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# Real Mac Stíofáin

No man is singled out and marked for eight years penal servitude by the tyrant Britain for political reasons unless that man be as O'Donoghain Rossa was "AN UNREPENTANT FENIAN".

SEAN MAC STIOFAIN, WHO WAS ARRESTED at 3.15 a.m. on Sunday is now on hunger and thirst strike in Mountjoy Prison in protest against his arrest. Unless he is released in the meantime, Mr. Mac Stiofain has at the most 12 days to live.

His arrest is further proof of the collaboration between Lynch's Regime and the British Government. Sean Mac Stiofain's dedication to the cause of Irish Freedom is unparalleled in our time.

Of all the patriots slandered by British Black Propaganda, and there were many, including TONE, EMMET, MITCHELL, ROSSA, PARNELL, CASEMENT and CHILDERS, never were such depraved, cowardly and untruthful methods used in the attempt to assassinate the character of an Irish leader. The real Sean Mac Stiofain already belongs to the pages of history; nothing indeed the yellow Fleet Street or Seoinin Abbey St., press can spew forth will ever tarnish that Pearse-like image. Sean Mac Stiofain stands for the policy of Tone, the Dedication of Emmet, the fearlessness of Mitchell and the determination of Posa.

## O'Malley's Plot

COLMAIN O'MHUIMHEACHAIN, EDITOR OF AN PHOBLACHT WAS ARRESTED ON TUESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER AS HE LEFT AN PHOBLACHT OFFICES AT 44, PARNELL SQUARE, AT 10.00 P.M.

AT TIME OF PRESS, WE UNDERSTAND THAT 16 CHARGES ARE BEING DRAWN UP AGAINST OUR EDITOR. OBVIOUSLY THIS ATTACK ON THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS IS PART OF O'MALLEY'S PLOT TO CRUSH THE SPIRIT OF REPUBLICANISM. WE CALL ON ALL CONCERNED WITH THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS TO VOICE THEIR PROTEST.

### EDITOR ARRESTED



SEAN MAC STÍOFÁIN

## ALDERSHOT — CASE —

We cannot ignore the savage sentence of 30 years imprisonment given to Noel Jenkinson at the Aldershot trial. It is clear that English Courts hold no quarter for Irishmen charged with political offences. They face a biased jury and judge.

Although we were not involved, we appreciate the motives of the people responsible. This was a strike against British Military and we welcome action against British Military regardless of the organisation involved.



Protest Meeting (see back page).



## LETTERS

O'Malley's  
"Starve"  
MessageBaltimore  
U.S.A.

Sir:

A most perverted thing happened recently in this part of the world. A certain gentleman came all the way from Ireland to cut off the supply of bread and butter to hundreds of mothers and their children in the North of Ireland: Let them starve, was his message, or at least, the inevitable consequence of his message. That any human being could be so sadistic is revolting; but when the person concerned happens to be the Minister of Justice, then the whole thing assumes dimensions that are grotesque and ghastly.

Mr. O'Malley, while he was here in the U.S.A., was in a unique position to counter-act British black propaganda: to tell the people of this country why his Government had brought the British Government before the European Court of Human Rights at Strasbourg (a fact, by the way, which the British Government has succeeded in keeping from the American public); to tell them about the reign of terror, brutality and torture that the British Army is pursuing, about the S.A.S., the mysterious assassinations, etc., etc.

But no! The Minister was silent on all that. The only thing his perverted mind could think of was to advise the Irish in America not to contribute to Irish Northern Aid .... In other words, to let the wives and children of the political prisoners hunger and starve! Does the sadism of this pervert reflect the mind of the Irish Government?

Yours faithfully,  
Fr. Sean McManus.Green Paper  
Deal?220, Sundrive Road,  
Crumlin,  
Dublin.31st October 1972.  
An Phoblacht

Dear Sir,

From reading the Press reports and Editorial comments on Mr. Whitelaw's Green Paper, and after listening to Radio coverage of that document, and watching Teleis Eireann, it would seem to me that a massive attempt is being made to sell a complete Package Deal on the Irish Problem to the people of the 32 Counties. The Green Paper has been welcomed by all the Political Parties of the South, with the exception of Aontach Eireann, Sinn Féin, of course, is not a Political Party - it is a National Movement, and I refer to Sinn Féin, Kevin Street. The other grouping which assumed that name has condemned the Green Paper, but as it is part of the World-wide Marxist Movement I refuse to discuss its attitude in an Irish context. The document has also been welcomed, to a greater or lesser degree, by the Six County Political Parties, with the exception of the Nationalist Party, who so far made no statement. It would seem then that all the representatives of the Irish people are in favour of retaining the status quo in Ireland, for that is what this document means.

Before I proceed to prove this let me say that when the Irish Political Representatives accepted Lloyd George's proposals for a partitioned Ireland in 1917 the same position seemed to obtain, but they got a rude awakening at the General Election of 1918, and I forecast that those who are today preaching compromise and surrender will get the same medicine from the Irish people within the next six months. Having said that, may I point out what the Green Paper actually means. Mr. Whitelaw indicates that he is prepared to erect some form of Local Government within the Six County area in which Catholics and Nationalists will have some say. The Westminster Parliament will retain control of security and a Council of Ireland will come into being - a Council which will have representation from the Twenty Six County Government and the new Northern Puppets Assembly to be set up. There is nothing new in this proposal. Provision for such a Council was made in the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, and in the Treaty of Surrender, 1921. Mr. Whitelaw has stated clearly that the Ireland Act of 1949, which guarantees that there will be no Irish unity without the consent of the Orange Leadership, will still operate. By this Declaration he declares that British Military Occupation must continue, for in no other way can his Government carry out his guarantee.

May I state that Mr. Whitelaw, Mr. Heath and Mr. Lynch find themselves in their present position of dilemma because the Republican Movement succeeded in its first objective which was the abolition of the Stormont Parliament. When the Civil Rights Campaign started in 1968 there was no talk of

Ar Lean Leath. 7.

CAD  
A THARLA?

Uinsín Ó Donabháin

AN BÉIL AN LÁ SE TEOC?

Feách ar an gearthúin thuas a bhí agus geló in Iris arbh ainm dó an "Scuab" a tháinig amach i 1923-1924. Cé go raibh poblachtánaigh agus mbraghdeanas, na príosúin ag cur thar maoil leo, bhí dóchas acu dóchas nach fada go mbeifís saor dóchas nach fada go mbeadh Eire ag Cáit Uí Dhuibhir, dóchas go mbeadh Eire ina Poblacht dhá Chondae tríochad. Bhí dóchas ag Poblachtánaigh agus dóchas ag Gaeilgeoirí.

## CAM, GALLDA AGUS, BROCAC

Ach d'fanadar agus d'fanadar - D'fanadar go 1932 gur scaoileadh amach "Poblachtánaigh" De Bhalaria, amach as an bpriosúin agus chuir muintir na h-Eireann na Saor Stáiteoirí as chomhacht. Ach mórth fhada go bhfuairadar amach go raibh cuid mhór de Phoblachtánaigh Dev, agus a lucht leanúna Fianna Fáil chomh cam, chomh gallda, chomh brocach is a bhí na Saorstáiteoirí rompu.

## FAINNE INA CHOTA

Ba ghearr go raibh dearmad déanta ar an "Eire Saor" ar an Eire Gaelach" a bhfuair an Píarsach bás ar a son. Ba ghearr nach é amháin go raibh fíor Phoblachtánaigh á gcur i mbraghdeanas arís ach iad 'á gcur chun bais ag Fianna Fáil. Chaith Dev, fáinne mór ina chóta i gconáil agus labhair sé cúpla focal ar ocaidí phoiblí. Dinsíodh mar gheall ar Lemass ar thuras O Bhaile Átha Cliath go Corcaigh chun labhairt go poiblí. Scríobh Rónaí de shaghas eigin cúpla focal agus nGaeilge mar thuas ar an óráid is iad ar a slí agus Mhág Ealla ó dheas.

## GAELIGE SAOR DONA - T.D.'s.

Aith bheochan na Gaeilge? Aith bheochan na Gaeilge mo thóin. Aith cáipéisí agus páipeirí baná agus tuilleadh páipéirí bána ach is beag focal a chualathas ó Theach Laighin. Tá sé seo ar aon dul leis an bPápa a rá gan drúis a dheánamh, ach é feín ina lúid le bean chuide oíche sa tseachtain. Agus na Teachtaí Dála ag rá nach raibh Gaeilge acu agus gan aon neart acu air, ach bhí aithne agam féin ar mhuinteoirí agus Ghaeilgeoirí a chuir fógra sna nuachtáin ag tairiscint Gaeilge a mhúineadh Saor in aice do T.D. ar bith a raibh fonn air é dhoghlaím. Ní thuair sé oiread is freagra amháin.

## AN 'MURDER MACHINE'

Caitheadh an "Murder Machine" anuas ar ghuaíne na n-oidí Scoile agus ar ghuaíne na bpáistí Scoile. Bhí Gaeilge "alright" do pháistí Scoile - Caitheadh Sé bheith acu agus chaithheadh cigirí na roinne teacht chun iad a scrúdú agus iad a chur i bponne agus thiontaigh na páistí céanna in-ghaighidh 'na teangan. Bhí fhios acu gurbh é an "Murder Machine" a bhí ann agus nach raibh Gaeilge "alright" do dhaoine fásta nó do Theachtaí Dála nó do roinn féin. D'eiríodar aníos agus chuireadar glaoch ghuthaínn ar Roinn éigin agus cad a chualadar ar an dtóibh eile - "Department of Education, can I help you?" nó "Department of the Gaeltacht" nó "Government Information".

## CUPLA THEACH GHLOINE

On Ghaeltacht fhéin dimigh na fíor Gaeilgeoirí ina mílte agus ina Meiriceá. Chailleadh na fíor Ceiltigh is cailleadh an teanga ach ba bheag mar chuir sé inni ar lucht maoine nó ar pholaiticeoirí "Dáil Laighin". Tháingadar abhaile ar shaoire is thógadar an Beirla leo. Tháing na turasóirí Reamhra le airgead sna pócaí 's thugadar an béarla leo agus thóg Fianna Fáil cúpla téach ghloine chun trátaí a chur iontú. Tháinig 1966. Cheap Fianna Fáil go raibh rud éigin le comóradh acu. Leath chéad bliain ó fuair an Píarsach bás ar son Eireann a bhéadh saor agus Gaelach. Ní raib sé saor ná Gaelach.

## MAIRTIN IS 'MISNEACH'

75% de mhaoín na tíre ag 5% (Taca agus a lucht leanúna). Níor chreid Máirtín Ó Cadhain nó a lán daoine eile go raibh tada le ceilleadh, "Eire, meirdeach" a dúirt Máirtín. Bhunaigh Máirtín, sar ghaeilgeoir sár phoblachtánaigh "Misneach". Chuair roinnt ar stáil ocras agus bhí Máirtín ina sheasamh taobh amuigh de Chaisleáin in Archa Cliath agus a phléad ina lámh aige "Eire - Meirdeach" scríofa air.

Na buaic móra leis na culaithé trádhóna ina na caranna móra ar a slí isteach chun féastaíochta agus ragairne mar go bhfuair an Píarsach bás ar son "Eire Saor, Eire Gaelach". Leath céad bliain roimhe, inniú tá an sceál níos measa. Peaca marbthaí duit bheith in do Phoblachtánaigh bheith in do Ghaeilgeoirí.

## TEANGA AN SPECIAL BRÁNCH

Mar aduirt Ruairí Ó Bradaigh an Ard Fheis "Nuair dhúnadar Sráid Caomhín sé an dara theanga Oifigiúil amháin a d'úsáideadh ar an doras".

Ar ndó cé bheadh ag síl le Gaeilge ón Special Branch agus ar chaof ar bith cé bheadh ag síl le Gaeilge ón "Máileach" nó ó "Chief Superintendent" Fleming?

Cad a tharla? Faraoid, 'cad a tharla?



"When will we have a sermon in English, Vicar?"  
"On Saint George's Day, please goodness, madam."

IRISH  
CANVASS

Summary of the Results of the Canvassing Campaign which Coiste Chathair Átha Cliath of Conradh na Gaeilge organised in Marino/Fairview.

Canvassers from Coiste Chathair Átha Cliath of Conradh na Gaeilge spoke to people from 506 households in the Marino/Fairview area.

Among those were:

- 41 persons who expressed interest in becoming members of An Conradh;
- 42 persons who expressed interest in becoming members of Ogras;
- 32 persons who would like to become associate members of An Conradh; and

125 persons who were interested in attending Irish classes. The questionnaire which was made out dealt with matters such as those specified above. People from 206 houses were anxious to do something definite to help the revival. It should also be mentioned that the vast majority of the people in the other houses were favourably disposed towards the revival of Irish. Not even 5% could be labelled as "hostile".

This campaign has proved to be a great source of encouragement. It outlined the strong support which the people, in general, have for the revival of Irish.

An Coiste Cathrach intends to put the people's enthusiasm to work. It is, therefore, organising Irish classes in the area canvassed and founding a branch of An Conradh and a group of Ogras there as well.

Achoimre ar Thorthair an Fheachtais Canbhásála a d'eagraigh Coiste Chathair Átha Cliath de Chonradh na Gaeilge i Muirne/Fionnradharc.

Bhí canbhásálaithe ó Choiste Chathair Átha Cliath de Chonradh na Gaeilge ag plé le daoine as 506 teach sa cheantar Muirne/Fionnradharc.

Astu sin Tháinghas ar:

- 41 duine a léirigh spéis i bheith mar bhaill den Chonradh;
- 42 duine a léirigh spéis i bheith mar bhaill d'Ogras;
- 32 duine gur mhaith leo bheith ina gCompanáigh den Chonradh; agus

125 duine gur spéis leo ranganna Ghaeilge. Bhí ceisteoir déanta amach agus bhain na ceisteanna uirthi le nithe cosúil leo síd atá thuasluaite. Ba bhreil le daoine as 206 teach rud éigin cinnte a dhéanamh chun cuidiú leis an athbheochan. Ní miste a lua, freisin, go raibh fúrmhór mór na ndaoine sin tithe eile fábharchad an athbheochan. Ní raibh fí 5% ann go bhféadfaí 'naimhdeach' a ghlaoidh orthu.

Is mór an t-ábhar spreagaidh é an feachtas céanna. Léirigh sé an tacaíocht láidir atá ag an bpobal i gcoitinne d'athbheochan na Gaeilge.

Tá an Coiste Cathrach sásta díograis na ndaoine a chur ag obair. Chuirge sin tathar ag cur ranganna Ghaeilge ar síl sa cheantar gur rinneadh an canbhásáil ann agus ag bunú crabh den Chonradh agus gasra d'Ogras ann, freisin.

Breis eolais le fáil ó

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# Behind The Headlines *le Traolach*

## New Terror Force Being Trained

BRITAIN PLANS TO QUIT NORTH  
AFTER CREATING "CIVIL WAR"

Britain is pulling out of the North — after manoeuvring a pseudo civil war between Orangemen and Nationalists to give her excuse to do so. This sensational disclosure is made by an enterprising American journalist whom we will have to call Eddie McDonnell. He is currently engaged in writing a book on this deliberate attempt at genocide in Ireland.

Eddie has compiled a carefully documented dossier which shows that a series of apparently unconnected events, when synthesised, add up to the inevitable conclusion that Britain is ruthlessly determined to embroil all Ireland in a fratricidal war from which Whitehall hopes to pick up the pieces and re-assert political and economic sovereignty over the whole island on the grounds of "re-establishing peace and order".

Eddie reveals that the British War Office and Secret Service are to mount a new terror operation to heighten sectarian feelings. To achieve this a Brigade of "Black and Tans" is being trained in Hampshire. Their job is to kill the hundred, both Protestant and Catholic, in such ways to have one sect blaming the other.

This secret auxiliary force will include former British Officers who were retired prematurely because of their exposed excuses about the "Mau Mau" supporters in Kenya's freedom fighters to receive psychiatric treatment because the brainwashing which justified their brutalities back-fired and made them barely controllable sadists.

This force is especially adept at torture by electrical shock treatment and the "pin Cushion" method — that is injecting prisoners with poisoned needles which has the effect of inducing hallucinations and at least temporary insanity.

The new "Black and Tans" are therefore more sophisticated than their 1920-21 predecessors. They have the aid of former fanatical U.V.F. men, whose hysterical hatred will be fed with the promise of new affluence and influential posts in a new Gestapo-controlled "New Ireland".

Britain's bluff that she is aiming at a peaceful consortium of many sided politicians in a community government for the Six Counties is really a time device to give this plain clothes force an opportunity to complete its terror strategy.



## A Bonus For Each Irish Death

Each member will be paid a minimum of £3,000 a year with bonuses for each "body". In their Hampshire hide-out they are not allowed to mix with nearby village folk, but are compensated for almost constant confinement to camp with free drink and tobacco and regular visits from carefully selected groups of "London Ladies".

In itself, this last desperate throw by Britain to maintain prestige despite their intended withdrawal after creating a bloodbath between Irishmen could not be seen as unexpected.

They've tried such a gamble in many colonised countries, and partly succeeded in Cyprus and Nigeria where they still hold a strong economic grip, however well disguised by native directed plans, (thanks to false partitions).

But the new "Black and Tans" will also operate south of the Border, instigating explosions and "mystery deaths" and get the I.R.A. blamed. This, in turn, is expected to lead to further repression of Republicans.

One factor in the British plan is to "plant" documents purporting to show that the I.R.A. are conspiring to take over government here in a coup. So the stage will be set for Britain's final solution for Ireland.

What Hitler did to the Jews, what perfidious Attila tried to do through a false famine in the 1840's (the population halved by starvation, fever and panic emigration because the

Irish were supposed to eat blighted potatoes while beef to feed 16 million people a year was "exported" under military guard) modern British Tory financiers hope to accomplish by a pseudo civil war.

There are other strands in the McDonnell story which expose intrigues designed to decimate Ireland by a war between misled fellow citizens.

Eddie was loaned a Pentagon memo which showed the White House had been assured by the Westminster diplomats that the U.S. would be encouraged to send a temporary military force to help pacify Ireland in the event of "a civil war between religious factions".

By this ploy, Britain hopes to gain international justification for her subtly planned re-conquest. In all this nefarious purpose, Lynch and O'Malley and fellow puppets in the Southern Partition Government, must have their suspicions.

## Lynch Fears An Economic War

But they fear an economic war now more than a fighting war later, because the myth of 26-Co. sovereignty rests on the Anglo-Irish "free" trade pact which postpones economic collapse while Fianna Fail wanders in a wilderness of non-planning for national unity and self reliance.

Indeed, many Cabinet members of the nouveau riche variety have substantial sums invested in British concerns. Meantime the Northern agony is stifled by R.T.E. and a press subservient to internationally back large company advertisers.

Another significant aspect of Eddie McDonnell's revelations is that some of his information was leaked by a dinner table servant at Chequers, Heath's country home for British Premiers.

This disaffected servant had the resource to use a notebook, and on at least one occasion, he concealed a tape recorder during informal discussions on the North between Heath and the Foreign Secretary, Sir Alec Douglas Home!

A warning for Mr. Whitelaw — neither British leader is keen on helping him in the cabinet when the "Tan" terror begins.

Apparently, Willie isn't too keen for being the fall guy for military repressors, and genuinely doesn't like violence — especially when it affects his reputation for "benevolent impartiality". Expect weary Willie to be made Lord Whitelaw (or some such) in the New Year.

A final word on the McDonnell expose — the British are aware of his intentions to publish, and an attempt has been made to buy him off. This failed, and veiled threats to his career followed.

Friends feel even his life is in danger, and he is in retreat, near Vermont under another assumed name.

We call him Eddie McDonnell, because this was the real name of another crusading U.S. journalist who refused to be duped by British Black Propaganda against Roger Casement, and gave up his career as a distinguished foreign correspondent sooner than be party to libels against this great Irishman.

## Heath Smiles And Smiles And Smiles

The Right Dishonourable Head Teeth (Sorry Ted Heath) smiled bravely behind the bullet proof casing of his car at the disinterested Belfast shoppers.

The toothy display was put on again at the civic luncheon for servile placemen under the Crown. And again, for the convoy of pressmen, pessimistic by now of getting past the machine gunners and 200 plainclothes detectives for an off-the-cuff comment from the Saxon Tribal Chief.

Heath, doing his thing, which consists of doing nothing, but mouthing platitudes "got a Cheer" at the Belfast Royal Naval yard. So reporters were told. They weren't allowed in to check.

But it quickly became clear that Heath's avowed purpose was to inflame grass roots "loyalist" groups by refusing to meet their leaders and he notably greeted shouts of "exterminate the I.R.A." with dental determination.

All part of the master plan to set Catholic and Protestant working class frustrations in violent confrontation. There were polite and private assurances that the middle class would come out of it all with kudos intact, especially leading Catholic businessmen who bowed to the Union Jack.

Heath claimed in his Belfast monologue that "violence destroys, and cannot build". As the author of most of it, he was entitled to make the point.

But his attempt to blame the I.R.A. for starting the killings caused cynical jesting among some down-to-earth British journalists who remember Burntoll, the illegal Falls military curfew, Derry's "Bloody Sunday", the Hollywood tortures,



LOOKS LIKE WE'LL HAVE TO RUN FOR IT

internment without trial and suchlike unmentionables. But Heath smiled bravely on. He got to the real point when indicting "extremists" for colossal property damage, and threatened to withdraw £200 million a year subventions if U.D.I. supporters won their way.

The figure was inexplicable reduced by £100 million from Home Office figures recently released. Money talks deafeningly loud to Ted, the front man for the worried Tory financiers.

But back to the "violence" bit. Ted knows like his masters that institutional violence is sacred to Mother England when applied in Ireland. Reaction to this violence is very naughty indeed.

Social change, national liberty, political sovereignty all began with armed resistance against the British imperialist — from the U.S. to France, to Egypt and India, to Kenya and Aden.

For violence read pain, (and the pangs of colonial profit losses) and you're somewhere nearer the truth of what hurts the Tory capitalists most. Troop killings are a secondary consideration.

But any surgeon will tell you that the aim of the violence of the knife is to heal, not to destroy. And until the cancer of the devouring British connection is cut out of the Irish Body politic, there can be no hopes of a permanent cure for this country's social and economic ailments.

So Heath, leading the Belfast motorcade from near the rear whisked in and out of Ireland without a whisper of the Anglo-Irish war he wants to become an affair for natives only.

In and out of helicopter and armoured saloon, Heath smiles and smiles. It reminds me of the Haigh trial for the multi-murders of women he perverted used before silencing.

In court the judge pronounced sentence with a black cap donned, Haigh smiled and smiled and smiled. His eyes stayed cold. The judge said: "This is an evil man".

## Riot Gear From The States

Flight A.S.N. from the U.S.A. to Ireland brought a swift reply to Willie Whitelaw's and Dessie O'Malley's new acts of repression against Republicans.

Crates expected to contain medical supplies to help with relief of the beleaguered ghettos subject to trigger-happy troops in the North, also contained gas masks, riot shields and helmets, and canisters of C.S. gas.

These are to be used as defences against marauding, foul-tongued soldiers of the scabrous sort who infest Belfast and Derry in particular.

There's been a suggestion that the riot gear should be kept in the 26 Counties in view of O'Malley's new tactics of oppression against Republican Spokesmen, including newly arrested An Phoblacht editor, Colman Moynihan, who hasn't resisted telling the unsavoury truth about the servile wee Dessie and his Special Branch mobsters.

## No Oath For Scots, Welsh

Ever wondered why an Irishman in the north, from University graduate to Corporation street cleaner is expected to make a pompous declaration of allegiance to an uncaring foreign Queen?

There's no such degrading demand from the Scots or the Welsh .... Indeed English oaths to their Sovereign are rare enough outside the armed forces. The British Army oath was probably introduced when over half its Victorian strength was made up of jobless Irish.

The oath is a calculated insult to Irish national pride. Of course, the Scots and Welsh may have surrendered their "rebel" aspirations, Crown authorities have apparently decided.

Really, the oath demand is a tribute to the resurgent Irish spirit which has never freely given an allegiance to British rule here.



# WHY

## THE RICH GET RICHER

# &

## THE POOR GET POORER

by

Emmett O'Connell

Inflation has become one of the hallmarks of industrial society. Until relatively recently, inflation was generally associated with banana republics and the aftermath of great wars. Now however, it appears as one of the handmaidens of industrial growth. Why this should be is a subject which when discussed throws more heat than light on the matter. Housewives blame the shopkeepers, shopkeepers blame the Government, and the Government by-and-large places the onus on the trade unions. While this "ring-around-the-roses" slanging match goes on, prices continue their relentless rise. The general public watches with an increasing sense of frustration, tinged with panic, as fortunes are made on the manipulation of company structures — made possible by the provision of massive bank credit. Each take-over manipulation results in either less competition or less jobs. The nagging fear that society has fallen prey to merchant pirates, is easy to understand but hard to define.

### INFLATION — GREATEST ALLY

Although no less a personage than Dr. T.K. Whitaker, Director of the Central Bank of Ireland, has declared that he "doesn't understand" what's behind all this financial razzle-dazzle, Martin Rafferty, one of Dublin's premier take-over specialists, understands the process perfectly and expresses its intentions quite candidly when he says it is an attempt to acquire wealth through capital gains rather than income. Mr. Rafferty also hits the nail on the head when he points out that inflation is the greatest ally one can have in such a pursuit.

To understand why this is so, to understand why in industrial societies of unprecedented wealth, the rich get richer while the poor get poorer — it is necessary to look a little further than the shopkeeper's shelf for the answer. It is necessary to examine, however briefly, the mechanisms and structure of the present industrial system.

### WEALTH TO THE POWERFUL

According to the orthodox teachings of economics, increased efficiency and increased production by the worker should find its way to the market place in the form of lower prices, thus benefiting all sectors of the community; and more specifically, the unemployed, the pensioners, and others who consume all of their incomes on a week to week basis. But this as we all know is not what happens. What happens in the real world is something quite different from what is taught in the academic world. The increased national pie is not shared out equally in the community through the mechanism of lower prices. Rather, the increased profit resulting from increased efficiency is bespoken for by those who through one means or another, wield the most power. These are mostly, but not entirely, the handmaidens of capital; bankers, brokers, institutional investors, auctioneers, and shareholders. To the extent that a few craft unions can extort excessive increases by their power to bring industry to a virtual halt via the picket, they too, can insure their members get an increased share of the national pie. But labour in general has not increased its percentage share, as recent studies have shown.

Now, as the combined total claim on the national pie demanded by those already best placed within the economy exceed the increased profit, and as fewer and fewer companies come to dominate the market, prices are raised. And remembering that adequate profits are judged as a per centage of invested capital, it follows that as company assets rise in accordance with inflation, so too must the absolute level of profits rise if the same percentage of return is to be had. Hence, still higher prices. If however, competitive pressures do exert themselves in the market to the extent of prohibiting price increases, then one of two remedies can be applied. First, still greater efficiencies can be applied, resulting in fewer jobs, as in the case of Brook-Thomas where 265 workers were recently let go when profits dropped; or secondly, the use of the company assets can be shifted into a less competitive field. For example, hotels into office blocks as recently occurred in the Jury Group. Over 100 jobs were lost in this instance, while the company stands to make an estimated £2,000,000 profit.

### THE RUTHLESS SQUEEZE

Meanwhile, those in the weaker sectors of the economy are caught in squeeze just as ruthless, but far more efficient, than the rack-rent system of old. Their incomes, meagre enough to begin with, purchase less and less goods as prices rise. And those who are unemployed face an ever decreasing market for jobs as the ever increasing efficiency of production, the efficiency which returns the means for a better life to the few, lessens the opportunities for the many. Indeed, it only adds to the numbers of the unemployed and redundant. Certainly, some new jobs are created in the process, but almost all of these are at a far higher level of skills than those which they replace. Very few dockers will become computer analysts.

### 5% OWN 70%; 1% OWN 30% OF WEALTH

We see therefore, why under the present system increased industrial efficiency returns its profits to capital, not to labour, or the community as a whole. The rich get richer and the poor get poorer. As one recent study indicated, (The Distribution of Personal Wealth in Ireland, by Prof. Patrick M. Lyons) slightly less than 5 per cent of the people own over 70 per cent of the wealth, and moreover — the top 1 per cent own over 30 per cent of the net wealth!

### £200,000,000 TAX-FREE TO SPECULATORS

Now this need not be so, increased industrial efficiency could be a good thing. It could be means towards ensuring a better life for all by releasing man from the drudgery of some types of work and enabling him to develop his full potential.

But for this to happen there must be an equitable distribution of the increased profits resulting from such efficiency. It used to be assumed that "the rich" paid taxes while "the poor" paid no taxes. This is simply not true. In the first nine months of this year an estimated £200,000,000 tax-free profits have been paid to speculators and company raiders on the Dublin Stock Exchange in the form of capital gains. Is it any wonder then that financiers such as Mr. Rafferty should be concentrating on securing capital gains, which are tax-free and enhanced by inflation, rather than struggling to accumulate wealth through earned income, which is subject to tax and quickly eroded by inflation?

### V.A.T. — THE E.E.C. RACK-RENT

On the other hand, the continual increase in the use of regressive forms of taxation such as turnover-taxes, wholesale-taxes, and now Value-Added-Tax, ensures that it is the "poor that pays". This is so because the poor spend all of their weekly income trying to make ends meet. With sales taxes such as V.A.T., the higher the proportion of your income you spend, the higher the per centage of your income is taxed. Little wonder then, why the bureaucrats and bankers of the E.E.C. have forced through this new "rack-rent" form of taxation on all its member states, save one — Italy. The Italian Government, fearful of a political backlash from poverty stricken masses, has refused to implement V.A.T., and Italy has been a full member from the very beginning of the E.E.C. The Dublin Government — indifferent to the plight of the housewife — has decided to be more European than the Italians and fasten the burden of V.A.T. to the backs of the poor before we even enter the E.E.C.!

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# BRITISH TORTURE CONTINUES

James Stewart, Mayobridge — Bruising to back, chest, legs, and arms-split, head requiring stitches.

M.J. Hone, Derry — Severe bruising to legs and body, privates badly swollen.

T. Mullin, Dublin — Badly bruised left shoulder, head and stomach. Dog bite on right shoulder. Bruised left leg.

P. McKearney — Face, leg, head, arms and back injuries. Badly bitten by Ward dogs.

Bernard Morgan, Belfast — 60-years-old. Injuries to legs, head, back. Badly bruised ribs.

T. McKee, Belfast — Split and badly bruised head, arms and ribs. Cut eye, injured legs and knees.

P.J. Quinn, Tyrone — Badly bruised ribs, swollen ankles and leg. Kicked in privates. Head bruised.

G. McChesney, Newry — Bitten and badly scratched by dog, arms, back and legs also — covered in baton welts and bruises.

G. Doherty, Derry — Severe bruising to head, legs, back, arm and body.

T. Woriskey — Head wound, requiring stitches, was refused medical aid, severe bruising to back and legs.

S. Johnston — Severe head injury and bruised eye, arm, leg and back injuries.

T. McCracken — Back of head, shoulder, back and legs all bruised and swollen.

T. Campbell, Belfast — Aged 55. Head wound requiring stitches. Bad bruising to back, arms, and legs.

M. Finnegan — Injuries to head requiring stitches but refused treatment by the "screws" also back, ribs and eye badly swollen and bruised.

B. Russell, Belfast — Head wound, 6 stitches, badly bruised about back, arms, hips, left eye cut and swollen.

F. McAuley, Belfast — Injuries to back, legs and face.

D. Burt, Belfast — Injuries to back, legs and arms.

L. McCurry, Belfast — Head injuries, cut twice, back of head bruised, back, arms, legs, received no treatment.

G. Brady, Newry. — Injuries to arms, legs, back and privates, left elbow dislocated.

Kevin Trainor, Armagh. — Dog bites on legs and arms, refused treatment by doctor.

T. O'Kane, Derry. — Injuries to ribs, legs,

knees and ankles.

J. Rooney, Belfast. — Left leg, ankle, thigh, back, fingers and feet.

S. McGill, Belfast. — Left knee busted. Spine and arms bruised.

Joe Donnelly. — Side bruised, knee busted, shoulders, arms, right hip bruised, hair pulled out.

J. Williamson. — Broken arm, split head, bad body bruising, privates.

G. McGuire, Belfast. — Arms, legs, back bad bruising, hair pulled out.

J. McLoughlin. — Thighs scraped, arms, shoulders bruised.

P. McEnanin. — Shoulder blade bruised.

T. Gornian. — Burst knee cap, badly bruised right knee, elbow and hands.

R. Feeney, Belfast. — Backsides and kidneys badly bruised, knees badly swollen.

H. Fitzsimons, Belfast. — Arms, legs, kidneys, back, knees, elbows, all bruised.

S. O'Neill, Belfast. — Arms, legs, kidney, head, ribs, broken arm.

H. Gowdy, Belfast. — This man is recovering

from back operation. Back, kidneys, shoulders, arms, legs, knees bruised.

F. O'Kane, Derry. — Side, arms, back, chest, knees all bruised.

J. Robson, Derry. — Legs, arms, back, all bruised.

T. Carroll, Armagh. — Split head, stitches.

R.C. O'Neill, Derry. — Battered on the head, black outs on Saturday night, two on Friday night, medical attention (2 Panadol).

J. Johnston, Dublin. — Left arm badly bruised and swollen, Back badly welled and both knees cut and swollen.

P.J. Smyth, Belfast. — Both knees badly cut and bruised, head split, arms and legs bruised.

F. McCurry, Belfast. — Both knees badly cut, Thighs swollen, back and chest badly swollen and bruised.

M. Gorman, Belfast. — Right knee cut and swollen. Bruises on both thighs and left shoulder, fractured left leg.

J. Wilson, Belfast. — 14-years-old, Right arm badly swollen, right leg badly bruised, also head and privates.

D. McCorry. — Badly bruised arms, legs, head and hands.

J. McGeown, Lurgan. — Badly bruised legs, arms, back and chest.

F. Dodds, Belfast. — Arms stitched (2) legs, back and chest badly bruised.

M. McCorry, Belfast. — Badly bruised ribs, arms, legs, head, black-out following, bruised chest and back.

G.M. Donnelly, Tyrone. — Badly bruised arms, head, legs, ribs. Two fingers broken.

M. McDonald, Newry. — Split head. Bruises to legs, back and arms.

Bradford, Belfast. — Bruises to legs and back.

J. McCormick, Newry. — Bruises to legs, ribs and arms.

T. McCoy, Newry. — Bruises to legs, ribs and arms.

J. Gallagher, Derry. — Bruises to legs, shoulders, fingers and spine.

B. McGown, Belfast. — Bruises to wrist, left side, left shoulder, left thigh, right kidney, right thigh and spine.

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### GREEN CROSS SOCIETY OF AUSTRALASIA

The following is a copy of a letter received from Ireland by Geelong Branch of the Green Cross:

AN CUMANN CABRACH

A Cara,  
I was very pleased to meet a representative of your Committee in Dublin yesterday. Unfortunately, he had very little time, but I hope to see him again before he returns to Australia. On behalf of the above committee I wish to congratulate you on the wonderful work you are doing there for our beleaguered people in the Northern part of our country. I would like you to pass on to your subscribers our grateful thanks. But for the support of our friends and exiles overseas many a widow and orphan would go hungry these past 12 months. I was very pleased with your circular, it is somewhat similar to those issued by Cumann Cabrach.

Our Committee was formed some 30 years ago. Our present Chairman holds the position since 1953 as do the Trustees and two other members. All work is on a voluntary basis. We deal directly with the prisoners and their dependants. One of our members travels weekly to Belfast to the internment camp at the Curragh, so that we have first hand information. Our organisation is a humanitarian one, to assist the families of men and women who are imprisoned because of their steadfast loyalty to their ideals and to alleviate some of the suffering of the internees by assuring them that their families will be cared for.

You can assure those who donate money to our fund that their contribution will not be used for any other purpose. We have changed our postal address recently, hence no headed paper.

Again thanking you for your wonderful help,

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# Viewpoint



## "IRELAND UNFREE....."

As the resistance campaign in the Six Counties moves towards its inevitable success, the campaign for a repetition of the national betrayals of the past also intensifies. This campaign has steadily developed into an abuse of the noble concept of peace. By playing on the natural desire of all people for true peace, these "Cruiscentrics" seek to impose a false peace, not a peace with justice or honour, but a "peace" at any price, upon the Irish people. The threat of such a confidence trick is real and it is not new to Ireland's history. It is essential that we learn from the past and fight for a peace, real in substance as well as in name.

### "WHEN PEACE WAS NOT PEACE"

The type of "peace" being advocated by so many British and Irish politicians, by so many clerics and well known pseudo intellectuals is the peace enjoyed, almost undisturbed, North and South of the border for fifty years. For the Nationalists in Northern Ireland the fruits of those years of "peace" were not sweet. They included slavish acceptance of second-class citizenship, sectarian discrimination, insults on the Twelfth and injuries the whole year round. Not only were their national aspirations thwarted but even their basic civil rights were denied them. "Peace" meant the rule of the Special Powers Act and its enforcement by the B. Specials. In the South, Unionist misrule was matched by Fianna Fail "Government", complete with Offences against the State Act. Too much has been suffered to allow a repetition of those fifty years to recur. The "peace" of 1923-1968 has been rejected by the Irish People and stands condemned.

### LEGALISED VIOLENCE

But did Ireland know true peace in those fifty years? The answer, of course, is "no". Peace does not mean the non-existence of physical violence. Rather it means an absence of all forms of violence. For the most part, there was little

physical violence, from the political point of view during those years. Most other forms of violence did exist however — the violence of discrimination, of sectarianism and all the other forms of violence that propped up the two partition regimes. Peace did not end and violence did not begin in 1968 or with the commencement of the resistance campaign proper. That happened when Britain last imposed a solution on an unwilling Ireland in 1922. What has ended during the past three years or so is the "peaceful" acceptance by the oppressed of the legalised violence of the establishment governments, North and South.

### CONDEMNATIONS YESTERDAY AND TODAY

And where were those who so aridly seek "peace" and an end to violence today, when this legalised violence was taking place prior to the present situation? Did Dr. Simms, who has been so quick to welcome internment and condemn the I.R.A. ever speak out against the violence which he must have known existed if he knew of the Special Powers Act? Did he, or indeed any Prelate, Catholic or Protestant, condemn the legislation which legalised discrimination against Northern Catholics because of their religion as vigorously as they today condemn those striving to create a just solution to Ireland's problems. Can the implementors of the offences against the State Act (Fianna Fail and its satellites in Fine Gael and Labour) be said to be sincere when they prosecute Britain in Strasbourg for abusing justice in the same way as they themselves are currently abusing it? No, these people are not interested in the establishment of a true and lasting peace. Rather, they are interested only in the preservation of their self interests, even if the price they have to pay for doing so is the very peace they claim to desire.

They do not wish to bring peace to Ireland, they wish to pacify Ireland.

### REGIONAL GOVERNMENT MEANS PEACE

The Republican Movement desires peace as much as anybody else: even more than others, since it is the chief sufferer in the present campaign. Its members are interned and imprisoned, many are dead and many more daily risk the ultimate sacrifice. Yet their resolution to achieve the only solution that offers true peace is unbroken. This solution must satisfy the national aspirations of the Irish People and yet, must be acceptable to our Protestant fellow countrymen. Only the Republican Movement has evolved a solution which reconciles these two prerequisites is any permanent settlement.

The Eire Nua concept which advocates a provincial parliament for all Ulster, which would still leave the Protestants in a majority and thus safeguard their liberties, within an all Ireland context, thus satisfying Ireland's claim for total independence has been widely seen as the only set of proposals which can bring true peace to Ulster on a permanent basis.

### BRITAIN'S FINAL ATTEMPT

It is typical of the British government to completely ignore the ideas put forward in Eire Nua when bringing out its "green" paper. This paper was subtitled "a paper for discussion". Discussion with whom? Mr. Whitelaw has publicly declared that there will be no further meetings between him and the representatives of the resistance movement. The Republican Movement has always been willing to talk, with either the Loyalists or the British government.

Britain has failed to defeat the I.R.A. and cannot afford to enter Europe with the Six Counties in a state of war. Britain is therefore going to try to impose one more settlement on the Irish People in a last ditch attempt to avoid admitting defeat. Such a settlement, as seems to be envisaged by Mr. Heath, will satisfy nobody since it will almost certainly involve some form of direct rule from London, de facto if not de jure. If Britain is successfully resisted for this last time, if the Irish People stand together, it is only a matter of months before a 800 years old grievance will have been finally solved.

### THE BORDER PLEBISCITE

In the weeks ahead it is important that Britain is prevented from successfully effecting the travesty of democracy she intends to hold on the border question. WE know that since the Six Counties was undemocratically constituted on a sectarian count of heads fifty years ago, that the proposed British plebiscite cannot democratically determine whether the Irish People want unity or not, but does the rest of the world?

### PERMANENT PEACEFUL SOLUTION

The Republican Movement desires peace. It does not consider however that we of the present generation have the right to condemn future generations to yet more strife and violence when it is within our power to effect a permanent peaceful solution to the 'Irish Question'. As Pearsé said "Ireland unfree shall never be at peace". A free Ireland is not far away and it will be achieved. Then and only then, will we have, not only peace in our time, but peace for all time.

## O'MALLEY'S POPPIES!

Desmond O'Malley T.D., has it would appear become more conscious of Limerick electorate recently than he had been for some time previously. Last week he went to some pains to show himself in the light of a "Republican". The R.U.C. were not KEEPING THEIR END OF THE BARGAIN — they were not patrolling the Border. Sean Sabhot would not miss the irony in Squeaky's little musings, the little Warrior of Destiny who wanted the Border perpetrated, not merely a line on the map but with Crown Forces too far all to see. Justice must be SEEN to be done. This might be known henceforth as O'Malley's Mounted Foot or Shillington's "Home" Guards.

Obviously on his Master's errand (who in turn was doing his own Jack Bull thing on Heath's Munich dictum) little Dessie did a little big city hopping recently. Firstly he took off for the heart of the Empire London where he squeaked about the closing of Kevin St., Sinn Féin offices and, wait for it — "the harassment of these people". These people were not Blue-shirters of course, like the O'Malley-Donovan clans of Limerick but rather Republicans in the true sense of that word, many of whom had been harassed enough already by the British Army, U.V.F.; U.D.A.; and the Ulster Gestapo Special Branch".

Jack's little whipping-boy did not stop there. At considerable State expense he hopped off for New York to address some "Erin the Tor week he Smile Group in the best Shamrockery. This time the Squeak wanted all monies kept from I.R.A. and sent to the Red Cross. (Rem, the £.s.d. that didn't reach the Congo, Katanga and Pakistan). O'Malley was going to stop the hands of History's clock: no longer would there be Northern Aid or Erin's Hope! Significantly enough the Lad from Limerick was not prepared to deliver his treason speech in New York City, he choose instead Kennedy Airport for a funk-hole — and quick get away no doubt, A cowardly parting squeak.

Even in this he did not quite succeed — he was well and truly "harassed by these people" — the Irish Americans who in no uncertain terms told himself and Jack what to do with their advice. The confounded cheek of those felon-setters! Jack won't march in Fifth Avenue next Patrick's Day either.

Nor does the sick joke end there, whilst in New York Mister O'Malley was in the "diplomatic" hands of another Limerick man one Patrick McKiernan (Irish Consulate) a self-confessed Maoist when reading at the Sorbonne in the Fifties. Pat spent many a public hour extolling the virtues of the COMRADES and cursing you YANKEE for his murderous incursions into N. Vietnam. However did all this escape BIG BROTHER? Of course I suppose ardent-lovers of the Red (Pink?) can and do change.

This was we Dessie's finest hour — didn't the "Daily Express" say that he should be installed immediately as TAOISEACH. Just imagine that BANNER headline "10 Downing St., appoints Limerickman Taoiseach" and a little lower down "Cork Rebels"! Rumour has it too that wee Squeaky brought a briefcase full of POPPIES back "the family tradition".

## BRITAIN FACES SUIT AT STRASBOURG OVER SECRET TRIALS

Britain will be faced with a further trial before the Strasbourg Human Rights Commission if Prime Minister Heath imposes a system of secret trials in Northern Ireland. An American attorney, James C. Heaney of Buffalo, New York, has announced that he will institute action against the British government at Strasbourg if special courts are employed, as announced by the government. The use of secret trials, he notes, is forbidden under the Convention of Human Rights of the Council of Europe. Mr. Heaney indicated that he had been retained to start the suit at Strasbourg by one or more Northern Irish residents. This development could aggravate Britain's already delicate position in the Council of Europe. The October 31st ruling of the Human Rights Commission amounted to an indictment of the British government, according to legal authorities in Europe. Many political observers in Britain and in Ireland feel that Prime Minister Heath has seriously erred in directing a system of secret trials for internees at this time.

Mr. Heaney has already filed several suits against the British government with the Strasbourg Human Rights Commission over the last few years. These suits raise the question of the legality of internment, the employment of the Special Powers Act, local election laws, gerrymandering and discrimination in public housing and employment. He represents several internees. Details of the Strasbourg litigation are not readily available to the press and the public since all proceedings are held in private and the parties may not, under Commission rules, publicly discuss the merits of the litigation.

In a special statement on the special courts issue, Mr. Heaney stated: "Mr. Heath's employment of a system of special secret courts is a clear violation of the Convention of the Council of Europe. Article 6 of the Convention clearly states that an accused in a criminal proceeding "is entitled to a fair and public hearing". Mr. Heath has rejected public trials and insists on secret proceedings. His policy excludes the press

and the public and is certain to be criticised by members of the Council of Europe and the Common Market.

It is obvious that the new laws relating to secret trials will be used only in the case of Irish Catholics and the Gaelic element of the population. Mr. Heath's new move is a clear case of discrimination on the grounds of race and religion and is in contravention of Article 14 of the Human Rights Convention which protects civil rights and forbids "discrimination on any such grounds as sex, race, colour, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin ...."

The government's system of secret trials smacks of racism and discrimination for the public is well aware that only Catholics and those with a Gaelic racial background will face such secret courts. Many see this move as an effort by the British government to conceal from the world the brutalities of internment and atrocities being committed daily at Long Kesh.

About a week ago, Mr. Heath's GREEN PAPER promised the Irish "equal rights". We now see what Mr. Heath meant by equal rights for the Irish. Secret trials are reserved for Catholics only. This is hardly equality. Mr. Heath has already repudiated the GREEN PAPER, just as he repudiated the 1969 Downing Street Declaration which guaranteed Catholics "equality of treatment and freedom without discrimination as obtains in the rest of the United Kingdom". Promises of equality and freedom are never followed up by performance by the government. Secret trials are an insult to the intelligence of the Irish Bench and Bar as well as the general public. The situation calls for sanity and understanding and, above all, political leadership. Mr. Heath obviously lacks all three (3) qualities. When the government uses the court system to repress democratic institutions and equality before the law, then the government acts as an anarchist, and in so doing, promotes disrespect for law and order. This is exactly what Edward Heath is doing in this situation".



# Sinn Féin and The New Ireland

The Fianna Fail referendum slogan "Say Yes" to the new Ireland" was referred to by the Sinn Féin Director of Publicity, Sean O'Bradaigh, when he addressed a meeting representative of all Sinn Féin Cumann in the Dublin region in Liberty Hall (Wednesday, Nov. 8th). He said:

The term "united Ireland" has long since been debased by the Leinster House politicians and now means nothing but the incorporation of the Six Counties in the 26-County system of over-centralised economic imperialism. Sinn Féin has long ceased to advocate merely a "united Ireland" because of what it has come to mean in the public mind.

When we launched our Social and Economic Programme in January 1971 we called it EIRE NUA and we have since then advocated a NEW IRELAND which would replace the British —

imposed system and structures both North and South. We seek a free Ireland with a regional structure of government, including Dail Uladh, in which the Unionist — oriented people would have a considerable degree of autonomy, and in which the financial system and the means of production would be under democratic control.

Now that we have polarised the idea of a NEW IRELAND, Mr. Jack Lynch is trying to cash in. We were among the first to advocate votes at 18 and we say that Article 44 should never have been written the first day. But neither these two amendments nor any other piecemeal amendment of the 1937 Constitution will produce a NEW IRELAND, and to say that they will is to debase this term also.

This is not the first time the Republican clothes

were stolen and worn by others. The Irish Free State of 1922 took the flag and anthem of the Irish Republic and even called their parliament Dail Eireann — which it was not, but merely Dail na 26 Chontae.

The Ard — Chomhairle of Sinn Féin has devised plan and will be sending instructions to all Cumann as to how to counter this latest piece of blatant plagiarism and deception on the part of Fianna Fail. Those who stood idly by since 1968 and who have lately embarked on full scale collaboration with the British now seek to cash in on the sacrifices of Northern Republicans and enhance their political status in a brazen and cynical effort to portray themselves as progressives. Sinn Féin is now sufficiently strong to counter this and to show what a NEW IRELAND really means.

## U.S. VISITOR TO IRELAND

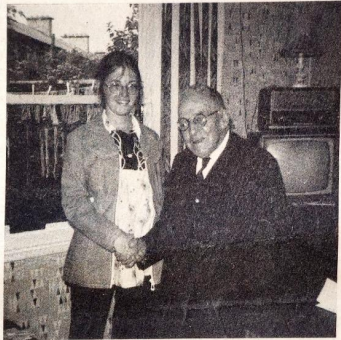
Young Theresa O'Looney from Chicago who is an Irish American High School girl with a deep interest in Ireland and its Freedom dropped in to say hello to Ireland's oldest I.R.A. veteran Joe Clarke and to congratulate him for his wonderful work for the freedom of Ireland. Theresa whose parents come from Ireland has a deep love for her two Countries Ireland and America, she did offer to stay in Ireland and work for Ireland's freedom but was advised to first finish her School and then come over and join the staff of An Phoblacht.

Eamonn Mac Thomais who met Theresa and her Mother Maureen in Dublin and took them on a tour was indeed deeply impressed of how much they were involved in helping Ireland and how interested they were in the cause of Irish Freedom. It was indeed very wonderful to hear a young Irish American girl like Theresa speak on the problem of Ireland and who knows exactly what is happening there.

Theresa was asked what did she think was the answer to the Irish Question, she stated in a very simple manner Give Ireland back to the Irish and let the Irish people live their own lives and build up a new Ireland that every Country in the World will be looking too with pride.

She stated that if Mr. Whitelaw would withdraw the British Troops from Ireland that would be the first step to Peace, and then let the Irish People handle their own affairs in their own simple ways and build a place for all Irish people to live forever in peace.

Theresa stated that we Irish people are a very curious race and maybe we are stubborn, but if you say we can't have something, (that's bad) because that's when we sure will get it. Theresa hopes to be back next year on another visit but wishes to thank all the nice people who made her stay so enjoyable.



Theresa O'Looney, youngest rebel, says hello to Ireland's oldest rebel, Joe Clarke.

## Green paper deal

Ar Lean O Leath. 2.

Green Papers or new Assemblies. The R.U.C. the B. Specials attempted to baton the people back into their slavery but the Civil Rights Movement escalated into a full scale War of Independence which made it necessary for Britain to pour 30,000 troops into Ireland in order to maintain her hold. That War of Independence has already caused much suffering and rivers of blood. Many young Irish soldiers have died in the fight against the invader. Many young English boys who knew nothing about the affairs of Ireland have also lost their lives fighting to maintain Britain's rotten Orange regime. That fight was not fought to force Northern Protestants into the Twenty Six County State as we know it to-day. It was fought, and will continue to be fought, for the freedom of all Irishmen and women irrespective of class, of creed or racial origin. The Republican Movement, by its Policy of Regional Government has offered to the Ulsterman and the Ulsterwoman, Catholic or Protestant, full freedom and majority rule in a Nine County Ulster Parliament. No other Policy Document has offered them this, i.e., Full Citizenship of their own Nation. I am convinced that eventually they will be more impressed by this than they ever would be with the dishonesty of tinkering with the so-called Twenty Six County Constitution by holding a Plebiscite on Article 44, Remember, the 1916 Proclamation was not ambiguous on this point when it offered "Civil and Religious Liberty, Equal Rights and Equal Opportunities to all Citizens". It is to secure a Constitution based upon that Proclamation that the present War of Independence is being waged, and no matter what the Politicians say or do that fight will go on until that objective is achieved. There cannot, and there will not be a second Treaty of Surrender, 1921 will not be repeated. Mr. Whitelaw may introduce legislation for a Plebiscite in the North, he may introduce legislation to set up another Assembly there, but Ireland will repudiate the right of Westminster to legislate for any part of her territory. This is a War of Independence. It can only be settled finally when Independence is achieved, even if it were to take another fifty years, and that is extremely unlikely. I am convinced that we shall see it in this, our day, provided we have the courage and the will, as a Nation to achieve success, and through success, lasting peace between ourselves and between Ireland and Britain.

Yours sincerely,  
Seamus G. O'Kelly.

## Cumann Na mBan Notes

On the 23rd October 1971, Dorothy Maguire, Adjutant in the 2nd Batt., Belfast Brigade Cumann Na mBan, and her sister Mrs. Maire Meehan were murdered in cold blood by British forces in the Lr. Falls area of Belfast.

A year after her death, Dorothy remains an inspiration to her comrades north and south. She joined Cumann Na mBan and because of her dedication and qualities of leadership, was quickly promoted to Company Adjutant. Always ready to carry out anything she was asked to do, but unfortunately for Ireland and her comrades her life was to be ended at the early age of nineteen years. Those who knew her best say, had she lived she would surely have risen to a high rank in Cumann Na mBan.

She was completely dedicated to the cause of Irish Freedom. She worked unceasingly for that end and she believed that only when All Irishmen and Women, Catholic and non-Catholic united against the common enemy Britain, could that freedom be achieved.

While there are Irishmen and women fighting for the cause of Irish Freedom Dorothy Maguire and Maire Meehan will not be forgotten.

If Dorothy Maguire were alive to-day she would join us in saying to all Irish women, JOIN the ranks of Cumann Na mBan now. Full details from:

"An Runai"

Cumann Na mBan  
c/o An Phoblacht Office,  
44 Parnell Sq., Dublin 1.

Girls under the age of 16 years should join Cumann Na gCaillín. Details from An Runai Cumann Na mBan.

## Christmas Cards

Three different Christmas cards and one Calendar for 1973 have been published by Sinn Féin. The designs are based on the themes of Eire Nua, Peace and Justice.

These are now on sale at 2 Beresford Place, Dublin 1, and at An Phoblacht, 44 Parnell Square, Dublin 1. The cards cost 6p each and the calendar 10p.

Postal orders will be accepted for quantities of not less than one dozen. Cards 65p per dozen and calendar £1.05 per dozen, post free. There are special rates for quantities of 500 cards and 100 calendars.

Full information from Publicity Dept., Sinn Féin, c/o 4 Cooleen Avenue, Dublin 9. All correspondence should be marked "cards" and money enclosed with orders.

## The Martin Forsythe Sinn Féin Cumann

To-day the British Army reached an all time low in its despicable efforts to intimidate the minority areas in the North. Sinn Féin has called, time after time for the withdrawal of these thugs to their barracks, pending their return to their own country. Now the logical end has been reached, when after the wounding of a British soldier by gunfire, the area was swamped by at least 200 troops in an attempt to coerce the residents into giving information against the freedom fighters. Many houses were searched and in one instance the troops insisted on cutting a private hedge down, dragging away the fence and searching the house.

But the crime with which we are concerned to-day is not the usual brutality and harassment. This is much more serious. One of the houses chosen, at random, it seems, for particular attention was the house of Mrs. Cunningham, of Norglen Road. The house in question was empty at the time, — the lady having gone to attend her doctor's surgery. Mrs. Cunningham suffered from a bad heart and had been attending her doctor regularly. The troops knew where exactly to find the key to the house and had no difficulty in gaining entrance. Once inside the house, little time was needed to find the shotguns which they were well aware were there.

These sporting guns were owned by Mrs. Cunningham's son who possessed licenses for them and who had informed the military some time before that they were in the house. At this stage Mrs. Cunningham returned home and although surprised to find the military in occupation of her home, was able to explain that licences were held for the guns.

The officer in charge of the search party, not satisfied with this, became abusive towards the lady and insisted on seeing the documents, emphasising his words with repeated slaps on Mrs. Cunningham's shoulders and arms.

Mrs. Cunningham protested, and was heard to say by several onlookers "Please, my heart. Don't excite me!" This foul brute persisted however and Mrs. Cunningham unable to withstand the indignities, collapsed at his feet. Credit must be given to the young private who did all within his power to revive the body in spite of the shock which he so obviously felt at his officer's conduct.

Although an ambulance was sent for, and lost no time in arriving, it was detained for an appreciable time at a road block not more than a hundred yards from the house. When it finally arrived it was too late and was unable to restore life to Mrs. Cunningham.

We hold the British army guilty of this lady's untimely death. Mr. Whitelaw as Supreme in the North must share equal blame with the officer directly responsible and must be made to answer for this particularly foul deed.

It was later discovered that the sum of seven pounds was missing from the house and it is believed that the British Army is also guilty of the theft.

As Press Officer I wish to offer the sincerest condolences to members of the bereaved family on behalf of the Martin Forsythe Sinn Féin Cumann and the people of the area.

L.O'Muir, P.R.O.



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## An Phoblacht

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### The Republican Solution

The Republican solution is evidently the only one that can proffer a just peace to Ireland. By this we certainly do not mean a chauvinistic solution involving Republicans alone. Far from it we envisage an ennobling and historic merging of diverse cultural, religious and political groupings in the best and unselfish interests of the new nation, Ireland. This was as the Protestant patriot Tone envisaged.

To be sure this is a far cry from an empire whose underlying policy would always appear to be one of "divide and conquer", worse still, "draw our immutable borders and use the protagonists to the best Imperial advantage". Basically both Protestant, Presbyterian and Catholic, both Unionist and Republican, are Irishmen and women and as such possess a dignity never to be equated with that of mere pawns. Tragically it is London who provided the blue-print for both chess-board and moves recently ably aided and abetted by a serf-like Dublin Parliament not much evolved in sovereignty or stature from that of the abject parliament of Flood and Grattan. Sadly, it would appear that as yet the Irish people in the South have not grasped the full import of the emergent greatness which this momentous era offers.

As yet it was not too late to hope for dialogue and a just settlement having on Great Britain's part a due respect for the sovereignty of the geographical and ethnic unit Ireland, duly pledged by a declaration of intent on England's part to withdraw within feasible (and reasonable) time her "Forces of Occupation".

### Ardoyne Cumann Has New Chairman

Mrs. Mary McGuigan has been elected chairman of the Sean McCaughey - Jim Saunders Sinn Fein Cumann, Ardoyne.

Other elections for the new officer board are: Vice-chairman Mrs. Nan Saunders; secretary, Mr. Frank Milnes; treasurer, Mrs. Rosaleen McFarlane; Press officer, Miss Sharon McKenna.

The Cumann express support for Mrs. Maura Drumm vice-president arrested by Gardaí whilst attending a ceremony to pay respect to James Daly.

They called for her speedy release from this "trumped-up" charge, so that she could continue to lead in the fight for freedom and just recognition.

The Cumann also condemn the proposed special courts saying that they were only a form of legal internment, which could only serve to imprison many more innocent people.

### Edentubber 1972

What makes a Republican - What moral fibres are generated within a man or a woman, a boy or a girl which makes a true Republican stand head and shoulders over all others.

At Edentubber on the borders of Louth and Down on last Sunday one could readily see what makes a Republican. Sunday's weather was the most inclement for the Annual Commemoration seen in the past decade. Yet on this arctic day over 3,000 Republicans thronged to Edentubber in memory of the Edentubber dead.

The dead who died for Ireland at Edentubber in Co. Louth were truly honoured and sincerely remembered by the people of Ireland by their participation in Sunday's Parade. From East and West, North and South they came, they came in their



When the news broke of the arrest of Sean Mac Stiofain, mass demonstrations were held in Ireland, England and the U.S.A. Pickets, protest meetings were spontaneously held. The Bridewell, where Mr. Mac Stiofain was held was picketed continuously from mid-day on Sunday 19th and the pickets and protests continue as we go to press. At a monster rally organised at the G.P.O., Dublin 5,000 people turned out in inclement weather to register their protest. The meeting was chaired by Sean Thornton, Sinn Fein Comhairle Ceanntair and was addressed by the following speakers: Ruairi O'Bradaigh, President of Sinn Fein, Daithi O'Conaill, vice-president of Sinn Fein, Seamus Toomey, Belfast, Joe Cahill, Belfast, Diarmuid O'Suilleabhain, Wexford, Paddy Duffy, Cavan, John Kelly, Belfast, Maura Moore, Belfast, Eamonn Mac Thomas, Dublin.

Ruairi O'Bradaigh in the course of his address stated that Sinn Fein deplored the arrest of Mr. Mac Stiofain as a blatant act of collaboration with the British troops of occupation in Ireland. He continued to outline details of the dedicated service that Mr. Mac Stiofain gave to Ireland and said that the name Sean Mac Stiofain would long be remembered —

thousands to give lie to any of Jack Lynch's cohorts who dare to say that Irish Ireland North and South do not honour all who take part in the struggle for freedom.

Edentubber is fast becoming a focal point for all true Republicans, second only to Bodenstein and Easter Week. Credit for this must initially be given to the Dundalk Republicans who in organising the Annual Parade, leave nothing to chance, to their many comrades in the surrounding areas who always give of their best. To all branches of the Republican movement who annually participate, but most of all to those who in rain, hail, or sunshine are forever in attendance.

Edentubber 1972 gave to me a deeper insight into what makes a true Republican and I hope I am the better for it.

Mise le meas,  
Niol O Maolagáin.

### Mass Demonstrations

long after the O'Malley's and the Lynch's have long been forgotten. Daithi O'Conaill, vice-president of Sinn Fein said:—

To accuse a fellow countryman of collaboration with the enemy is a serious thing. One does not do it lightly; it must only be done when the evidence is such to make the charge stick. Tonight, we charge Lynch and O'Malley as arch-collaborators, arch-quislings, and arch-traitors of the Irish people.

To sustain our charge, we place our evidence before the people of Ireland. We begin by stating a simple truth: this country is at war with Britain. It is a war not of our making but of Britain's. She began it fifty years ago by dividing our country in two against the wishes of the overwhelming majority of the people of Ireland. She sustained it by fifty years of Unionist fascist rule and maintains it today by employing the full complement of her army, police and murder terror gangs.

It is a war waged on the Irish people. When the latest phase began in August '69,

Jack Lynch stood up and said he would not stand idly by. When Unionist bigots went on a rampage in the Summer of 1970, Lynch stated it was the duty of the British Army to defend the beleaguered. When the British Army launched internment, Lynch protested and was told to shut up by Heath. When the blood of Derry's 13 flowed in the streets, Lynch hung his

head in shame.

He had lost the pretence of being an Irish Leader; Heath had him where he wanted him — a puppet on a string.

All the speakers were very enthusiastically received and long ovations were given in particular to Joe Cahill, Seamus Toomey, Ruairi O'Bradaigh and Daithi O'Conaill.

### LONDON NOTES

At a general meeting of the members of the Sinn Fein Cumann in London held recently, a vote of confidence in the leadership of the Republican movement in Ireland was passed by acclamation.

The scurrilous campaign in the British press which sought to exploit to the full any propaganda advantage which could be extracted from the defection of Maire Maguire had the effect of closing the ranks of the Republican movement here and the feeling of solidarity with our home based fellow members was expressed in no uncertain way in the above motion. There are at present in London a total of seven Cumann as follows:

Roger Casement in Kilbyrn; Terence McSwiney in West London; Wolfe Tone in North London; Patrick McAdorey in East London; Tom Williams in South London; Paddy Carmody in South East London and George Keegan in South Herts.

The activities include: collections, selling papers, socials, demonstrations and picketing and Irish classes etc., and any Irish exiles living in London who feel that they have something to offer to the Republican movement are urged to contact their local Cumann where they will be assured of a warm welcome, or ring 735 7896 after 6.00 p.m. any day.

### — SYMPATHY —

The Republican Movement extend sincere sympathy to the relatives of John Joe Martin, Leitrim who died recently in Dublin. John Joe

gave many years of dedicated service to the Republican Cause and was interned in Tintown in the 1940's.