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To the Council of Irish County Associations

Dear County Associations,

Please accept this public "Thank you" from the Irish Centre Chaplains, Administrative and Club Committees, Members and Staff, for the annual Summer Fayre you staged once again in aid of the Centre on Saturday 1st July, here in the Centre.

Despite having to compete with numerous Fetes in the vicinity there was a steady flow of visitors throughout the day, including our own Mayor of Camden, Councillor Brian Duggan, who performed the opening ceremony.

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The Annual General Meeting of the Mayo Association in London was held recently in the Irish Centre. A good attendance by members was an encouraging sign for the coming year.

Opening the meeting, the Chairman welcomed those present. He hoped they would have a useful and constructive A.G.M. Decisions taken at the meeting would have an important bearing

on the affairs of the Association during 1972-73.

The Secretary, Mr. Hubert Lyons, gave a very detailed report on the activities of the Association during the year. Generally speaking the year was a successful one. Socially, the programme was the busiest for many years. Most functions organised by the Association were well attended. The dances were all most enjoyable. "In fact", said Hubert, "we are setting a very high standard, let's hope we can keep it up". He paid a special tribute to the Mayo Associations in Leeds and Birmingham. Those Associations have made tremendous progress in a short time and links between London and the two northern cities were very close.

Treasurer's Report. Mick O'Donnell gave his usual efficient

and well prepared report on the Association's finances.

The Balance Sheet showed the Association in a healthy state. However, like all treasurers, Mick was not really happy! He expressed the hope that in the coming year 1972-73, all members would make an effort to support the various fund raising efforts of the Committee.

The Registrar, Mrs. Susan Cutts, gave details of membership. While there were quite a number of new members enrolled during the past year, Susan told the meeting that a lot of old members had failed to renew their subscriptions. She requested the Chairman to give a reminder to those lapsed members when sending out the next newsletter. Susan stressed the point that membership was still very good, though she had hoped for better as a result of a campaign at several dances.

Chairman's Address. In a review of the year's activities, the Chairman, Luke O'Hara, outlined the various functions organised by the Committee during the year. The summer outing to Margate was a great social success despite the weather. Those who travelled enjoyed a happy day by the sea: the hope was expressed that the weather would be more kind on 9th July.

SURVIVAL by Michael Hannon

Man, you have reached for the stars Urged on, by some compelling force within Is it a quest for survival? Maybe it is, but then If you should reach Jupiter, or Mars, This you know full well That death will pursue you there, Still face to face with the same alternative -A Heaven or a Hell Man, you have felt the pang of your Space teething pains Your efforts are but a Babe's first faltering stride Conqueror of space you can be Within the limits to which the Creator Of space and time decree. Man, don't revel in your glories, so finite, For far beyond the realms of timeless Galaxies, There is another shore You will not reach it by Vostoc or Apollo One way only, through death's door And man, though you return to parent clay Remember, two thousand years ago — A man spoke thus -I am the way.

MAYO ASSOCIATION — Continued from page 5

The Association's Annual Dinner Dance was, as usual, one of the highlights of the year. At this point, the Chairman expressed disappointment that more of the members and friends, who were regular patrons of this annual function, did not support the various other socials, etc., organised by the Committee during the year. Those events, while lacking the glamour of the Dinner Dance, were nevertheless very important in raising funds.

From functions such as these comes the money to enable the Association to donate funds when and where they are required. The Committee were always receiving distress appeals from various sources and for very worthy causes.

Sometimes these appeals for aid were made by people who criticise the Association for not being more generous. This criticism is acceptable only when made by those who work for the success of the Mayo Association and, Thank God, there are quite a few who do such a job.

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OUR QUIZ

JUNIORS

Which film star is nicknamed "The Duke"? 1.

How many sides on a 50p. piece?

3. Harris, Lewis, Donegal and Banockburn are all types of what?

4. In fiction who rode Rosinante?

5. In the human body what is another name for the Scapula?

What is measured in phons and decibels? 6.

The migration of which rodents ends in suicide for hundreds of thousands of them?

8. Why is Mary Arden's name remembered?

9. What is indigo?

Who composed "Prince Igor"? 10.

VETERANS

The price of what is given in pence and not in pounds and pence?

2. By what name was William Bonney better known?

3. In which country would you be if the national flag was red with a white crescent and star?

4. Where are the following bells (a) Great Tom, (b) Great Peter, (c) Great Paul?

Who rode through the gloom and the light when "the fate of a nation was riding that night"?

6. In Heraldry when do heralds blow trumpets?

Answers on page 29

MAYO ASSOCIATION — Continued from page 6

Continuing, the Chairman thanked all who had helped the Association in so many ways during the year. He had a special word of thanks for the various newspapers who always co-operate so well, especially the Western People, Mayo News, Connacht Telegraph, Cork Examiner and Irish Post. Referring to the Irish Centre, he paid a warm tribute to the priests in charge. To Fr. Mee, Fr. Sheridan and Fr. McCabe must go the grateful thanks of the Association. The Centre had become a home from home for the Mayo Association and, indeed, for all County Associations.

The Irish Centre staff also received a pat on the back. Chairman said how well they worked and co-operated with the Association at all times. He assured the Centre of the continued

support of the Mayo Association.

He also paid a warm tribute to Mrs. Margaret Gaughan and the

Mayo Girl Pipers.

In conclusion, the Chairman thanked all the officers and members of the Committee for the loyal support they gave him during the year.

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A Cairdi,

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Road, London SW17 8AW, Telephone 01-675 (556.

It gives me pleasure to announce that a young man in our Association, Mr. John Brooks, of 7 Williams Close, Crescent Road, London N.8, Tel. 01-348 4044, has the n granted a licence to teach Irish Dancing. John, together with his brother Michael and sister Julie, recently gained World honours with the Kavanagh Academy of Dancing, London. John has now opened a School of Dancing in the Tollington Park area of London and he tells me that maroon and white are his School colours. We would respectfully remind members with a young family who may aspire to see their children excel in this form of our ancient culture to give a thought to this young man who, in his own right, is an expert among World champions and who would pass on this expertise in the making of future champions.

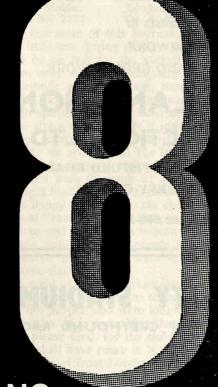
The Association has presented a Cup to the organisers of The Fleadh Ceol held at The Irish Centre on Saturday, 15th July. Youngsters from all over England between the ages of eleven and eighteen have competed for the many trophies donated by individuals and Associations. The Council of Irish Counties donated a rather lovely trophy of Celtic design on behalf of the County

Associations.

The Annual Reunion Dinner and Dance is being held at The Gresham Ballroom, Holloway Road, London, N.19 (near Archway underground station) on Thursday, 5th October, next. This function, which opens the Social scene among Associations has, in the past, proved a most enjoyable evening of gaiety and good fellowship. Tickets at £3 may be obtained from me at the above address. Cash with order, please. Tickets by return post. We expect to accommodate over 400 patrons. A reporter from *The Connacht Tribune* will be among Press representatives.

Our Christmas Dinner is being held at The Irish Centre, Camden Town, on Saturday, 25th November, next. Accommodation is limited to 180 patrons. Details later.

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In the last issue of this Journal I mentioned that we would be taking a little rest during the months of July and August but there seems to be no rest for the wicked or the weary. Our members have been busy with the youngsters from Northern Ireland; 117 of them, Catholic and Protestant, were here with us in London for two weeks' holiday and it was a great pleasure to have them. They were high spirited and well behaved children and, when one considers the strain that they are living under for the past three years, it is indeed remarkable they settled down here so easily.

The party we arranged at The Irish Centre for them was, I think, the best children's party that I ever attended and on behalf of the Association I wish to thank all the willing helpers and the people who brought food, sweets, apples and oranges and other things, to

make it a happy occasion for the children.

A special "thank you" to the people who opened their doors to the children and made them welcome at a moment's notice. This particularly applies to the people from other Counties and also many English families who were very generous to the children in

giving them clothes, etc.

On the night of their departure from Euston many of the children cried and did not really want to go back. It was noticeable that many of the people who were looking after the children were also shedding tears. It is something that we shall remember for a long time and, please God, for the children's sake and also for all concerned, we shall have peace in Northern Ireland very soon.

Our darlin' girl from London has been selected and is holidaying in Ireland. She is Miss B. Talty from Miltown Malbay and we wish her every success in the final, which will take place at the Spanish Point Festival. Our judges who came to the Gresham did a very good job and it seemed to be a very popular selection as far as one can judge from the way the large crowd at the Gresham received the announcement.

On behalf of the Association I wish to thank the judges for giving

us their valuable time and for doing the job so well.

Our next function will be a Bacon and Cabbage at The Irish Centre on 23rd September. Please make a note of this as there

will be no further notification.

Having just got over the charter flight for the Summer Holidays, I am pleased to give you the details of our weekend outing in October. This will take place on 21st October, leaving London Airport at 9.0 a.m. to Shannon. A coach tour to Limerick City for sight-seeing and shopping, and then a tour of the Clare Beauty Spots.

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At our last Committee meeting votes of sympathy were passed to the following:

Mr. Derick Young on the death of his stepmother, Mrs. Young. R.I.P.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paddy Galvin on the death of Mrs. Galvin's brother, namely, Mr. Patrick Murphy. R.I.P.

To Rev. W. Meehan and the Connolly family on the tragic death of young Breda Connolly. R.I.P.

Dance at Wembley Town Hall

Our dance at Wembley Town Hall on Friday night, 7th July, was one of the most enjoyable functions to date, according to all I spoke to during and after the dance which was quite a few people. Music was supplied by the Johnny McCauley Trio and was, as usual, enjoyed by all so much so that, when the dance was over, there was a tremendous queue for Johnny's latest L.P. It was difficult to get the autograph hunters out of the hall. One would have thought it was Johnny Cash himself.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Social Committee for putting so much effort into the selling of tickets and a special word of thanks to J. McCauley for going all out to make this dance a success. The profits from this dance



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Dear Members,

I am very pleased to report that our April Social held at The Cavendish Rooms, N.W.10, proved to be a great success. As you know, the proceeds of this dance were donated to the Northern Ireland Relief Fund and I would like to say a special word of thanks to Michael and Joan Cosgrove who did an excellent job of selling so many tickets.

Our Reception in honour of the Senior Limerick Hurling Team and the Derry Footballers on Whit Saturday in the Acton Town Hall also proved to be an enormous success, despite the fact that our own team lost that day in Wembley! However, this did not dampen the high spirits of our guests and the evening's entertain-

ment was very much enjoyed by all.

After an excellent dinner, our M.C. — Mr. Joe Bulfin — opened the evening's speeches by welcoming both teams. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a trophy by our Chairman, Con Mackey, to the Derry Team — on behalf of the Association — as a gesture of friendship and to cement relations between our two counties.

Among our distinguished guests was Mr. Tom O'Donnell, Irish Shadow Minister for Transport and Power, who told the large gathering:

"I want to give a categorical assurance that emigrant travel will be a top priority in future Bord Failte marketing policy in Britain".

Mr. O'Donnell also referred to the numerous complaints he had received over the failure of the Irish Government to take the necessary steps to ensure that Radio Eireann programmes could be received in Britain, and continued:

"For a country with a huge emigrant population Ireland should have a short wave station, and I now publicly call on the Government and the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs to take whatever

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Our esteemed member Mr. Tom Ronan presented a trophy to the winners of the national half set competition at the Kilkenny Beer Festival which took place recently in our home town. The winners were the Clashmore Set Group from Waterford. This very talented group led by David Toley of Clashmore received a tremendous ovation from the huge attendance. Second was the Michael Cooney Group from Tittleton, Co. Tipperary. Third the Fair Green Group led by Mrs. O'Connor, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford, and fourth, The Commons Basket Set, Thurles, led by John Pollard.

The adjudicator, Mr. Murt Curran, the well-known step dancer,

tutor and judge, described the standard as very high.

The championship was sponsored by our esteemed member, Tom Ronan and the "Kilkenny People", and organised by the Kilkenny branch of the Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann. It was an enormous success and as "The Kilkenny People" put it, one of the major highlights of the Beer Festival.

We were lucky in obtaining the Irish Centre for a dance on 27th May. The dance was very well supported and all our friends had a very enjoyable night. It was not possible to arrange a dinner on that night as time was too short to make the arrangements

necessary to ensure a successful evening.

We promoted a Benefit Dance at the Gresham Ballroom on Sunday, 25th June. This dance was run to raise funds as a token of appreciation for a very well-known and well beloved Kilkennyman who, on several occasions, proved a sincere friend. R.I.P.

Our Quiz team was in competition with our friends from the Meath Association at The Irish Centre on Thursday, 6th July. We had to concede victory to a fine Meath team who scored 66 points to our 64 points. The Kilkenny team was Tom Dack (captain), Mrs. Betty Stellitano, John Walsh, Dick Fitzgerald and Seamus O'Carroll. We wish to extend our thanks to the quizmaster, Michael Waters, for what was, in our opinion, a very arduous job well done. We wish Meath further success in future rounds.

May we offer belated congratulations to our Chairman, Tom

Dack, on winning the Individual Quiz Cup for 1971.

When the Kilkenny Association was re-formed in 1967 we ran two very successful Annual Dinner Dances. Unfortunately, due to Continued on page 22 PAT and KAY FITZSIMONS

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Photo by courtesy of *The Camden Journal*. Taken at the Cavan Association Stall on the occasion of the Annual Summer Fayre organised by The Council of Irish County Associations on behalf of The Irish Centre. Our photo. shows a young child looking enviously at the doll which people were asked to name. Also in the picture is Marian O'Brien, niece of John O'Brien. Marian was on holiday from Cootehill, Co. Cavan, and came along to help.

The Committee are very grateful to all members who contributed so generously to the Cavan Tombola Stall. It was a very great success.

As the holiday season has overtaken us and our next social event will not be until September, we give just a brief reminder to our members of two Autumn events:

Our ANNUAL REUNION DANCE will take place on Sunday, 17th September, at the Gresham Ballroom, the supporting Band will be the well-known Breffi Band, The Crested Knights. Tickets are now in circulation.

CHARITY WALK in aid of the Cootehill Special School for Mentally Handicapped Children Appeal Fund will take place on Sunday, 8th October. Sponsor cards are now available. Please support this wonderful Cause, either by being a sponsor or a walker.

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outbreak of foot and mouth disease our second event was not financially successful and the annual event was allowed to lapse over the past few years. We believe that all our members would like us to revive this function and we have arranged for our Third Annual Dinner and Dance which will be held on 19th October next at Barkers, Kensington. Dinner starts at 8.0 o'clock with dancing until 1.0 a.m. Tickets are £3 each and are now in circulation.

Our guest of honour will be our Patron, Most Rev. Dr. Birch, D.D. Our beloved Bishop has always supported our functions here in London and this year will be no exception.

The Committee feel sure that all our members and our friends in other associations will support us on this occasion and ensure a most successful and enjoyable night.

May we take this opportunity to wish all our members and friends a very pleasant holiday and to those who have already taken them — we hope you also had a very pleasant time.

In your prayers, please say one for peace with justice for all in Northern Ireland.

BETTY STELLITANO

Hon. Secretary

MAYO ASSOCIATION — Continued from page 8

The President of the Association, Fr. Desmond Quinn, spoke of the good work done by the Committee and members of the Association. He was proud and privileged to be President for some years. He went on to point out that in accordance with the Constitution he had now reached the end of his term of office. He wished the Committee and the Association well and assured everyone of his support and co-operation at all times. The popular Ballina priest got loud applause as he finished his short address.

Election of Officers

Elected as President of the Mayo Association as successor to Fr. Quinn was another popular and well known figure in the person of Dr. Kevin McDonnell, K.S.G., B.Sc., Con.Ph.D. Dr. McDonnell is a lecturer in Queen Mary College, University of London. He is the son of Bohola born Mr. Thomas McDonnell and nephew of Mr. James McDonnell who resides in the old homestead in Bohola.

Dr. McDonnell has always been a keen supporter of the Mayo Association here in London. He is very proud of his Mayo heritage and rarely misses an opportunity of meeting his fellow County men and women. One of his closest friends is another famous Mayo man, Mr. Pat Keegan, a former "Mayo Man of the Year".

Re-elected as officers were: Chairman, Luke O'Hara (Ballycastle); Secretary, Hubert Lyons (Ballyhaunis); Treasurer, Mick O'Donnell (Louisburgh); Registrar, Susan Cutts (Westport); Asst. Secretary, Mrs. Una Murphy (Foxford); P.R.O., Mrs. Margaret Gaughan (Bangor Erris).

GALWAY ASSOCIATION — Continued from page 10

Monthly meetings of the Association are held on the fourth Monday of each month at The Irish Centre, Camden Square, London, at 8.30 p.m.

Mr. P. J. Fahey, photographer, of 40 Dalston Lane, E.8., who has, for many years, captured in the magic of his lens scenes of merriment among Galwegians has again agreed to cover the functions mentioned above.

The Right Rev. Bishop Gerald Mahon, V.G., M.A., Titular Bishop of Annaghdown and Auxiliary in Westminster has kindly consented to attend our Annual Dinner. He looks forward to meeting all Galwegians and friends.

The Committee of Management wishes all a happy and peaceful holiday.

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By the time you receive this newsletter, no doubt you will be on holiday or have been on holiday. We hope that the weather and conditions have been kind to you. For some of us the holiday in Kerry this year takes a different turn with an extension of the social activities being taken to Tralee where, on 19th August, we are holding our First Reunion Dinner in conjunction with the Associations in Dublin, Cork, Waterford, Clare and Limerick. We will bring you details of the dinner and other activities regarding the greater liaison between the various Kerry Associations in our next issue of the Journal.

Our Raffle

By now you are no doubt aware that our Grand Raffle has been, and for some the results have been very pleasant. I refer to the lucky prizewinners, of course. To all who helped with the Draw I would like to say a sincere thank you. As we were writing this news item, the final figures were not available but it was generally felt that the opportunity which the Draw offered to raise funds had not been fully used. The support from some members was really excellent, the support from people who were not from Kerry but nevertheless felt the Association and its work deserved support was really very pleasing. Finally I come to the crunch, to the members whose support was not as had been expected. One would have expected that it was well within the scope of many members to do better than they did. No doubt they had reasonable excuses for not coming up to expectation but I feel that as often happens the work was left again to the few. Let us hope when we want support for functions again we can expect an extra effort from all and sundry.

Dance at Brent Town Hall, 8th September

On Friday, 8th September, we are holding a Dance at Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley, when we hope to have a full attendance. We have secured the services of the Johnny McCauley Trio for the occasion and dancing will be from 8.30 p.m. till 1.0 a.m. Licensed Bar. Tickets are 50p. The night promises to be a very good one and we are looking forward to a capacity attendance of 800 patrons. Tickets can be had from the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. E. Greeney, Tel. 903 2763.

Dinner Dance at the Tara Hotel

On 4th November we are hoping to have a Dinner and Dance at the New Tara Hotel, the new Aer Lingus Hotel in Kensington. Tickets will be in the region of £3.50p. We should like to hear from you on this matter. The Hotel will be ready by the 1st Oct-

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This month a great number of our members are at home in Ireland enjoying their annual leave. As a send-off a social evening was arranged for the Goldhawk on Thursday, 13th July. It was completely free of charge and refreshments were provided from the Funds. Our way of saying thank you to all our members for their hard work and support in all our endeavours during the past-year.

Those of us who were left behind did not let up on the fund raising. We held a very enjoyable and successful dance at the Cricklewood Hotel on 22nd July. Music was supplied by "The

Melatones". Dancing and Bar was till midnight.

We hear of so many deserving causes it is our aim to raise funds with a view to easing the burden of our less fortunate people here in London and at home when possible.

A dance at a later date is being organised by the Association for

the Cregg School for Disabled in Sligo.

Our Association has made a contribution to the Irish Olympic Team Fund.

Our congratulations to those County Associations who featured in the President's £1,000 prize. It shows they are doing a good job here in London. We see Clare has again retained the John Vaughan Trophy for their contribution to the Irish Centre. Well

done, Clare.

We have read of several tragedies of late, the first being some Sligo people drowned while fishing off the coast. Then a fire at the N.U.I. Club, London, involving more deaths and, later, the tragic plane crash at Staines in which more of our Irish people lost their lives. To the families and relatives of those who so tragically lost their lives we extend our sincere sympathy.

Arrangements are well in hand for our forthcoming Dinner Dance at the Gresham Ballroom in October. Our Patrons, the Bishops of Elphin, Achonny and Killala, The Mayor of Sligo and the Irish Ambassador, have been invited to attend. We rely so much on the support of other County Associations for a good turnout and trust their support will be forthcoming as on all previous occasions.

Our next meeting will be held on the second Wednesday of September at "The Gold Hawk". New members always welcome. Happy holidays to all our readers.

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have been presented to The Council of Irish Counties Welfare Fund (£100). The profit from the rafde held during the evening will go to the Fr. Meehan Fund, Waterford City, an account of which appeared in last month's issue of the Journal. The amount realised from the raffle was £30.

Talking of money matters our function held at the Cricklewood realised £300 which was promptly handed over to the two deserving

cases.

Dates for your Diary

Friday night, 22nd September, Benefit Dance at the Cricklewood Hotel, N.W.2, music by Johnny McCauley Trio. Admission 50p.

(for a Belmullet man).

Saturday night, 18th November, Dance in aid of The Little Sisters of The Poor, Stoke Newington, at The Loyola Hall, Manor Road, Stoke Newington, N.16. Music by The Wild Rovers, admission 50p.

Annual Reunion Dinner/Dance at Barkers

On Saturday, the 14th October, our Annual Reunion Dinner-Dance will be held at Barkers Penthouse Restaurant, Kensington. Tickets £3.

Saturday night, 23rd December, Bacon and Cabbage Supper at

The Irish Centre.

Tickets can be had from any of the undermentioned Social

Committee.

Mr. Bill Downing, 202 6357; Mr. J. Regan, 733 9965; Mr. P. Moloney, 450 7027; Mr. Jack Griffin, 609 1693; Mr. John O'Keefe, 120 Ivy Road, Cricklewood, N.W.2; or Mr. John French, 807 2114.

The Mayor's Fund

Seventeen of our members attended the Buffet organised by The Irish Centre in order to raise monies, for the Mayor of Camden's Fund, for the relatives of the victims or the recent rail disaster at Eltham. Other members who could not attend gave donations. The Irish Centre deserves a great deal of praise for putting on the Buffet free of charge. £200 was handed over to the Mayor on the night.

We are all very pleased to hear that Rev. Fr. W. Meehan has now recovered from his accident and is doing very well. We look forward to seeing him at our Reunion Dinner-Dance in Waterford

on 5th August.

Congratulations to Mr. W. Barron, a committee member and former chairman on his appointment as Public Relations Officer

for J. Murphy and Sons Ltd.

To 15-year-old David Coulter and friend on winning the Slaney Canoe Race at the Strawberry Fair held in Wexford recently. David is a cousin of our past chairman Mr. W. Smyth.

To the Clashmore Set Group on their win at the Kilkenny Beer

Festival.

To the T. Dunford Juvenile Group who had a special prize presented to them for their wonderful display during the final. Two Waterford Groups we can be very proud of.

May I take this opportunity of wishing all our members and their friends a very happy holiday and loads of sunshine together with all the other goodies we look forward to during a holiday.

God Bless,

M. J. DONOVAN,

Secretary

ANSWERS TO OUR QUIZ

JUNIORS

- 1. John Wayne
- 2. Seven
- 3. Tweeds
- 4. Don Quixote
- 5. The shoulder blade
- 6. Sound
- 7. Lemmings
- 8. She was Shakespeare's mother
- 9. A deep blue dye
- 10. Borodin

VETERANS

- 1. Shares on the Stock Exchange
- 2. Billy the Kid
- 3. Turkey
- 4. (a) Oxford (or Lincoln); (b) York; (c) St. Paul's, London
- 5. Paul Revere
- 6. Never

CLARE ASSOCIATION — Continued from page 13

Attending the Mediaeval Dinner in the evening and then staying at the West Count Inn for Bed and Breakfast. Sunday morning to recover from the effect and flying back to London from Shannon at 17.50 hrs. All for less than £20.

Our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Nora Lahiffe, her sisters and family on the recent sudden death of her brother. Also to Mrs. Jimmy Keane and Family on the sudden death of her husband.

(Mrs.) N. T. MORONEY,

Hon. Secretary

LIMERICK ASSOCIATION — Continued from page 17

steps are necessary to provide this most needed amenity for our exiles".

Also present were Mr. Mick Mackey, the greatest of all Limerick hurling stars and the equally renowned former mid-fielder, Timmie Ryan. Con Mackey presented both with gold watches on behalf of their many friends in London.

Other guests at the dinner were our Chaplain, Fr. Bluett; Fr. Kiely (who travelled from Hastings); Frank Sheehan of the London County Board; Pat Fanning, president of the G.A.A.; and the former Mayor of Luton, Alderman Jim Cusson and his wife — to mention but a few.

I myself had great pleasure in meeting hosts of friends both old and new, and the only trouble was that the evening passed too quickly to chat with everyone.

I would like to thank all our members who worked so very hard

to make this occasion such a success.

Our last Social held on the 10th June in the Cavendish Ballroom was also a very enjoyable function and we are now planning ahead to our Annual Dinner/Dance which will be held on the 6th October—again in The Cavendish Ballroom—more details later.

Bereavement

We wish to express our sympathy to Mr. Don O'Sullivan on the execut death of his father.

SHEILA T. O'SULLIVAN, Hon. Secretary

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ober, so persons interested are asked to contact the Secretary at 422 6688 as soon as possible.

All Ireland Specials

In conjunction with Pall Mall Travel, a special fare has been arranged for travel to Dublin for the All Ireland Finals. At the time of writing it looks like another trip for Kingdom followers to Croke Park in September. Further details in next issue (after the Semi-Final).

We learned recently of the death of one of London's best known Irish Businessmen the late Sean McGuill. We extend to his widow and family our deepest sympathy. It was a pleasure for many of us to know the late Sean McGuill and his passing will be a loss to many. Under his guidance the Emerald Staff Agency gave an introduction to the future to so many Irish boys and girls. The co-operation that existed between the Kerry Association and the Emerald Staff Agency will, I trust, not be lost with his passing. Ar Dheis Lamh De Go Raidh A Anam.

Columban Fathers Concert

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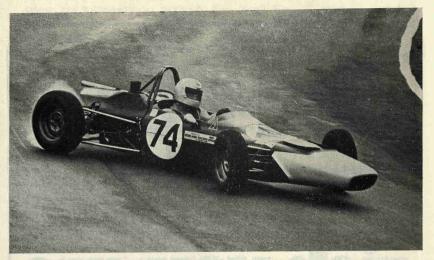
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