

MINUTES.

JAN 1942 - DEC 1945

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.I. on Mon.  
31<sup>st</sup> Jan '42 present were : Rev. T. Maenamara, vice president.  
Mr. R. Allen, chairman, Mrs. T. Greaney & Mr. C. Bourke, vice-  
chairman, Miss K. Fitzgerald, Treasurer, Miss E. Henshaw Sec.  
also Mrs. H. Murphy, Miss S. Deane, Messrs. J O'Conor, J.  
O'Sullivan, M. Flynn, D. MacSwiney, C. Bourke, T. Flynn &  
W. Crowley.

The chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the  
officers & committee. The minutes of the previous meeting were  
read & adopted.

#### Matters arising.

Mrs. Murphy asked for an explanation regarding the  
money which Mr. O Riordan was supposed to have given  
to the Assoc. The chairman said that this money had  
never been received by the Assoc.

Mr. Bourke asked what was to be done about the  
money owed to the Assoc. by the former chairman, Mr. Murphy.  
Mr. Bourke suggested someone get in touch with him, the  
Sec. said she had written to him many times, but had  
not received a reply. Mr. Bourke said he should be  
prosecuted, Mr. O Sullivan said if we send a solicitor's  
letter we must be prepared to pursue it. Mr. O Conor  
asked if anything could be done other than by law. Mr.  
Bourke said he knew a way. Mr. Crowley said we  
should expel Mr. Murphy from the Assoc. Mr. O Conor  
said we should try to get the money first. Mr. M.  
Flynn proposed we allow Mr. M. Bourke to deal with  
this. Mrs. Murphy seconded the proposal. Mr. O Sullivan said  
Mr. Bourke should protect himself. Mr. MacSwiney said we  
were giving Mr. Bourke a very free open hand.

#### Correspondence.

An agenda was received from the C.I.C.A. for their  
A.G.M. on 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. Four delegates were appointed to

attend the meeting they are Rev. Fr. Macnamara, Mrs. Murphy  
Mressrs. C. Burke, Flynn. Delegates to attend the C.I.C.A meeting  
are Mrs. Murphy & Mr. D. McSweeney.

Delegates for St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee are: Mr. R.  
Allen, Miss E. Honohan & Mr. W. Crowley.

A letter asking for help from the Ardoyne Housing  
Committee, Belfast. Mr. J. Daly asked for some news  
items for his column in the Cork Weekly.

Mr. C. Burke was asked if he would be Press Officer,  
he said he would accept, if he did not get interference  
from outsiders.

Mr. O'Connor proposed we send a Mass Card &  
letter of sympathy to Mrs. Prior on the death of her  
father-in-law.

#### Constitution.

Mr. Burke asked if it could be made clear on the  
constitution, that wife of a Corkman could be a member  
as well as husband of a Cork woman. Rev. Fr. Macnamara  
said he thought this was quite clear at present.  
Cork Society.

The chairman said the Cork Society were interested  
in meeting delegates from the Assoc. Mr. O'Sullivan said  
it was a very good idea. He had met Mr. Sheehan &  
Mrs. Stephenson a few years ago. Mrs. Stephenson was  
not in favour of re-uniting. Mr. Allen said we should  
give it one more try. Mr. McSweeney said the Soc. were  
an active committee & he felt it would be  
better to have the meeting after their A.C.M. Mr. Macnamara  
said our president, Mr. Feenan was very keen on uniting  
& perhaps he could organise a meeting. The Sec. was  
asked to write to the Sec. of the Society.

#### Childrens Party.

Fr. Macnamara proposed we take the children on

an outing in May or June instead of a Christmas party. Mr. Crowley seconded.

### Cork Football Team.

The Chairman said the Cork Football Team, would be playing at Wembley this year, & asked if we wanted to entertain them. Mr. C. Bouke said we should do the same for the footballers as the hurler. The chairman hoped it would be appreciated. The Sec. was asked to book the Cavendish Ballroom for Sat 27<sup>th</sup> May 72. We should try for Benn Bros. Band. The chairman said Mr. Byrne was interested in holding a dance at the Loyola Hall. Mr. Crowley said it would help if we have a fund raising committee. Mr. Bouke said the Sec. should be at these meetings & also said Hayes Hall was popular with Assess.

Mr. MacSweeney asked if there was any special reason why our Annual Dinner was held on a Thursday. Mr. Macnamara said it was picked to coincide with Terence MacSwineys Anniversary, also we got good support from publicans, who would be unable to come on a Sat. night.

Mr. Bouke proposed a vote of Condolence be sent to Mr. J. Lynch on the deaths in Derry yesterday. This was agreed unanimously.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : Tues. 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb. 72.

Chairman:- R. Allen

Date:- 9. 3. 72

Proposed by:- Fr M'Name  
Seconded by:- J. O'Donovan

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Tues. 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb '42 at 8.45 p.m.

Present were: Mr. L. Allen, chairman, Mr. Ch. Boule  
Vice-chairman, Miss K. Fitzgerald Treasurer, Miss E. Hanan  
Sec. also Mrs. H. Murphy, Miss J. Deane, Messrs. J. O'  
Connor, T. O' Sullivan, P. Flynn, M. Flynn, C. Burke, W.  
Crawley, J. O'Donovan & T. Byrne.

Apologies from Mrs. Heacy, Messrs. M'Connell, D. MacSwiney.

Due to the power crisis the reading of the minutes  
were deferred to the next meeting.

#### Correspondence.

The bill for tea + sandwiches at A.G.M. was received  
from the Irish Centre. An agenda from the C.I.C.A. for  
their A.G.M. + also a list of Sat. nights at the Irish Centre  
for 1942. A letter from the Cork Society regarding our  
request for a meeting. An appeal from the Anti-Inter-  
ment League.

#### Sat. nights at Irish Centre.

We have been allocated 13<sup>th</sup> May. + 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. As this  
date is very near our dinner at the Pavendish Ballroom.  
There was a discussion, if we should hold a bacon  
+ cabbage dinner or just a buffet + dance. Mr. Crawley  
said a bigger profit could be made from the dinner.  
Mr. O' Sullivan said perhaps we will get two different  
crowds at each of these dinners. Mr. Boule proposed we  
hold a Bacon + Cabbage dinner, seconded by Mr. Crawley.  
It was decided we try to get the Beer Bros. for this  
dinner. 300 tickets to be printed. Dinner 4.30, for 8.00pm  
The Sec. will ask Mr. O'Leary if he will do the printing  
for us. An invitation to be sent to him for the dinner.  
Cost of dinner £1.25. Mrs Murphy was asked if  
she would ask at next C.I.C.A meeting, why Tipp.  
had got Sat 27<sup>th</sup> May at the Centre, as we were

unable to get that date previously.

### Annual Dinner.

Our Linges are opening their new hotel in October 1942, + this may be available for our Annual Dinner.

### Treasurers Report.

The Treasurer has not yet received the books. 31 members have paid their subscription. Mr. O'Donovan said the membership was very small, he said the Dinooleague Assoc. send out a monthly newsletter + the editor asks for extra news. Mr. Banke said he had written to the Cork Weekly + also to the Irish Counties Journal. He said the Irish Gaeltacht Board will donate a bottle of whiskey, a bottle of gin, to any function, if their literature is distributed during the evening. Mr. O'Donovan was asked if he would become our membership Secretary. He agreed to do this. Mr. O'Sullivan said his name must now appear on the membership forms. Mr. Banke said there may be good news about Mr. Murphy's debt, but Mr. Murphy is under the impression that the Association will be lenient with him.

### Social Committee.

The Chairman asked if we wanted a social committee. Mr. Crawley said it should be a help to the Secretary. The following were proposed + seconded: Messrs. T. Byrne, Mr. C. Burke, J. O'Donovan, Mr. Flynn, + Miss E. Hanrahan. Mr. O'Sullivan said this would be a sub committee + policy must be approved by the general committee. Mr. O'Donovan said members could be co-opted from outside the committee.

### St. Patrick's Night.

Mr. C. Burke proposed that we should organise an

outing to Hayes Hall on that night. The Sec. was asked to book a coach. The pick-up points will be Irish Centre 19.30. (2) Quex Rd (outside church), (3) Prince of Wales, Harrow Rd. (4) Ddean, Shepherd's Bush. The coach returning at 1.A.M.

The chairman had received 10 tickets for the St. Patrick's Parade Comm. dinner on March 15<sup>th</sup>. They were distributed as follows: Mr. O'Sullivan (2) Mr. Allen (2) Mr. Crowley (2) Miss Fitzgerald (1) Mrs. Murphy (1) & Miss Handan (1).

It was felt that we should appeal for unity for the St. Patrick's Parade on March 12<sup>th</sup>, we should try to have a meeting with the Society prior to this date. The chairman will collect the banner from Fr. Macnamara.

#### A.O.B.

The Sec. informed the meeting that she had sent a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Donnelly on the death of her husband. A Mass for the repose of his soul, will be said on Fri. 25<sup>th</sup> Feb. at 6.p.m. at Westminster Cathedral. Miss M.O'Sullivan, a former vice-chairman, is recovering from a heart attack. A card & flowers to be sent to her.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : 9<sup>th</sup> March '42. The Social Committee to meet prior to the General meeting.

Chairman:- R. Allen

Date 9. 3 - 72

Proposed by: MRS. M. Murphy

Seconded by: J. Byrne

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on  
Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup> March 72. at 8.45 p.m.

Present were, Rev. Fr. Macnamara, vice-president, Mr. L. Allen, chairman, Mr. C. Banke, Mrs. Greaney vice-chairman, Miss K. Fitzgerald, Treasurer, Miss T. Honohan Sec. also Mrs. M. Murphy, Messrs. C. Flynn, D. MacSwiney, C. Burke, W. Crowley, J. O'Donovan, J. Byrne. Apologies from, Messrs. M. O'Connell & J. O'Sullivan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters Arising.

Mr. Banke asked if a coach had been booked for the outing to Hayes Hall. The Sec. has an option on a 52 or 41 seater coach from Berger Coaches. She was asked to book a 41 seater. The Sec. said she has not yet sent flowers to Miss O'Sullivan, as she felt it might be nicer if Miss O'Sullivan had the flowers when she came home.

#### Treasurer's Report.

Bal. in bank £548. Mr. Banke said he required the numbers of the tickets Mr. Murphy had. The Sec. will ring Mr. Banke with this information. The Sec. was also asked to confirm the booking of the Lavendish Ballroom.

#### Correspondence.

A leaflet from Ryans Tourist group, offering a special rate for holidays in Ireland.

#### Bacon - Cabbage Dinner.

The Sec. reported that so far she has been unsuccessful in booking a band for this function, Offley have been asked if they would alter their date (6<sup>th</sup> May) at the Centre with us, as Fr. Macnamara has a function at the Round Tower. Mr. MacSwiney said we should stick to the original date. Offley cannot change

their date. The Sec. was asked to try the Mr. O'Brien Band. The Chairman asked Mr. Ch. Banke if he could find out about whiskey & gin from the tourist board. The Sec. will forward tickets when they're received from the printers.

### Cork Society.

The chairman reported on the meeting with the Cork Society. The following would be the officers. Mr. Allen, chairman, Mrs. T. Treacy - Mr. P. Lynch vice-chairman, Miss E. Hanahan Sec., Mrs. E. O'Leary Assistant Sec. Mr. or Mrs. B. Murphy Treasurer. Mr. Ch. Banke Press Officer. The name for a year would be Cork Association - Society (until A.G.M.). It was also agreed that both committees would attend all meetings. The patrons, president & vice-president were accepted. Mr. MacSwiney said the delegates should be congratulated on such a good result, Mr. O'Donovan seconded this. Mr. MacNamara said our affairs should be put in order. Another meeting was arranged for 21<sup>st</sup> March '43. Mr. Banke said he hoped to have good news of Mr. Murphy's debt before then. Mr. MacSwiney proposed we cut ~~out~~ off Mr. Murphy's debt by half. Mr. Banke said Mr. Murphy still seemed to be very well financed. Mr. O'Donovan proposed an amendment that we ask Mr. Murphy to pay £60 before March 21<sup>st</sup> & the rest later. Mr. Banke asked if we would leave the matter in his hands for another week. Mr. Banke seconded the amended proposal. Mr. MacSwiney withdrew his proposal. The Sec. said she could not attend the meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting felt that it would be best for the Sec. to attend & it was agreed to postpone the meeting to 4<sup>th</sup> April.

### Children's Party.

The chairman asked what we intended to do for the

children. Mr. Bouke said an outing had been considered. Mr. O' Donovan said this would cost in the region of £100. Mr. Crowley suggested we hold a raffle on the Derby, to raise fund. We should wait until the Society have joined us. Mr. Bouke proposed we leave the Children's party for the time being - seconded by Mr. O' Donovan.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee have now cancelled the parade for 12<sup>th</sup> March. Mass at Southwark at 12. noon.

The Sec. was asked to find out about the Aer Lingus hotel.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Mr. Byrne proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Allen, chairman.

Chairman: R. J. Allen.

Date 4: 4. 72

Proposed by: Harry Murphy  
Seconded by: Fr. M<sup>c</sup>Namee

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 42 at 8.45 pm.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, chairman, Mrs. T. Treacy & Mr. P. Lynch  
vice-chairman, Mrs. D. Murphy Treasurer, Mrs. E. O'Leary asst.  
sec., Miss E. Honchur sec., Mr. C. Burke, P.O. Mrs. Murphy, Miss  
Deane, Mrs. Scanlon, Miss C. Scanlon, Messrs. D. MacSwiney  
J. O'Sullivan, J. O'Connor, D. Murphy, G. Cross, C. Flynn, Mr.  
Flynn, J. Byrne, C. Burke.

Apologies Miss K. Fitzgerald.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

#### Matters Arising

Mr. MacSwiney asked if the Social Committee had held a meeting, this sub-committee was set-up to help the Sec., but so far the Sec. has to book bands. Mr. O'Sullivan said the Social Comm. was formed to book halls. The Sec. has now received the tickets for the Bacon-Cabbage Dinner.

#### Treasurers Report

£9.60 in bank - £3 to be deposited. Mr. MacSwiney asked what membership fee for the Cork Society. Mrs. O'Leary said it was 50pence for each member.

#### Correspondence

Mr. McSweeney wrote asking for help for a Mr. Regan, who has recently lost his wife. Mr. O'Connor will call to see Mr. Regan. The Cork County Board accepted the invitation on behalf of the football team, also permission from the London County Board to entertain the team.

#### Press Officer's Report

Mr. Burke showed an ad. in Cork Weekly where the Cork Team were billed to attend a dance in Thistly Hall organised by Drinoleague Assoc. He also asked if the Tumble Sale was going ahead on May 6<sup>th</sup>. The Wexford Chronicle will not run a feature on events, unless you have paid for some advertising space. Mrs. O'Leary as well ask the

the priest at Quex Rd. to announce it. Miss Scanlon suggested we have a raffle for a food hamper. Tickets 5 for 10p. Entrance fee 3p.

Fr. Sheridan told Mr. Bouke that he had spoken to Mr. Murphy regarding our money & Mr. Murphy did not seem interested. Mr. Feethan said he would see Mr. Murphy & guaranteed the money would be paid. The Press Officer said someone on the Committee is telling Mr. Murphy that we are being soft with him, this is untrue. Anyone who talks on this matter outside the meetings are not really fit to serve on the Committee. Mr. MacSwiney suggested we half the amount due. Mr. Bouke moved that we should be determined with him.

#### Bacon-Cabbage Dinner

Invitations to be sent to Mr. O'Leary & four people from Hayes. Entrance fee to dance only 30p. Mr. Lynch said we should start the dinner at the time stated on the ticket. The chairman said Mr. Whitaker from B&I. said he would attend & bring a couple of bottles of spirits. The manager of the centre said he could seat 200 people if there was no top table. Cork Football Team.

The Sec. said she had got the tickets printed with the same charge as last year £2. There was a discussion re the cost of the ticket. It was decided that some delegates should approach Mr. Kelly regarding the menus. Then the cost can be decided on. Mr. Flynn said money has been wasted at the Cavendish in previous years. Mr. Byrne said he was not in favour of any entertainment of the guests after the dinner. Mr. Lynch proposed that two bottles of whiskey & four bottles of wine be put on the table. Sec. by Mr. Murphy. Mr. Macnamara said he thought it would be best not to put whiskey on the tables during the dinner, just

have wine. The Sec. will book a coach.

A.O.B.

Mr. Bourke said this year was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Michael Collins, he proposed we should commemorate the occasion by having a lecture or Mass. This was seconded by Mrs. Scanlon. A.P. Taylor or T. Barry were suggested for the lecture. Mr. O' Connor said we should have a special dinner on Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> - which is our next date at the Centre.

The Social Committee had not yet had a meeting. Mr. Con Burke said a half an hour was too short for a meeting.

Mrs. Scanlon congratulated the runners who had won a cup. Mr. Bourke proposed Mr. Lynch be chairman of the Social Comm. Sec. by C. Flynn. Mr. Lynch said he was very busy at the moment, being fully committed to the N.I. Distressed fund. Mrs. Lynch proposed Miss Scanlon join the Social Comm. Sec. by Mr. Murphy. Mrs. O' Leary suggested Mr. Curtis join the Social Comm. Mr. Macnamara asked what we proposed to do about Mr. Regan. Mr. O' Connor said he would call to see him.

Mr. Bourke proposed we hold some meeting at the Irish Club, but as there is a charge for a room there, it was decided to hold the next meeting at the Centre. As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> May 42.

Chairman:- P.J. Allen  
Date :- 6.6.42

Proposed by:- Mary Murphy  
Seconded by:- Ned Curran

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Thurs.  
4<sup>th</sup> May '72

Present were Mr. R. Allen chairman, Mr. P. Lynch vice chair,  
Mrs. E. O'Leary asst. sec., Mrs. D. Murphy Treasurer, also  
Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Scanlon, Misses Fitzgerald, Deane-  
Scanlon, Messrs C. Banke, D. Murphy, D. Blackney,  
J. Byrne, Mr. Flynn, P. Flynn & J. O'Connor.  
Fumble Sale.

Mrs. O'Leary said that all arrangements were  
now complete for the fumble sale & that the hall would  
be available at 11.15. Yankee members of the Committee said  
they would assist - it was decided that no price tags would  
be used, as we could judge for ourselves what to charge. The  
Committee would have a meeting after the sale about 5.p.m.  
Press Officer's Report.

Mr. Ch. Banke said that the picture taken by Mr.  
Coonan was refused by the Irish Post, as it had first  
appeared in the Cork Weekly. He also said that he was informed  
by the Cork Weekly correspondent that three write-ups had  
already been sent to them, - as he was not the official  
Press Officer, they could not accept his writings, but he  
managed to point out that the previous advert for the Bacon-  
Cabbage Diner, had omitted the names from whom tickets  
could be obtained, & they agreed to insert another advert.  
The Chairman said he would ask the Sec. to write to Mr.  
Cork Weekly, Irish Post to inform them that Mr. Ch.  
Banke was the official P.O. & no adverts, or letters to  
be accepted from anyone else. & also to obtain a card  
to present to the Press informing them of his identity. The  
Chairman said he spoke to G. Harrington, & he was very  
upset because Mr. Coonan had taken the pictures for the  
Cork Weekly. The Chairman told him he would be engaged  
for all future functions. Mr. P. Banke proposed that the

sec. write to Mr. Coonan, to inform him that G. Harrington was the official photographer. Seconded by D. Murphy.  
Bacon + Cabbage.

As there was around 200 tickets now sold, it was decided to stop selling as the Irish Centre would only cater for 210 people. Door Rota: Two people, to be relieved every half hour.

#### Other Business.

Mr. J. O' Connor proposed we sponsor a charity walk in Hampstead Heath to the amount of £4, to be collected among the Committee. Mr. J. Byrne seconded. Mr. Bouke asked if the Association + Society would agree to hold a raffle later in the year in aid of the hospital St. John + St. Elizabeth, but first he would have to obtain permission from the hospital secretary, this was agreed by all.

Treasurer's Report £18.23 in hand.

Date of next meeting. 14<sup>th</sup> May 42.

Signed: R. Allen Proposed by: MR. MC Sweeney  
Date: 6.6.72 Seconded by: Mr. Fitzgerald

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Wed.  
14<sup>th</sup> May 42.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mrs. T. Geaney, Mr. P. Lynch vice Chairman, Mrs. D. Murphy Treasurer, Mrs. O' Keary asst. Sec. + Miss E. Hendon Sec. Also Mrs. Scanlon, Mrs. Murphy, Misses Fitzgerald + Scanlon, Messrs. J. O' Connor, J. Sheehan, J. O' Sullivan, M. Curtis, D. Mc Sweeney, L. Flynn, Mr. Flynn W. Crowley, J. Byrne, D. Murphy.

Apologies Rev. Fr. Macnamara + Mr. P. Bouke

The reading of the minutes were deferred to the next

meeting as we were late starting the meeting.  
Treasurer's Report.

£41.10 was collected on raffle door at Bacon Cabbage Dinner. £30 was paid to the band so far £50.27 was collected from the jumble sale. Mr. Lynch proposed a vote of thanks to everyone who worked at the jumble sale. The Sec. will collect the forms for transferring the accounts to the A.I.B. Kilburn before the next meeting.  
Correspondence.

A letter from Miss Power, asking for assistance to go to Ireland for a holiday. Mrs. Heacy will call to see her before next meeting. A letter from Mr. Gorman stating that he was still awaiting for the cheque for outstanding bill. The London Tara informing us of our provisional booking for 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. The Irish Post inquiring if we would advertise in their Special Wembley Edition. It was decided not to advertise. Bills from the Willesden Chronicle - Cork Weekly.

#### Quiz.

We have been drawn against Kildare in the first round, but we may get a 'walk-over' as Kildare have difficulty in getting a team. Mr. O'Connor suggested if we get a walk over, we should have a quiz amongst the members before the next round, seconded by D. MacSwiney.

#### Social Committee.

The Social Committee met prior to this meeting. Miss Scanlon was elected Social Secretary. It was suggested we have a coach outing to Bogger Regis, on Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> June, as this date did not suit members of the Committee the date was altered to 18<sup>th</sup> June. Sec. will book coach. Tickets £1 per adult, member's children will travel free. The Social Committee also hope that we will be able to book a hall.

for St. Patrick's night next year.

### Football Team Dinner.

Tickets for this function are selling very slowly. Mr. Kelly asked us to be very careful to see that the door is always manned. Mr. Sheehan said the exit door from the bar should be closed. Members of the Committee will get to the Spotted Dog, early to collect tickets etc. An invitation to be sent to the Chairman of the Limerick County Board & his wife. Mrs. O'Leary will give a ticket to one of the priests at Queen Rd.

### Other Business.

Mr. Murphy suggested we hold a raffle for a trip to Ireland in conjunction with a dance in the Bucklewood Hotel, a profit should be shown on a function like this.

There is a coach trip to Ireland on Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> calling to Cork, returning on 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. Fare £13. A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Murphy for her generosity to the raffles. The chairman suggested we give some gift or donation to Mrs. O'Leary's daughter for playing at our functions.

There was a discussion re members not being notified of meeting. Mr. Sheehan said he had not been notified of any meeting. The Sec. said she had not yet received a list of the Committee of the Society. Mrs. O'Leary said she would forward a list. Mr. Lynch asked about uniting the other Cork organisations. This would be discussed at next meeting.

Date of next meeting 6<sup>th</sup> June 42.

Signed: R J All

Date: 6-6-72

Proposed by: J. O'Donnell

Seconded by: J. O'Sullivan

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1,  
on Tues. 6<sup>th</sup> June '42 at 8.30 p.m. Present were: Mr. R.  
Allen chairman, Mrs. T. Geaney vice-chairman, Mrs. B.  
Murphy Treasurer, Miss J. Hendon Sec., Mr. C. Banke P.R.O.  
also Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Scanlon, Messrs K. Fitzgerald,  
P. Scanlon, Messrs. C. Flynn, D. MacSwiney, J. Hanley Mr.  
Flynn, C. Burke, J. O'Sullivan, J. Byrne, J. O'Donovan, J. O'  
Connor.

Apologies from Rev. Fr. Macnamara, Mr. P. Lynch.

Minutes from the three previous meeting were read &  
adopted.

#### Matters Arising.

Mr. O'Donovan said the matter of Mr. Murphy's outstanding  
bill has now gone on for a long time & we would have  
have to decide what to do about it.

#### Treasurer's Report.

£329.83. We have not still received all the money  
for Bacon & Cabbage Dinner. £86.13 was taken between door-  
raffle at Cavendish Ballroom, £32 was paid for the band &  
coach. Mr. MacSwiney asked if we could have a complete  
report on our functions.

#### Correspondence.

A circular from the M.I.A. re events in N. Ireland. Brochure  
from Irish Tourist Board regarding travel to Ireland. C.I.C.A. meeting  
in connection with Summer Fayre. Mrs. Scanlon was  
asked to attend this meeting. C.I.C.A. advising us of a 'walk  
over' in the 1<sup>st</sup> round of the Quiz, we now meet Kerry. Mollins  
confirming hire of coach for outing. Acknowledgement of our  
bill to the Gresham. Bill from Cavendish Ballroom. Mr.  
T. Dunn, regretting he had been out of the country, was  
unable to contribute to our raffle.

#### Fees Officer's Report.

Mr. Banke said he had sent a report to the Journal

• Cork Weekly, but these had not appear on any issue. Mrs. Murphy said the article for the Journal would be in the June edition, ~ she would need a report for the July edition by Tue. 20<sup>th</sup> June. Miss Deane, said the report had already appeared in the Weekly. Mr. Banke said he would contact Mr. Daly. Mr. O'Donovan said there had only been one report in the journal in six months. Mr. O'Sullivan said P.R.O. was new, ~ up to now the Sec. was overworked, but we could look forward to more reports in the future.

### Welfare.

Mrs. Geaney had called to see Miss Power, but she was not there, Miss Power's landlady said she was a deserving case. Miss Power had telephoned the Sec. ~ Mrs. Geaney saying she had been in hospital & due to her illness would be unable to travel by boat. A discussion followed, when some members felt that we should ask the Youghal Assoc. to help. Mr. Stanley said it was up to the Cork Assoc. & Society to help. Mr. Banke said that the St. Patrick's Aid Society would give her the fare to Ireland. Mr. Byrne said the Sec. should write to St. Thomas Hospital & get details. Mr. O'Sullivan said the Youghal Assoc. might help her with money. Mr. O'Sullivan moved we provide the ticket & approach the other Assoc. to help her. Mrs. Murphy, informed the meeting that Mr. H. Browne was in hospital & she had been approached to run a benefit dance for him. Mr. Banke said it was rather strange that we should have been approached, when Mr. Browne was so active with the Brent Irish Socy. ~ he had been considering to the Assoc. & Society. Mr. W. Glynn proposed we do something to help him <sup>see. by Miss Fitzgerald.</sup> Mr. O'Connor said we should approach Brent & Mallow Assoc. to help. The Sec. would ask Mr. O'Leary to print the tickets. Date of dance to be agreed with Irish Centre.

### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

So far £253.80 has been received. More money was received at the meeting.

### Football Team Dinner.

Mr. O'Connor proposed that Mrs. Murphy & Mr. Curtis' money for the dinner be refunded. This was agreed by the meeting. Mr. O'Donovan said they should be complimented on the way they carried out their duties.

### Social Committee.

Miss Scanlon reported on the meeting, only five members present. Mr. Lynch was endeavouring to book Kensington Town Hall for a Michael Collins lecture on 19<sup>th</sup> Aug, also it was hoped to have Mass at St. Anne's Church 91 seats have now been booked for the outing. They decided a newsletter should be sent out & also an advert in the Cork Weekly. Mr. Bourke said he had not put an advert in the Weekly as this was too costly. Mr. Bourke said the Sec. should book another coach for the outing. Miss Scanlon asked for people to man the coaches. Mr. Cow Burke, regretted he had missed this meeting, but he had not been informed about it, Mr. O'Donovan, & Mrs. Byrne had not been told about the meeting. Miss Scanlon said Mr. Lynch had informed members of the meeting at the Cavendish Ballroom. Mr. O'Donovan, said he would resign if this was the attitude. Mr. Burke said the Social Sec. was doing her best. Mr. Byrne said Mr. Lynch was trying to organise too much. Mr. Hanley said Mr. Lynch should be free to defend himself. It was now learned that Kensington Town Hall was not now available. There was discussion regarding the date. Mr. O'Sullivan, suggested we book the Irish Club, & repeat the formula we used for Yvonne McSwiney conversations. Mr. Bourke asked if we could get an extension of the licence, when we have our next function at the Irish

Centre. It was proposed that members of the Committee, assigned to check tickets at the door, do not pay for their tickets. This was agreed by all. Mr. O' Connor asked if Margaret O' Leary had received any gift from us. Mrs. Scanlon proposed we buy her something that could be inscribed, Sec. by Mr. Byrne. The Sec. to buy something for £3. Mr. Burke asked if anyone was interested in an outing to Loughmore on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Some discussion followed, but no decision was reached.

A discussion on the Annual Dinner was deferred to the next meeting.

#### A.D.B.

Mr. Bonke said a lot of time was wasted at meetings - he proposed a time limit of ten minutes. Sec. by Mr. MacSwiney. Mr. M. Flynn said it was impossible to put a time limit. Mr. Byrne said time could be saved if things were referred to the Chair. The motion was defeated by 14 votes to 4. The Sec. said she had heard that a person on the Committee was under the impression that she was writing cheques for the Assoc. - this is untrue. She also asked if there was any criticism against her, she would be happy, if the people concerned would refer the criticism to her - not to any members of the Committee. Mr. Bonke said once again people were interfering with the work of the Sec. Mr. Yeekan tried to arrange coach for the football team. It was stressed once again that what is agreed at the meeting should take place. Mr. O'Donovan proposed a vote of confidence in the Sec. & the chairman was complimented on his work. The chairman said he was very embarrassed at the football team dinner when the M.C. Mr. Lynch did not ask the priest to say grace. The chairman apologised to the priest. At this point Mr. Lynch arrived for the meeting. He said

The reason was the mix up was due to lack of co-operation of the officers. The chairman said Mr. Lynch had a list of speakers but called on Mr. Ó Siocáin first. Mr. Byrne said the first person to speak at these functions should be the chairman. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Yeahan for his contribution. Mr. Ó Donavan said he was surprised when the drinks for the Committee were opened as the people acted like vultures. Mr. Flynn complained about the service at the Cavendish Ballroom, & Mr. Ó Donavan was disappointed with the food. Mr. Allen, the chairman asked that four people be appointed to sell raffle tickets at future functions.

The meeting closed at 10.50 pm.

Date of next meeting 14<sup>th</sup> June 72.

Chairman : R. J. Allen

Proposed by : Mrs. M. Murphy

Date 14-6-72 :

Seconded by : Mr. M. C. Smyth

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June '72 at 8.30 pm.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. Macnamara vice-president, Mrs. T. Healy & Mr. P. Lynch vice-chairman, Mrs. O' Henry, Asst. Sec., Mrs. B. Murphy, Treasurer, Miss E. Honohan, Sec. also Misses K. Fitzgerald, C. Scanlon, Mrs. Scanlon, <sup>Mrs Murphy</sup> Miss S. Deane, Mr. C. Burke P.R.O. Misses J. Hanley, C. Flynn, Mr. Flynn, C. Burke, J. D. Connor, H. Curtin, D. MacSwiney, J. Sheehan, D. Murphy, G. Cross

Apology from Mr. J. O' Sullivan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, adopted.

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Matters Arising.

Mr. MacSwiney asked if all the tickets for the

Bacon - Cabbage Dinner were now paid for. The Sec. said she did not know, but asked if the members of the Committee had paid for the tickets they had booked. The bill has not been received yet. Mr. Murphy said the number of people seated should be counted. Mr. Flynn said money should then tally with the tickets. Mr. Mac Manus, said that you have to pay for the number of people you book. Mr. Flynn said this did not apply to the Irish Centre. Money collected so far £257.50\*

-Press Officers Report.

Mr. Bouke said he was appointed P.R.O. three months after the A.G.M. Since then there were seven reports in the C.W.E. Mr. Whelan, C.W.E. the Irish Post returned two articles. Mr. Bouke said the value of the Counties Journal to the Association was nil. He had telephoned Mr. Daly regarding his last report, it was in the Weekly the following week. Mr. Bouke asked Mr. Leonard for details of the St. Patrick's Aid Society. Mr. Leonard asked him to ring Mr. Murphy at the Embassy, who may help. Mr. Bouke asked the Sec. to ring Mr. Murphy. The Sec. telephoned Mr. Murphy, who regretted he could not help in the case of Miss Power, as the Embassy only helps juveniles.

Welfare.

The Sec. said she had spoken to a Social Worker at St. Thomas' Hosp. regarding Miss Power. The hospital have arranged for Miss Power to have free medical treatment at St. Finbar's Hosp. in Cork, if the need arose. Mr. Sheehan asked if the Youghal Assoc. had been asked to help, it was decided to ask them to give some money for the holiday. Mr. Sheehan will give names of the Youghal Assoc. to the Sec. Miss Fitzgerald asked if the person who alleged that

the Sec. had signed cheques. Mr. Bouke said a vote of confidence had been passed on the Sec. at the last meeting & the matter should be closed. Miss Fitzgerald said she had signed the cheque with the Charnow at the meeting in Quex Rd. Mr. Bouke said he told the Sec. "he feels he owes an allegiance to the Assoc. & Society, " was duty bound to tell. It was not his wish to create trouble. Any discussion should take place at the meeting. The cheque will be shown at the next meeting.

The benefit dance for Mr. Browne will take place at the Irish Centre, on 18<sup>th</sup> July. Mrs. Murphy said the Brent Assoc. will supply the band free. Mr. Flynn asked who was sponsoring the dance. Mrs. Murphy said that we had only booked the hall, as this could only be done by an Assoc. Mr. Macnamara said there was no need to have an name on ticket, as many Assoc. will help. Mr. Sheehan said he had attended the annual dinner of the Brent Assoc. & they did not mention a benefit dance. Mr. Bouke said this dance should have been first discussed by the Social Comm.

#### Treasurer's Report.

£289. Football Dinner.

£541 balance in bank, cheques outstanding £32.05  
£18.50

#### Correspondence.

Mr. Dunne, our singer, regretting he was on holiday, for our dinner & unable to contribute to the raffle. C.I.C.A. advising us of a walk over in the Quiz & meet Kerry in the second round. An amended bill from the Cavendish Ballroom. It was suggested we pay the Cavendish Ballroom now, Mr. Bouke proposed we pay the Irish Centre first Sec. by Mr. Murphy. Mr. Bouke said the Sisters from S.S. John & Elizabeths are very grateful for our proposed

help to them. They will write to the Sec. with details. Mr. Bourke proposed that a clause be written in the Constitution regarding interference from outside the meeting. Mr. Macnamara said this was really a unwritten rule.

### Summer Fayre.

Mrs Scanlon reported on the meeting in connection with the Summer Fayre. We have been asked to have a cake stall with the Tipp. Assoc. on Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> July at 11 A.M. The Sec. said she could not be at the Irish Centre in the morning. The ladies of the Committee will attend.

### Dating.

105 seats have now been booked. Three children being counted as 1 adult. The Sec. said she had booked two coaches from Mellows. Mr. Lynch said he had penciled booked a coach, but the Sec. said at the last meeting she had been asked to book the second coach. Mr. Lynch said there should be more co-operation. There will be two stewards per coach, but each member be responsible for their party. Mr. Sheehan said we should just have two coaches as a mini coach would cost £26. Last Mars at Bognor Regis is at 11 A.M. Mr. Lynch suggested that children be on one coach, but it was decided that parents would wish to be with their children. There will be a pick-up point at Parkhurst Road.

### Annual Dinner.

The Sec. read the suggested menus from the Yare Hotel. Mr. Bourke proposed we have a £2.50 meal Sec. by Mr. Murphy. It was suggested we have steak, but Mr. Macnamara said steak had to be cooked to personal tastes. Mr. Sheehan said the ticket would cost

£3.50. Mr. Flynn said there would be difficulty in selling tickets at this price. Mr. MacSwiney said the more expensive dinners were always better attended. The Sec. will get in touch with Mr. Muir regarding the menu. The following were proposed as guests.  
The Gaelsach & Mrs. Lynch, Prop. by R. Allen, Sec. by Mrs. Scanlon.  
Mr. & Mrs. De Barra, Prop. by C. Banke Sec. by  
The Ambassador, Mrs. O'Sullivan Prop. by J. Sheehan, Sec. by Mrs. Geary  
Mr. & Mrs. O'Farrell, Prop. by D. Allen, Sec. by Mr. Flynn.  
A. Priest from Centre. Prop. by Mrs. Scanlon Sec. by Mrs. Murphy.  
Mr. Banke withdrew the names of Mr. & Mrs. De Barra. Mr. MacSwiney proposed Mr. & Mrs. Conway. Sec. by Mrs. Murphy.  
A vote was taken 9 for - 9 against. The Chairman casting vote was in favour. Mr. Sheehan proposed Mr. & Mrs. Cronin if the Gaelsach would be unable to attend. Sec by Mr. Lynch. Mr. Higgins could be contacted about printing of the menus. The Sec. will book a band also a band for Bacon-Cabbage.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. Lynch asked if we had any cuttings of Michael Collins, as I.T.V. are doing a feature on him. Mr. Sheehan said Michael Collins' commemoration should be a national event supported by the Irish Government & felt the Embassy should do something to honour him. Mr. Lynch proposed we hold a lecture & social at the Irish Centre on Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> if this is unavailable Mr. O'Connor proposed the Cruckwood Hotel, Sec. by D. Murphy. A. J. P. Taylor or Stephen Barrett were suggested as speakers Mr. It was decided to ask Stephen Barrett to do the lecture. Mr. O'Connor proposed we sponsor the fees at St. Annes Rd. to commemorate Mr. Collins. Sec. by Mr. C. Banke.

Mr. Len Burke asked if anyone was interested

in an outing to Lambourn on 24<sup>th</sup> June. Your people gave their names.

Date of next meeting 5<sup>th</sup> July 72.

Chairman: R. Allen.

Proposed by: C. Burke.

Date 5. 7. 72.

Seconded by: MRS. M. Murphy

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre  
on Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> July '72 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Mrs. B.  
Murphy Treasurer, Mrs. O'Leary Asst. Sec., Miss E.  
Hanshaw Sec., Mr. C. Bouke P.R.O. Also Mrs. Murphy,  
Mrs. Scanlon, Misses Fitzgerald, Deane, Scanlon,  
Messrs. J. D. Connor, J. D. Sullivan, T. Sheehan, Center, C.  
Flynn, M. Flynn, D. MacSwiney, C. Burke.

Apologies from Mrs. Geaney Messrs. Lynch & Murphy.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read, adopted.  
Walters Crisis.

Mr. Ch. Bouke proposed a vote of thanks to the  
Sec. for her presentation of the minutes. Seconded by  
Mr. C. Burke. Mr. MacSwiney asked if all the  
money had now been collected for the Bacon &  
Cabbage Dinner, the Sec. said there was a discrepancy  
in the money collected for Dinner & the Number  
who attended. A discussion was deferred to the  
Sept. meeting.  
Correspondence.

The Sec. apologized to the Committee, as she  
had forgotten to bring the correspondence with her.\*

The bill for the Bacon-Cabbage Dinner was received  
\*A letter from the Taoiseach will not be able to attend our A.D.  
due to official duties. The Ambassador accepted our invitation.

• also a letter appealing for help from the St. Vincent de Paul, Willesden, for a lady from Mallaw. It was decided that due to lack of funds we would be unable to help. A letter from Stephen Barret regretting he would be unable to give the Michael Collins Lecture, due to other commitments, he suggested Mr. O' Sullivan would do the lecture.

#### Treasurer's Statement

£584.03 in bank. The Treasurer said she had not yet received a cheque book. The Sec. will get in touch with the bank.

#### Annual Dinner

The Sec. has booked Pak McNamee Band for the A.D. The Yara said they would be able to give us beef as our main course, for £2.50 plus 10% service charge. There was a discussion regarding the cost of the ticket, at the previous meeting it was thought that £3.50 would be charged. Mr. Ch. Bouke said he could not accept this price, as we should cater for the people who attend our functions at the Irish Centre. Mrs Scanlon suggested that people pay some money each week, but it was felt that this would be a lot of work for the Treasurer. Mr. Sheehan said people attend dinners to meet their friends, + any dinner this year will cost over £3, if someone wants to attend, they will. Mr. Blackwney said the Annual Dinner, should be a showpiece for the Assoc. + Society. Mr. O' Sullivan proposed we change the venue, if this was the attitude to the price, as this must have been obvious when the Yara was chosen. Mr. Ch. Bouke said we should have a right to speak our minds. Mr. Flynn said the question really was if the Committee could sell tickets at £3.50. Mr. Sheehan

said we should try to compromise by charging £3 + holding a raffle. The chairman said asked if £3.25 would suit people. Mr. Bouke said we should decide now on the price. Mr. Bouke proposed that the discussion close now. Sec. by Mr. Sheehan. Mrs O'Leary proposed we charge £3.25. Sec. by Mrs Murphy. The Sec. asked if she should book a Commissioner & a toastmaster. It was agreed. Mr. Flynn proposed we have a raffle. Sec. by Mrs O'Leary, Mr. O'Sullivan thought it was unfair on members of the Conur, to have to sell tickets on the night of the dinner. A vote was taken & the motion carried by 8 votes to 6. Mr. Bouke said the people who voted for the raffle should sell the tickets.

### Welfare.

Miss Power has telephoned Mrs. Heacy many times regarding her ticket. Mr. Sheehan proposed we buy her a mid week ticket. Sec. by Mrs. O'Leary. The Treasurer will buy the ticket. Mr. Sheehan got in touch with the Youghal Assoc. re Miss Power, & they had promised to give £4. The Middleton Assoc. will give £5. Mr. Sheehan said he would like if these Assoc. received a 'thank you' note from Miss Power. The dance for Michael Browne, is going ahead as planned. Mr. Allen proposed we pay £50, to the C.I.C.A. Welfare fund as soon as possible then we would not have to deal with these cases. Seconded by Mr. O'Sullivan.

### Social Committee.

Miss Scanlon read the minutes of the Social Comm. meeting. Mr. Bouke asked if decisions taken at the Social Committee were final, or do the main

Committee have the final say. Mr. Sheehan said it looked as if the Social Committee were working in reverse. Mr. O'Sullivan said the idea of a Social Committee was that they would discuss projects & then get the approval of the main Committee. Mr. Bonke said they now had no power to book venues for socials. Mr. O'Sullivan said the two venues agreed at the last Committee meeting for the Michael Collins lecture were the Irish Centre or the Cricklewood Hotel. Mr. Bonke said he would now give up anything he had already done regarding the Mr. Collins Convenations. Mr. Bonke proposed the withdrawal of the Social Committee & discussion be held at Comm. meeting. See. by Mr. Cow Burke. Mr. Sheehan proposed A.J.P. Taylor to give the lecture & said people would pay to hear him. Mrs. O'Leary said we would need about 300 people to attend. Mr. O'Connor said that St. Annes, where the plaque in memory of Michael Collins was unveiled, was run by the Marist Brothers. Mr. Bradshaw is a historian & interested in Mr. Collins. Mr. O'Connor proposed we invite Mr. Bradshaw to give the lecture. See. by Mrs. Murphy. It was agreed not to have a social following the lecture. There would be no charge for the social.

#### C.I.C.A. Report.

A team for our Quiz competition was named as follows: Messrs. P. & M. Flynn, J. O'Connor. Mr. Bonke said a team would be found. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed Mr. M. O'Connell. See. by Mrs. Murphy. Mrs. Murphy said £8 was collected on the Cake stall for the Irish Centre. £2 had been

received in donations.

### St. Patrick's day Parade Committee.

The Chairman reported on the meeting. We have not paid our fee for last year. Date of the 1973 parade is 11<sup>th</sup> March. A charter flight to New York for St. Patrick's Day is being arranged. Cost would be £55.

### A.O.B.

Mr. Sheehan said although we have three Secs. the Sec. is overworked. The Sec. said the Asst. Sec. will do the news letters. He said he had only received 1 newsletter so far. The Social Sec. collected the money for the outing to Bognor Regis. Mr. Flynn said although he had booked 10, only 8 people travelled. It was decided that we would pay for the people who travelled. Mr. Bourke said he had given the £31 he collected to Mr. Lynch. \*

The meeting closed at 10.50 pm.

Date of next meeting

25<sup>th</sup> July 72.

Chairman: R. Allen

Proposed by: MR. C. Boden

Date 25-7-72.

Seconded by: MRS. H. Murphy

Mr. Bourke said the money had now been paid.

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 72 at 8.30pm.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. F. Lynch Vice-chairman, Mrs. Murphy Treasurer, Miss E. Henchion, Sec., Mr. F. Bourke P.R.O. also Mrs. H. Murphy, Mrs. Scanlon, Misses R. Fitzgerald, S. Deane

C. Scanlon, Messrs. J. O' Connor, C. Burke, D. Murphy, G. Cross, J. Hanley, C. Flynn, M. Flynn, D. MacSwiney, M. Curran. Apologies - Rev. Fr. MacNamara, Mrs. Greaney, Mrs. O' Leary, Messrs. J. Sheehan, J. O'Donovan, G. Byrne.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

#### Matters arising

Mr. Burke said he resented the people who were late attending meetings & then altered what had already been decided. The Social Comm. had worked extremely hard on the Michael Collins commemoration, but this was not accepted by the committee. Miss Deane said this was covering old ground. Mrs. Murphy said it would be appropriate to hold the Michael Collins commemoration at an Irish place. Mr. Burke asked if the money received for Miss Power from the Youghal & Middleton Assoc. would be offset against her ticket. The Chairman said this money was for Miss Power & it was already agreed that we would purchase her air ticket.

#### Treasurer's Report.

£28.05 paid for Miss Power's ticket. Bills to be paid £46 Mellows Hse. £200.87 Irish Centre. £368.05 Lavendish Rooms. Balance in bank £649. So far £293 has been collected for football dinner. Miss Scanlon said there was still £41 to be collected re outing. It was agreed that the outstanding bills be paid.

#### Correspondence.

A letter from Mr. N. O' Connell, regretting he was unable to attend meetings, but offering to help the committee. A newsletter from the U.I.A.

Mr. J. Lee confirming he would give a lecture on Michael Collins. A letter from the London Tara giving details of our Annual Dinner. Mr. Murphy asked if the special bar will cost more money. Mr. O'Farrell has not yet been invited to the dinner. Mr. Murphy proposed we ask De Linges to print our menus. Sec. by Mr. O'Connor. The Sec. asked if the crest was to be used on any stationery for the dinner. Mr. Bouke said our crest was a wonderful one & it was a pity not to use it, he then proposed we use it on our ticket. Seconded by Miss Deane. The Sec. asked if she should book one or two Commissioners for the dinner. It was decided to book one. Mr. O'Connor asked if the hotel would be ready, as there was a building strike in progress. The Sec. said the Hotel Banqueting Co-ordinator had said it would be ready. Mr. Bouke proposed bouquets be given to the main guests. Sec. by Mrs. Scanlon.

Michael Collins Commemoration

Mr. Bouke said that some member of the Committee should be at the door on the night of the lecture, as there was no entrance fee. Mr. Allen said he had an oil painting of Michael Collins, which he would have on show the night of the lecture. Mr. Bouke said the Ambassador should be present on this occasion & the President of the Assoc. Dr. Joey proposed a vote of thanks. Miss Scanlon asked if the Chairman will be in charge of the proceedings. Mr. Bradshaw has been invited to the lecture. Mr. Bouke said a letter of thanks should be sent to Mr. S. Barrett.

Mr. Lynch said a letter should be sent to the other Cork organisations inviting them to the lecture. The Sec. said she would not have sufficient time to do this. Mr. Bourke will put an ad. in the Cork Weekly.

### Bacon-Cabbage Dinner.

The tickets for this function should be ready in about two weeks time. Mr. Bourke said the tickets should be numbered, he could get a numerator at work. Mr. Murphy said passes should be issued for the dance instead of tearing tickets. Mr. Bourke said he will secure some pass out tickets. Mr. Bourke thought the P.P. from Lambourne should be invited, as members of the Conv. had received a very warm welcome from the people at Lambourne it was. Mr. Cow Burke said that the priest may not like travelling to London alone. Mr. Bourke proposed we invite the P.P. + three members of the Committee, Sec. by Mr. Murphy Welfare.

Mrs. Murphy said £150 has been collected so far for Michael Browne, she asked if anyone had money for tickets, she would collect it. Mr. Browne thanked the Chairman for our help. The Sec. said Mrs. Geary had telephoned her regarding Miss Power, who has telephoned Mrs. Geary many times regarding her holiday. Mrs. Geary said we have not done anything for this person + it was time to do something now. The Chairman + Treasurer will take Miss Power her ticket during the week. Mr. Sheehan will give the money donated for Miss Power to Mrs. Murphy. The Chairman proposed that we only give financial help to members until we have

joined the welfare fund. Agreed unanimously.  
Press Officers Report.

Mr. Bouke reported that so far he has received the following gifts for our raffle for St John + Elizabeth's Hospital: £10 Munster Assoc. bottle of whiskey + gin from Mr. Feeney, a bottle of whiskey + £5 from a donor. He hoped that the parish organisations + our own Assoc. would contribute. A discussion followed + Mr. Lynch proposed we donate the money we receive on the raffle at the Br C. dinner. This was seconded by Mr. Bouke. Mr. MacSwiney asked if the hospital had asked for help. Mr. Bouke said there were notices at the hospital appealing for help. Mr. Bouke will speak the P.O. from the Kilburn Unies, + he is hoping that their will be a write-up the week before the lecture.

A O B.

Mr. Bouke said a Mass had been arranged to be offered at St. Anne's Underwood Rd. SW Sun. 20<sup>th</sup> Aug. for Michael Collins. Mr. Bouke will include this in the adv. re Michael Collins. Miss Fitzgerald returned the cheques from the bank for scrutiny, as there was a discussion regarding the signatures. Mr. Lynch said he knew nothing about this + resented it. Mr. Bouke said someone should meet Mr. Lee on his arrival in London. The Chairman will meet him. The Sec. asked to book Dwan + Horney to take photographs at the Michael Collins Commemoration. As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> August 72.

Chairman : R. J. Allen Proposed by: MRS O'Leary  
Date 14 : 9 : 72 Seconded by: MRS. M. Murphy

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on  
Tues. 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. '42

Present were: Rev. Fr. Mac Manara, T. Allen, D. Murphy  
C. Bouke M. Flynn J. O' Sullivan G. Cross D. MacSwiney  
J. Curtis K. Fitzgerald Mrs. Freacy Mrs. M. Murphy  
Mrs. O'Leary Mrs. B. Murphy Miss Deane. Apologies  
T. Byrne C. Burke L. Scanlon.

#### Dinner, Dance.

The Sec. read a letter from the manager Tara Hotel saying that, due to the building strike, the hotel may not open as arranged - would like to discuss very much the problem of our Annual Dinner. Mr. Mac Manara proposed the Sec. ask Aer Lingus to assist us find another venue for the dinner on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. Sec. by J. O' Sullivan. Suggestions - Lyons Imperial Europa Connacht Rooms.

#### Bacon-Cabbage Dinner.

Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at the Irish Centre. Commencing at 8 p.m.  
Music by the Wild Rovers. No. of tickets sold to be discussed at the next meeting - four people from Lambourn invited.

#### Correspondence.

A letter of thanks from St. John & Elizabeth's Hospital for £10 donation towards the hospital raffle, also letters of thanks for other donations. Aer Lingus etc., received by Mr. C. Bouke. A letter to Mr. C. Bouke from G. Howard & Co. Solicitors asking for a letter of authorisation from the Cork Association to issue proceedings against Mr. T. Murphy for tickets sold + money not received.

Mr. J. O' Sullivan proposed we serve a writ officially on Mr. Murphy. Sec. by Mr. O'Flynn, Mr. Bouke said he would instruct the solicitor accordingly. Mrs. O'Leary

asked in the event of proceedings how would the Assoc. meet the costs. Mr. Bouke said this was being done free of charge as he knew the solicitor.

A letter from Mr. Lyons of Catford requesting help with his rent. The Sec. had acknowledged the letter. told the Comm. that this man has been helped previously. It was decided by the Comm. that no further aid could be given. A letter from Mr. O'Farrell and Farrell, who cannot attend the dinner.

Treasurer's Report.

All bills paid £7.75 in hand. Mr. C. Bouke asked for some donation towards the P.P. of St. Anne's Church, as a token of gratitude in the form of a Mass Offering for the reception given to them at the Michael Collins anniversary Mass. Fr. Ms. Hanrahan proposed we send £3. Sec. by J. O'Sullivan.

Mr. Allen Chairman said that the Sec. had informed him that Mr. Madden of Newham Council had got 14 tickets for the dinner-dance at the Spotted Dog & he was unable to contact him to get the £28, been on the telephone but unable to speak to Mr. Madden personally, he would ask the Sec. to get in touch again - if all fails to call on him at his home.

Other Business:

Mr. Flynn asked if a delegate to the C.I.C.A. would complain on his behalf, the difficulty he had with the Ryan Hotel Group in getting his tickets to Ireland. J. O'Sullivan suggested to write a letter of complaint to be handed at the C.I.C.A. meeting. Two 'Get well' cards sent to Mr. McGrath, Mrs. Byrne. Neck meeting 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. 72.

Chairman:

Proposed by:

Date : 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 72.

Seconded by:

\* Mr. O'Sullivan said it contravened the constitution to give help to members only, as all Cork people

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> Sept '42.

Present were: Mr. R. Allen chairman, Mrs. T. Geaney & Mr. P. Lynch vice-chairman, Mrs. B. Murphy Treasurer, Miss E. Howarth Sec. Mrs. O'Leary Asst. Sec. Mr. L. Burke P.R.O. also Miss Deane Mrs. Scanlon, Mrs. M. Murphy Messrs J. Hanley J.O. Sullivan, Mr. Flynn P. Burke D. Ms. Sweeney & G. Cross.

Apologies Rev. Fr. Macnamara, Misses Fitzgerald, Scanlon Messrs. Sheehan, Curtis Murphy O'Connor & O'Donovan.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read & adopted with one amendment. Mr. O'Sullivan said it was contrary to our constitution to give aid to members only as all people of Cork birth or decent could apply for aid.  
Matters arising.

Mr. L. Burke said the lecture on Michael Collins was disappointing as it was just from a book.

#### Correspondence.

Miss Bhern, Irish Club, wrote regarding a Mass for the repose of the soul of Mr. J. B. Hennessy. Mr. O'Sullivan said Mr. Hennessy was a staunch supporter & founder member of the Assoc. It was agreed that we would attend a special Mass at the Irish Club for him. A letter from Mr. Cronin regretting that he would be unable to attend the Annual Dinner. A message regarding a trip to the Holy Land at Christmas. Miss Power, thanking us for her holiday in Ireland. Irish Legion invited us to Michael Collins Commemorative Mass. G. Howard, Co. Leicester re Murphy case, the papers have been referred to a Barrister, a writ will be issued in

due course. Mr. Lyons wrote giving us details, he was born in Kilnallock. It was decided to refer his letter to the Limerick Assoc. Mr. Bouke said he had been in touch with her regards to menus. Miss Freedman said she had secured accommodation at the Hallstaff for our dinner, but this was only for a buffet + we had never mentioned having a buffet, asked if menu selected at Yara should be the menu at new <sup>Venue</sup> ~~venues~~. Mr. O'Sullivan said Barkers could not be told to give us the menu selected at the Yara. Mr. Bouke had asked for a booking at the Yara on St. Pat. night for a buffet.

Treasurers Report.

No change from previous meeting.

#### Press Officer's Report.

Mr. Bouke said a report had been sent to Cork Weekly, Jerry Daly, Journal, Kilburn Series. Bacon + Cabbage Dinner.

To far 143 tickets have been sold. The Sec. said she had not received a reply from the people at Lambourn. Mr. C. Burke said he would ring Lambourn. Mr. Ch. Bouke proposed we raffle 4 books of tickets for St. John + Elizabeth at dinner. Sec. by Mr. MacSwiney. The Chairman proposed we raffle a bottle of whisky, but it was thought this was too expensive. It was suggested we charge 50p entrance fee to dance. Mr. Bouke proposed 30p Sec. by Mrs. Murphy. It was necessary to make over £20 in raffle to cover £10 elevation + cost of printing for St. John + Elizabeth raffle.

#### Annual Dinner.

The Sec. said she had made a temp. booking of Barkers for 30<sup>th</sup> May, but the 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> were also available. Mr. Bouke proposed we book 30<sup>th</sup> Sept May. Sec. by Mrs. Scanlon. Mr. O'Sullivan said our Annual Dinner is held

annually on the last week in Dec. ~ we would class with other Assoc. in Nov. He proposed we wait until the Yara opens in Jan. ~ be the first dinner there. Mr. Bouke said Kewy had already booked the first dinner at the Yara & also the raffle could not be drawn in 1943. Mr. Flynn said the raffle should take place on 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. as advertised. It was decided to hold our dinner on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. There was a discussion re cost of ticket Mr. Bouke proposed £3. Sec. by Mr. Flynn. Mr. Bouke said Mr. O'Connor will do the printing quickly, he will collect the crest from Rhodes & Co. & order 600 tickets from Mr. O'Connor. The following menu was chosen. Asparagus Soup. Fresh River Trout, Roast Sirloin Beef, carrots, Brussels sprouts, Roast, Boiled potatoes, Sherry Griffe ~ coffee. Mr. Bouke said the Lord Mayor of Cork would like to attend our dinner. The following guests were proposed & seconded: The Ambassador & wife. Mr. O'Farrell & his wife. Rev. Fr. Sheridan Irish Centre Mr. & Mrs. Conway. Mr. Feetham & Mrs. Feetham. Mr. Bouke said if the Lord Mayor attended, the organisers of the Terence McSwiney Mass would postpone the Mass till 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec, to allow the Lord Mayor to attend. The Sec. said the Assoc. & Soc. would have to pay for the extra accommodation for the Lord Mayor. Mr. Bouke said that Mr. Feetham may act as host to the Lord Mayor while in London. Miss Deane said circulars be sent to other Cork Org. to attend our dinners. Mr. Bouke said the Chancery should invite these org. to a meeting. Mr. Lynch said circulars should be sent out.

Other Business.

Mr. Bouke said he asked Mr. Muir, of the Yara if he could accommodate us on St. Patrick's night for a buffet, a temporary booking has been made.

Mr. Lynch said we should take this booking. The Sec. was asked to check re charges for this booking. Mr. Lynch proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Banke for his hard work. Mr. Hanley asked why there was only one name on adv. for Beacon & Garbage. Mr. Banke said extra name would mean a more expensive adv. Mr. Hanley said it would be better if two or more names could appear. As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 42.

Chairman : R. J. Allen  
Date : S. 10 - 72.

Proposed by : M.R. H. McCaughy  
Seconded by : H.P. Lynch

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 42 at the Irish Centre.

Present were Mr. R. Allen chairman, Mr. P. Lynch vice-chairman, Mrs. Murphy Treasurer, Miss E. Hanahan Sec. Mr. C. Banke P.R.O. also Mrs. Scanlon, Mrs. Murphy, Messrs. J. Deane, C. Scanlon, Messrs. M. Curran, D. MacSwiney, T. O'Sullivan, M. O'Connell, C. Flynn Mr. Flynn, D. Murphy, T. Hanley.

Apologies Mrs. Heaney, Mrs O'Leary, Miss Fitzgerald.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters arising.

Mr. Lynch said that we would be unable to help people until we had some funds. Mr. Lynch said that it had been decided eight months ago, to hold a meeting with the other Cork Org. nothing had been done about this. Mr. Murphy proposed we get the names & addresses of these organisations & send a leaflet. The

secretary said that the Com. members who had these details could give them to the Asst. Sec. or Sec. Mr. MacSwiney said the C.I.C.A. Welfare fund was only for initial expenses. Associations would have to have their own fund. Mr. O'Sullivan said he thought the original idea for the C.I.C.A. fund was to cause less trouble to individual Assoc.

#### Correspondence.

John Barker with conditions of booking.  
A bill for £22.50. cost of raffle tickets for SS John & Elizabeth Hospital. A reply from The Ambassador, hoping he would be able to attend our Dinner.  
The Irish Centre bill for £138.25. A letter requesting our help for Mr. Macnamara (Macroom) who is a cripple & his wife had died suddenly. Mr. Lynch said it would be impossible to run a social now, as we were too busy with our Annual Dinner. He proposed we donate £5. Miss Deane asked why we could not run a dance. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed we ask the Macroom Assoc. & we would support whatever function they arranged. The Sec. will contact Mrs. Hayes of the Macroom Assoc. A letter from the Y.M.C.A.

#### Treasurer's Statement

£114.50 for dinner tickets. £14.40. Raffle £9.45 dance £30 paid to band. Balance in bank £85.83. The Chairman said the raffle should take place on 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. as advertised & the counterfeits be checked prior to this date. Mr. Flynn said the raffle should be held in public. The Chairman asked Miss Deane to put a notice in the J. Daly column of the C.W.E. Sec. by Mr. Lynch.

C.I.C.A. Report:- Mr. MacSwiney reported on the recent

meeting. This year the draw for the Sat. nights would be made in the usual way, but next year a deposit of £10 will be required when booking a date. As regards the complaints regarding travel to Ireland. The Sec. of each county collect these complaints & forward them to the Sec. of C.I.C.A. We are drawn against Kerry in the second round of the quiz. Mr. MacSwiney had said the Bacon & Cabbage dinner was good.

#### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

The Chairman thanked the donor of the bottle of whiskey for raffle. The Sec. had received a complaint regarding the shortage of potatoes & vegetables. Mr. Lynch said he had asked for extra vegetables but unfortunately these were given to the wrong table. The Chairman said he had since attended two Bacon & Cabbage dinners at the Centre & these were far superior to the one we received. Mr. MacSwiney said this complaint should have been made known to the C.I.C.A. representatives. The Sec. was asked to complain to the Sec. of the Management Committee.

#### Annual Dinner.

The Sec. said she had only received one reply to the invitations although these had been posted on 18<sup>th</sup> Sept. The Chairman asked if the Council would approve of an invitation to the Mayor & Mayoress of Hammersmith & Mr. J. Bransgaw. These were proposed & seconded. It was agreed also to invite Mr. Cullen C.W.E. A hand & toastmaster have been booked. Mr. Hanley asked if bouquets would be presented, these will be given to the three ladies guests. Mrs. Murphy said she would be able to get the flowers. Mr. O'Sullivan asked if

the Assoc. sent two representatives to other Assoc. dinner.  
This has not been done, due to insufficient funds.  
Miss Deane said she had offered to do the newsletter  
A.O.B.

Mrs Murphy said a jumble sale had been mentioned at the last meeting, but no arrangements had been made. Mr Hanley said if we needed funds we would have to book a venue soon. Mr Lynch said there was a lack of communication between the officers. Mr Hanley suggested that the Committee members run the jumble sale. Mr Hanley proposed Mrs Murphy as organisers of the sale. Sec by Mr Cuthin. It was decided to book the 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. at Quex Rd. for the Jumble sale. Mr O'Sullivan asked if anything had been heard re Mr Murphy. The Sec had no information - Mr O'Sullivan said asked that the date in March booked at the Fena be verified as 14<sup>th</sup> March was a Sat. & not Fri. as stated in the letter. The date of the AGM was fixed for 21<sup>st</sup> Jan at the Irish Centre. Mr O'Connell said the best way of attracting members was a monthly function. Mr O'Sullivan said he supported this view. Miss Scanlon said nothing was being done for teenagers. Mr Murphy said the Cricklewood Hotel was a good venue. Mr Hanley asked what the state of membership - to date 117. As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. 72.

Chairman: R J Allen. Proposed by P. Lynch.  
Date 30.10.72. Seconded by MRS O'Looney

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on New.  
30<sup>th</sup> Oct. '42 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were : Rev. Fr. Macnamara, Vice-president  
Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mrs. Greacy & Mr. P. Lynch Vice-  
Chairman Mrs. Murphy Treasurer, Mrs E. O'Leary Asst.  
Sec. Miss F. Housham Sec. Also Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs  
Scanlon Messrs J. D. Sullivan C. Bouke P.R.O. Mr.  
Flynn D. Murphy J. Heade M. Curtis C. Flynn Mr. O'  
Sullivan G. Cross

Apologies Mrs. H. Murphy - Miss Scanlon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, adopted.  
Treasurer's Report.

Bal. in bank £46.63 £16 received for dinner on  
27<sup>th</sup> May.

#### Correspondence.

Acceptances received from Lord Mayor of Cork, Mayor  
of Hammersmith Mr. J. Branagan, <sup>MR. T. Cullen</sup> Mr. O'Farrell regretting  
he would be unable to attend. Old I.R.A. informing  
us the Mass for T. MacSwiney would take place on  
29<sup>th</sup> October. St. Patrick's day Parade re trip to New  
York. A list of Sat. nights allocated for the Irish Centre  
- Cork 14<sup>th</sup> April - 1<sup>st</sup> September. A letter re Murphy case.  
Mr. Lynch said the old I.R.A. were disappointed with  
the turnout for the T. MacSwiney Memorial Mass. The Sec.  
said that at the previous meeting it was stated that  
the Mass would be deferred to 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. Mr. Bouke  
said the Lord Mayor was interested in attending the  
Mass, but now it appeared he had to return to Cork  
on 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. Mr. Bouke said there was also a lack  
of co-operation for the Mass for the late J.B. Hennessy  
R.I.P.

#### P.R.O. Report.

Mr. Bouke said the firm of solicitors dealing

with the Murphy case, now required the reg. address of the Assoc. & also the addresses of the president & vice-president. Mr. MacManara said it would be embarrassing for the patrons of the Assoc. if their names were included in a court case. Mr. Banke said the A.G.M had issued a directive to proceed with the case. Mr. Murphy said he was under the impression that we would not go to court. Mr. C. Flynn said if a summons was issued, then there would be court proceedings. Mr. MacManara asked if the solicitors had taken the opinions of the Committee. The Sec. said if she had to go to court it would be just her word against Mr. Murphy's. Mr. C. Flynn said we should not discuss the evidence. Mr. O'Sullivan said we would perhaps have to get the people who had bought the tickets. Mrs. Geary said we had no case. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed the officers should meet the solicitor & discuss this in dept. Sec. by Mr. Murphy. Mr. Banke asked Mr. Whelan to write an article on S.S. John, Elizabeths. Mr. Whelan said someone from the Assoc. had upset the Adm. manager, he also asked why no invitations had been sent to Mr. Fuller. A report had been sent to the Kilburn Unies.

### Jumble Sale.

Quex Rd. Hall has been booked for 11<sup>th</sup> May. Jumble sale starting at 2.p.m. Admission 3p. Mrs. O'Leary asked for help at 11.30 AM to prepare the hall. Mr. Murphy has 500 leaflets to distribute & asked if some children could help.

### Annual Dinner.

The Sec. reported on her meeting with Mr. Hunter, Catering manager at Barkers. A meal for toastmaster 80p, & supper for band 60p each. Flowers on table cost 5p per head & if the Assoc. wanted wine on the table

it would cost £1.40 per bottle + a jug of fruit cup 80p. After a discussion Mr. H. Flynn proposed we have wine on the table Sec. by Mrs. Scanlon. Another discussion followed regarding drinks for our guests. Some members felt that too much was spent on drinks Mr. H. O. Sullivan said it was necessary to have wine during the meal - drinks afterwards. Mr. Meade said £40 was really needed to cover drinks at the top table. Mrs. O'Leary suggested we give the guests a drink after the meal. Mr. J. O. Sullivan said it was up to us to extend the hospitality of the Assoc. + Society to our guests. Mr. H. Flynn said this hospitality was abused at the Spotted Dog. The Sec. said she was tired of hearing this complaint. Mr. Meade said the amount we spend on drinks should depend on how many attended the dinner, if the tickets were not selling well then we would have to tighten our belt. A raffle would be held during the evening for a hamper + a basket of fruit. Mr. Bouke was asked to put an advert in the C.W.E. The Chairman + Sec. would arrange the order of speeches. Mr. Flynn said it had been decided to hold the SS. John + Elizabeth raffle on 11<sup>th</sup> May, but now it was taking place on 30<sup>th</sup> May. The chairman said Mr. Bouke had legal advice + it is within the law to hold the raffle on 30<sup>th</sup> May.

#### A. O. B.

Mr. Lynch suggested that we may have a disco on 14<sup>th</sup> April at the Irish Centre. Mrs. Freacy proposed we cancel the booking at the Yara on 14<sup>th</sup> March, Sec. by Mr. MacManus. Mr. Bouke said he had collected £51 so far for SS. John, Elizabeth's draw. The Sec. has received £5. The Chairman £10. The Sec said

she had telephoned Mrs. Hayes, Macnamara Assoc. regarding Mr. Macnamara. The Macnamara Assoc. had already run a benefit dance earlier in the year, but had decided that the children should have an enjoyable Christmas. Mr. Murphy said this was a very deserving case & he proposed we give something to the children at Christmas. This was agreed unanimously. Mr. Bouke asked who objected to the sing-song at the Bacon Cabbage dinner, he also asked if we had appointed an M.C. for our Annual Dinner. It was felt that an M.C. wasn't necessary. Mr. Bouke said a Mass Card should be sent to Mrs. Hennessy & Mr. O'Brien.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. 72.

Chairman. R. Allen. Proposed by: MR - P. Lynch  
Date 9. 11. 72. Seconded by: MRS. Murphy

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Thurs.  
9<sup>th</sup> Nov. 72 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were : Mr R. Allen, Chairman, Mrs T. Greaney, Mr. P. Lynch vice-chairman, Mrs B. Murphy Treasurer, Miss T. Hanahan Sec. Mr. Ch. Bouke P.R.O. also Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs Scanlon, Misses Fitzgerald, Deane & Scanlon, Messrs M. Curtis, J. Hanley, J. Sheehan, G. Cross & Burke, D. Mc. Sweeney & Flynn.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters Arising.

At the moment there are 13 guests, Mr. Conway will let us know before the dinner if he will be in London for the occasion. Mr. Bouke asked if anything had been

done about the Murphy case, the solicitors have not been contacted. Mr. Bouke moved that we discuss the Annual Dinner & Jumble Sale. Mr. Sheehan said he understood that it was a full Committee meeting.

#### Treasurer's Report.

£199.57 B.C. £17.40 Raffle. Profit £58.17.

Bal. in bank £67. £2 to be paid for raffle tickets.

#### Jumble Sale.

Mrs B. Murphy asked for volunteers to collect the jumble - also for members to be at the hall at 11.30 AM. Mrs B. Murphy said she had got provisions for the tea bar, which has always proved to be a great success. Mrs B. Murphy said handbills would be distributed on the day of the sale. Mr. Lynch said the handbill should be handed out prior to the event. Mr. Sheehan said the idea of these bills were to get people to come to the sale.

#### Correspondence.

A letter from the N.I. Distress Fund Org. appealing for help for the Old people. Mr. Bouke proposed we donate £5 sc. by Mrs. Murphy. C.I.C.A. advising <sup>us</sup> of the forthcoming bazaar at the Irish Centre on 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. & dinner on 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. at which a presentation be made to Sir Conway. The Counties were asked to donate £1, this was agreed by all. It was agreed also to purchase tickets for £3, the draw taking place on 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. The St. Patrick's Day Parade requesting the fee for this year, & giving details of their New York trip. Mr. Sheehan asked if last year's fee had been paid - it had not. No parade had taken place. Mr. Lynch proposed we pay sc. by Mr. Curtis. Mr. Sheehan asked that the delegates mention the high fee £5.25.

### Annual Dinner.

There was a discussion regarding the length of the speeches. Mr. P. Lynch proposed that there should be a three minute limit. Mr. Sheehan said it would be difficult to limit the main speaker. Miss Deane asked if there would be an M.C. it was felt that there was no need to have one, as the toastmaster would introduce the speaker etc. The raffle for SS John & Elizabeth would take place after the dinner. The Aer Lingus hostess would draw the tickets. Mr. Hanley said someone should be delegated to accept the prizes. A raffle will take place for the Assoc. during the evening. Mrs. Greacy said she would arrange a basket of fruit. Miss Scanlon said she would do a ~~food~~ food hamper. There was a long discussion regarding the cost of the food hamper, it was decided to spend £6 on hamper - £3 on fruit basket.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 27<sup>th</sup> November 1972.

Chairman : R. J. Allen

Date : 27.11.72.

Proposed by : M. L. P. Lynch

Seconded by : M. R. S. H. Murphy

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1.  
on Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov. 72, at 8.30pm.

Present were Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacNamee vice president, Mrs T. Greacy, Mr. P. Lynch vice-chairman, Mrs. O'Leary Post sec., Miss J. Hendon sec., Mr. C. Burke P.R.O. also Mrs. Scanlon, Mrs M. Murphy, Miss Fitzgerald, Miss Deane, Messrs J. Meade, M. Curtis, D. Murphy, C. Burke, Mr. Flynn, T. Hanley, T. Sheehan, D. MacNamee

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters Arising.

Mr. Lynch asked if the donation had been forwarded to the M. I. Distress Fund, the Sec. said it has been forwarded. Mr. Lynch said it was one of the smallest donations, received by the fund, & we were the biggest county, Mr. Sheehan said it should be accepted as a donation. Mr. Mac Suiney said that £25 had been forwarded to a similar fund previously & it had never been presented for payment. The Chairman said the donation had been agreed at the previous meeting. Mr. Banke said the solicitor dealing with the Murphy case had not heard from us. Mr. Banke moved that a comprehensive report be given at the next meeting. Sec. by Mrs. Scanlon. Mr. Banke said many people who attended the jumble sale were surprised that the function at the Yara on 14<sup>th</sup> March, had been cancelled. This was agreed at the meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> Dec.

#### Treasurer's Report.

£81.95½ Blee in bank. Jumble sale £24.12½ less expenses £2.

The Chairman asked if the Bacon, Cabbage Dinner Ac. had been cleared, as Mr. O'Connor said he still owed for tickets correspondence.

A brochure was received from the Yara. The Irish Tourist Board, requesting details of our Annual Dinner. A letter from the C.I.C.A. A letter asking for our support for a dance organised by the Prisoners Aid, to help the parents of two prisoners to travel from Cork to see their sons. A long discussion followed, Mr. Murphy proposed it be transferred to the next meeting. A letter from Mr. Banke to the Editor of the C.W.E., complaining that news items sent to T. Dally were always shortened. Mr. Hanley

asked if the P.R.O. could get in touch with the CWE directly.  
Mr. Banks said he would recommend that the PRO for 1973  
should deal direct with the CWE + not J. Daly. Mr.  
Sheehan asked why Miss Fitzgerald was still named as  
Treasurer. It was agreed at the first meeting that we  
would use the notepaper already printed.

#### C.I.C.A.

Mr. Blackswiney reported on the recent meeting, we  
are holding up the second round of the quiz, + nobody  
the Assoc. had not submitted anyone for the individual  
quiz. Most of the counties have given £5 to the Sir  
Conway fund. Although we had agreed to send £1, as  
requested in their newsletter Mr. Sheehan proposed we  
donated £5. Sec. by Mr. Banks.

#### Annual Dinner.

The number of tickets sold were 468. The  
Chairman suggested that the Sec. be guest at the dinner.  
The raffle for SS John Elizabeth will take place after the  
dinner. The Hostess will draw the first ticket + then  
the ladies guests will be asked to draw the rest. The  
Chairman suggested at only three people sell tickets  
for the basket of fruit + food hamper. Mr. Hanley said  
a tight grip should be kept on entertaining the guests.  
He also asked if the Chairman was only proposing the  
toast to Ireland. The Chairman said the President had  
suggested the form of speeches. Mr. Hanley said it was  
up to the Chairman to propose. The president to follow.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. Hanley proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. & Mrs. D  
Murphy + Mrs. McMurphy for their help in the  
very successful Tumble Sale. The Chairman said  
it was necessary to have a meeting early in  
Dec. to enable the nomination papers to go out.

be returned before the A.G.M. Mr. Sheehan said he did not know we had a constitution. As it was late this discussion was deferred to the next meeting.

Date of next meeting : 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. 72.

Chairman R. J. Allen Proposed by Mr. J. Sheehan  
Date 11. 12. 72 Sec. by Mr. C. Burke.

### Annual General Meeting 1972.

The minutes of the Annual General meeting held at the Irish Centre on Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> January '72 at 3. p.m.

Present were Mr. T. Feeney President, Rev. Fr. Macnamara vice-president Mrs T. Treacy, Mr. R. Allen vice-chairman Miss E. Honohan Hon. Sec. & outgoing members of the Committee.

In the absence of the chairman, Mr. R. Allen vice-chairman declared the meeting open. Rev. Fr. Macnamara asked if the minutes could be taken as read. This was approved by the meeting.

#### Secretary's Report.

The sec. reported on the Association activities during the year & concluded by thanking her fellow officers & committee members for their help. The report was adopted.

#### Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer's report was given by the sec. owing to the absence of the Treasurer Mrs Prior, due to a family bereavement. Some members expressed surprise at the loss of £32 on the dinner for the Cork Hurling Team. Mr. Allen said sixty tickets had not been paid for by the chairman, Mr. J. Murphy. Various

approaches had been made to Mr. Murphy, but these were unsuccessful. Mr. Byrne suggested that the debt be written off. Mr. P. Banks proposed we press Mr. Murphy to pay this money. Seconded by Mr. Flynn. Mr. J. O' Sullivan asked if Mr. Murphy was still chairman - he was. Mr. Banks said we should try to get paid for these tickets, but if this failed then legal action should be taken. Mr. Hyde said the outgoing Committee had tried their best to get this money. The President Mr. Feehan, appealed for unity on this matter, everyone was now aware of what had happened. He proposed that the incoming Committee could deal with this matter. Mr. Hyde said he wished to relieve the new Chairman of this burden. Mr. Banks then withdrew his motion. The report was adopted.

#### Chairman's Address.

Mr. Allen spoke of the Association's progress during the year. - appealed for new members, and for members to support the new Committee.  
President's Address.

Mr. Feehan gave a short history of the Associa. There were two founder members present at to-day's meeting - also past officers. He said the Association was founded in 1954 - there were four County Assoc. formed then. The Assoc. had played an important part in Irish Affairs since then. He appealed for unity, - still hopes that there will be unity between the Society Association - the parish organisations.

The Sec. then read the nominations. The voting strength at the meeting was 24. Messrs. P. Heaney, Lynch were appointed as Scrutineers.

#### Election of Officers.

There were four candidates for the chair:

Mr. R. Allen, Mr. Con Burke, Mr. Ch. Bouke & Mr. R. Hyde. Mr. R. Hyde withdrew. The members then voted as follows: Mr. R. Allen 15, Mr. Ch. Bouke 4, Mr. C. Burke 5. Mr. R. Allen thanked everyone & promised to serve the Assoc. to the best of his ability. Mr. Ch. Bouke said it was his intention to give 100% support throughout the year. Mr. C. Burke wished Mr. Allen every success.

Candidates for Vice-chairman were: Mrs T. Greacy, Misses Ch. Bouke & R. Hyde. Mr. R. Hyde withdrew. Mr. Allen was already elected chairman. Mrs. Greacy & Mr. Bouke were then declared Vice-chairmen. Miss Hanan was unopposed as Secretary. Candidates for Honorary Treasurer were: Misses Fitzgerald & Dean. Miss Dean withdrew. Miss Fitzgerald was then declared Treasurer. Candidates for the Committee as follows:- Mrs. M. Murphy, Miss Dean, Misses. Crowley, Byrne O'Connor, O'Sullivan, MacSwiney, O'Donovan, O'Connell, Mr. Flynn, C. Flynn & C. Burke. It was agreed to elect the twelve members to the Committee.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. Ch. Bouke asked if the husband of a Cork lady will now be accepted as a member, in view of the alteration in the Constitution. Mr. Yeelen said he thought this should be the case. Mr. Bouke proposed that the wife or husband of a Cork person be accepted as full members. Sec. by Mr. R. Hyde. It was asked if we could get a badge with a crest. Mr. Con Burke suggested we get a tie with the crest on it. Mr. Allen said this would be discussed at a Committee meeting. Mr. Lynch said Mr. Hyde was nominated as a chief marshall for St. Patrick's Day Parade & asked if the Assoc. could supply more marshalls. Mr. Bouke

asked the delegate to the St. Patrick's parade Committee to propose that members of other religious denominations be invited to attend the service in Hyde Park. Mr. MacSwiney proposed that the Annual subscription be £3, Mr. O'Donovan said it was up to the Committee to raise funds. Mr. Bourke said we should move out of the Irish Centre for Socials. Mr. Byrne said we should endeavour to have a successful year. Mr. Cronin said when we held a monthly social dance we always got a crowd. Mr. O'Donovan suggested we write to the other Cork org. & try to get all the organisations under one banner. Mr. Feehan said the Cork Society would like a meeting with us. Mr. O'Sullivan would act as chairman. Mr. Bourke proposed that Mr. Feehan be made life President Sec. by Mr. Hyde.

This concluded the business & the chairman in closing the meeting thanked all concerned for their proposals & said he felt sure that it will be a successful year.

For F.R. Name

P. J. ...

Signed C. Burke

C. Power R. J. ...

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
the 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. '72.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman Mrs. T. Greacy  
Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Murphy Treasurer, Miss E. Hanahan Sec.  
Mr. Ch. Bouke P.R.O. also Misses K. Fitzgerald, C. Scanlon  
Mrs M. Murphy, Mrs. K. Scanlon, Messrs. J. Sheehan  
D. Murphy, M. Curtis, D. MacSwiney, C. Burke, M. Flynn  
C. Flynn & J. O'Sullivan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted  
Matters arising.

Asked if we had received the bill from Barkers  
for the Annual Dinner. The Sec. said the bill was  
£1,284.90. Cost of food hamper £6.16, Basket of fruit £3  
& flowers £6. Mr. Sheehan said our organisation owes  
the Lord Mayor of Cork an apology for the incident at  
the dinner. Sec. by Mr. C. Burke. Mr. Burke said  
£5 had been given to the band for drinks. Mr  
C. Flynn said that if we had that band again,  
they should be asked to dress better. The Committee  
agreed on the bill for the drinks.

#### Treasurer's Report.

£60.65 collected for the raffle at the Annual  
Dinner. Balance in bank £124.02. The Chairman thanked  
the people who sold tickets at the Annual Dinner.  
Mr. Burke reported at the draw for S.S. John &  
Elizabeth's Hospital had realised £210. The bill for  
printing tickets was still outstanding £22.50. £10  
would be given from the draw to cover some of  
the cost of printing. Mr. Burke said he had not  
yet received the bottle of whiskey. Given from Mr. Feeney  
& he had to purchase these bottles as the winner wanted  
her prize - the cost being £9. There was also an  
outstanding bill for £3. owing to Mr. Burke for

telephone calls to Ireland. Mr. Sheehan said we should refrain from making telephone calls to Ireland in future. Mr. C. Flynn, referring to the J. Daly column in the Weekly Examiner, asked if the Chairman + Secy were already re-elected, + asked who had approved the article. The Chairman + Sec. had no prior knowledge of this article.

#### P.R.O. Report.

Mr. Banke said he had spoken to Mr. Cullen, re J. Daly, explaining that J. Daly did not publish all our reports. Mr. Banke said he would ask J. Daly for an apology for the above-mentioned article. Mr. Sheehan moved that the Sec. should write Mr. Banke said the P.R.O. for 1943, should get in touch with Mr. Cullen. The Kilburn Union requests news items

#### A.G.M.

The Chairman asked if we were working to the Constitution. Mr. Sheehan said we did not have a Constitution, under our present name. Mr. O'Sullivan said prior to the amalgamation the Committee had a by-law to amend the Constitution. We had re-drafted the Constitution prior to the last A.G.M. Mr. Banke said we would keep the name of the Cork Association + Society for one year only + we cannot go to an A.G.M. without a Constitution. Mrs. Scawler thought it best to keep the name Cork Assoc. + Society. Mr. Banke said we had built up a reputation as Cork Assoc. + Society. Mr. Sheehan said he never joined the Cork Assoc. + he has a copy of the Society's Constitution at home + it was as legal as the one by the Assoc. Mr. O'Sullivan said an amendment would have to be made to the Constitution. Mrs. Scawler said the amalgamation was to be a trial

for twelve months, & if there wasnt agreement, they could break away. Mr. Bouke proposed we be known as the Cork Association & Society for 1973. Sec. by Mr. Flynn. Mr. Murphy that from henceforth we be known as the Cork Association & Society. This was agreed by all. Mr. Murphy proposed we have nominations from the floor Sec. by Mr. Curran. Mr. Bouke proposed an amendment that nomination papers be sent out, requesting the return with 21 days notice Sec. by Mr. M. Flynn. Eight were in favour of the amendment & 5 for the proposal. Mr. Bouke asked that we have the bar & refreshments at the A.G.M. Mr. Bouke moved a vote of thanks to the Secretary.

#### A. O. B.

Mr. Murphy asked how much money we propose to give to the Blackmans children. Mr. Sheehan proposed £10. Sec. by Mrs. Geaney. Mr. C. Flynn asked re the Prisoners Aid, & the help for the parents who wished to travel from Cork to see their sons. Mr. Sheehan said the dance organised for funds for this cause was very badly run. & he had heard one parent is too old to travel. After a lengthy discussion it was left to Mr. Bouke to get in touch with prisoners aid & get the facts of the case. The solicitors acting on the Murphy case said the Committee would be the people to appear in court. Mr. Sheehan said he wished his name to be disassociated with this affair. After a long discussion Mr. O' Sullivan said we could refer it back to the A.G.M. Sec. by Mr. Curran. The Guinness Quiz will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Date of next meeting : 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 73.

Chairman P.J. Ahern.

Proposed : C. Burke.

Date 11.12.72

Seconded : J. Sweeney

Minutes of the meeting of the Cork Association Society held at the Irish Centre on 4<sup>th</sup> Jan '43.

Present were: Mr. R. Allen, Chairman. P. Lynch Treasurer  
Greacy vice-chairman. Mrs E. O'Leary Asst. Sec. Mrs. B.  
Murphy Treasurer Mr. C. Burke P.R.D. also Mrs. K.  
Scanlon Mrs H. Murphy Miss K. Fitzgerald Messrs J.  
Hanley Mr. Flynn C. Flynn C. Burke J. O'Sullivan, D.  
MacSwiney J. Sheehan.

Apologies Miss J. Hanahan.

The Chairman opened the meeting by thanking the Officers & Committee for their work during the year.  
Nominations.

Three forms received - the Sec. read the names.  
Mr. J. Sheehan asked that his name be withdrawn from the forms, as there was nothing in the Constitution of the Cork Society regarding A.G.M.s. Mrs. O'Leary also asked for her name to be withdrawn. Mr. J. Hanley said he was totally against any nominations, that voting should be from the floor, in that way members outside the Committee had the opportunity of coming forward.

Mr. P. Lynch asked the chairman if he would have these nominations forms torn up as he had previously stated. Mrs. K. Scanlon stated that she could not complete her nomination form as she did not know all the members. Mr. J.O. Sullivan proposed to postpone the A.G.M. due to the few nominations received. Mrs. Greacy seconded. Mr. C. Flynn proposed that nominations close to-night. Mr. H. Flynn seconded. An amendment to the proposal at the last meeting that the name 'Cork Society' be dropped from the Association. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed that the amendment was null & void.

The chairman had received £96, from Mr. J. Murphy as there was £120 due, Mr. Murphy had paid for 2 ads

in the Cork Weekly. £5 donation + a small printing bill.  
Mr. MacSwiney proposed we close the account. Mrs. O'Leary  
seconded. Mr. MacSwiney proposed a vote of thanks to  
Mr. Bourke on his endeavours to obtain the money.  
Mr. J. Sheehan seconded. Mr. J.O. Sullivan proposed  
that Mr. C. Bourke be reimbursed for his expensed  
regarding tickets + prizes paid for. Mrs. Scanlon seconded  
Money received so far for Annual Diner Tickets was  
£1045. Mr. Bourke asked if the Sec. would write to  
Mr. T. Deane for money for 2 tickets for the Annual Diner.  
Mr. P. Lynch asked that a Mass Card be sent to Mr.  
Henohan (old I.R.A.).

Cash in bank £1049, as per bank statement from the  
Treasurer.

The meeting closed. The Chairman said he would  
see us all at the A.G.M.

Chairman: L. Allen

Proposed by: J. Burke

Date: 4.1.73.

Seconded by: Mrs K. Scanlon

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Tue. 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 73, at 8.30p.m.

Present were Mr. L. Allen Chairman, Messrs. P. Lynch,  
C. Burke vice-chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss  
J. Deane Asst. Sec. Miss J. Henohan Sec. also Mrs. K.  
Scanlon Miss K. Fitzgerald, Messrs. D. MacSwiney M. Flynn  
P. Bourke, C. Flynn J. Byrne.

Apologies from Mrs. Murphy.

Minutes of the two previous meetings were read + adopted.

The chairman welcomed the Committee, said he  
hoped we would have a successful year.

### Matters Arising.

Mr. C. Flynn asked if we intended to help the prisoners aid re the parents of O'Sullivan - Lynch. Mr. Ch. Bouke said the people at the Fulham Address were unhelpful when he was making enquiries. - The Head Office of the Prisoners Aid Society had not heard of the organisation at Fulham. Mr. O'Sullivan said if these prisoners were political ones, we would have to be careful to keep within our Constitution. Mr. Bouke asked if Mr. Lynch could tell him, who were the Officers of the Cork Society prior to the amalgamation, Mr. Lynch said it was a bit late to ask the question now. Mr. Bouke said this at meetings during the past year discussing the Constitution - This was floated at the A.G.M.

### Treasurer's Statement.

Mr. O'Sullivan said working on the balance sheet at the A.G.M. our balance should be £68.51.

### Correspondence

A bill from C.W.E. for £14. A letter of thanks from the Northern Ireland Distress fund.

### Appointment of PRO.

Mr. T. Byrne proposed Mr. Ch. Bouke, Sec. by Mr. D. MacSwiney. Mr. C. Flynn asked if Mr. Bouke would deal with Mr. Daly or Mr. Cullen of the C.W.E. Mr. Bouke said he would endeavour to get the maximum publicity for the Gosp. during the year. Delegates to the C.I.C.A. for 1973 - Mrs. Murphy, Mr. MacSwiney. Delegates to St. Patrick's Day Parade Misses C. & Mr. Flynn. Mr. Allen reported on the St. Patrick's Day Parade meeting. It was decided to hold the parade this year, but it would not be to Hyde Park. Mr. T. Gormon will donate £1,000 to cover the cost of the parade. A dinner will be held at the Gresham on 14<sup>th</sup> March. It was decided not to appoint

new vice-presidents this year.

#### Future events

14<sup>th</sup> April has been allocated to Cork. It was decided to hold a Bacon + Cabbage Dinner. The cost of these dinners have increased, it was decided that tickets would cost £1.50. The Wild Rovers have been booked.

#### Annual Dinner

A temporary booking has been made at the Tara for Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> Oct. A discussion followed - it was felt that the charge at the Tara would be too expensive. It was decided that the Sec. should try to book Barkers for Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Oct or the nearest available date. Mr. M. Flynn proposed we book the Billy O'Brien Band. Sec. by Mr. C. Flynn.

#### AOB.

Mr. Bouke suggested we have a coach outing to Lambourn on St. Patrick's day, as we have not arranged a function in London. It was decided to book a 52 seater coach. Mr. Bouke asked why money had been refunded for tickets at the Annual Dinner, as these tickets had not been cancelled prior to the dinner, it was explained that this was an exceptional case. In future all names be given prior to the dinner. Miss Fitzgerald asked if we were holding a children's party this year, it was now late for a party, so we would arrange an outing. The Chairman asked about a meeting with the other Cork org. Messrs. Lynch, Bouke, Miss Deane would arrange a meeting. Mr. Lynch said money would have to be spent on ~~organising~~ advertising a meeting. The Chairman suggested we invite the chairmen of the Kerry, Waterford Assoc. but it was decided that the first meeting should be of the Cork Organisations. A discussion on ties + badges for the members was deferred to the

meeting.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting - 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 43.

Chairman : R. J. Allen.

Proposed by: C. Burke.

Date 20-2-72.

Seconded by: J. Byrne

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 43 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, chairman, Rev. Fr. Mac  
Namara, vice president Mr. C. Burke vice-chairman, Mr.  
J. O'Sullivan, Treasurer, Miss S. Deane, Asst. Sec., Miss  
C. Hanahan, Sec. Mr. C. Burke P.R.O. also Mrs. M.  
Murphy, Mrs. K. Scanlon, Miss K. Fitzgerald, Messrs. C.  
Flynn Mr. Flynn J. Byrne, D. McSwiney. Apologies  
Mrs. T. Greaney, Messrs. P. Lynch, P. Greaney.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, adopted.  
Matters arising.

Mr. O'Sullivan proposed a vote of sympathy to  
our vice-chairman Mr. P. Lynch on the death of his  
brother.

#### Treasurer's Report.

Bal. in Bank £42.01. Outstanding bill £4.

#### Correspondence.

A letter from Prisoner's Aid requesting help for  
the parents of Lynch, O'Sullivan. An agenda from  
C.I.C.A re the forthcoming A.G.M. The London Gaelic  
League Chair asking for help. It was decided to  
donate £5. The Sec. had received a phone call re  
a benefit dance for a Corkman, who is in a mental  
home, it was decided to get twenty tickets for  
the dance. The Sec. also reported that she was

unable to get a Sat. night booking for our Annual Dinner at Barkers, but had a booking for Fri. 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov. '73 Mr. Byrne asked if we could try to get a booking at the Connaught Rooms, as he had heard it was a very good venue. A discussion followed, & Mr. H. Flynn proposed we stick with our booking at Barkers Sec. by Miss Deane, Mrs Scanlon proposed an amendment that we make enquiries at the Connaught Rooms for a Sat. night. The Sec. said she would be unable to make enquiries for a few days. Mr. O' Sullivan said he would make enquiries, & if these were successful, Mr. Burke said he would collect the menus & a meeting would take place next Monday to decide on the venue.

P.R.O.

Mr. Burke said he had placed an advert in the Weekly for the 9<sup>th</sup> Feb, re the meeting with the Cork org. on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> but this had not appeared in the issue.

Mr. Con Burke said the the club at Lembourne would not be able to cater for a coach party on St. Patrick's night. Mr. Flynn asked if we should go to Hayes again. No decision was taken.

Bacon Cabbage Dinner.

The tickets have not been received. Mrs O' Heary should still have a bottle of gin, which she collected after our Annual dinner. This could be used for the raffle.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The Committee are holding a special meeting to decide if the parade should take place. This will be their third meeting to decide the fate of the parade.

a discussion took place, Mr. Flynn asked if a vote could be taken, so that he could convey to the meeting our feelings on this matter. The vote was one in favour of parade & 1 against.

#### Meeting with other Cork Organisations.

It was decided to call a meeting for Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> March '73, at Quay Rd. Hall, & Mr. Bouke will place an advert in the Weekly.

#### A.D.B.

As Mr. Lynch was not present it was decided to postpone the discussion re ties & badges to the next meeting. Mr. Bouke asked if we would help pay the funeral expenses of Mr. John P. Kelleher (Cork) who had been buried by landlords & patrons of a pub in Harrow Rd. It was decided that we could not help in this case. Miss Deane suggested that we should think of doing a charter flight to Cork, & perhaps this is a point we could raise at the meeting with the other Cork groups. The Sec. said she would ask Clive Fogarty for details. Miss Fitzgerald asked if St. John & Elizabeth's Hospital had acknowledged the proceeds of the raffle. Mr. Bouke said he had a letter which he would bring to the next meeting.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 26<sup>th</sup> March '73. A meeting will take place on 26<sup>th</sup> Feb. if a date is available at the Connacht Rooms for our dinner. Expenses paid to Asst. Secretary £3.95.

Date of : - 24-3-73  
Chairman : R. Fallon.

Proposed by Mr. C. Burke  
Seconded by Mrs. M. Murphy

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1.  
on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March '43 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, chairman, Messrs P. Lynch,  
C. Burke vice-chairman Mr. J. D. Sullivan, Treas. Miss S.  
Honohan Sec. Mr. Ch. Banke P.R.O. also Miss Fitzgerald  
Mrs Murphy, Messrs. C. Flynn, M. Flynn, T. O'Connor.

Apologies Miss Deane Mrs. Scanlon, Mrs. Geaney, Mr. Geaney.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted  
Matters Arising.

Mr. Lynch said that he had no details re ties & badges  
at the moment, but should have them for next meeting.  
Mr. Banke said he had placed an advert & write up in  
the Cork Weekly for 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb, but this had not been published  
a spokesman for the Cork Weekly said his information had  
already appeared in the Terry Daly column. Mr. Banke  
said Mr. Lynch had spoken to the editor of the Cork  
Weekly on this matter. Mr. ~~Banke~~ Daly had said he  
would publish any information he received. Mr. Cow  
Burke said someone must give the information to Mr.  
Daly & our owing to Lambournes - also the names  
of the Officers & Committee. Mr. Ch. Banke said he had  
spoken to Mr. Cullen at the Annual Dinner, who said  
if he got a report in Cork, through the London office,  
then he would publish it. Mr. O'Sullivan suggested we  
sent our reports direct to Cork.

#### Treasurers Report.

£6 received for membership, £39 for A.D. Blk £15.54  
Mr. Flynn asked if any more money had been received  
from Mr. Madden  
Correspondence.

A letter of thanks from the London Gaelic League  
Choir. Mrs. Harrington asked if there was any  
reduction in membership fee for O.A.P. It was

decided to make her an honorary member. 20 tickets received for a benefit dance for a Cork man (Mr. Cortayne). An acknowledgement for cheque for £24 from Mr. Harrington. A receipt from S.S. John & Elizabeth for £185. Three letters from Br. O'Regan Cork, to the Chairman, asking for help to find accommodation for sixteen boys who are travelling to London for a basketball final. Mr. Allen found accommodation for them, but he is not sure if Br. O'Regan has confirmed the booking. Mr. Lynch proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Allen.

#### C.I.C.A.

Mrs Murphy reported on their recent meeting. A new banner had been made for them & each County has to pay £5 to cover the cost, also £10 is required to join the Welfare fund.

#### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner

As there was over 250 tickets out, it was decided not to put an adv. in Cork Weekly for this function, & also not to sell any more tickets. Only those attending the dinner, be admitted to the dance.

#### Meeting with Cork Organisations

The meeting took place at Queen St. Representative from ten Assoc. attended & it was felt that the meeting was a success. Another meeting had been arranged for 29<sup>th</sup> April, when it is hoped other Assoc. would attend.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. Flynn asked why this meeting had not taken place at the original date. The Chairman said it was postponed as he & the Sec. could not attend. Mr. Lynch thanked the Assoc. for the Mass card & also the individual members for their letters of sympathy on the death of his brother. As there was

no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> April 43.

Chairman R. Allen  
Date 3. S. 73.

Proposed by: C. Burke  
Seconded by: P. Byrne

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1.  
on Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup> April 43 at 8.30pm.

Present were Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacNamea  
vice-president, Messrs. P. Lynch & C. Bouke vice-chairman,  
Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss S. Deane Asst. Sec. Miss  
T. Hanahan Sec. Also Mrs. T. Greacy Miss K. Fitzgerald,  
Mrs. K. Scanlon Messrs C. Flynn P. Greacy Mr. Flynn  
J. Byrne.

Apologies from Mrs. Murphy Messrs. C. Bouke D. McSwiney &  
J. O'Connor.

As this meeting was called to finalise details of  
the Bacon-Cabbage dinner, the minutes of the previous meeting  
were deferred to the next meeting  
Bacon-Cabbage dinner.

Tickets sold so far totaled 235. A discussion  
followed regarding entrance to dance after dinner, it  
was felt that we should allow people to attend the  
dance. Fr. MacNamea proposed an entrance fee of 35p.  
Sec. by Mrs. Greacy. A raffle would take place for  
a bottle of whiskey, Easter Egg - 50 cigarettes. The men  
from the Committee would man the door before dinner &  
during the dance. - the ladies would sell raffle tickets.

The P.R.O. Mr. Bouke told the Sec. that he had  
sent a report to Jerry Daly.

The Chairman asked the meeting to consider a  
quest for our Annual Dinner, that the Sec. was asked  
to book a band for the function.

It was decided to have an outing to Clacton on 15<sup>th</sup> July, children under 12 travelling free.

A vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs. Murphy on the death of her son-in-law.

The meeting closed at 10.00pm.

Date of next meeting - 3<sup>rd</sup> May 43.

Chairman : R Allen.

Proposed by M Flynn.

Date : 3-5-73

Seconded by K Fitzgerald.

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Thurs. 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 8.30 pm.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Messrs. P. Lynch, C. Burke Vice-chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss C. Hanahan Sec. Mr. Ch. Bouke PRO also Miss R. Fitzgerald, Mrs R. Stanton, Messrs. M. Flynn, J. O'Connor, C. Flynn.

Apologies from Mr. D. MacSwiney, Miss S. Deane, Mrs. Murphy.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read & adopted.

#### Matters arising

Mr. Ch. Bouke said he was unaware that there would be admissions to the dance after the Bacon-Cabbage dinner as it had been agreed at the meeting of the 27<sup>th</sup> March. It was explained that at the previous meeting the majority were in favour of admitting people to the dance. Mr. Lynch suggested that in future we have 50 tickets for the dance & sold at 50p. Mr. Lynch asked if any extension to the licence was requested. No extensions at the Irish Centre for any

Association.

Treasurer's Report.

Bal. in bank £251.09 outstanding cheques £16.  
membership 84.

Correspondence.

A letter was received from Prisoners Aid, inviting representatives to attend a meeting. Mr. Ch. Bouke said he thought it impertinent of Miss Kaye to write to us, as she had an insulting article in the Irish Post, condemning the Cork Association. Mr. Bouke had telephoned her, using an assumed name, but found difficulty to locate her. The Prisoners Aid is not registered, & is an illegal organisation. Mr. O'Sullivan said it was wrong to act under an assumed name, as he was our P.R.O. Mr. Lynch said it was wrong to call the organisation illegal. Help was not refused to the prisoners Lynch & O'Sullivan, but as they were political prisoners, it would be against our Constitution to support them. Eight forms for membership were returned, but as these did not contain the membership fee, the Sec. was asked to write to them & enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Bill received from Cork Weekly.

Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

This was a very successful function. The Sec. thanked the Committee for their presentation. So far £300 has been collected for tickets, dance & raffle. £30 was paid to the band, &

Annual Dinner.

The Chairman asked for suggestions for the chief guest for our Annual Dinner. Mr. Bouke proposed Mr. F. Vellion B+I here. Seconded by Mrs. Mr. P. Lynch proposed the incoming Mayor of Brent, Mr. Doneley, Sec. by Mrs. Scarlow. Mr. H. Flynn proposed Mr. J.

Lynch, Sec. by Mr. P. Lynch. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed Mr. P. Barry, Minister of Transport. Sec. by Miss Hendon. A vote was taken & 4 were in favour of Mr. Lynch. Mr. C. Flynn proposed Mr. C. Ring. Sec. by Mr. C. Burke.

The Sec. said the Wild Rover's would play at the A.D. for £35. Mr. Flynn raised an objection as to booking a band without the Committee consent.

Meeting with Cork Organisations.

A further meeting was arranged for 16<sup>th</sup> May at the jail of Derby. Mr. Ch. Burke said it was wrong to ask members of other organisations to become members of the Association, & also said the procedure of the last meeting was bad. Mr. Allen said he would be Chairman at future meetings. Mr. Burke asked if there would be a new sub committee with new officers, but Mr. O'Sullivan said there would only be delegates from parish organisations.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. Burke P.R.O. said he had heard that the Press Officer had been discussed, in his absence, at the previous meeting. He had sent two reports to the Kilburn Times & also one to J. Daly. The report on Bacon & Cabbage dinner had not appeared on the C.W.E. & also the date of the meeting at Quex Rd. was incorrect. Mr. Burke said he wished to resign from the Committee, as his work was made impossible, due to the interference of the other members. Mr. Allen asked if he would reconsider his decision. This, he said he could not do. The Sec. then read the report submitted by Mr. Ch. Burke to Jerry Daly. Mr. C. Flynn proposed we accept his resignation as P.R.O. only Sec. by J. O'Connor. Mr. C. Flynn proposed we

donate £5 to the Hurley's Children Fund. Sec. by  
Miss Fitzgerald.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 24<sup>th</sup> May 43.

Chairman R. Allen.

Date 24. 5. 43.

Proposed by: J. O'Sullivan

Seconded by: Mrs. K. Scanlon

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1.  
on 24<sup>th</sup> May 43. at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. C. Burke  
Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treas., Miss S. Deane  
Ass't. Sec., Miss T. Howson Hon. Sec. also Mrs. T.  
Greacy Mrs. Scanlon Messrs. P. Greacy, J. O'Connor &  
Flynn, D. MacSwiney & Mr. Flynn.

Apologies from Mrs. Murphy, Miss Fitzgerald, Messrs P. Lynch &  
J. Byrne.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read &  
adopted.

#### Matters arising

Mr. Flynn asked what bands had been booked for  
the Annual Dinner. Only the Wild Reivers & B. O'Brien have  
been contacted, & B. O'Brien has a booking for that date.  
Mr. Flynn said he objected to the loud music supplied  
by the Wild Reivers during the Bacon & Cabbage dinner.

#### Treasurer's Report

B/Lee in bank £473.55.

Bills for tea & sandwiches at A.G.M. £6. Bacon-Cabbage  
Dinner £254.60.

#### Correspondence

A letter re our quiz draw against Wexford.  
An acknowledgement from Mrs. White. M.I.C.R.A re

a forthcoming meeting. Circulars from the Harrow Inst Society re fund for Shirley children. It was decided to send our £5 donation to them.

New P.R.O. appointment.

The Chairman asked for nominations for this post due to Mr. Burke resignation. Mr. C. Flynn proposed Miss Deane. Sec. by Mrs. Scanlon.

The Chairman said he had attended the last C.I.C.A meeting. The main discussion there concerned the publication of the Counties Journal. He submitted a report for the June issue.

The Chairman welcomed Mrs. Mally (Bandon Assoc.) <sup>Building fund</sup> Secretary of the sub committee to the meeting. Mrs. Mally then reported of their progress to date. She also gave a list of town halls available for socials St. Pancras T.H. for 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. charge £30 or £35 for 15<sup>th</sup> March '44. Capacity 450, also a charge for bar attendants of £2 per person. Hammersmith T.H. for 15<sup>th</sup> March '44, £33.50 + £5 bar. The meeting were asked to decide on the venues. Mr. Burke asked if this was a decision for the sub. committee. The Chairman said as the Association was the parent Assoc. also we would be asked to make a loan available to book these halls. Mr. MacSweeney proposed one social be held at St Pancras. Sec. by Mrs. Scanlon. Mr. Flynn proposed an amendment that we hold one at each venue. Seconded by Mr. C. Burke. It was decided to book St Pancras T.H. for 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. Music by Benn Bros. Hammersmith T.H. be booked for 15<sup>th</sup> March '44 Music by B.D.'Brien. Mrs. Mally said the Bandon Assoc. had a booking at the Bucklewood Hotel on 29<sup>th</sup> Dec. - this is not now required. Mr. O'Sullivan suggested we try to

run a dance on New Years Eve. Miss Mc Mally said she would make inquiries.

### Annual Dinner.

No reply received from Mr. Lynch, as invitation was sent last week. Mr. O'Sullivan asked if Mr. Denne's tickets were still outstanding for 1972 dinner. It was agreed at a previous meeting that the Association would offset the cost of these.

### During

A 51 seater coach was booked at the cost of £38. The pick-up points as follows: Irish Centre 9.00 AM Mags Head 9.15 PM, Manor House 9.30 PM.

### ADB.

The Chairman asked if one or two members of the Committee endeavour to attend functions organised by the Parish Associations. Mr. Burke said this was now the trend. Mr. O'Sullivan asked that the bank be informed of our change of name. The Chairman suggested we get a new banner.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 19<sup>th</sup> June 73.

Chairman : R. J. Allen. Proposed by : H. G. Ryan.  
Date : 19. 6. 73. Seconded by : C. Burke

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June '73.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Messrs Burke, Lynch Vice-Chairman, Mr. T. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss S. Deane

Asst. Sec. - P.R.O. Miss T. Hanahan Sec. also Mrs. Murphy  
Messrs M. Flynn & D. MacSwiney.

Apologies from Mrs. Scanlon Mrs. Greacy Miss Fitzgerald  
Messrs J. Byrne - P. Greacy.

### Matters Arising

Mr. Lynch said he had attended at least four past  
socials

### Treasurer's Report.

£53.50 banked since last meeting Balance £228. The  
Sec. suggested we open a ~~savings~~ open a deposit account  
or invest the money in prize bonds or building Socy.  
After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to Mr. O'  
Sullivan's proposal to open a building society account  
with £150 or less. Sec. by Mr. Burke, + as the Sec.  
would ask Fr. MacNamara to purchase £10 premium  
bonds on our behalf.

### Correspondence.

A letter of appeal from India. A letter asking  
for financial help to restore Sheldon Steeple. It was  
agreed that the raffle at our dinner on 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. would  
be run for this appeal, on the proposal of Mr. Flynn.  
The Chairman said Mr. Sheehan appealed for a donation  
for the forthcoming sports meeting being run under the  
R.A.C.A.I. on 8<sup>th</sup> July. A cup would be presented to  
the R.A.C.A.I. for this. Mr. Burke will purchase the  
cup, + a suitable inscription would be on the cup.  
A report on the recent building fund meeting, where  
it was suggested that the Assoc. should draw up a  
list of its commitments, + it should be decided if  
we would build a hostel or social club. Mr. O'Sullivan  
said we should ensure members of the building fund  
committee were members of the Association.

The Chairman extended the sympathy of the Committee

to Mrs Murphy on her recent bereavement. Mrs Murphy thanked all who had sent Mass cards, flowers & attended the funeral.

### Summer Fayre.

The Irish Centre Summer Fayre, will be held on 30<sup>th</sup> June at the centre. As it was too late to prepare a stall, Miss Deane proposed we give a £10 donation Sec. by Mr. P. Lynch.

### Dating.

A 53 seater coach has been booked for our outing to Slacton for 1<sup>st</sup> July. The numbers so far are: Mr. Flynn 4 adults 8 children Mr. C. Burke 4 adults 1 child, Mrs Murphy 1 adult 1 child, Mr. D. Allen 4 adults 2 children.

### Annual Dinner.

So far no reply from Mr. Lynch. The Fairies band have a previous engagement so the Wild Flowers will play.  
Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

The tickets for this function were distributed at the meeting.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Mr. O'Sullivan proposed a £10 donation for the benefit dance for Mrs. Heffernan & Family Sec. by Miss Deane.

### Date of next meeting.

Chairman : R. Oll - proposed by : Mrs Scanlon  
Date : 19. 9. 73 Sec. by : K. Fitzgerald

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on  
Tue. 28<sup>th</sup> August '43

Present were Mr. R. Allen, chairman Mr. C. Burke,  
Vice chairman Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer Miss S. Deane  
Ass't Sec.-r P.R.O. also Miss K. Fitzgerald, Miss Scanlon  
Mr. D. MacSwiney.

Apologies Miss T. Hanlon Mrs Murphy Misses C. H.  
Flynn, P. Lynch.

### The Treasurer's Report.

The building society account has not been opened  
as forms need signatures of two officers.

### Bacon-Cabbage Dinner.

The Irish Centre have now informed us that they  
need to know the final number for the dinner on Wed.  
evening, as they are short staffed as the manager &  
cook are on holidays.

### Annual Dinner.

The Chairman has heard from Mr. C. Burke our  
ex P.R.O. that he has received a letter from Mr. J.  
Lynch, regretting that he would be unable to attend the  
dinner. So far Mr. Burke has not forwarded the  
letter. Mr. O'Sullivan withdrew his proposal to ask  
Mr. P. Barry, Minister of Transport & it was agreed to  
invite Lord Mayor of Cork Senator P. Kerrigan, the  
other guests agreed upon he was invited.

### Quiz.

The team for the quiz against Wexford are as follows:  
Miss S. Deane Misses C. Burke Mr. Flynn C. Flynn & J.  
O'Connor.

### A.O.B.

Miss Fitzgerald told the meeting that a past vice-  
chairman Miss M. O'Sullivan had been ill for the past  
five months & suggested we would make her a donation.

Mr. O'Sullivan said in view of the hard work, Miss O'Sullivan had done for the Assoc. he proposed we make her a honorary vice-president & give some money towards a ticket to Ireland. Mr. C. Burke seconded. It was decided that we would get her a return air ticket to Ireland. As the attendance was small, it was decided to postpone the Building Fund discussion to the next meeting.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 19<sup>th</sup> September 73.

Chairman R. Allen. Proposed by: MRS. K. Scanlon  
Date : 19. 9. 73 Seconded by: Mrs K. Fitzgerald

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Minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. 73, at the Irish Centre, at 8.45 pm.

Present were: Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. Mac Manus, vice-president, Mr. P. Lynch vice-chairman, Miss J. Donohue Sec. also Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Geaney, Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. Scanlon, Messrs. D. Ms. Sweeney P. Geaney, P. Flynn & Mr. Flynn.

Apologies from Miss Deane, Messrs. C. Burke, T. O'Sullivan

As this meeting was called to arrange the Annual Dinner, the chairman proposed we take the minutes as read. This was agreed by all.

At the recent Building fund <sup>meeting</sup>, Mrs McNamee & Mr. T. Crowley were co-opted to this Committee & send their apologies for the unattendance at this meeting, as there was also a meeting of the Bandon Assoc. to-night.  
correspondence.

A letter from Prisoners Aid, requesting help for

dependent of internees in Northern Ireland. As there seemed to be so many of these organisations, Mr. P. Lynch was asked to check if these were official collectors, it would be decided at the next meeting if we have funds for this cause. A letter from the Boro. of Wandsworth asking for help for a lady of 81 to return to Ireland. At the moment we're unable to help.

#### Annual Dinner.

The menu was received from Barkers, & the following menu was chosen : Asparagus soup. Giant Mandarins, Roast Beef, Peas, Brussel Sprouts, Roast & boiled potatoes, Meringue Chantilly & Coffee. A long discussion followed regarding the cost of the ticket. It was decided that £3.50, would be the cost & that would include wine. Mr. Flynn asked the Secretary to query the surcharge of £2.0, last year the surcharge was £12.50.

The following guests were proposed & seconded :

Lord Mayor & Lady Mayoress of Cork.

De Mayor & Mayoress of Brent, The Ambassador & Mrs. D'Sullivan, Mr. J. Branagan, the Irish Centre Chaplain, Mr. & Mrs. Cullen, Cork Weekly, Miss J. O'Sullivan, Mr. & Mrs. T. Daly, & Mr. Henshaw. The Sec. was asked to book Mr. O'Driscoll, as toastmaster. An adverst be placed in the C.W.E. for the 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. '73.

#### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

It was decided not to collect the money for this dinner, as the Treasurer was not present.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. MacSwiney proposed a vote of thanks to the quiz team, who had recently competed against Wexford. Mrs. Murphy thanked everyone for their help in organising & supporting the benefit dance for her daughter & family. The C.I.C.A. have allocated Sat. nights for 1974.

our dates are :-

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 9<sup>th</sup> Oct. '73.

Chairman R. O'Leary.

Date 23-10-73

Proposed by: MRS - M. Murphy

Seconded by: MR. J. Conroy,

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Tue.  
9<sup>th</sup> Oct '73 at 8.30 p.m.

#### Annual Dinner.

It was decided not to provide a meal for the band, & we would pay for one round of drinks for them. A raffle would take place during the evening, the proceeds going to the Building Fund. The following are a list of prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> A hamper, Mrs Mc Nally will purchase this. 2<sup>nd</sup> A basket of fruit, Mrs Greacy will purchase this. 3<sup>rd</sup> Something from Tourist Board. The tickets will cost 5 for 10 p. sellers Mrs. Mc Nally Mrs Greacy, Misses Fitzgerald, & Deane. The A.I.B. will be asked to print the menus. An invitation will be sent to Mr. & Mrs. Feenan. The <sup>bouquets of</sup> flowers to be agreed upon at next meeting, also arrangements for strokes at top table. Music to be played for toast to Ireland A.O.B.

Change dates at Irish Centre for 1974. As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. '73.

Chairman R. O'Leary

Date 23-10-73.

Proposed by: Rev. F. MC Namee

Seconded by: MRS. K. MC Nally

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.  
on Tue. 23rd October 1943. at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Rev. Fr. MacManus Vice President, Mr. P. Allen, chairman, Mr. J. O' Sullivan, Treasurer, Miss T. Hendon Sec. also Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs. T. Greacy, Mrs. K. Scanlon, Miss R. Fitzgerald, Mrs. K. McNamee, Messrs. Mr. Flynn, C. Flynn, D. MacSwiney, P. Greacy, T. Crowley.

Apologies from Mr. P. Lynch, Miss S. Deane, Mr. J. O'Connor, Mr. T. Byrne.

The minutes of the previous two meetings were read & adopted.

#### Matters Arising.

Rev. Fr. MacManus said the A.I.B. Holloway Rd. had offered to have our menus printed or would pay our own printer. They would like the menu in a special form, & they would also give a spot prize for the night. The Committee accepted their kind offer. Mr. P. Lynch had told the Secretary that Mr. J. Hayes, A.I.B. will give £15. for prizes.

#### Correspondence.

The bill was received for the Bacon & Cabbage Dinner. An Acceptance to our Annual Dinner from the Lord Mayor of Cork, the Mayor of Brent, Mr. John Branagan. The Ambassador regrets he will not be able to attend, due to official business. Fr. MacManus asked if we would invite someone else from the Embassies after a long discussion it was decided not to issue any more invitations. A letter from Mr. J. Cullen telling us that he had retired from C.W.E. due to ill health. Mr. Healy, editor would attend Treasurers Report with his wife.

Balce £251.51p. £42.84 has been paid to the building fund & £11.60 have been received from them. The Treasurer reported that he had received a cheque book for the Cork City & County Assoc. & account has been debited

£6 for this. Mrs. Mc Mally Sec. Building fund said she was not aware that an account had been opened under this name. The Treasurer was asked to get in touch with the A.I.B.

### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner

So far £201 has been collected for this account. The raffle at this dance raised £15.50, it had been agreed that this raffle be held in aid of the Shandon appeal. Mr. O'Sullivan Treasurer, asked if the cost of the prizes be taken from this amount. Mr. Mr. Flynn proposed we forward the £15.50, to Shandon, Sec. by Mr. McSwiney.

### Annual Dinner

The tickets sold so far are as follows:-

Miss Deane 4.	Mr. P. Lynch 20,	Mr. T. Crowley 20.
Mrs. Mc Mally 15,	Mrs. Geaney 18,	Mrs. N. Murphy 16.
Mr. C. Flynn 13,	Mr. H. Flynn 15,	Rev. Fr. MacNamee 25,
Mr. McSwiney 19.	Miss Fitzgerald 4	Mr. R. Allen 140.

Miss Hanan 3. The Sec. asked if she could have names for the tables. It was agreed to have flowers on the top table. A lengthy discussion took place regarding drinks at the reception - top table.

Mr. H. Flynn asked how many people would be entertained at the reception. It was pointed out that this was for the guests, but it would be up to members of the Committee to ensure that only guests were in the reception room. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed that we treat our guests as guests, Sec. by Mrs. Geaney An amendment was proposed by Mr. C. Flynn that a limit be placed on the amount of money spent at the top table, Sec. by Mr. H. Flynn, a vote was taken - 2 for Amendment. The proposal was accepted. The following were asked to:

meet the guests on arrival at Barkers:- Mr. G. Crowley  
to meet the Lord Mayor of Cork; Mr. P. Lynch to meet  
the Mayor of Brent, Mr. C. Burke to meet Mr. J. Banigan.  
Mrs. Murphy has ordered ~~four~~<sup>three</sup> bouquets of flowers. The  
flowers will be presented by Mrs. Murphy Mrs. Mc  
Nally misses Deane & Hanahan. Rev. Fr. MacLanara  
asked if Mr. & Mrs O'Halloran could be seated at  
the top table. This was agreed by all. Fr. MacLanara  
asked Mrs Murphy to get another bouquet for Mrs. O'  
Halloran at his expense. Miss Fitzgerald will  
present these flowers. It was agreed that the  
band would act as M.C. & nobody would be  
allowed to sing during the evening. It was proposed  
that Mr. C. Burke be asked to ensure that these  
instructions were followed. The chairman asked if  
the Assoc. would pay for a taxi for Mrs. McNally,  
who was bringing the food hamper, & also a taxi  
for the Secretary. It was decided to give the band  
a meal instead of drinks.

A.D.B.

The chairman said that the Sec. name had not  
appeared on the Advert. or write up for the dinner.  
Mr. O'Sullivan said it was wrong that the Lord  
Mayor's name appeared on the advert. Miss Fitzgerald  
had tickets for a benefit dance in Rainham. The  
deceased had attended our Bacon & Cabbage  
just prior to his death.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 30<sup>th</sup> November 1973.

Chairman. R. Allen  
Date : Nov. 73.

Proposed by: H.R.M. Flynn  
Seconded by Mrs. K. McNally

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Tue. 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. '43 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacManara, vice-president Messrs C. Burke, P. Lynch vice-chairmen, Miss S. Deane Ass't Sec., P.R.O. Miss T. Hanahan Sec. also Mrs. Murphy Mrs. Greacy Mrs. K. McHally, Messrs. H. Flynn, C. Flynn P. Greacy & F. Crowley.

Apologies from Mr. J. O'Sullivan, Mrs. Scanlon, Miss Fitzgerald Messrs. D. McSweeney J. O'Connor & J. Byrne.

As this meeting was called to finalise the numbers of the dinner, the minutes were deferred to the next meeting.  
Annual Dinner.

The following are the numbers: Mr. C. Burke 20, Mr. H. Flynn 20, Mr. F. Crowley 31, Rev. Fr. MacManara 25, Mrs. Greacy 18, Mrs. McHally 20, Miss Fitzgerald 6, Mrs. Murphy 15, Miss Deane 20, Mr. C. Flynn 16, Mr. D. McSweeney 19, Mr. Lynch 61, Mr. R. Allen 162, Mr. Yeahan 25, Mrs. Scanlon 4, Miss Hanahan 2, Total 464 + 15 guests. The Lord Mayor would like to bring a friend Mr. Price, it was agreed he be seated at the top table. The Sec. asked if the officers would be seated at the top table - This was agreed by all. The Sec. said he would be telephoning Barkers at 10.30 A.M. to-morrow morning with the final numbers. The Sec. asked if someone could collect the menus from Maurice O'Connor after 1.p.m. on Friday. Mr. C. Flynn said he would collect them. The Chairman would ring the Wild Reivers giving them instructions. The photographer who had bought the photographic rights at Barkers would be in attendance.

#### Correspondence.

Miss T. O'Sullivan Vice-Chairman accepted the <sup>President</sup>

invitation to the dinner & also thanked us for the holiday she enjoyed with her mother. Mr. C. Burke paid £24 for B.C. dinner & Miss Deane paid £22.50. Mrs. M. Murphy donated £2 to the Association.

Date of next meeting 20<sup>th</sup> November 1973.

Chairman : R. Allen.

Proposed by H. Crowley.

Date 20-11-73

Seconded by H. C. Burke

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1  
on Tue. 20<sup>th</sup> November 1973.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacKenna vice-president, Messrs C. Burke, P. Lynch, Vice-Chairmen, Mr J. O'Sullivan, Treasurer, Miss T. Hananee Sec. Also Mrs. T. Greacy, Mrs. K. Scanlon, Miss K. Fitzgerald, <sup>Mrs. K. Mc Kelly</sup> Misses, Mr. Flynn, D. MacKenna, P. Greacy, T. Crowley.

Apologies from Miss Deane, <sup>Mrs. Murphy</sup> Misses, J. Byrne, J. O'Connor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

#### Matters arising.

Mr. C. Burke asked why the friend of the Lord Mayor of Cork was not seated at the top table. The Lord Mayor had said it was not necessary for his friend to be seated at top table.

#### Treasurer's report.

Bal £251.51, ~~£~~ £200.89 had been banked by the Sec. Annual Dinner raffle raised £76.25. The Treasurer has paid the Bacon & Cabbage dinner bill, also the expenses.

## Correspondence.

The bill for the Annual Dinner has been received - £1,643.01. The Sec. has agreed with Mr. Lansdowne that this amount will be paid at the end of January. It was agreed by all, that a deposit account be opened. A circular from Claddagh Property Agency Ltd. Thanks letters of thanks were received from the Mayor of Brent, John Branagan, & the Sec. of St. Ignatius Catholic Men's Club. The Irish Centre forwarded tickets for a concert, it was decided to give a donation of £10. Mr. Slattery (Faughs) asking our help to sell tickets for a dance on 7<sup>th</sup> Dec a donation of £2 be sent. A letter from a Mr. D. Dennis re a Co. Cork man who is in the Whittington Hospital, Mrs McNamee will make enquiries. The Prisoners aid & help for dependents - a donation of £5

## Annual Dinner.

The Treasurer collected £1263 for annual dinner tickets Mr. Lynch said there was a misunderstanding regarding the printing of the menus, as these should not have been printed by Mr. O'Connor. The chairman said it had been agreed at a previous meeting that Mr. O'Connor should print these & the bill forwarded to A.I.B. Holloway Rd. The food hamper cost £10., a basket of fruit £3.

## A.G.M.

The A.G.M. will take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that Mem. papers & a copy of the Constitution be sent out to the members.

## A.O.B.

Mrs Fitzgerald asked if there would be a children party this year. It was suggested that an outing was usually held instead of a party. Mrs. Heaney said that children seemed to enjoy a party rather than an outing. It was decided to hold a party before Lent

on Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Feb. The Chairman said a venue should be booked for next year's Annual Dinner. Mr. Lynch said the dinner should take place at the same time as the T. MacSwiney Memorial Mass. Mr. Mac Namara said surely the Mass could be arranged to coincide with the dinner. The Chairman asked the Sec. to ring Mr. Lunsden to book a Friday or Sat. night. Mr. Crowley asked if we would entertain the Cork Team after the Wembley Games, if so we should start preparing now. Mr. O'Sullivan said the team may be entertained at the Gresham. It was decided to defer a discussion to the next meeting. Mr. Lynch said he had promised tickets for the Annual Dinner, but had forgotten to deliver them. One lady came to Barkers. Mr. Lynch did not have a ticket for her, the lady came in after the dinner. This lady sat at the top table during the dinner. Mr. Geaney proposed that she should pay in full for her ticket Sec. by Mr. Burke said he thought £2 should be the amount A vote was taken 6 for paying in full - 5 against. The chairman said he had heard that Mr. Lynch was not pleased having a English toastmaster at the dinner, the chairman regretted that Mr. Lynch took this attitude, as the toastmaster had only filled in for a colleague who had fallen ill.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting Tue. 11<sup>th</sup> December 1973.

Chairman : R.J. Ahern  
Date : 11. 12. 73.

Seconded by : MR. K. Scanlon  
Proposed by : MR. M. C. Sweeney

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1.  
on 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. '43 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman. Messrs. C. Burke & P. Lynch Vice-chairmen. Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer. Miss F. Honohan Sec. Also Miss K. Fitzgerald Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Scanlon. Messrs. Mr. Flynn, P. Flynn, D. MacSweeney & T. Crowley.

Apologies from Mrs. Freacy Mr. Freacy Mrs. McMally.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters arising

The chairman has made a booking at the Irish Centre, for a children's party on 24<sup>th</sup> Feb '44. Mr. Flynn asked regarding the entertainment of the Cork Football Team for the Wembley Games. Mr. Gorman (Gresham) had said he would give a dinner for the team & committee. A lengthy discussion followed. Mr. C. Flynn proposed we entertain the Cork Team. Sec. by Mr. Mr. Flynn. It was carried ~~that~~ At the moment the London County Board have not decided if the games will be held on Sat. or Sunday. Mr. Crowley reported that Mrs. Mc Mally had seen the social worker at the Whittington re. Mr. Coveney. He is now with his family & receiving treatment.

Treasurer's Report.

To far 400 annual dinner tickets have been paid for. A deposit account was opened with £1500. C/A Rec. £68

#### Correspondence.

A bill for £4 was received from the Irish Club for sandwiches, also a bill for £12 for adws. in Cork Weekly. The agenda for the C.I.C.A. meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. A notice for the final of the individual quiz. Brochure from the Tara Hotel. Confirmation of our booking of Barkers for

our Annual Dinner on 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. '44.

The Social for the Building Fund will take place on 29<sup>th</sup> Dec. The raffle tickets are selling very slowly. Mr. Burke proposed the Association buy £10 worth of tickets. As it was felt that the Assoc. could not accept the £100 first prize. Mr. Burke withdrew his proposal. Mr. Crawley said he felt we had not pushed the sale of the raffle tickets. Miss Fitzgerald suggested that members of the Committee have the counterparts of their tickets ready for the raffle at the social.

#### A.G.M.

It was decided that nomination papers + a copy of the constitution be sent to the members. The nomination to be returned to the Sec. by the 12<sup>th</sup> Jan '44. The Chairman asked Mr. O'Sullivan if he would send out the newsletter. ~~Miss Fitzgerald said she would~~ Bacon + Cabbage Dinner.

A bacon + cabbage dinner will be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March. The Sec. was asked to book a band.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. Lynch said a remark was passed by Miss Fitzgerald that she would not be standing for the Committee next year, & he proposed that she be made Chairman for 1944. It was felt that this was out of order. The Chairman closed the meeting by wishing everyone a happy Christmas.

Date of next meeting 15<sup>th</sup> Jan '44.

Proposed by: - Miss K. Fitzgerald Chairman: - R. J. O'Leary  
Seconded by: - Mr. Con. Burke. Date: 15-1-74

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 1973.

Minutes of the A.G.M. held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1.  
on Sun. 21<sup>st</sup>. January 73 at 3.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. T. Yeelaw ~~Chairman~~, President, Rev. Fr. MacManara vice-president, Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Mrs. T. Greacy & Mr. P. Lynch vice-chairmen, Mrs. B. Murphy, Treasurer, Mrs. O'Leary Asst. Sec., Miss F. Hendon Hon. Sec., Mr. Ch. Boule P.R.O. & outgoing members of the Committee. The voting strength of the meeting was 44.

The Chairman in declaring the meeting open, welcomed the President Mr. Yeelaw & members to the meeting. Mr. Yeelaw said he wished to raise a point of order regarding the President, he asked when the President was elected, as Mr. Yeelaw had stated at a meeting of the Society - Association, that the office of President & Vice President would be left open. It was then suggested by Mr. Yeelaw that Mr. Allen should chair this meeting.

The minutes of the last A.G.M. were read & adopted.

### Matters Arising.

Mr. Ch. Boule said the money owed by Mr. Murphy had now been paid, but there was a bill of £20 for solicitor's fees. Mr. Boule added that he would like to see Mr. Yeelaw made life President. Mr. Yeelaw said it was up to this meeting to clarify the situation of the President & Vice President. He added that he had suggested at one meeting the possibility of past Chairmen of each organisation be made vice President. Mrs. Stephens said we did not have power to rescind points of the last A.G.M. so far no ties or badges have been ordered.

### Secretary's Report.

The Secretary reported on the various activities during the year & concluded by thanking the Asst. Sec. Mrs. O'Leary, her fellow Officers & Committee, whose help & co-operation were much appreciated.

This report was adopted.

#### Treasurer's Report.

Mrs. Murphy gave her report as per the balance sheet. The Annual Dinner account for 1942 has not yet been finalised. Mr. Hanley said the membership fees should be included in the gross amount. Mrs. Hepburn asked who had a list of members. Mr. Sheehan said he was a member of this organisation now & there should be only one membership list. It was stated that there was one membership list. The report was then adopted.

#### Chairman's Address.

The Chairman in his address said we had achieved much during 1942, & the joint committees of the Association & Society had worked well. He expressed his thanks to everyone who had helped to make the year a success. His thanks also went to the Irish Centre for the use of their premises for meetings & socials. Mr. Ch. Bouke complimented the Chairman on his work during the year. Mr. Yeelaw hoped that we would go forward now as one organisation under a banner. Mr. Lynch said we should have done more & should refrain from going back over old ground, he asked for an united body of all Cork groups.

#### Appointment of Scrutineers.

Messrs. P. Bailey, G. Lawney & Fiorene, were appointed as scrutineers. Before the election of Officers there were objections to the Nomination papers. Mrs. Hepburn said she had not completed the Nomination form, as the one she had received was headed 'Cork Association' only. It was pointed out that this was an omission by the Asst. Sec. Mr. MacSwiney said that seven nomination papers returned did not indicate a good response from the members. Mr. Sheehan said he did not accept nominations on paper, as this was the policy of the Cork Association. A lengthy discussion followed. The Sec. said it had taken time to prepare & send out these

papers. The chairman asked for a vote if the nomination papers should be accepted or should nominations be taken from the floor. In favour of nomination papers were 14. At this point a vote was also taken on the name of the organisation for the future. 36 in favour of the name 'Cork Association'.

Nominations for chairman. - The following were nominated :-

Mr. L. Allen, Mr. P. Lynch & Mr. J. Sheehan. Mr. Sheehan withdrew. In the ensuing election the votes were as follows: Mr. Allen 23, Mr. Lynch 12. Mr. Allen thanked everyone & promised to do all can to promote the Association.

Nominations for Vice-Chairmen (2). Mrs. Greacy, Misses Sheehan, Hanley, Lynch & C. J. Burke were nominated. Misses Sheehan & Hanley withdrew. The votes cast were as follows.

Mr. C. J. Burke 25, Mr. P. Lynch 22, + Mrs. Greacy 12.

For the office of Secretary Miss Honohan was <sup>the only</sup> nominated. Miss Deane was nominated for Asst. Sec.

For the Office of Treasurer, Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. J. Byrne, & Mr. T. O'Sullivan were nominated. Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. Murphy & Mr. Byrne withdrew. Mr. O'Sullivan was then elected as Treasurer.

Committee After withdrawals the following were elected to the Committee Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. Greacy, Mrs. Scanlon, Mrs. M. Murphy, Misses M. Flynn, C. Flynn, J. Byrne, D. MacSwiney, T. O'Connor & P. Greacy.

Patrons, President & Vice President.

Mr. Ch. Burke proposed we ask the Taoiseach, Mr. J. Lynch to be one of our patrons. See by Mrs. Scanlon. In a discussion that followed it was felt that we could not ask Mr. Lynch as Taoiseach to be a patron. Mr. Burke withdrew his proposal. Mr. Sheehan proposed Mr. Yeelaw as President & Rev. Fr. MacManus was returned as vice-president. It was decided not to appoint other vice-presidents now, but the Committee could appoint some during the year.

### Other Business.

Miss Reid suggested that we could perhaps form a bridge club, she also said that the Annual Diner's success is due to the support of the rank & file members, but the guests do not meet the members. Mr. Boule said the Chairman meets all who attends the dinner. Mr. Helen said that money was lost on dinner, when all the tickets booked were not paid for, it is usual procedure that you pay for any tickets booked, if these have not cancelled prior to the function. Mr. Ch. Boule moved that matters discussed at meetings & recorded in the minutes are binding & final, & that auditors be appointed prior to the A.G.M to check the books. Sec. by P. Lynch.

This concluded the business & the Chairman in closing the meeting, thanked all concerned for their proposals & interest in the Association.

Chairman:- R. Allen.

Proposed by Rev. M<sup>o</sup> Name

Date:- 3. 2. 74.

Seconded by Miss. N. O'Sullivan

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on  
Tue. 15<sup>th</sup> Jan '44 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. P. Burke  
Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss S. Henderson  
Sec. also Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Scanlon Mrs. Greacy,  
Messrs. C. Flynn P. Greacy D. MacSwiney

Apologies from Mrs. Murphy Mrs. McNally Mr. F.  
Crosley.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters arising.

The Sec. reported that she had spoken to Mr. Ryan  
G.A.A. regarding the entertaining of the Cork Football Team.  
He confirmed that the games would be played on 26<sup>th</sup> May  
& that they will be sponsored by A.I.B. - he thought  
that any function arranged by the County Assoc. would be  
held on Sun. evening. A discussion followed, Mr  
Burke thought that Mr. Gormon's invitation was very  
welcome. The Sec. was asked to write to the London  
County Board & then to the Cork County Board.  
Treasurer's Report.

There was a profit of £114 on the raffle & dance on  
29<sup>th</sup> Dec. so far the radio has not been claimed.  
Bills in bank £317.01. D/A £1466.97. The bill for  
the Annual Dinner will be paid at the end of January.  
Correspondence.

A letter from Mr. Cook regarding a talk at  
a Club in Sudbury-on-Thames. A cheque from Mr.  
Feehan for Annual Dinner tickets. Mr. O'Sullivan  
suggested we return the money for Mr. Feehan's ticket  
as he was a guest. This was agreed by all. An  
agenda for C.I.C.A. & also a nomination paper for  
their A.G.M. There were 13 nomination papers returned  
& the following are the nominations: Chairman Mr. R. Allen

Vice-Chairmen: Mrs. K. Mc Mally, Messrs. C. J. Burke T. Wyse  
M. Browne, Y. Crowley, J. O'Connor. Hon. Sec. Miss J. Hanley  
Hon. Treasurer: Mr. J. O'Sullivan Committee: Mrs. Greacy,  
Miss Fitzgerald, Miss Deane Mrs. Scanlon, Mrs. Murphy  
Miss Barry Mrs. Mc Mally Messrs. P. Flynn M. Flynn  
Y. Crowley Y. Ahern T. O'Donoghue D. MacSwiney P. Ryan  
P. Lynch J. Roche T. O'Donovan M. O'Donovan M. O'Donovan  
T. Wyse. Mrs. Moran Messrs. P. Greacy T. Hyde J. Hanley  
M. O'Connell B. Collins C. J. Burke.

### Children's Party

The party will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> Feb. So far only 12 names have been received. As presents will not be given it's not necessary to have the children's ages. The final date for names will be 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. The Chairman said he would donate the ice-cream. The ladies will do the catering. Mr. O'Sullivan will make enquiries regarding film show.

### Bacon - Cabbage Dinner

The tickets have been ordered, & the Southlanders have been booked for 23<sup>rd</sup> March. The Building Fund have three dates at the Cricklewood Hotel 6<sup>th</sup> April, 18<sup>th</sup> May & 13<sup>th</sup> July. The band for these socials will be the Wild Horses. Mrs. Greacy suggested we book a function at John Fitzgerald's. The Chairman suggested we book some dates at the Cricklewood Hotel. The Catholic Club at High Wycombe has invited the Association to a social at their club.

### C.I.C.A.

Mr. MacSwiney reported on the C.I.C.A meeting. A profit of £107 was made on the Christmas Buffet. A parade will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> March for St. Patrick. It had been decided to hold it on this date to enable people to attend the Dublin - New York parades on 14<sup>th</sup> March.

## A.O.B.

The Sec. said she had made enquiries in Cork regarding ties for the Assoc. These would have to be ordered in bulk (12 dozen) & would take six to nine months to be made up. Mr. O' Sullivan said the Gavins were available for 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. 74 - Mr. O' Sullivan was asked to book the band for the Annual Dinner. A supper would be supplied to the band. The Sec. was asked to send a get well card to Mrs. Burke. In closing the meeting the Chairman thanked everyone for their help & co-operation during the year. Mr. O' Sullivan expressed his thanks to everyone & wished everyone the best for 1974.

Chairman : - R J Allen  
Date : - 12-2-74.

Proposed by : - MR. J. O'Sullivan  
Seconded by : - MR. D. MacSweeney

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tue.  
12<sup>th</sup> Feb '74 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. L. Allen, Chairman, Messrs. P. J. Burke & T. Wyse vice-chairmen, Mr. J. O' Sullivan Treasurer, Miss F. Hanahan, Sec. also Miss Fitzgerald Mrs. Mally Messrs. F. Crowley, D. MacSwiney, Mr. Flynn, P. Flynn, T. Shee & Mr. O' Donovan.

Apologies Mrs. Geaney & Mrs. M. Murphy.  
The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

The Chairman in opening the meeting welcomed everyone & hoped that we would have a successful year.  
Treasurer's Report.

Balance of current account £177.25.

Building Fund Deposit Ac. £155.12.

## Correspondence.

A letter of thanks from N.A.C.A.I. to Mr. Ch. Bouke, K. Waldron, & Mr. O'Donovan. A leaflet from Glen Gravel regarding reduced fares to Ireland. A letter from the London County Board giving permission to entertain the Cork Football Team on 26<sup>th</sup> May. Confirmation from Mr. O'Driscoll that he would be Master of Ceremonies at Annual Dinner. Mr. Burke asked about donation to Mr. Bouke. Mr. Crowley said he had received a telephone call from a Mr. Sheehan asking for help for Mr. Bouke - who was not working as his wife was very ill. The Chairman said he had spoken to the Treasurer & it was decided to give a £10 donation. Mrs. McHally asked what would be done if a similar case occurred, as she felt that two people should assess the situation. The Chairman said this was a special case, as Mr. Bouke had been a member of the Committee & normally we investigate each case. The meeting approved the donation.

## Children's Party.

Mr. O'Sullivan was unable to get a projector for a film show. Mr. T. Wyse said he would endeavour to get one. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed we hire a projector & film & give our members children a good film show. This was agreed. Mr. Wyse will ask the Columbian Yattas if they could do the show, if this is unsuccessful he will go to some film companies. The Committee will supply the cakes crisps sweets fruit & drinks. Sandwiches will be ordered from the Irish Centre. Time of party 3.00pm - 5.00pm. 42 names have been received.

## Bacon-Cabbage Dinner.

The tickets were distributed at the meeting & also tickets for the dance at Hammersmith Town Hall. Mr. Ahern asked what would happen to the money collected for the Building Fund - if this sub-committee is wound up

Mr. O'Sullivan said we are now committed to a Building Fund & this money is to build premises for Cork people. Mrs. Mc Mally said there was no bank account for the Building Fund. Mr. O'Sullivan read a letter from the A.I.B stating that the deposit account was designated 'Building Fund Account' on 6<sup>th</sup> Febr. Mr. M. J. Donovan pointed out that this was a sub. committee & under the jurisdiction of the Cork Association. Mr. Flynn asked if we were registered as a charity, as we would be liable for tax if not a charitable org. Mr. O'Sullivan said as we were a welfare org. we would not pay tax. The Chairman said a letter would be sent to the parish org. inviting them to attend a meeting & the question of 'the funds' be discussed. A meeting was arranged for 6<sup>th</sup> March & a letter be sent to each organisation. Mr. O'Sullivan said at the first meeting of the Building fund, it was decided that the Chairman of the Assoc. would be Chairman of the Building Fund. C.I.C.A delegates for 1974: Mrs. Murphy, Mr. A. Flynn, Mr. M. J. O'Donovan was appointed P.R.O.

#### A.O.B.

The Sec. said she had visited the Tara Hotel & read some of their sample menus. Mr. Crowley asked what we were doing for the Cork Football Team. The Sec. said she was awaiting a reply from the Cork County Board. Mr. O'Sullivan thought we should accept Mr. Gorman's offer. Mr. Burke said it would be difficult to find other accommodation now. A lengthy discussion followed & it was decided to accept Mr. Gorman's offer. Mr. Gorman will supply meal & service. Mrs. Mc Mally asked if she could have the outstanding money for the Hammersmith Town Hall (£7.66) Mr. O'Sullivan asked if the Association would take part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade if it will take place. It was felt that we did not march.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting Tue. 19<sup>th</sup> March '74.

Chairman: - R. J. Allen. Proposed by: - MRS. K. HENRY  
Date: - 19. 3. 74. Seconded by: - J. O'DONOGHUE

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre N.W.I. on  
Tue. 19<sup>th</sup> March '74, at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacManara vice President Messrs. P. Burke & T. Wyse Vice-chairmen, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Hon. Treasurer, Miss J. Hanahan Sec. Also Mrs. Greacy, Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. L. McNamee, Misses, F. Crowley, D. MacSwiney, J. O'Donovan, C. Flynn & F. Ahern.

Apologies Mrs. M. Murphy -

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters arising.

Mr. Burke said we were mislead, as to the entertainment of the Cork Football Team, as it was stated that there would only be the Cork Team at the Gresham, but now two other teams are also being entertained there. Mr. O'Sullivan said, when the offer was made last Sept. he was led to believe that there would be one team at the Gresham. During a lengthy discussion Mrs. McNamee said the Band Association would like to entertain the team. Miss Hanahan said the Cork Assoc. had obtained permission to entertain the team. Mr. Crowley said the Assoc. was not entertaining the team. Mr. Gormon was doing this. Miss Hanahan proposed we now look for a place to hold a dinner & dance on 26<sup>th</sup> May, & reject Mr. Gormon's invitation Sec. by Mr. O'Sullivan ~~& T. Wyse~~ Three voted in favour of the proposal.

## Treasurer's Report.

Bal. in bank £191.25 outstanding cheques £24.75. £27.66 + £12. Building Fund A/c. £126.84. £26.94 from dance at Hammersmith Town Hall. £21.66 to be credited to current A/c.  
Correspondence.

A letter of acceptance from the Cork County Board Bills received from the Irish Club (overnight stay of Professor Lee) Hibernian Printing Co. Agenda + raffle tickets from C.I.C.A. A dividend from the A.C.C.  
Dance on 15<sup>th</sup> March.

This function was most disappointing, as it did not get the support from all organisations. Mr. Ahern said at least one adsheet should have appeared on the Cork Weekly. Mr. J. D. Donovan said he had never seen a good 'write-up' of our activities on the Weekly. + he said we should get in touch with the Weekly in Cork, we are the poorest organisation although the largest County.

## Bacon, Cabbage Dinner.

No. of tickets sold 235. A raffle would be held for a bottle of Whiskey + Mr. O'Sullivan agreed that the 200 cigarettes he had donated for the Hammersmith dance could also be put in the raffle. Mr. Flynn would bring two miniature bottles of Paddy. The men on the Committee would take turns at the door during the evening. Messrs Allen, J. D. Donovan would collect the tickets for the dinner. Admission to the dance 50p.  
A.D.B.

Mr. Crowley asked what aims the Cork Association had in view for the rest of the year - if we had any project such as helping to raise money to send sick children to Lourdes. The Sec. said she had a telephone call from a Mr. Carrick asking the Assoc.

to help a Mrs Carroll from Clonakilty, whose husband had died leaving her to bring up five children. Mr. Crowley said we should give this case to the Clonakilty Assoc. - await their answer, as the Assoc. had previously handed over a case to the Bandon Assoc. Mr. J. O' Donovan said this was an opportunity for the Assoc. to do some welfare work, if he had the permission the the Committee he would endeavour to book at the Loyola Hall for a dance - he would pay for the printing of the tickets. Mr. Burke said if we organised a dance, some tickets could be sent to the Clonakilty Assoc. A vote was taken seven in favour of the Assoc. helping this case. The Bandon Assoc. had paid the burial expenses for a person - we would ask the C.I.C.A. welfare fund for £25. Mr. Ahern suggested we go on a river trip this year instead of an outing. Mr. Crowley suggested if we hear of any Cork person wishing to visit Limerick we run a benefit dance. Mr. O'Sullivan said he had spoken to Mr. J. Birmingham, Sec. Cork Polis, who asked us if we support a new project in Cork for the care of Polis people, Mr. O'Sullivan had asked for literature on the venture but so far it had not arrived. Mr. O'Sullivan said he felt the Building fund would gain more support during the year. \*

\* As there was no other business the meeting closed  
A vote of sympathy was passed to Rev. Fr. O'Donovan on the death of his brother.

Date of next meeting 9<sup>th</sup> April 74  
Chairman: R. J. Allen proposed by: M.R. J. Gould  
Date: 9. 4. 74. Seconded by: J. O'Sullivan

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1  
on Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> April '44 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. K. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacNamara  
vice president Mr. C. Burke vice-chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan  
Treasurer, Miss G. Hanahan Sec. also Mrs. Mr. Murphy, Miss  
K. Fitzgerald, Messrs. T. Crowley, D. MacSwiney, Mr. Flynn  
T. Ahern & P. Flynn.

Apologies from Mrs. Freacy, Mrs. McNamee, Messrs. T. Wyse & Mr.  
O'Donovan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters Arising.

Mr. Ahern said he had spoken to Mr. Whelan (C.W.E.),  
who said he would give coverage to our functions. Mr.  
Crowley said the lack of publicity was not the fault of the  
C.W.E., but our P.R.O., Mr. Burke said we never had such bad  
coverage. A discussion followed, it was felt as Mr. H. O'  
Donovan<sup>P.R.O.</sup> was not present at our last meeting, it was  
best to look for another P.R.O. Mr. MacSwiney suggested Mr.  
Burke could do the job, but Mr. Burke said he was too  
involved with youth work, to have sufficient time to do P.R.O.  
work. Mr. O'Sullivan said perhaps Mr. Wyse would do the P.R.O.  
work. The Sec. will ring Mr. O'Donovan and ask him if he  
wishes to continue as P.R.O. Miss Fitzgerald asked if anything  
would be done about a boat trip.

#### Treasurer's Report.

Bal £254.13. membership is now 92. Cash in hand  
£4.50. The Chairman proposed we give £20 to the C.I.C.A.  
welfare fund, Sec. by Mr. MacSwiney. It was carried.  
Correspondence.

A letter from St Vincent de Paul Society in Willesden  
asking for help for funeral expenses for a Mr. Power. The  
C.I.C.A. Welfare will be asked for a donation. A letter from  
Mrs. McNamee tendering her resignation as Sec. of the Building

Fund. The Chairman will ring Mrs. Mc Nally & ask her to reconsider. Thirteen tickets from B. I. to a promotional evening at the Irish Centre. These were distributed. Ten tickets for C.I.C.A. dinner. - Mr. O'Sullivan 3, Mr. Burke 2, Mr. M. Flynn 2, Mr. C. Flynn 2, Mrs. Murphy 1. A letter for our £7 donation for the family of the late John Barry.

Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

The Sec. said that although at the final count of tickets prior to the dinner, the number sold was 235, & less than 200 sat down to dinner. It was decided that we would have to be more careful in future. £12.50 was collected at the door, raffle £24.92. The band cost £40, & the Sec. paid £3 for cigarettes for the raffle, as Mrs. Mc Nally had not brought the one given by J. O'Sullivan.

Building Fund.

The dance at the Cricklewood Hotel was a financial disaster, it showed a loss of £12. No raffle was held as the attendance was so low. Again it was felt that lack of publicity was the reason for the failure of this function. The next dance is 18<sup>th</sup> May, if this was not a success we will have to think things over again.

Annual Diner.

The Chairman asked for suggestions for our chief guest for our Annual Diner. As this is our 2<sup>nd</sup> year perhaps our patrons should be invited, other suggestions were the Ambassador, Mr. T. Walsh, Fed. of Societies, & Cork Association Birmingham. As the meeting was running late, the Chairman asked the Committee to think about this for our next meeting.

A.D.B

The Chairman heard that B.I. may be bringing discount cards for travel to Ireland, to members of the C.I.C.A. At the moment there are no other details.

CORK ASSOCIATION

Minutes of a Committee meeting held in the Irish Centre on Wednesday 4th Sept. 1974.

Present: In the chair, Mr.R.Allen, Fr.McNamara, Mrs.M.Murphy, Mrs.T.Treacy, Miss K. Fitzgerald, Messrs.D.McSweeney, C.Burke, F.Crowley, J.O'Donovan, J.O'Sullivan and T.Wyse.

Apologies were received from the Secretary, Miss Eileen Honohan, who was away on holiday.

In the absence of the Secretary, the minutes of the previous meeting were held over and Tom Wyse agreed to take the minutes of the meeting then in progress.

BACON & CABBAGE SUPPER The Chairman asked for an up-to-date count of those likely to attend as the figure was required by the Irish Centre on the following evening. The figure calculated was 234 and this was regarded as satisfactory because the maximum allowed would be 250. Prizes for the Raffle were discussed and it was decided to offer - A Bottle of Brandy, A Bottle of Gin and 2 lbs of Chocs.

CORRESPONDENCE: Items of correspondence were read. Mainly of a 'Circular' character and did not require a decision.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer reported that there was no significant change from the report given at the previous meeting. It was agreed to withdraw the holding of £26 in Irish Bonds and place on Bank Deposit to enhance its dividend potential.

JUMBLE SALE : Would take place as planned on Saturday 14th Sept. The Chairman urged the members of the Committee to collect and deliver as many goods as possible and thereby ensure the success of the event.

ANNUAL DINNER & DANCE:

Dinner tickets were distributed as follows:)

R.Allen 80, Dan McSweeney 10, Fr.McNamara 20, Mrs.M.Murphy 10, Mr.Con Burke 10,

Miss K.Fitzgerald 10, Mr.Frank Crowley 40, Mrs.T.Treacy 20, Mr. J.O'Donovan 10,

Mr.J.O'Sullivan, 5, T.Wyse 10

making a total of 225

Next Meeting: The Chairman said that the date of the next meeting would be arranged when the Secretary returned from holidays.

The meeting closed at 10.25 with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

*R. J. Allen*

23. 9. 74.

Rev. Fr. McNamara, said we have used the Irish Centre over the past years for meetings etc & also many Cork people are accommodated here, he felt we should give the centre help now. Sec. by Mr. J. O'Sullivan. Mr. Burke suggested we run a function at the Loyola Hall. The Chairman said it was expensive to hire this hall. Rev. Fr. McNamara suggested we hold a dance at the Gresham. Mr. O'Sullivan asked Fr. McNamara to see Mr. Gormon. A Tombola sale will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. The quiz team to be entered for the Guinness Inter County Quiz.

Date of next meeting - 4<sup>th</sup> May '44.

Chairman: - R. J. Allen. Proposed by Mrs. M. Murphy  
Date: - 7. 5. 74. Seconded by Mr. D. H. Deasy

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Tue 4<sup>th</sup> May '44 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were: Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. T. Wyse Vice-chairman, P.R.O., Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss J. Hanahan Hon. Sec. also Mrs. T. Heacy, Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs. R. Mc'Nally, Mrs. M. Murphy, Messrs. F. Crowley, D. MacSwiney, F. Ahern.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, adopted.  
Matters arising

Mrs. Mc'Nally said she had now given the cigarettes to the raffle at Cricklewood Hotel, with other prizes. Mr. O'Sullivan said he had brought the bottle of whiskey for this raffle.

Treasurers Statement.

Balance in bank £474.45, this included money

received for recent Bacon-Cabbage Dinner. Mr. Crawley asked if there would be a profit on this function. - as yet we have not received the bill from the Irish Centre. Mr. Crawley asked if he could have this information at the next meeting.

#### Correspondence.

Letters of thanks were received from the following: Challeville Assoc. for £5 donation, Handicapped Children Pilgrimage for donation of £10. Bandon Association for £25 for funeral expenses of Mr. Deasy. Newsletters from Bandon Assoc., Ivernia Yacht Board, C.I.C.A. re fund of Guinness Quiz. An appeal from Children Holiday Project it was decided to donate £10. London County Board sent 6 tickets for the Wembley Games - these were distributed by means of a draw. A letter from Mr. J. Murphy regarding our attitude to force feeding. Mr. Wyse said the letter from Mr. Murphy needed a careful answer, & suggested we approach Rev. Fr. MacLennan & Mr T. Feetham to discuss this matter. Mr. Crawley said that many people were asking the same question as Mr. Murphy. & the Cork Association had made no recommendation. Mr. McNamee said something has to be done soon. The C.I.C.A. had voted to send a letter to the Home Sec. but Mr. Gormon vetoed this, it was then beaten on a vote. Mr. McSwiney said it was not up to Fr. MacLennan or Mr. Feetham to make the decision, as were the elected Committee. Mr. Crawley said Mr. Halligan, Fed. of Irish Societies had said recently that too many organisations were hiding behind the non-political clause in their Constitution; & this only referred to private members political beliefs. Mr. O'Sullivan said the Association has endeavoured throughout the years to remain non-political. A lengthy discussion followed & the Sec. was

asked to acknowledge receipt of letter.

### Dinner for Football Team.

The Sec. said she would forward two tickets to each of the Committee for this dinner - Admittance was by ticket only. The Sec. will order wine + fruit juices. Jerry Daly asked if we would place an advert in the Weekly - it was agreed to do this.

### P.R.O Report.

Mr. Wyse asked what items should be sent to Jerry Daly? It was decided that he should include in his write up the forthcoming functions. A discussion regarding photographs as Gerry Harrington seems to have lost interest.

### Annual Dinner.

The Chairman asked for proposals of a chief guest at our Annual Dinner. Mr. Crowley said as we have five patrons, we should invite all of them. The Sec. said we would have to be prepared to pay their fares if necessary. Mrs. H. Mally said as they had accepted to be patrons surely they should pay their own fares. Mr. Crowley then proposed we invite all the patrons Sec. by Mrs. H. Mally - in the vote that followed 4 were in favour of the proposal + 1 against. Mr. H. Swiney proposed we invite the Lord Mayor of Cork. Sec. by Miss Fitzgerald. Nine in favour of this proposal. Mr. Wyse proposed we invite the Ambassador Sec. by Mrs. Treacy. Six in favour of this proposal. Mr. O' Sullivan said there were enough guests at the moment.

### A.O.B.

The C.I.C.A have now got a social Committee. I hope to get a darts competition started soon. The Sec. will ask for members interested in darts to form a team. A newsletter will be sent out during the

next couple of weeks. Our Sat. night at the Irish Centre for the first half of 1975 ~~was~~ will be 19<sup>th</sup> April '75. Tickets for the Building Fund dance were distributed at the meeting. As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : 18<sup>th</sup> June 1974.

Chairman : R. J. Allen. Proposed by: M.R. D. H. Sweeney  
Date : 18. 6. 74. Seconded by Mr. F. Crowley.

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tue. 18<sup>th</sup> June '74. at 8.45 p.m.

Present were : Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. C. Burke Vice-Chairman, Miss T. Hananaw Sec. also Mrs. H. Murphy, Mrs. K. Mc Mally, Miss Fitzgerald, Messrs F. Crowley, D. MacSwiney, C. Flynn Mr. Flynn + J. O'Donovan.

Apologies from Messrs. J. O'Sullivan + T. Ahern.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read + adopted.  
Matters arising.

Mr. MacSwiney said the Secretary of the C.I.C.A. had said there was a letter in the Irish Post stating their view on force feeding. Mr. Burke said had he known what was going to happen at the Gresham on the evening of the Wembley Games, he would not have agreed to the entertaining of the Cork Team there. It was the feeling of the meeting that this experience would not be repeated. Mr. MacSwiney asked if anything had been done about Mr. Murphy's letter. This had been acknowledged.

There was no Treasurer's Statement, as the Treasurer was on holiday.

Correspondence.

An agenda for the C.I.C.A meeting. An appeal from

The St. John Bosco Shrine, India for financial help. It was decided not to help. A letter from Mr. M. O'Donovan tendering his resignation, due to other commitments. A letter of thanks from St. Vincent de Paul Society, Willesden. A list of dates from the Bandon Association of their functions for 1975. A letter from Mr. Farnell, asking for financial help for a Corkman Mr. P. Hughes, who broke his leg. The Sec. said she had spoken to Mr. Farnell, & had suggested that the Assoc. would give a £5 donation, but Mr. Farnell said this would not be much use. It was decided not to do anything about this case. The St. Vincent de Paul Society asking for help for a lady from Midleton - it was decided to refer this case to the Midleton Assoc. Mrs. Walsh wrote asking for someone to collect some money. Bacon-Cabbage Dinner.

So far the tickets have not been received, these will be distributed at the next meeting. The Sec. asked if the proceeds of the raffle at this function could be donated to Fr. Crowley's work in the African missions. It was decided to refer this to the next meeting.

#### Tumble Sale:

This has been arranged for 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. & the Committee were asked to help at the sale.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. Flynn asked if anything was being done by the Assoc. about the sale of Aran sweaters on the Irish, in the Evening News. The Chairman said Mr. J. Stoddard M.P. had referred this to the race relations Board. It was felt that we should appeal to people to stop buying the Evening News. The Sec. asked the Chairman to write this letter. The Chairman said he would like to make it clear to all the Committee, that when he receives an invitation to attend a function as Chairman of the Cork Association

he does not expect to be challenged about these functions. He said he had received a telephone call from the A.I.B. to attend their function at the Esso Hotel on the eve of the Wembley Games. Mrs. Mc Mally said there was now sixteen strong Cork Associations - as such should be invited to these functions. A discussion followed - it was felt that as we have no power to tell people who they should invite to their functions in future the Chairman should not be challenged about these occasions. Mrs. Mc Mally returned a radio that had not been claimed at the Christmas raffle.

#### C.I.C.A. Report.

Mr. Mr. Flynn told us we have bays in the 1<sup>st</sup> round of the Quiz & dart competitions. The Corkie who won the trip to Ireland at the recent C.I.C.A. dinner has promised to take two pensioners on holiday with him - he will also give them £100 spending money. The C.I.C.A. have asked the Counties to submit names at the next Council meeting - the most deserving will be awarded the prize. Mr. Gorman has donated £1000 for the mentally handicapped, but it has not yet been decided how this will be divided.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : 9<sup>th</sup> July 74.

Chairman : R. J. Allen.  
Date : 9. 7. 74.

Proposed by : MR. F. Crowley  
Seconded by : MR. D. McSweeney

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1.  
on Tue. 9<sup>th</sup> July 74, at 8.30 p.m.

Present were : Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Mr. C. Burke Vice Chairman, Mr. J. O Sullivan Treasurer, Miss J. Hendon Sec. also Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Murphy Messrs T. Crowley, D. MacSwiney.

Apologies from Mrs J. O Donovan Messrs. T. Wyse, T. Ahern, M. Flynn, C. Flynn & J. O Donovan.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters Arising.

The Chairman said he had not yet written to papers regarding the Earl of Arran comments. Mr. O Sullivan said he would be in favour of leaving this matter to the powers who are now dealing with it, he also thought that we should boycott the paper. Mr. Burke asked if an advert. could be placed in the papers asking people to boycott the Evening News. It was felt that most papers would not accept this advert.

#### Treasurer's Report.

Building Fund b/c £247.88 Cash on hand £8.  
b/c on current a/c £499.95 - cheques outstanding £269.15.  
b/c. £221.80. £100 profit on Bacon & Cabbage dinner (196 tickets paid) Mr. O Sullivan asked if the Committee would like to open a deposit account with £150. It was agreed to do this. Mr. Burke thanked the Assoc. for the wreath at Mrs. Banks' funeral. Mr. O Sullivan asked if Mr. Ch. Banks needed any help. It was decided to leave it for a month or so.

#### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

At the previous meeting it was suggested that the proceeds of the raffle be donated to Rev. Fr. Crowley for his missionary work in Africa. It was agreed that this was a worthy cause. Mr. O Sullivan said perhaps a social

evening could be arranged prior to Mr. Crowley's departure at the end of August. As most of the Committee are on holiday during Aug. it was felt that it would be difficult to get a suitable evening. Mr. Burke suggested £20 be donated. ~~Builds~~ Tickets for the dinner seemed to be selling well.

#### Building Fund.

Next social will be on 13<sup>th</sup> July 74. Mr. Crowley asked to have cloakroom tickets at the door.

#### Annual Dinner.

Mr. O'Sullivan said he had made enquiries at O'Gars about a new banner. It would cost £35-£40 for a banner unmounted, ~ it would take approx. four to five weeks to make. O'Gars had promised to send him all details, but so far he has not received any. - he will write to them again. Mr. Allen proposed we invite Mr. & Mrs. S. White of the Bucklewood Hotel to the dinner. Seconded by Mr. J. O'Sullivan. It was suggested that we write to Gallaghers & Guinness to help with cigarettes etc. for the dinner, ~ also ask Cork firms for help. Mr. Allen said he would write to the Charleville Cheese factory. As the menu prices have increased it was agreed that we charge £4.50.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. F. Crowley proposed we invite Mr. H. Phelan to fill the vacancy on the Committee see. by Mr. J. O'Sullivan. It was agreed that we submit Miss M. O'Sullivan & Mrs Harrington's names to the C.I.C.A. for the free trip to Ireland. Mr. O'Sullivan said he had got some ties with the Cork crest on them costing £1.95 (navy & green)

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting Wed. 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 74

Chairman : - R. Allen.

Date : 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug. 74.

Proposed by : - J. Crowley.  
Seconded by : Mrs. M. Murphy

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Mon. 23rd Sept. '74.

Present were: Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. T. Wyse, vice-chairman & P.R.O., Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss G. Housham Sec. also Mrs. Murphy, Miss Fitzgerald, Messrs. T. Crowley, D. MacSwiney Mr. Flynn, C. Flynn & Mr. Ahern.

Apostogies from Mrs. Treacy, Mr. C. Burke.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming Mr. M. Ahern to the Committee ~~& hoped~~.

The minutes were taken as read.

### Correspondence.

A letter from Mr. Egans giving details of the new banner. Cost will be £37.50. Thank you card from K. J. O'Donnell. An Agenda from C.I.C.A. & a list of Sat. nights at the Centre for 1975. The Assoc. dates are 19<sup>th</sup> April & 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. The Blarney Cork Assoc. ordering 14 tickets for the Annual Dinner. A letter from the Ambassador, regretting he will be unable to attend the Annual Dinner, but would like to be represented by Mr. S. Gaynor. A letter from Mrs. B. Houlahan asking for help to return to Cork. A circular from

### Matters arising.

The Chairman said he had a telephone call from a Mr. Fitzgerald asking for help for Mrs. Houlahan. As her letter had not stated any particular requirement for help, Mr. MacSwiney said a cash offer would be best. The chairman proposed we give £20, Sec. by Mr. Wyse. Mr. O'Sullivan said her fare to Ireland would be at least £12. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that Messrs C. & Mr. Flynn visit the lady & obtain details, then we could decide what to do. The Secretary thanked the Committee for the lovely flowers, the Chairman thanked for the chocolates presented to his wife. Mr. Crowley said the clothes from the jumble sale were very welcome in Ireland. Mr. O'

Sullivan thanked Mr. Crowley for posting the clothes. Mr. Crowley asked if Mr. Yeehaw could represent the Ambassador at our dinner. He said the Ambassador never comes to our dinner. Mr. Crowley proposed that we should not accept Mr. & Mrs. Gaynor as representatives of the Ambassador. Sec. by Mr. C. Ryan. Mr. MacSwiney said the Ambassador could attend more than one function in a evening. Mr. Wyse said if we did not accept Mr. & Mrs. Gaynor at the dinner it would be flying in the face of protocol. Mr. O'Sullivan said while he agrees with Mr. Crowley it would be embarrassing to write & say we could not accept his deputy. Mr. O'Sullivan asked Mr. Crowley to reconsider his motion. Mr. Cheyne said if we read that the Ambassador attended a social function on 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. then we should reconsider inviting the Ambassador to our functions in future. Mr. Crowley said he would withdraw his motion but he is far from happy with the situation.

#### Treasurer's Report.

Mr. O'Sullivan said two members of the Committee had to serve at the recent dinner, & as such should not pay for their tickets. The members refused to accept a refund. It was decided that they could get favourable consideration at the next dinner. So far 212 tickets for the Bacon & Cabbage Diner had been paid for - 242 sat down. Raffle £32.70. donation £5. Door £17. Tumble sale £24.32. Balance in bank £29.06. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed we donate £50 to Fr. Crowley. Sec. by Mr. F. Crowley.

#### Annual Dinner.

So far the invitations issued are Lord Mayor of Cork & Mr. & Mrs. S. Gaynor, who have accepted. Mr. & Mrs. J. White have also been invited. It was decided to invite the following: Rev. Fr. Sheridan Prop. by Mr. L. Allen. Sec. by Miss Fitzgerald. Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lynch, proposed by Mr. Wyse. Sec. by Miss Hanahan. Mr. M. Browne, proposed by

Mr. Crowley sec. by Mr. Wyse. Mr. O'Ghone said he was surprised that no Bishop had been invited. Mr. M. O'Ghone proposed we invite Mr. & Mrs. Jack Lynch sec. by Mr. M. Flynn. It was felt that this invitation might be a bit late. A vote was taken 5 - 2. Mr. O'Sullivan said we should invite the first Chairman Dr. T. Tagney. It was agreed by all. Other invitations to our President & his wife our two vice-presidents Rev. Fr. Nee, Mr. Healy, Cork Weekly Examiner & the Secretary. It was decided to have envelopes on the table for the raffle. Mr. Wyse was asked to write to firms for gifts for the raffle.\*

A.O.B.

Mr. Crowley asked what we should do about Committee members who did not attend meeting. This will be discussed at the next meeting. Mr. O'Sullivan said that he had said the band for the Annual Dinner would cost approx. £40 - £50, but it would now be in the region of £60 - 70, as this was their fee for local functions.

The meeting closed at 11.00 p.m.

Date of next meeting : 10<sup>th</sup> Oct. 74.

Chairman : R. J. O'Brien.  
Date : 10 - 10 - 74.

Proposed by : MR. F. Crowley  
Seconded by : MRS. M. Murphy

\* Menu chosen for Annual Dinner as follows:

Asparagus soup. Fresh river trout auandine, roast beef, carrots, french beans roast, boiled potatoes sherry trifle, coffee. The chairman said Mr. M. Hanrahan knew someone who would make the cake.

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Thurs. 10<sup>th</sup> October 1974 at 8.45 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, chairman, Messrs. T. Wyse & C Burke, vice-chairmen, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss S. Hanahan Sec. also Mrs. Murphy, Miss Fitzgerald, Messrs F. Crowley, D. MacSwiney, Mr. Ahern.

Apology from Mrs. O'Donovan.

As there was a large agenda, it was decided to take the minutes as read.

#### Correspondence.

Acceptances to our invitations were received from Dr. Hagney, Miss J. O'Sullivan, Mr. N. Browne. Mr. Lee regrets that he will be unable to attend. At the moment Mr. J. Lynch is in Tokyo, he will reply on his return. A thanks for Mr. J. O'Donovan. Agendas from C.I.C.A - St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee. Tourism news from Cork. A letter from the C.I.C.A. regarding a presentation dinner for Fr. Sheridan & also asking all counties to give £25 towards a presentation to Fr. Sheridan. It was felt that the C.I.C.A should not dictate a specific amount to give as a donation. It was decided to have four tickets for the dinner.

#### Annual Dinner.

To far 316 tickets have been sold. The chairman said we had omitted Mr. Branagan's name from our guest list, but he would pay for Mr. Branagan's ticket. It was decided to invite representatives of B.I. Aer Lingus & A.I.B. The sec. asked if we should invite Mr. Gormon after some discussion a vote was taken in favour of inviting Mr. Gormon. It was decided to have the same number of speeches as last year, but it was felt that Mr. Geelan should reply to the Lord Mayor's speech. The band would receive a meal at Barkers & £5 would be given to cover drinks. Mr. Wyse said he had written to sixteen

fines for donations for the raffle, but only one reply from Winnipeg & Co. - this was negative. A discussion followed about the raffle, it was suggested that we give the following cash prizes: £50, £25, £10, 3x£5. A decision will be taken at the next meeting.

#### A.D.B.

Mr. O'Sullivan said the banner would be ready at Cans on Sat. It was decided to ask Rev. Fr. MacManus if he could collect it on his return from Ireland. The Sec. said she had heard from the Social Services at Hammersmith that Mrs. Houlihan could now go on holiday, it was decided to get her a return ticket. The Chairman said he had requested the Irish Centre to refrain from giving addresses + telephone no. to everyone that comes to the welfare office. Mr. Brasley felt that in future all of these cases should come before the Committee when asking for help. Mr. O'Sullivan said the C.I.C.A. welfare should deal with these people. Mr. Wyse had received a letter from Fr. Crowley thanking us for £50. The cost of advertising in the CWE is going up this week, Mr. Wyse said he had cut the adv. to 2". Mr. O'Sullivan said he would order a new cheque book.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting - 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. 74.

Chairman: R. J. Allen  
Date: 28-10-74

Proposed by: MR. J. O'Dowd  
Seconded by: MR. D. McSweeney

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. '44 at 8.45 p.m.

Present were: Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacManara,  
Vice-President, Messrs C. Burke & T. Wyse, Vice-Chairmen, Mr.  
J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss J. Hanahan Sec. Also Mrs. Geary,  
Mrs. Murphy, Miss Fitzgerald also Messrs. D. MacSwiney,  
Fr. Crowley, J. O'Donovan Mr. Flynn, C. Flynn & Mr. Sheen.

Apologies from Mrs. O'Donovan.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters Arising.

Mrs. Hanahan has now received her ticket to Island  
(costing £23.88). As we have not yet received the bill  
for the Bacon & Cabbage dinner we cannot close this account.  
Correspondence.

Acceptances to our invitation were received from: Mr.  
Mrs. Whyte, Mr. & Mrs. O'Mahony, Mr. & Mrs. Harratty, Rev. Fr.  
MacManara. Mr. Gorman is unable to accept at present as  
his wife is ill. Mr. J. Lynch will not be able to attend  
due to other commitments. Mr. Duran cannot attend but  
would like Our Ladies to be represented by Mr. & Ms. Conn.  
A letter from the Lord Mayor's Sec re travel arrangements  
for the Lord Mayor. A receipt from Mr. Igaw. Co. Thank  
you letters from Mrs. Mullally & the Staff & patients of Our  
Lady's Hospital. A letter from the old I.R.A. re Mass for  
Frances MacSwiney. New Ross Assoc. re special Christies  
trip to Ireland. Mr. Branagan has accepted an invit  
ation to the dinner & it was decided he would be a  
Guest of the Association.

#### Annual Dinner.

The number of tickets sold as follows: Mr. R  
Allen 171, Mr. D. MacSwiney 8, Rev. Fr. MacManara 20, Mrs  
Murphy 10, Mrs. Geary 22, Mr. C. Burke 20, Mr. F. Crowley  
15, Miss K. Fitzgerald 15, Mr. J. O'Donovan 40, Mr. T.

Wyse 18, Mr. J. O' Sullivan 5, Mr. C. Flynn 12, Mr. M.  
Ahern 27, Mr. M. Flynn 10, Mr. T. Feeney 30, Miss E.  
Honan 57. (TOTAL 480) + 26 guests. A discussion  
regarding the numbers attending took place. Mr. Wyse  
proposed we should now close the booking. Sec. by  
Mr. O'Donovan. Mr. Wyse P.R.O. said so far he had  
only received the following prizes for our raffle: Bottle  
of whiskey from Mr Parkinson, silver plated dish from  
Caw - 4 dozen tins of bass from Beanish & Crawford. It  
was decided that the Association put up the following  
prizes for the raffle: £50, £25, £20, 3x£5. A discussion  
followed as to the cost of the raffle, it was felt that it  
would not be right to ask for a £1 donation - Mr. Flynn  
said he was under the impression that it was agreed  
at a previous meeting to have envelopes on each plate  
& 50p would be the donation. Mr. Wyse will make  
out a list of the prizes & these would be left on the  
table. Mr. P. Flynn agreed to meet the Lord Mayor at  
the airport & also to collect the menus from the printers.  
Members of the committee were appointed to meet the  
guests at Barkers. Mr. MacNamee said he would be  
getting cheese from Charleville Cheese Co. The Sec. asked  
how many bouquets of flowers would be ordered. - there would  
be thirteen ladies at the top table. It was felt that we  
could not present all the ladies with bouquets. Mr. Wyse  
proposed Mrs. Gaynor should get a bouquet. Sec. by Mr. MacNamee  
Mr. Crowley proposed flowers be given to Mrs. Gaynor,  
Mrs. Allen - the Secretary. Sec. by Mr. Burke. Mr. O'  
Sullivan said he was sorry that we would be exceptions  
as our twenty first dinner. Mr. Burke proposed we  
give £100 to the Lord Mayor for the Cork Blind Fund.  
Seconded by Mr. O'Donovan. The Chairman said Harry  
O'Dowd would attend & did not ask for a fee, but will

accept a donation Mr. O'Donovan proposed we give him £  
Sec. by Mr. Crowley. Mr. O'Sullivan said the cake would  
have the Cork crest on it - he & his wife would like  
the Committee to accept the cake as a present from  
them. The Chairman thanked Mr. O'Sullivan for his  
very generous gift. The chairman asked each member  
of the Committee to help on the evening of the dinner.  
The Toastmaster will make an announcement about the  
raffle during the dinner.

A.O.B.

Mrs. Murphy said we owed the C.I.C.A. 50p for  
the Dart's Comp. & 50p. for the Quiz competition. There  
will be a buffet at the Irish Centre on 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. for the  
C.I.C.A. Welfare Fund. The Irish Centre Christmas Bazaar  
will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. Mrs. Murphy said most  
counties supported her at the recent meeting when she  
asked the Irish Centre to refrain from giving the Tel. No.  
& addresses of the Chairman - Sec. to everyone who calls  
to the Centre.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : 19<sup>th</sup> November 1974.

Chairman: R. J. Allen.

Date 19-11-74.

Proposed by: H.R. T. Wyse

Seconded by: H.R. C. Burke.

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1974 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen Chairman Rev. Fr. MacKenna  
Vice President, Messrs T. Wyse, C. Burke Vice-Chairmen, Mr.  
J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss D. Hanlon Sec. also  
Mrs Yeacy, Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs M. Murphy, Messrs

Y. Crowley C. M. Flynn M. Ahern.

Apology from Mr. D. MacLennan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

### Matters Arising.

The Chairman thanked the Committee for their help in making the Annual dinner one of the best organised functions. Mr. O'Sullivan was thanked for booking such an excellent band for the occasion.

### Treasurer's Report.

The raffle at the Annual dinner showed a profit of £179 (Prizes £90). Donations of £5 had been received from Dr. Yangrey & Mrs. Walsh Blew on C/A £49.94. SPA £624.52. Mr. Wyse said in view of the prizes received before the dinner he decided to split the three £5 prizes. Mr. MacNamara proposed we endorse Mr. Wyse's decision. Mr. Crowley proposed a Vote of Thanks to the Treasurer.

### Correspondence.

A list from the Dept. of Labour of employment opportunities in Ireland. Newsletter Brandon Assoc.

St. Pat. Day Parade Comm. re next year's parade which will take place on 16<sup>th</sup> March '75. Agenda from C.I.C.A.

St. Joseph's Festival Committee appealing for support at their Annual Dinner on 6<sup>th</sup> February '75. Thank you letters from Mr. & Mrs. O'Malley, Rev. Fr. Caulfield, C.I.C.A. re donation of £38.50 from Mr. Gorman for handicapped children. Bill for Annual dinner £1,854.74 p.

### Matters Arising.

Mr. MacNamara proposed that the £38.50 donation be offset against £100 given to the Cork Blind Assoc. Mr. Wyse supported this statement & it was endorsed by the meeting. The Chairman asked if we could make a donation to the Clonville Assoc. Ms. Ahern said

we would have to thread carefully as many Associate are doing similar charity work, ~ so would like to be considered for a donation.

#### Annual Dinner.

The Sec. thanked Mr. C. Flynn for meeting the Lord Mayor at the airport ~ Mr. C. Burke for entertaining him on Sat. We will have to ensure in future that our chief guest is entertained after the function. Mr. Flynn said he regretted the Lord Mayor had to spend Fri. afternoon at the Irish Club, as he was unable to even have a cup of tea. Mr. Crowley asked if Barkers had been booked for 1975 dinner. Mr. MacManara asked if we should run an Annual Dinner. Mr. Crowley said this was one event which some people only supported. Mr. MacManara said the reason he asked the question was that there were so many Cork functions now ~ it seems the same people support each function.

#### Building Fund Social.

The chairman asked the Committee to support the social on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. Mr. Ahern asked that an adv. giving the names of the winners be put in the C.W.E.

#### A.G.M.

A discussion took place regarding the date of the A.G.M., as the Sec. said she would not be in London during January. Mr. Wyse proposed we hold the A.G.M. on Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> March. This date was agreed by all. Nominations papers will be sent out during January.

#### I.O.B.

The Sec. asked if the Committee wanted to have a get together before Christmas, with some of our

benefactors. It was agreed to have a buffet on Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Dec at either the Yara or Ryans or wherever the Sec. can get a booking. The Assoc. will pay for the buffet. The Sec. said the only date available for a social for the Building Fund at the Cricklewood Hotel, was 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Mr. Wyse asked if this was a good date as it was the week after St. Pat. day. Mr. Ahene proposed we book this date. It was agreed by all. Rev. Fr. MacNamara said we had spoken about a donation to Hope House, but so far we have done nothing. Mr. O'Sullivan said perhaps we could try again for a dinner on a Thurs. night. Mr. Burke said if this failed we may be able to have a cheese & wine party. It was decided to try again for a Wed. or Thurs night at the Centre.

As there was no other business the meeting closed. Date of next meeting - 10<sup>th</sup> December 1974.

Chairman : R. J. Allen. Proposed by: M.R. F. Crowley.  
Date: 10-12-74. Seconded by: M.R. H. Ahene.

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre  
on Tue 10<sup>th</sup> December 1974 at 8.45 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. C. Burke Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss F. Honohan Sec. also Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs. M. Murphy Messrs F. Crowley, D. MacSwiney, Mr. Flynn, C. Flynn, Mr. Ahene

Apologies from Mrs Freacy & Mr. T. Wyse.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted

Matters Arising

asked what we had arranged for 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. He said a room had been booked where the Committee could have a Christmas get-together.

#### Treasurers Report.

So far 432 tickets for the Annual Dinner have been paid for, totalling £1,944.

Bal. of C/A. £439. 41. Deposit account £1,495. 65. A letter of thanks had been received from the Lord Mayor of Cork - St. Monica's Home for the donation of £100. Mr. P. Murphy had written saying two of his party had not attended the dinner + an extra person had sat at the table. It was agreed to refund the cost of one ticket. Mr. J. Twomey had donated £10.

#### Correspondence.

The Press Assoc. will not publish any statement from groups re the Birmingham Bombings as they are people charged with this offence. A letter from a group from Bandon, who will be spending Christmas in London + hoped to get some work while here. Unfortunately we would be unable to help.

#### A.G.M.

The A.G.M. will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 15.00 at the Irish Centre. Mr. O'Sullivan will send out the newsletter + nomination paper during January. Nomination papers will have to be returned to the Sec. not later than 8<sup>th</sup> February.

#### A.D.B.

Mrs. Murphy said the C.I.C.A. would like all counties to contribute to the Birmingham Fund for the victims of the bombings, some counties have decided not to donate to the Fund. Mr. Ahern said we had not helped the victims of the Dublin

bombings. A discussion took place about our get together at the Irish Club, the Sec. said she thought it was a good idea to invite a few people who had helped us during the year i.e. Mr. Harratty B.I. Tim Gardiner A.I.B. Mr. Burke said we were inviting guests & then asking them to pay for their drinks. The Chairman said this point could easily be sorted out. Mr. Burke said he had been working with the Little Sisters of the poor, at Christmas, they need help, he would like the Assoc. to donate something to this worthy cause. Mr. Burke then proposed we give them £10, seconded by Mr. MacSwiney. The dinner for the publicans would be held on 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. The Chairman wished everyone a very happy & peaceful Christmas.

Date of next meeting : 9<sup>th</sup> January 1975.

Chairman : R. J. Allen. Proposed by : J. O'Sullivan  
Date 11. 2. 75. Seconded by : Mrs. H. Murphy.

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## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 1974

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the Irish Centre on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1974.

Present were Mr. T. Feenan President, Rev. Fr. MacKenna & Miss C. O'Sullivan vice-presidents Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Messrs ~~F. Hayes~~, P. Burke, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss J. Hanan Sec. + outgoing members of the Committee.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone + he then asked the Sec. to read the minutes.

Fr. MacKenna proposed we take the minutes as read. This was seconded by Miss Fitzgerald.

The Secretary reported on the events of the past year + concluded by thanking her fellow officers + committee for their help during the year. The report was adopted.

The Treasurer, Mr. O'Sullivan gave his report as per the balance sheet + thanked his fellow officers + committee for their unstinting help during the year - a special word of thanks to the Chairman for selling 150 tickets for the Annual Dinner. #

### Matters arising

Mr. O'Donovan said he was surprised that there was only £2.20 donation for masses. The Chairman said we owed Fr. MacKenna some money. Mr. O'Donovan also asked about the money for the Annual Dinner. Mr. O'Sullivan said the amount shown on the report was the true balance at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 73. Mr. Ryan asked if the contributions could be waived until the Assoc. had more money. The Chairman said the N.A.C. A.I. were just starting off + as such it was felt that we should help them.

The Treasurer then reported on the Building Fund

→ said perhaps we could have some suggestions to day to enlarge this fund. Mr. Byrne asked if he could have a breakdown of the sec. expenses. The report was adopted.

### Chairman Address.

The Chairman said he was delighted the Building Fund was launched at last & thanked Mrs Mc Mally & Mr. Crowley for their hard work. He welcomed our new vice-president Miss O'Sullivan. He hoped that we will enlarge our membership in this our 21<sup>st</sup> year. He wished Mrs Murphy a speedy recovery.

### Appointment of Scrutineers.

The following were appointed as scrutineers : Messrs R. Hyde Sheppard T. Sullivan & Mr. O'Donovan.

The voting strength of the meeting was 43.

The Chairman asked the president Mr. Feahan to take over at this point. The President thanked the Chairman for his short & witty report, & said the Treasurer's report was well laid out. He said we should go forward with great enthusiasm.

### Appointment of Officers.

The President said he had great pleasure in returning Mr. Allen as Chairman. Mr. Allen said he would continue to do his best for the Association.

Vice-Chairman. The following were nominated for the position : Mrs Mc Mally, Messrs C. Burke f. Crowley, T. Wyse, Mr. Browne. In the ensuing election Mr. Burke received 23 votes, Mr. Wyse 20, Mr. Crowley 17, Mrs Mc Mally 10, Mr. Browne 5. Messrs Burke & Wyse were elected. Mr. Burke said he would carry out his duties to the best of his ability. Mr. Wyse thanked all who voted for him & said he was ~~proud~~ to be back. Mr. Crowley said he would help throughout the year. Mrs. Mc Mally was happy.

to be associated with the Cork Assoc. during 1973. The Secretary Miss Hanahan was returned unopposed. Miss Hanahan thanked everyone for their confidence in her. The Treasurer Mr. O'Sullivan was returned unopposed. Mr. O'Sullivan said he hoped that his next report would be better. Mr. O'Donovan proposed we accepted the Presidents - Vice-Presidents en bloc. This was agreed.

Election of Committee.

The following were nominated: Mrs. T. Greacy, Mr. Burke, Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. Mc Nally, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Scanlon, Miss Barry, Mrs. Moran, <sup>Mrs.</sup> Miss Deane, T. Hyde, Mr. O'Donovan, D. MacSwiney, Mr. Flynn, J. O'Donovan, P. Greacy, Mr. O'Donovan, Roche, T. Aherne, J. Donoghue, T. Wyse, C. Flynn, T. Crowley, Mr. O'Connell, P. Lynch, B. Collins & Ryan. Following withdrawals, the following was the votes cast: Mrs. Greacy 24, Mrs. Murphy 25, Mr. Mr. Flynn 26, Miss Fitzgerald 25, Mrs. Mc Nally 28, Mr. MacSwiney 26, Mr. O'Donovan 23, Mr. Crowley 32, Mr. C. Flynn 23, Mr. T. Aherne 20, Mr. J. O'Donovan 19, Mr. Hanley 11, Mr. P. Greacy 15, Mr. Roche 13, Mr. Donoghue 12, Mrs. Moran 7, Mr. Ryan 16. The eleven with the highest votes were elected.

A.O.B.

Mr. O'Donovan thanked the Chairman, Sec. for their help during his recent bereavement. Mrs. Reid asked if we had an auditor, the Chairman said it was very expensive, Mr. Ryan said we had confidence in the Treasurer. Fr. MacManara said he had seen that the St. Patrick's Parade would take place this year, he felt that this could not do our country much good at the present time. Mrs. Scanlon said as it ended with a prayer, it was a good idea. Mr. O'Sullivan said he supported Fr. MacManara, as in

previous years other elements joined the parade - felt it was remiss to have a parade. It was agreed that a Mass should take place. Mr. Browne said there would be a Mass for the repose of the soul of T. Lee mock Sun. Mr. Cronin said there was very little space devoted to the affairs of the Assoc. in the Cork Weekly. Leaflets had been handed round re the hunger strikers asking for a petition against force feeding. It was stressed that we could not enter into any political discussion, it would only be on humanitarian grounds. Mr. O'Brien joined the meeting & said the hunger strike was now on its 81st day. Mrs. McHale said speaking as a SRN no tube could be rammed down someone's throat. The chairman closed the discussion. The chairman said he hoped we would have a better understanding during 1974.

The chairman closed the meeting by thanking all who had attended.

Chairman: R. J. Allen proposed by MR. F. Crowley  
Date: 2. 2. 74, seconded by MR. J. O'DONOVAN

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, N.W.1 on Tues. 11<sup>th</sup> Feb '45 at 8.45 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. C. Burke vice Chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss S. Hanahan, Sec. also Mrs. Treacy, Mrs. O'Donovan, Mrs. Murphy, Miss Fitzgerald, Messrs. T. O'Donovan, Mr. Flynn, L. Flynn & Mr. Ahern.

Apologies from Messrs. Y. Crowley, D. MacSwiney.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

### Treasurer's Report:

Building Fund A/c. £547.01. incl. interest of £22.95. The Treasurer said we didn't seem to have made much progress with this fund. The chairman said this will have to be discussed at the next meeting of the Building Fund.

Balance of S/A £2135.65.

Balance of C/A £44.59. Yrs on hand worth £73. We had donated £253.88 during 1974. There was a query on the number of Annual Dinner tickets paid for, after a lengthy discussion it was decided that the Treasurer & Sec. sort it out after the meeting.

### Correspondence.

Sixteen nominations paper were returned and the following were nominated:

Chairman : Mr. R. Allen.

Vice-Chairman : Messrs T. Crowley, J. Sheehan, C. Burke, T. Wyse  
" M. Ahern.

Secretary : Miss D. Henderson.

Treasurer : Mr. J. D. Sullivan, Mr. M. Gallagher.

Committee : Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs M. Murphy, Mrs C. O'Donovan, Mrs. Geaney, Mrs K. Scanlon, Messrs M. Ahern, P. Ryan, D. MacSwiney, C. Burke, R. O' Riordan, Joe Sheehan, J. Henley, M. Bourke, G. Byrne, T. Crowley, T. Wyse, T. Flynn, M. Flynn, J. O'Donovan, M. Browne, P. Ryan & T. Roche, & Mrs Moran.

As Mr. Gallagher is not a member, his name cannot go forward.

A letter from Boro. of Wandsworth re lotteries act.

### Building Fund.

The chairman asked everyone to support the dance at the Brickwood Hotel on 22<sup>nd</sup> March. It was decided

not to have any tickets printed.

### Bacon - Cabbage Dinner.

The Sec. was asked to get tickets printed for this function. Mr. O'Donovan said he knew a printer, who is willing to print tickets cheaply. The Chairman said Mr. O'Connor was closing down at the end of Sept. The tickets will cost £2 each - music by the lucky 4.

### A.O.B.

The Chairman said Mr. J. Sheehan of the Emerald Club had offered the services of the Club for a charity run for the Building Fund, & Mr. Sheehan & the Club Secretary had come along to explain. Mr. Sheehan & the Sec. joined the meeting. Mr. Sheehan said the Club is usually looking for donations at sports time & they thought it would be a good idea to do a charity run for the Association, the money collected being divided 75% to Assoc. & 25% to the Club. The Club will get the cards printed, & there will be an explanatory note on the card regarding sponsorship. Mr. Sheehan answered questions. The Chairman thanked the Club for their generosity. The Chairman said he had visited the South London Irish Club to see their premises & they have encountered many problems & at the moment needed money. Mr. O'Donovan said we should run a dance a some future date. Delegates for the C.I.C.A meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb are Mr. Allen Mrs Murphy Miss Hanahan & Mr. O'Donovan. Longford would like to have the quiz competition next week. It was decided to ask Longford to postpone it until after our AGM. Mr. Flynn proposed we give Fr. MacManus £20 donation for Masses offered. Sec. by Mr. O'Donovan. A vote of sympathy was passed to the family of the late Mr. Sheehan. The Chairman thanked the Committee for their hard

work during the year. Mr. Flynn congratulated the Chairman on his re-election. Mr. O'Donovan thanked the officers for their work.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Chairman : R. J. Allen.

Proposed by MRS. H. Murphy

Date 14. 3. '75.

Seconded by MR. J. J. Donovan

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tue.  
4<sup>th</sup> March '75, at 8.30 P.M.

Present were Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Mr. T. Wyse, vice-chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss C. Hennessy Sec. also, Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. O'Donovan, Messrs. F. Crowley, J. O'Donovan, H. Browne, C. Burke, J. Roche.

As there had been a change of date of the meeting, the members of the Committee not present were excused from this meeting.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone & hoped the year would be successful.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

Matters Arising.

Mr. Wyse was asked to advertise the forthcoming Social for the Building Fund on 22<sup>nd</sup> March at the Cricklewood Hotel, he would also try to get a write-up in the Kilburn Times & Post. The Chairman said he had spoken to T. Harrald, of the Kilburn Times & gave details of the A.G.M. The paper will be interested in any news item. The Chairman said we would have to be careful with the bands we book, as he had attended a function at the Centre, & the band did not

'turn-up' he also asked the meeting if they would agree to book the Gavainais for our Annual Dinner. This was agreed by all. Mr. O'Donovan said that the South London Irish were staging a concert on 10<sup>th</sup> March & needed support. Mr. O'Sullivan said the query on the Annual Dinner tickets had been sorted out, a cheque for £36 had been paid in.

#### Treasurer's Report.

£26.50 banked on 18/2/75. + £59.58 after the A.G.M. The bill for the Annual Dinner should be received at the end of March & it was agreed that the Treasurer pay it. The meeting felt that we should show our appreciation to Mr. Lansden for his generosity. Mr. O'Donovan proposed we limit the gift to £10 see. by Mr. Browne. Mr. O'Donovan said we should endeavour to increase membership he also thanked the Chairman & Treasurer for their excellent reports at the A.G.M. Mr. O'Sullivan said that only having a S/A for the Building Fund caused problems & suggested we open a current account with a limit of £20, to pay bills etc. Mr. O'Donovan proposed we open an account with £20. sec. by Miss Fitzgerald.

#### Correspondence.

A letter from Miss Lawrence re the Annual Dinner & her husband advertising the concert of the Chieftans social 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

The band booked for this social is the Amber Sands, costing £36. The Chairman asked everyone to support this dance. A raffle would take place for a bottle of Whiskey.

#### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

The tickets for this function had not yet been received. It was decided to limit the number of tickets send out to 250, the Sec. took a list of

the number of tickets required by members of the Committee.

A. O. B.

The Chairman said this year we should enforce the rule if a member of the Committee misses three meetings without an excuse would automatically be crossed off. The attendance to night was good. Hoped this would continue. Mr. O' Donovan said we should abide by the rule which the Chairman had referred to. Mr. O' Sullivan said last year the attendance was good. Mr. Burke proposed we adopt Mr. O' Donovan's suggestion. Sec. by Mr. T. Crowley. Delegates for the C.I.C.A. Mrs Murphy, Mr. Browne. Mrs O' Donovan proposed Mr. T. Wyse as P.R.O Sec. by Mr. O' Sullivan. The Sec. proposed we invite Mr. G. O' Mahony to be vice President of the Association, Sec. by Mr. Browne. Mr. O' Sullivan proposed we also invite Dr. Yangney to be vice-president, he had been our first chairman. Sec. by Mr. T. Wyse. Mr. Burke proposed we make Fr. MacManus, President, as Mr. Feehan had been made life President at our A.G.M. Mrs. O' Donovan said we did not need vice-presidents, but a good Committee. There was a discussion regarding the status of the President + life President. Mrs. O' Donovan proposed we ask the chairman to clarify the position + come back to the meeting. Sec. by Mr. O' Donovan, an amendment by Mr. Wyse that we leave that question until the next A.G.M. Sec. by Mr. O' Sullivan. The amendment was carried on a vote. It was decided to invite Dr. Yangney + Mr. O' Mahony to be vice Presidents. Mr. O' Sullivan proposed we donate something towards Hope House. Mr. Burke proposed £100. Sec. by Mr. O' Donovan. This will be presented at the Bacon + Cabbage Dinner. The Sec. said the Chairman of the Irish Club had offered the use of the Club premises to the Assoc. Mr. O' Donovan ~~said~~ said

he would like to propose a vote of thanks to the three members of the last Committee who were unable to stand for election this year. The Chairman suggested we have a weekly Club & have a night out at the end of the year. Mr. O'Donovan said this was a very good idea.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : 2<sup>nd</sup> April 75.

Chairman : R. J. Allen.

Date 2. 4. 75.

Proposed by : MRS. M. Murphy

Seconded by : MR. T. Wyse.

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup> April '75 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Messrs. T. Wyse & J. Sheehan Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Mr. F. Henihan Sec. also Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. Murphy, Messrs Crowley, MacSwiney, Ahern, Browne & Roche.

Apologies from Mrs. O'Donovan, Messrs O'Donovan Burke.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

#### Matters arising.

Mr. Sheehan said perhaps if notice had been taken of the Chairman's comment asking for support at the functions perhaps there would have been a better attendance at the Cricklewood Social. The Chairman said he had spoken to Fr. MacManara regarding the position of a life President & President, & Fr. MacManara had said the decision was usually made at an A.G.M. Mr. Sheehan said this subject should have been discussed at the recent A.G.M. Mr. O'Sullivan said the Gavawairs are already booked for a function on

31<sup>st</sup> Oct. Mr. Wyse was asked if he could book a band for our Annual Dinner. Miss Fitzgerald asked if it would be possible to book the Irish Club for a function.  
Treasurer's Report.

£548.91 balance of Building Fund.

£2,270.32 Assoc.

24 Bacon & Cabbage Dinner tickets paid for eleven memberships. The Treasurer asked if the donation of £100 for Hope House be posted & not presented at the dinner. The Chairman said Hope House was now self supporting & perhaps the money could be given to the Centre for one of their other schemes. Mr. Wyse said it would be published in the Weekly this week that we were presenting a cheque for Hope House.

Correspondence.

Agenda for C.I.C.A. meeting & a request for the Sat. nights needed at the Centre during 1976 - we would apply for 28<sup>th</sup> Feb & 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. An Agenda for the A.G.M of the Irish Centre, Mrs. Murphy will represent the Assoc. at this meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> April. A list of Summer Courses & at U.C.G. letters from Dr. Yangrey. Mr. O'Mahony accepting the positions as vice presidents, also £10 cheque for Building Fund from Mr. O'Mahony. A report from the Irish Welfare Bureau, Hammersmith. Mr. Higgins requesting a list of our members - this could not be given. ACC confirming our deposit of £20 in their company. A letter from Mr. Carroll regretting he was unable to pay membership fee, as he was off work looking after his wife who is ill, it was decided to make him an honorary member. The Chairman ~~said~~ asked if we could send something to Mr. Carroll. Mr. Sheehan proposed we give £10. Sec. by Mr. Ahern. Mr. Sheehan asked if we should send some flowers to Mrs. Carroll. It was

decided to send flowers worth £3.

### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner

The following are the tickets sold so far:

Mr. Allen 120, F. Crowley 56, J. Roche 6, T. Wyse 4  
Mrs Murphy 4, C. Banke 10, M. Browne 6, J. O'Sullivan 1.  
T. Hanahan 31, J. O'Donnell 12. As there are now 250  
tickets sold, no advert would be put in the paper. It  
was decided that people be allowed into the dance. Mr  
Crowley prop. that the proceeds of the raffle be given to  
the Building Fund. Sec. by Mr. Sheehan. Mr. O'Sullivan  
said he would donate a bottle of whiskey for the  
raffle. Mrs. Murphy donated a bottle of gin. The  
Chairman thanked them for their generosity. It was  
decided to have a box of chocolates in the raffle.  
Building Fund.

The profit on the social on 22<sup>nd</sup> March was  
£1.05, band cost £36. Mr. Crowley said he felt we  
would have to do something drastic to keep the Building  
Fund going. The attendance at the social was very  
poor - only four of the Committee present. Mr. Ahearn  
said he was going to propose that the Building Fund  
be disbanded, but as Mr. Sheehan had worked very  
hard arranging the Special Run at the end of  
April, Mr. Ahearn said if members of the Committee  
did not think the Bricklewood Hotel was the place for  
socials, then they should move to another venue. Mr.  
Sheehan said he agreed with Mr. Ahearn's remarks, but  
would like to see the Special run a success, he could  
also book the Spotted Dog for a social & each member  
of the Committee should sell at least 30 tickets. Mr.  
Ahearn said he could see some members having difficulty  
in selling 30 tickets, if they worked & mixed in English  
Company. Mr. Crowley proposed Mr. Sheehan book the

Spotted Dog for 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Sec. by Mr. O'Brien. Mr. Sheehan said he would get the band & tickets printed. Mr. O'Brien asked if we could have a Cheese & Wine Party at the Irish Club. The Secretary will ask the Chairman of the Club if we could have a Sat. night there.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 15<sup>th</sup> April '45

Chairman : - R J Allen  
Date : - 15 - 4 - 75.

Proposed by: MR. J. O'DONOGHUE  
Seconded by MR. D. MEEHAN

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Tue 15<sup>th</sup> April '45 at 8.45 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacNamee Vice-President, Mr. T. Wyse, Vice-Chairman, P.R.O., Mr. J. O'Sullivan, Treasurer, Miss T. Hanahan, Sec. Also Mrs O'Donovan, Miss Fitzgerald, Messrs D. MacSwiney, J. O'Donovan, C. Banke, T. Locke. Mrs. Murphy. Mr. Browne attended the C.I.C.A meeting.

Apologies from Messrs J. Sheehan, T. Crowley.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

Matters arising.

The chairman said Mr. Sheehan has booked the 'Spotted Dog' for a dance on 23<sup>rd</sup> May & the 'Southlanders' would provide the music. As the band booked for the Bacon & Cabbage dinner has broken-up, Mr. Wyse has booked 'The Swinging Doors' to play. - cost will be £10. The Fitzpatrick 4 are available on the night of our

Annual Dinner - would cost £60. It was decided to book them. Mr. O'Sullivan asked if we could get a Sat. night at Barkers for our Annual Dinner. The Sec. said our name is on a waiting list. Mr. Wyse asked if we would have our dinner on a Sat. night this year. It was decided that it was too late to change the date this year.

#### Treasurers Report.

£62.05 banked - balance £2332.37. Building Fund £548.91. 60 paid up members. £10 has been sent to Mr. Carroll. The Sec. said she had not sent the flowers as there was no interflora in the area. Mr. O'Sullivan suggested we cancel the order for flowers, perhaps we could send some financial aid later.

#### Correspondence.

A circular from Colwin Doran Travel. An agenda from the C.I.C.A.

#### P.R.O. Report.

Mr. Wyse said he had sent an account to J. Daly & asked if an advert should be put in the paper for the Special Charity Run. It was decided not to advertise. Mrs. O'Donnovan asked if the forms for the run has been distributed. Mr. O'Donnovan said Mr. Sheehan is disappointed with the result. The Chairman said a reporter from the West London Observer, had been in touch with him & he gave her news of the Building Fund. An article had appeared in this week's edition hitting out at the parishes for their lack of support. Mrs. O'Donnovan said she thought this was unfair on the parishes. Mr. Roche said, that at the AGM it was said Mr. O'Herrity would be invited to a meeting. Mr. Baunke said some years ago it was decided that the Assoc. pay for two representatives to attend dinners. Mr. Baunke proposed we now implement

this rule Sec. by Mr. O'Donovan. This was carried but in a discussion that followed it was felt that this would be very expensive Mrs O'Donovan prop. an Amendment that the Association could not afford this. Mr. Bouke said he would withdraw this proposal, but in future when a vote was taken on a proposal it should be carried out.

### Bacon - Cabbage Dinner.

The following are the tickets sold: Mr. Allen 122, Mr. Crowley 5b, Mr. O'Donovan 10, Mr. Roche 6, Mr. Wyse 4, Mrs Murphy 4, Mr. Bouke 10, Mr. Browne 6, Mr. O'Sullivan 1, Miss Henshaw 31. Mr. Bouke asked if he could have some tickets for the dance. People will be allowed into the dance after the dinner, but we haven't any tickets printed: Mr. Wyse said if we were making a presentation to Fr. Cagney then we should have a top table. It was decided to invite Fr. Cagney to the dinner. Mrs O'Donovan suggested that Fr. Cagney & the Committee sit at one table. Dear Rita: Messrs Allen & O'Sullivan before dinner Mr. Bouke & Miss Fitzgerald immediately after dinner. The Chairman asked the Committee to help clear away the tables after the dinner. The ladies will sell the raffle tickets. Mr. Bouke said he would like to thank Mr. MacSwiney for his work for the Assoc. I hope that he & his wife will be happy on their return to Ireland Building Fund.

Tickets were distributed for the dance on 23<sup>rd</sup> May.  
A.D.B.

Fr. MacManara said the Sec. should let the Committee members, who had not yet attended a meeting of the rule of missing three meetings. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. Sheehan on the death of his sister-in-law. Mr. Wyse said we

should now be considering guests for the Annual Dinner. Mr. O'Sullivan asked if we had thought of running a 100 Club to raise money.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : 28<sup>th</sup> April 75.

Chairman : R. J. Allen.

Proposed by : Mr. J. O'Donovan

Date : 28. 4. 75.

Seconded by : Mr. J. O'Donnovan

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
28<sup>th</sup> April 75 at 8.45 p.m.

Present were : Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Mr. J. Sheehan  
Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss G. Hanlon Sec.  
Also Mrs. M. Murphy, Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. O'Donovan, Messrs  
O'Donovan, Aher, Crowley & Browne & Ryan.

Apologies from Messrs Wyse & Roche.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters Arising.

Mr. O'Donovan said Jerry Daly had not received any reports on the charity run - how do we expect people to know about functions if there is nothing on the papers about them. Mr. Sheehan said some members of the Association do not believe in the hostel & perhaps this is the reason there are no reports on the papers. The Chairman said he had been in touch with Jerry Daly & he said he had received a report on the run. Mr. Sheehan said no newsletter had been sent out & he believed the Sec. did not even have a sponsorship form for herself. The Sec. said that at the previous meeting Mr. Sheehan had stated that the forms should not go out in a newsletter. Mr. O'Sullivan said details of the run were mentioned twice at the Bacon Cabbage Dinner, it was felt that the personal approach was needed. The

Chairman said he could not force the Committee to do anything, but he would do all in his power to support all functions. Mr. O'Donovan said the Chairman has done more for the Association than most of the past Chairmen. A vote of confidence was passed on the Chairman. Mr. Ryan said he had met some members of the Cork Senior Hurling Team who were in London & they had said they had written to the Association but had not received a reply. Nobody on the Committee had heard from them.

#### Treasurer's Report.

£2631.64 in C/A. Building Fund S/A £554.58. £20 in C/A for B/Fund C/A. We had not yet received the bill from Barkers. £22 collected at the dance of the Bacon + Cabbage & £30 realised in the raffle. The Chairman thanked all who donated the prizes. It was decided to open a current account for the Building Fund.

#### Correspondence.

Bill from Hibernian Printing. A letter from Fr. Cagney thanking us for £100 donation. Mrs. Greacy letter resigning from the Committee.  
Bacon + Cabbage Dinner.

246 sat down to dinner, no bill has yet been received.

#### Building Fund.

Mr. O'Sullivan suggested we put some money in Premium Bonds for the Building Fund. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the money in the Building Fund. Mr. O'Donovan said the Cork Association would be the only person to benefit from this Fund. Mr. O'Sullivan said at the first meeting it was stated that all interested parishes would benefit from this Fund. Mr. Crowley said at the moment we have no Building Fund & something should be done about this. Mr. O'Donovan said

Trustees would be needed to take out Premium Bonds. Mr. O'Sullivan said he had not mentioned any names when he suggested we buy bonds. Mr. Crowley asked what we are now going to do about the Fund. Mr. O'Sullivan said the meetings were open to all members of the Assoc. + to representatives of interested parishes. Mr. Ahearn said a complete outsider could dictate what would happen to the Fund. Mr. Sheehan said he felt deeply embarrassed about the Charity Run. Mrs. O'Donovan proposed we appoint trustees for the Building Fund. A discussion followed regarding trustees. Mr. O'Sullivan said trustees would only be needed if the Association money disappeared. Mr. Sheehan said Trustees are needed for anything legal as well as financial. Mr. Crowley said we should have appointed a committee from the beginning, he suggested we think it over before the next meeting. Mr. O'Sullivan said we should call a meeting. Mr. Ahearn said perhaps we may get support after the dance on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. It was decided to call a meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> June. It was decided not to arrange the raffle for 23<sup>rd</sup> May, until the night of the dance.

### Charity Run.

The Chairman thanked the runners of the Emerald Club for putting on a good show, Mr. O'Sullivan said the Association would pay for the plaques presented to the runners. Seconded by Mr. Ahearn. Mr. O'Donovan thanked Mr. Sheehan for all his efforts.

### A. O. B.

The darts match will take place on Thurs. evening. The Chairman said there are now two vacancies on the Committee. Mr. Ahearn proposed we invite Mr. P. O' Riordan to join the Committee. Sec. by Mr. O'Donovan. Mr. O'Donovan proposed we invite Mr. G. Byrne Sec. by Mrs. Murphy.

Mr. Sheehan said we needed workers. The Sec. said she would like if members of the Committee thought there were new working members they should state who they are, also she would like to see tolerance as people circumstances may change during the year. Miss Fitzgerald said she was now tendering her resignation due to remarks at recent meeting. Mr. Ahern said perhaps he may be at fault here, as it is very disheartening when turning up at a function & only four members of the Committee there. The Chair asked Miss Fitzgerald to reconsider, she regretted she could not, as the meetings were now in Gestapo style. Mr. Sheehan said the Cork Association needed Hitler to sort out the Assoc. & some members had done their work, a vote of confidence had been passed on the Chairman & it was a pity he had not returned with a new Committee. Mr. O'Sullivan asked Mr. Sheehan to name the members of the Committee who were 'passed it'. Mr. Sheehan said he would tender his resignation to save others from resigning. Mrs. O'Donovan said the Chairman was running the meeting & any resignations should be in writing. The Chairman asked Mr. Sheehan to reconsider. Mr. Sheehan said he would work hard for any organisation & has done so. Mr. O'Sullivan said when it was stated that members of the Committee were of no use, then they should be named. Mr. Crowley said we had all been elected at the A.G.M. & we should endeavour to make this a good working Committee & it should be up to the A.G.M next year to decide. The Chairman asked Mr. Sheehan to reconsider his decision before the next meeting.

Date of next meeting : Wed. 28<sup>th</sup> May '75

Chairman : R. J. O'Leary  
Date : - 28. 5. '75.

Proposed by : Mr. H. H. Brown  
Seconded by : Mr. F. Crowley

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
Wed. 28<sup>th</sup> May 1975, at the Irish Centre at 8.30.p.m.

Present were : Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Mr. J. O'Sullivan  
Treasurer, Miss G. Hanrahan Sec. also Miss M. Murphy  
Messrs T. Crowley, M. Ahern, M. Brosnan, J. Roche,  
L. O'Riordan, G. Byrne.

Apologies from Mrs O'Donovan, Messrs. O'Donovan  
T. Wyse, L. Burke.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming  
Messrs O'Riordan, Byrne to the Committee ~ hoped that  
they would enjoy working with the Committee.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters Arising.

Mr. Crowley asked what was the position regarding  
Miss Fitzgerald & Mr. J. Sheehan. The Sec. said she had  
received a letter from Miss Fitzgerald asking for the  
withdrawal of her resignation. The Chairman said we  
had received bad publicity over this affair. Mr. Ahern  
said that matters discussed at the meetings should be  
confidential ~ he asked the Chairman, to request the  
Committee to keep this as an unspoken rule.

#### Treasurers Report:

B/LCE £2,631.75, including £20 for C/A of Building Fund.  
The Building Fund received a donation from the  
Kanturk Association for £50. The Chairman thanked  
the Kanturk Assoc. for their generous donation. This was  
seconded by Mr. T. Crowley. B/Fund B/LCE £554.58.  
Correspondence.

The bill from the Irish Centre for the Bacon ~ Cabbage  
Dinner £334.50. A letter from Miss Fitzgerald wishing  
to withdraw her resignation. - this was approved. A  
list of jobs by Manpower Ireland. Agenda from the  
C.I.C.A. An acknowledgement card from the Brosnan

Family. A ~~hand~~ letter of thanks from Mr. McSweeney  
Mr. O'Riordan accepting our invitation to join the  
Committee.

### Annual Dinner.

The Chairman asked if we had ideas for a chief guest for the Annual Dinner. The Sec. suggested we invite Dr. Lucey, Bishop of Cork. Seconded by Mr. O'Sullivan. It was agreed by all ~ suggested if Bishop Lucey could not come we should invite Dr. Gheane. Mr. O'Sullivan said we should only have one guest from Ireland. The Secretary has booked Mr. O'Driscoll as toastmaster, cost £14. The raffle at the dinner will be discussed later.

The Chairman has been in touch with the Irish Post regarding the advert in the paper for the C.I.C.A. 21<sup>st</sup> Dinner. The cost would be £16.

### Bacon-Cabbage Dinner.

Mr. O'Riordan said he had heard that the cost of the Bacon-Cabbage dinners would be going up. The Chairman said he would check the cost, then the price of the dinner would be arranged. The Sec. will check with Mr. Wyse regarding the booking of a band.

### A.O.B.

The Sec. asked if we still wanted a function at the Irish Club. Mr. O'Sullivan suggested we try to book for early Dec. Mr. Gheane said he had reservations about holding a function in Dec. with a charge. Mr. O'Sullivan said perhaps he was misunderstood about a commercial basis, but it would take someone with guts to put £40 for entertainment on the balance sheet. A discussing followed ~ it was decided that it should be for the Committee & their friends, on the same basis as last year. The Sec was asked to book for

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre  
on the 10th September, 1975.

Present Mr. R. Allen. Chairman. T. O'Donnell. Treas.

Miss K. Fitzgerald. Dr. Mc Namara. Messrs. M. Browne, L. Burke,  
P. Ryan.

Apologies. Miss E. Hanahan. Mrs. M. Murphy, Mr & Mrs J.  
O'Donnell. Messrs. T. Crowley, M. Aherne, R. O'Riordan, T.  
Sheehan, T. Wyse & T. Roche.

The chairman in declaring the meeting open said the  
minutes of the last meeting were not available as  
the Sec. was on holiday. He then asked the Treas.  
to take the minutes of this meeting.

Correspondence: A letter from Sister Frances of the  
Irish Welfare Bureau asking for help to clear the  
next annans of £100-00. for Mrs. B. Chenev & Sonney  
who had serious domestic problems. Sister Frances said  
the Bureau had donated £10 & another organisation had  
given £10. after discussing the case it was agreed that  
we give a donation of £10. Mr. Carroll wrote thanking  
us for our donation of £10. which we had sent earlier  
this year. Mr. Hannett wrote to say that B & T  
would provide a ticket to Ireland for our Building  
Fund draw. Mr. Frank Crowley wrote thanking us for  
our good wishes & saying he was quite well again  
& hoped to be with us in the near future.

Treasurers report. In his report he stated that the  
Association Current A/c. had a credit balance of  
£40.56. & he had cash & cheques on hand to the value of  
£3.00 making a total of £43.56. This figure included £8.57.  
belonging to the building fund. In the Assoc. Deposit A/c  
there was a credit balance of £280.80. In the Building

Saved Deposit a/c. There was a credit-balance of £915.88. Since his last report he stated that he had paid £60.37 from the Assoc. C/c. to the Emerald Club. This sum being 25% of the proceeds of the Sponsored Run. At this point the chairman handed over £30.00. a donation which he had received from Mr. Bertie Assoc. for the Building Fund. All present showed their appreciation for their generosity. This left the building fund owing the Assoc. £31.50. after allowing for the £20. donation + the £8.57 in the Assoc. Current A/c.

Bacon & Cabbage Supper. Tickets so far sold 169. but it was expected the final figure would be around 200. It was agreed to have a raffle after the Supper + the prizes as follows:- 1st Prize Bottle of Whiskey presented by W. Broome.  
2nd " " of Sherry " " P. Ryan.  
3rd " Box of chocolates " " G. Williams.

The chairman + Treasurer offered to be on the door at 7.30 p.m. The band was charging £50.00. for the night.

Annual Dinner. The chairman reported that Dr. Lucy who was our first choice as chief Guest was unable through illness to attend. Our second invitation was to Dr. Ahern + again due to other engagements he could not come. Mr. McNamara suggested that we invite the Lord Mayor of Cork Mr. A. Healy. he said he was in London at the moment + would be attending a function at the Irish Centre on the following Sunday night. It was agreed that Mr. McNamara + the chairman approach him at this function + find out if he could attend. The chairman reported that the band which we had previously engaged for Mr. Ahern had broken up. however he had now engaged the Country Neighbours at a fee of £60.00. We were unable to fix a price for the dinner tickets as the

Menus had <sup>NOT</sup> arrived, Barker say that last years  
prices was increased by 35% so it was agreed  
to leave the fixing of the price of dinner tickets to  
the Treasurer when he got the menus from Barkers  
& to order the printing of tickets. It was also agreed  
to have a draw similar to last years at this years  
dinner.

Benefit Dance at the Gresham for the Cook man who died  
in Lourdes. Mr. Mc Namara took 50 tickets. C. Burke 10.

J. O'Callaghan 10-fs. Miss K. Fitzgerald 2. ls. P. Ryan 2. ls.  
M. Browne 2. ls. Total Cash Paid £8. These 16 tickets  
were to be given to nurses in a local hospital.

A. O. S. The chairman reported that he had  
given a bottle of whiskey to Frane Brophy  
during his stay in hospital, with the compliments  
of the Association. This was approved by the committee.

There being no further business the meeting  
closed. It was left to the Sec. to arrange  
the date of the next meeting on her return  
from holiday.

Chairman:

Proposed:

Date.

Seconded:

the 6<sup>th</sup> Dec. Then Mr. Sheehan joined the meeting & the Chairman asked if he would reconsider his decision to resign. He said he would think about it. The Chairman said Mr. Whitty had been in touch with him regarding a man who had died in London, his widow comes from Cork, but we did not have any details of his name. It was decided as our information was too vague to apply for the grant. Mr. Sheehan said he had £71.98 for the charity run. The Treasurer has £119.61. 75% of this money to the B/fund & 25% to the Emerald Club. Mr. Byrne thanked the Association for their get well wishes for his wife. The Drinoleague & Drinagh dinner will be held at Barkers on 6<sup>th</sup> June. As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : Wed. 23<sup>rd</sup> July 75.

Chairman : R. J. Allen. Proposed by : - H.R. J. Byrne  
Date : 23.7.75. Seconded by : - H.S.M. Murphy

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Wed. 23<sup>rd</sup> July '45 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Mr. T. Wyse Vice-Chairman, PRO, Miss C. Hanahan Sec, also Mrs Murphy, Mrs O'Donovan, Miss Fitzgerald, Messrs M. Ahern, J.O'Donovan, T. Roche, R.O' Riordan, G. Byrne. Apologies from Messrs. J.O'Sullivan, J. Sheehan, T. Crowley.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

The Chairman said he had received £20 from the Beira Association for the Building Fund, he had also received a letter from the Borough of Brent seeking proportion of £30 in respect of Mrs Barnard & family. The letter will be acknowledged formally. The Chairman

said that with regard to the Cork person who died in Lourdes, it seems that the person was included in the Pilgrimage at the last minute. Mr. Whitty should be contacted about the circumstances & reported at the next meeting. Apparently Mr. Whitty has organised a benefit dance at the Gresham with the blessing of the Cork Assoc. It was proposed that in future full facts are made available so that the Committee can give a considered view & decision.

#### Correspondence.

A list of jobs available in Ireland. Agenda for C.I.C.A meeting. A card from the Moran family acknowledging our sympathy on the death of Mr. Moran. London Conty. Board regarding a non-stop draw. Skibbereen Assoc. regarding the death of Mr. Moran. The Secretary has applied to the C.I.C.A. for a grant for the families of Messrs. Bullman & Moran.

#### Annual Dinner.

So far we have not heard from Dr. Lucey. It was decided that the Secretary should get in touch with Dr. Lucey's secretary, if Dr. Lucey could not come then an invitation be sent to Dr. Ahern. The Sec. asked if we should invite the Ambassador. Mr. O'Donovan proposed that no invitation be sent to the Ambassador Sec. by Mrs. O'Donovan. This motion was carried.

#### Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

The tickets will be available at the week end. Tickets will be forwarded to members.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. O'Donovan thanked the Kanturk Association for their hospitality on the occasion of their visit to a meeting. Mr. Ahern said the Kanturk Assoc. thanked the Chairman - Mr. O'Donovan for their visit. Mr. O'Rordan

said he had a booking at the Regal Colmacton for 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan, & Kanturk did not want this date, he wondered if the Building Fund would like this date. Mr. O' Donovan proposed we accept this offer. Sec. by Mr. J. Byrne. Kanturk Assoc. have a dinner at this venue on 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. it was hoped that the Assoc. would give it support.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting : 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. 75.

Chairman :- R. J. Allen      Proposed by Michael Brown  
Date : 30. 9. 75.      Seconded by : J. Roche,

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tue. 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1975 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were : Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Mr. J. Sheehan Vice Chairman Rev. Fr. MacNamara Vice-president Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer Miss J. Hanahan Sec. also Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs. M. Murphy Misses T. Crowley M. Dineen, M. Browne, J. Roche, P. Ryan & R. O'Riordan.

As this meeting was called to discuss the forthcoming Annual dinner, it was agreed to take the minutes as read.

Correspondence.

A notice from British Rail regarding the re-building work at Holyhead. Tickets for the Skibbereen Dinner at Barkers on 11<sup>th</sup> Oct. A receipt from Barkers. A letter appealing for financial help for the Willie Read Centre. A letter from Cork County Assoc. Birmingham requesting details of our Annual dinner. An Agenda for the C.I.C.A meeting.

Treasurer's Report.

Bloc of C.I.A £576.74, 158 tickets for Bacon & Cabbage dinner paid for £254. Building Fund £915.15.

The Chairman said the cost of the Bacon & Cabbage dinner had been increased by 30p. prior to our dinner but the manager has arranged that we should have the dinner at the old price (£1.30). The Chairman suggested we give the manager a gift. Mr. O'Sullivan Sheehan said he felt we should have been informed. The Chairman said it was up to the C.I.C.A. to let all the counties know. Mr. O'Sullivan suggested we give the manager a gift at Christmas, this was agreed by all.

#### Annual Dinner.

The Chairman said we have no chief guest for the Dinner. The Ambassador has asked Mr. Feehan to represent him at the dinner. Fr. McNamara will ask Mr. O'Halloran M.P. It was felt now that it was too late to invite a chief guest now. It was decided to invite the following Rev. Fr. McNamara, Miss O'Sullivan, Mr. & Mrs. O'Mahony, Dr. & Mrs. Tanguay. (vice-presidents) Mr. & Mrs. Feehan (President), Mr. & Mrs. P. Harratty, Mr. & Mrs. J. Daly, <sup>Rev. Fr. Cagney</sup> Mr. Healy C.W.E., Miss Henshaw (Secretary). Fr. Mc Namara said he saw no reason why the vice-presidents should be invited. Mr. Sheehan said the vice-presidents had given valid service to the Association over the years, & saw no reason why they should not be guests. This was seconded by Mr. Murphy & was carried in the voting that followed. It was agreed to donated the following prizes for the raffle £50 2nd £15 3rd £10. The following members donated prizes: Mr. Allen - Mystery prize Mrs. Murphy: Mystery Prize. Mr. Crowley - Bottle of Whiskey. Mr. P. Ryan - bottle of Brandy. Mr. H. Browne: 2 bottles of sherry. Mr. J. Roche: bottle of gin. The Kentuck Assoc. will also donate a prize.

The menu decided is: Mr. Germain with croissants soup. Roast beef, beans, carrots & roast potatoes. Sherry trifle. Coffe. 2 bottles of wine & one jug of fruit cup per table. Flowers on top table. Mr. Cheen said economies should be made on top table drinks. After a lengthy discussion Mr. O Sullivan proposed we cut out the top table after the meal. Seconded by Mr. P. Ryan it was carried by a majority. Mr. Sheehan said the speeches should be sorted out now, he felt that someone outside the Assoc. should speak, he suggested Mr. Healy. Fr. McManana said he had spoken at every dinner for 21 years. Suggested we ask G. O Mahony. Mr. Sheehan said the Chairman should make a speech. The Chairman said he was happy to propose the toast to Ireland. It was decided to put an advert in the Weekly on 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Oct.

A. O. B.

Mrs Murphy said at the recent C.I.C.A meeting the darts team were drawn against Sleath in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the league competition. The bazaar will take place on 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Fr. McManana proposed a vote of sympathy to Miss O Sullivan on the death of her brother, also our sympathy was passed to Mr. Crowley on the death of his brother. Mr. O' Donovan on the death of his brother.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting :- 13<sup>th</sup> October 1975.

Chairman :- R J Allen.

Date :- 13-10-75.

Proposed by: MR. F. Cronin

Seconded by: Mrs K. Fitzgerald

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Mon.  
13<sup>th</sup> October at 8.45 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen chairman, Rev. Fr. McManama  
Vice-president, Mr. Sheehan <sup>Vice-chairman</sup> Treasurer, Miss F. Hendon  
Secretary also Mrs. McMurphy, Miss K. Fitzgerald Misses  
F. Crowley, M. Ahern, R. O'Riordan & T. Roche.

Apologies from Mrs. O'Donovan ~~Mrs. Heaton~~ Mrs. Heaton, Mrs. O'Donovan

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters arising.

The Chairman said the Cork Association of Birmingham  
are holding a dinner on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec., & he suggested that  
we may arrange to go there. Miss Fitzgerald said another  
prize for the draw a Waterford glass vase. The Chairman  
said Mrs. O'Donovan said she would give a prize, Fr.  
McManama said Mr. O'Halloran would not be able to  
attend the dinner, as he is going to Greece. Mr. O'  
Sullivan proposed we invite Mr. M. Browne, President of  
the Federation of Irish Societies as a guest for our dinner.  
It was agreed by all.

#### Annual Dinner.

It was decided that the following would be the  
order of the toasts : Ireland : Dr. T. Cagney.  
Cork Association : Mr. T. Feenan Reply by : Mr. G. O'Mahony  
To the Guests : Mr. R. Allen Reply by Fr. Cagney.  
The following have accepted our invitations Miss O'Sullivan  
Dr. & Mrs. Cagney Mr. & Mrs. O'Mahony, & Fr. Cagney.  
So far about 300 tickets have been sold.

#### A.O.B.

The Charleville Association has given a cheque  
for £60 to the Building Fund. The Chairman thanked  
them for their generosity. The Bandon Assoc. will present  
a cheque for £30 at the Annual Dinner. Mr. O'Sullivan  
said the Building Fund owes the Assoc. £80. This will

be paid after the raffle. Mr. O'Sullivan said there are only 87 paid up members. This time last year there were 118. Mr. Ahearn will endeavour to book a band for the social on 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

As there was no other business the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 28<sup>th</sup> October 1975.

Chairman : R. J. Allen  
Date 28.10.75

Proposed by: Mrs. M. Murphy.  
Seconded by: Frank Crowley

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Tue. 28<sup>th</sup> October 1975. at 8.30 p.m.

Present were: Mr. R. Allen, Chairman, Rev. Fr. MacNamara Vice president, Mr. J. O'Sullivan Treasurer, Miss J. Hanahan Sec. Also Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. O'Donovan, Messrs. Crowley, Ahearn, O'Donovan, Browne, Roche, Ryan & O' Riordan Apologies from Messrs. Sheehan, Wyse & Banke.

As this meeting was called to discuss the dinner, all other business was postponed to the next meeting.

#### Annual Dinner.

It was decided that Mr. G. Harrington photographer be a guest of the Association Prizes for raffle as follows: £50. £15 £10 bottle of Whiskey : 2 bottles of brandy : Waterford Glass vase; Bottle of gin; 2 mystery prizes, Smokey Crystal water set: 2 bottles of sherry. Mr. O'Riordan will organise the collection of the envelopes & the raffle. Mr. Browne proposed we give the band a meal, Sec by Mr. J. O'Donovan, Fr. MacNamara proposed an amendment that we do not give supper to the band, as we pay them Sec by Mrs. O'Donovan The proposal was withdrawn. The Sec band will be given £5 to buy drinks. The Secretary to sign all drinks bill. The chairman

said at the last meeting it was decided ~~at the last~~  
~~meeting~~ to have no top table after the dinner. Mr. O' Riordan  
said it was a misunderstanding. Mr. O'Sullivan said he  
had made the proposal as he felt it was pointless to have  
a top table if it was bare. Mr. Ahern said he had asked  
for economies to be made at the top table, some of these  
people only turn up once a year, and we do not seem  
to have any money to give to any cause. As this motion  
was passed at a previous meeting. Fr. MacNamara proposed  
the suspension of standing orders Sec by Mr. O'Sullivan, this  
was carried by 11 votes. Mr. Ahern proposed we have a  
top table with a limited amount of drink. Mr. Crowley  
asked what would the limit be. Fr. MacNamara said  
it should not exceed £50. This was carried by 9 to 2.  
Mr. O' Riordan asked if people will help the Sec. on the evening  
of the dinner. The chairman asked if the Sec. could have  
the taxi fare to Barkers. This was agreed by all. The guests  
will be met at the door by the following: Mr. & Mrs. Feethan by  
Mrs O'Donovan, Fr. Cagney by Mr. Crowley, Mr. Harralby  
by Mr. O'Donovan, Dr. & Mrs. Langley by Mrs Murphy, Mr.  
Mrs O'Mahony by J. Sheehan, Miss O'Sullivan by Miss Fitzgerald,  
J. Daly by Mr. Roche. Fr. MacNamara asked what  
time dinner would start. It was decided that it should  
be announced at 8.10.

The meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

Date of next meeting: 10<sup>th</sup> November 1975.

Chairman: - R. J. Ahern.  
Date 10.11.75.

Proposed by: Mr. F. Crowley  
Seconded by: Mrs. M. Murphy

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on  
10<sup>th</sup> November 1975. at 8.45 p.m.

Present were : Mr. R. Allen, Chairman. Mr. J. Sheehan  
Vice-Chairman. Mr. J. O'Sullivan, Treasurer. Miss C. Henihan  
Secretary. Also Miss K. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs O'Donovan  
Misses F. Crowley, M. Gheane, J. O'Donovan, M. Browne, R. O'  
Rordan - G. Byrne.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.  
Matters arising.

Mrs. Byrne apologised for not attending previous meetings  
due to personal <sup>reasons</sup> ~~problems~~. The Chairman thanked the  
Committee for making the Annual dinner a very enjoyable  
evening. Mrs O'Donovan thanked the Secretary for organising  
the meal so well. Mr. O'Donovan said it was an  
excellent evening & thanked Mrs Murphy for her help on  
the door. He said the Treasurer was missed. Mr. Sheehan  
said it was unfortunate that the pre dinner drink had to  
be taken at the bar in the restaurant.

#### Treasurer's Report.

Bal c/a £543.82 less £27 £10.

D/A £343.05 + £387 banked on 5/11. 93 dinner tickets  
paid for, Band £65 + £75 prize money.  
Building Fund £1018.84 int. £62.17 on D/A. + £35 int.  
on B/F. D/A. The Bandon Association donated £30. The  
Chairman thanked the Bandon Association. The Treasurer  
said the Bacon-Cabbage Dinner A/c has closed, but  
we have not yet received the bill. £59.50 money  
collected for the Bulman Family. The Sec. asked if  
some money could be invested with the A.C.C. Mr. O'  
Sullivan <sup>proposed</sup> asked the Sec. to get details of the interest  
Sec. by Mr. O'Donovan.

Correspondence.  
Letters of Thanks from Rev. Fr. Cagney. Dr. Langley. Mr. G

O'Mahony enclosing a cheque for £10 for the Building Fund. A special offer of a dinner commemorating De Valera, after a discussion it was decided to purchase one. The bill from Barkers: £1942.82 less £203.60 paid on the night of dinner, amount outstanding £1739.22. Mr. O' Riordan asked what the £25 fee was paid for. This is an extension fee charged by Barkers. Mr. Lumsden expressed his thanks to the Chairman for the gift. Mrs O'Donovan said she did not agree with the idea of a gift, as it was his job to ensure we had a good night. Mr. O'Sullivan said due to Mr. Lumsden generosity we had got approx. £58 int. on dinner money. The Chairman asked the Sec. to ask Mr. Lumsden if we can pay the bill late this year. Bill from CWE £9.74.

#### Annual Dinner.

Most of the tickets have been paid for. Mr. Crowley paid for three cancelled tickets - it was decided that this money be refunded as the tickets were cancelled before the final numbers were given.

#### Building Fund.

After a discussion it was decided to have tickets printed for the Social on 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. Mr. Sheehan said it would need to be publicised, an advert to be put in the CWE on 20<sup>th</sup> Nov. Mr. O' Riordan asked if we should charge 60p. Mr. O'Donovan said as it was the last dance of 1975, admission should stay at 50p. Mr. O'Riordan proposed 60p charge, Sec. by Mr. Sheehan. Mr. O'Donovan proposed an amendment that the charge stay at 50p. Sec. by Mr. Sheehan. The amendment was carried. The Committee were asked to think of ideas for the dance on 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan. & a decision be made at the next meeting.

A.O.B.

C.I.C.A. Report: The Donegal Assoc. cancelled a Bacon Cabbage

dinner, at the Irish Centre at short notice, the C.I.C.A. are holding a dinner & would welcome support. There will be a Welfare conference at the Irish Centre on 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. 75 at 10 A.M. The C.I.C.A are meeting representatives of Bord Faoltach. Aer Lingus & Associations are welcome to attend. Mr. O'Donovan proposed that the Cork Association pass a resolution on the bad service on the B.I. line to Cork. Sec by Mr. Crowley. It was carried by all. Mr. Ahern said that the high cost of the fare, B.I. should provide somewhere for the passengers to sit, also the Aer Lingus fare to Cork was now almost out of reach for most people. Mr. O'Riordan said if nothing is done, following this meeting a petition should be organised & Cork people asked to sign. Mr. O'Sullivan said duty free goods should not be on routes between England-Ireland. A darts match will be held on 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. & Mr. O'Riordan will captain the team. it was agreed that the Captain buy a drink for the teams.

#### A.G.M.

The date of the A.G.M was fixed for 25<sup>th</sup> Jan '76. Mr. Sheehan asked if any Cork person coming to the meeting could vote, as all members would not have renewed their membership by Jan. Voting at the AGM was open to members of the Assoc. for 1975 only. The Chairman said he would not be seeking re-election. Mr. O'Donovan proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman for his hard work over the years. Sec. by Mr. Browne. Mr. Sheehan said he would like the Chairman to reconsider his decision. Mr. O'Sullivan said the Chairman has put a lot of work into the Association. The Chairman said he was proud to have worked with such a good committee, & thanked everyone for their kind words. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed that the Association have an Assistant Secretary as opposed to two vice-chairmen. Mr. Sheehan said he had thought of this for a long time, perhaps a social sec, & P.R.O. Mr. O'

Sullivan said the Assistant Secretary should be responsible for the minutes. This was agreed by all.

Mr. O Riordan thanked everyone for their help with the raffle. Mr. Browne thanked the Assoc. for being a guest at the Annual dinner. Miss O Sullivan wished to have her thanks conveyed to the meeting.

Date of next meeting : 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. 75.

Chairman : R. J. Allen.  
Date : 8. 12. 75.

Proposed by : MR. J. Sheahan.  
Seconded by : MR. F. Crowley.

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre  
on Wed. 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. 75 at 8.30 p.m.

Present were Mr. R. Allen Chairman, Mr. J. Sheahan Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. O Sullivan Treasurer, Miss T. Hanlon Sec. Also Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. O Donovan, Miss Fitzgerald, Messrs. F. Crowley, J. O Donovan, J. Roche, S. Ryan.

Apologies from Messrs. Aher, O Riordan, Byrne.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, adopted  
Matters arising.

Mr. O Sullivan apologised for being late. Mr. O Donovan said he understood that there was still payment outstanding for the Bacon Cabbage Dinner. It seems that seven tickets have not been paid for - it could be caused by a mix up at the door. Mrs. O Donovan said the error could be on the side of the Irish Centre. The Chairman said Mrs. Haniffa was usually on our side - we had been given this dinner at the old price. Mr. O Donovan proposed we now close the account. Sec. by Miss Fitzgerald.

Treasurer's Report.

C/A balance £528.39      D/A £1490.80.      287 Annual Dinner  
Tickets paid for. £10 to be transferred to B/Fund.

## Building Fund Ac.

C/A £20. D/A £1,164.13. Dance-Raffle at White Hart, ticket money collected £131.74. Dance money at door £98.51. Band £45. Fund still owes Assoc. £80.

Again the question of our request for grants from the C.I.C.A was discussed. So far we have not had any reply. Mr. Sheehan said asked if welfare could be confined to members. Mr. Crowley said we should be able to get money for our members.

## Correspondence.

Confirmation from Bankers for Annual Dinner on 29<sup>th</sup> October 1976. A list of job vacancies in Ireland. London Boro. of Wandsworth regarding Amendments to the Renters Act 1975. Heffernan's Travel re Charter flight to Cork in March. This item to be put in the newsletter. The Sec. said she had heard from Mr. Burke that Mrs. Carroll Lambourn had died - her husband had to stay at home to prevent his family going into a house. Mr. Sheehan proposed a vote of sympathy to the Carroll family. Sec. by Mr. O'Donnovan. The Chairman asked if we would make a donation to this family. Mr. Crowley proposed we donate £50. Sec. by Mr. O'Donnovan. Mr. O'Donnovan said his sister-in-law had not received a Mass Card from the Association. The Sec. will send a Mass Card.

Social 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 76.

The Chairman asked if we could have some items for an auction. An advert to appear on the CWE. The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. O'Riordan, of the White Hart. Mr. Sheehan said there were two dates available there 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct. It was decided to book these. Mr. Sheehan said if we could get established somewhere, new members will get to know each other. Mr. Sheehan

was asked to book a band for the Annual Dinner.

The Secretary said Mr. Dack (Kilkenny) had telephoned regarding the quiz. Mr. Sheehan said we should pick a captain & then a team. Mrs. O'Donovan asked what this quiz was all about, ~ said it should be a Committee matter. Mr. Sheehan proposed Mr. Lehane as Captain, Sec. by Mr. O'Sullivan. Mr. Ryan proposed Mrs. O'Donovan Sec. by Miss Fitzgerald. In the vote that followed Mrs. O'Donovan won by 6 votes to 2.

The Chairman ~~said~~ wished Mr. Ryan every happiness & success in Ireland ~ thanked him for all his hard work ~ said he would be missed. Mr. Ryan said he will miss working with the Committee.

Mr. Crowley said we had not helped many during the year ~ said he proposed we give a hamper to the Little Sisters of the Poor, who work for unfortunate people. Sec. by Mr. O'Sullivan Mr. O'Donovan proposed we give them £20, Sec by Mr. Ryan. Mr. Crowley said Mr. Burke may be able to deliver the present. Mr. Sheehan said the Chairman should be present when the cheque was given.  
Building Fund.

Mr. Crowley asked what was the position of the Cork Building Fund Committee, & he wondered what would happen to the Fund if the next Committee did not wish to proceed with it. Mr. O'Sullivan said perhaps the next Committee could be even more responsible than us. Mrs. O'Donovan said we should have trustees. A lengthy discussion followed regarding trustees ~ it was felt that this should be discussed at the A.G.M. Mrs. O'Donovan asked if the Assoc. would make a donation to the B/Fund. Mr. O'Sullivan said this should be left to the next Committee. Mr. Roche will try to book the Archway Tavern for a social.

The Chairman closed the meeting by wishing everyone a happy Christmas & thanked them for their work. Mr. Crowley thanked the Chairman, Sec., Treasurer for their hard work. Mr. O'Sullivan said it was team work.

Date of next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 76.

Chairman : R. Allen.

Date 15-1-76.

Proposed by: Mr. F. Crowley.  
Seconded by: Mr. J. Sheehan.