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Sean Sabhat

Ar an eod la Mí Eanáir 1957 mar-
head Sean Sabat ins an sraid Bail-
le "Brookboro" i Co. Fermanagh.
Inaon la Sean, fuair a comraid
Feargal O'h-Anluin bás freisin.
Aois cúig deag blian tar éis bás
Sean, caitimid scrúdu a deanam ar
na Dprioncipi in a creid se, cait
-imid arís, na ceisteanna a cur

orainn féin cad a las i croide
Sean Sabat, tine na Saoirse?, Cad
na taob go creid se ins an Slige
Milité?, Cad na taob go cuir se
leat taob Politeacta, caint agus
dispoireact, agus go lean se an
treoir deacair, crua, slige Mac
Piarais agus O'Conaigle?.

Ta ceist eile freisin go /ar lean

o Leatanac a h-aon/

go/ caitimid a cuir orainn fein, sin ceist an Teanga Gaelac, ar dteanga duiseagac. Be grad dinn ar Sean ar an Gaelige, agus ta se an-tabatac an ceist a cuir go minic, Cad na Taob?. An bfuil an freagra againn fos? Ta se uireanac anois na ceisteanna sin a freagaire go macanta. Ar guig imid Sean agus a obair arsan Saoirse na h-Eireann, agus an obair a dein se igcoir an Teanga Gaelac, agus, cad na taob go fuair se bas ar taob an botar i mBrookboro' le pilear na Sasanaig in a corp a fola beata meas-cata le salac an sraid.

SEAN SABAT COMMERATION

SUNDAY - 7th JANUARY: PARADE WILL ASSEMBLE UPPER MULGRAVE
ORATION: GEOROID MacCARTAIG: STREET: AT 3 P.M.

Men die in battle for many reasons. The mercenary soldier kills for money, and may in turn be killed for money. Some men go into battle for a belief, as a means of achieving justice for their oppressed and exploited people. Sean Sabat was such a man, Sean was imbued with the noblest principles of Humanity and Justice with deep feelings for the sufferings of the oppressed people in our Country.

Well meaning people have often depicted Sean as a dreamer striving for an unattainable Utopia, as an unrealistic romantic whose ideas evolved from the mystic past of Gaelic greatness, Cucullain and Tir-na-n-Og. Nothing could be further from the truth, as anyone who knew him will know, indeed a rational analysis of Sean's life work will soon dispell those notions and will clearly show that in all his activities Sean consistantly sought ways and means to break the strangle hold of foreign domination of our Country. He believed in the fundamental Principle of Irish Nationhood and the right of our people to decide their own affairs, furthermore, he advanced and was a strong advocate of the use of the Irish language in the everyday lives of the people, not just the Civil Service, or the Post Office, but by all the people especially the working classes. He believed that the preservation and encouragement of An Gaelige was vitally important to the interests of our nation and therefore our People, he saw the speaking of the language as a weapon to use against the alien, atheistic, materialistic stupar that was slowly but surely overpowering our Christian beliefs and traditional culture. The Irish language he saw as the badge of our true nationality, not in the narrow intraverted sense, but in the broad generous sense so characteristic of Sean, our own Gaelic language, and our own culture with its Christian salutations and everyday acknowledgement of the existence of God. The language he saw not as a divisive force amongst our people but as a unifying force the depths of which he believed were yet to be realized.

It must have dawned on Sean in his early years that the British connection with our Country would have to be broken if we were to achieve our freedom. He joined the ranks of many organizations in the belief that they were working for the Unity of Ireland. It was not long before Sean realised that Politicians and Hypocrites were soul mates, as he said many times: "Nil ann act caint, caint, caint." He founded his own organisation "Shadair na Saoirse" and "Gioll na Saoirse". He joined the ranks of the F.C.A. and trained himself and others in the Military skills. Eventually Sean realised that even the F.C.A. was used not as an Army whose function would be to attack the enemies of our Country namely the British, but rather as an instrument to preserve the dismemberment of our Country, to preserve the status quo and to harrass those boys who had the courage to re-assert the God given right of the Irish People to their full freedom. After leaving the F.C.A. Sean became a member of the Irish Republican Army and from there on he devoted his

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bringing about the day when we would strike a blow for Irish Freedom. That day came on the 12th December, 1956. Sean and his comrades attacked the British Military Installations in the Six Counties. He took part in engagements at Armagh, Lisnaskea and in the attack on Brookborough Barracks, Co. Fermanagh. Sean was fatally wounded, his young friend and comrade Fergal O'Hanlon also died in the battle.

It is often said that Sean's death was a terrible waste, that his talents should have been utilised in other directions, that with his marvellous powers of oratory and his great potential as a writer he would have better served the Nation as an educator. But Sean understood the problems of our Nation very clearly, and instead of chipping away at the many lesser problems that stemmed directly from the central problem, the British occupation of the Six Counties and, the economic and cultural domination of all of Ireland by that same power.

That is why Sean took up arms, and resorted to violent methods to win justice for the Irish People. Sean understood in his clear logical way the simple truth. The British Government had never responded justly to the reasoned demands of the Irish People for their right to Nationhood and Sovereignty, and that it was the right and the duty of all the Irish People to assert that right in arms and, by every other means possible.

That is the right of our people, to win for themselves that which has been denied them for centuries, their freedom. That right was valid in 1957, when Sean Sabat fought and died for his people, it is valid today in 1973 when that same struggle for freedom is continued by Sean's successors in the ranks of the Irish Republican Army.

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Iosagain de gra lan,
Eist le guide o'd Giollai,
Cabruig leo beit go deo
Dilis d'Eirinn
Agus d'ar teangain

Amen

Sean Sabat.

A Iosa Dein Trocaire air Anam
Sean
A Naom Muire guid air

Tar isteach i gluiseachtna Poblacht

Every civilised Nation in the world has condemned the renewed terror bombing of North Vietnam by the giant American B.52 Bombers. The massive casualties inflicted on the innocents populace, the methodical destruction of hospitals and other densely populated areas by the carpet bombing strategis has torn in shreds the Great White Father Image so beloved by sadist Nixon and his war mongering Generals.

Did Jack Lynch and his Government protest? Is Honest Jack going to condemn these latest American atrocities when he meets Nixon? of course not. Jack is a great one to harass and condemn the men who fight for the freedom of his own Country, who Judas like has betrayed the interests of his own people by collaborating with the British powers. His Quisling Government has sold out the last vestige of self-respect and independence.

Jack goes to the U.S.A. to grovel at the feet of Nixon, to beg him to send over some more of his fly-by-night industrial racketeers, and to betray further the long term interests of our Country. Liar! Coward! Hypocrite!

ARREST OF RORY BRADY (PRESIDENT OF SINN FEIN.)

Do we need further proof of Fianna Fail treachery and collaboration with the British enemy. The arrest of Rory Brady under the Offences Against the State Act and the trumped up charges made against him are noteworthy in so far as they were demanded by the Heath Government. It is also an effort to create the impression that Sinn Fein is a Military Physical Force organization which of course it is not. Rory O'Bradaig is an articulate and capable opponent of Fianna Fail and the type of politics they pursue. He is a consistent advocate of independence and has expounded a realistic programme of Regionalisation and the settling up of Provincial Parliaments as a solution to our problems, political and economic. His arrest and remanding in Custody is a further sap to appease Lynch's Master in London.

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The average weekly take home pay of a worker at Hamilton International at Shannon Industrial Estate is: £16.75. The workers at this American run factory have been on strike for over three months because the Company have refused to honour the terms of the National Wage Agreement, namely, a modest increase in the workers weekly pay of: £2.50p. Contrast this insult to the Irish worker with the lucrative advantages of being a trusted member of the Black Jack Party of Fianna Fail. Mick Herbert, that silent (very silent) representative of the silent majority, worthy wielder of the ash a great man to do a turn, is to receive £190. a week expenses for the noble work he is to do for us as a member of the Council of Europe. That sum (£190. a week) plus his salary as Dail Deputy (£50. a week), plus the few bob he makes from his thriving Road Side Tavern will surely help to keep the wolf away from his door.

Has Mick any complaints? Believe it or not he is already complaining that he won't receive any expenses for his travelling from his native Castleconnell to his plane at Shannon. Poor Mick, Poor slob, can't you see you are being exploited.

MANSHOLT TELLS THE TRUTH (FOR ONCE)

Dr. Sicco Mansholt the outgoing President of the E.E.C. Commission has dropped a major bombshell. During a dinner party celebrating Britain's entry to Europe he said: and we quote: "That the E.E.C. has failed to fire most peoples imagination". I do not think I'm going too far that what we have done so far has not come up to European publics expectations.

He continued: "People cannot feel that what we have done is anything new, Europe has still not given a new dimension to life.

Dr. Mansholt said: "some sections industry and farmers had reaped some benefits from the developments of the last twenty years, but it is also true that the progress of integration has led to major social stresses.

"The disparities and standards of living between different areas of the community have become more marked rather than less. For the

great mass of the population there has been no broad improvement in conditions generally. This dissatisfaction is indeed widespread. The Norwegian Referendum came as a blunt reminder when great numbers of Norwegians simply could not see the point of what we were doing. Here he said there is a tendency to think of the Europe of multi-national Corporations rather than the Europe of the peoples. It was not only the young and political left wingers who carped. Others to are critical, they complain that the community is undemocratic. And it is a fact that the community has developed a net work of official channels which the man in the street can make nothing of."

What Dr. Mansholt has said bears out all the misgivings and the fears of those who oppose our entry to the E.E.C.

The original thinking of the men who thought up the idea of a United European people was sound, bearing in mind that some of the forces and unnecessary devisive factors would be removed, that the people of Germany, France, Belgium, Holland and Italy could live in peace with each other without fighting wars that had cost their nations millions of their people. This thinking was good, but when the profiteers and big business syndicates enter into the arena the rights of the people and the quality of their life becomes secondary to the business of making money. Let the Irish people take note and remain on guard, don't let the Hillary's & Co. do in your name what isn't in your interest.

SECTARIAN MURDERS.

The Statement from the U.D.A. that they will help to curb the spate of brutal sectarian murders is to be welcomed. However, in a recent issue of the U.D.A. News the Executive of the U.D.A. called for a policy of extermination of the Roman Catholic population of the North or at least, the incarceration of the entire Roman Catholic population in Concentration Camps and Prisons.

We wonder how they can explain away the inconsistencies of their statements. The Republican Movement has always sought to improve relations between both the Protestant and Catholic peoples. We appeal to the U.D.A. and other Loyalist bodies to co-operate with Republicans.