

Minutes of the meetings
of
FERMANAGH ASSOCIATION
IN LONDON.

1963-70

6th April 1963.

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, on the 12th March. T. McElroy chairman, presided. The Secy, Treasurer and many other members of the Assoc. were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade was discussed and we decided to contact Hugh Brudenell regarding the Fermanagh banner. Tom McE. asked all the members to support it if they were free.

We decided to arrange a return quiz with the Armagh Association. A date was not fixed.

One of the members offered to do a poster for our forthcoming dance in the Lyceum. We also dec. to have tickets printed for it.

Charles Mack has not been approached yet regr. the letting of his hall for a dance.

The chairman requested as many members as possible to support the St. Patrick's Day concert in the Albert Hall on 16th March. He also advised us that the programmes included the names and addresses of the

various county secretaries. As Miss Maguire
one of our repres. of the Irish beauties Assoc.
has not been present at our general
meetings for some time it was dec. to
contact her and inquire if she still
wished to represent us.

Pat Lypay told us about a lady
who was buried in a common grave and
it was dec. to send a subscription to
Fr. Bergin who when he heard about it
obtained permission to arrange a Christian
burial.

10th June 63.

A general meeting of the Assoc. was held in the Irish Centre on 14th May. T. McElroy, chairman presided. The Sec., treasurer and a few other members were present.

The dance in the Lyndham was discussed and it was dec. to hold a raffle. The prizes we settled on were £2 and £1.

A suggested date for our annual dinner dance was Thurs. 26th Sept. in Irish Centre, Eton Sq. We dec. to get some sample tickets and menu cards.

It was suggested that we should buy a wedding present for John Maxwell a former Treasurer. We bought an Irish Linen Tablecloth together with napkins for him.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

J McElroy

8th July 1963.

A general meeting of the Association was held in the Irish Centre on Tuesday 11th June Mr T. Mc Elroy presided. The Sec. Treasurer and a few other members of the Assoc. were present.

An apology was received from Mr. & Mrs Lyrene who unfortunately were unable to attend.

It was proposed that we should send £10 to Fr. Mc Namara as a donation towards the Irish Centre. All present were in favour of this.

The chairman agreed to contact Fr. Mc Namara with regard to holding a social in the Irish Centre early in September.

T. Mc Elroy proposed we hold an outing in late Sept. All present were in favour of this but considering there were very few in attendance we dec. to make some general enquiries to cost etc. and discuss the subject at a further meeting.

It was dec. to send a cheque for £6-3-0 to T. Mc Lywan in respect of Guinness Bus and Affiliation fees.

T. Mc Elroy. 9th, 63.

10th Sept. 63.

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Assoc. was held in the Irish Centre, Banbridge on Tuesday 9th July. There was a rather small attendance owing to some members being on holiday.

The forthcoming outing to Eastbourne and the Dinner Dance were the chief topics of conversation.

We have booked a 49 seater coach for the outing on 22nd Sept. The coach will dep. from Banbridge Town at 9 a.m. that morning and will collect any further passengers at Victoria at 9.30 a.m.

The dinner dance which has prov. been booked for 40 will take place on Thurs 26th Sept., in the Irish Club. Our guests will be Mr & Mrs Michael Quinn. There being no further business to discussed the meeting was adjourned.

J.J. McElroy 10.

14th Sept.

A general meeting of the Association was held in The Irish Centre on Tuesday 10th September. Mr T McElroy presided. The Sec. Treasurer and several other members of the Association were present.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of £52-9-1 in the bank, £1-18-11 being the cash in hand.

The forthcoming outing to Eastbourne was the chief topic. The coach was booked to depart from Sandown Town tube station at 9 am. and from Victoria at 9.30 a.m.

It was agreed that we should invite Mr. Forbes along as one of our guests to (the) our First Diners Dance.

A suggestion was made that we have a social in The Irish Centre on 9th Nov. We hoped to have Pat McNamee band if he was free on that day. It was agreed that D. Ward and Miss Maguire represent the association at the forthcoming Irish Counties Diners Dance on Wed 9th Oct.

The meeting was then brought to a close

T. J. McElroy #

10th October 63.

The Annual general meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held on 8th October 63 in the Irish Centre, London Square. The attendance included the chairman Mr T. Mc Elroy; Secretary Miss J. Delan; Treasurer F. Barrigan, committee members and members of the Association. The minutes of the previous A.G.M. were read and adopted. The treasurers report showed a balance of approx. £52-9-0 in the Bank. This report was also adopted.

The chairman thanked all those whose efforts had helped to make the association a success during the past year. A word of thanks was also due to the sec. and treasurer for their efforts during the year.

The election of officers then took place. Mr T. Mc Elroy was elected chairman (John Bassidy vice). Rev. Fr. Mc Quillan was elected President; Mr Bahir Ikaly and Senator O'Hare vice presidents. Mr T. Mc Elroy was elected chairman; Mr J. Bassidy vice chairman; Miss J. Delan secretary; Miss P. Slaney assistant secretary. Mr.

Frank Barrigan was elected treasurer.
Committee members elected were Misses
E. McHugh, L. Maguire and C. Mc Dermott and
Messrs. P. Gray, D. Ward, T. O'Rourke & J.
Anderson,

It was decided that Phil Sleaney
and D. Ward would represent the Assoc.
at the Irish Banties Assoc.

With regard to social activities
for the coming year we decided to
have a social in the Irish Centre
as soon as possible. The idea of
holding a Christmas party in the Irish
Club was also discussed.

Members were then asked to pay
their annual subscription to the treasurer
and on that note the meeting adjourned

J. McEvoy 20/06/04

26th Nov. 63

A general meeting of the Farm. Assn. was held in the Irish centre on the 12th Nov. 63. The attendance included Mr. P. T. McElroy chairman, the Sec., treasurer and other members of the Assn.

A quiz has been arranged between ourselves and the Tipperary (ex) quiz team in The Irish centre on 4th December, with Mr. Quinn, Armagh acting as question master. John Cassidy was elected Captain of our team this year. A social has been arranged in the Irish centre on 25th January 64. It was man. decided to book Pat McNamee's band for the occasion. As we decide to send two comp. tickets to the various secretaries of the County Assn. we are having 150 tickets printed.

Pat Lycay offered to approach the manager of the Lyresham Ballroom in order to reserve a date in either Feb. or April '64.

Members who had not paid their annual subscription were kindly asked to do so.

Thomas J. McElroy 14/1/64

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Press
took place in the Irish centre on 14th Jan.
T. Mc Elroy, chairman presided. The Sec.,
Treasurer and other members of the Assoc
were present.

The treasurers report showed a balance
of £1-0-3 being the cash in hand and
£43-12-6 in the bank.

It was agreed to send a cheque for
£5-0-0 to Fr. Mc Namara towards the
Irish centre.

To date ~~had~~ a date has not been fixed
for the forthcoming dance in the Lysham.
It was decided to change the meeting
to the third Tuesday of the month in
preference to the second.

The meeting was then adjourned.

T. J. Mc Elroy. 18/2/64

A general meeting of The Fermanagh Assc. was held in The Irish centre, Lander Sq. on 18th Feb. The bhairman, T. Mc Elroy presided. The Sec. Treasurer and other members were present. An apology was received from Miss Maguire.

The cash in hand amounted to £1-6-3 and the balance of our bank acc is £38-12-6. The bhairman spoke of the very poor attendance of Fermanagh people at our recent social which was held in the Irish centre. The profit amounted to £5-0-0. A quiz has been arranged with Down for Tues 10th March.

Pat Igray asked if we would be interested in organising a drama group, however very few were interested and it was decided to abandon the idea.

The Sec. offered to get a quot. from Orange Luxury for a coach outing in June.

We were asked by T. Mc Elroy to support the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sun. 15th March and also Irish Hostels St. P. Day concert in R.A. Hall on Mon 16th.

T.J. McElroy 21
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A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association took place in The Irish Centre, Lanyon Sq., on Tues 22nd April. The chairman, on behalf of the Assoc. welcomed our new members Mr. & Mrs. Mc Barnack.

The treasurers report showed a balance of £33-12-6 in the bank and £1-16-9 the cash in hand.

It was agreed that we should raise £50 towards the John F. Kennedy Memorial Hall at the Irish Centre.

The chairman requested that we support the Ulster Counties Assoc. Social which was ~~to be held~~ held on Friday 1st May.
We agreed to send £3-3-0 to the St. Patricks Day Parade committee

J P McElroy 16/6/04

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association took place at The Irish Centre, Londonderry, on Tues. 16th June.

Sympathy was extended to Frank Barrigan on the recent death of his father.

It was decided to hold our annual meeting on Sunday Sept. 20 to Hastings. It was unanimously agreed that we affiliate with the Irish counties.

Pat Gray and Irene Dolan were asked to represent Fermanagh at Ulster counties meetings.

Mr. P. J. Greene was elected vice-chairman in place of John Cassidy who returned to Ireland some months ago.

The meeting was adjourned.

19th October 1964.

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Assoc. took place in The Irish Centre, Bamden Sq. on Tuesday 8th September 64. Many members including the Chairman and Secretary were present. Our Treasurer Frank Barrigan was on holiday.

The chief topic was our Annual outing to Hastings on Sunday 20th Sept. It was decided to charge 12/- per adult.

As Father Mc Namara has now been transferred from the Irish Centre to a new parish we decided to contribute £10 either towards a gift for him or a cash present - whichever he preferred.

Two of our members Pat Saunderson and Joe Rooney were married recently in Ireland and it was suggested that we buy them a wedding present. The Sec. was asked to approach Pat with regard to a present.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned.

J. Ward.
16/11/64

16th November 1964

The Annual General Meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held in Irish Centre, Camden Square, on Tuesday 20th October, 1964.

The attendance included Chairman, Mr Tom McElroy, Treasurer, Mr Frank Corrigan, committee members and members of Association.

Minutes of previous A.G.M. were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £42-17-6. This report was also adopted.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Miss Irene Dolan, apologising for absence owing to ~~evening work~~ a business trip. She also stated that owing to forthcoming evening work, she would be unable to continue as secretary. An apology was also received from Mr Pat Gray.

In his address the chairman paid tribute to the work of Miss Dolan as secretary and wished her every success in the future. He spoke of the activities of the Association during the year and thanked the secretary, treasurer and others who had helped in any way.

Election of officers then took place. President - Mr Cahir Healy. Vice-presidents - Senator P.J. O'Hare, and Rev. Terence McManus, St. Pats. College, Cavan.

Chairman, Mr Desmond Ward, Secretary, Mrs Greene,
Treasurer, Mr Frank Corrigan, Asst. Sec. Miss Anne Steele
and Vice-Chairman Mr P.J. Greene. Committee
members elected were Messrs T. McElroy, H. McCormack
J. Anderson, Patrick Gray, John Cassidy, ~~and~~
Felix Maguire, and Miss Una Gallagher.

Forthcoming dance in Gresham was discussed
and members were urged to dispose of as many
tickets as possible. Delegates to I.C.A. - T. McElroy, L. Ward.

The outing to Eastbourne, Hastings on 20th Sept.
had been very enjoyable, although support had
been poor and there was a financial loss.

It was decided to make enquiries about
Quiz fixtures for current season.

Members were then asked to pay their annual
subscriptions, and the meeting was adjourned.

A. Ward.
19/10/65
J.W.

19th November. 1964.

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Camden Square on Tuesday 17th November. Mr Desmond Ward presided and there was a good attendance of members.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurers report showed a bank balance of £104-3-6; cash in hand £6-9-9½. This report was also adopted.

The dance in the Gresham was discussed. It had been a financial success, but the managers had quoted the number of tickets handed in at door. It was decided to donate £50 to the John J. Kennedy Memorial Hall. £2 to be paid to Irish Counties Association as our contribution towards G.A.A. Trophy. We have been drawn to meet Tipperary in the first round of the Inter-Counties Quiz on Dec. 15th in the Irish Centre. This year the I.C.A. are offering prizes for individual scorers. The treasurer was asked to forward the entrance fee of 10/- to Quiz Committee. It was arranged that as many members as possible should meet in Irish Centre on Tuesday Dec. 1st for a friendly Quiz between two teams drawn from the members.

A Social is to be held in Irish Centre on Saturday 16th January, 1965. Mr McElroy proposed having some tickets printed, so that complimentary tickets can be sent to Chairmen of other Associations.

Three Committee members were needed to complete the quorum so Patrick Gray, John Cassidy and Felix Maguire were then elected.

Maeveen Maguire and Eva Duffy were chosen as Auditors.

The chairman suggested speaking to Senator O'Hare about giving the Association some publicity in the 'Fermanagh Herald' with a view to increasing our membership. This suggestion was approved of by those present.

The I.C.A. Diners Dance was to be held on 18th Nov. It was decided that two members should represent Fermanagh.

Members were requested to pay fees.

Next meeting was arranged for Dec. 15th. Members were asked to attend promptly at 8.15 p.m. as the Quiz with Tipperary was to follow.

D. Ward
15/12/64

22nd December, 1964.

A general meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre, Landerd Town, on 15th December. Mr Desmond Ward presided and there was a good attendance of members.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted.

Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £112-2-2; cash in hand £2-1-5½. This report was also adopted.

A Quiz had been arranged with Tipperary and was to take place after meeting.

Mr Frank Corrigan was elected as captain of team for this year.

It was decided to engage Pat MacNamee's band for the social to be held in Irish Centre on 16th January, '65. It was also decided to have 50 tickets printed for this occasion and to send complimentary ones to secretaries of other Associations.

Arrangements for donation to John F. Kennedy Memorial Hall were postponed until a later date.

As the majority of members present were

in favour of a Second Dinner Dance, it was decided to make enquiries at Irish Club, Eatow Sq., with regards to date, cost etc..

Further reference was made to increasing membership by publicity in 'Fermanagh Herald'.

No further business to be discussed
the meeting was closed.

Next meeting January 19th, 1965.

D. Ward
19/1/65.

21st January 1965.

Meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre on 19th January. Mr D. Ward presided and attendance of members was good. An apology was received from Mr Pat Gray who was absent owing to business trip. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted.

Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £112 - 2^s 2^d and gave details of receipts and expenses of social held in Irish Centre on 16th January. Cash in hand at present £7-17^s 5^d 2^½

The social having been a success and enjoyed by the members, it was decided to hold a similar function on Saturday, 24th April. It was decided to have printed a number of tickets without dates, to be used for socials in the future.

The Chairman reported that the only date available for the Dunes Dance before Lent was February 26th. As this would leave very little time to have arrangements completed it was decided to postpone it and seek a date in September or early October.

The Quiz ~~which~~ with Tipperary which was to have

taken place on 15th December did not come off, and no information was available with regard to a definite meeting.

Mr McElroy is to try and arrange a friendly Quiz with St. Mary's or one of the other Associations, by 16th Feb. if possible.

Secretary was instructed to write to Secretary of I. C. A. giving information regarding officers and delegates of Association.

Chairman and Mr McElroy are to attend a meeting of St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee in 99, Belgrave Road, S.W.1. on 26th January.

I.C.A. are arranging a dinner in Irish Centre in near future, at which the presentation to Father McNamara is to take place. It was decided that Chairman and Secretary should attend.

Next meeting 16th February.

P. Ward
16.2.65.

26th February, 1965.

General meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre on Tuesday 16th February. Mr A. Ward presided and attendance of members was quite good.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £112-2-2. Cash in hand £6-14-5½.

Chairman reminded delegates and members that the Annual General Meeting of Irish County Associations would take place in Irish Centre on Sunday 28th February at 2.30 p.m. Nominations for officers had already been sent in.

Chairman also gave details of dinner at which presentation to Father McNamara had taken place.

Mr McElroy reported on the St. Patrick's Day Parade meeting which he had attended.

Members were urged to attend Parade on Sunday 14th March at 2.15 p.m. Mr Gray suggested that we should have a new banner. It was decided that he should make enquiries concerning it & get estimate.

With regard to new members, Mr McElroy suggested that each should be given a copy of the Constitution rather than a membership card.

It was decided to set about obtaining a sufficient number of copies.

Members were told that they have facilities of Casey Club & do not need to pay membership fee of said Club.

Cheque to John F. Kennedy Fund to be presented to Father O. Sweeney after the meeting.

Annual General Meeting of Irish Centre on 1st March. Mr McElroy agreed to be delegate.

An outing was discussed. It was agreed to go to Margate this year, and arrangements for coach to be made through former Secretary for 20th June.

Concert in Albert Hall on 16th March, next meeting was arranged for Tuesday 23rd March.

Secretary was instructed to buy present for Miss Anne Steele, assistant sec., who was married today.

New members were requested to pay membership fees.

Friendly Quiz with Armagh to follow meeting.
Quiz team. Mem Frank Corrigan (Capt.), J. Rooney, T. McElroy
J. Cassidy and Joe McCormack.

F. Ward 65
23.3.65

31st March, 1965.

General Meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre, Camden Town on 23rd March. Mr Les Ward presided. Mr J. McElroy performed duties of secretary in absence of Mrs Greene.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £62. 2. 2; cash in hand £6. 9^s. 10^½.

Outing discussed. It was decided to engage a 41-seater coach.

St Patrick's Festival parade was discussed and it was agreed that a report and photograph should be sent to Fermanagh Herald.

Copies of Constitution are to be prepared for distribution to members.

The Quiz with Tipperary has still to take place. Mr Ward is to contact Tipperary Association with regard to arranging a date.

It was proposed that a wedding present should be bought for Bridget box.

Next meeting arranged for 13th April.

J. Ward
13.4.65

30th April, 1965.

General Meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre on Tuesday 13th April. Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £59-19-8. Secretary's and other expenses amounted to £6-5-2½. Cash in hand 4/8. Printing of tickets £2/6. Social on 24th April in Irish Centre was discussed. Mrs McCormack suggested bringing some children to give an exhibition of Irish dancing. This was agreed to.

A message was received from Tipperary Association that they hoped to have a meeting within next ten days to choose a Quiz team to meet Fermanagh. Mr McElroy suggested that if the Tipperary-Fe. contest had not taken place before next meeting, a decision should be taken on whether

Secretary of Armagh Association has proposed a return Quiz on 11th May in Lord High Admiral.

Chairman told members of proposed trip to Eku. via Luton and St. Angelo airport week-end

but as Miss Maureen Maguire was not present no further details were available.

A letter from Senator O'Hare suggested that the London Association should have contact with the Fermanagh Associations in Dublin and New York. This suggestion is to receive publicity in Fermanagh Herald, so it was decided to wait and see if the Dublin Association, being the stronger, would take the initial step.

With reference to publicity in "Herald" Mr McCloskey suggested sending complimentary tickets to Fermanagh men who were prominent members of "Geraldines" Football Club, and that reference to their prowess be made in the report of the Social. He agreed to attend to the matter.

Mr Pat Gray reported on his enquiry with regard to a new banner, and gave details of sizes and cost (listed separately). Some members thought it a lot of money for something which would only be used once yearly. Others suggested that it could be used at socials & dinner dances etc. It was decided to leave the matter for the present.

13th April, 1965.

Banner

34" x 54" from £25

32" x 60"
embroidered, " £48

32" x 55" " £55.

and further inquiries be made.

Congratulations on her recent marriage were extended to Mrs Anne Mitchell and she was presented with a gift, for which she expressed her gratitude.

It was suggested sending a gift to John Cassidy, who has been transferred to Northern Ireland.

No further business meeting was closed.
Next meeting 18th May.

D. Ward.
18.5.65
J.B.

20th May, 1965.

Meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre, on Tuesday, 18th May. Chauvan Secretary, Treasurer, and six other members were present. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £59-19-8. Cash in hand 4/8.

Saturday 28th August being the date offered by Irish Centre Committee for a social it was decided to accept. It was also decided to have Pat McNamee's 4-piece band. Complimentary tickets to be sent to Chauvan & Secretary of other Associations.

With regard to outing arranged for June 20th to Margate. Coach to leave Cawden Town (Buck Street - near Underground Station) at 9 a.m. Pick up passengers at Victoria - Opposite Woolworths V.B. Road, 9.30 Fare, 12/6 adult. 6/- children. Notice to be sent to former members.

Fermanagh Quiz team had been awarded points of over Tipperary because the latter County failed to form a

Team for Monday 17th May - the date appointed for Contest. Fermanagh now enter second round of Guinness Cup Inter-County Quiz.

Chairman suggested a letter should be sent to Welwyn Garden Shamrock Club, thanking them for allowing Fermanagh members and supporters to join with them on 24th April in Irish Centre. Some members did not agree to this, so it was decided against writing.

Contact with the Dublin-Fermanaghmen's Association was discussed; Some members thought that exchange of correspondence would not benefit either association a lot, and as there could be no real personal contact, it was decided to let the matter rest.

In reply to a question from Mrs. McCormack the Chairman explained that the ~~question~~ ^{idea} of air trips to Ekn. had been dropped because Lalon Airways had increased the cost to £8.

Mr McElroy asked about the stencil for having copies of the Constitution issued to members. Miss Maguire was not present, but had informed the Chairman that stencil was cut.

No further business. Chairway arranged next meeting for 15th June. And closed meeting. T. Ward 15.6.65

16th June, 1965.

Meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre on 15th June. Mr Ward presided. Secretary, Treasurer and fourteen members attended.

Minutes of previous meeting read.

Treasurer's report showed bank balance balance of £33-10-5, cash in hand 4/-.

Outing to Margate on Sunday 20th was discussed and numbers expected to travel reckoned.

The social to be held in Irish Centre on 28th August was next item for discussion.

On a show of hands it was decided to revert to 3 piece band as agreeable to Irish Centre Committee. Admission fixed at 3/- Tickets to be available at next meeting.

In Second Round of Quiz Competition Fermanagh has been drawn to meet Donegal. Arrangements for time and place of Quiz to be made.

In Individual Quiz Competition T. McElroy and J. Cassidy have been called for 1st round on 17th June. T. Corrigan is to replace J. Cassidy. Affiliation fee of £3-3² to be sent to Irish Counties Association.

It was agreed that Cardinal Conway
should be named as vice-president of
Ulster Counties, in ~~agreement~~ with other
Counties.

Secretary was instructed to make
reservation for dinner dance in Irish
Club, Eaton Square, for end of September.
No further business to be discussed
Chairman arranged next meeting for
20th July, and meeting was closed.

P. Ward -
21-9-65
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28th September, 1965.

General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre on 21st September, 1965. Mr Des Ward presided. Secretary, Treasurer and 10 other members were present. Minutes of meeting 16th June, were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £42-15-11; Cash in hand £2-9-2.

As no meetings were held in July or August, chairman stated that the Dinner Dance had been postponed until 1966, probably February or March.

In second round of Guinness Cup Competition it had been arranged for Leinster to meet Clare, on Weds. October 13th in Irish Centre. Mr Tom Wyse had consented to act as question master. The Chairman urged that as many as possible should attend the quiz.

Chairman gave report on a meeting of chairmen and secretaries of County Associations which he had attended recently in Irish Centre. Each Association chairman was requested to give an account of his Association's activities and state strength of Association. Limerick with a membership of round 300, was in the lead.

Dinner Dance sponsored by Council of Irish Associations to be held in Gaesham ballroom on 11th November. Two tickets were drawn for by members and were allotted to Miss Una Gallagher and P.J. Greene.

Chairman reported that Social held on 28th August had been a financial success. Mayoness Association had requested that guests at their dinner should be admitted, and had given £5 in return.

Tickets for a draw on Cambridgeshire, sponsored by Council, were distributed and members were urged to dispose of as many as possible.

Lerry County Association were interested in having a joint venture, either a Social or Bacon and Cabbage Dinner. It was decided to contact them.

Mr Gray suggested that Council should have meetings during Year and allow all County members to attend. In this way they would feel themselves part of the I.C.A. Chairman said he would put forward this suggestion at next meeting of Council.

It was proposed that a gift should be sent to Miss Irene Nolan on occasion of her recent marriage.
Next meeting to be A.G.M. on 19th October.
No further business, Chairman closed meeting.

D. Ward
16/10/65

October
21st November '65

The Annual General Meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre, Camden Square, on Tuesday 19th October 1965. The attendance included chairman, Mr Des Ward, treasurer Mr. Frank Bonegan, secretary Mrs. Greene, committee members and members of the Association. Minutes of previous A.G.M. were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance £42.15.11; cash in hand £1.19.2.

In his address the chairman spoke of the activities of the Association and thanked all those whose efforts had helped to make the association a success during the past year.

Election of officers then took place:-

President - Mr. Seamus Healy. Vice-president - Senator P. J. O'Hare and Fr. T. Gallagher, Scotland. Chairman - Mr. Des Ward. Treasurer - Mr. Frank Bonegan, Secretary - Miss Philomena Slaney. Asst Sec - Miss Una Gallagher. Committee members elected were Mr. Tom McElroy, Mr. Pat Grey, Mrs. Irene McGivern, and Miss Una Gallagher, Mr & Mrs Green and Felice McGuire. Mr. Des Ward and Mr. Tom McElroy were elected as representatives to the council of Irish County Associations and Miss Eva Duffy the auditor.

The question of having a social at the end of the year and making it a combined effort with Derry was discussed. It was agreed that the Fermanagh Association would do the organising and split the profit or loss 50/50 with Derry. St. Michael's Hall was suggested. Also then E. M'Elroy offered to make inquiries about a forthcoming dance in the Gresham.

Members were then asked to pay their annual subscription to the treasurer and the meeting was adjourned.

D. Ward
18/10/65.

November 1965

Meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre on Tuesday 16th November 1965. Mr. Des Ward presided, secretary and 7 other members were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance as £42. 15. 11., cash in hand £. 19. 2.

In third round of Quiz competition, Fermanagh were drawn to meet Armagh. Arrangements for time and place of Quiz were made.

The secretary was instructed to make reservation for dinner dance in Fresh Club, Eaton Square for February, and it was decided to have the social in the Freshman until after May. F. Gaillard's suggestion to invite a representative from Dublin-Fermanagh Association to dinner dance was well received. The chairman offered to see about the printing of tickets.

The correspondence included a letter from the Leuth Association asking for our co-operation in raising funds for

re-build St. Anne's school hall, which was recently burned to the ground. Fr. Gartlan a manist father from St. Anne's Underwood Rd. E. 1. addressed the meeting and discussed the subject with us, and everyone agreed to give every help.

No further business, meeting was closed.
Next meeting arranged for 21st December.

D. Ward
14/12/65
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14th December 1965.

General meeting of Fermanagh Association was held in Irish Centre on Tuesday 14th December. Mr. Des Ward presided. Secretary, treasurer and 8 other members were present. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance £37. 9. 6 cash in hand. £9. 6. 2.

Aft. discussing the sample menu, it was agreed to have the same as last time and the cost 35/- each. Mr. Gray offered to see about the band. It was decided to invite Mr. J. Barron M.P. as guest of honour also Fr. Sweeney & the president and chairman from the Dublin Fermanagh Association &c.s. The question of toasts and expenses were discussed and agreed upon.

No further business, meeting was closed. Next meeting arranged for 18th January.

D. Ward
18/1/66.

15th February 1966.

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre on Tuesday 18th January 1966. Mr. Des Ward presided, secretary, treasurer and ten other members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £32.4.6 cash in hand. £9.2.8.

The Derry Dance was the main item for discussion. Pat Gray agreed to propose the toasts to the guests in place of L. Gantay who recently has gone to America. As Mr. Barren M.P. is unable to attend the Derry Dance, we decided to invite the president and chairman of the Dublin Fermanagh Association, failing them the Guest Ambassador Mr. Molley and failing him Mr. & Mrs. Bonway. Other guests to be invited were Fr. Sweeney, Fr. Cleary and a photographer. Numbers for ticket distribution were taken.

A social has been arranged for 23rd April. The Easter Parade in honour of the 1916 Rising was also discussed. It was agreed that the Association should re-enter

the Guiness Cup Quiz competition this year.
Team selected included Frank Bergman as
captain, Des Ward, Kevin Sanderson, Joseph
M'Comack, Leon M'Glynn, Mike Gallagher, & Hugh
M'Comack.

The meeting was then adjourned
next meeting arranged for 15th February.

G. Ward.
15/2/66.

15th March 1966

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Dresl Centre on Tuesday 15th February 1966. Mr. Des Ward presided, secretary, treasurer and eight other members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £29.19.6, cash in hand £8.19.5.

As the 2nd Annual Donee Dance in the Dresl Club was on the following Thursday, most of the meeting was taken up discussing the final arrangements and the final decision to have Padgh Ethan as guest of honour in place of the Ambassador.

The correspondence included a letter for about the Mater Hospital (Belfast) Guild. ~~It was~~ Each member present agreed to sell at least one book of tickets each so it was decided to ask for twenty.

The chairman requested a good turn out to the St. Patrick's Parade on Sunday 13th March. Carmel O'Harte was appointed delegate to the All Counties. Next meeting to be on 15th March.

Ward
15/3/66

19th April 1966

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre on Tuesday 15th March 1966. Mr. Des Ward presided, secretary, treasurer and fourteen other members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £73. 10. 6, cash in hand £7. 4. 5.

The chairman spoke of the social success of the dinner dance in the Irish Club and this was followed by a long discussion on whether the Association should refund 35/- to Mrs. Green for her absent guest or charge the other four who booked places and didn't turn up. The chairman offered to ^{see} the four in question about the matter. It was agreed that the Annual Dinner Dance would be held in February every year.

The Annual Outing was the next item for discussion. Clacketon ^{on Sunday 19th June} was chosen for this year and it was suggested that a circular should be sent to all members about six weeks before the day of the outing.

The members were reminded about
the social in the Irish centre on Saturday
23rd April - dancing to the Bayswater
Pioneer Band - tickets 3/6. No further
business so meeting closed. Next meeting on
19th April.

Howard
17/5/60

21st June 1966

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Fresh Centre on Tuesday 17th May 1966. Mr. Des. Ward presided, secretary treasurer and eleven members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed bank balance of £34. 16. 3, cash in hand £9. 4. 0.

Whether or not to accept and sell banting gshire tickets was the main item for discussion and after voting it was decided not to. Tickets for the Irish Cultural and Literary Society in Preston were sold among the members present at the meeting. Three members volunteered to go to the Emerald on different nights to sell tickets for our dance there on Friday 17th June - tickets 5/- We were also reminded also of the dance in the Freshman for 2nd September, the question of subscribing to the Fresh Centre arose, ^{but} was left undecided until the centre had more definite information about membership cards.

No further business so meeting closed. Next meeting Tuesday 21st June.

D Ward
21/6/66
JL.

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Bush Centre on Tuesday 21st June 1966. Mr. Des Ward presided, secretary, treasurer and four other members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £34 - 16 - 3, cash in hand £4 - 17 - 6

The chairman spoke of the success of the outing to Ballybofey on Sunday 19th June and it was suggested that we may have another one in September. Photographs of the Annual Dinner dance in February were bought by several members. As there was poor attendance no further business was discussed. Next meeting Aug 21st

D. Ward
20/9/66
JL.

August

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre on Tuesday 20th September 1966. Mr. Des Ward presided, Secretary, treasurer and ten members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £121. 8. 3, cash in hand £4. 16. 6.

The correspondence included a "Notice to all organisations using the Irish Centre Club". This resulted in a lengthy discussion about membership with the Irish Club. It was proposed that as many members as possible become members but as no agreement could be reached it was decided to let the matter rest until the new year. Whether to give a donation, and how much, to St. Gaels or to the Irish Centre was another question for discussion. It was finally agreed that the Irish Centre was in more immediate need of the £75 suggested. The balance of money to be kept in case of any Association emergencies and also to enquire into present position of St. Ann's before donating.

A dance in the Regency Rooms

is to be arranged as soon as its available
Mrs. Green distributed 1967 Irish Calenders
and we were reminded of the forthcoming
All Counties Dinner Dance. The meeting
adjourned. Next meeting - the Annual General
Meeting on Tuesday 18th October.

D. Ward
15/11/66
P.

18th October 1966

An Annual General Meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre, Camden Square on Tuesday 18th October 1966. The attendance included the chairman Mr. Des Ward, the secretary and treasurer and ten other members. Minutes of previous A.G.M. were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed Bank balance of £55 and £13.16.6 cash in hand.

In his address the chairman recalled the successful events of the year including our second annual dinner dance and the outing to Blackpool where we had a full coach load for the first time. The chairman then thanked all those whose efforts had helped to make the association a success during the past year and on behalf of all the other members Mr. Tom McElooy thanked the officers.

Election of officers then took place and are as follows:

President - John Barren M.P.; Vice Presidents - P. J. O'Hare and F. Gaillan.

Chairman - Des Ward; Vice Chairman - Hugh Monaghan

Treasurer - Lark Bormagan; Secretary - Phil Slaney
Assistant Secretary - Kevin Sanderson

Committee members : - Pat Gray, Mr. & Mrs. Green
Mrs. M'Comack, Carmel O'Harte, Felia McGuire,
Mary O'Leary and Pauline McDonnell.

Delegates to C.I.C.A : - Des Ward and Hugh McNamee
Auditors : - undetermined

Copies of the Rules of Constitution were distributed to all present. The chairman read each rule which was carefully discussed and amended if necessary. Lark Bormagan as the re-elected treasurer reported a bank balance for the year to be £55' and cash in hand £3.16.6.

New suggestions and ideas for the Association were called for and from this arose the question of a Fermanagh Emblem. Then the chairman offered to ask his brother's ^{to have} local paper printed which seemed a very agreeable suggestion - Meeting adjourned

D. Ward
11/10/61

NOVEMBER 1966

A general meeting of the Lemanagh Association took place in the Irish Centre on Tuesday 15th November. Chairman Mr. Joe Ward presided and the treasurer and six members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and the treasurer reported a bank balance of £23-18.0 with £4.12.0 cash in hand. Here Mr. Chairman reminded us of the Association membership fee and the payment for tickets for the Irish Country Association Dances Dance, which was a credit to Lemanagh.

Ideas for our 3rd Annual Dinner Dance were called for. The Irish Club was suggested and agreed as the best place to hold it and 35/- was nominated as being a standard charge. It was generally thought that if the price was raised, fewer people would come. Proposals for a date rested on any Thursday at the beginning of February and 60 people seemed the average crowd to enjoy themselves. As guests of honour the people selected were Tommy Gorman,

Mr. & Mrs. Conway, ~~as~~ representatives from the Irish Centre, & Cleary and Paddy Taghey
the Irish club was to be contacted.

The next subject was the arrangement for a dance in the Regency Ballroom. As usual, tickets would probably be needed, but there was always the difficulty of selling them beforehand. Pat Gray would let us know how many we would need to sell.

With that, the 13th December was proposed and seconded for the next general meeting, as the usual time was rather close to Christmas.

D. W. H.
13/12/69

DECEMBER 1966

A general meeting of the Lemanagh Association took place in the Irish Centre on Tuesday 13th December 1966, Mr. Des Ward presided, secretary, treasurer and ten other members were present. The treasurer's minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The treasurer reported a bank balance of £48.3.3 and cash in hand to be £11.17.0.

The 8th and 15th January were dates offered for dance in Regent Rooms with the Marine Showband on the 8th, but as that show would leave little time to print, distribute and sell tickets it was agreed to leave it till after the dinner dance when the better bands would be here for Lent.

Pat Gray offered to enquire about band for dinner dance as the first local band is too dear. T. Casey was selected as a guest instead of Fr. Kearny whom we had last year; also Mr. & Mrs. Conway, Fr. Murray

and Paddy Foghey with T. Casey as the
guest of honour. The secretary Thursday
the 23rd Feb. was to be confirmed or date
for dance and have tickets printed.
further business to discuss. Next meeting
17th Jan '67.

P. Ward
17/1/67

JANUARY 1967

A general meeting of the Limeragh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Camden Square, on Tuesday 17th January 67. Mr. Des Ward presided, secretary and treasurer and thirteen members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The treasurer reported bank balance of £56.13.3 and cash in hand £2.12.0.

As Sunday 2nd April (the date given for dance in Regency Rooms) was too soon after Easter, it was decided to leave it for now and arrange another date in mid May and one in September. The Jiggi Dance was the main item for discussion. Mr. Greene remembered seeing an ad for another function on February 23rd, enquiries were made and it turned out to be a Jiggi Dance in the Irish Centre for £. Sweeney. It was then proposed and agreed to get tickets for the three officers and the secretary was instructed to find out from the Irish Club another convenient

date for our our Dinner-Dance. Pat Gray and Frank Bongan offered to make enquiries about bands, especially one with a pianist to play during the dance. A suggestion by Frank Bongan to put an ad in the Herald was well received. Then the toasts were arranged. Toast to Ireland - Des, to Fermanagh - L. Casey, replied by Frank Bongan. Toast to guests - Pat Gray and reply by Mr. Conway.

No further business to discuss
the meeting ending next meeting
Tuesday 21st March February '67.

D. W. S.
21/2/67

FEBRUARY 1967

A general meeting of the Lemanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Gander Green on Tuesday 21st February 1967. Mr. Des Ward presided, secretary and treasurer and nine members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The treasurer reported bank balance of £38. 13. 3, cash in hand £2. 7. 8.

The chair - dance still before us left very little else for us to discuss. Guests of honour were the problem - neither L. Casey nor L. Murray can come so it was decided to still have a representative from the Irish centre - L. Mordan.

We were reminded of the social on May 6th. This was to be a joint effort with Armagh who would ~~organise~~ organise this one and we in return would organise the 2nd joint effort with Armagh on June 10th.

No further business to discuss - next meeting 21st March.

MARCH. 1967

A general meeting of the Lemanagh Association was held in the Fresh Centre in Bander Square on Tuesday 21st March. The treasurer Mrs Ward presided, secretary treasurer and ten members were present. The treasurer reported a bank balance of £6.18.3 and cash in hand to be £4.17.9.

As the Dancer Dance was the previous Tuesday it was the first item for discussion. The chairman asked for comments, good or bad about it, but there were few bad as everybody considered it a very successful evening.

A social in the Fresh Centre was arranged for Saturday May 6th - tickets 5/6 and after some discussion we decided to have /at McNamara's band though the Bayswater Band which we had for the dancer dance was good. The chairman reminded us about the all Bonkers Dancer Dance now in May instead of December and held in Barkers in Kensington.

Levin Sanderson raised the

quester of a Limeragh boat of arms on
the banner for next year. We all agreed
and have a year to think about it

No further business to discuss. Next
meeting 18th April.

D Ward
18/4/67
P-

APRIL 1967

A general Meeting of the Limeragh
Association was held in the Irish Centre
in Bandar Sgore on Tuesday 18th April 1967
Mr Des Ward presided, secretary, treasurer
and eight members were present. No
treasurer's report.

The correspondence included
a bill from the Irish Club for the Dunes
Dance. This came to £92 and £6 was
the agreed sum to give as gratuity to
the Club's catering staff. A letter headed
'Save the West' (committee to aid co-operative
development) was read and also one from
the Irish centre asking us to attend a
meeting there to discuss the setting up
of an Irish centre weekly Post - Des Ward

said he would go

We recalled the bambidgeshore draw for last year when we took no tickets, so this year we must take at least £10 worth.

A dance was held in the Regency rooms on April 2nd & the chairman was sorry to report that only 13 tickets were handed-in. This was a very poor show on the part of the members and but the manager very generously gave us £14.12s.0d. We were reminded then to all attend the social on the 6th May in the Jifit centre. Pat McNamee is booked for that evening so we will have Jim Denain's band instead a four-piece band costing £10. This time we agreed to send 2 complimentary tickets to each association.

Chairman, on behalf of the other members congratulated Bannell on her recent marriage. Mr. P. Stoney requested to resign as secretary so K. Landerson agreed to take over. Eastbourne was nominated for cutting this year around 2nd July. Meeting adjourned - next meeting
16th May.

D. H. S.
16/5/19

MAY 1967.

A General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, London Square, on Tuesday 16th May. Mr. Des Ward presided, Secretary Treasurer and ten members were present. Correspondence included thanks from the Irish Club for our cheque for the Annual Dinner Dance, the agenda of the C.I.C.A. on coming events and an invitation from the Criterion in Piccadilly to hold our Annual Dinner Dance there. The latter required a reply. Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £36-16-9, cash in hand £2-0-3.

Speaking on the Annual Council Dinner Dance on May 20th, Mr. Chairman reminded us of the magnificent attendance last year by this Association and he urged as many as possible to attend this year. Two free tickets were allocated to the Association, one of which went to the Secretary (to urge him on his way) and the draw for the second ticket, resulted in a win for Hughie McConnell.

The Annual outing to Eastbourne being arranged for July 2nd was underway, but as yet no reply from the coach company was received. Members would be informed of the latest positions either by card or at the next meeting. Fr. Sheridan's Weekly Pool to aid the Irish

Centre was described again by Mr. Chairman, requesting each member to take and sell five tickets. Problems arose about the distribution of these tickets and many solutions were sought, causing quite a lengthy discussion. Then Fr. Sheridan came to the meeting to give us some insight on the Weekly Pool and of other activities concerning the Irish Centre. He agreed to take the names of those interested and tickets could either be collected or posted each week.

Members for the Quiz team to play against Kildare were picked — Frank Corigan, Des Ward, Mary O'Connor, Kathleen McBrien and Kevin Sanderson, with Hugh McLesanck as substitute.

As time was pressing tickets for the Cambridgeshire Draw were reviewed quickly. The chairman told members that books would be available at the next meeting.

It was decided to approach Pat McNamee's band to play at our next social and the meeting ended. Next meeting 20th June 1967.

DW 20/6/67

JUNE 1967.

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Bandon Square on Tuesday, 20th June. Mr. Des Ward presided, and Treasurer + seven members were present.

Correspondence included letters from the Criterion in Piccadilly, the Fermanagh Herald and the Mayo Assn. Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £46-9-3, cash in hand 18/5.

Membership forms for the Irish Club were distributed and this was followed by a discussion on the outing to Eastbourne. All arrangements had been made and the only requirement was a closing cheque for £18-0-0.

On the subject of this year's Cambridgeshire Draw, Mr Chairman proposed that each member should be allocated four books of tickets which would be either collected by them or sent to them.

A new list of names for the Irish Centre's Weekly Pool was being made out as the first list had been lost. Going ahead with the idea of a Brass Band the Irish Centre asked all associations to support it. Even though the funds are low, Fermanagh

pledged her support and Frank Conigan,
suggested a small donation of £5.00.

Our next dance will be held in
the Irish Centre on November 11th.

Next meeting, July 18th.

B Ward
18/7/61

A General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Cawden Square on Tuesday, July 18th. Mr. Des Ward presided and there was a good attendance of members. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and the treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £25-1-9, cash in hand £29-18-5.

The first item on the agenda was the annual outing to Eastbourne. It seemed to have been enjoyed by all and the Association made a 15/- profit.

A dance in the Irish Centre has been arranged for November 11th. Pat McNamee had been approached and his fee is now 10gu. We hope that Armagh will repay Fermanagh soon in organising another joint social. No date had been fixed for this.

The selling of tickets for the Cambridgeshire Draw was not going well. Some members still hadn't ~~got~~ received their supply but this was soon taken care of.

On the C.I.C.A. meeting, Mr. Ward reported, Cavan Offaly + Kilkenny ^{were} still settling it out and the winner meet Fermanagh. Seven members of Aer Lingus were invited by the Council to an open forum

discussion on air fares to Ireland. However, the attendance of Council members was few and little was achieved. The loss at the C.I.C.A. dinner dance was about £120-0-0 & they requested £16-0-0 in payment for tickets ~~not~~ bought by the Association.

Miss Philomena Slaney, our former Secretary, was returning to Ireland. The members joined together in wishing her good luck in the future.

No further business. Next meeting September 19th.

B. S. 19/9/67
M.

A General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Leamden Sq., on September 19th, 1967. The Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and six members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and the Treasurer's Report showed, a bank balance of £41-16-9, cash in hand £1-14-0.

Correspondence included a letter from Mr. Sheridan requesting a donation to the newly formed Brass Band. No definite decision was taken on this but the donation would be reviewed at the next meeting.

The return social with Armagh had been arranged for October 28th. Although the Association had nothing directly to do with the organisation of the event, MR Chairman urged all members to support it.

On November 11th our own social will be held in the Irish Centre. The question of tickets arose and it was decided that one hundred tickets with all the details of the social should be printed. At the same time, while tickets are in print, one hundred of them, minus the name of the band and the date, should be printed in lieu of coming socials.

Collections from the Cambridgeshire Draw tickets were left until the next meeting on 17th October which is the Annual General meeting. This is the deadline as tickets should by right be in on 14th October.

Mr. Chairman then thanked the Secretary, Treasurer, and our former secretary Miss Philomena Slaney, and last but not least, the members, for their support throughout the year. A vote of thanks was also given to Mr. Sheridan and Mr. Hackett on allowing us to hold our meetings in the Irish Centre.

The election of members followed.

PRESIDENT — John Carroll M.P.

VICE PRESIDENTS — P.J. O'HARE + FR. T. GALLAGHER

CHAIRMAN — DESMOND WARD.

VICE CHAIRMAN — HUGH MC CORMACK.

SECRETARY — MARY O'CONNOR.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY — CARMEL ~~O'HARE~~ WALWORK.

TREASURER — FRANK CORRIGAN.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS — Pat Gray, MR + MRS. Greene, MR. McCormack, Una Gallagher, Kathleen McBrien and Kevin Sanderson.

Each rule of the Constitution was read and amended where necessary. On the subject of the Fermanagh Emblem endeavours were to be made to obtain the beat of drums of the Maguires. The Fermanagh Banner is to be renewed and an order of ours would be approached.

The meeting was adjourned.

D Ward
17/10/68

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Ramden Sq., on 21st November, 1967. The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and six members were present. Minutes of the previous General meeting were read and adopted and the Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £40-12-9, cash in hand, £1-7-0.

Correspondence included one invitation, from the United Ireland Association, to attend a commemoration dinner and dance. Mr. & Mrs. McLernan agreed to represent the Fermanagh Association at this function.

The Chairman expressed grave concern at the lack support shown by members at recent dances held in the Irish Centre. He urged members to take more active part in all work that the Association attempted.

Following a suggestion from Kevin Sanderson, Item 4(A) of the Constitution, ~~was adopted~~ which allows honorary membership to non-Fermanagh ^{people} attenders, was ~~discussed~~, and three honorary members were elected.



P.T.O.

In the coming year Saturday night dances will be shared with Derry and Antrim. The first of these dances takes place on February 17th. It was suggested that because this was a great effort a larger fee^{£40}_{£11} could be afforded for the band and thus draw a larger attendance. Advertising in the local press and distribution of hand bills were also suggested. These suggestions would be put to the two counters.

The Annual dinner and dance was provisionally set for Thurs. 22 February 1968. The Secretary agreed to make enquiries from the Irish Club.

It was proposed that the Association staged a concert. The proposal was left open for discussion at the next meeting. Future members will receive an agenda for each meeting.

No further business. Date of next meeting, Wednesday 13th Dec. 1967.

G.W.C.
31/12/67.

On Wednesday 13th Dec. 1967 a general meeting of the Fr. Association was held in the Irish Centre, Camden Sq. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and eight members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and the Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £40-12-9 with C.I.H. 19/-.

Correspondence included a letter from the Irish Ambassador appealing to Irish people not to go to Ireland until the foot & mouth epidemic had passed. We had a letter from Fr. Gallagher saying that due to his disability and poor health he was unable to accept Vice-Presidency of the Association. Further to this Mr. & Mrs. Mc Cormack agreed to get the address of a Fr. priest whom we could ~~afford~~ ask to be Vice-President.

The dinner-dance was the main item for discussion, we agreed to change the venue ^{this year} and Mrs. Green offered to contact the manager["] of the Knights of Saint Columba Club.

Members agreed that Mr. J. O'Flynn, Chairman of the Council and Mrs. O'Flynn should be invited as guests of honour, and our guest from the Irish Centre would be Fr. Sheridan. Mr. P. Lohrey

~~would~~ will be employed as photographer, and music will be provided by the Islanders.

Since the Council meetings have been arranged for Tuesday nights the Sec. meetings will now be held on Thursdays. Date of the next meeting Thursday Jan. 18th 1968.

D. Ward
18/1/68
P.

On Thursday 18th January 1968 a general meeting of the Fethanagh Amoc. was held in the Irish Centre, Landon Sq. The chairman, Sec. and Treasurer and 8 members attended. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. Treasurer's report showed a balance of £40-12-9 and C.I.H. £3-7-10.

Correspondence included a letters from the Council, Knights of St. Columba Club and the St. Patrick's Day parade committee.

Again our Dinner and Dance was the main item for discussion. The question of toasts was discussed and agreed upon. The chairman reminded us about the dance in the Irish Centre on Sat. February 17th.

The question of an Association banner was discussed and Mrs. Greene agreed to write to the Irish Weekly and obtain an emblem if it was available. Members agreed that £10 would be a suitable donation to the Irish Centre brass band but, as we were ^{in a} not position to give this amount immediately, Mr. Sheridan would be assured of our support. The date of the annual dinner and dance is May 18th. No further business. Date of next meeting February 15th, 1968.

BWard
15/1/68

On Thursday 15th February 1968 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Lander Sq. The Chairman, Sec., Treasurer and 8 members were present. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. The Treasurer's Report showed a balance of £37-12-7 with C.I.H. £2-13-6.

There was no correspondence. Tickets for the dinner dance were distributed and we were reminded of the St. Patrick's Day Parade and members were asked to attend. Delegates were appointed to attend the Council A.G.M. being held on 25th February. There was no other business. Date of next meeting Thursday March 1st. 1968.

J. W. C.
20/3/68.

The Annual meeting to Littlehampton will be held on 23rd June.

Tickets will be printed for a forthcoming dance in the Irish dance on June 29 arranged by Fermanagh.

The Chairman and Mr McGarrick attended the Council of Irish Counties Association meeting and reported that Fermanagh had been drawn to challenge Armagh in the next round of the Quiz. Date is not yet known. It was also reported that Maurice O'Connor secretary of the Council of Irish Counties Association who runs his own printing business was ill in hospital.

The Association has in the past received very good service from him. In the circumstances it was considered a charitable cause so it was proposed to send him a cheque for £5.

The meeting ended and the date of the next meeting was arranged for the 16th May '68.

D Ward
16/5/68

A General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Bamden Square on Thursday 18th April 1968. There were no minutes of the previous meeting as the secretary was on holiday.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of £26. 3S. 3d.

Correspondence. Letter from Council of Irish Counties Association was read referring to the Requiem Mass for the victims of the Aer Lingus plane crash. This Mass was attended by bairnsas Dr Ward & Kevin Sanderson in Westminster cathedral. Letter from Fr Mc Kenna of Enniskillen parish was read. After a general survey in his parish he found that people were reluctant to give names ~~of~~ and addresses of their immigrants. A letter from Knights of Saint Columba Club was also read, in receipt of a cheque for the dinner dance and thanking the association for their support. A letter with a copy of an attached bill was read from the Baron Assoc Secretary regarding the cost of the Ulster float. This caused much controversy during the meeting. A cheque for £10 was to be sent to cover Fermanagh share of the cost as this ~~amt~~ sum was agreed previously by each county. The cost of the float came to £143 which was far above the price anticipated. Although the outstanding amount had been paid a meeting ^{with the other Ulster counties} to discuss the high cost of the float was proposed.

Tickets for an Ulster dance 2nd May 68 were distributed. Members were requested to attend.

Tickets were distributed for the Council of Irish Counties Association dinner and dance in Barkers of Kensington

A general meeting of the L.S. Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52, Camden Sq., on March 21st. The Chairman, Secretary, ~~Treasurer~~, Treasurer and 8 members were present. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. The treasurer's report showed a balance of £58-12-9 with cash in hand £65-8-6. Correspondence included letters from Dr. Kearney, J. O'Flynn, St. Mc Manus, and the Irish Weekly.

The Annual D+ Dance was enjoyed by all members. The chairman thanked all those who attended meetings of St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee and ^{who} helped in assembling float. It was proposed to donate £5 towards the float.

We were reminded of the Annual Ball and Dance on May 18th to be held in Barker's, Kensington.

The next social is to be held in the Irish Centre on June 29th.

The annual outing, it was agreed, would be to Littlehampton ~~on~~ on ~~the~~ 23rd June. No other business to discuss. Date of next meeting 18th April.

D Ward
16/5/68

On Thursday 16th May 1968 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52 Camden Square. The chairman, - secretary and 8 members were present. Minutes of previous meeting, taken by Una Gallagher in Secretary's absence, were read and adopted. As the Treasurer was absent the Treasurer's report was read by chairman and it showed a balance of £13 with £2 C.I.H.

A letter was received from Mr. Wilson stating new rules for the inter Counties quiz competition.

We were reminded about the Annual Dinner + Dance to be held on May 18th; 19 people had booked to attend.

A provisional booking had been made for a coach to take members on the annual outing to Littlehampton this year. Members agreed the booking and the Secretary agreed to pay deposit. It was decided that the charge, per person, would be 15/-.

We were reminded that the Irish Centre Annual Léte was on June 15th and it agreed that the association took a stall.

There was no other business. The next meeting game 20th July.

D Ward 68
22.6.1

On Thursday 20th June a general meeting of the Fermanagh ~~meeting~~ Association was held in the Irish Centre 52 Cumberden Square. The chairman, secretary, treasurer, and 7 members were present. Minutes of the last ^{meeting} were read and adopted. The Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £23-19-9 with cash in hand £2-3-6.

The main item for discussion was the annual outing to Littlehampton on June 23rd. We were reminded about the social in the Irish Centre on June 29th. A different band had been arranged. (~~from~~) A report on the annual fete held in the Irish Centre on June 15th showed that the Fermanagh ^{Association} made £10. It was proposed to give the Irish Centre £7 and £3 to the Association.

A dance is to be held in the Regent Room on July 18th for which tickets have to be sold. It was suggested tickets should be sold beforehand at 3½ instead of 5/- payable on night of dance. 2 complimentary tickets and 2 to sell are to be sent to all County Association Secretaries. A dance is ^{also} to be held in the Emerald; the date to be arranged later.

Date of next meeting 13th July.

D. Ward
17/7/68.

On Saturday 13th July 1968 a meeting of the Fermanagh Association was took place. Mr. and Mrs. McCormack^{very kindly}, invited all members to their home for this meeting and made it the most enjoyable meeting ever. During the evening the members presented wedding presents to the Secretary and the Chairman's fiance and the chairman and his fiancee all of whom were to be married in early August. This was a very pleasant surprise and we appreciate it very much.

The items for discussion were few. We were reminded about the dance to be held in the Regent Rooms on July 19th. A report on the dance held on June 29th showed a profit of £20.

The outing which took place to Littlehampton on June 23rd was discussed and everyone agreed that it had been a very enjoyable day.

The friendly quiz to be held with Armagh had been postponed until a date in September. There was no other business.

The date of the next meeting is
19th September 1968.

Chairman
19.9.68.

On September 19th a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association took place in the Irish Centre, 52 Lander Square. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and six members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and the Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £50-10-6 with cash in hand £10-8-6.

Correspondence included a letter from the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee requesting delegates to attend a meeting.

A friendly quiz, with Omagh, was to be arranged to take place in October.

Tickets were distributed for the dance to be held in the Irish Centre on 26th October. The Chairman ^{reminded} ~~said~~ members about the Cambridgeshire Draw tickets. Collections from these tickets would be made at the next meeting.

There was no other business to discuss; the meeting was concluded. The next general meeting, November ~~2nd~~ 21st, after the A.G.M. on October 17th.

D Ward.
21.11.68.

On 17th October 1968 the A.G.M. of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52 Panden Square, N.I. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and seven members were present. Minutes of the previous A.G.M. were read and adopted and Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £35-15-6, C.I.H. 6/10. There was no correspondence.

In his address the chairman thanked the secretary, Treasurer and members for their support throughout a difficult year. Although membership had decreased during the year the Fermanagh ^{Assoc.} had taken part in many activities and had remained a very active Association. The dances held with the Omagh Association during the year and the Annual Dinner & Dance, ^{held in February,} had been very successful. We took part in St. Patrick's Day parade and chairman thanked members for their help in getting the float afloat. The ^{large} large Fermanagh representation at the Council of Irish County Associations annual dinner & dance and our annual outing to Littlehampton was very enjoyable if not profitable.

The chairman expressed a vote of thanks to Mr. H. Mc Cormick who as delegate attended all the council meetings. There was a message of good wishes to all members from Mrs. Carmel Hallwork.

The election of members followed the chairman's re-

President : John Cannon, M.P.

Vice Presidents : T. B. Green and F. T. Gallagher.

Chairman : Des. Ward.

Vice Chairman : Hugh McCormack

Secretary : Mrs. M. Smith

Assistant Secretary : Una Gallagher.

Treasurer : Frank Lorrigan.

Committee Members : Kevin Sanderson, Mrs. Green, Pat Gray,
P.J. Green, Mr. McCormack, Paddy Perry and Mrs. Ward.

Delegates to C.I.C.A : Des Ward + Hugh McCormack.

It was agreed that membership fees remained 5/-.
Tickets were distributed for our dance on 26th October.
The quiz with Armagh was set for 11th November and
was to be held in the Duke of Marlborough.

A vote of thanks was expressed to Lush Centre
for making room available for monthly meetings.

It was suggested that a report of activities and
events should be sent to Fermanagh News & Herald.

The meeting was adjourned.

D Ward
16/10/69.

On Thursday 21st November 1968 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52 Camden Square. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and seven members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and the Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £24-0-8, C.I.H. £1-5-7.

There was no correspondence. The new Fermanagh Banner was the main item for discussion. The chairman agreed to make enquiries about the possibility of having one made. In the friendly quiz held with Armagh, on Nov. 5th in the Ulster Hall, Armagh were the victors. At the next meeting the Chairman said that he would distribute tickets for the Armagh Association's draw. It was decided that we would organise a dance to be held early in the New Year. The Annual Dinner + Dance was set provisionally for either Saturday 15th or Thursday 20th of February and enquiries were to be made about music. There was no other business; the meeting ended. The date of the next meeting December 18th.

D W S.C.B.
19.12.68

On Thursday 19th December 1968 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52 Bunder Square, N.W.1.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and eight members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £24-0-8, cash in hand £1-2-0.

Correspondence included a list showing dates allocated to Fermanagh Association for functions to be held in Irish Centre during 1969.

The annual dinner and dance was the main item for discussion. The date of 20th February, proposed at previous meeting was ^{moved} unsuitable so 29th May was set provisionally. It was proposed that this function be held in the Knights of St. Columba Club.

On the subject of a new banner, the chairman reported that he had been to the Ley Keenan tent no estimate could be given until the Fe. Crest was produced. With this the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting Jan. 16th 1969.

J Ward
23.1.69.

On Thursday 23rd January 1969 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52 London Street, N.W.1. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and five members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and the Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £23-5-8, C.I.H. 18/5.

A letter was received from the Armagh Association reminding us about the date at which the ticket draw was to take place.

It was noted that this meeting had been postponed from 16th January to 23rd due to the official opening of Douglas Hyde Room. This function had been attended by the Chairman and his wife.

May 29th was finally agreed as the date for the Annual Dinner + Dance. The secretary was asked to confirm this date with Knights of St. Columba's Club. It was agreed proposed that the guests would be Dermot Kelly, Ft. Lander, Chairman of the Council of Irish County Associations, Miss London Airport and Mr. & Mrs. Feenan.

The Civil Rights March set for 2nd March and organised by the United Ireland Ass.

was discussed and the Association agreed to support the cause.

The Chairman reported on the Council meeting. Their Annual Dinner-Dance is to be held in the Yestham Ballroom on 17th April and the Council AGM is due to take place on Sunday 23rd February.

4 delegates from our Association would be allowed to attend. The St. Patrick's Day Parade dinner is set for 12th March and is to be held in the Criterion. A new route was proposed for the St. Patrick's Day Parade, to be held on 16th March, this year. It would start at Horse Guards Parade and proceed to Marble Arch. It was undecided at this stage if a float would be built. It was noted that £1000 prize from Mr. J. Gorman was still running - closing date 17th March.

It was reported that a meeting of the Irish Centre Club had decided to make a £10 charge for the use of the Irish Centre Hall on Saturday night for functions other than bacon & cabbage dinners.

Tickets were collected for the Armagh Draw. The meeting adjourned. Date of next meeting 20th February.

D Ward
20. 2. 69.

On Thursday 20th February 1969 a General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52 Lander Sq., N.W.1. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and 5 members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £25-5-8, C.I.H. £16-5.

Correspondence included the Agenda for the Council of Irish County Associations's A.G.M., Notice of A.G.M. and nomination sheet. A list of winners in the Armagh County Association Quiz was received as well as the entry form for the Inter-County Quiz competition.

The Annual Dinner & Dance was again discussed. The Secretary had written to the K.S.C. Club and was awaiting a reply. It was suggested that the 'Evergreens' should be employed to provide music for the evening.

No further details were received about the Civil Rights March. Mrs. McCormack had made inquiries about having a new banner made. She was given an estimate of £20. The Chairman agreed to approach the company.

The question of donation of funds to the Irish Centre was discussed. It was suggested that

the Association should buy Premium Bonds;
the numbers to be kept by Treasurer.
£5 was suggested as suitable amount to buy,
initially.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 20th March 1969.

D. Ward
20/3/69.

On Thursday 20th March 1969 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52, Lanyon Sq. N.W.1. The chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and thirteen meeting members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.* The Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £20. 5s. 8d. Cash in hand £4. 15. 5d. The treasurer remarked that Premium bonds can only be bought by individuals.

*The Art Secretary took over the chair ~~as the~~ ~~secretary~~ as the latter had resigned for domestic reasons.

A letter of confirmation and choice of menu for the association's annual dinner and dance was received from the K.S.C. Club. It was agreed to charge £2. 2s. 0d per ticket and to invite Fathers Sheridan and Conway, Miss Marie McCoy, Mr Maurice O'Connor and his wife as special guests.

Further discussions were made on the banner and the chairman was to contact the firm to obtain a quote.

It was proposed to make the dance to be held in the Irish Centre on 10th May a benefit dance for Mrs Vincent Gallagher formerly of Bushel, 60. Fermanagh. Tickets were to be printed at a cost of 5/- each. Chairman was to

arranged a band.

Fetmanagh were drawn against Barrow in
the Guinness Cup Quiz but dates have not been fixed.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 10th April 1969.

D Ward
10. 4. 69.

On Thursday 10th April 1969 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52, Bandon Sq. N.W.1. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and ten members were present. The Treasurer's report showed a balance of £35. 5s. 8d, cash in hand £1. 5s. 5d. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Tickets for the Benefit Dance on 10th May 69 were due to be distributed as soon as possible. The Evergreens band was booked.

¹ Tickets for the annual dinner and dance were to be sent out soon and menus were to be printed. Letters were to be written to guests of honour.

For the ~~the~~ Irish Counties dinner and dance on 17th April 1969 two tickets were donated by Mrs Greene and Mrs McCormick. These were raffled among the members who wished to attend.

The banner was discussed and the firm were to be contacted again.

The annual outing was discussed and the date 29th June 1969 was arranged provisionally. Date of next meeting 15th May 1969.

D. Horan
15/5/69

On Thursday 15th May 1969 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre 52, Camden Sq. N.W.1. The chairman, secretary treasurer and 10 members were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read approved and signed. The treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £25. 5. 8 cash in hand £1-5-5.

A letter from the civil rights and Irish Unity committee was read and it was agreed to ^{support} further the civil rights movement and 3 members were to attend the meeting on Sunday 18th May.

Final arrangements were made for the dinner dance and it was agreed to invite Miss Bernadette Berlin M.P. as a guest. Toasts were arranged.

The outing was finally arranged for Sun. 22nd June to Eastbourne. 41 seater coach was to be arranged.

The 1st round of the quiz championship was to finish by 1st June and 22nd May was to be fixed as a date to meet Cavan.

The final quote for the banner was £36.0.0 and the material was to be viewed.

The benefit dance held on 10th May 1969 the profits realised £190. £5 was donated to the Association.

The next dance in the Irish Centre is

On 28th June arranged by Armagh - Loughgall
and Derry.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 19th June 1969.

R Ward
19/6/69.

On Thursday 19th June 1969 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52 Camden Square, NW1. The chairman, secretary, treasurer and 13 members were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The treasurers report showed a bank balance of £139-9-8 cash in hand 10s. 5d.

Correspondence included the monthly newsletter from Council of Irish Counties Association and a letter from the United Ireland Association.

The dinner dance was commented on. It was decided by all as being very successful. 72 people were present.

The quiz against Cavan had taken place and it was enjoyed by all although Cavan did manage to beat us. It was agreed to organise friendly quizzes in the future.

Tickets were distributed for the Armagh - Fermanagh game due to take place on 28th June.

The 41 seater coach booked for the annual outing was to be confirmed. The Chairman urged members to try to encourage their friends to come.

In the report from the C.I.C.A. meeting the President's £1000 inter county competition was discussed. The terms of reference and the break-

down of the prize money was related. Members were asked to go away and think of any suggestions for the association in order to compete.

The Irish Centre Autumn Fair is being held on 20th Sept in the Regents Rooms. It was agreed to have a similar stall as last year. It was reported that profit for the benefit dance held on 10th May '69 now realised £200. There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 10th July 1969.

R. Ward
4/9/69

On Thursday 3rd July 1969 a meeting of the Fermanagh association took place. Mr and Mrs Greene very kindly invited all members to their home. During the evening the members presented the secretary and her fiancée with a wedding gift for their forthcoming wedding in August - a very nice gesture and much appreciated.

The items for discussion were few. A bill for the coach was received. The outing although very enjoyable lacked numbers.

The Irish centre autumn fair was discussed and it was agreed to start collecting prizes for the association's 'Magic Cap stall'.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 4th Sept 1969.

G. Ward
4/9/69-

On Thursday 4th Sept 1969 a general meeting of the Fermanagh ^{association} ~~meeting~~ was held in the Irish Centre 52, Camden Sq. London. N.W.1. The secretary, the chairman and six members were present. The minutes of the previous two meetings were read and adopted. There was no treasurer's report.

Correspondence included a letter from the Irish Centre about their forthcoming annual garden fete. Mr + Mrs McCormack agreed to represent the association at the meeting on 5th Sept.

The fete was then discussed and it was agreed to collect small prizes from members for the association's stall at the fete. Members agreed to give assistance on the stall.

Speaking on the banner the chairman said he had written to Senator O'Hare requesting the crest of the Arms of the Maguires and until he had received that there wasn't much we could do at present.

Cambridgeshire Draw tickets were distributed. It was remarked that the Irish Centre Boys brass band were holding a concert on Sunday Oct 19th in St. Pancras Town Hall.

Members were reminded about the C.I.C.A. £1000 competition. Suggestions are requested.

It was agreed ~~not~~ to leave the secretary's seat vacant, as the present one has resigned ~~vacant~~ until the elections at the annual General meeting in October.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting October 16th.

D. W. S.
16. 10. 69.

It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Sec "The Hawk Club" Midland Rd. Luton in view of holding a dance there on a Saturday night possibly before Nov. It was decided to elect Mr Ward to choose a present for Mr Sanderson ^{recently married} to be presented to them at a reception with Mr & Mrs Gorring at 347 Station Rd Hayes, where our next meeting takes place on 15th November.

Meeting closed.

Hugh & his lammard

on Saturday 15th November 1969 a meeting of the Fermanagh Association took place. Mr & Mrs Corrigan very kindly invited all members to their home for this meeting and made it most enjoyable. During the evening Mr & Mrs Sanderson, who were recently married were presented with a wedding present. Vice President DR GILBRIDE The Chairman, Secretary & Treasurer and ten members were present. The minutes of the previous general meeting were read and adopted. The Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £29-1-10. cash in hand £1-8-8.

There was no correspondence. Mrs Dan Mc Ginnell very kindly obtained a plaque of "The Maguire crest" in colour and it is hoped she will be able to make a sketch of it for the new banner.

As the "Hark Blaf" Luton is fully booked till the new year it was agreed to write for permission to hire the hall for a dance on a Saturday night early in the new year.

Members were informed that there is to be a Fermanagh Aranagh dance on Sat 24th Jan at the Irish Centre. Tickets to be printed as soon as possible. With thanks being extended to Mr & Mrs Corrigan for their hospitality the meeting ended. next meeting 30th Dec 1969

D Ward
20/12/69

On Saturday 20th December 1969 a meeting of the Fermanagh Association took place at the home of Mr & Mrs Des. Ward 188 Bettystown Rd. who kindly invited all members and afterwards to a Tea Party held jointly with Mr & Mrs L. Sanderson. Needless to say it was ~~all~~ most enjoyable. The minutes of the previous General Meeting were read. Proposed by P J. Greene and adopted by Mrs Greene.

The Treasurer's Report showed a Bank Balance £29-1-10 cash in hand £1-8-8. Proposed by Kevin Sanderson and adopted by H. McCormack.

Correspondence included a letter from Dr Gallagher accepting the position Vice President and also wishing the Association every success.

The forthcoming dance on 24th Jan 1970 is not to be combined with Armagh &c. on the advice of John McCormack. Perhaps a joint dance can be arranged later.

It was decided that members individually make a sketch of what they believe would be most suitable in size & proportion for the new Banner and present the same at the next meeting.

The Chairman President of the Council of Irish Comites Mr. T. Gorman is to present the Association with Credit Agricultural Corporation Bonds.

of Ireland); to the value of £10-0-0 to each affiliated Association at a meeting in January 1970.

Referring to the £1,000 competition the Chairman asked for suggestions.

No reply yet from The Hawk Club Luton.

Mrs Green proposed that a letter of congratulation and good wishes be sent to Bishop Mulligan from the Association and this was agreed on.

With tickets and band to be organised for the dance there was no other business.

Date of next meeting January 15th 1970.

A Ward
15.1.70

on Thursday 15th January 1970 a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Camden Square. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and ten members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The Treasurers report showed a Bank Balance of 29-1-10. Cash in hand £1-4-8. Proposed by Pat Grey and seconded by Hugh McCorquodale included a letter from "The Irish Post" - a new weekly newspaper to be published. First edition to go on sale 14th Feb. Its aim is to circulate Irish news events and activities amongst the Irish people in and around London, Britain.

The S.G.M. of the Council of Irish County Associations will take place on Sunday 22nd Feb 1970 at 2-30 P.M. in the Irish Centre. Our Association is entitled to four Delegates.

Names to be handed on arrival to Ass' Sec' M. O'Brien at the next meeting of the C.I.C.A. to be held at the Irish Centre on Tuesday Jan' 20th 1970 at 8.30 P.M.

The Assoc' President, Mr. J. Gorman requested the pleasure of all Hon' Secretaries of the County Associations in London in order to distribute Bonds to the value of £10 — to each Affiliated Association. The "Council" Annual

Dinner-dance is to be held in the Grosvenor on April 16th Tickets 45/- The Chairman asked for as many as possible to support it.

Referring to our forthcoming dance on 24th. "The
Wanderers" dance band has been booked. Admission
charge 5/- ^(cost £16). There is also a raffle suggested.
again the Chairman asked all members to
support it.

A discussion began regarding our Annual Dinner-Dance.
It was decided 21st or 28th May 1970 would be suitable
dates. It was suggested it be held in the Irish Centre
Guests to be invited. Fr. Sheridan. Supt ^{inc} Mc'Brien (met
Police) and Mrs Mc'Brien and Fr. Shannon. Extension time
^{the Bar} from 12 o'clock (midnight) to be applied for. and band
to be queried.

The Association members were very sorry to hear of the
death of Fr. Tom Gallagher R.I.P. A letter of sympathy
is to be sent to his brother Mr J. J. Gallagher,
also a mass card.

Owing to the loss of Fr. Tom. as Vice
President Mrs Green proposed Fr Brandon
Shannon ^{W.F.} for this honorary position. Seconded
by Hugh McCormack. This was accepted.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting Feb 19th 1970.

W.M.
19.2.70.

February 1970

a General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Donegall Square on Thursday Feb 19th 1970. The Chairman, Treasurer & Secretary and eleven members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read proposed by Mrs Green and seconded by Mr Kevin Sanderson. The Treasurer's report - net profit from the dance on 24th Jan £21-4-2, Bank balance £50-1-10 less in hand £1-8-10, proposed by Mr P.J. Greene & Sec'd by Hugh McCormack.

Correspondence. An acknowledgement card from The Most Rev Patrick Mulligan in reply to an message of good wishes on the occasion of his Ordination as Bishop of Clogher. Also a receipt for the S.A.C.E bonds (value £10) which was passed to the Treasurer Mr Frank Corrigan. The Chairman instructed that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. J Gormon for this generous gift to the Association.

The Chairman thanked all for their attendance at the dance which was very successful.

The next item. A dance to be held in the Lyric ballroom on Friday March 13th. Tickets were distributed (price 6/-).

A quote from Alec Brookitt was to hand for the banner - Double sided £45-17-6 (Single £28-7-1).

The Chairman asked for a proposal and after some discussion it was decided to order double sided and that £30 — be laid from the Ass' funds and the remainder* to be donated. Proposed by H. Mc Cormack & seconded by Mrs Green. all were in favour. It was hoped to be ready for the St Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday March 15th, 2 p.m.

The next item on the agenda was the C.I.C. Assoc A.G.M. on 22nd Feb. 1970 from delegates to attend Mr Des Ward (Chairman) Mr Mc Cormack, Sec. K. Sanderson & H. Mc Cormack.

The Chairman & Administrative Committee of the Irish Centre invited the chairman & secretaries of the County Ass' to a Tribute Dinner on the 24th Feb '70.

There was also a joint presentation made to Mr Molloy. The Irish Ambassador on his returning to Ireland at the "Centre" on Jan 27.

A letter of sympathy is to be sent to Mr P. Healy on the death of his father Mr Bahir Healy our former President. also a mass card. Date for our Driven/Dance still undecided.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 19th March 1970.

G. Ward
19.3.70.

MARCH 1920

a General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Gandon Square on Thurs 19th March. The Chairman Secretary & Treasurer and seven members were present. There was an apology from Mr. W. H. Greene who was unable to attend. Owing to our entry report for the £1,000 competition the minutes were not available till the next meeting but were taken as read. Proposed by T. Corrigan seconded by Mrs Sanderson.

Treasurers report - Profit from the dances in the 'Irishman' £64-3-10 so far leaving a balance £109-1-10, cash in hand £1-7-8. proposed by P. Grey and sec'd by K. Sanderson.

Correspondence included appreciation cards from the Relatives & Brothers of the late Fr. Gallagher and the family of the late Cahir Healy, in reply to our letters of sympathy & mess cards.

There was also tickets distributed to members from the Kilkenny Association ^{for sale} in aid of their new Hostel in London.

The St Patricks Day Parade was a great success. There was a good Fermanagh support. The Ulster float got second prize in the competition. The Chairman asked for a vote of thanks.

to the McCormack Family for their part in helping to prepare and man the Ulster float. Speaking of Ulster Jack Maguire reminded us that Ulster Lad won the Railway Cup on that day also.

The Chairman, Des Ward was congratulated on preparing a very interesting & accurate report for the 1969 annual which was read to members.

It was proposed that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr Gorman re our successful dance in the "Gresham". also to Mr D. Donnelly Irish Centre for invitation on behalf of the Association.

For our last item it is with regret we have learned from our Chairman Mr Des Ward of his returning to his native Enniskillen in May. This will be a great loss to the Association. He has been a very capable Chairman since 1964. Together with his wife they have worked very hard to make the S.S.'s a success. We will all miss them very much.

There was no other business

Date of next meeting April 9th 1970.

D Ward
23/4/70.

APRIL 1970.

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, 52 Donegall Square, N.W.1 on Saturday April 23rd 1970. The Chairman, Secy, Treasurer and eight members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £123-10-4. Cash in hand £1-8-8 this was also adopted.

Correspondence included a letter from the C.I.C.A re- the Marathon walk on Sun' 17th May 1970 in aid of the Irish Centre, asking for all the possible support of the Association. Also informing us that the Irish Centre A.G.M. takes place on Tue' 14th April '70.

The Chairman informed members that the Asst had been ~~requested~~ ^{requested} informed to pay £2-10- - as a contribution towards the presentation made to Mr. Molloy the Irish Ambassador. Also a bill of £5— had been laid as our part towards the expense of the Ulster Flotilla 1969. There was no expense for this year's Flotilla to be paid so far.

The Chairman Des Ward called for support for Hugh McCormack who was taking over the chair and said both himself & his wife Mary would miss the Association very much and asked to remain as members and promised to keep

in contact. He then asked the Association members to accept his resignation. Frank Corrigan proposed a vote of thanks for all the work Des had done over the years. This was seconded by Pat Grey who pointed out that the Association had never been big but had persevered and spoke of the great achievement on winning a gold prize in the "I Fermanagh" competition held at the "Gresham" on 16th April last. Frank Corrigan proposed that Des and Mary be made Honorary life members of the Fermanagh Association. This was seconded by P. J. Green.

Other business - The Marathon Walkers representing Fermanagh A.S.'s are ~~Moths~~ ^{Moths} Ward & ~~Moats~~ ^{Moats} Sanderson. Photographs are to be sent to the "Fermanagh Herald" and also an appeal for sponsors. It was suggested that a donation be made to the Irish Centre but was left to decide at a later meeting. Des proposed that Kevin Sanderson be appointed delegate to the C.I.C.A. Seconded by Jack Maguire. Mrs Green proposed a vote of sympathy on the sudden death of Mr Jack Duffy ^{one of our members} Letter of sympathy & Mass Card to be sent to his Sister. A vote of thanks was passed to Moths Green and Mr Hugh Leonard for attending the funeral.

The Annual Dinner Dance has been booked for Thursday 17th September 1970 at the "Inn Lante" London Square.

Dos proposed that Betty and Bernadette & Sis though get complimentary tickets for the D/Dance as an ~~gesture~~ of appreciation for their help and manning the Ulster Fleet which won second prize.

There was no other business - meeting adjourned.

Date of next meeting to be arranged later.

23.4.70 off Mr George

18th June 1970

next meeting

PS

No May meeting owing to Dr. Ward's presentation being combined with C.I.C.A. at some date.

No meeting in May.

Names of deceased members. —

Mr. Brian Murphy

Mrs. Maureen (Maggie) Howells.

Feb. 1970 Mr. Cahor Healy (FORMER PRESIDENT)

Dec 1969 Fr Tom Gallagher (VICE ")

April 1970 Mr Jack Duffy.

STAN O' Reilly Founder Member

1977 Barry Green.

- Don Mc Connell

1970 - 1976 Frank Smith

1970 - 1989 DAN Mc Manus - VICE CHAIR -

1965 - 1989 HUGA Mc COOMICK (CHAIR 1970 - 89) FROM DES WARD ✓

— TOM McELROY 19

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