BAIS BULLETIN - OCTOBER 1991

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION: The AGM will take place on Saturday, 23 November 1991, at 3.00 p.m., in Room E102 Birkbeck College, Malet Street, London W1. The agenda will be as follows:

- 1 Minutes of previous AGM
- 2 Reception of Reports
 - (a) Chair/Vice Chair
 - (b) Executive Director
 - (c) Honorary Secretary
 - (d) Treasurer
 - (e) Conference Secretary
 - (f) Newsletter editor
 - (g) Convenors of Subcommittees
 - (i) Higher Education
 - (ii) Adult & Further Education
 - (iii) Irish language
- 3 Resolution: In paragraph 4.3 of the Constitution, delete "Editor of the Newsletter of the Association" and substitute "Editor of <u>Irish Studies Review: The Magazine of the British Association for Irish Studies</u>".

 [Proposed: Graham Davis Seconded: George Watson]

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IRISH STUDIES IN ADULT EDUCATION - Programmes have been received in the Office of thriving Irish Studies courses running throughout the autumn and winter in Leicester (Soar Valley College), Newark (Newark & Sherwood College), Nottingham (Clarendon College of FE) and Birmingham (City of Birmingham Libraries/School of Continuing Studies, University of Birmingham). We would welcome information concerning other such courses throughout Britain. The University of Manchester's Extra-Mural department will run a course in Celtic Studies (with a strong Irish element), commencing in January 1992.

MODERN IRISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE AT UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER - A subsidiary First Year course in Modern Irish is now available within the Faculty of Arts at the University of Manchester. Emrys Evans is the visiting professor conducting the course.

BAIS LECTURES - The fourth annual series of lectures began at Bath College of Higher Education on 15 October, and will continue each Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m. until 19 November. The title of the series is "Irish Writers" and the series is being held in conjunction with the Bristol Irish Society Festival. Writers discussed include Swift, Wilde, Yeats and Heaney.

INSTITUTE OF IRISH STUDIES, LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY, PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES - The title of this year's series, which begins on 6 November, continuing each Wednesday until 27 November, is "Reporting Northern Ireland: the role of the British Media". The speakers are Roger Bolton, Robin Wilson, Joe Mulholland and Peter Taylor. The lectures take place at the Eleanor Rathbone Theatre, University of Liverpool (Bedford Street entrance) and admission is free.

IRISH DIMENSIONS IN BRITISH EDUCATION - The ninth annual conference will take place at Soar Valley College, Leicester, on Saturday 8 February 1991. This is always a popular conference - particularly with those involved in the compulsory, continuing and adult and FE sectors, and the programme is usually circulated in December or early January. Contact: Nessan Danaher, Soar Valley College, Gleneagles Avenue, Leicester, LE4 7GY.

EIGTH CONFERENCE OF IRISH HISTORIANS IN BRITAIN - The eight conference of Irish Historians in Britain will be held from 3-5 April 1992 at Mansfield College, Oxford, on the theme "Religion and history in Ireland". Topics covered will range from the medieval to the modern period and a full programme will be circulated shortly. Those interested in attending should write to Professor R F Foster, Hertford College, Oxford OX1 3BW.

WOMEN'S EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND RESOURCE CENTRE, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN (WERRC) - Details are available from the Centre of a part-time College Certificate, and part-time and full-time MA and Diploma courses in Women's Studies. They are also seeking the support of those who wish to become Friends of the WERRC by making a modest financial contribution towards the work of the institution. Details: WERRC, Library Building, University College, Dublin 4, Republic of Ireland. Tel. 010-353-1-7002.

PUBLICATIONS

The spring 1991 issue of <u>An Pobal Éirithe/The Risen People</u> - the magazine of the Irish in Britain Representation Group - contains an eight page supplement, "A Further Bibliography of the History of the Irish in Britain". Over 350 books, pamphlets and articles relating to the Irish community in Britain are listed. The magazine costs £1.20 per copy.

The history of the Irish community in the North West is the theme of the 1991 issue of North West Labour History, the annual Journal of the North West Labour History Group. It costs £5.40 (p & p included) from North West Labour History Group, c/o Working Class Movement Library, Jubilee House, 51 The Crescent, Salford M5 4WX.

ATTIC PRESS, which specialises in "the publication of fiction and non-fiction books for and about women by Irish and international authors" has published its Autumn 1991 catalogue. This is available from: Attic Press, 4 Upper Mount Street, Dublin 2, Republic of Ireland. Tel. 010-353-1-616128.

"A SENSE OF IRELAND" - Birmingham City Council Library Services have issued a series of selected lists of books under this general title. They cover: 1 Irish Politics, 2 Irish History, 3 Irish Women's Issues, 4 Irish Lives, 5 Irish Fiction, 6 Irish Music, 7 Irish Poetry, 8 Irish Children's Books, 9 Irish Miscellany, 10 Books in Irish: Leabhair as Gaeilge. The cost of the set (including p & p) is £1.50 from The Commercial Unit, Birmingham Library Services, Central Library, Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3HQ. Cheques, etc., should be made payable to "Birmingham Library Services".

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