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4th ~ 13th may 1990



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The Officers and Management Committee of the Irish in Greenwich Project extend a warm welcome to all visitors to the Spring Festival 'Feile an Earraigh'. The events lasting nine days are a wealth of activity to please all tastes and age groups.

We welcome all those who share the common Irish cultural identity and their friends and neighbours who enjoy the presentation of Irish traditions.

You will find something for everyone in this festival. All kinds of music, sport, childrens entertainment, exhibitions, theatre; and sample the extensive range of activities. The two indoor events, the inclusion of the Irish Drama and Folk Dance Company will encourage the involvement of the people of South East London to take part. Charlton Park, Cutty Sark Gardens, Greenwich Minor Hall, O' Dowds in Plumstead and other venues listed will be alive with the sound of Irish tradition.

A special thanks to our sponsors, organisations and individuals, without whose help, support and guidance this festival would not be possible.

We hope our shared experience in this Festival will foster positive images of Ireland, the Irish community and the contribution Irish people have made to Britain over the years. Values and traditions are important for Irish people as indeed is the case for other nationalities. Please join in the festivities, we know you will be delighted to have shared this event.

**Festival Committee of
the Irish in Greenwich Project.**

Tickets & Information

Greenwich Entertainment Services,

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Project Activities

The Irish in Greenwich Project was set up in 1983 by a steering group of local Irish people in Greenwich. In 1985 the group succeeded in securing funding from Greenwich Council for two full time workers and since then has pursued a variety of work to enhance the profile and position of the 20,000 Irish people in Greenwich. It is guided by a 12 person management committee, which is elected annually from members.

The Project has worked with schools and libraries, instigated an Irish Pensioners Association, worked with the Migrant Training Company on high tech courses for Irish young people, provided welfare advice, guidance and a wide variety of social and cultural activities. In short, the Project has beavered away over the past five years to bring all aspects of Irish cultural experience into different areas of activity within the Borough.

Feile an Earraigh perhaps is the best expression of this. Music, dance, song, theatre, hurling, camogie and storytelling, all jumbled up to burst into action on 4th May, into the fun

packed programme we have before you. Important is the planning of such a festival. The Irish in Greenwich Project is firmly rooted in the local community and much of the talent you will see over the nine days of Feile an Earraigh will connect with Greenwich. Grace O' Malley, the notorious 16th century pirate who sailed from Co. Mayo to Greenwich; the Greenwich Gaels local hurling and camogie teams competing in Charlton Park. The fearsome Finn MacCool storytellers bursting into song and the serious singers stopping for a quick story.... We hope you enjoy yourselves, bring your friends and join us in making Feile an Earraigh the magnificent celebration of culture it truly should be..



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'Finn and the Salmon of Knowledge' describes how Finn first came to know anything and everything by sucking his thumb.

In 'Oona and the Giant Cu Chulainn', Oona shows her frightened thumb-sucking Finn how to defeat Ulster's fiercest giant, who unwisely kept all his strength in his right middle finger.

These are wonderful stories, grand and mythical, warm and humorous. We shall be true to the originals, use traditional Irish music, and hope to surprise and delight our audiences with what is possible in a one-man glove-puppet play.

Left to Right: Cu Chullain, Dona, Finn MacCool

From 'The Myths and Magic of Finn MacCool' appearing at Minor Hall, Saturday 12th May 5-6pm

Irish Drama and Folk Dance Company

(Recipients of the 1989 Irish Post Community Award)

Presents:

"IN THE MOOD"

'Around the house and mind the dresser' aptly describes this dynamic show devised by Rosemary Kennedy and Lillian Massey.

It includes:

Ballad singing by Mary Carthy and Celia McNicholas

Live music by 'Celtic Wildlife'

Comedy featuring Rosaleen

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Humerous Poetry

Youth Theatre dancers

Virtuso dancing by Marian

Manning, champion dancer and actress with the company

Ann Gallagher-Clarke (four times World Champion Irish Step Dancer)

Robert Wallder who has played many leading roles with the company and Frankie Cunniffe from Tuam.

To sum up, this show has something for everyone and is not to be missed.

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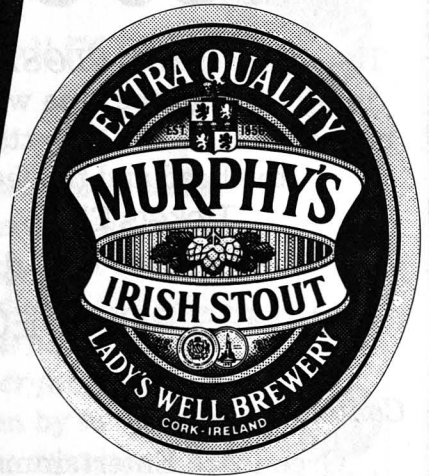
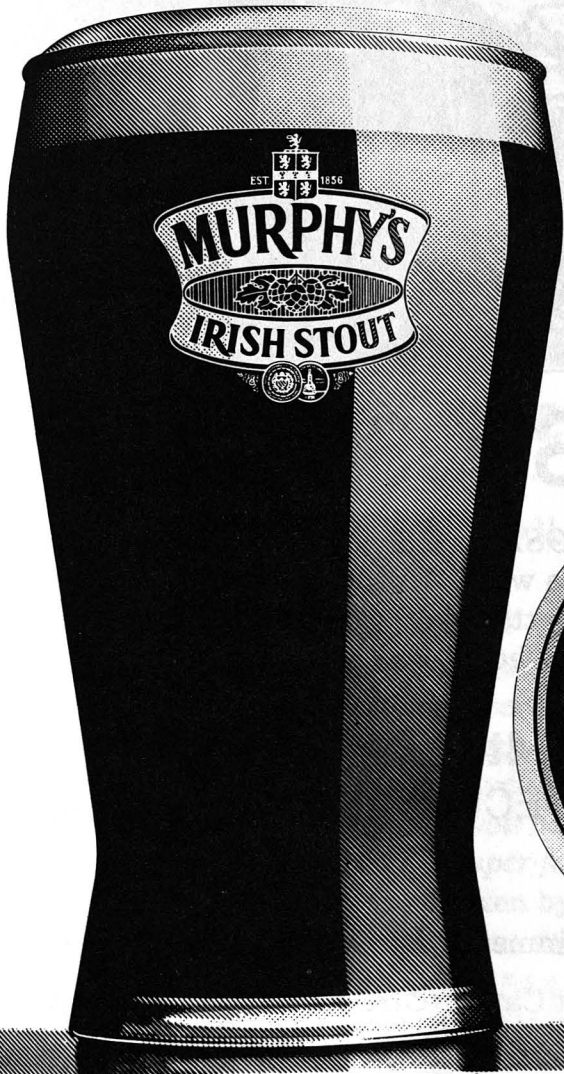
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Sunday 13th May
Cutty Sark Gardens, Greenwich SE10
and

West Greenwich House
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Evelyn Conlon
is reading
on 8th May
at
Charlton House, SE7
7.30 pm
from her book
"Stars In The Daytime"

photo: Clodagh Boyd

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Literary Events

'A Most Notorious Woman'

Tales of Granuaile



The tale of a girl who cut her hair and went to sea to become one of the most feared and respected pirates of her time.

Armed with a suitcase, dagger and assisted by a London Irish girl, 16th century pirate Grace O'Malley reclaims her place in history. Tales of lost identity on the high seas and hinterlands of Connemara, Co. Mayo, Camden andDagenham?

The play explores through music, dance and song, Grace's exploits and achievements within her own world and also as a narrative seen through the eyes of a second generation Irish child.

Written and performed by **Maggie Cronin**, directed by **Lucy Mole**.

Followed by traditional Irish music with **KICK UP THE DUST**

A five piece traditional band from London: John and Richard Paddy, David Fishwick, Peter Dyson and David Coe.

Saturday May 5th

7.30pm Tickets £4.00

West Greenwich House

SELECTED READINGS

Evelyn Conlon will read from her latest novel 'Stars in the Daytime' which is a selected title for the Feminist Book Fortnight. She will discuss women and Ireland and emigration.

Peter Beresford Ellis, Celtic historian and novelist has written many books on Ireland and Celtic history including: *The Rising of the Moon*; *Celtic Inheritance* and *Irish Mythology*.

Timothy O'Grady will read from 'Motherland'

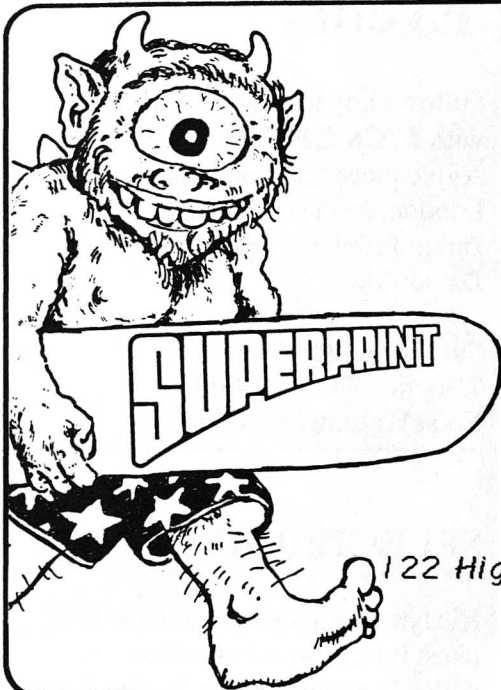
The readings will be followed by questions and discussion

Refreshments will be available

Tuesday May 8th Charlton House

7.30pm Admission £1.00

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Telephone: 01-854 0055 Extension 6185 for further information.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

GREENWICH LEISURE



south east London irish spring festival

4th - 13th may 1990

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

FRIDAY 4th MAY

- 6.30pm for 7.00pm **LAUNCH AND OPENING of FEILE AN EARRIAGH**
- 7.30pm **'You Slosh' Festival Youth Event**
Thames Polytechnic
Tickets £5.00 and £4.00, Contact Greenwich Entertainments
Box Office on 317-8687
- 8.00pm **"IN THE MOOD' Irish Drama and Folk Dance**
Company
Sponsored by Irish Mist

SATURDAY 5th MAY

- STORYTELLING and MUSIC session**
with Patrick Ryan & Tom Mann.
Each session lasts 45 minutes approximately.
- 11.45-12.30am Greenwich Library **FREE**
- 2.30 - 3.45pm West Greenwich Library **FREE**
- 7.30pm Theatre performance of **Maggie Cronin's:**
TALES OF A MOST NOTORIOUS WOMAN
GRANUAILE followed by traditional music with
KICK UP THE DUST and
licensed bar.
West Greenwich House Tickets £4.00

SUNDAY 6th MAY

12.15am

SEAN O RIADA SUNG MASS

Our Ladye Star of the Sea Catholic Church

2.00pm

GAELIC GAMES

Charlton Park

Sponsored by Murphys Stout

8.00pm

IN THE MOOD' Irish Drama and Folk Dance Company.

Minor Hall Greenwich Tickets £4.00

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MONDAY 7th MAY BANK HOLIDAY

12.00-6.00pm

IRISH DAY IN CHARLTON PARK

Gaelic Games, Agnes O'Connell Pipe Band, Tug-of-War, Theatre Tent, Side shows, Irish Food, Dancing Displays and many music stage appearances, including: TR Dallas, George Kane, Murray & Condon, Comhaltas, Erin and Applejack, Mick and the Moonshiners. Licensed Bar and Food Admission FREE
Lucky Festival Programme £1.00

2.00pm &
3.30pm

THE LEPRECHAUN WHO GREW TOO BIG

performed by the World Tree Theatre Company.
for 6-12 year olds.

Admission £1.00 (Theatre Tent)

Sponsored by Irish Mist and Murphys Stout

8.30pm

JOHNNY McEVOY and his band with support MURRAY and CONDON.

O' Dowds, Plumstead with bar extension

Tickets £5.00

TUESDAY 8th MAY

7.30pm

SELECTED READINGS: Literary Evening with
Evelyn Conlon, feminist and author of 'Stars
in The Daytime'
Timothy O' Grady author of 'Motherland'
Peter Beresford Ellis, celtic historian and author of
"The Rising of The Moon"
Followed by open forum discussion
Charlton House Admission £1.00
Refreshments available

THURSDAY 10th MAY

7.30pm

PAUL FOOT, journalist and author of
'Who Framed Colin Wallace' discusses his
book and the wider questions of civil liberties.
West Greenwich House FREE

FRIDAY 11th MAY

8.00pm

DOLORES KEANE in concert at Lewisham Theatre
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Lewisham Theatre Tickets £6.50 & 7.50
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SATURDAY 12th MAY

12.00-6.00pm

IRISH TRADE FAIR AND DANCING FEIS.
Trade and craft fair, photo exhibition by
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and art exhibition 'Deorai' by Nuala McEleny.
Admission £2.00 Borough and Minor Halls

One Day Irish Dancing Feis
Solo Competitions in all age groups to intermediate grade.
Entries accepted on the day
Admission £1.00 (adults) Children FREE
Minor and Borough Halls Competitors: 70p per dance

More Festival Events see over....

SATURDAY 12th MAY

5.00-6.00pm

THE MYTHS AND MAGIC OF FINN MacCOOL
Pekko's Puppets performing
Minor Hall Foyer **FREE**

8.00pm

TULLA CEILI BAND from Co. Clare
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SUNDAY 13th MAY

12.30-6.00pm

FESTIVAL FINALE
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8.00pm

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4 Cutty Sark Gardens
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Greenwich SE10

5 Charlton House
Charlton Road
The Village SE7

6 Thames Polytechnic
Calderwood Street
Woolwich SE18

7 Greenwich Library
Woolwich Road
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8 West Greenwich Library
Greenwich High Road
Greenwich SE10

9 O'Dowds
67 Plumstead High Street
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10 Woolwich Town Hall
Market Street
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11 St Peter's Community Centre
Woolwich New Road
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Irish in Greenwich Spring Festival
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May 6th and 7th, 1990

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Mens' Hurling Tournament Preliminary Round

6th May, 1.30 Game

6th May, 4.30 Game

Mens' Hurling Tournament Final

7th May, 3.00 Game

Special Under-Age Hurling Game

7th May, 3.45 Game

All games are subject to alteration

LADIES' FOOTBALL SECTION

Irish in Greenwich Spring Festival
All GAA Tournaments will take place
at Charlton Park, May Bank Holiday
May 6th and 7th, 1990

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Ladies' Football Tournament Preliminary Round

6th May, 2.45 Game

6th May, 5.00 Game

Ladies' Football Tournament Final

7th May, 5.00 Game

All games are subject to alteration

MENS' FOOTBALL SECTION

Irish in Greenwich Spring Festival
All GAA Tournaments will take place
at Charlton Park May Bank Holiday
May 6th and 7th 1990

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MENS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT Preliminary Round

6th May, 3.00 pm Game

6th May, 5.45 pm Game

Mens' Football Tournament Final

7th May, 5.30 pm Game

All games are subject to alteration

LADIES' CAMOGIE SECTION

Irish in Greenwich Spring Festival
All GAA Tournaments will take place
at Charlton Park, May Bank Holiday
May 6th and May 7th 1990

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Preliminary Round

6th May, 1.00 Game

6th May, 4.00 Game

Ladies' Camogie Tournament Final

7th May, 2.30 Game

Special Camogie Game

7th May, 1.00 Game

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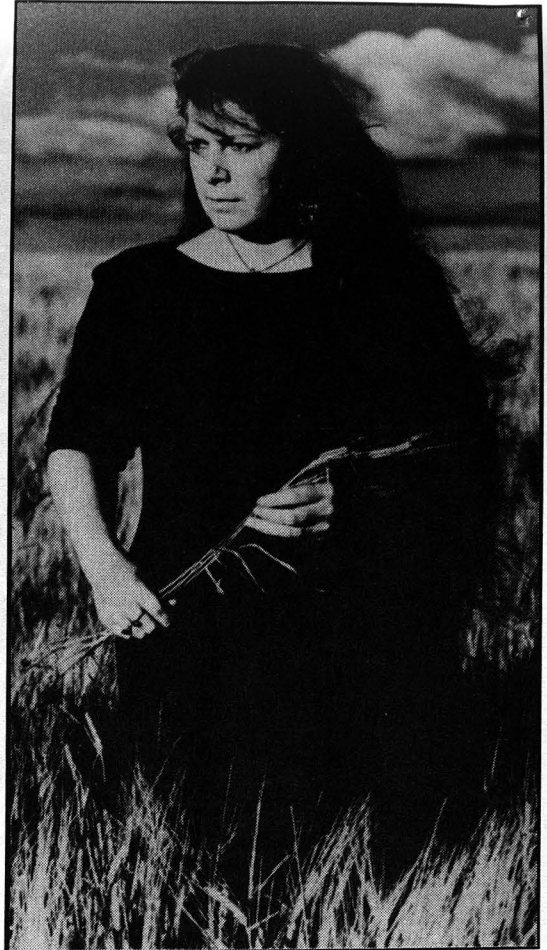
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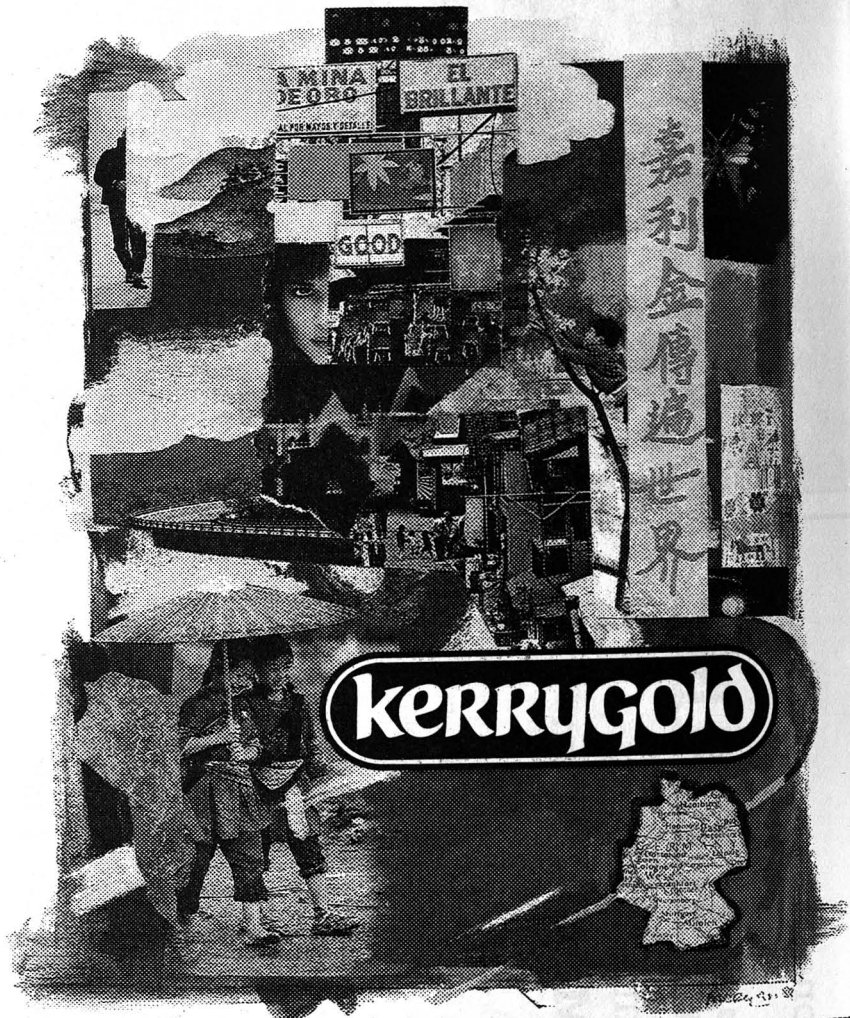
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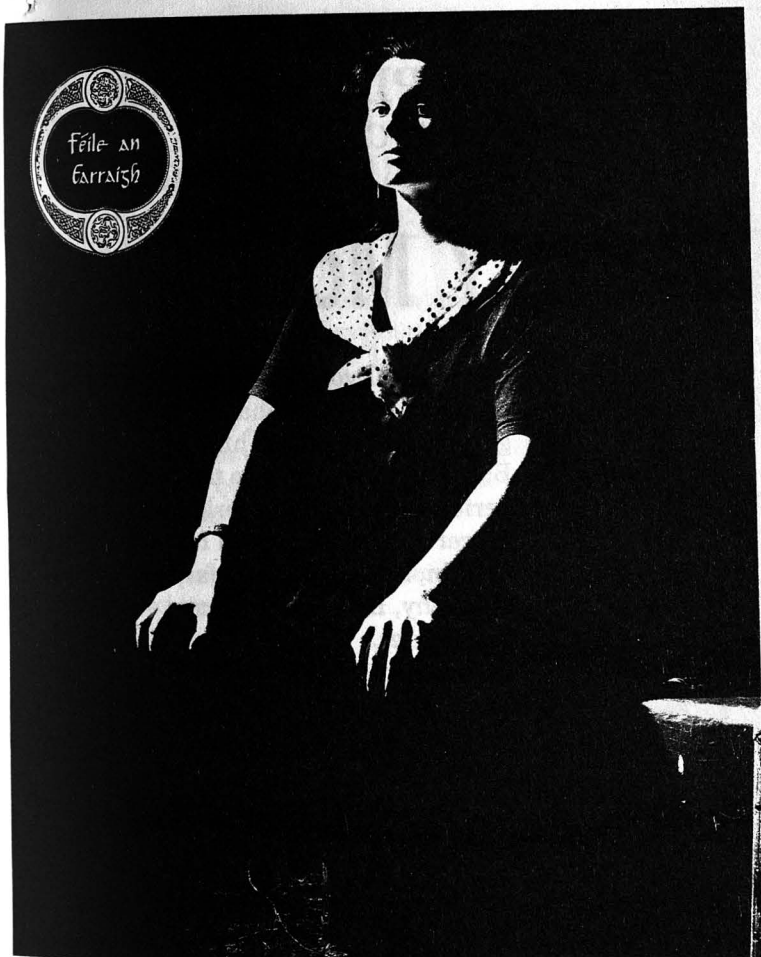
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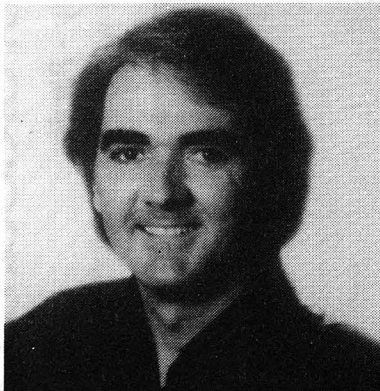


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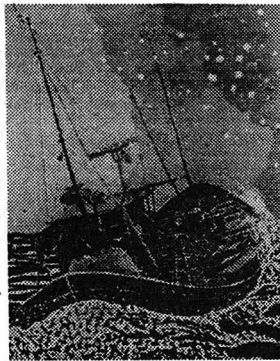
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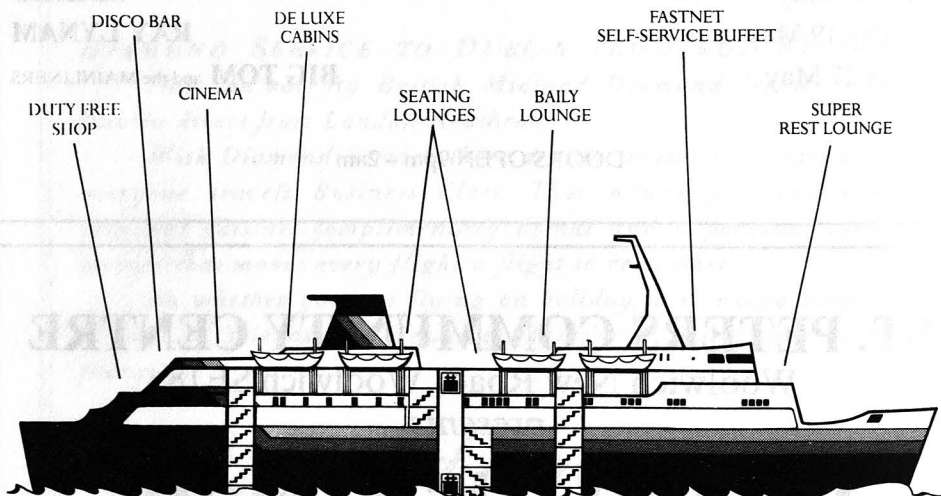
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