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Quislings publicly thanked

"Sinn Fein wishes to express its contempt for the Quislings in the so-called 'National' Coalition Government of the 26 Counties. Cosgrave and his ministers are attempting to assist Britain to finally achieve its long attempted aim of the final conquest of the Irish People," say Belfast Central C.C. Sinn Fein in a statement.

"Having been publicly thanked by the British Tory Government for their collaboration, the Southern Government is now showing an indecent haste to complete our national humiliation. They are now publicly abandoning the last pretence of objection to the British partition of Ireland. It is now convenient to forget that the Six-County statelet was brought about by the violence and brute force of the British Empire and its Orange-Unionist henchmen in 'Northern Ireland' between 1920/22.

Liam Cosgrave, son of the collaborator who murdered Irish patriots for continuing to resist British Imperialism then, is preparing to relive his father's hideous role. Brian Faulkner has made it clear that so a so-called Council of Ireland will add only one function to the present collaboration between North and South in transport, electricity and tourism: and that is the repression of the people struggling for the liberation of our country whom all those gangster politicians have the dishonesty to call 'terrorists.'

But the traitorous Southern Government is pretending to do something to which it has no moral, political or legal right. It has no mandate to prostitute our country to British business interests. These politicians have claimed that recognition of the Northern statelet is facing reality, and that opposition to it is a constitutional abstraction. But the people of the 26-Counties will have to be asked to ratify the abandonment of the aim of national liberation in a constitutional referendum. And Sinn Fein welcomes the prospect of a political campaign which will finally arouse the Irish nation to complete autonomy and determination to control its own destiny."

STORMONT MUST NOT BE RE-BUILT

Ex-Minister of Home Affairs sends Michael Farrell to jail

"As a former Orangeman and a prominent Unionist, you are not competent to hear this appeal," MR. MICHAEL FARRELL, P.D. leader told Belfast Recorder, Judge Topping, in Belfast yesterday.

Mr. Farrell, was sent to jail yesterday by Judge Topping, a former Stormont Minister of Home Affairs. It seems that Topping did not like what Mr. Farrell had to say as he threatened to hold him in contempt of his court if Mr. Farrell did not sit down.

Mr. Farrell, speaking at a rally organised by Sinn Fein at the Busy Bee, Andersonstown, on June 4, said this: "You are afraid if you can't speak your mind freely for fear of being interned. People who are subject to such fears are slaves. It is not dignified for men and women to have to endure such fears. It is time we struck out for our freedom in order to end such fears.

Michael Farrell, has been regarded by many members of the Republican Movement, as a man of great personal courage; as a fearless opponent of the Unionist regime and British interference in Irish affairs. The British and their Unionist quislings fear such men and work and plot in the dark to silence them.

RUC MAN IN MONAGHAN COURT

RUC SERGEANT NIXON' was allowed into Monaghan Town yesterday with a Civic Guard escort to give evidence against MR. THOMAS ANTHONY McNULTY, Glenadush, Dungannon.

After Nixon, identified Mr. McNulty in Monaghan Courthouse, Justice Shaw ordered that the young Tyrone man be handed into the custody of the RUC at Moybridge, at the expiration of 15 days.

Mr. Malachy Foots, spokesman for the Sinn Fein Ulster Executive said this morning that he was more convinced than ever that we are now on the eve of the rebuilding of the old Stormont, with its Unionist majority assisted by the SDLP, NILP, Republican Clubs, etc., to give it the guise of a democratic body.

When asked what he now thought about the Unionist Party, Mr. Foots said: "They are still striving for the return of Stormont complete with Special Powers trappings including the use of the RUC as a private army of the Unionist Party."

He said the Alliance Party is a Unionist body in receipt of vast financial aid from British business interests. He drew attention to the performance of Oliver Napier on TV who made it clear that the Alliance Party are opposed to an amnesty for the political hostages.

"The SDLP claim that they want a new North sounds great," Mr. Foots commented, "but this in fact cannot be built on the unstable bankruptcy of a puppet statelet dependent on England for financial hand-outs."

Mr. Foots on behalf of Sinn Fein, condemned the brutal cowardly murder of MR. PADDY WILSON and MISS IRENE ANDREWS, and offered his sincere sympathy to their relatives.

"This latest killing," he said, "clearly mirrors the sectarian politics of the Six Counties when a man is killed because of his politics and religion."

"We in Sinn Fein deplore this cowardly act. We are resolved to pursue our policy of a 32-County Democratic Socialist Republic. We uphold the right of every person to freedom of conscience and religion. Every person must be free to engage in the open practice of ethical and political beliefs.

"Only when this is established," Mr. Foots concluded, "will the evils of sectarian killings be removed from our country and society. We are confident that our people will support our call by turning our early on Thursday (tomorrow) to spoil their votes and thus bring our goal nearer."

I.R.A. CONDEMNS SECTARIAN MURDERS

"The Irish Republican Army were not involved in the murder of Mr. Paddy Wilson and Miss Irene Andrews," said a statement issued last night by the Irish Republican Publicity Bureau, in Dublin.

"We do not readily accept that the killings were the work of Protestant extremists. On the contrary the murders had all the hallmarks of a classical Kitson operation," the statement said.

"We have repeatedly disclaimed and condemned sectarian killings and we deplore the foul murders of last night."

The Belfast Brigade denied any involvement in the murder of the young Protestant whose body was found in the Lower Falls area. They say that it is likely that he was the victim of the local fascist murder squad who were responsible for two murders of Catholic boys in the Giants Ring area.

RUC Special Branch still involved in torture techniques

RUC Special Branch Men are still torturing prisoners according to a report just issued by FATHER DENIS FAUL, Dungannon, and FATHER RAYMOND MURRAY, Armagh.

An Armagh youth says he was taken to Ballykelly and told by a S.B. man that he would "smash his head into pulp against the wall."

A 22-year old man from Co. Derry said that as soon as he arrived in Ballykelly he was grabbed by the throat and called a killer. A hood was put over his head and pulled so tight that he could hardly breathe. He was also assaulted on the testicles. He was forced to stand against the wall for 12 hours in a room where the temperature was 100 degrees.

The two priests condemn the ill treatment of prisoners and say it is forbidden by several international covenants on human rights.

BRITISH RECRUITING PARADE GETS UNEXPECTED MARCHERS

As the regimental band of the Duke of Edinburgh's Royal Regiment, marched down the main street in Reading on Saturday, more than 100 members of the Anti-Internment League, led by the banners of Oxford Trades Council, fell in behind it, much to the amusement of local people who laughed at the "joint" demonstration.

Placards were carried inscribed, "British Troops out of Ireland", and "End Internment". The British petition for the recall of British troops from the Six Counties was organised in Reading.

Before the regimental band had covered a third of its route, red-faced British Army officers directed it to the Butts.

PLAY WILL BE RESUMED LATER

Work is continuing on the pitch at Corrigan Park. It is hoped that the new pitch will be ready for play in August, 1974.

NEW CHAIRMAN

Mr. Brendan McGrath, Chairman of the Sinn Fein Ulster Executive, resigned as Chairman of Andersons-town Comhairle Ceantair at its regular meeting last Monday night.

He said he did not think it proper that he should hold two posts at the same time as he wished to devote his main energies to the work of the Ulster Executive. Mr. McGrath thanked the delegates for their loyal support and co-operation during his term of office.

Mr. Brendan Deeds was elected to fill the vacancy as Chairman, with Mr. Sean Morris as Vice-Chairman.

long kesh camp council speaks

"The internees and detainees in Long Kesh repudiate the blackmail and libel that they have been responsible for any intimidation of fellow-prisoners. Mr. Fitt has never visited the cages and huts of Long Kesh though they are filled with his constituents. On hearsay evidence he has attempted to smear the good name of 444 men whilst pretending to be acting in the interests of 36 prisoners. It is contemptible to find a man who has always posed as a representative of all the people acting as an agent of the British government in their age-old game of dividing the Irish people amongst themselves.

The newspapers do not publish our statements, the editors do not print our letters, the television crews do not come to our cages to hear and see the truth about the comradeliness and solidarity of the prisoners in Long Kesh. The ingenuity of our British tormentors has not broken our spirit. Our protest about degrading searches has not been called off. But to cut through the spider's web of innuendo and lies that the 'black propagandists' have woven about us we are taking a visit each so that our families and friends can hear the truth from us.

We have requested that journalists from every paper should be given visits so they can hear the truth about Long Kesh. Mr. Whitelaw says that conditions here are humane and good. If that is so why does he not arrange a press conference in every cage so that the journalists and writers can see the conditions for themselves and judge whether they are humane? Why does Mr. Fitt not make his first visit to the cages and judge in person the value of his hearsay evidence?

The loss of freedom is made more bitter when power seekers make use of the opportunity to attack men's honour and reputation".

TEN POINT SUMMARY

1. Every vote cast in this election **IRRESPECTIVE OF WHOM** you vote for is a vote of confidence in the present British government of Northern Ireland.
2. Every vote for the White Paper is a vote for sectarian conflict as the device of power-sharing is designed to regulate every institution on a sectarian basis.
3. Every vote is a vote for the Union, since the Council of Ireland is only an empty formula designed to distract attention from the reality of the absolute power vested in the British Secretary of State. Britain remains committed to the Union as long as the majority in Northern Ireland want to preserve it.
4. Every vote is a vote of confidence in the Dublin government's policy of fully collaborating with the British army of repression in Northern Ireland and their political White Paper solution.
5. Every vote is a vote for a negotiator who will claim to speak for you and be better able to sell you out.
6. Every vote is a betrayal of the internees in Long Kesh Concentration Camp. Remember when the 'anti-unionist' candidates gave pledges to abstain from all political participation until the concentration camp was closed.
7. Every vote is a mandate for the savage sentences on the political prisoners in British, Irish and American gaols, a condemnation of the people on Rent and Rate strike and a betrayal of the cause for which 100 freedom fighters died.
8. Every vote is an anti-democratic act as it gives a semblance of freedom to these elections. Elections are not free when armed troops with cameras are posted inside and outside polling booths, when ballot boxes are held overnight in the custody of enemy soldiers, when the major opposition party Sinn Fein is not allowed to put up candidates, when opposition areas are saturated with troops, and candidates are liable to internment, in short a state of police and military dictatorship.
9. Every vote is a vote for more repression. Whitelaw now is keeping a low profile. Picture the harassment of opposition areas if there are quisling M.P.'s to inform on the 'trouble-makers.'
10. So defeat Whitelaw politically by spoiling your vote in a positive way. In place of 1, 2, 3, write in the letters **EIRE NUA**, the slogan of a free socialist 32-county Republic. Your intelligently spoiled vote will bring this goal nearer. You have won the military victory, now win the political one!

SPOIL YOUR VOTE
AND SPOIL IT EARLY

STAY ALERT AND STAY ALIVE

... this is some "hospital"

David Hilton, of Lenadon, Andersonstown, is held without trial in Cage 6, Long Kesh Concentration Camp. On the 15th May, his collar bone became dislocated. A letter giving the details from Mr. H. J. Brady was published by us on 16th June.

His father-in-law, Mr. John P. Lindsay, told our reporter that David collapsed since we published the letter and was removed to the tin hut which serves as the "hospital" in the camp.

Mr. Lindsay said that David is now in solitary confinement, locked in a room 24 hours a day, no exercise, no one to speak to and with no communication whatsoever with the outside world. He added, "Believe it or believe it not, David's collar bone is still dislocated".

David Hilton is married to a daughter of Mr. Lindsay. When she went to the camp on Tuesday, 19th June, David was escorted from the hospital hut to see her. He said to her, "I'll go mad if I have to endure this pain much longer". She later told relatives that David's hair had gone grey since she last saw him.

Mr. Lindsay was at the camp on a visit on 12th June. Here were his own words. "Honestly, its terrible just to look at David. From my heart I beg you to publicise this cruelty and inhuman treatment by sub-humans. I would also ask that similar cases of cruelty be exposed to the fullest. Perhaps then we shall see that those responsible, be brought to justice for their War Crimes against helpless men and boys".

G.C.E. in Long Kesh

Last Friday, 29 O and A candidates did their G.C.E. exam in Long Kesh Concentration Camp.

Economic history, Literature, maths, geography and shipbuilding were among the subjects.

At about 11.10 p.m. on the Friday night that young Daniel Rouse was murdered, a blue van stopped at the lower end of Ladybrook Park. Two men got out and crossed the road in the direction of a young man walking up Ladybrook Park.

At this time, the van began to reverse to get along side him. The abducters were noticed by two women and they then returned to the van and drove down to the bottom of Ladybrook Park.

They went into Trench Park and drove around until they stopped opposite Trench Park Shops. Two men got out and opened the back door of the van. One was approximately 5' 10", thin and dark hair. The other was stocky, well built about 5' 8" with red hair.

They walked out into Finaghy Road North and turned up in the direction of Andersonstown Road. Shortly afterwards, they returned accompanied by Daniel Rouse. As they reached the van, the driver and another passenger got out. The four kidnappers quickly bundled young Rouse into the back of the van. He was struggling and kicking. Some people heard him screaming.

The van then accelerated out into Finaghy Road North, speeding quickly towards the Lisburn Road.

Some British soldiers appeared in a saracen on the scene about four minutes later. They were stopped and informed of what had happened. They did not show any interest and drove off in the direction of Andersonstown Road. They were members of the Gordon Highlanders.

Daniel Rouse had got out of a taxi at the top of Finaghy Road North, just shortly before he was kidnapped. He crossed to the right hand side of the road going in the direction of Ladybrook. As he approached the entrance to Trench Park he was kidnapped.

An interesting point in the murdered victim not staying at the Riverdale side of Finaghy Road North, is that he had been accosted and threatened previously while walking in Riverdale Drive by the British army.

The facts given here are based on the statements of six people who were in the vicinity at the time

of the incident. Two of the abductors can be identified.

It is hoped that this latest horrible incident will re-awaken the people into being more security conscious and vigilant at all times.

Opportunity Knocks

Singers in a local club close to Rodney found that a recent knock on the door was not Hughie Green, but in fact, local women come to complain, not about the standard of singing but the volume of it.

It seems all the windows in the club were open to cool the patrons. While this may have cooled the patrons, it left some local women hot under the collar! Hence the knock on the door!

Going to the dogs?

If you like a bet on the dogs, then no doubt you are glad that Celtic Park is in operation again. While you might be glad of an evening at the dogs, others might be glad to plant a car bomb in the area.

A resident in Rodney Parade gives you this advice, "The people in this area have learnt not to take chances with strange cars. They have no wish to spoil your evening so why spoil theirs? Take care where you park your car. Don't be a loser outside, while you are winning inside!"

Fair Deal Corner

By Watch Dog.

Are you a price watcher? It would seem the way prices vary from shop to shop that many of us are not. The reasons for price variations are often obscure. I have heard it say that some shops put their prices up on family allowance day.

I am on your side. I want you to get a fair deal. Keep me informed with the prices in your area and I will be glad to expose unfair prices.

Better still, try and form a Watchdog Group in your area. If you think you had a bad deal, be it with a secondhand car, a T.V. set or a tin of beans, let me know. You might save someone else from the same fate. Write to Watchdog, 182 Brompton Park, Belfast 14.

Visit to Patriot Graves in Glassnevin

The National Graves Association in Dublin, have invited readers of "Republican News" to take part in tours of national graves in Glassnevin Cemetery, Dublin, on Sundays in July. A committee member will act as guide, and will be available at the main gate at 11.30 a.m.

The tour will include the graves of such patriots as Ann Devlin, James C. Mangan, James F. Lawlor the Tallagh Fenians, Nurse O'Farrell and many others of national interest. Perhaps a similar tour could be arranged through Milltown Cemetery, Belfast!

HAS ANYONE HERE SEEN KELLY?

This is the cry in the St. James's area when local people there are seeking advice in connection with arrests and British Army harassment. As one might guess, Kelly is a very busy man indeed.

A local resident told our reporter, "We know that Mr. Kelly would object strongly to praise. As a member of the Association For Legal Justice, he considers the fight for justice sufficient reward. It is nonetheless refreshing in these times of election fever to find a person who is not seeking political advantage."

A feminine admirer of Mr. Kelly said, "Amid all the shouting by political parties, he is there forging on both at street level and in the ALJ centre. Two years experience has taught him never to give in to injustice."

A local community leader agreed and said, "This is a lesson we all need to remember from time to time. After 50 years of calculated injustice and four years of outright injustice it is now almost a routine way of life. If the party politicians have their way, the new Stormont will be built and we will have another 50 years of futile talking there while injustice will get worse. "He concluded, "to the men and women who are there when needed, I say, 'good luck'. To the men and women who seek no praise, I say, it is time they were shown some appreciation"

WHY SINN FEIN CALLS FOR SPOILT VOTES

COVENTRY SEVEN

At its meeting last Monday, the Coventry Prisoners' Defence Committee decided on its major courses of action in the next couple of months. The date of the trial is still unknown but the indications are that it will be held early in September. (The Belfast Ten come on trial on September 10th). In the intervening period there are no more weekly appearances at the court.

The Committee will be producing its bulletin every fortnight from now on instead of weekly. They will be producing more copies of the bulletin (10,000) and increasing the coverage.

The CPDC bulletin will be circulated throughout the Midlands and Rugby and Leamington. It will also be pushed in all the major factories.

The Committee have decided to hold a rally in the Precinct in Coventry at the beginning of August. The twin themes of the rally will be the continuing plight of the Coventry Seven and the repression in the Six Counties.

The Committee urge as many as possible to participate in its activities in order to ensure the greatest possible unity in the defence of the Coventry Seven.

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"Sinn Fein calls on the nationally minded voters to spoil their votes in tomorrow's Assembly election farce because we are convinced that nothing can be done to further the cause of Irish unity by sitting in a British puppet Assembly without real power, listening to the dictates of Whitelaw and the distraught British Government," say the Belfast North-East Sinn Fein Comhairle Ceantair, in a statement issued last night.

The statement said that Sinn Fein is totally opposed to British rule, either direct or under the guise of the Assembly. It continues: "Our supporters by spoiling their votes will lessen the opportunities for impersonations which was so clearly evident in the Local Government elections."

"The only realistic policy for a just and lasting peace in Ireland, is a Republican system of Government for the whole 32 counties based upon the unity and sovereignty of the entire Irish people," the statement concludes.

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And he Confessed

After the Central Citizens' Defence Committee proposed a meeting with the leadership of the Irish Republican Army, to explore the possibility of a truce, Gerry Fitt welcomed it. He said that the move had the support of the majority of those who wanted peace above anything else. Obviously, Fitt allies himself with these people - who are the almost forgotten and numerous "Peace Movements", demanding a Republican surrender.

The important thing to note is that Fitt wanted "peace above anything else". In other words, he puts the situation which would prevail had the IRA surrendered in August 1971 or yesterday above justice and democracy. In other words he is not prepared to do what the men of 1916 did - sacrifice himself for the common good. Any sacrifice is out - even if Irish Freedom, even if the principles of the Proclamation are at stake.

That is what the people will be declaring themselves for, if they vote SDLP on June 28 - a Mentality utterly alien to that of Connolly, the IRA in 1920 or in 1973.

Club secretaries let us know what you are doing, what's new in your club and we will have published in the next issue of the Evening News.



MR. BRENDAN McGRATH, Chairman Ulster Executive, Sinn Fein speaking at the Busy Bee, Andersonstown on Sunday afternoon. Mr. McGrath, an ex-internee, also spoke on the New Lodge Road on the same day, at a meeting organised by the Fergal O'Hanlon Sinn Fein Cumann. The meetings were part of a campaign by Sinn Fein urging nationally-minded voters in the Six Counties to spoil their votes and to spoil them early tomorrow. Our other picture shows the Seamus Steele Accordion Band playing prior to start of the meeting at the Busy Bee. Mr. Hugh McShane, their instructor and founder, told our reporter that the children in the band had to scatter on the way to the meeting when the driver of a saracen drove into the band.

