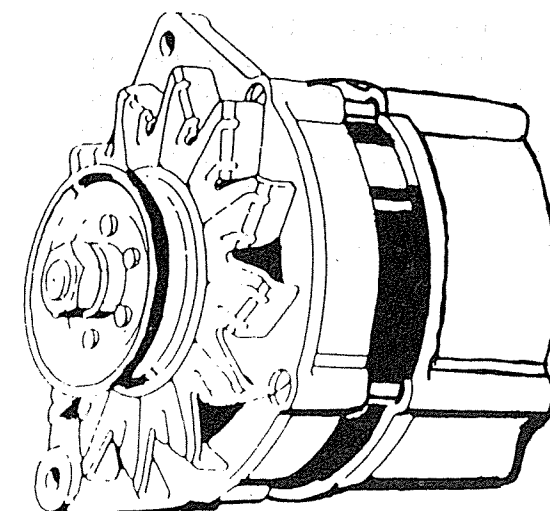
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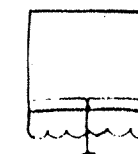
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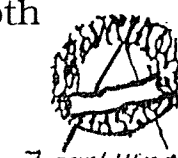
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see the car as something to take out when drinking". Also he senses a growing impatience in people which he finds hard to define. As the first cab company in North Kildare and in operation for 7 or 8 years he's seen changes in the last 18 months. One driver was left in hospital over Christmas for taking a wrong turn and he had a mini-cab stolen from the Leixlip area. "When people go out and don't plan how they're getting home they're irritable when you can't provide an instant service". Possibly the new law will put increased pressure on an already tense situation. One final change he notices is that people are frightened to take cars to work in the morning if they've had a few late drinks the night before. They might have as little as 3 or 4 hours to clear it's effects from their bloodstream. "With the low limit" he says, people fear being caught the day after the night before".

Superintendent Peter Kearney was thankful to the people of Maynooth that the new law was enforced with such ease. No one was arrested in the area and less cars were on the road from the pubs than in previous years. There were a considerable number of extra checkpoints, Gardaí were brought in from Naas and no major trouble was reported. He feels this was due to the co-operation of the public and the Gardaí. On the subject of 'morning after' checkpoints, he says that there is no official policy of checkpoints to catch people drink driving in the mornings. The principle of checkpoints is to stop or deter the criminal whatever time of day. On another note he advises people to exercise caution in exiting the new motorway at the Straffan Road exchange as there's already been an accident at this spot.

It's hard not to have sympathy with both sides of the case. No-one wants drink-driving or pubs like Roche's to have to close either. When people adapt to new rules, like this one, it's hard to say who will suffer. There may be casualties among the Vintner's numbers - and we all can help ensure that these are not our locals - but perhaps if fewer casualties on our roads is the cost, then it's surely not too high a price to pay.

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Cycle Safety

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1. Make sure that children are aware of the fundamental rules of the road before they are allowed to cycle.

. A bicycle is not a toy, it is a vehicle. No child under ten years should be allowed cycle out in traffic.

3. Even ten year olds should not be allowed out in traffic unless they are able to balance properly, look behind, and signal without wobbling. Let them practice in a playground.

4. At night and on dull days, no cyclist should travel without appropriate lights and reflectors to draw their presence to attention of motorists.

5. A helmet is vital, it can prevent serious head injury and even death.

6. And finally, cycling is an activity that requires undivided attention. Therefore, a child should never wear a personal stereo while cycling.

Recent Housebreakings

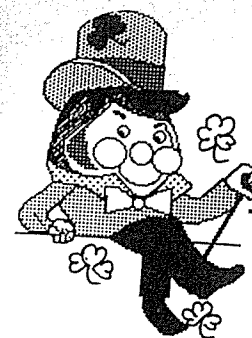
A sincere word of thanks to a number of residents of Beaufield and Cluain Aoibhinn who recently assisted Gardai in apprehending a youth from the Dublin area who was caught red handed in the act of burglary. We were delighted with prompt action and response and congratulate those for their kind assistance to Gardai.

We are also pleased to mention that a number of arrests have taken place following our investigation into recent burglaries, and charges will follow. Remember don't leave the criminal with an easy target. Report suspicious activity to the Gardai at once.

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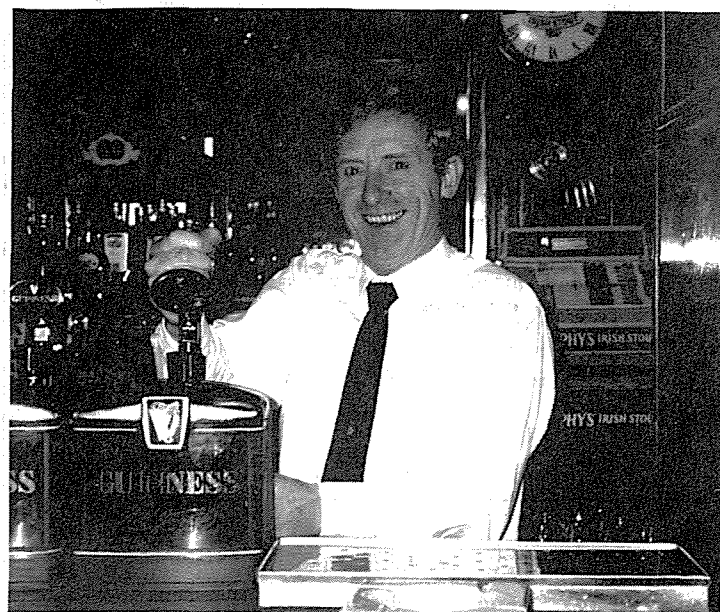
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Valentine's



• John O'Rourke - The Roost

"It's an opportunity to express your feelings for your loved one". John won't reveal his plans as yet, he plans to surprise her.

• Paul Connolly - Top of the Crop

Paul feels that Valentine's Day is a load of crap. He has no plans other than that he shall go drinking on his own. Paul feels he is too young to get married, he'll start getting romantic when he is 40. He's looking for a leggy blonde, so all young hopefuls know where to call to reap the benefits.

• John Heffernan

Paul's colleague, John Heffernan is a true romantic. Every year he gets his wife a big card and a big bunch of flowers and brings her out to dinner. This year he's going to do the same.



• Martin Brady - Leinster Arms

"It's the only day of the year you can get away with self-expression." He's bringing his girlfriend to Riverdance on Valentine's Day and to add to the magic they'll be four years together on this date.

Day



• Alven Duffy - The Shop

"I don't really have any opinions on Valentine's Day. It makes some people happy. I've been going out with my boyfriend for three years but he's never bought me a card yet. He's romantic in other ways . !!!"

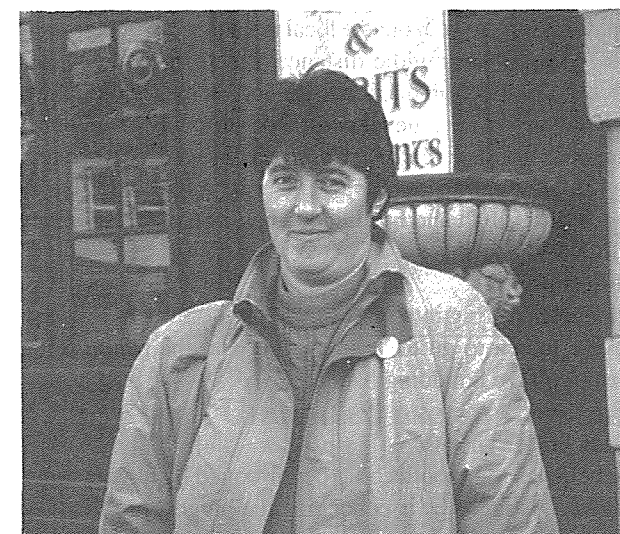


• Garda - Martin Caine

"It's a special day to most couples, married couples especially. There's always a surprise element to it". The only plans Garda Caine has are to have a 'No Name Disco' for Valentine's weekend. He's not a romantic but he's still hopeful of someone surprising him.

• Garda - Denis Bourke

Doesn't think a lot of Valentine's Day, it brings back memories of the Stardust. He'll be working on that day.



• Claire O'Rourke

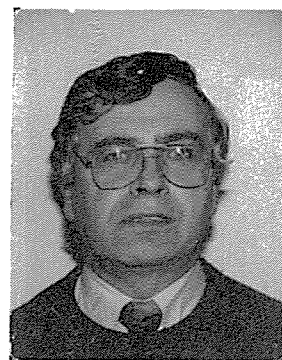
"I'm expecting a big surprise. I got an early present of a weekend in Chester. My husband is a bit romantic".



• Breda Donovan - Donovans

"I love Valentine's Day as I'm a romantic at heart. It makes men more gushy. My boyfriend is very romantic - he spoils me".

MUINTIR MAIGH NUAD



Michael Gleeson

Michael Gleeson is a pleasant and genial man who exerts a quiet but positive influence in all his local involvements whether it be in Gaelic games or athletics. He is a qualified accountant specialising in industrial work and is better known as the indefatigable chairman of the successful Maynooth Athletic Club.

Michael hails from Silvermines, near Nenagh, Co. Tipperary. He went to the local school, Lissen Hall, and to Nenagh CBS. The Christian Brothers were big into hurling and one of his teachers, Bill Small, had won an All-Ireland Senior medal with Dublin. In north Tipperary there was no football and all his spare time was taken up with hurling. A hurley was never out of his hands whether it was used for driving cows or hitting stones, etc. Other than this the local pastimes were hunting or playing pitch and toss at the nearby crossroads.

Headed for Dublin

In 1962 Michael headed for Dublin to stay with his aunt Peg. He quickly got a job with McNaughton's Builders Providers working in the area of sales and deliveries. Even though he had become disillusioned with the educational system, where he found his teachers were very dogmatic and not very flexible, after a few years' work, he began night study in Accountancy at Rathmines College of Business Studies.

In 1978 he qualified as an accountant. His work up to this was in the area of finance, so he endeavoured to gain further credentials. After gaining the relevant experience Michael applied to become an Associate, i.e. a member of A.C.M.A. (Association of Cost and Management Accountants). He had to be proposed and seconded and to give a long history of his work. However, the association deemed that he had sufficient knowledge to get the higher grade of Fellowship. Michael's work is now very industry-related and he is employed as financial manager with ITT Flygt in Tallaght; a massive American organisation. Last October he attended a company conference for all the financial managers world-wide, in Florida, U.S.A.

Married

Michael married Marie Fitzsimons, who comes from Celbridge, in 1969, and they began their new life together in Maynooth and lived in various parts of the town before settling in Straffan Way. Michael soon got involved with the G.A.A. scene. At this time Maynooth had a good Junior hurling side and between 1970 and 1978 they made it to four county finals. It was in 1978 that he reached the peak of his career when he captained his side in the County final and was voted Player of the Year by his fellow team-mates. Maynooth had a very good team then and Michael played at full back. Michael, who had played with Erin's Isle and New Ireland while in Dublin, won a Junior League medal and played until 1987.

Athletics

Along with his daughter Enda, Michael joined Maynooth Athletic Club in 1980. On one occasion, when he was due to participate in an All-Ireland Veterans' race in Co. Clare, he missed his lift and had to drive all the way down. On top of this when he finished the race there was no-one there to record his result. Things only got worse when he received a speeding fine on the way back. This goes to prove that Mick was faster in his car than he was on his feet. However, he improved and won coveted Leinster medals with his club at veterans' level, including a silver medal in the 800m and in 1985 he won a bronze in the 3,000m. He won lots of relay medals, as relay racing was and still is very strong at club, county and All-Ireland level.

President

Michael has served in many positions with his club; trainer/selector, treasurer, competitions secretary. He is presently chairman for the last five years. He is currently president of the county board of the NACAI and also fills the role of competitions secretary and PRO. This can be a demanding job at competition times, catering for up to 500 members of the five Kildare clubs.

The local athletic club which was very strong in the '80s is undergoing a revival after winning a lot of All-Ireland medals in the last three years. John Campbell and John O'Rourke are very involved in the coaching and training of members. Marie also acts as competitions secretary and the club enjoys great camaraderie between organisers and club members. On top of all this Michael is long-standing treasurer of the local G.A.A. club and a member of the hurling committee. All these involvements put extra demands on his time but as a man who grew up with sport, he barely acknowledges the significance of his massive contribution to the lives of others.

Family

Marie Gleeson is also very active in the community. She is involved at Community Council level and is a member of the very successful festival committee. She is an athletic club official and competitor in the Dublin City Marathon and she still finds time to help out the local residents' association. Enda was a successful middle distance athlete specialising in the 800m. She has won many All-Ireland medals and now works in Kilkenny. Aileen never competed seriously at athletics being more interested in Art. Catherine was a useful runner and competed with success for a number of years. Michael Jnr. is handy at football and hurling and has won medals for same.

Philosophy

Michael is not big into philosophy but believes as long as you have a match to go to, a pint to get and the health to enjoy them, you are not doing badly.

Ideas on Maynooth

He believes Maynooth could be improved by having more facilities. As far as he is concerned the biggest problem facing the town is lack of playing space for the G.A.A. and other clubs. He would also like to see a swimming pool being provided. If more amenity space was to come on stream Michael

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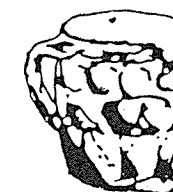
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and his colleagues would like to see an athletic track as part of the package. He is sure that more facilities would encourage more children to go out and do something. He sees sport as very important for youngsters as it prevents them from hanging around, which leads to more problems. It gives them something to live for.

Politics

Michael was never in a political party and has no hard and fast affiliations. Nevertheless, he takes politics very seriously and weighs up his options at election times. He would not be inclined to vote for the same party that he supported the last time.

Religion

He has no problem with anybody's religion or whether they have one or not. He feels he may not be the best Catholic in the world and added, "There has hardly ever been a war that was not caused by religion". As he sees it we are all trying to get to the same place. He hinted that it would be better if we did not have Catholics or Protestants, but Christians.

Music

One of Michael's greatest regrets is that he is not able to sing or play a musical instrument. He claims he knows more songs than anybody but still cannot sing them. His favourite singers are Christy Moore, Luke Kelly and Liam Clancy. As a child of the '60s he also enjoys other styles such as the Beatles and the Rolling Stones. His favourite country singer is Johnny Cash.

All in all, Michael has his own inimitable style. On the athletic field he can guide, with wizardly skill, hundreds of children through their respective events. In a gentlemanly, kind and benevolent manner he is true to his calling. Yes, the man from Silvermines now prospects the rich talent of Maynooth youngsters for the gold of victory and self esteem. May his achievements long endure.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY

The Maynooth post-primary 3rd. year students organised a fund-raising benefit week to help charities such as Bosnia, Vincent de Paul and Concern. The students of the school were very co-operative by bringing in food for the food appeal, fasting for concern and giving money to support the cake sales and raffle. In total we managed to raise £1,551, of which £927 went to Concern and £624 of which was donated to Vincent de Paul. We also filled a large box with food which we are going to send to Bosnia. Among the fund-raising group was Eileen Bradley, Michelle Gillick, Michelle Murphy, Deirdre Cassidy, Jane Carey, Andre Ennis, David Langan, David Newton, Eoin Nevin and Fr. David Boylan.



*Back: Fr. David Boylan,
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SUBMISSION TO FORUM FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION

The Maynooth Miscarriages of Justice Group recently decided to make a submission to the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation at Dublin Castle. The committee is comprised of Mary Cullen, Hilda Mooney, Eamon O Ciosáin and Michael Quinn.

The following is the second extract from their submission.

INEQUALITY, JOBS AND JUSTICE

It is often assumed, both by the media and many politicians in Ireland, North and South, that inequality in the workforce in Northern Ireland is much reduced, that remaining discrimination can be accounted for by historical factors rather than current practices and that the political and human rights significance of discrimination has accordingly diminished. But there is ample evidence from official sources that this is not the case.

Findings from the Fair Employment Tribunal reveal that:

- The number of complaints to the Tribunal has been rising in the last four years.
- Total awards approach £1 million, half of which was paid out by publicly funded companies.
- The Eastern Health Board, one of Northern Ireland's biggest employers, paid £65,000 in two cases involving Catholic women employees.
- In 1992 the Tribunal awarded £20,000 to a Catholic woman employee of the Eastern Health Board, but following further harassment on her return to work, added an extra £5,000.
- Many cases have been settled out of court, resulting in a reduction in the real number of rulings and no account of the values and total settlements being available.

1. Unemployment

Official figures on unemployment levels reveal many horrendous facts including (a) the high numbers not in work, (b) dramatic increases in unemployment in the last 20 years and (c) Catholics are over twice as likely to be unemployed as Protestants. The following updated tables supplied by the Central Community Relations Unit (a branch of the Northern Ireland Civil Service), and in the Breen and Gudgin 1994 study bear out the above points.

These figures clearly demonstrate the desperate need for jobs and in the creation of such jobs, the need to ensure the directing of resources to where the need is greatest.

NI Males Not in Work (Average 1985-91) Percent of Population Unemployed			
Age-Group	RC	Other	All
20-24	32.0	14.7	22.7
25-34	23.4	9.9	10.0
35-44	18.9	9.2	13.0
45-54	19.0	7.7	11.7
55-59	11.7	7.9	8.7
All	22.1	9.6	14.6
Economically Inactive			
Age-Group	RC	Other	All
20-24	16.2	11.5	13.7
25-34	8.6	4.2	6.1
35-44	11.5	5.0	7.6
45-54	18.4	8.9	12.4
55-59	32.1	18.6	23.2
All	14.2	7.8	10.4
Not in Work			
Age-Group	RC	Other	All
20-24	48.2	26.2	36.4
25-34	32.0	14.1	16.1
35-44	30.4	14.2	20.6
45-54	37.4	16.6	24.1
55-59	43.8	26.5	31.9
All	36.3	17.4	25.0
Source: Labour Force Survey as given in CCRU (1994) Definition: not in work = unemployed + economically inactive			

2. Providing Employment

The developing peace process will result in very significant savings on security expenditure, both North and South, and by the Ministry of Defence in London. Up to 20,000 security-related jobs could be made redundant, so savings must be redeployed to economic and social expenditure. Fortunately economic prospects North, South and in Great Britain are reasonably good. The further prospects of funds from the United States, European Union, etc., coupled with local resources can lead to many extra jobs in tourism, the aerospace industry, involvement in and provision of training, cross-border trade, infrastructural development, social programmes, etc.

It may be that economic growth could produce a more favourable climate for equal opportunities policies but it is not self-evident that such growth will of itself produce greater equality between Catholics and Protestants. On the contrary without an effective equal opportunity policy the results and benefits of growth will be unequally shared. Inequality is not the dead legacy of now defunct practices but something which is constantly recreated as a result of a continuing process.

We believe that the demands for fair employment, economic equality and equal participation in all aspects of economic life in Northern Ireland must be central to the discussions involving the governments of Great Britain, Ireland, the US and the European Union. A comprehensive reconstruction of the Northern economy to tackle inequality on the basis of need is urgently required. The directing of the vast bulk of resources to areas of greatest need is essential. The cause of peace and reconciliation will be greatly enhanced by the impacting of such a provision of resources on the poorest Protestants as well as the poorest Catholics.

NI Population Not in Work 1971-91						
Thousands	Percent of Population of working age					
Unemployed	Unemployed					
	RC	Other	Total	RC	Other	Total
1971	23.7	17.9	41.6	16.0	6.4	9.8
1991	44.3	33.0	77.3	23.5	11.4	16.1
Change	20.6	15.1	35.7	7.4	4.9	6.4
Economically Inactive						
	RC	Other	Total	RC	Other	Total
1971	11.2	11.7	22.9	7.6	4.2	5.4
1991	36.4	43.4	79.8	19.3	14.9	16.6
Change	25.2	31.7	56.9	11.7	10.7	11.3
Not in Work						
	RC	Other	Total	RC	Other	Total
1971	34.9	29.6	64.5	23.6	10.6	15.1
1991	80.7	76.4	157.1	42.7	26.3	32.8
Change	45.8	46.8	92.6	19.1	15.7	17.6
Source: Breen and Gudgin (1994), Table 2 Definition: not in work = unemployed + economically inactive						

3. A new economic deal

A new economic deal should include:

- (a) An acceptance that the economic rights of equality are just as necessary as other human rights, e.g. a right to a fair trial, freedom of speech, etc. This acceptance should be adopted as official policy.
- (b) A root and branch reform of all British government policy should be carried out to ensure a culture of equality in decision-making. Equality laws must be strengthened and a more decisive approach to enforcement adopted.

(c) Because the public sector constitutes such a large proportion of the Northern Ireland economy, the government has the power to move decisively towards equality through its actions as an employer. Accordingly the government should ensure that only companies which implement equality practices can become eligible for government contracts.

(d) The British government should adopt a target and timetable programme for reducing the difference in the unemployment rates between Protestants and Catholics.

(e) The establishment of independent and representative review commissions to examine the effectiveness of these new policies.

(f) Assurances to be sought by and given to all foreign aid donors that their monies will be used to genuinely reduce inequality and poverty.

By implementing such a new economic and human rights deal we can help ensure that every pound sterling, punt, dollar and ECU spent in Northern Ireland can be used twice. Once for jobs and once again for justice. The peace and reconciliation process desperately needs both.

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GARDENING HINTS

There are times during the month of February when one can sense that spring is in the air with the appearance of Snowdrops, crocus, and honeysuckle with its scented creamy white flowers. Despite its reputation as a rainy month, February usually has more dry days than wet. The days have steadily begun to lengthen, and the extra light - and sometimes warmth - will start plants into growth towards the end of the month.

The Flower Garden

Lawns may need topping, no more, on a mild day when the soil is not waterlogged or frozen. If it is very wet, spiking to a 4-in. depth with a garden fork is better treatment for the turf, and gives the grass roots a chance to breathe; later in the month worm casts may need sweeping off with a stiff broom.

In sheltered places roses showing signs of breaking into leaf should be pruned quickly before they do; this applies of course to the hybrid teas and floribundas, and those climbers not yet cut back. Clematis, similarly, may actually be bursting. The early summer flowering varieties should be tipped back only, the late summer flowering kinds need cutting back hard to leave 3, 4, or 5 ft. of growth from ground level. They grow exceedingly vigorously over the next four months and such hybrids as the blue-purple C. jackmanii, pink 'Hagley Hybrid', 'Etoile Violette' and white 'Huldine' relish such harsh treatment and reward it with an abundance of flower. Keep a vigilant eye out for bud-pecking, wind rocking, bark stripping and unsteady shrub and tree supports. After gales, stakes and ties may need to be renewed, especially in exposed gardens. Be sure to firm the soil round wind-rocked plants.

Throughout the garden weeds may be starting to grow. Hoe them off or otherwise eradicate them before they get into their stride - it is so much easier to do and quicker, when they are at the seedling stage, or when they have only a weak winter hold on the soil. In the growing season it sometimes takes all ones' strength to detach a well-grown weed from the ground.

Very cold snaps are a seasonal dismay and the temperature may fall to 20 or 30°F (10 or 15°C) below freezing, quite unexpectedly, so listen to weather forecasts, follow your own knowledge and experience of local weather conditions, and prepare to increase the greenhouse heat accordingly. Many precious plants are lost by just one night's severe cold. But unless this kind of Arctic climate is expected, always ventilate the greenhouse, so that grey mould does not ravage the plants and be ready to spray if troubles appear.

The Vegetable Garden

Vegetables are an essential constituent of diet; home-grown ones are much better than shop sold (or soiled) ones for flavour and nutrient content, crispness and general deliciousness. Sowing vegetable seed now will give crops much earlier than usual; for instance, French beans, Brussels sprouts, cucumbers, carrots, radishes, tomatoes, leeks and lettuces, cauliflowers and broad beans will all germinate well in a temperature of 60°F (16°C) and more. Unusual vegetables are well worth considering; for instance, celeriac seed can be sown inside, and Jerusalem artichokes and garlic can be planted in sheltered places.

House Plants

Don't forget to keep an eye on those houseplants received during the Christmas period. Theirs is often a perilous life as they can be left roasting near a radiator or on a television set. Alternatively they can die from the cold, left to freeze on window-sills between the glass and drawn curtains. And if they are lucky to escape these fates they can often die from drowning through over-zealous watering. So if you want to hold on to your house plants for as long as possible, keep them at an even temperature, out of draughts in reasonable light and water sparingly. In addition, follow any special instructions that may be provided with your particular plant.

Sowing Seeds.

Many seed catalogues are now on offer through the daily or Sunday newspapers and now is the time to be making plans for sowing seeds. Some of the earliest kinds should already have been sown and many others will be sown during the next few months. You will find much to tempt you in the seed catalogues and the choice of seed is much greater than that available in most seed shops. If you do not want the bother of sowing seeds, many catalogues now offer young plants as well.

Some February Plants in Flower and Vegetables in Season

The Flower Garden

Aconite
Christmas Rose
Crocus
Cyclamen
Iris
Snowdrop

The Ornamental Garden

Clematis cirrhosa
Dogwood
Daphne mezereum
Witch Hazel
Heaths
Honeysuckle
Magnolia Viburnum

Vegetables in Season

Artichoke, Jerusalem
Brussels sprouts
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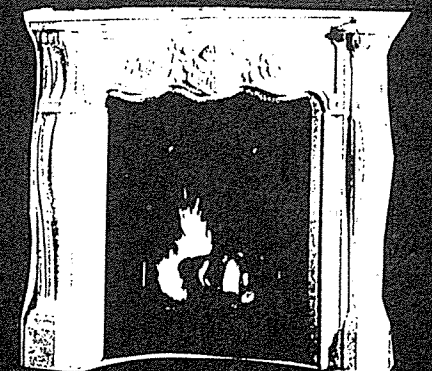
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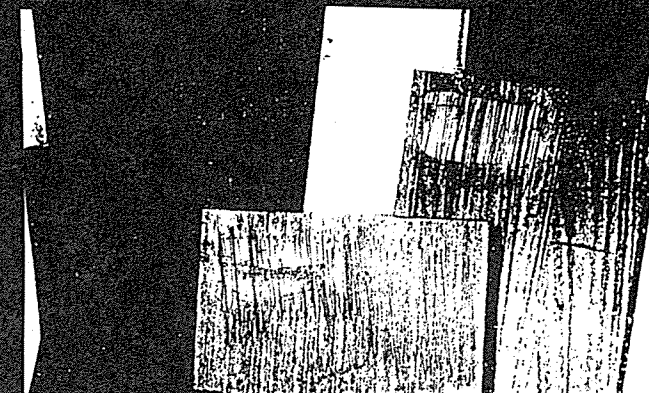
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Kedgerie Pie

•Prep.: 15 mins •Cook: 50 mins
•Serves: 4

Quick and tasty, this pie uses ready-prepared ingredients for instant success.

2 x 200g/7oz packets boil-in-the-bag smoked haddock fillets
3 size 3 eggs, hardboiled and chopped
300g/11oz ready-to-serve pilau rice
15g/½ oz butter, melted
65ml/ 2½ fl oz soured cream
2 tbsp chopped fresh dill
salt and pepper
450g/1lb ready-to-roll puff pastry
1 egg, beaten
1 tsp sesame seeds
dill sprigs to garnish

1. Boil haddock 20 mins. Cool, drain and flake fish, discarding bones and skin.

2. Mix fish, hard-boiled eggs, rice, butter, soured cream, dill and oven seasoning. Preheat oven to 200° C/400° F/Mark 6.

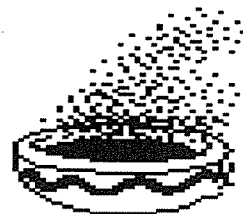
3. Roll out 225g/8oz pastry and cut out 21cm/8½ in circle. Lay on greased baking sheet. Spoon filling into centre, making a neat dome and leaving 2.5cm/ 1in border.

4. Roll out rest of pastry and cut out 24cm/9½ in circle. Brush border of first circle with water and cover with pastry lid. Press edges together and crimp to seal.

5. Brush with beaten egg and sprinkle with sesame seeds. Bake 30 mins until golden. Serve, garnished with fresh dill sprigs.

Tip

A handful of cooked peeled prawns stirred into the filling makes it extra special - you'll need about 75g/3oz.



Lamb Casserole

Serves 4: • Calories per portion: 451 •
Preparation time: 20 mins • Cooking
time: 1 hr 45 mins.

1 lb/450g lean lamb
1 tbsp olive oil
6 oz/175g button onions, peeled
1 red pepper, halved, deseeded and sliced
1 green pepper, halved, deseeded and sliced
2 sticks celery, trimmed and chopped
1 oz/25g flour
1pt/600ml vegetable stock
14 oz/397g can chick peas, drained
14oz/397g can artichoke hearts, drained
A few rosemary sprigs
Salt and ground black pepper
Rosemary sprigs to garnish

1. Trim the lamb of any remaining fat and cut the meat into 2in/5cm chunks. Heat the oil in a flameproof casserole dish and sauté the onions for 5 mins. Add the lamb and cook for 7 mins, or until sealed.

2. Preheat the oven to Gas 4, 350°F, 180°C, 10 mins before cooking the casserole. Add the peppers, celery and flour to the lamb and onions, then continue to cook, stirring constantly, for 1 min. Stir in the vegetable stock, chick peas, artichoke hearts and rosemary. Season well and bring to the boil. Cover the casserole and transfer to the preheated oven. Cook for 1½ hrs., or until lamb is tender.

3. Remove casserole lid, garnish with rosemary and serve.

Chocolate Flapjacks

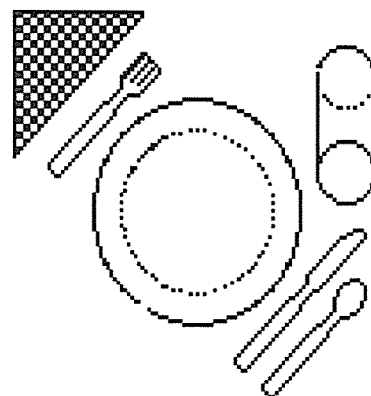
Cuts into 15 squares or 14 fingers

4 oz (125g) butter or margarine
4 oz (125g) light brown sugar
1 tablespoon golden syrup
6 oz (175g) jumbo or porridge oats
2 oz (60g) chocolate drops
2 oz (60g) toasted hazelnuts, chopped
11 x 7in (28 x 18cm) shallow baking tin.

Set oven to moderate, Gas Mark 4 or 350°F/180°C.

Melt the butter, then slowly stir in the sugar and golden syrup. Stir in the rest of the ingredients. Spoon into the greased tin and spread evenly over the base. Bake above the centre of the oven for 30 minutes. Mark into 15 squares or 14 fingers while still warm.

Allow to cool in the tin, then cut.



Bon Appétit!

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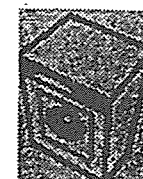
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SHEILA O'HAGAN

The Wood Pigeon

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I push the graveyard gate, walk through
To the gloom of fern and stone, unfeeling cold.
I buried you in the wrong place, the wind
Is softer from the west than from the east,
Your feet should face the sea as any Celt.
I'll do what I can to clear your space
Brush off the sodden leaves, replace the words
Fallen from your name, our name. And I'll not ask
What of you perished first, am mute to tell
Yet hear the truth, that all is gathered up
In human love. I've left you some flowers.
Is it the rain or you who flays my face,
Dements my hair with wind? I turn to leave,
A wood pigeon breaks from the tree, a whirr
Soft as a ghost. I listen to it
As it comes and goes, comes and goes.

The poetry of Sheila O'Hagan is filled with soft evocations from nature. "The Peacock's Eye", winner of the 1991 Patrick Kavanagh Poetry Award, is her first collection of verse.



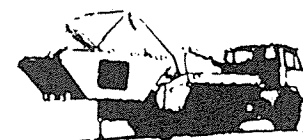
Born and raised in Dublin she left for London aged 19, where she lived for 35 years. After raising a family - her collection is dedicated to Conor, Aisling and Niamh - she entered Birbeck College as a mature student where she took degrees in Art, English literature and Theatre. She began writing in 1984 and was first published in 'Poetry Ireland' in '88. "I love

words and putting them together", she told me. She sees herself as a lyric poet rather than a narrative writer. Indeed she has a soft dictionary filled with bells and water, which give musical insights into her mother, sister and father's presence. Her mouth 'full of words' makes her work a watermark - a lasting melody filled with stains and strains of fragile memories and touches.

As **writer in residence** in Kildare last year she still travels to the libraries in Maynooth, Naas and Athy giving workshops. She is 'amazed at the talent that emerged.' a talent which is represented in a collection 'Under Briget's Cloak' (local library £6), a gathering of Kildare poetic creativity which she edited. It contains work from local writers Mary O'Donnell, Clairr O'Connor, Elsa Lalor, Patrick Devaney, Isabelle Cartwigh and Cathy Conlon. The representation of female writers is no accident. "Outside cities people who are in some isolation blossom when in company - they're fertile with ideas". Unfortunately, Sheila believes the female voice doesn't often

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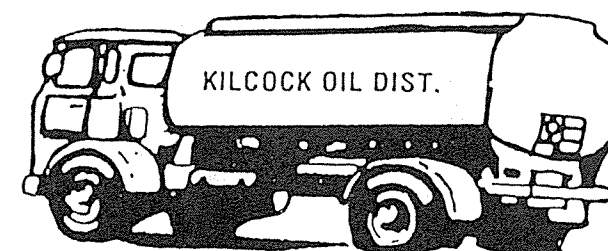
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get the recognition it deserves, primarily at anthology level. Although there's wide recognition of top level writers such as Eavan Boland and Maedbh McGuckian - collections tend to omit the rising voice of the female writer.

Her own voice sings tunes filled with bells - 'I shiver still for any bell', 'a soft wind belling your robe', 'The old storm bell ringing ringing' - and water - 'gather yourself river sing brassy like a water bee', 'I search the shore. My eye runs out of sea. The sea runs on'. All nature evokes old feelings through the enchantment of words which must be spoken to be truly felt as, we might experience 'a sough of wind'. We're presented with a table laid with icons - at first simple, in part one - peeling back the years, uncovering past loves, past felicities. Later, in part two, nature is given memory and eyes - 'play your memory like the noises of my life' - which understands us as much as we experience it. It is a friendly, fiery eye and a listening ear. Nature's noises become a voice, her colours an eye, a steady presence which gives peace (Kingfisher) and place (The sea at Dun Laoghaire) to the poetic voice. Thus not only does nature mark with its melodies it also becomes her watermark; giving identities to her world and providing identities for her world.

Later her work takes on further images. She moves from the Bible to myth to paintings with grace. Each emblem transfigured from chrysalis to coloured meaning. She becomes Gauguin and Van Gogh (Vincent to his friends!) creating patterns of deepening and mature meaning with a magical and subtle stroke.

Her new collection 'The Troubled House' is to be published by Solmon in February '95. 'The Wood Pigeon' appears in this work. She's currently conducting a writers' workshop in Maynooth Library. If you feel similarly 'fertile with ideas', enquire in the library with the blossoming of creativity in the region, why be a voice in isolation?

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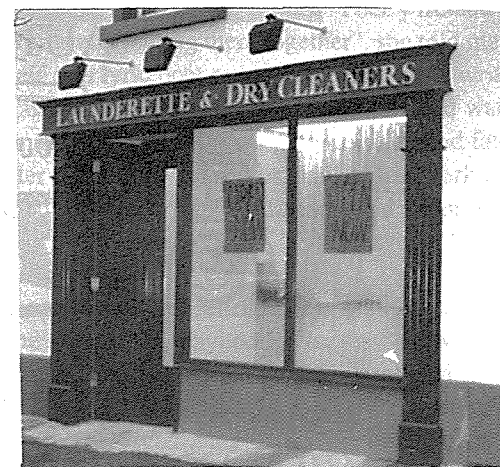
Sean and Anne Brady are a husband and wife team who offer everything in quality homecare hardware from their recently opened shop in Greenfield. Sean saw a huge potential in Maynooth for a new homecare business with the rapid expansion of the town. They stock timber, paint, wallpaper, curtains and any home decor goods you'd care to mention. However, you're instantly struck by the beautiful range of fireplaces when you enter the shop. This has for many years been Sean's trade. He points out that they're all locally hand made using the finest materials....'exclusive designs at factory prices', is his boast.



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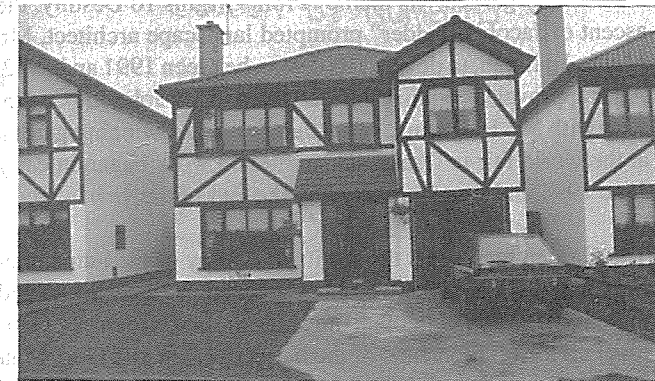
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EYE HEAR

Councillor Griffin

News is at hand that Senan Griffin has been nominated by his Fine Gael colleagues to be co-opted on to Kildare County Council. Senan who hails from Doonbeg in west Clare, has been involved in politics since 1977 and will be representing the Celbridge Area which includes Leixlip, Celbridge, Maynooth and Ardclough.

He is presently chairman of the Kildare constituency organisation for Fine Gael and chairman of the Maynooth Community Council for the last two years. A teacher in Maynooth post primary school, he is very involved in training under-age teams for both school and club. With his guidance the Post Primary Senior team have won 5 to 6 Kildare titles. In the past, Senan, also trained the Kildare Vocational Schools team for three years. He is also involved in the Clare Supporters Club.

We wish him every success in his new role, also belated congratulations to Bernard Durkan on being appointed Junior Minister at the Dept. of Social Welfare.

Line Dancing

The latest craze to hit Ireland, Line Dancing has come to Maynooth. Every Thursday night at the GAA centre, between 9.15p.m. and 10.30p.m. around 30 locals are trying to master this American dance routine. To participate, you do not necessarily need a partner as you can dance solo. At the same venue you also have Ceilidh Music on Wednesday nights and Step-dancing on Tuesday nights. Would you not get confused with all these different dances? You could blend them all into one and then there'd be no stopping you ya boy ya!

Chaos

Dessie Ward, stood on Mullen Bridge looking wistfully down at all the earth moving, digging and building going on beneath him and said, almost disbelievingly, "Think of it, out of all this chaos will come a new order", I certainly hope you are right Des.

A Horsey Tale

Someone was training a horse in the Harbour Field recently and a local quipped "tell him that the field is for the people of Maynooth - not the animals of Maynooth."

THE BICENTENARY GARDEN

Lying close to the chapel spire, erected as a gift of the Irish people to Maynooth to mark the centenary in 1895, is the new bicentenary garden. Its theme "From Origins To Destiny: the ascent of Jacob's Ladder" prompted landscape architect, Mr. Martin Hallinan, to develop its design between 1991 and 1992. After approval, a commission was given to Mr. John Joe Costin, who with Mr. Hallinan created the Irish prize-winning garden at the world fair in Osaka. Construction work began in early June 1994 and was completed by the end of the year.

The Garden represents the spiritual journey of the human being towards God. The two states narrated in Genesis two and three are developed in opposite sides of the Garden. In Genesis two the relationships of the human person and God, Man and Woman and the human person and the Earth are all found to be in harmony.

However, Genesis Chapter 3 the same elements are analysed but this time they are in disorder. This paradise state is in fact as much an ideal towards which we aim in the future as it is a description of what occurred in the beginnings: a prophecy set in the past, to use the phrase of Pope St. Gregory the Great.

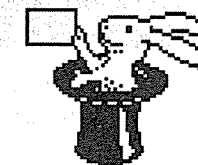
We begin our journey through the garden in the barren south end - under the shadow of the old Russell library. Three fountains - brown red, infra-red and white - represent the illusions of material reality which imprison us - procreation, suffering and being a victim; and the tyranny of power and domination. The narrow neck of waters crossed by precarious stones represents the difficult journey from this barren state to the fourth fountain, with its ultra-violet colour, symbolizing the birthing in our lives of unconditional love.

Moving towards the three upper fountains we're entering a sun-drenched area, filled with fruit-bearing and scented plants, associated with paradise in Genesis. The fifth fountain, coloured dark rose, is the fountain of truth - the beginnings of the beatific vision. The sixth fountain represents vision and understanding raising the person above the constraints of the material realm. This state may be illustrated by the life of St. Francis of Assisi. He would walk in the fields and the birds and the animals would go with him. Being removed from stagnated, regressive human material desires, animals were attracted to a life in harmony with the essential life force common to all.

The seventh fountain rests at the very centre of the garden, surrounded on all sides by an expanse of water. We have now travelled through the four elements of the garden - the barren, the seven fountains, water and, finally, the fertile area. At its core, at the end of our journey from our origins lies our destiny. This fountain seems inaccessible but barely concealed beneath the surface of the waters are the broad and smooth stepping stones, perceptible only by faith "the substance of things not seen". This fountain, with its golden light, represents the destiny of the Christian life: in the words of St. Paul "it is no longer I who live; it is the Christ who lives in me".

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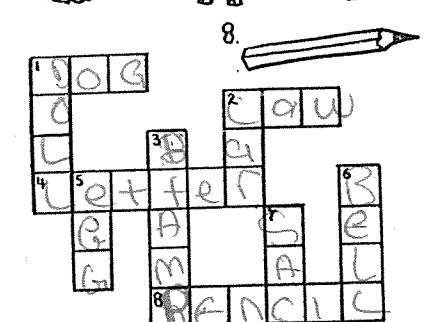
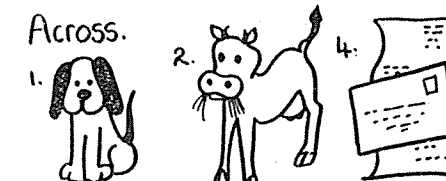


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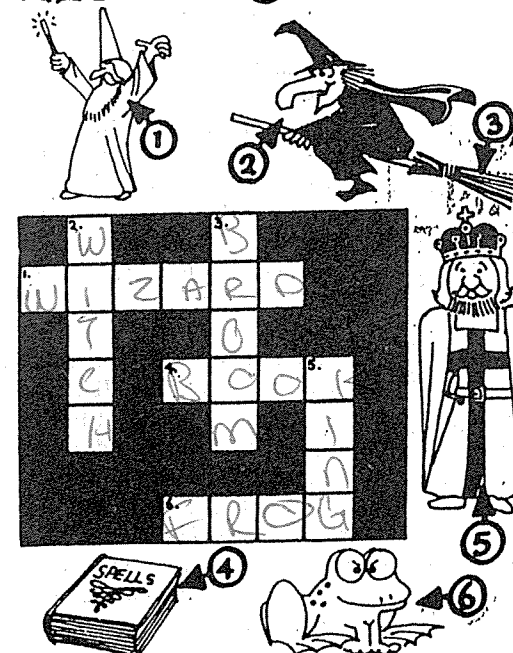
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MAYNOOTH COLLEGE BICENTENARY PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Public Lectures on the Theme - Ireland in the 1700's

January:

No. 3: Tuesday 31st. The town of Maynooth: *Ms. Mary Cullen.*

February:

No. 4: Tuesday 7th. Mapping Maynooth, Dr. Arnold Horner, UCD.

No. 5: Friday 17th. "The 1795 origins and subsequent geographical spread of the Orange Order", Dr. W. J. Smyth, Master, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

No. 6: Friday 24th. "Ireland and Revolutionary Europe", Professor Marianne Elliott, University of Liverpool.

March:

No. 7: Tuesday 7th. "Irish Education in the Late Eighteenth Century", Professor John Coolahan, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

No. 8: Tuesday 14th. "The Origins of the Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin (founded 1795)", Mr. Donal Synnott, Director, Botanic Gardens.

All the above lectures will be held in Callan Hall (Old Campus) at 7.30 p.m. and everyone will be very welcome.

Other Lectures:

17th to 26th February:

Echoes: "Memories of Orange Culture in Ulster".

An exhibition of paintings by Belfast artist, *George Flemming.* Opening by *Frank McGuinness.*

Saturday 18th February:

The Irish Identities: "Orangism: Its nature and role in Irish life".

Aoine 24th go Domhnach 26th:

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College Sporting Fixtures: February 1995

Friday 3rd to Sunday 5th.

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Saturday 18th

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Sports

BOXING

Jimmy McMahon - Retires At The Top

Boxer Jimmy McMahon, who became the golden boy sensation of Maynooth and its hinterland in the last few years, has had to quit the sport, having reached its high echelons, for medical reasons. This came as a severe blow to the twenty-five year old pugilist, from Mulhussey, who had honed himself into a steely skeletal tower of strength on the brink of sporting glory.

Last October, after undergoing tests, his physicians discovered minor health problems that are present in most people and are normally irrelevant but could be significant in the throes of intense physical combat. Other factors in Jimmy's difficult decision involved insurance and the stringent safety standards in American boxing.

Shock waves

News of Jimmy's premature retirement sent shock waves through the boxing and Irish community in New York. Papers carried headlines like, "Requiem for a Welterweight", "A Boxer downed in his Prime" and "Meath McMahon hangs up gloves". What amazed people more was that in August Jimmy had the world at his feet, when he was lauded for the manner in which he beat top-rated Bobby Heath. To show Jimmy's potential, Ron Katz, boxing promoter, later noted that Heath went on to beat another top-title contender. Jimmy had given 100% commitment in his effort to reach the top. Boxing was his life and he was shattered at the prospect of not being able to fulfill his dreams.

Jimmy's Reaction

Soon after the news broke, a dejected McMahon said "I am devastated I still have a hard time believing my career is gone - that it's all over. I worked so hard and came so far, I get upset just thinking about it".

Tributes

Jimmy's parents Paddy and Norah and family, from Mulhussey, were the recipients of support, well wishing and tributes following Jimmy's harrowing decision. They have shared in his many victories and now share in his disappointments. They are upset not for themselves but for him because they know how much boxing meant to him. However, they are delighted that he achieved so much and got out of the sport unscathed and unharmed. The dangers were all around Jimmy. In March 1993 he travelled to a fight in Atlantic City with Russian immigrant Sergei Artemiev only to later see his travelling companion knocked into a coma for which he is still receiving treatment.

Top trainer Joe Baffi who developed the young Mike Tyson and helped Michael Moorer to the WBA and IBF world heavy-weight championships said he was proud of having worked with McMahon. He continued, "I was proud of him because of his character and because of the way he carried himself, Jimmy made up for what he didn't have physically by being a kid who was very game and very determined". He was the subject of many other tributes from the boxing world. Jimmy had many fans in the tri-state area and Boston and his fights in Atlantic City always attracted busloads of followers.

Career

Jimmy's career began at the age of 11, when he joined Kilcock Boxing Club. Before going to America he had won up to 60

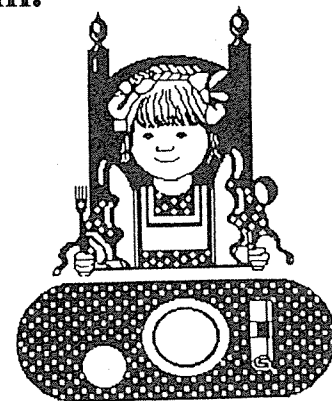
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bouts including the Kildare Championship and four league titles. He also won the Leinster Youth Championship in 1985 and 1986.

In America as an amateur he won the Empire State Games as a welterweight. He was also twice finalist in the coveted Golden Gloves Competition. During this time he worked by day in construction with his brother Michael and training with ferocity by night in the famous Gleasons Gym, New York. Turning professional in June 1992, out of 16 fights he won fourteen, lost one and drew one.

Proudest Moment

One of Jimmy's proudest moments occurred when he fought Dave Lovell on September 24th, 1993, in Tallaght. This was his last home fight and half of Maynooth and Co. Meath were present when he had an impressive victory over his English opponent despite taking a very heavy blow in the fourth round. But what made this occasion all the more special was the presence of his greatest fan, his father Paddy, in the audience.

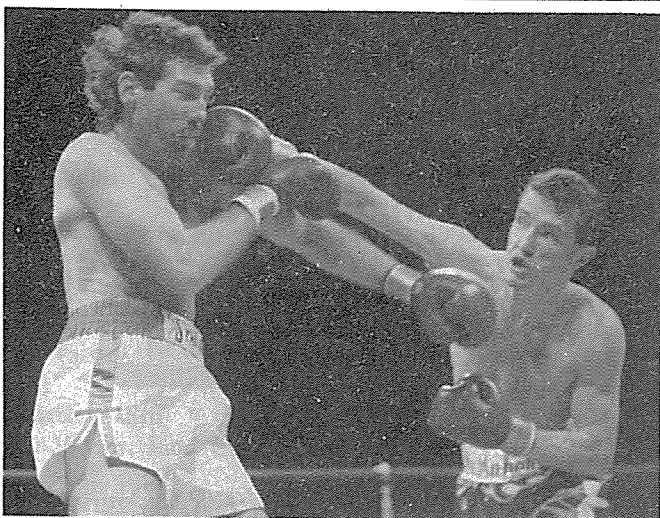
Future

Thankfully Jimmy is now beginning to recover from his setback. He has bought a new house and is working on this at the moment. He is going back to his old profession working with his brother Michael in construction. Michael, who was home recently, has a partnership in Kilvine Construction N.Y. Jimmy, who continues to train as per usual, has also been made a very tempting offer by top trainer Teddy Athlas. Teddy wants to make Jimmy his co-trainer and to pass on his wealth of knowledge to him. This opportunity could ensure that Jimmy remains a major force in top class boxing. Meanwhile, Jimmy is expected to return home in March.

The Maynooth Newsletter has always been proud to carry the stories of Jimmy's successes and we and all his fans in Maynooth join in telling him we are all proud of his achievements and we all know that the difficult decision which he had to bravely make was no fault of his, as he always gave 100% effort. We are also glad that he had so many great experiences, didn't get hurt in the process and that he prospered from his career.

We wish him a bright and happy future.

Willie Healy.



Jimmy McMahon in action.

KILDARE MC HEARTBREAK RALLY

O'Connor/Phelan close the gap.

'Bones' O'Connor/Paul Phelan took another step forward in their quest for the R.I.A.C. National Navigation Championship when they brought their Mazda 4x4 home ahead of the field on the Kildare MC Heartbreak Rally. Luck for once was on their side as an impassable section resulted in the entire second half of the event having to be scrubbed and turned a certain disaster into triumph for the multiple champions. Wynston Whyte/Alan Nairn continued their recent good form with a fine performance to take the runners-up position in their RS2000. 3rd overall, having initially being declared winners, were Brian Flanagan/Don Foley in the Carwatch Auto Alarms Nissan Micra who suffered a costly puncture after TP12.

Clerk of the course, Frank Hussey, used all his considerable experience to put together a very demanding event for both Drivers and Navigators with much of the route having to be plotted on the move. A very intricate straight line Tulip took crews from TP2 at Roscath, north of the Lil Doolin's Pub start venue, literally around in circles through Kilbride for the first string of 5 TPs over 10 miles. There followed further Plot and Bash through Glenealy And Ballylusk before heading for what was to turn out to be the final section over Trooperstown Hill via Knockaphrumpa Lane, Barnbawn and Cronybyrne.

Robert Dancey/Vincent Fagan, who were seeded as No 1 for the first time, blotted their copybook when they took an early minute into TP14 at Sleanaghlogh. The error, the result of some confusion between the marshal and crew, upset Vincent's concentration and he took Robert the long way round to TP15 at Cronbyrne costing them an additional 5 minutes. Considering they had initially being classified 2nd overall they were nevertheless not to unhappy with their eventual 4th overall.

Ian Elliot/Rachel Cullivan put in an outstanding performance in the little Mini to take their highest finish with 5th overall and 1st in the Novice class. The result brings them into a tie for the lead in the class in the Hella Championship with Raymond O'Neill/Stephen O'Neill and also closes the gap to the latter in the National series. Bosco McGorman/Noel Hall once again showed the Semi-Expert class a clean pair of heels in unfamiliar territory with a credible 6th to give Noel a slender 1 point class lead in the National Championship.

A steady run netted 7th overall and 2nd in the Novice class for the Sunbeam of Raymond and Stephen O'Neill. With the enforced absence of Mervyn Dunn, Rory Dooley persuaded his former partner Martin Taylor to chauffeur him around for the night. In common with many crew Rory was a little thrown by the initial Tulip and took a wrong departure from TP3 which dropped them out of contention and left them languishing down in 8th.

National regulars John Carroll/Vincent Coughlan made the long trek from Cork with their Escort and were rewarded with 9th overall, and 2nd in the Semi-Expert class to continue their strong challenge for this very competitive class.

Defending National Champions Lloyd Hutchinson/Liam McGuinness had a disastrous night. Liam had been feeling unwell before the start and was obviously finding it difficult

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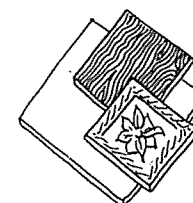
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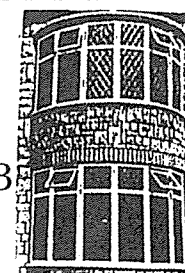
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Sports

to concentrate. He found himself hopelessly lost on the initial Tulip and had to skip 2 TPs. Though they completed the remainder of the route without problems it was not enough to move themselves up higher than their eventual 10th.

Elsewhere in the classes Richard O'Mahony/Doug Corrie had the clutch pack up in the Sunbeam shortly after the start which seriously impeded progress. They struggled on regardless and were rewarded for their determination with 3rd Semi. Noel Devlin/Colin Dwyer came under the attention of the recovering Flanagan/Foley going down Knockaphrumpa Lane. The experience obviously unsettled them and they forgot about the following Via and drove straight to TP14. They then missed the tight Hairpin right junction onto loose shortly after Via B and got themselves bogged down in Ballin straw recovering to make the finish control with just 3 minutes to maximum lateness.

With Innes Sheane sidelined for the remainder of the season Peter Murphy borrowed the faithful Avenger for stand-in driver Kevin O'Toole. Kevin could be forgiven for thinking he had entered a Motor Race as the rumour at the finish was that they had visited one of the TPs on the Tulip no fewer than 7 times though only 3 such visits could actually be confirmed!!

With brother Peter now retired, Dermot Hasset has now switched to the drivers seat. Accompanied by Deirdre Grogan they made steady progress and were suitably pleased with themselves with 3rd in the Novice class.

The Classics class was regrettably poorly supported despite the efforts of the Clerk of the course to provide them with a less demanding route. However the father and son team of Robert Bolton/Stephen Bolton thoroughly enjoyed the experience in the beautiful Wolsley Hornet to take 14th overall and the class.

Results:

1. M. O'Connor/P. Phelan 1m; 2. W. Whyte/A. Nairn 3m; 3. B. Flanagan/D. Foley 7m; 4. R. Dancy/V. Fagan 9m; 5. I. Elliott/R. Cullivan 11m; 6. B. McGorman/N. Hall 11m; 7. R. O'Neill/S. O'Neill; 8. M. Taylor/R. Dooley 18m; 9. J. Carroll/V. Coughlan 19m; 10. L. Hutchinson/L. McGuinness 40m.

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Lotto Result: 11/12/94

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Lotto Result: 26/12/94

Numbers: 2 - 7 - 14. Jackpot £1000 No Winner
£20 - K. Galligan, £20 - Ann Walsh, £20 - Gerry O'Sullivan, £10 - Noel Kerin, £10 - James McCormack

Lotto Result: 1/1/95

Numbers: 9 - 19 - 22. Jackpot £1100 No Winner
5 x £10 - Geraldine Tracey, Roy Stone, Susan Connolly, Carmel Farrelly, The Silver Fox.

Lotto Result: 8/1/95

Numbers: 13 - 20 - 22. Jackpot £1150 No Winner
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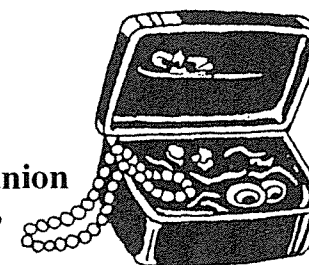
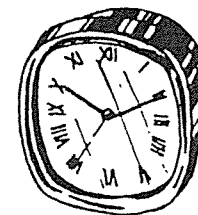
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Sunday 22nd January - Maynooth V Dunboyne in Maynooth
Sunday 29th January - Maynooth V Summerhill in Maynooth
Sunday 5th February - Maynooth V Confey in Maynooth
Sunday 12th February - Maynooth V Leixlip in Leixlip
The top two teams will qualify for final. In the event of a tie score average will apply. All games 11.30 a.m.

To all hurlers and footballers

Training for 1995 season starts on Tuesday 31st January at 8.00 p.m. Any new residents who would like to play hurling and football with our club this year can do so and are more than welcome to come along to the field any Tuesday or Thursday nights at 8.00 p.m. Our club will have three senior teams (football) Junior 'A', Junior 'B' and Junior 'C' this year. In hurling we have Intermediate and Junior Teams. Anyone interested with helping with underage football and hurling can do so by meeting in Moyglare Road field any Saturday morning from 10.30 a.m. You are more than welcome. The Junior 'A' selectors this year are Manager: Kevin Connolly; Noel Farrelly, Mick Gillick, Pat Nevin.

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The third term will commence on Saturday Feb. 18th. Fees are due by March 4th and may be paid to any member of the committee or bus supervisor. Please note that because we are a non profit making club once a place has been booked for a term the full term's fee is then due.

Parents who will receive the duty roster for this coming term are asked to ensure that they take their turn or make alternative arrangements to swap with another parent on the duty roster. Details of fees etc. to be given to members later.

P.R.O.

Claire O'Rourke, Margaret O'Neill.

MAYNOOTH TAE KWON DO

Members of Maynooth Tae Kwon-do school took part in the National Colour belt championships on the 11th of December, 1994.

Prizes won were:

Shane Casey: 2nd in patterns, Eloise Mac an Airchinnigh: 3rd in patterns, Siobhán Howard-Williams: 3rd in free sparring, Keith Fleming: 3rd in free sparring, Thérèse Mac an Airchinnigh: 3rd in patterns, Gillian Fleming: 2nd in patterns.

The members of the school also went to their annual Christmas party in the Leinster Arms on the 19th December. Trophies were presented to various students for their progress and achievements throughout 1994.

Eloise Mac an Airchinnigh: Student of the Year, Catherine Duff: Best Progress and a special, additional trophy presented to Cían Lennon: Best Competitor.

Beginners' classes are also taking place on Mondays in the Parish Hall, Maynooth, at 6p.m. Assistant Instructors, Antoinette Mooney 2nd Dan and Sean Foy 2nd Dan.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Playing activities are just recommencing following the Christmas break and it is hoped to have some good results to report on the League and Cup fronts for all teams. With a number of players returning from long term injuries it is hoped that we will be back to full strength shortly.

Our second team have a Conway Cup 2nd round game due shortly while our first team have a visit from Clara Town in a Fourth Round Dalton Cup Tie. Outcome of those important games should be known before next report. *continued*

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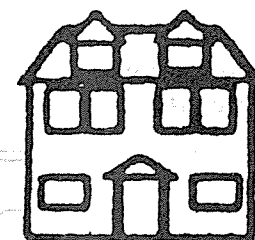
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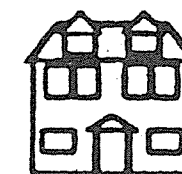


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Sports

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The club was saddened recently at the sudden death of Kathleen O'Neill, Greenfield. To club member John (son), Husband Joe and the rest of her family we extend our deepest sympathy.

MAYNOOTH TUG-O-WAR

Maynooth Tug-O-War got off to a good start in the New Year, with a successful tournament, at The Hitchin' Post, Leixlip, on Sunday 8th January. Larry McEvoy didn't show but he sent his son Mark. Seamie Ryan made a welcome return. The arrival of construction men Leo Hynes and Peter McCabe, from Leixlip, ensured that a tough battle would take place.

Two teams were picked from a hat: Brady's comprised Capt. Michael O'Rourke, Donal Finan, Paddy Reid, John Gallagher, Frank Bannon, Peter McCabe and Seamie Ryan. These were well matched by The Hitchin' Post team, captained by George Gallagher, with Raymond Leavey, Leo Hynes, Anthony Mooney, Willie Healy, Johnny Healy (the brother who does not sing) and the one and only Mark McEvoy.

It was a cold and startlingly clear morning as men began to contemplate and concentrate on the battle ahead. The ground at Collinstown was very good for the time of the year. Declan Dufficy from Leixlip helped get the competition under way.

The expert referee P.J. Bennett lined teams up with the marker and when he dropped his arms, the battle began. The teams were surprisingly tough and dogged for the time of the year. After plenty of tugging and jostling the Hitchin' Post side dragged Bradys past the marker to take one point. In the second pull Brady's were more determined. There was little give and both teams went to earth in an effort to hold onto ground gained. This made the battle tougher and desperation set in as limbs began to tire in the endless pressure Brady's were exerting. The Hitchin' Post was forced to concede ground by degrees and when the referee's whistle blew they had lost their advantage.

In the third and final pull Brady's got the drop and had the Hitchin' Post team under pressure from the start. The latter put up a desperate battle, but in the ground on their side it was difficult to get a proper grip. Pain jarred through aching limbs as Brady's began to edge to victory. Gaining in confidence they ploughed the ground with the Hitchin' Post team. The latter put up a stubborn resistance at the marker before collapsing in defeat.

Everyone Happy

Nonetheless, everyone was happy with a good tough contest. P.J. Bennett said: "It was a good start to the year but I hope you all don't get piles from sitting on the ground".

One of the great things about the day was the return of John Gallagher to action. John, who had been off due to injury can now look forward to the upcoming tournaments in the summer.

All in all it was a great turn out from a small town and would be difficult to match in any part of the country. We are grateful to all our friends for supporting each other. We can all take pride in our sport and the loyalty of our members.

We are most grateful to Ken Mulvanny and Vinny from the Hitchin' Post for their help and sponsorship.

We all join in extending our deepest sympathy to tug-o-war man Anthony Mooney and his family on the death of his mother Peg. May she rest in peace.

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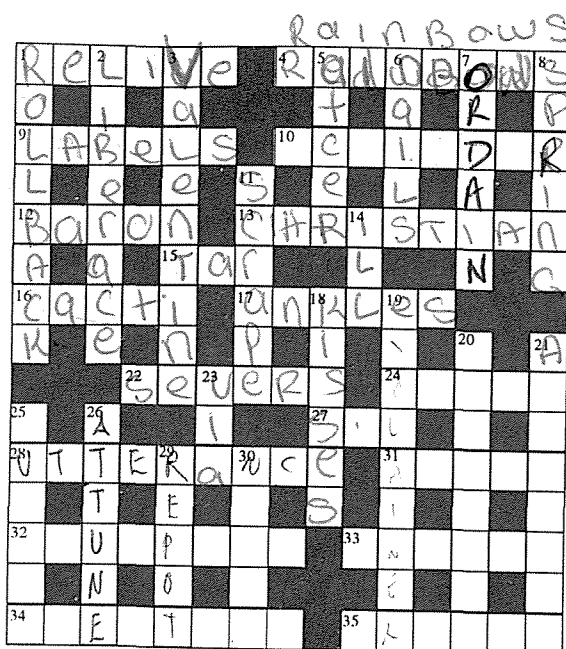
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Crossword No. 87



6. Fixes to the fingers (5).
7. Receive and include an incomplete title (6).
8. Dick's time is arriving (6).
11. Score but get no points - yet may still get through (6).
14. Poor Bill, in the main unwell (3).
18. May be more exciting off the snooker table (6).
19. The one to tell you what it's about (9).
20. You won't see much when clean (8).
21. Those untanned (8).
23. The Latins have a way to get there (3).
25. A stag may run in the heat! (6).
26. Acclimatise at melody (6).
29. Regarding the container, you may do this with the plant (5).
30. The one keeping an eye on things is not Queen Lizzie (5).

Solution to Crossword No. 86:

Across:

1, Punter; 4, Tangents; 9, Alcove; 10, A-GG-RI-Eve; 12, Tiles (toils); 13, Treasure-R; 15, Ire; 16, Condo (con "do"); 17, Rulers; 22, Ash-ore; 24, AI-one; 27, War; 28, Argent-Ina; 31, Games; 32, Imitates; 33, Cannon; 34, Hog-man-ay; 35, Add-les.

Down:

1, Practice; 2, Neckline; 3, E-N-visions; 5, Angle; 6, Girls; 7, No ears; 8, Steers; 11, Stereo; 14, Are; 18, Leeway; 19, Rearguard; 20, Hormonal; 21, Personas; 23, Hot; 25, Ban-ish; 26, O.G.-ling; 29, Nua-la; 30, Ire-N.A.

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Across :

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4. Moist benders may be hugely colourful (8)*
9. Tags Adam's learner son going south (6).
10. Not one to hang around tactically (8).
12. One of the gentry - though without offspring, we hear (5).
13. Most of the Western world is so described, but it is not always obvious (9).
15. Black salt? (3).
16. Prickly types not fond of drink (5).
17. Low joints contributed to by Lesley (6).
22. Chops always in the ship (6).
24. She's mostly located at the core (5).
27. Short chap lacking vest, etc. (3).
28. Say dance without 500 is a statement (9).
31. You should drop it when you say it! (5).
32. That extra-terrestrial gets among the good cards to create a musical result. (8).
33. Straighten out for better speed? (6).
34. Tries and tries again (2-6).
35. Levers awards, we hear (6).

Down:

1. Let dancing commence,.....the carpet (4,4).
2. A pianist who was a bit too liberal for his own good? (8).
3. More amorous than saintly? (9).
5. An added word is usual when it is (2, 3).

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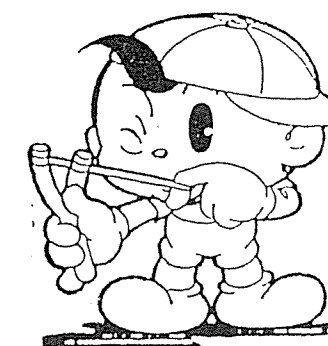
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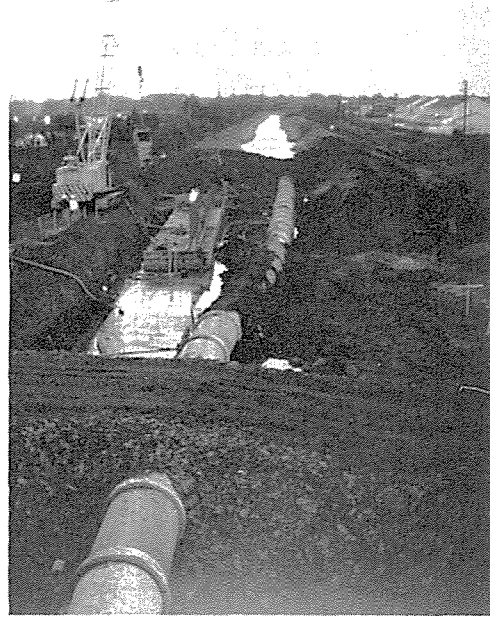
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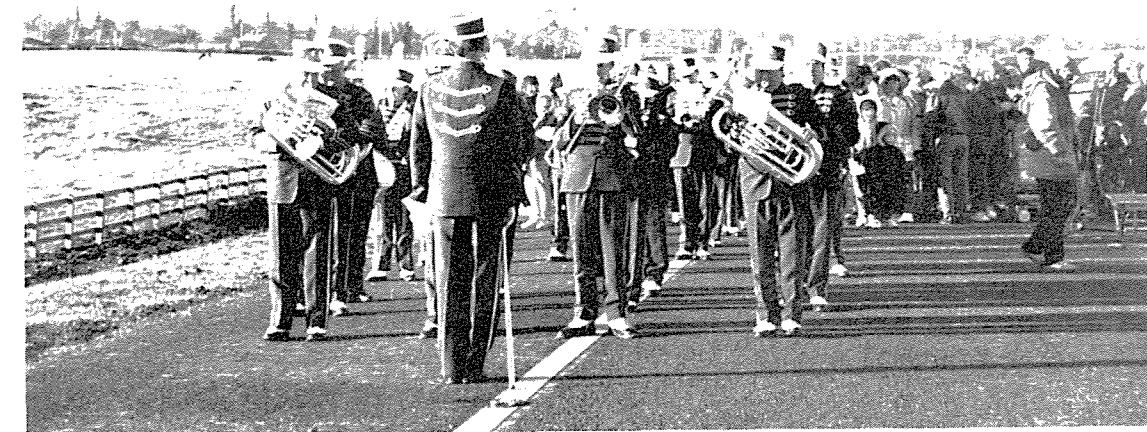
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FINE GAEL NOTES

Premature Obituaries

The folly of writing premature obituaries has been highlighted by events of the last two months. Those in the media and politics who had written off the Fine Gael Party and consigned it to the dusty shelves of history have found it necessary to revise their opinions. Since it fashioned this infant state from the turmoil of civil war, established the institutions of government and nurtured it through its formative years, Fine Gael has been the party to which the country has turned in time of crisis, secure in the knowledge that it would put country before party.

Our Party Leader, An Taoiseach, Mr. John Bruton has been criticised for his perceived lack of charm, charisma, T.V. presence, however the experience of the last two months shows how foolish it is to use these criteria to select a Taoiseach or indeed a party leader. Mr. Bruton's performance in previous governments, in the Dail as leader of the opposition, and in the formation of the present government, has shown him to be a man of substance rather than shadow, who will deal openly and honestly with people and issues.

We of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael wish him well and every success with the present government and trust that this will be but his first term as Taoiseach.

Maynooth gets Minister of State

The appointment of Bernard Durkan T.D. as Minister of State at the Department of Social Welfare has been welcomed by his friends and colleagues both inside and outside politics. It is seen as recognition of the work he has done for his constituents and party at both local and national level.

Bernard, who has lived most of his life in Maynooth, first entered public life in 1974 when he was a candidate in the local elections. Though he was unsuccessful on that occasion he was subsequently co-opted to fill a vacancy on Kildare Co. Council in 1976. He applied himself so diligently to his duties as a councillor and represented his constituents so well that he topped the poll in the local elections of 1979.

Bernard first stood for the Dail in 1981 when he again topped the poll taking the first Fine Gael seat in Kildare after a lapse of four years. With the exception of a brief spell in the Seanad in 1982 he has retained his seat, sometimes by the slimmest of margins. Bernard's commitment to the welfare of his constituents is demonstrated by the fact that he has held between 45 and 50 clinics per month throughout the county. His performance in the Dail has been recognised on an annual basis by surveys conducted by the National Press.

To mark this milestone in his political career Bernard was presented with a piece of Galway Crystal by An Taoiseach, John Bruton on behalf of the Maynooth Branch, at a sell out function at Moyglare Manor Hotel.

Historic Convention Selects New Councillor

Because of his appointment as a Minister of state Bernard Durkan T.D. is statute barred from being a member of Kildare County Council. At an historic convention organised by Celbridge District, Executive Senan Griffin, current chairperson of Maynooth Community Council, was selected for co-option to fill the resulting vacancy. The convention was historic in that it was the first occasion that the new one member one vote rule applied to a Fine Gael convention. Some 65 delegates from Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge voted at the convention.

Senan Griffin has been resident in Maynooth since 1972. He initially taught at Newbridge V.S. then transferred to Maynooth Post Primary School in 1976 where he teaches woodwork and technical drawing. He is keenly interested in Gaelic games and is involved with underage teams at both school and club level. Senan has been a member of Maynooth Community Council for three years and its chairperson for two years. He has served at all levels of Fine Gael from Branch to constituency executive.



At the presentation to Bernard Durkan T.D. to mark his appointment as Minister of State at the Dept. of Social Welfare. L to R: Bernard Durkan, an Taoiseach John Bruton and Senan Griffin (Chairperson Maynooth Community Council) who has been selected to take Mr. Durkan's seat on Kildare County Council.

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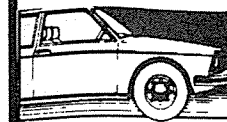
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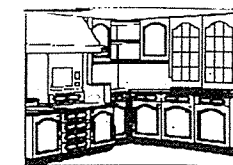
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Political Party Notes

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Re-appointment of Emmet Stagg, T.D.

Congratulations to Emmet Stagg, T.D. on his recent appointment as Minister of State at the Department of Transport, Energy and Communications. We wish him every success in his new post and feel sure that he will continue to serve the community in the excellent manner to which we have become accustomed.

New Contact Number

The new contact number for the Constituency Office in the Department of Transport, Energy and Communications is 6707444, exts. 1317, 1316 and 1311.

New Minister On The Block

Congratulations to Bernard Durkan, T.D. on his appointment as Minister of State at the Department of Social Welfare.

Also congratulations to Senan Griffin who has been nominated as Minister Durkan's replacement on Kildare County Council.

Laraghbryan Cemetery

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., has made representations to Kildare County Council regarding the flooding on the road leading to Laraghbryan Cemetery. It is intolerable that people cannot have easy access to the Cemetery.

New Link Road

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., appreciates the efforts the contractor has made regarding cleaning of roads and footpaths at the start of the link road but has made representations to the County Engineer concerning the footpath at the entrance to Coonan's field and the lack of appropriate cleaning at this location.

Labour Advice Service

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., is available every Saturday at 4 p.m. in Caulfields Private Meeting Room.

Cllr. John McGinley is also available at the same venue every Thursday evening at 8 p.m.

DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan

The meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council, originally scheduled for January 13th, which was to finalise the Maynooth Draft Development Plan, has been put back until February 10th. The reason for the postponement was the change in the Fine Gael representative on the Council following Deputy Bernard Durkan's elevation to the position of Minister of State in the new government.

We congratulate Deputy Durkan on his appointment, and also Deputy Emmet Stagg on his reappointment as Minister of State. We also congratulate Councillor Senan Griffin on his selection as Deputy Durkan's replacement on Kildare Co. Council,

and look forward to working with him towards the betterment of the Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip areas.

For further information on the Maynooth Development Plan, or other issues affecting Maynooth, Catherine Murphy may be contacted at 46 Leixlip Park, Leixlip (Tel: 6244903).

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Birthdays

Happy belated birthday to Martina from all in 826 Greenfield.

Happy 3rd. birthday Andrew, lots of hugs and kisses, from Mammy and Daddy.

Happy birthday Andrew, lots of love, Margaret and Mick.

Happy birthday Andrew, hugs and kisses. Love, Auntie Liz.

Happy 3rd. birthday Andrew. Best wishes, from Nana Nolan.

Happy birthday to Yvonne, on the 17th February, hugs and kisses. Love from Mam, Stacey and Ashling.

Happy birthday to Clare Fay, Leinster Cottages, Maynooth, who celebrated her 1st Birthday on January 23rd. Love from her Mammy, Daddy and Sisters, Edel and Susan.

Happy birthday to Thomas Bean, London who celebrates his birthday on February 27th. Love from Mam and Dad, Tony, Mary, Aisling, Brian and Conor.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Aisling Barton "San Feliu" Maynooth and Kenneth Twomey, M.Sc. Bray, Co. Wicklow who recently announced their engagement.

Congratulations to Siobhán Flanagan, daughter of Thomas and Bridget Flanagan, Greenfield who got married to Keith Doyle of Lucan on Friday 30/12/94 in Ladychapel. Reception was held in Dowlings of Prosperous. Many thanks to Bernard and Helen Flanagan who travelled from Sydney Australia especially for the wedding. Thank You!

THANKSGIVING

O Most Beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendour of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, assist me in this my necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. O show me herein you are my Mother. O Mary Conceived Without Sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Holy Mary I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Sweet Mother I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Thank you for your mercy to me and mine. Amen. This prayer must be said for 3 days and after 3 days your request will be granted and the prayer must be published.

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SYMPATHIES

Husband, sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, sons-in-law, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Kathleen O'Neill (nee Nolan), Old Greenfield, Maynooth.

Relatives and friends of Peter McGroarty, Rockfield, Maynooth, late of Drumbshanbo, Co. Leitrim.

Wife, sons, daughter, brother, sister, son-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Christopher (Kit) Edwards, Crewhill, Maynooth.

Sons, daughters, family, relatives and friends of Margaret Mooney, (nee Galvin), Toolestown House, Maynooth.

OBITUARIES

Over the New Year Maynooth suffered the loss of some very respected and esteemed people. They will all be sadly missed and their passing leaves a great void in the community.

Kathleen O'Neill (nee Nolan)

Kathleen, aged 68 years, from Old Greenfield, died suddenly on Tuesday, 27th December, 1994; Deeply regretted by her loving husband Joseph, her sons P.J. and John, her daughters Maureen, Josephine, Dymphna and Pamela, brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbours and friends. She is predeceased by her daughter Bernadette, who died tragically seventeen years ago, aged eleven years, her parents and brother Tom.

Kathleen was a very popular local person who had a great sense of humour. She had a very likeable personality and will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Her removal took place to St. Mary's Parish Church on Wednesday, 28th December.

Her Requiem Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, P.P., Fr. Denis Cogan C.C. and other local priests, at 11 o'clock, on Thursday, December 29th. It was a lovely ceremony adorned by the beautiful singing of Mrs. McCormack. Burial took place afterwards to Laraghbryan Cemetery.

May she rest in peace.

Peter McGroarty

Peter, of Rockfield, Celbridge Road, was approaching the grand age of eighty years, when he passed to his eternal reward at Blanchardstown Hospital on Wednesday, January 4th.

His death is deeply regretted by his cousins Peter McPartland and family, Leixlip, Pat Kinsella and family, Bridie and Edward Tracey and Mrs. Munser, relatives, neighbours and friends.

Peter, a native of Co. Leitrim, came to Maynooth twenty eight years ago (approximately). From his arrival he was regarded

as a hard working man who worked in various jobs; in the building trade, in Leixlip, the E.S.B. and with Kildare County Council prior to his retirement, over ten years ago.

He was a very pleasant man who had many interesting stories to tell and was regarded as a veteran republican.

He was very fond of animals, always feeding stray dogs and cats, interestingly a dog wandered into the church during his Funeral Mass). His removal took place to St. Mary's Parish Church on Thursday, January 5th.

His requiem Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple P.P. and Rev. Fr. Denis Cogan, C.C., on Friday January 6th, with burial afterwards to Laraghbryan Cemetery.

May he rest in peace.

Margaret (Peg) Mooney (nee Galvin)

Peg, aged 76 years, of Toolestown, Maynooth, was called to God after a short illness, at the Mater Hospital on Tuesday, January 10th.

Her death is deeply regretted by her sons Patrick, Tony and Paul and daughters; Carol and Miriam, brother, Canon James Galvin, sisters Jane and Terece, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbours and friends. Predeceased by her husband Paddy.

Peg, a native of Co. Cork, was a resident of Maynooth for the last 20 years. She always enjoyed life and had a great sense of humour. Devoted to her family, her one outing of the year was with the SMA fathers on their annual pilgrimage to Knock Shrine. She always appreciated the people of Maynooth, its location and amenities.

Her removal took place to St. Mary's Parish Church, on Thurs January 12th and was received by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, P.P.

Funeral Mass was concelebrated at 11 o'clock on Friday, January 13th, by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple P.P., Rev. Fr. Denis Cogan C.C. and SMA fathers. Burial took place afterwards to Laraghbryan Cemetery.

May she rest in peace.

Christopher Edwards

Christy, aged 71 years, of Moyglare Rd., Maynooth, passed to his eternal reward peacefully at his home on Wednesday, January, 11th.

He is very sadly missed by his loving wife Peggy, sons; Christopher, Terry and Brendan, daughter; Carmel, his sister Babs, son-in-law; Joseph, his brother Liam, nephews, nieces, grandchildren and great grandchildren, relatives, neighbours and friends. He is pre-deceased by his parents William and Elizabeth and his brother Brendan.

Christy, a native of Maynooth, was a very popular esteemed and kind gentleman who had a very happy-go-lucky approach to life. He was a very good family man who had earned his continued

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living as a lorry driver. He will be greatly missed by his large circle of friends. His remains were received by Rev. Fr. Cogan, C.C. at St. Mary's Church, on Thursday, 12th January, at 6.30 p.m. His requiem Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, P.P. and Rev. Fr. Cogan, C.C. at 12 o'clock, on Friday, January 13th. Burial took place afterwards to Laraghbryan Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

The Newsletter regrets any inaccuracies or omissions which may be inadvertently made in these obituaries.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The sister, nieces and nephews of the late Mary (Minnie) Dunne of Moyglare nursing home, wish to express their sincere thanks to all who sympathised with them in their bereavement. We would like to thank especially the following: the doctors and nurses of Blanchardstown Hospital, the staff of Moyglare nursing home, Dr. Cowhey and Dr. Nolan, Fr. Supple P.P., Fr. Cogan C.C., and Fr. Dultig. A special word of thanks to Josie Moore and the Old Folks Committee, Mr. and Mrs. Sean O' Neill and Mrs Denner. Those who attended the removal and funeral Mass, those who sent Mass cards and floral tributes. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

Betty and Family of the late John Farrell, Maria Villa Lodge, Moyglare Road, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement.

To all the friends who called, all those who sent Mass Cards and letters. All those who attended the Removal, Mass, and Funeral.

Special thanks to Fr. Supple, and Fr. Cogan, to the committee and members of Maynooth old Folk and Maynooth Flower Club Committee and members.

To fellow members of the I.C.A. who did trojan work on both days entertaining the large numbers who travelled from all over the country and which was greatly appreciated by all. For this the Family and I are eternally grateful.

We hope this will be accepted by all as a token of our gratitude, as it would be impossible to thank everyone individually.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

O'Neill - The husband and family of the late Kathleen O'Neill, Greenfield, Maynooth wish to express their sincere thanks to all those who shared in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the removal and funeral Mass. Those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes and supported and comforted the family in so many ways. A Special word of thanks to Naas Hospital, to Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan, the priests of the Divine Word Missionaries, the Presentation Nuns and Mrs. Ita McCormack, also all our good neighbours and friends. We trust this acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our deep appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

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