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## CORKMEN'S ASSOCIATION

(London)

### CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be known as "Corkmen's Association (London)" hereinafter called the "The Association".
2. The objects of the Association shall be to bring together Cork people resident in London and the Provinces for Cultural, Welfare and Social Activities.
3. Full membership by recommendation shall be open to all persons of (a) Cork Birth and/or Descent.  
Associate Membership shall be at the discretion of the Committee.
4. The Association shall be controlled by a Committee which shall consist of five officers of the Association and eleven other members, who shall also have the power to frame bye-laws.

The Committee shall be elected annually.

Patrons of the Association shall be nominated annually.

All vacancies occurring during the year shall be filled by co-option.

Only fully paid-up members shall be eligible for election to the Committee.

Associate Members are not eligible for election to office in the Association.

All elections shall be by secret ballot.

5. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in December.

Amendments to the Constitution and resolutions shall be in the hands of the Secretary 21 clear days before the Annual General Meeting.

6. Special General Meetings shall be called for the purpose of considering any definite recommendation to the Committee either (a) by resolution of the Annual General Meeting, (b) by resolution of Committee or (c) at the request in writing of not less than thirty three and one third per cent of membership setting forth the terms of recommendation for consideration.
7. Annual Subscription shall be; full member 10/-; associate member 10/-; the year shall begin on December 1st to November 30th inclusive.
8. Expulsion: The Committee reserve the right to refuse application for Membership or to expel any Member in the interest of the Association.

The minutes of the meeting held at the hord High Admiral on Thursday Dec, 27th 1962.

Present; Mr Tom Wyse - Chairman; Miss E. M. O'Sullivan V.C.  
Messrs Michael Cronin; Michael Browne; James O'Gorman;  
Michael O'Brien;  
Rev T. Mac Namara; Hon Treasurer; Finbarr lehane H.S.  
Misses Marie Harrington.

Apologies; Messrs Pat Spillane; John O'Sullivan;  
Dan Mac Donald;

Mrs P. Spillane; Miss Agnes Barry:

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence; The Secretary informed the meeting of the closing date for Nominations, Motions and Resolutions for the A.G.M. of the Council of Counties Association. As a copy of the Constitution was not available, the Meeting deferred it until the next meeting of the Committee

Reports; Treasurer; 28 members had now paid-up for 1963. The figure for 1962 was 128.

Secretary; The Newsletter had been sent out on the 16th Dec. He had in his possession tickets for the New Year's Eve Function. He was awaiting the Monthly Social tickets, but hoped to have them by the weekend.

New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance; Arrangements and stewarding were finalised.

Messrs Michael Browne & Sean Murphy were detailed to collect the tickets at the entrance to the dining room.

Messrs Michael Cronin & James O'Gorman to collect the tickets to the Dance.

Misses Marie Harrington; E. M. O'Sullivan; Mrs P. Spillane and Mrs J. O'Sullivan would give a hand at the raffle.

Bring and Buy Sale; The meeting decided to hold a "Bring and Buy Sale" at the Irish Centre on Sat., Feb. 16th at 3 p.m. It was also agreed to write to the Secretaries of the various County Associations inviting them to put a stall into operation. The proceeds of the sale would go to the Welfare Fund attached to the Irish Centre.

American Trip-1964: The Sec. reported he had nothing to say on the matter. He had inserted Mr P. Spillane's name and address in his newsletter in the hope that anyone interested should contact him as soon as possible.

Any other Business; Mr M. Browne reported on his trip to the Hammersmith Hospital- Du-Cane Rd., with Mr Dan MacDonald. He was informed by the sister-in-charge that he was not a patient who was entitled to the same facilities as the other patients as he was at present a guest of Her Majesties. He gave him some papers and fruit. He also paid another visit but the patient had gone to a nearby residence. He made every effort possible to see him, but was informed that it was impossible. He also added that Mrs Spillane paid an unsuccessful visit to the hospital.

Ladies Committee; The Sec reported that the Council of Counties Association were forming a ladies Committee and the Delegates were asked to nominate a member from their Association. Due to the non-attendance of two of the ladies, the Committee deferred it to the next meeting. No further business was discussed and the meeting closed.

Next Meeting; Irish Centre - Friday 11th Jan, '63 at 8-15p.m.

Proposed Ma. M. Browne.      Signed T. ~~also~~ Chairman  
Seconded Ma. T. Gorman.      Date 11th Jan 1963

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, Camden Square, on Friday 11th January 1963.

Before the minutes of the previous were read, the Chairman pointed out to the meeting that there was a vacancy on the Committee to be filled due to the resignation of Mrs Rose Wyse. As the Committee had the power to co-opt he would move that it should be filled before the meeting commences. Mrs M. Murphy was proposed and seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Mrs Murphy should fill the vacancy. Mrs Murphy was invited to take her seat and introduced to all present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were then read and adopted.

Present ; Mr T. Wyse (Chairman) Mr P. Spillane & Miss O'Sullivan (V.C.)

Messrs : M. Browne; D. Mac Donald; M. Cronin; J. O'Gorman.

Mrs P. Spillane; Mrs M. Murphy; Miss Agnes Barry;

Rev. T. Mac Namara (Treasurer) F. Lehane (Hon Sec.)

Apologies ; Misses B. Kelly; Marie Harrington; John O'Sullivan

Correspondence; The Sec read a letter from Mr Quirke who complimented the Committee on their excellent show on New Year's Eve.

He also read a letter from the Sec of the Council of Counties Association. It was a reminder of the closing date for nominations & resolutions  
Reports.

Secretary; In his report, he told the meeting that everyone should be pleased with their efforts on New Year's Eve. Everyone present enjoyed themselves.

Treasurers; Up to the Jan., 11th the paid-up membership for 1963 was 44. The total receipts so far for the N.Y.E function was £43-4-6. The basic cost of the meal was as follows:

Chicken £15-12-0

Band 4-0-0

There was a 5/- profit

Bacon 6-3-9

Girls 1-10-0

on the Jan Social

Veg 4-0-6

Printing 12-0

Sundries 3-10-0

Novelties 3-0-0

29-16-3

9-2-0

28-16-3

37-18-3

Nominations for the Council: The Meeting unanimously agreed to return the outgoing officers "en bloc" Ladies Committee; Mr James O Gorman proposed and Mrs M. Murphy seconded that Miss E.M. O'Sullivan should be the Cork nomination for the ladies Co.

Bringx Buy Sale: The Chairman spoke on this matter and informed the Meeting that one or two other Associations were interested.

The Sec would include in his next newsletter the phone numbers of the Chairman; V. Chairman; and the Treasurer in the event of anyone offering something which they would have no means of transport to the Centre.

American Trip '64: Mr Spillane had little to report and suggested that Fr MacNamara should be responsible for any enquiries. He had received no enquiries even though it was mentioned in the newsletter. That anyone interested should get in touch with him. A sub-committee was formed to meet a delegation from Aer Lingus. The Co. selected was Mr T. Wyse - Mr P. Spillane - Rev T. MacNamara; H. Browne & F. Lehane. The Sec. also added that he would write to the following Airlines - B.O.A.C. - Royal Dutch Airlines - T.W.A. and Pan-American for quotations and all the information concerning the venture. He hoped to have the information for the meeting with Aer Lingus which was fixed for Thurs, Jan 24th at the Irish Centre.

Monthly Social: The Sec distributed tickets for the Social on Sat Feb 2nd.

No further business was discussed and the meeting closed. Next meeting Fri Jan 25th at Lord High Admiral at 8-15 p.m.

Proposed Mr. H. Browne.

Seconded Mr. D. McDonald.

Signed T.G. [initials] Chairman

Date 25th Jan, 1963.

The minutes of the meeting held at the Lord High Admiral, on Friday January 25th 1963.

Present: Mr T. Wyse - Chairman presided. Mr P. Spillane - V. Chair.

Miss E.M. O'Sullivan - V. Chair. Mr T. Feehan - President

Rev. T. MacNamara - Treasurer. F. Lehane. Hon Sec.

Messrs: M. Browne; D. MacDonald; J. O'Gorman;  
M. O'Brien;

Misses Marie Harrington - Agnes Barry.

Apologies: Mrs P. Spillane; Mrs M. Murphy; Miss B. Kelly  
John O'Sullivan - Michael Cronin.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence. The Sec read a letter from Mr Michael Cronin regretting his non-attendance at the meeting due to tonsilitis.

The Secretary also read a letter from Messrs Arthur Guinness & Co., Park Royal. It was a reply to the Secretary's application for a guided tour of the plant. He had arranged two tours and this was a confirmation. One will take place on the 1st Sat. in May at 10.30 p.m. The second on the 1st Sat. in July, at 1.30 p.m. The duration of each will be two hours.

He also had a reply and some literature from B.O.A.C. But due to the sub-committee meeting on the previous night he preferred to hold it over to a later date and in the meantime he was awaiting replies from T.W.A: PAN-AM: K.L.M.

#### Reports.

Secretary: The Sec reported that he written letters of sympathy to Armagh Association on the death of one of their founder members Mr James McCoy and his <sup>sister</sup> Miss McCoy at Crossmaglin.

To Mr Martin Moroney - Chairman of the Clare Association on the death of his mother.

To the Secretary at Archbishop House - S.W.1.

on the death of the Cardinal.

He also answered numerous enquiries from interested parties.

He then reported on the meeting of the sub-committee with Aer Lingus. At the moment they could not give anything definite as to what the fare would be. Aer Lingus were under the impression that it was this April we had in mind. Fares were not yet available for 1964.

The Aer Lingus Rep. then informed the S. Com., by letter earlier that day that he contacted the Charter Dept., and they confirmed that the cost for a member of a Charter party will not be more than £65. and that figure may go lower. That figure could now be "budgetted" for when discussing the matter with the members.

#### Chairman:

In his report, he stated that this venture would need a big effort on those interested to make it a success. It may be necessary to enlist the aid of any one interested <sup>size</sup> out of the Association "Bring & Buy Sale". The Chairman spoke on the "B&B" and it was hoped for that one or two other Associations would give a hand. It was agreed that ~~agreed~~ 3,000 handbills should be printed for distribution in the area surrounding the centre and the Masses the previous Sunday.

Portsmouth Trip: The Soc was to write to the Irish Club in Portsmouth to find-out if Saturday May 18th or 25th would be suitable for them - to receive us.

At this stage of the meeting the President - Mr T. Feehan and the Treasurer Fr MacNamara arrived. They both apologised for their late attendance.

The Chairman then welcomed Mr Feehan.

Treasurer's Report. 49 members were now paid-up to  
There was a bank balance of 137. 11.1.

A.O.B. The Sec. issued extra books of tickets for  
the St. Patrick's Day Raffle.

Next Meeting: The Sec suggested Friday Feb 8th. Mr  
Spillane suggested <sup>another night.</sup> to suit the members who could  
not attend Friday meetings. The Sec then pointed  
out that Friday meetings suited all the members  
present and was by far the most popular night. One  
member could not attend the Fridays and that  
was no reason why a popular night should be  
altered to him. suit him. Mr Mac Donald pointed  
that any meetings on which could not attend  
would not be held against him which the new  
committee agreed on at the first sitting.

Dinner & Dance. By popular request the Committee have  
decided to hold another Dinner similar to the New  
Year's Eve function on May 4th 1963.

Next Meeting at the Centre on Monday Feb 4th  
at the usual time

No further business was discussed and the meeting  
closed.

Proposed Mr. M. Browne Signed T. F. Feehan Chairman  
Seconded Miss E.M. O'Sullivan 4 Feb '63

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday Feb 4th 1963.

Present: Mr T. Wyse - Chairman - presided: Rev. T. MacNamara; Mr P. Spillane and Miss E M O'Sullivan - Vice-Chairmen; Messrs D. MacDonald; M. Browne; J. O'Sullivan; J. O'Gorman; Mrs P. Spillane - Mrs M. Murphy; Miss A. Barry; M. Cronin & Miss Marie Harrington and Lehane F. (Hon Sec).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence: The Sec read letters from the following: The Chairman of the Armagh Association acknowledging the Association's vote of sympathy on the death of Mr James McCoy, one of their founder-members.

1. The Local Appointments Commission in Dublin announcing an open competition for Assistant Matrons.

2. The Daily Express replying to the Sec request for a tour of the works. He was asked to make an application later on in the year.

3. The Secretary had correspondence from all the Airlines concerned with the U.S. trip. He asked the members if they would agree to wait until the Sub. Com., straightened the matter <sup>out</sup>, as it was a bit complicated.

4. He had also the Nominations & Resolutions for the forthcoming A.G.M. of the Council of Counties. As this could take most of the meeting to discuss, it was deferred until the next meeting.

Reports. Since the last meeting he had written to Sec. the newly-formed Conkmens Association in Dublin. On behalf of the Association he wished it every success in the future.

He also passed on the Association's sympathy to the Most Rev Dr Conway - Auxiliary Bishop of Armagh on the death of Cardinal D'Alton.

Treasurer's. The membership up to date was 60 paid-up.  
The admission taken at the door for the social on  
Feb 2 was - 8.19.6.

Raffle                    6. 1.10.

Total.                15. 1.4

less Band            6 10 0

Profit.              8 11 4 + 1-5-0 for ticket at the meeting  
                        1 5 0.

Grand Total 9-16-4 profit.

The Treasurer added- that following the last meeting  
the Committee overlooked the Opera House Fund. A few  
of the members who were available moved that  
the sum of 10.10.0. should be sent on to Cork. He  
asked the meeting now to confirm his action. which  
was unanimously given.

Others: Stewarding arrangements were discussed for the  
next Social: Messrs: P. Spillane, M. Cronin, J. O'Gorman would  
officiate on a rota at the door.

Fr MacNamara was to arrange attendants for the cloak-  
rooms.

Bring & Buy Sale: This was the main item on the agenda  
and was subject to a lengthy discussion. This being  
our first attempt every effort would have to be made  
to make it a success. Great interest was shown by those  
present. Several suggestions were put forward. Each  
discussed as to what asset it would be. The meeting  
decided on a "Bottle-Show" and the highest score on the  
"Dart". There would also be a "Yosmetic" and "Hab"  
stall.

The tea-bar was discussed and everyone present  
agreed to bring the following: 1 loaf of sandwiches (mixed).  
2 lbs of sugar. 4/4 lbs of tea. Each one made their  
offerings and the milk would be purchased from the  
Centre.

The distribution of handbills was discussed and the Sec informed the meeting that he had arrangements made with the printer to have the bills here for the meeting. But they had not arrived but would in plenty of time for the weekend.

He also said that there was very little more publicity the sale could receive. The Irish National papers had done their bit. and the Weekly as usual.

Hand bill arrangements: Mr Spillane & Miss M. Harrington would be outside Highgate.

Mr O'Gorman & Mr O'Collaghan - Kentish Town Eden Grove. Mr T. Wyse.

Camden Town: Mr Terry - Mr O'Riordan & Mr Spillane Everyone present to agreed to be at the centre on either - Wed- Thurs- Fri. to assist in somehow or another. the arranging of the stalls etc.

One or two male members would deliver bills to the houses in the area.

Mrs Murphy was to collect 200 and 100 was to be available for the Bingo.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next Meeting: Friday 22nd at the hotel High Admiral at 8-15 p.m. sharp.

PROPOSED Mr. M. Browne      Signed T.F. ~~Spillane~~ Chairman  
SECONDED Mr. P. Spillane. Date 21<sup>st</sup> Feb '63

The minutes of the quarterly meeting held at the Irish Centre on Saturday Sept, 8th 1963  
The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all those present.

The minutes of the previous were read and adopted.

Twenty-three members were present.

There was no Treasurer's report at this meeting as Rev. Treasurer was on holidays.

The question of Publicity Officer came up on the Agenda. The Chairman pointed out the urgency of having. Mr James O'Gorman at this stage pointed out to the meeting that a previous quarterly meeting that Secretary was appointed as Press Officer.

Mr Tom Wyse stated that the Association was eight years old, and there never has been a publicity officer. Any publicity that was done or was to be done was left in the hands of the Secretary. He then moved that all publicity matters be left in the hands of the Secretary. This motion was carried by 18 votes to 4 on a show of hands.

Under any other business - the question of the newly formed Michael Collins Society was asked. The Chairman stated that this committee could do nothing about it. If a member wanted to become a member of the M.C.S that was his business. There was no connection whatsoever of this to the M.C.S Association being an offspring of the Cork Ass. At this stage it was decided to close the meeting.

The meeting then closed and was followed by a Social.

Seconded by Mr. T. O'Gorman Chairman T.G. Aug.

Proposed by Mr. Browne. 9-3-63.

The minutes of the meeting held at the Lord High Admiral on Friday Feb 22nd 1963. Due to the bad weather conditions the meeting commenced thirty minutes late as members found it difficult to arrive on time.

Present: Mr Tom Wyse Chairman presided; Mr Pat Spillane V.  
Messrs M. Browne; J. O'Gorman; M. Cronin;

Mrs P. Spillane - Mrs M. Murphy - F. Lehane - Hon Sec.

Apologies: Rev T. McNamara - Hon Treasur; D. Mac Donald;  
J. O'Sullivan & Miss M Harrington.  
Mrs E.H.O' Sullivan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence: The Secretary read from the following (A) Mr T. Feehan asking for an all out effort from the members of the Association in turning out to attend the special High Mass at the Cathedral on Sunday March 18th the Feast-Day of our National Apostle

(B) The Appointments Commission in Dublin announcing an open competition for Radio/Radar Technicians

(C) An acknowledgement of the Secretary's letter to Archbishop House on the death of Cardinal Godfrey.

(D) Summertime timetables from Aer Lingus.

#### Reports:

Secretary: In his report he informed that he had changed one of the dates for his trip to the Park Royal. He had arranged that both parties would visit the brewery on Sat, July 6th 1963.

A newsletter would be in the post within a day or two. Reminding members to return their books of the tickets, also pointing out to them the quarterly-general meeting on Saturday March 9th

He informed the Weekly Examiner of this meeting as it was intended to discuss the proposed trip to New York in 1964.

He wrote to the Chairman of the Meath Association thanking the members and their representative Mrs Culliton for their assistance at the recent "Bring & Buy".

That concluded his report.

At this stage the Chairman put it to the meeting that the Sec should write to Mr Michael Casey - Secretary of the Irish Centre thanking their representative Mrs M. Casey & Mrs D. Donnelly. The meeting agreed. Treasurers.

In the absence of the Treasurer - the Chairman presented his report.

The paid-up number of members to date was 65. Cash in bank was £150.

The "Bring & Buy" realised £36. 1. 6.

Outstanding money from the

"BaB" Mrs Spillane paid-in 17. 0.

Mrs Murphy .. . 12. 6.

which now reached - 37. 11. 0.

Jumble Sale The advertising for the sale on Sat, April 6th. was discussed. The meeting decided to have 1,000 handbills and 50 half-crown posters. The Secretary would get in touch with the St, Pancras Chronicle

American Trip; The Sub-Committee reported on their meeting with a Mr Preston & Son of the Italian Travel Agency, Chiswick. Literature & Brochures were available with a new idea in American travel which may be of interest to the Association with their proposed trip. The suggestion was by sea. It was discussed by those present and was deferred to the general meeting on March 9th.

C.I.C.A. A.G.M. The Sec, read the motions and resolution for the forthcoming general meeting which was being held on the following Sunday Feb 24th. It was the unanimous decision of the meeting to support all the motions - with the exception of no 7. which dealt with Irelands entry into the Common. This motion had to be reworded and it was left to the discretion of the delegates who represent the Association.

The two delegates appointed by the meeting were Mr P. Spillane and Rev T. MacNamara to attend with the council delegates - The Chairman and Secretary.

Attendance at Committee Meetings: The Sec, was asked by the Chairman as to the irregular attendance of two of the Co., members. He was unable to give an up to date account of their apologies as he had not received any. The meeting decided that he write to both of them immediately and find out if they desire to remain active members of the Association.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next meeting to be arranged.

Proposed M. Browne. Signed T. J. ~~Spillane~~ Chairman  
Seconded M. O'Brien. Date 21-3-63

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Thursday March 21st.

Present: Mr T. Wyse - chairman presided. Miss E. M. O'Sullivan  
Mr P. Spillane Vice-Chairmen; Rev T. McNamara Hon. Treasurer.  
Messrs M. Browne; D. MacDonald; M. Cronin;  
J. O'Gorman; J. O'Sullivan; M. O'Brien.

Mrs Spillane; Miss M. Harrington & F. Lehane. Hon Sec.  
Apologies: Miss M. Murphy.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence: Letters were read from the following.  
From Dr William Conway, the Vicar Capitular of the Archdiocese of Armagh acknowledging the Assoc. vote of sympathy extended to him on the death of Cardinal D'Alton.

From the Hon. Sec., Mr John Boland of the Irish Welfare Fund Committee expressing their deep appreciation for our recent effort in raising the sum of £37. 11. 0

From Mr P. J. Brosnan Hon. Sec. of the St. Stephen's G.F.C. He would like to see some of the members of the Association at their club dance which is being held at the Centre on Sat. April 13th.

A letter from Mr Michael O'Brien was not read as he was present. It was a reply to the Secretary's letter as to his irregular attendance Reports. The Secretary reported that he had made a number of enquiries to coach-firms for quotations for the hire of a coach for the trip to Pork Royal. He had a quotation from London Transport and he thought the meeting should accept their quotation of 12.10.0 for a 56 seater bus.

After a brief discussion the meeting agreed to engage London Transport. He also pointed out the charge would 5/- per person.

Membership; The question of Membership was discussed. Several ideas were put forward as to what would be the best method. The first matter dealt with, <sup>were</sup> ~~was~~ those members who had not renewed their 1962/63 Membership. The meeting decided that the Sec. in his next newsletter should appeal again to them.

Mr John O'Sullivan suggested then, that after a reasonable if no results were received that a personal letter should go out again from the Sec. pointing out to them that it was essential for the Association that it should have their 'subs'. He also added that some of our Welfare activities should be circulated. Miss F.M.O'Sullivan suggested that a stamped addressed envelope could accompany the letter, for a reply. The meeting agreed that it would not be in the best interests of the Association to proceed on these lines.

On the subject of enrolling new-members, the meeting agreed that a bigger and better effort <sup>from</sup> ~~on~~ all the members of the Committee would be much appreciated.

The Bazaar. Posters were distributed for the 'Bazaar' on Saturday April 6th. As the meeting was running late it was decided to defer any discussion until the next meeting which would be held prior to the 'Bazaar'.

A.D.B. Mr O'Gorman stated that it was mentioned at a previous that the Association would engage a celebrity or a guest artist for the Monthly Socials. The meeting discussed the matter and it was agreed that when the premises would be suitable for such an event the Committee would be in a better position to engage an artist.

Mr D. MacDonald raised a question on Welfare. He reported the meeting the Sec and he had with a Mr J. Walsh of 54 Chapter Rd, Willesden. He proposed and the Sec, seconded that a donation should be given to him from the Assoc, Welfare Fund. This was discussed and it was the unanimous decision of the Committee to grant Mr Walsh £12.0.0.

As the Rev. Treasurer had not arrived to give his report to the meeting, the Secretary stated that he had his "Postage & Stationary" account up to date. He presented for the following account for their approval, which was granted.

Account from Dec 2nd 1962 to 21st March 1963.

Enrolment Fee (Hotterier Act)	1 0 0
Ambassadors Present	1 0 0
Stationery (Minute Book)	6 4
Telegram (Carey Club)	4 9
Newsletters:	
Dec - Jan.	116 e 3 <sup>d</sup>
Jan - Feb.	124 e 4 <sup>1/2</sup>
Feb - Mar.	125 e 3 <sup>d</sup>
Committee Meetings	110 e 2 <sup>1/2</sup>
Sub. Com. ..	8 e 2 <sup>1/2</sup>
Letters. Queriers etc.	30 e 3 <sup>d</sup>
Results. Draw.	61 e 3 <sup>d</sup>
Printing	1 16 9
Envelopes	18 1
	<u>13 - 0 - 0</u>

There being no further business the meeting closed  
Next meeting Monday April 1st at the Lord High Admiral

Proposed Mr. D. McDonald Signed C. J. [initials] Chairman  
Seconded Mr. M. Brown. Date 1st April 1963

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday April 1st at the Lord High Admiral, 145 Vauxhall Bridge Rd, S.W.1. Present Mr T. Wyse (Chairman) presided. Mr P. Spillane, Miss E. M. O'Sullivan (V. Chairmen) Rev T. Mac Namara (Treas), Messrs: M. Browne; D. Mac Donald; M. Cronin; M. O'Brien; J. O'Gorman; Mrs P. Spillane; Mrs M. Murphy; Miss M. Harrington. F. Lehane. Hon Sec., Apologies Mr J. O'Sullivan

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence: The Sec read a letter from The Irish Mist Liqueur Co Ltd, Tullamore. The purpose of the letter was to advise the Members of the Association that their product can now be purchased in Great Britain.

- 2 Literature was also received from Bord Fáilte giving the dates of the Musical Festivals and Light Opera seasons during 1963 in Ireland.
- 3 An acknowledgement from the Secretary - Mr John Boland of the Irish Welfare Fund Committee was read. He thanked the Association for their cheque £37-10-0. The proceeds of the 'Bring & Buy'.

Reports.

Secretary's: In his report he stated that the monthly Newsletter would be in the post within the next day or two. He also replied to queries as to what were the objects of the Association.

Treasurers: The bank balance on the 20/2/63 was £150.12.6.

Expenditure: Hostels Development 45.0.6.

Welfare Fund 2.9.6

Income: T. Feehan - B&Buy = 1.0.0.	Deduct 107.15.3	£48.0.0
Sundries 1.9.6.		
Profit March Social = 3.14.9.		
Rattle to Date = 91.11.0		
Subs to Date 10.0.0		
	59.15.3	+ balance 150.12.6
	150.12.6	
107.15.3	210.7.9	Total. in Bank £210.7.9

Dinner May 4th. The meeting agreed to the same as menu as was presented on New Years Eve. The meal was excellent and it could not be improved upon.

Spots for the Social afterwards were discussed. The sum of 3.0.0 was mentioned, but it was felt by the meeting to be a bit expensive for the night. It was agreed to have balloons and the spots would be 2 spots for three dances. Tickets were available at the meeting.

Welfare; Mr MacDonald asked the Chairman and Treasurer to give a report for the benefit of the meeting of their visit to Mr J. Walsh. Fr Mac- stated that the case was a deserving one. He had passed the 12.0.0 which was agreed at the previous.

The Officers agreed to advance a loan of 15.0.0. to another member of the Association. He had got in touch with the Sec, who in turn informed the Treasurer. Due to the urgency of the matter it was decided to discuss the matter between the Officers who acted in good faith. The Rec Treas, enclosed an agreement with the cheque. request a copy of it to be returned by return post.

Mr P. Spillane did not think it was fair that big amounts should be allocated. In no<sup>time</sup>, he added, there would be very little left.

Fr MacNamara, then moved, that as from now the sum of £38.0.0 would be lodged in the W. Fund. And 25% of the profits of each function from would ~~added~~ be added. Fr Mac Namara pointed that this would take effect as from the A.G.M. 1962.

A Welfare Com, was set up to deal with urgent cases which may arise from time to time

They would not have the power to allocate any sum of money. But, could use their discretion ~~until the~~ in allowing a little to help. until they reported to the Com.

The Sub. Com. consists of Messrs T. Wyse. P. Spillane, M. Browne & Miss M. Murphy.

Jumble Sale Arrangements for the Sale were discussed. Distribution of handbills were allocated to the Mrs Murphy; Misses M. Harrington & F. M. O'Sullivan. Messrs M. Browne & F. Lehane

Thursday-Friday nights were agreed upon for anyone who may like to arrange the place or leave any goods.

Mr John O'Sullivan asked that 'bottles' should be available for him for the stall.

Offers of foodstuffs - sandwiches - sugar - cakes were received from a small number present.

C.I.C.A. The Secretary informed the meeting that the Council of Irish Counties were running a draw on the Irish Derby. Tickets were available with special terms. £30 worth could be purchased for £10. £60 for £15. and £100 for £20.

On Fr MacNamara's proposal the <sup>meeting</sup> agreed to purchase £100 worth for the sum £20.

Tickets were distributed for the Monthly Social and the Dinner/Dance to some of the members present.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next meeting Irish Centre on Thursday April 25th. at 8-15 p.m.

Proposed M. Browne Signed T. Wyse Chairman  
Seconded N.O'Sullivan Date April 25th '63

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre, on Thursday April 25th

Present. Mr T. Wyse (Chairman) presided; Mr P. Spillane - Miss F. M. O'Sullivan (V. Chairman) Rev T. Mac Namara.

Messrs: M. Browne. D. Mac Donald, M. Cronin, J. O'Gorman.

John O'Sullivan;

Mrs M. Murphy - T. Lehane Hon. Sec.,

Apologies Mrs M. Harrington & Mr J. O'Sullivan

Mr. Michael O'Brien

The meeting of the previous were read and adopted.

Correspondence: The Sec read letters from the following -

1. The Local Appointments Commission in Dublin giving details of vacancies in the nursing profession
2. Irish Political Prisoners Release Committee inviting the Association to take part in a Protest Rally demanding the release of Joseph Doyle.
3. Summer time-table from K.L.M. Airlines
4. An apology from Mr M. O'Brien

Reports The Secretary reported that as he had not heard from the Irish Society in Portsmouth regarding the proposed trip to the premises on May 18th, he got in touch with them and as a result the trip is on. He had also received quotations from various coach firms. The lowest was £18. The meeting decided on a 9/- per fare. It was also agreed that the coach would leave the Centre at 3 p.m. and leave Portsmouth at 11-30 p.m.

The arrangements for meals were discussed. Anyone who'd prefer to eat who would be free to please themselves. Sandwiches

would be available for those attending the club. He also stated the Newsletter would be <sup>available</sup> THIS Treasurer's Report

The balance in the bank was £210. 7. 9.  
Expenditure.

Secretaries Postal

Income.

Jumble Sale 44. 14. 6

& Stationary Acc. 13. 0. 0

Expenditure 40. 0 0

Welfare Grant. 12. 0. 0

£ 4. 14. 6

Welfare Grant X 15. 0. 0

B/B. 210 4 9

40. 0. 0

215 2 3

Cash in hands £215. 2. 3.

Sub Com. The Sub-Com on the American trip met last week and had nothing to report.

Xmas Jumble Sale: A monster sale was proposed for Saturday November 30th 1963. As this would involve a lot plenty of hard work - a "sub-com" would be formed in the near future. Cork wholesalers would be written to also for some kind of assistance.

Gresham Dance. The meeting discussed the possibility of an Autumn dance at the Gresham Ballroom. It was decided to proceed with enquiries

A.O.B. The Dinner-Dance on Saturday

May 1<sup>st</sup> was discussed. The Sec informed the meeting that he had disposed of the majority of the tickets. The balance was distributed. The number sitting down was increased from 65 to 45. closed

There being no further business the meeting Next meeting - Wed May 8th - L.H.A. 8.15 p.m.

Proposed T. Gama.

Signed T.S. <sup>Agg.</sup> Chairman

Seconded N.O. Cawin.

May 8th 1963.

The minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held at the Irish Centre on Saturday March 9th 1963.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming those present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted

Reports: The Sec reported that arrangements had been made with Arthur Guinness & Co., Park Royal for a conducted tour of the plant on Saturday 6th July.

He was also awaiting confirmation from the Daily Express for a similar tour.

Treasurer: The Bank Balance at the A.G.M. was 137.11.1

U.S. Trip: This was the main item on the Agenda. The Chairman informed the meeting of information he had received from a Travel Association who were in the process of organising sea voyages in the near future to the U.S. The only information he could offer at the moment was the basic charge which was £45 for a four berth cabin. He was unable to give the name of the vessel.

The Sec, then informed the meeting of the information he had received from the major airliners. They were unable to give a quotation for the required period next year, but forwarded current charges which may be in operation. The charges ranged from £55-£99.10.0.

A suggestion from the floor as to whether an 'all-in' holiday could be arranged in hostels or in institutes.

To get an idea as to how many were interested in this project a vote on a show of hands was taken. 11 favoured sea - 6 favoured air

Mr D. Mac Donald put a matter of extreme urgency before the meeting. As is it was a welfare matter he hoped the meeting would forward a donation to a Mr Welsh in the Willesden area. He has been unable to work for sometime. The meeting suggested that the Sec and Mr Mac Donald should visit the gentleman. There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

Proposed  
Seconded

Signed T. J. ... Chairman  
Date 8th June '63

The minutes of the meeting held at the Lord High Admiral on Wednesday May 8th 1963.

Present: Mr T. Wyse - Chairman presided. Pat Spillane & Miss E M. O'Sullivan (vice-chairmen). Rev T. McNamara.

Messrs: M. Browne; M. Cronin; J. O'Gorman; J. O'Sullivan

Mrs M. Murphy - Miss A. Barry.

Apologies Messrs D. McDonald. M.O'Brien. Miss Marie Harrington & Miss B. Kelly. F. Lehane. H. Sec. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence: Letters were read from the local Appointments Commission in Dublin with details of vacancies in Ireland for a Dental Surgeon and a Radar Mechanic.

Miss B. Kelly offered her apologies for non-attendance at Com. meetings due to heavy commitments.

An apology was received M. O'Brien.

Joe Malone car-hire brochures were also distributed.

An acknowledgement of a vote of sympathy was received from the Pres., Mr T. Feehan

Reports. The Sec reported that he had completed the arrangements for the forthcoming trip to Portsmouth on Sat. May 18th.

Treasurers. The Bank Balance was 215.2.3.

Income; March Social 5.10.0	Expenditure. Whitehall Motors 18.0.0
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April 7.7.3.	1.10.0.
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Draw Money Tickets 3.17.6	Welfare 37.17.6.
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Sundries 14.0.	4.4.6
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17.8.9	Printing 14.-
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215.2.3	2 12.6
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B/B.	167.12.6
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Welfare Sub. Com: The Chairman reported that a case had been brought to his notice of a Corkman by the name of Dunne who was critically ill in hospital. He and another member of the Com., had visited him. The meeting decided to allocate £5 for hospital comforts.

American Trip '64. The Chairman had further information from the Italian Travel Agency. The name of the vessel would be Reine de May. It would be a 16 day trip with 3 days in New York. The vessel would leave Liverpool on May 23rd; 28 June; 16 July; 25 Aug 12 Sept.

Annual Dinner: The list of Guests agreed on for the Annual Dinner - Dance at the Criterion Oct 3rd. are as follows.

Chairman of the Cork Co. Council	2
Mra Mrs Paddy Whitty	2
Irish Ambassador & Lady	2
Chairman of the Council of Counties	2
Newspapers & 1 lady	5
D. Fahey	1
Chairman of the Irish Centre	2
Stephen Coughlan	2
L.C.C. Chairman	2
Mra Mrs Tadgh Feehan	2

The Sec read a letter at this stage from the Musical Director to the Forte group of com. panies offering his assistance in organising the dance or cabaret.

This was discussed and it was agreed that the Sec should write and tell them that we would be engaging our own band as in former years.

The Sec was to find further information on the fee for toast masters. The price list etc,

It was decided to hold a mid-month social for the benefit of the members who are unable to attend the Saturday sociale. The night selected was Wednesday June 26th.

The Sec informed those present that the 8th June would be the date for the next Quarterly meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next meeting to be arranged.

Proposed Mr. M. Browne. Signed, T. J. G. Chairman  
Seconded Mr. F. Gorman. Date. 14 June 1963

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Friday June 14th 1963.

Present Mr T. Wyse Chairman presided. Mr P. Spillane V. Chairmen; Rev T. Mac Namara Hon Treasurer; Messrs M. Browne; M. Cronin; J. O'Gorman; M. O'Brien Mrs P. Spillane; Mrs M. Murphy. T. Lehane Sec. Apologies: D. Mac Donald - Miss A. Barry; Miss M. Harrington Miss E. M. O'Sullivan

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence. The Chairman read a letter from Miss Peggy Mallin thanking the Association for their assistance in recovering some property which was mislaid at a Dance.

The meeting decided to replace the item of value which could not be found.

Reports.

The Secretary put the quotations to the meetings of the various coach firms for the hire of a coach to Dartford.

It was agreed that Rickards should supply the coach.

Annual Dinner & Dance; This being the 10th year it was agreed by the Committee to engage a toastmaster for the occasion: The names of Mr/Mrs Jack Lynch. Minister for Industry & Commerce and Mr/Mrs Jack Kirby. President of the Portsmouth Irish Society were added to the list of guests. Reception will be from 7 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. Dinner would last until 10 o'clock approx. Dancing from 10 until 1 a.m. An extension was to be applied for the bar facilities until 12.30 a.m. The officers would meet at a date to be arranged to discuss the price of the tickets. Tickets would be available for the latecomers to the Dance. It was suggested that a glass of wine be included in the

christmas Bazaar. This would be held on November 30th. The chairman stated that every effort should be put in to make this a success. Any one who had any connections with companies or big stores should get in touch with them now. Other approaches would be made to Cork firms A.O.B. Mr J. O'Gorman asked what were the chances of forming a Dramatic Society in the Association. It was pointed out to him that the question had been dealt with before. An invitation to interested parties to attend a special meeting was not encouraging. It was agreed to raise the matter again at a later date.

The Secretary was given permission to arrange with Wexford, if it would be possible to hold their 'quiz' contest at the Centre prior to the July Social.

The meeting approved the Secretaries Postal Account from March 22nd. to June 14th.

March - April Newsletter	148 e 3 <sup>d</sup>	1. 17. 0
April - May	97 e 3 <sup>d</sup>	1. 4. 3
May - June	97 e 3 <sup>d</sup>	1. 4. 3
Committee Meetings 16 x 4.	64 e 2 <sup>1/2</sup>	13. 4
Outing Notifications & Queries	20 e 3 <sup>d</sup>	5. 0
2 Calls to Portsmouth		5. 0.
Hospital Comforts (P. Dunne)		10. 0
Deposit: L.T.E.		<u>3. 2. 6.</u>
		9. 1. 4

There being no further business, the meeting closed.  
Next meeting to be arranged.

Proposed M. J. O' Gorman Signed T. F. [unclear] Chairman  
Seconded Mrs N. o' Sullivan Date 22. 7. 63

The minutes of the meeting held at the Lord High Admiral on Monday July 22nd 1963  
Present: Mr T. Wyse-Chairman-presided; Mr P. Spillane and Miss E. M. O'Sullivan Vice-Chairmen

Messrs M. O'Brien; J. O'Gorman; Fr MacNamara  
Mrs P. Spillane. The Misses B. Kelly. Agnes Barry. Mrs M. Murphy. F. Lehane Sec.  
Apologies Mr Michael Cronin

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Correspondence: The Secretary read an acknowledgement from Seán MacCárthy the Lord Mayor, thanking the Association for their greetings and good wishes on his election.

The Sec., also read a letter from Mr J. Lynch thanking the Committee for their invitation to the Annual Dinner which he gladly accepts.

Reports. The Secretary reported that Friday last-July 19 was the closing date for the ballot papers on the American trip. The response was not encouraging.

A short discussion took place following the Sec., report. Should the venture be continued? The Chairman informed the meeting that he had received information from the World-Tour Consultants. 150 Southampton Row. W.C.1 They specialised in arranging "all-in" trips to the U.S. The meeting decided that the S. Com. should meet and investigate the chances of re-organising the members in another effort.

Welfare; One of the 15.0.0 loans had now been repayed

Stratford Theatre; The Council of Counties Association were going to sponsor a gala performance "Whispering in the Willows" at the Stratford Theatre. It would be a special commence at 5 p.m and all proceeds would go to the Irish Centre Fund. The date for the show is August 24th.

Christmas Bazaar. Now was the time to get in touch with firms. Baking contests were suggested to interest outsiders.

Coach Trip. The meeting agreed that all future by coach that bookings would have to be accompanied by 50% of the whole ticket as a deposit.

Dinner & Dance; The Officers report to the Committee on the preparations for the Dinner was accepted. The price of the ticket will be 2.0.0.

Special Dance Tickets 7.6.

Pat MacNamee's band was engaged at a fee of 15.0.0. Dinner music would be provided, if requested.

#### Treasurers Report.

Bank Balance last meeting	167	12	6
Income since ..	143	18	8
	311	3	8
Expenditure - ..	89	3	1
Bank Balance .	222	-	7

A.O.B. A suggestion that a "treat" should be given to the Com. members for their efforts over the years. This was discussed and it was decided to leave the matter over until the New Year.

There being no further business the meeting closed. Next meeting to be arranged.

Proposed Mr. M. O'Brien  
Seconded Mrs. M. Murphy.

Signed T. J. [initials] Chairman  
5 Sept '63

The minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held at the Irish Centre, Camden Square, N.W.1 on Saturday June 8th 1961  
Twenty-two members were present.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming all those present

The minutes of the previous quarterly meeting were read and adopted.

### REPORTS

Sec: He informed the meeting that all arrangements were now complete for the trip to the Irish Dartford Society.

Treasurer's Report: The bank balance to date was £97.10.9  
There was £25.0.0 Premium Bonds which is not included

The paid up membership to date is 96.

Welfare Sub. Com. The Chairman reported that since the last quarterly meeting a number of deserving cases had been given assistance. A. Mr Jim Walsh was received from the fund: Two loans of £15 were granted to Mr M. Browne and Mr X. Two requests for loans of 15.0.0 were dealt with. One for Mr. M. Browne and the other Mr X.

There was NEW YORK TRIP also £5.0.0 for hospital comforts for a Mr P. Dunne who was at present in St. Charles Hospital, had broke Grove.

The Chairman added that a committee had been set up to organise a benefit dance. This dance was a great success and the meeting agreed that the Secretary should write and thank them for the excellent job they had done in the organising.

### New York Trip

This trip was discussed and as the expected support was not forthcoming, it was agreed that the sub-com. should meet as soon as possible

To make another effort to interest the members. They would be notified within a week or so as to what trip would cost by sea and by air. Ballot papers would be inclosed for preference.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Proposed Mrs. M. Murphy. Signed T. S. Chairman  
Seconded Mrs. Spokane. Date 28-9-63.

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre  
Camden Square on Thursday Sept 5th 1963  
Present. Mr T. Wyse Chairman presided. Rev T.  
MacNamara Treasurer.

Messrs M. Browne; M. O'Brien; M. Cronin;  
J. O'Sullivan; <sup>of</sup> Lehane H. Sec.

Miss A. Barry and Mrs Mary Murphy.

Apologies P. Spillane; D. MacDonald; J. O'Gorman;

Mrs P. Spillane and Miss E. M. O'Sullivan

The minutes of the previous were read and  
adopted

#### CORRESPONDENCE

The Sec., read a letter from Aer Lingus offering  
their services in assisting us in any way possible  
if we're planning a trip to the U.S. 1964.

A letter was also received from the Sec of the Phoenix  
Club Oxford regretting the postponement of the  
Social booked for Sept 21st.

Tickets for the Council Dinner-Dance were issued  
to the Sec and Chairman

The Chairman read a letter from the  
President of the Portsmouth Irish Society  
thank him & the Association for the wonder-  
ful evening they had at the Centre recently.

#### Reports

Secretary: He had the Dinner a Dance tickets now  
and were available for distribution

Treasurers: The income from the Aug Social 8.14.3

B.B. 222-0-4

Expenses 3. 13.6

4.10.9

5. 0.9

226.11.4

Cheques 10.0

4.10.9

The paid up membership to date was  
115.

## WELFARE

Mr John O'Sullivan informed the meeting of deserving case which he came across. He was a Maurice O'Sullivan and was a voluntary patient at Knapsbury Mental Home. The man in question was in very unfortunate circumstances. He was unable to change his clothing because his landlady refused him entry to this flat due to arrears with his rent. The meeting agreed to give £20.0.0 to help him. Mr O'Sullivan was to make further enquiries and was to return the key if he succeeded in getting it. To the Chairman

## Annual Dinner & Dance

The meeting decided that all guests and members on the "Top Table" should dress for dinner.

## Christmas Bazaar

The Chairman pointed that the 30th Nov wouldn't be long coming around and he asked those present to start work on it right away.

## New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance

The meeting again agreed to hold an New Year's Eve Dinner-Dance on Dec 31st '63

## A.G.M.

The date suggested for the A.G.M. was the 8.12.63 at 3.30 p.m.

Another suggestion was, that all nominations should be in by the 2nd Dec. This was left over until the next meeting

Tickets were distributed for the D. Dance and the special Benefit dance on Sept 14th.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next meeting to be arranged

Proposed Mr. H. Browne. Signed T. G. [initials] Chairman  
Seconded Mr. P. Spillane: 7-10-63

The minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held at the Irish Centre, Camden Square N.W.1 on Sat., September 28th  
The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming all those present.

The minutes of the previous quarterly meeting were read and adopted.

Twenty members were present when the meeting commenced at 8.30 p.m. This number was increased by three before the meeting closed.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

The Sec, read a letter from Mr M. Cronin regretting his inability to attend the meeting.

He also read a letter from the Slane Guild of Muinntir Na Tire. Navan Co. Meath. They were seeking funds for the erection of a statue to St. Patrick on the hill of Slane. A raffle card was enclosed.

The Chairman read a letter from Mr T. Feehan Organiser of the Irish Centre 100 gns dinner. If anyone was interested, tickets were now available.

#### REPORTS

Sub Com, Welfare: Mr J. O'Sullivan reported that his investigations into the case of Mr Maurice O'Sullivan were not yet complete. He was expecting to meet him the following day. He hoped to have a report for the next Committee Meeting.

The Chairman mentioned the work the Welfare Committee had been doing in the past months. Special cases were mentioned. The deserving case of Mr Jim Walsh which would be reviewed again at the next Committee.

The Chairman also mentioned the New York trip. They would now have to await the decision of the C.I.C.A. in interesting other Associations.

## ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

The Sec, informed the meeting that he had the tickets available for anyone interested. Up to the present 90 tickets had been distributed to the Committee members.

Mr Mac Donald suggested to the meeting that as this was the 10th, would it be in order for the meeting to agree to a special invitation to be extended to all past officers of the Association. The Chairman informed the meeting that the matter was under consideration and would be discussed at the next Committee Meeting.

## The Quiz Contest

The Sec, reported on the arrangements for the contest with Wexford. The venue would be the Red Lion Hotel, Kilburn Bridge. On being questioned who were the team members, the Sec could not say at the moment. He was awaiting the interest shown by members following his appeal for new faces in his recent 'Newsletter'. The Chairman thought in the interest of the Association that we should withdraw from the competition if we could not have at least ten members to select the team from. The Sec, thought there would be no need to withdraw when the time came.

The meeting agreed that the Secretary should inform the other team by the Wednesday previous to the Friday of the 'quiz' if he was unable to field a team.

## Christmas Bazaar

Speaking on behalf of the Sub Com, in organising this bazaar the Chairman reported that 87 firms spread over Cork County had been circularised in the hope of receiving financial assistance and worthwhile

goods for the success of the bazaar.  
There being no further business the meeting closed.

The next general meeting would be the Annual General Meeting which would be held at the Irish Centre on Sunday December 8th 1963

Proposed

Seconded

Signed

Chairman

Date

The minutes of the meeting held at the Lord High Admiral. 145 Vauxhall Bridge Road on Monday October 7th 1963.

Present Mr T. Wyse - Chairman presided. Mr P. Spillane and Miss E.M. O'Sullivan - Vice Chairmen; Rev T. MacNamara. Treas. Messrs M. Browne; D. MacDonald; J. O'Sullivan; J. O'Gorman; M. O'Brien Tadgh Feehan - president and F. Lehane - Hon. Sec., Mrs P. Spillane; Mrs M. Murphy and Miss A. Barry.

Apologies Miss M. Harrington - M. Cronin.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

### Matters Arising

On Fr Mac Namara's proposal, seconded by Mr P. Spillane the meeting moved that all nomination for the A.G.M would close on November the 16th 1963. The same date as for the closing of motions and resolutions

### CORRESPONDENCE

The Sec read acknowledgements of the invitations extended to the following - His Excellency, the Irish Ambassador. Mr & Mrs Dominick; Mr P. Fahy.

The Chairman of the L.C.C. regretted his inability to accept due to a previous engagement.

The President of the Portsmouth Irish Society regretted his wife would be unable to attend. But he accepts.

The Sec, read a letter from Mr Jack Lynch confirming on this occasion that his wife will regretfully, be unable to accompany him to London for the Dinner. He would also appreciate further details of the function. The starting time, what form of dress and if he is expected to speak.

A letter of apology was read from M. Cronin for non-attendance due to a slight illness.

literature from Aer Lingus was left to the discretion of the meeting.

### REPORTS

The Sec gave a progress report on the sale of Dinner Tickets. Up to the meeting he had received 5 applications.

The Chairman on the American Trip stated he had nothing to report other than, what he had already told the quarterly meeting on Saturday. That he was awaiting the reaction of the C.I.C.A. The next meeting would be on Oct 16th 1963.

Treasurer's: The membership to date was 119/120.

<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
Sept, Social. 11.3.6	Dinner Tickets 5.0.0
Membership. 2.10.0	Maurice O'Sullivan 2.10.0
Oct, Social . 10.4.0	7.10.0
23.17.6.	
<u>7.10.0 Ex</u>	
16.7.6 Profit	
<u>226.11.4 Bank Bal..</u>	
242.18.10 Cash Total.	

Welfare: Mr J. O'Sullivan reported his visit to Mr M. O'Sullivan. He informed the meeting that Maurice O'Sullivan was on the look out for work. He had applied to a firm but was unsuccessful. The position had been filled. He mentioned Murphys of Highbury who would help him. The matter, it was decided should be left to Fr. Mac Namara and the Sub-Com to investigate the possibility of rehabilitating him.

It was the unanimous decision of the Committee to make another donation to Jim Walsh of Willesden. The sum on this occasion would be fifteen pounds. £15.0.0.

Mr Pat Dunne's case was again and discussed. It was agreed by the meeting that the Chairman should visit him and report the findings at the next meeting before further assistance would be granted.

The Chairman at this stage welcomed Mr Tadgh Feehan President of the Association to the meeting.

#### ANNUAL DINNER AND DANCE

The ticket position was discussed and it was the decision of the meeting that the names of the Committee members who were on the phone, that their names and numbers should be given to the press in the hope that it may facilitate those who would prefer to make inquiries in that manner. Tickets for the Dance were distributed to some of the members.

The meeting decided that the Committee engage Mr Sean Murphy to assist Mr Michael O'Brien on the door.

#### GUINNESS TROPHY

After a lengthy discussion it was reluctantly agreed to go ahead with the arrangements for the re-arranged date of the "quiz". The new date was Friday Oct, 18th and not the 11th as previously arranged.

#### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The Chairman on behalf of the Welfare Committee informed the meeting that 127 circulars had been distributed to business houses and well known people in Cork City and County. The proceeds would be in aid of The Irish Centre Building Fund.

Cash donations were received from the following:-

5.0.0. Owen Benchy

2.2.0. Cork Examiner

3.3.0. Munster Arcade. Cork.

The matter of the Oxford Famine Relief Fund was raised. The meeting agreed to give the sum of £.2.0 on Fr Mac Namara's proposal. Mr D. Mac Donald seconded.

A. O. B.

Mr Mac Donald again raised his suggestion that all the past officers should be guests on this occasion. The matter was discussed and it was decided that as the funds could not provide for such a gesture for all the past officers to be invited on this occasion. The meeting thought it more fitting to the occasion that the founder officers be invited. The founder officers are the following. Dr Tom Tanney - Chairman; Dr Dick Farrell - Hon Treasurer; Mr Tony Murphy - Mr Frank O'Connell - Joint Secretaries

Mr James O'Gorman asked the Sec to a letter which he (Mr O'Gorman) had received from the Sec - Sean Fitzpatrick of the National Graves Association. As time was getting on the meeting referred to the next meeting.

No further business was discussed and the meeting closed.

Next meeting at the Irish Centre on Monday 21st October 1963 at 8.30 p.m.

Proposed Mrs N. o' Leirin Signed T. T. J. P. C. Chairman  
Seconded Mrs Murphy Date ,

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre. N.W.1  
on Monday October 21st 1963.

Present: Mr T. Wyse Chairman, presided. Miss E.M. O'Sullivan V. Chair.  
Rev T. McNamara Hon Treasurer.

Messrs M. Browne; J. O'Gorman; J. O'Sullivan; M. O'Brien;  
Mrs P. Spillane; Mrs M. Murphy; Miss B. Kelly; Miss A. Barry.  
F. Lehane. Hon Sec.

Apologies: M. Cronin; D. Mac Donald.

The minutes of the previous meeting and adopted.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

The Sec read a letter from Michael Cronin regretting his non attendance at the meeting due to illness.  
Mr & Mrs M. Quinns acceptance of the invitation to the Annual Dinner was read.

#### Reports

Treasurer's: The paid-up membership to date is 128.

Cash in hands £231.12.10.

#### Annual Dinner

This was the main business of the meeting. There was progress report on the sale of tickets which was encouraging at this stage.

The Menu was discussed as to whether it should be printed in French or English. It was agreed to have it done in French after a slight discussion.

The three committee members appointed to present the bouquets were Mrs Spillane; Mrs Murphy; Miss A. Barry.

The Ambassador would be met on arrival by J. O'Sullivan. Michael Brown would confirm whether he would be in a position to meet J. Kirby.

Michael O'Brien and P. Gillespie were detailed to be on duty during the Dance for the collection of admission tickets.

It was agreed that a table should be made available at the top of the ballroom for the guests while the floor was being cleared.

There being no further business, the meeting closed.  
Next meeting at the Lord High Admiral on Monday Nov. 4th. at 8.15 p.m.

Proposed

Mrs. Murphy.

Signed

T. G. S. Chairman

Seconded

Mr. P. Spear.

16.11.67

The minutes of the meeting, from the Secretary's arrival which was held at the Lord High Admiral on Monday Nov 4th 1963.

The Secretary apologised for his late attendance. The minutes of the previous were not read as he was not in a position to do so.

Present: Mr T. Wyse Chairman presided; Miss E.M.O'Sullivan P. Spillane Vice Chairman; Rev. T. McNamara; Messrs M. Browne; D. MacDonald; M. Cronin; J. O'Gorman; J.O'Sullivan; M.O'Brien; Mrs Spillane; Mrs Murphy; Miss Agnes Barry.

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

This function was under discussion and several suggestions were put forward. Such as hoopla, highest score in darts and a wheel of fortune.

The meeting agreed that there should be a 6<sup>a</sup> admission charge for adults. Children would be free, if accompanied by an adult. It was hoped, that a special prize may be arranged for a raffle from the admission tickets.

Handbills would be printed for distribution in the area. It was also decided to advertise in the St. Pancras Chronicle on the week previous to the bazaar (Nov 23rd.) and the Cork Examiner on the 16th & 23rd Nov.,

### Guinness Trophy

The Contest against Wexford was discussed. The Sec named his panel for Friday 8th Nov, at the Irish Centre at 9.30 p.m. He was to suggest to the Wexford Sec, if it was possible to another pug master for the pug.

### Annual Dinner

The Dinner, it was agreed by all present, that it was up to the standard of previous years. The Treasurer asked the members to fix up their ticket accounts as soon as possible. Some of them had already done so.

## ANNUAL MEETING

The meeting agreed that due to Mr J. Kirby circumstances that all of his expenses would be taken care of by the Association.

The Treasurer asked if it was possible to have all the monies in by Nov 8th.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Sec informed the meeting that all members would have their nomination papers by the weekend.

The closing date for membership for the current year would be Monday Nov 11th.

Nominations, resolutions etc. to be in the Sec's hands not later than Nov 16th.

There being no further business, the meeting closed.

Next meeting would be on Saturday Nov 16th (closing date) at the Centre at 4 p.m. sharp.

Proposed Mr. H. Brown. Signed T. F. S. Chairman  
Seconded Mrs. Spears. 16. 11. 63

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre  
N.W. 1 on Saturday Nov. 16th 1963

Present: Mr T Wyse Chairman presided; Miss E. M. O'Sullivan and  
P. Spillane V. Chairman; Rev. T McNamara Hon Treasurer.  
Messrs M. Browne; J. O'Sullivan; M. Cronin; J. O'Gorman;  
T. Lehane Hon Sec.  
Mrs P. Spillane; Mrs M. Murphy

Apologies: D. MacDonald; M. O'Brien; Miss A. Berry.

The minutes of the previous were read and adopted.

The minutes of the meeting held on October 21st were also read and adopted.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Letters were read from the following:

Con Daly and his band offering his services for future Association functions

The Civil Service Commission in Dublin giving details of vacancies in various Government Depts,

Tony Murphy thanking the Association for the pleasant evening both he and his wife enjoyed at the dinner.

Two appeals were read also at the meeting.

One for the second time on behalf of the National Groceries Association and the second appeal for funds to support Na Franna Trí-Pireann in Ireland.

The meeting agreed there and then that a cheque for two guineas (£2.0) be sent to each fund.

The Chairman also read a letter from the Editor of The Cork Examiner

#### REPORTS

The Secretary reported on the success of the quiz team in the recent contest with Wexford. They would be meeting Clare in the next round.

He also reported on the trip to the Daily Express which would take place on Friday 22nd November. The party was limited to 12. Some

member had to be disappointed. They would receive priority on the next occasion.

Treasurers Report. The Bank Balance at the last meeting was 244. 9. 10

Since then there was an income of 21.0.0. for subs expenses came to 15.6.9: This was made up by 13.10.0 for the D/D, band and 1.6.9 for printing. The B/B. was £250.13.1.

The meeting at this stage agreed to give a sum of £100 to the Building Fund.

This sum would be presented with the proceeds of the forthcoming bazaar.

The Treasurer was to write again to a member of the Association as to why he had not honoured his agreement by Oct 31 following a loan he had been granted.

Sub. Com: Tom Dunne's case was discussed again. He would shortly be returning to hospital and the Committee agreed to an allowance of £5 for hospital comforts  
Nomination: Motions: Etc.

The nomination forms were opened in the presence of the Comm.

For the Office of Chairman;

3 Candidates; T. Wyse; P. Lynch; F. Lehane

For the Office of Vice Chairman

5 Candidates; P. Spillane; D. Mac Donald; K. Smith; A. Barry & H.O'Sullivan

Secretary;

2 Candidates; T. Murphy & F. Lehane

Treasurer;

2 Candidates; Rev T. Mac Namara, K. Smith

The candidates for the Com., were in the

region of 30.

The Committee agreed that it would not be necessary to publish the names of the proposer and seconder "But they could be had on request."

A motion from the Com. to the A.G.M. would be

### A.O.B.

Mr O' Sullivan raised asked the Treasurer if the Assoc. did owe money to the former Chairman. The sum of £80 was involved. It was proved that it ~~did~~ not. It was agreed to raise it under A.O.B. at the A.G.M. Mr O'Sullivan was informed he could pursue the matter from a personal point.

As the Treasurer had not informed the meeting in his report of the total membership, he was asked for the figure by the Sec. 195 was the reply.

Tickets were then distributed for the Cork Opera House raffle.

No further business was discussed.

Next meeting - Monday Nov 25th. 1.H.M. at 8-15pm

Proposed Mr. C. Sullian.      T.S.C.P. 2.12.63.  
Seconded Mr. H. Brown.      Date 25.11.63.

The following is the Treasurer's and Sub. Com. reports to the meeting held on Nov 4th 1967

Balance	231.12.10	Postage
in	4.0.0	Subs
	9.9.0	Nov. SociaL
	<del>43.50</del>	Total
	£ 244 19 10	

£ 244.19.10.

Amount outstanding payable 31-10-63.

~~Still outstanding~~  
of remainder proposed by  
a letter to the party M. Brown £15

Sub. Committee Welfare.  
not to report on trip to U.S.A.  
Fr Mr Keogh F.C. fare £60 to £65  
organising a trip to America.  
aircon- seats.

Chairman. Tom Dunn. would not need  
~~any~~ assistance before Christmas.

M. Brown. Would like to get advice from  
Mr Keogh for Tom Dunn.

Shows money Baynes.

To date cash:- £ 10.5.0. from 135 letters sent out.  
3 Books for B & H: £ 2.2.0  
Min. Shutter: £ 10.0.0.

Brent.

~~Exchequer~~ might £ 22.0.0 in cash & goods.

The meeting which was scheduled for the 25th Nov. 1963 at the Lord High Admiral was not held as a mark of respect to President Kennedy. It was agreed to discuss the forthcoming Bazaar. The Sec. arrived late at the within minutes of the meeting commencing and the postponement of the Bazaar was being discussed. He was asked by the Chairman what he had to say about the advertising of the bazaar. He informed the meeting ~~and~~ that he had nothing to say on the matter. He thought that the advertising was being taken care by the Welfare Sub. Com. As no advertising had been done - the meeting was left with no alternative but to postpone the bazaar.

The Chairman stated that he had definite instructions to advertise and it was to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting that the action of the Secretary in this matter was most unsatisfactory. He was ably supported by Messrs J.O'Sullivan; P. Spillane; M. Browne and Mrs P. Spillane.

The Sec. was asked when the members of the Association could be notified of the postponement of the Bazaar and the list of candidates for the A.G.M. He informed the meeting by the weekend. The Chairman insisted that they should be notified by Wednesday. If that was the case, the earliest he could say would be Thursday morning.

Mrs P. Spillane thought the Chairman should do it. No decision was taken on that.

The Sec. gave the Association delegate

To the St. Patricks Day Parade Committee  
a notification of the meeting to be held  
Tuesday Dec 3rd.

The meeting agreed to give Mr P. Noonan  
a grant of £5. and £1 to gift to Mr P.  
Gillespie.

Vote of thanks to the Mr & Mrs P. Whithy  
for the facilities made available to the  
Committee during the past year.

A Mass would be arranged for the repose  
of the soul of Dr. Mannix.

The meeting closed.

The following members were present.

Messrs T. Wyse; P. Spillane; M. Browne;  
J. O'Gorman; J. O'Sullivan; M. O'Brien;  
Misses A. Barry; E. M. O'Sullivan; Mrs Spillane & Mrs Murphy

Amendment to the minutes -

The Committee agreed that the Secretary  
could not be depended to send out the  
Newsletter a ~~memorandum~~ and therefore it should  
be left in the hands of the Chairman.

Proposed. Mr. T. O'Sullivan

Seconded. Mr. P. Spillane.

T. O'Sullivan

2/12/63

The minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre,  
on Monday 2nd Dec., 1963

Present: Mr T. Wyse - Chairman presided. Mr P. Spillane and  
Miss E. M. O'Sullivan - Vice Chairman; Rev. T. McNamara  
Hon. Treasurer. and F. Lehane Hon. Sec.,  
Messrs M. Browne; J. O'Gorman; J. O'Sullivan  
Mrs M. Murphy.

Apologies: Mrs P. Spillane; Miss A. Barry; Messrs Dan  
MacDonald and Michael O'Brien

The minutes of the previous meeting were read,  
amended and adopted.

The minutes of the meeting held on Nov. 16th were  
also read and adopted.

#### REPORTS

*Irishmen's Association Annual Dinner and Dance 1963*

#### CORKMENS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER AND DANCE 1963.

#### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT.

##### INCOME

Received to date Dinner Tickets £406. 0. 0.

Outstanding ..... 18. 0. 0.

Dance- recorded to date ..... 9 7. 6.

Outstanding ..... 1. 2. 6.

##### EXPENDITURE

Criterion Restaurant £390. 1. 0.

Printing ..... 13. 4. 6.

J. Kirby ..... 4. 0. 6.

Band ..... 13. 10. 0.

Bouquets ..... 2. 10. 0.

Doormen ..... 2. 0. 0.

£425. 6. 0.

Excess Income over  
Expenditure ..... 9. 4. 0.

£434. 10. 0.

£434. 10. 0.

*is all no longer charged sat*  
The Treasurer was complimented on his presentation  
of the Dinner / Dance account.

Sub Com. There was nothing to report on the  
American <sup>trip</sup> at the moment.

There was little to report on the  
Welfare Sub. Committee's activities.

The Chairman did state that Mr Walsh and his wife who had already received grants from the fund were now being re-housed by the Willesden Borough Council.

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY.

This was discussed by the Committee and Sunday Dec 15th was suggested. As the date suggested did not allow sufficient time for preparations it was decided to make enquiries for a Sunday in January. All members would be circularised with the details. It would also be discussed at the A.G.M.

### AGENDA FOR A.G.M.

The Sec., at this stage had to leave the meeting. Before he left, he informed those present that he had not received any minutes for last year's A.G.M. He also notified the Chairman following the meeting last year. He ~~did not~~ (the Secretary) did not make any attempt to get in touch with the acting Sec' at that meeting to find out whether the minutes were available or not. The only information he had received was (1) the result of the election and (2) The motions and resolutions. The agreed to compile the minutes from the information available under (1) and (2). The Treasurer undertook to give (2) to the Secretary a copy of the Budget ~~plus~~ as presented to the A.G.M. and the Secretary agreed to compile the minutes of the remainder of the business from memory.

Mr J. O Sullivan acted as Secretary for the remainder of the meeting.

The agenda agreed on is as follows

1. Opening
2. Minutes of the past A.G.M.
3. Chairman of Irish County Associations.
4. Chairman's address
5. Secretary's Report.
6. Treasurer's Report.

7. President address
8. Election of scrutineers
9. Election of Officers and Committee
10. Motion (Full membership clarification)
11. Any other business
12. Closure.

The scrutineers suggested: Messrs: M. Quinn; M. Casey; and M. Browne. T. Conway

It was agreed that the meeting should be held in the top room.

Checkers: P. Spillane, M. Browne, and Rev T. MacNamara.

The meeting decided to give a card to every member and only such members holding cards to receive a voting paper.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman, V. Chairman and Fr Macnamara for their good work during the year.

It was decided by the meeting to have Masses offered for the repose of the souls of President John Kennedy and Arch-Bishop Mannix. Mass for the Pres., would take place on Sat, Dec 14th at 7 p.m. at the Centre. Sat, Jan 4th 1964 at 7 p.m. for Dr Mannix. It was agreed to give an offering of £10.10 to Fr MacNamara for the Masses.

The Chairman expressed his thanks to his fellow officers and Committee and said it was a great pleasure to have worked with them.

The meeting closed at 10.40 p.m.

Proposed M. H. Browne Signed T. V. A. Chairman  
Seconded H. Murphy Date.

Minutes of Committee Meeting held at Irish Centre  
on Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Dec at 8-15PM.

Present:- Mr J. Wyse Chairman; Miss E. O'Sullivan &  
Mr P. Spillane Vice-Chairman; Fr. T. McNamara Hon Secs.  
Antricity Hon Sec.

### Committee

Mrs Murphy, Mrs Smyth, Mrs Spillane  
Messrs M. Broome, D. Madalone, J. Harrington, J. Lehane  
J. Healy & O'Sullivan.

Mrs Spillane placed the Hon Sec at the commencement  
of the meeting with an apology for absence, but later joined  
the meeting. No other apology was received.

The Chairman in opening the meeting welcomed all  
present, and hoped all would work together for the  
good of the Association.

The minutes of the last Committee meeting held  
on Mon Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1963, were read, amended & adopted.

The Chairman announced that a mass would be  
celebrated for the well-being of Mrs Lehane's niece.

A blistness stand was received from Mr. Franken I.D.,  
Minister for External Affairs

A letter was read from the Embassy of Turkey  
in Turkey, and enclosing list of wholesalers in our area.  
A leaflet was read from the Sean Hayes Memorial  
Committee, stating that a scholarship fund was to  
be set up with a target of ten thousand pounds. It was  
decided to invite members of the association to contribute  
to this fund, and the contribution from the Ass. would  
be added. As there are two sections to this appeal  
it was directed that our contribution would go to the  
Youth Work Committee.

A letter handed over by the late Hon Sec was  
read confirming two further visits to the Daily Express.  
The Hon Sec was instructed to seek further dates.

The Hon Treas reported a profit on the recent social.  
Sub-committees were set up as follows

### Welfare

Mrs. H. Murphy, Messrs H. Browne, P. Spillane, J. Wyse

Social Mrs. H. Murphy Mr. P. Smythe Messrs P. Spillane

J. McGrath, H. Browne, Miss E. H. O'Sullivan

Draw Team Mr. J. Harrington

Registers H. Browne

Delegates to Council of Ass. Ciss. J. Wyse & Murphy

Delegates to Council of Counties A.C.M. - J. Wyse

F. McNamee P. Spillane + Murphy.

Delegate to St Patrick's Day Parade Committee - H. Browne

Re Tom Dunn, H. Browne said he had sent his wife to deputise for him at the A.C.M. He was very grateful for £5 donated. It was not certain if he would be at home for Christmas. It was agreed a visit would be paid to him over Christmas.

### New Years Eve Dance.

It was decided to allocate the maximum no of places 115 to 120. Dinner 7-30p.m. Tickets 1/- each 5/- for Social day.

Mr. J. McGrath was given permission to buy hats, streamers etc. Mrs Spillane to procure spot lights.

It was decided to hold the Childrens Party on Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Jan at 3.30pm for children of members, up to the age of 12 yrs.

The Hon Sec was informed to confirm date of Aug recess L.T.C.

The Chairman explained the mechanics of the Hostel Draw, and it was agreed that the Association would participate.

Mr. Spillane brought up the question of the Ass. Banner, which is now in the possession of Mr O'Brien, Mr. McGrath was delegated to collect same. It was decided to contact the Book Weekly to ascertain if they are willing to contribute a flag to the association similar to that presented the Birmingham ass.

arising out of general discussion at the recent A.G.M.  
It was decided that in future the outgoing Hon. Secretary  
would be required to sign to the effect, that he would  
write the report of the A.G.M. in the minute book, and  
then hand over all Association property to the incoming  
Hon. Secretary.

Several members spoke on the objectionable behavior of  
Kevin Smith at the A.G.M. especially as regards his  
personal remarks to the Chairman, and it was agreed  
unanimously that Clause 8 of the Constitution be invoked,  
and consequently it was ordered that the Hon. Treasurer  
should refuse to renew the membership of Kevin Smith.

The Sec. was instructed to contact the late Hon. Sec.  
in order that the minutes of the A.G.M. be obtained.

Next meeting Sunday Jan 5<sup>th</sup> 7PM Lisburne.

The meeting closed at 11-5PM.

Proposed Mr. F. O'Callan signed F. O. O'Callan Chairman  
Seconded Mrs E. M. O'Callan Date

Minutes of meeting held at Irish Centre on  
Sunday Jan 5<sup>th</sup> 1964.

Present : Mr J. Wyse Giovanni Rev. J. MacCormac  
Hon Treas. Miss E. O'Sullivan & Mr P. Gillane Vice Chairman  
& Hon Sec. The Hon P. Gillane, P. Doyle,  
H. Murphy. Messrs. J. Harrington, J. O'Sullivan,  
D. McAlone, J. Delaney, H. Browne. The Hon M. O'Leary.  
The minutes of the last meeting were read & adopted.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Manager of the Cinema  
confirming the booking of the Grand Hall Suite for  
Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Oct.

A letter was read from J. Island Lee. of Cork Exam  
asking for design & details of banner required, when  
the matter would receive further consideration.

The Hon Sec. was instructed to design a banner  
approximately 4' x 3' to be carried by single pole with  
cross arm, the wording Corkmen's Association &  
Cork Boat of Arms to be in Red on a white background.

A letter was read from the Daily Express giving  
three further dates for visits Wed 15<sup>th</sup> July, Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept  
& Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Nov.

A letter was read from John Purcell Manager  
Bord Fáilte Éireann, offering some film shows.  
It was decided to apply for Honeymoon Island  
and Ireland, Isle of Hat at a date to be agreed  
after Feb 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Hon Sec. reported issuing a newsletter in Dec.  
so far no replies had been received re the Drama Group  
nor the Sean Hayes Fund.

The Hon Treas. reported a balance in hand of  
£169-2-10, 144 had renewed subscriptions for the  
current year.

Welfare.

The Chairman reported a meeting with Tom Dunn

who was out of hospital for Christmas. He expressed thanks for all the help he had received.

The case of Jim Hogan was brought up & the Hon Sec. was instructed to contact him through H. Sheehy.

The Chairman further announced that we are waiting to hear from the Council of B.C.S.S. re the America trip, but it looked as if the Association could go it alone. It was believed the lame sick less were still going ahead with a proposed flight.

It was decided to hold a carnival Dance at the Centre on Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb, St Valentines Day. Tickets would be printed.

It was agreed to donate some vases to the altar at the Irish Centre. It was left to Fr. MacNamee to make enquiries & make recommendations.

Final details were worked out for the Childrens Party. The Centre would cater for up to 5/- per head. Mrs Smythe & Mrs Spillane would buy presents up to 5/- each to be given to each child, by Santa Claus our Chairman, who eagerly volunteered for this role. In addition to those entitled to attend, it was decided to invite the children of P. Fahy.

A team were selected as follows to me I.T.C. on Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Jan:- Mrs Feeney, Mrs O'Sullivan Messrs P. Spillane of Harrington, T. Gleeson, Desmond O'Sullivan & H. Grath.

It was agreed to take the Guinness competition a little more seriously in future, and it was agreed to meet privately on Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Feb at 7PM to try out some teams. Mr Harrington reported having a play in mind that he felt could be used as a stepping stone, it was hoped to produce a cast soon.

H. Grath suggested the Association should hold socials in the suburbs. This was agreed.

Discussion on the Post and Bazaar was held over to the next meeting on Mar 20<sup>th</sup>. Jan 8-15PM.  
a party was completed for the Daily Express visit on Jan 30<sup>th</sup> with a leave-over of three for Mr O'Sullivan for the Feb 12<sup>th</sup> visit.

Proposed Mrs. M. Murphy. Seconded: T. S. Edge.

Decided M. D. Colclough. Date: Chairman

Minutes of meeting held at Irish Centre on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 1964

Present: Mr J. Wye Chairman Fr. J. MacNamara Hon Secs. Attr. by Hon Sec. Mrs Murphy Mrs Gillane J. Lehane O'Keohane & Mr Frank H. Brown P. Gillane Apologies received by Chairman from Miss O'Sullivan & O'Sullivan - b. Gallagher & J. Harrington

The minutes of the last meeting were read & adopted after the Hon Secs had pointed out the balance in hand had been £167-2-10 & not £169-2-10 as recorded.

A letter was read from the Tourist Board arranging a film show for Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> Feb.

The Hon Sec reported no reply had been received from Mr H Sheely to whom he had written in order to contact Jim Hogan.

The Hon Sec reported having asked Mr Lehane twice verbally for the minutes of the last A.G.M. but so far they had not come to hand, and asked the meeting for a ruling in the matter. It was decided to write to Mr Lehane and report the position to the next meeting of the committee.

Rev Fr MacNamara reported on the Dinner Dance & Jan Social and now had a balance of £182-19-7 The Chairman reported that Tom Dunn required accommodation. Mrs Murphy said she would make some enquiries

Mr He Grath asked that a Record Player be bought with some records for use during the interval at the socials to cater for younger members. It was agreed that J. Wyse of He Grath would <sup>meet</sup> on Sunday in order to buy the items required. The Record Player to be held by Mr H. Browne at his home.

J. Wyse P. Spillane D. Balaloe & H. Browne were appointed to attend council of I.C.A.S. meeting on Feb 11<sup>th</sup> as F. Mac & Hardee had other engagements.

The following nominations were made for the council of County associations at G.M.

Chairman : Mr. H. Quinn, Anough, Jerry O'Flynn (Galway) <sup>Vice Chair</sup>  
Treasurer John Brady, Mayo Secretary D. Balaloe, Cork  
Asst. Sec. Miss A. Kenny, Roscommon,

Committee : P. Byrne, Heath, J. Beckett, Sligo D. Butler, Tipp.  
H. Browne, Cork. J. Lodes, Longford. Miss Hegue ~~Heghe~~ Kavanagh,  
P. J. Coffey, Heath

The following motions were put forward

- 1) That the affiliation fee be raised to £5 5/- per annum
- 2) This council should agree that the chairman out of pocket expenses be paid by the council up to a max of £75 P/A.
- 3) That the new extension at Irish Centre be named the John F Kennedy Hall in memory of the late J. F. K.

The Chairman in the absence of W. J. Harrington stated that W. J. Harrington had a play "The Devil a Saint would be" by Tom Dalton which he hoped to produce, but needed just a few more to complete the cast, when rehearsals could begin.

The Hon Sec was requested to write to Miss B Kelly to enquire if she wished to continue on the committee, as she had not attended a meeting yet of this years committee.

Next meeting 18<sup>th</sup>. Feb., Irish Centre 8-15PM.

Proposed G. McGuckin Signed T. J. Kelly Chairman  
Seconded T. Hayes Date 18.2.64

Minutes of meeting held at Irish Centre Tues 18<sup>th</sup>. Feb 1964.

Present: J. Wyse Chairman, Rev Fr MacCarthaigh, Miss E O'Sullivan  
Mrs P. Doyle Mrs Murphy. Messrs: J. Delane & O'Sullivan  
of the Irish P. Hallane, a committee.

Apologies received from D. Leahane, J. Harrington.

H. Browne was representing the Association at a meeting of  
the St Patrick's Parade Committee.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Arising out of the minutes the Hon Sec. reported having  
written to Miss B Kelly & Mr F. Delane, no reply had been  
received from either of them.

In the absence of a reply from Mr Delane, after two verbal  
and one written request, the Hon Sec. was instructed to  
record in the minute book the record of the A.G.M. as  
recorded by him.

Mr Wyse reported having bought a Record Player and  
records as agreed at the last meeting.

A letter was read from the Cork Examiner, stating an  
order had been placed with Wm Tigar for the manufacture  
of a new banner.

A letter was read from the Tourist Board, confirming  
a projector would be loaned in addition to the films on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

A letter was read from St Patrick's Day Committee re date  
of next meeting and enclosed four tickets for a £1.00. Hard.

It was hoped to play the next round of the Quiz on 4<sup>th</sup>. Hard.

The Treasurer reported a balance of £136-17-4, and  
seventy-one members now fully paid up.

A General discussion took place on the holding of an  
outing, finally the Hon Sec. was instructed to apply to  
the G.A.A. in Dublin for 75 tickets for the Football Final  
with a view to spending a weekend in Dublin to attend.

It was hoped to have a social in the White Bear,  
Kennington, and Islington Club, Ilford in the near future.

The Association's contribution to the Sean Hoey  
fund was fixed at £1-7-0. Some members present stated

they wished to contribute, and it was finally decided to close the affair to members on Sat 7<sup>th</sup> May.

It was decided to hold a Jumble Sale on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2-30 P.M.  
in aid of the Irish Centre Extension Building Fund, and  
to incorporate the money already in hand for this purpose.

Next meeting Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> May.

Proposed John McGuire. Signed T. J. S. Chairman  
Seconded N. O'Sullivan. Date

## 14. Meetings.

Attendance Record.

Mr. T. Wyse.	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓A.	13.
Mr. P. Spillane.	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓A.	13.
Miss. O'Sullivan.	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓A.	9
J. O'Sullivan.	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓A.	13
Fr. McNamara.	A.✓AA✓A.✓✓✓✓A.A.A.A.V	7
Mrs. M. Murphy.	✓A✓V✓✓✓✓V✓✓✓A.✓✓✓✓✓	12
Mrs. E. O'Sullivan.	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓V✓A.✓✓✓✓✓✓	13
Mrs. K. Spillane.	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓A.A.V✓A✓✓✓✓	11
Mrs. P. Smyth.	VAAA✓✓A.✓✓V✓V✓V✓✓	10
Mr. D. Cahalane.	✓A✓V✓A.✓✓V✓A✓V✓✓R.	10.
Mr. M. Cronin.	✓✓✓A✓V✓A.A.A.V✓A✓✓	9
Mr. M. Browne.	✓✓✓✓✓V✓A.A.V✓A✓V✓A✓✓	10
Mr. C. Callaghan.	A.A.V✓✓✓✓A.A RESIGNED.	
Mr. J. Harrington.	A.A.A.A.A.A.A RESIGNED.	
Mr. J. McGrath.	✓✓✓✓A✓✓A✓V✓A✓A✓✓✓✓	10
Mr. T. McGrath.	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓V✓V✓V✓V✓A✓✓✓	13
Mrs. E. Wagstaff.	Co-opted on 12/7/65 - - ✓✓✓✓✓	4.
Mr. J. Hayes.	Co-opted 12/7/65. - - VVA A.	2.
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Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at the Lisburne  
Boulder by NWI on Sunday Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 1963 commencing at 4PM.

Present the President: Mr J. Feder, Chairman Mr J Wype  
Vice-Chairman Miss E. O'Sullivan Mr P. Spillane

Hon-Treasurer Fr. J. Heslin, Hon. J. Delane Hon. Dr. and  
the members of the outgoing Committee.

The meeting had a voting strength of 139 members of the  
Association

In opening the meeting the Chairman after thanking the  
members for turning out in such great numbers, proposed  
a minutes silence in memory of the late President J. Kennedy.

The next item on the Agenda was to have been the  
Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting, but the  
Hon Sec. Mr. Delane stated he had no minutes to read  
as the previous Hon Sec. Mr. J. Healy had not handed  
them over to him. This was strongly challenged by  
Mr Healy who stated he had handed the minutes over  
to Mr Delane. After some debate it was decided that  
some means be found to procure such minutes for  
presentation at an Extraordinary General Meeting.

The Chairman Mr Wype in his address reminded  
the meeting that this was the Tenth Annual General  
Meeting since the Association was formed in 1954.  
Socially it had been a very successful year, he said with  
visits to Portsmouth, Dartford, Guinness's Brewery, and  
the monthly socials held on the first Saturday of each month.  
Three dinners had been held during the year, one on  
New Years Eve, one in May and the Annual Dinner Dance  
on Oct 31<sup>st</sup>. which showed a profit for the first time.  
The Quiz Team had beaten Wexford and would meet Donegal  
in the next round.

It was hoped to form a Drama Group, and also hold  
some debates & lectures in the coming year.

Welfare: - The Chairman announced that £27 had been  
contributed to a member who is ill in hospital. Two benefit

Dances had been held for sick members, a loan of £15 each had been advanced to two members. £75 was contributed to the Irish Centre Welfare Fund as a result of a very successful bazaar. He announced it was proposed to hold a Childrens Party in the near future and a Dinner-Dance had been arranged for New Years Eve. The Chairman paid tribute to his fellow officers & committee & thanked them for their excellent year of work. Finally he said it gave him great pleasure to present to Rev. Fr. J. Mac Namara a cheque for £100 towards the Irish Centre Building Fund on behalf of the Corkmen's Association.

Fr. Mac Namara thanked the Chairman and members on behalf of the Irish Centre Committee.

As some delegates tried to speak on the Chairmans address they were ruled Out Of Order, no discussion is ever allowed on the Chairmans Address.

~~Secretary's Report~~. - Mr. Deane referred to the membership and noted the increase in membership over the last few weeks. He mentioned a visit to the Offices of the Daily Express, which was marred by the death of President Kennedy. He placed on record the lack of procedure, and suggested an allocation of duties in the future to avoid unpleasantries.

Arising out of the Hon. Secs report, it was queried why the A.G.M was being held in December and not in November as laid down in the Constitution. The Chairman explained that due to the recent change in the date of the financial year, Dec 8<sup>th</sup> was the nearest date to November it could be arranged this year.

Mr. B. Burke made a personal statement as he was one of the two members referred to, in obtaining a loan from the Association. He explained he applied for a loan which was duly received by him, by cheque on the Tuesday before Easter, together with a note from the Hon Treas asking him to sign an acknowledgement of receipt of same, which contained an undertaking to repay same within six months. This he did. At work he presented the cheque to his

AS THIS COUNTY WAS THE PROPOSER TO  
NAME THE NEW HALL AT THE IRISH CENTRE,  
THE JOHN F. KENNEDY HALL

THAT THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CORK  
ASSOCIATION BE CIRCULATED AND INFORMED  
OF THE J.F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL FUND  
WHICH WAS RECENTLY FORMED.

~~THAT~~ THE PROCEEDS OF THE JUBILEE SALE  
TO GO TO THE IRISH CENTRE DEVELOPMENT  
FUND AND NOT TO THE J.F. KENNEDY  
MEMORIAL FUND AS I BELIEVE IS ~~sold~~<sup>is</sup>  
~~IT~~ MORALLY WRONG TO USE MR KENNEDY'S  
NAME FOR OBTAINING ~~1000000~~  
MONEY FOR THE BUILDING OF THE EXTENSION  
AT THE IRISH CENTRE ON A DEAD MAN'S  
NAME.

Next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> June ~~the 18<sup>th</sup>~~  
~~Thurs.~~  
before 12<sup>th</sup>.

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Kanteen Manager to be cashed. Some days later he was summoned to his employer to explain why he had a "bad cheque". He contacted Mr. Deane for an explanation who told him he knew nothing about the stopping of the cheque. On referring to Fr. Mac Namara he was told that as the acknowledgement had not been received by him by Thursday he had reported to the Chairman who decided to stop payment of the cheque. In reply to a question Fr. Mac Namara said that up to the present time the acknowledgement had not been received. Subsequently the cheque was released and only today prior to the meeting was the amount repaid, as this was received after the balance sheet was printed it was shown as outstanding on same. Mr. P. Lynch complained that the action of the Chairman & Hon. Treasurer was high-handed and was unnecessary and humiliated this man in front of six hundred fellow employees who were bound to know about it. The Chairman merely stated that one of the points taken into consideration on behalf of the borrower was the fact that the borrower was un-employed. It was suggested that in future all applications for loans be thoroughly investigated.

Mr. H. Browne said he was the other member involved in a loan of £15. When he first was burgled, he readily signed a form agreeing to repay the amount, which he had done, and was grateful to the Association for the help & advice he had received at the time. One member finally reminded the meeting that if the cheque had gone astray, been paid, in the absence of the receipt of acknowledgement the Officers would have a different question to answer today.

#### Treasurer's Report

The Hon. Hon. Treasurer reported a good year financially, and after donations to benefits & charities we have a balance of £177-13/- to date, as per details on the published balance sheet which now included the £15 loan repaid before the meeting. 196 members had paid

up to the last day. Mr. Leake queried on item on the balance sheet regarding Hon. Sec's expenses which was explained to his satisfaction.

The President Mr. J. Fisher in his address complained that members spent too much time discussing domestic issues, and urged them to move forward to the greater tasks that lie ahead. He reminded the meeting that we were the first to propose the forming of the council of County Associations.

Three scrutineers were appointed and the <sup>President</sup> Chairman vacated the chair, and they took over to take charge of the voting for election of Officers & Committee.

For the office of Chairman Mr. Leake withdrew, leaving a contest between Mr. Wyse & Mr. P. Lynch. The voting strength was announced as 139. The result was for Mr. Wyse 90, for Mr. Lynch 51, 2 papers spoiled, as this was more than the voting strength of the meeting, but had no reflection on the result. Mr. Wyse was declared the winner, and duly elected Chairman for 1964.

There were five candidates for the two vacant positions of Vice-Chairmen. Miss A. Barry, Mr. D. Mc Donald & Mr. Smith withdrew, so leaving Miss E. O'Sullivan &

Mr. P. Spillane duly elected, without a vote being taken. For the position of Hon. Sec. there were two candidates, the outgoing Hon. Sec. Mr. Leake & Mr. A. Humbley, Mr. Leake withdrew and Mr. Humbley was declared elected without a vote being taken.

In Hoc Tameria outgoing Hon Treasurer and Mr. K. Smith were nominated for Hon Treasurer but as Mr. Smith withdrew Mr. Hoc Tameria was declared elected without a vote.

Thirty-one persons were put forward for committee, but some withdrew leaving seventeen to contest eleven vacant places. The result of the ballot found the following elected to the Committee: Mrs. P. Spillane,

Mrs. H. Murphy, Mrs P. Smythe, Miss B. Kelly, Messrs  
H. Browne, D. Leahane, G. O'Leary, J. Harrington,  
J. He. Grath, J. O'Sullivan & T. Delane.

The President gave thanks to Mr. Delane who was  
the only Officer not seeking re-election for his work in  
the past on behalf of the Association. His thanks also  
to Mr. Jim Tickets of the Irish Independent & the seventeen

The Chairman announced that Mass would be  
celebrated for the late President Kennedy on Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec  
at Westminster Cathedral by Fr. Mac Namara in the  
presence of Mr. b. Keenan the Irish Ambassador.

The Association were having a mass offered for the  
repose of his soul at the Irish Centre on Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7PM.  
A mass would also be offered on behalf of the Association  
for the repose of the soul of Most Rev. Dr. Hennessy on  
Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Jan at the Irish Centre.

Finally it was agreed that this was the feeling of the  
meeting that some fund be set up to honour the memory  
of President John F Kennedy at the instigation of the  
Corkmen's Association (London).

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.10PM

*Amphy*.

10<sup>th</sup> Dec 1963

Entered in minute book 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 1964

Proposed:-

Chairman:-

Seconded:-

Date:-

Minutes of meeting held at Irish Centre a Wed 1<sup>st</sup> April 1964.

Present : Chairman J. W. H. T. Lee Fr. MacCarthaigh Hon Sec Mr. P. Spillane Mrs. L. M. Miss O'Sullivan Messrs J. O'Sullivan of the Guard, H. Browne, S. Boland of Hampton, 60 Balloogan, T. Lehane

A apology received from Mr P. Spillane

The minutes of the last meeting were read & adopted.

A letter was read from Miss Bridie Kelly resigning from the Committee, and stating she had done so at the AGM.

A letter was read from Mr. Hennessy stating his membership would not be renewed.

A letter was read from Mr. P. O'Keeffe T. A.C. Dublin stating the allocation of tickets for this year's funds had already been made.

The Hon. Treasurer reported a balance of £ 226-18-4.

In view of the resignation of Miss Kelly it was decided to fill the vacancy by inviting Mr. H. G. Cronin to serve, an invitation to be sent to him by the Hon. Sec.

The Sean Hayes Fund amounted to £ 12-1-0, which consisted of £ 7-7-0, and the balance from members, it was decided to increase the Association subscription to bring the total to £ 12-12-0. The Association subscription now being £ 7-18-0.

Jack Hampton reported that plans for the play were going well, and on been told by Fr. MacCarthaigh that the new extension to the Irish Centre would be completed by Nov, expressed confidence that the play could be put on to coincide with the opening celebrations. The Sec was requested to obtain 12 copies of the script from P. J. Burke 64 Dame St. Dublin.

A letter was read from Fr. Browne a native of North Cork, now serving in Donegal. Fr. Browne requested help in obtaining a motorcycle to help him go about his very large parish. It was decided to write to Fr. Browne to ascertain if he had obtained a bike in the meantime and if not what

the cost of one would be out there. It was decided to donate to him £25 from the Association at once, and this was increased to £30 immediately by some of those present.

A letter was read from an Old age pensioner Mrs Pickering stating her radio had packed up, and asking for help in the matter. The Hon Sec undertook to make enquires for a new radio through an organisation he knew about. Mr Brown undertook to report on renewing his street door bell at any early date.

A case was mentioned by Mrs Smythe and it was decided to go along and see the lady mentioned and make an immediate grant of £10.

It was decided to have 1,000 handbills & 25 posters printed for the Jumble Sale, an advert to be placed also in the St Pancras Advertiser.

Several venues were mentioned for an outing and it was finally decided to go to Margate by river on Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup>. It was agreed to hold a social at the White Bear, 138 Kennington Park Rd on Sat 18<sup>th</sup> April.

The Hon Sec reported on the position of the Chairman regarding his attendance at Executive meetings of the County Associations and the meeting agreed to back him in the stand he was taking.

The next meeting was fixed for Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> April 8-15pm.

Proposed Mr. H. Brown. Chairman F. G. J. A.P.  
Seconded Mr. T. Hale. Date.

Minutes of meeting held at Lish Centre on 22<sup>nd</sup> April '66  
Present T. Wyse Chairman T. MacSweeney Hon Secs.  
and P. Spillane Hon Sec.

Miss E H O'Sullivan, the Mrs Murphy & Spillane  
Messrs H. Braine T. Delaney & O'Callaghan, D. Baldwin  
& Mr. Frith and P. Spillane.

Apology received from Mrs Smythe.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.  
Aising out of the minutes Mr. Spillane suggested that  
£50 be paid into the welfare fund plus 25% profit on all future  
socials.

A letter was read from Mr. H. B. Basin accepting the  
invitation to serve on the committee, but regretting his  
inability to attend this meeting as he is already booked  
up on Wed evenings.

A Mass card having been sent to Mrs O'Neill on the  
death of Mr Hugh O'Neill was acknowledged.

A letter was read from Mr John John on a housing  
matter but it was felt there was little the Association  
could do to help.

A letter was read from the Lish Centre re the A.G.M.  
to be held on Wed 6<sup>th</sup> May at 9PM. Miss E H O'Sullivan was  
e-appointed Association delegate.

A letter was read from Mrs Pickering thanking the  
Association for help in providing a new radio.

A letter from the Council of Irish County Associations  
asked for the associations contribution of £2 to the  
Presentation made to Mr & Mrs B. B. Basin, the advert in  
the Albert Hall programme, and the cup being presented to  
the London G.A.C. This amount was passed for payment.

A further letter from the Council invited nominations for  
the vacant posts of Chairman, and Vice Chairman to the  
council, due to the resignation of the Vice-Chairman as  
his work interfered with his attendance at council meetings.

For the office of Chairman T. MacCormac proposed  
Mr Wyse. This was seconded by Mr Browne.  
Mr Wyse declined with thanks.

Mr James Conway (Chairman) was then proposed by  
T. MacCormac and seconded by Mr Spillane.

No definite choice was agreed for Vice-Chairman, but  
three names were proposed for the guidance of delegates  
to the council meeting Messrs Keane, Heath,  
F. Blood, Dave & J O'Donnell Limerick.

The Hon Treasurer reported a balance of £236-6-5.

An invoice for £4-5-9 for copies of the Day was passed,  
also the expenses of Mr Heaton incurred in returning to  
London to take part in the recent quiz.

Mr Wyse reported the £10 voted at the last meeting would  
be paid into a welfare fund for the family concerned. Tickets  
were available for a benefit dance to be held at the Tresham.  
He further reported not having had a reply from Mr Bourne  
so far.

It was decided to close bookings for the Harrogate outing  
on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr Heaton suggested members be treated  
to a free lunch or the boat. The meeting could not agree to  
this and it was decided to consider the matter again before  
the Portsmouth visit.

Final arrangements were made for the jumble sale on  
Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Posters & handbills were available for  
distribution. An advert would appear in the St Pancras  
Chronicle on Fri 1<sup>st</sup> May.

\* Mr Lalor queried why the Association having sponsored  
the idea of the Kennedy Memorial Hall had not contributed  
towards it. It was pointed out that the jumble sale proceeds  
would be donated to this fund, although the handbills had  
been printed before this fund was launched. \*

He further asked why Mr Quinn has resigned from the  
council, and was informed by Mr Murphy that Mr Quinn  
felt that the council was been treated as a rubber-stamp.

In reply to a further question F. MacNamara informed him that the Kennedy Fund had taken over the handing of funds for the extension to the Irish Centre, and a sum of around £3,000 had already been collected. The meeting was informed that a special meeting of all County Chairmen and Hon Secs had agreed to accept Mr Quinn's resignation, and they wished to be disassociated from his remarks at the last council meeting. They further declared their support for the Kennedy Memorial Fund.

The next meeting was fixed for Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> May.  
Tickets were distributed for the Council draw at the Irish Derby.

Proposed:- F. MacNamara.

Decided:- Mr. Brown. Chairman T. F. D. H. S. P. C. A. F. F. D. H. S. P. C. A.

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at the meeting held on Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May, Mr. Balalane stated that the paragraph marked \* was not correct, and after some discussion he was invited to substitute his version of what was said \* and this the meeting agreed was a true version of what was said & took place, and he substituted for the version inserted by the Hon Sec taken from notes taken at the meeting, and written with a clear memory of what took place; - For the record I the Hon Sec of this Association feel that as recording Secretary I only record the business of the meeting, I don't <sup>plant</sup> date or alter any statements, and I definitely do not record outbursts, even when they take place at meetings. I further state that when the meeting closes I finish recording, and do not record wild accusations, especially when they are delivered in the heat. In Mr. Balalane's version I seem to have been given an order to circulate & inform the members, and until reading his account I can ~~not~~ truthfully say that this was news to me, and I say no such order or request was made to me, as I was not at this committee meeting I could not reply to Mr. Balalane, and I ask the meeting now to reverse their decision at the meeting. Tony Murphy Hon. Sec.

Minutes of meeting held at the Fish Centre on Friday  
22nd May 1964.

Present:- J. Wyse Chairman Fr. MacNamara Hon. Treas.

The Hons Murphy & Gillane, Messrs H. Browne, J. Sullivan,  
D. Cahalane, Fr. McGrath of Harrington, B. Gallagher, H. Keen.

An apology received from Hosburgh Miss J. Sullivan H. J. Boland.

The minutes were read and adopted. Proposed by  
Fr. MacNamara & seconded by Mr. Browne.

Carrying out of the minutes H. D. Cahalane questioned  
the matter in the minutes re the J. F. K. Hall, (see  
Hon. Sec's reply on opposite page)

A letter was read from Mr. Waters re the "Guinness Cup  
1964" competition.

A letter from Kevin O'Lea enclosed £2 for the welfare fund.  
A letter from Mr. Brookes expressed thanks for £10 received  
on behalf of Hosburgh.

A letter from the Fish IDW announced the setting up of a  
fund to aid the widow of an late member, Mr. Hugh O'Neill.  
The Association donated £10-10-0.

Two letters were read from Fr. Browne, in Donegal,  
thanking the Association for its donation of £35, and stating  
he would have a bung box for the members as a thank you.  
It was decided to incorporate both letters in a newsletter  
and open a fund to which all members would be invited  
to contribute, books etc as well as money.

The Hon. Treasurer reported that 99 members were  
fully paid up for this year & for the balance in hand  
was £133-7-11 of which £40-19-7 was credited to welfare.

Deane, Mr Harrington reported having received scripts  
and stated rehearsals would begin in 6/8 weeks time.  
Welfare - No problems at moment.

Trip to Margate:- It was stated that 84 tickets were sold.  
It was agreed to take Mr P. Fahy & family as guests  
Delegates to E.G.H. were appointed as follows:-

Hessos J. Wyse, P. Spillane, H. Browne, T. Murphy.  
The fumble sale resulted as follows In Hand £26-11-6  
Taken £26-10-0 total £53-1-6, less expenses around £3.  
Final rough figure £50.

It was proposed by Mr. D. McAlone and seconded  
by Mr. J. Harrington, and carried by a show of hands, that  
"the above money goes to the Irish Centre Building Fund".

It was decided to leave the question of Dinner Guests  
to the next meeting.

H. Collins Memorial Fund, no communication had  
so far been received on behalf of this fund.

Next meeting Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June Irish Centre 8-15PM

Proposed: H. Browne. Chairman: T. F. Murphy.  
Seconded: Mrs. Murphy. Date: 1-

Minutes of meeting held at Irish Centre  
on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 1964.

Present Mr. J. Wyse Rev Fr MacNamara, Mrs. Spillane  
Mrs Murphy Miss E. O'Sullivan Hessos, Mr. Grath,  
H. Browne, T. Malone, D. McAlone & C. Murphy  
A letter from the Irish Centre Welfare Committee  
was read asking the Association to place future  
book signings with book families already here  
a letter was read from the Irish Dist. thanking the  
association for its donation to the Hugh O'Neill fund  
a letter from Mrs. Pickering stated she is in hospital  
Mr. Browne & Miss O'Sullivan offered to try & visit her.  
a letter from the Kennedy Memorial Fund brought  
about a lengthy discussion but the meeting decided  
to support this fund, two members Hessos  
McAlone & Mr. Grath voted against.  
Mr. Waters wrote at length re the Quiz for next year,  
and it was agreed book would enter a team as usual.

The Hon Treasurer reported a balance of £209-3-5. which figure includes £43-8-8 in the welfare fund, and the proceeds of the jumble sale.

The Chairman mentioned a case of a member in need, and it was decided to pay a rate demand of £13-13-0.

The Chairman announced a reception to be held at the Irish Hotel in honour of the Irish Ambassador Mr. Holley. The associations allocation were given to Mr & Mrs Wype, & Mr & Mrs Sullivan. Should any further tickets become available they would be allocated to Mr & Mrs O'Sullivan, Miss O'Sullivan & Gurnphy. The Association would pay for up to eight tickets.

It was announced that the Portsmouth Irish Hotel would be at the centre on Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Sec was requested to enquire from Portsmouth if we could visit them on Sept 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mr O'Sullivan stated he was concerned that the Extraordinary General Meeting had not yet been held. Mr Heaton agreed to let the Sec have the minutes of this meeting to be held on 13<sup>th</sup> July to be followed by a meeting of the Committee.

Prof:- M. Brown.  
Sec:- T. Keane.

Chairman F. S. Dyer  
Date 13.7.64.

Minutes of meeting held at Irish Centre  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 1964.

Present Mr J. Wye, Rev. Fr. Mac Namara.  
Mrs Spillane, Mrs Murphy Miss E. O'Sullivan  
Messrs P. Spillane, H. Browne, H. Kenny, D. Baldees  
J. Delaney, B. O'Leary & all my. & J. Sullivan.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & adopted  
a letter was read from Mrs Pickering stating she  
was now home & thanked the members & Mr Wye  
who visited her in hospital.

A letter was read from a travel agency re group  
travel to America. It was suggested that one day  
we would consider a group flight to back on some  
special occasion.

A letter was read from the Michael Collins West  
Book Fund, the Hon Sec being J. P. O'Bryan of  
Donabate, it was agreed to donate £10 and members  
be asked in a newsletter to add to this.

The Hon Treasurer reported 100 members now fully  
paid up and a balance of £2208-2 in hand.

The Fr. Browne Fund had reached £19-18-0.

A case on welfare was brought up by Miss O'Sullivan  
it was agreed that Miss O'Sullivan, P. Spillane & H. Browne  
would visit the chap the following evening.

A meeting of all interested in the play whether  
actors or helpers would be called for 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 7pm, 8pm  
all interested & busy club members welcomed.

It was decided to hold a Bazaar & cabbage or sat  
12<sup>th</sup> Sept 7-15 for 7-45, and visit Portsmouth Irish  
Society on Sept 19<sup>th</sup> or at a date convenient to them.

A Bazaar would be held on Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. and  
the New Years Dinner & Social would be held of  
the John F Kennedy Fund.

P. Spillane expressed thanks to H. Browne for  
his efforts to make the Hargate outing a success.

Mr. Spillane further stated that ~~of~~ members of the Quiz Team be given tickets for the first Extra Ordinary General Meeting was again fixed for Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Aug, notices to be given to members by 10<sup>th</sup> Aug. Mr Wyse said he hoped to get together with John Heenan and produce some minutes for this meeting.

Text Committee Meeting Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1964..

Moved M. Browne.

Seconded C. Lehane.

T.T. sign:

See  
Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Corkmen's  
Association for 1967 at Lush Centre.

In the course of his, the Chairman Mr P Lynch referred to the 1967 Annual Dinner-Dance and expressed dissatisfaction at the attendance, which showed a drop of 60 or 70 on the figures for previous functions. This, he added, could have been caused by the change of venue to the Fairstock Rooms in addition to the change of night from Thursday to Saturday.

He thanked the Officers and committee for their work during the year and wished the Association every success in the future.

The Hon. Sec Mr John McGeath explained that having taken office only on Sept <sup>18<sup>th</sup></sup> on the resignation of Mr Lehane he had little to report.

The Hon Treasurer Rev Fr. MacNamara presented his balance sheet for the year ending on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 1967, which showing a balance of £25-15-7 of income over expenditure of £26-7-7, thus added to the balance at the end of the year 1960-1961 plus £25 investment in Lush Bonds showed a nett balance of £161-1-1. The Hon Treasurer's report was adopted.

#### Election of Officers

The President, Mr J. Feeney took the chair for the purpose of conducting the election of officers and committee for the coming year and before he called for nominations, he said that he wished to take the opportunity of thanking the officers and committee the their hard work. He welcomed the large attendance at the Annual Meeting and urged all present to take part in any discussion arising from the agenda.

### Election of Chairman

Mr. Lynch Mr. Howard & Mr. Wyse were nominated having been duly proposed and seconded.

A secret ballot was taken as per the Constitution and resulted Mr. Wyse 44 votes Mr. Lynch 25  
Mr. Howard 13. Mr. Wyse having gained an overall majority was declared duly elected as Chairman of the Bookmen's Association for the year 1962-63  
Mr. Wyse & Mr. Lynch agreed to allow Mr. Feahan to act as Chairman for the rest of the meeting.

### Election of Vice-Chairman

Mr. Spillane Miss M. O'Sullivan & Mr. McDonald were nominated. Miss O'Sullivan, Mr. Spillane being elected.

### Election of Hon. Secretary

Mr. J. He Grath & Mr. Delane were nominated. The election resulted in a tie, each candidate receiving an equal number of votes.

Mr. Feahan said that although he could use his casting vote, he thought that the fairest way would be to draw one of the names out of a hat. This procedure was agreed to by the meeting and resulted in Mr. Delane being elected.

### Election of Hon. Treasurer

Mr. Leston & Fr. He Nomara were nominated, and Fr. He Nomara was elected.

### Committee

The following were duly elected

Messrs H. Braine, H. Bain, D. Mc Donald, J. Horan, J. O'Sullivan, H. O'Brien

Mr. H. Spillane, Wyse & Mulhall together with Miss A. Barry & Miss B. Kelly

These motions ~~were~~ put to the meeting as amendments to the constitution were defeated.

They were as follows

1) "That the annual subscription for ladies be reduced to five shillings as from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1963" was proposed by H. H. Browne, acting membership.

2) "That the ladies subscription be reduced to 5/- and that the subscription for husband & wife be 12/6" was in the name of H. C. Barry.

3) "That a Press Secretary be appointed" was proposed by Mr. K. Smith.

The President having thanked all present and wishing the new officers & committee every success he declared the meeting closed

Chairman

T. G. J. S.

Proposed by T. O'Sullivan Date 31. 8. 64.

Seconded By Mrs. P. Smyth.

Minutes of meeting of Committee held on Monday Aug 24<sup>th</sup> at the Irish Centre.

Present Mr. J. W. Pye, Mrs P. Smythe Miss O'Sullivan  
Messrs H. Browne, B. Callaghan, J. Malone, Mr. Keane  
of O'Sullivan & Harrington.

Apologies for absence received from Fr. T. McNamee  
of the Frat. Carmelite

The minutes of the last meeting were read & adopted

The Bacon & cabbage Dinner was fixed for Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>  
7-15PM for 7-45PM

A letter was read from Fr. Kirby of Portsmouth Irish  
Society confirming an visit for Sept 12<sup>th</sup>. It was agreed  
to leave from the Irish centre at 3PM.

Balance of £220-8-2 as of last meeting taken as  
we had no account of any bills been paid since  
of Harrington hoped to have a report on the Drama  
group for the next meeting. The Keane Club have  
intimated that they would like to join the Cork  
Drama Group, it was agreed to accept, but all  
functions to be under Cork Drama Group. Mr. Browne  
to invite Mr. Colin Denin to the meeting of the Drama  
group on Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Aug.

Mr. Browne produced copy of motion which he  
proposed to the 1962 A.G.M. which was defeated  
In the same provided balance sheet for year 1962.  
A motion by Mr. Smith that a Press Officer be  
appointed was defeated, also a motion by Mr. Barry  
to reduce ladies subscriptions to 5/- and that  
husband & wife be 12/6, was also defeated.

A letter was read stating that the Lord Mayor had  
accepted an invitation to be chief guest at our  
Annual Dinner & Dance. It was agreed to have  
extension until 1AM. Mrs P. Smythe asked if wife of  
Press-men could have tickets.

It was agreed to extend invitations as follows:-  
Lord Mayor & Lady 2, Ambassador 2, His & Mrs Fisher,  
D. Vaughan 2, J. Wilson 1. Irish Press, Irish Independent,  
President of Council of County Assessors. Chairman of Irish Centre,  
Fr. H. Sweeney 1. Master & W. 2. President of Portsmouth  
Irish Society 2. Two places were reserved for further guests.  
The menu would be discussed at the next meeting.

It was also decided to include a special message of welcome.  
It was agreed to have four or five stalls at a Bazaar  
to be held in the Gresham on <sup>Nov. 10th 1894</sup> Dec. 5th. The proceeds  
to be given as a gift to Fr. H. Kenane.

Trip to Portsmouth, coach leaves Irish Centre 3 PM  
fare £1 per head which includes a meal on arrival.  
Mr Browne to take charge of bookings. 14 booked to date.

It was agreed to make a presentation to Fr. H. Kenane  
on his appointment as Administrator of St. Michaels.  
Date & gift to be decided later.

Mr Browne asked if we would join with the Society but  
in making a joint presentation, it was decided not to.

The case of J. Jordan was discussed. £5 has already  
been given to him. He owes £40 for rent. It was agreed  
he be given a further £10.

Next meeting to follow. E.A.G.M. on Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Aug.

Proposed P. Spillane. Date -

Chairman: C. V. Dwyer.

14/9/64.

Seconded T. helane.

Minutes of Extra Ordinary General Meeting held  
on Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 1964 at the Irish Centre.

The purpose of the meeting was explained by  
the Chairman Mr J Wye to have read, and  
affrrove, the minutes of the 1962 Annual General  
Meeting.

The Hon Sec having read the minutes and re-read  
the first couple of paragraphs for the benefit of  
three members who arrived late informed Mr Blakie  
that he was authorised by the committee to produce  
such minutes.

A lively discussion took place in which Mr McGoath  
challenged the statement attributed to Mr Lynd  
that the numbers of the Tavistock Rooms dinner  
were 60 or 70 down on previous dinners. He  
Mr McGoath contended that the figures were 301  
which was a marked increase on previous years.  
On a vote being taken it was agreed by seven votes  
to two that the figures read out were correct.

Mr McGoath further challenged the competence  
of the meeting as only 18 people were present, which  
did not formulate a quorum as per the constitution.  
This was defeated as no quorum is necessary,  
once the full membership has been notified of  
such meeting.

The minutes were eventually adopted on the  
proposal put forward by Mr J O'Sullivan  
seconded by Mrs P Smythe.

The financial statement was produced which  
showed a net balance of £161-1-1. as at 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 1962

Proposed

Chairman

Date

Seconded.

General Meeting held following the C.G.M.  
on Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 1964.

The Chairman outlined the Associations activities up to date. He was pleased our late member W O'Neill was to have a memorial erected to his memory by the Irish Club, to which we had been pleased to contribute. Our monthly socials were always successful. We had held a Diner & Social on New Years Eve. A very successful party for children was held and it was hoped to repeat this again if possible before Christmas this year. Our outing to Margate was also very successful.

Carrying out our aims of Social, Cultural & Welfare the Chairman continued that he was pleased a Drama Group had been formed and he looked forward to its first production.

Welfare had been carried out on behalf of a widow whose husband had been killed in an accident. On behalf of Fr. Browne in Ghana, and help had also been given to a member troubled with a large demand for Rates. A Radio had also been provided to an old lady living alone, and an application had been made for another one. This he hoped would be granted.

He concluded by paying a tribute to Fr. Heenan and wished him every success in the future.

The Chairmans report was adopted and so brought the meeting to a close.

Proposed:-

Chairman

Date

Seconded:-

Minutes of Committee held on Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Aug.  
Present : Mr. J. Wypse. Mrs. Smythe, Miss & O'Sullivan  
Messrs P. Gillane, J. O'Sullivan, H. Brown  
H. Browne D. Lalorane to Collogean & Athlone.  
Apologies: Mr. G. Lehane, Fr. McNamara & Mrs. Murphy.

The minutes of the last meeting were not available  
as they had not been written in the minute book.

The presentation to Fr. He. Tancar was discussed  
but no definite arrangement was made.

It was decided to hold a Childrens Party on  
Dec 20<sup>th</sup> subject to the Hall being available.

On the question of guests to the Dinner it was  
proposed to substitute Mr. & Mrs. Kennedy for  
the President of the Council.

Details were agreed for the Bacon & Cabbage  
Dinner. Mr. Browne would engage a musician.  
It was reported Mr. Tance had been engaged  
to play at the Dinner Dance.

Mr. Lalorane queried an item in the last  
newsletter in which it was stated that the proceeds  
of the recent bazaar had been donated to the  
John F Kennedy Fund, and not to the Lisburne  
Building Extension Fund. In a lengthy reply the  
Hon Sec explained the position to Mr. Lalorane,  
which he would not accept. His Mr. Lalorane's reply  
would not be accepted by the Hon Sec. Mr. Lalorane  
accused the Hon Sec of calling him a spy for the  
Bork Society at a previous meeting. This the Hon Sec  
denied and stated his words were "Who are you  
representing on this Committee, yourself or the Bork  
Society?" The Hon Sec appealed to the meeting to  
verify his words but the meeting did not do so.  
When the Hon Sec tried to speak again he was  
declared out of order as the meeting had closed.  
He appealed to be given one more minute, but

the Chairman ruled the meeting had closed and  
the item could be further discussed at the  
next meeting.

Proposed:- M. Brown. Chairman:-

Date

T. F. Alys  
14/9/64.

Seconded:- Mrs. Gayte.

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Minutes of Meeting held at Irish Centre on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse. Chairman. Mr. P. Spillane. V.C. Dr. Mc Namara.

Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. P. Smyth.

Messrs: M. Brown, M. Brown, D. Lahalane, T. Harrington.

T. Lehane. J. O'Sullivan.

Apologetis: Mrs. E. O'Sullivan, Mrs. Spillane, Mr. J. Mc Grath.

The Chairman informed the meeting that he had received  
Mrs. T. Murphy's resignation as Hon Sec. + regretfully had accepted  
same.

He then read minutes of meeting, which followed the  
last Ordinary General meeting held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Aug, 1964. which  
were adopted. He also read minutes of meeting held on  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1964, which could not be read at previous meeting  
as the Hon. Sec. was on holidays + the minutes were not written up.  
Matters Arising: Bazaar Date 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. + not 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec as reported in minutes.  
No. Correspondence.

Treasurers Report: Dr. Mc Namara had no report as he had been  
away on holidays + since his return had been  
very busy changing residence, but would have a report  
for next meeting.

Hon Secretary:

The Chairman said that he would now take  
nominations for the post of Hon Sec. Mr. P. Spillane  
proposed Mr. J. O'Sullivan. This was seconded by Mrs. M. Murphy.  
There being, no other nomination J. O'Sullivan was declared elected.  
The Chairman then congratulated the new Sec. as also did the  
members present. The new Sec. then thanked his proposer + seconder  
+ the other members for their good wishes + added that with the  
co-operation of every one his work would be very easy.

Bacon + Cabbages Supper:

Plans were well in hand for the  
Supper, M. Brown reported that he had 36 bookings to date.  
It was agreed to put up a hand poster in back at the centre.  
also agreed to have bar in room down social after the supper. Mr. Keenan to  
provide the music.

Cont'd.  
A.O.B.

Mrs. Slattery was not according to Mr. Brown rather disappointed at not having received his membership card & receipt.

St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee. Mr. Brown informed the meeting that he would be unable to attend meeting on following Wednesday as he would be away. The chairman agreed to make his apologies.

### Annual Dinner.

Tickets. D. Bohan proposed that we await fixing price until we had seen Catering Manager. agreed.

It was agreed, <sup>to get</sup>, a couple of good men to take tickets for Dinner & Dance.

Toast of Ireland: By Our Chairman.

" of Corkmen's Assoc: By Rt. Hon. Lord Mayor of Cork.

Reply: By Mr. T. Leean.

Toast of our Guests: By Our Chairman.

Reply: By His Excellency the Ambassador.

The chairman reported that the Meath Association's Dinner was clashing with ours also that they were inviting a Minister of State, hence his fears that the ambassador may not be able to attend ours. This was received with regret as all the members were looking forward to meeting him.

It was the unanimous decision of the meeting that my wife & I take our place at the top table at the dinner, also all present were in agreement that the late Mr. Lee & his wife be invited to attend, this would only be a small token of our appreciation for all his hard work during the year.

Council of I.C.A. Mr. P. Spillane was nominated to attend with C.

Mr. Spillane reported that he had refunded £2 paid by Mr. P. J. Heaney for trip to Margate.

### Portsmouth trip.

The chairman stated that we had originally booked a meal for 40. at the hotel & as only 23 went he thought

that we should pay for the 200 meals as the charge was so nominal - only 5/- per head. & they had prepared us such a lovely meal. It was agreed to send a cheque for £10. The welcome & hospitality extended to us was beyond description.

A.O.B.

Monthly Social. Mr. Brown reported that the ~~Cawas~~ Association had approached him about a Social which they wanted to hold at the centre but could not get a book in <sup>for</sup> they wanted to know if we would agree to give them <sup>July 2nd 1965</sup> ~~Sat. 4th Aug.~~ after some discussion it was agreed to let them have it. The chairman said he had also been asked by the Knights of St. Columba who wanted the use of the Hall on Sat. <sup>14th Sept.</sup> 1965 if we would give up our social on that night. This again was agreed to, especially as we would be having our Annual <sup>1964</sup> ~~2nd Jan.~~ Two Years Eve Dinner that week.

Next Meeting Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: Mr. P. Spillane.

Chairman: T. Wye.

Seconded: Mr. M. Brown.

Date: 28/9/64.

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1964, at the Fresh centre.

PRESENT. Mr. T. Wye. Chairman. Mr. P. Spillane, Miss E. O'Sullivan. Vice Chars.

Mr. T. McNamee. Messrs. Mr. Brown, S. Gallagher, J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.

Mrs. M. Murphy.

Apologies. Messrs. J. McGrath, M. Brown, Mrs. P. Smythe, Mrs. K. Spillane.

Minutes of meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. were read amended and adopted.

#### Treasurers Report.

All bills had been paid, except one which was for a reception at the centre. The sum involved £22. 10. 0. was thought to be rather high, so it was agreed to query the bill with the centre manager. last year bill it was pointed out was only £12. 10. 0.

Fully Paid members to date 108. Balance of cash in Bank as on the 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. £161. 17. 3.

## Secretary's Report.

Read a letter from Daily Express dated early Aug.  
addressed to late Hon. Sec. contents showed that the then Sec  
had cancelled visits arranged for Sept. & Oct. He also reported  
he had written to Lord Mayor of Cork inviting him to propose  
the toast of the Association at the A.D. but had not had a  
reply.

## Welfare.

There was a lengthy discussion on this subject, two cases  
were discussed & the only immediate action was to be taken was in  
the case of J. London whose <sup>rent</sup> arrears to date came to sum £50.  
It was stated that Mr. London had been offered £400 by his employer,  
but if he accepted this sum, it would probably spoil any chance later  
of higher compensation, Miss O'Sullivan was asked to visit his household  
to review the position of arrears ~~with him~~.

## The Annual Dinner.

The Chairman, T. Gearon, had visited the  
Catering Manager at the Criterion, & fixed the Menu <sup>at main dish to be roast lamb.</sup> ~~or dinner~~  
~~at 27/- per. each.~~ The dinner was costing us 27/- p. H. & it was thought  
& agreed that we charge 2 guineas per Head. The Chairman stated that  
he had discussed with the C. Manager that in previous years the  
service in bars immediately following the dinner was very poor, so the  
Manager agreed to put all hands to the pumps at this time.

It was agreed to have Sean Murphy taking tickets, & that Messrs.  
M. Brown & P. Spillane, would in turn assist him.

The matter of a Toast Master was discussed at some length, when  
Chairman reported that a good one was not available, it was agreed  
that if the Catering Manager would not personally recommend one, that  
our own Hon. Sec. do the necessary.

The price of the dance tickets was fixed at 4/- We had 305 dinner  
tickets & 55 Dance tickets printed. It was to be arranged to have Table  
for C. guests at side under the Cork Banner.

The Bazaar on the 28<sup>th</sup> was put off to the next meeting.

Monthly Socials.

It was agreed by all that Mrs. M. Brown was our official W.C.

A.O.B.

The Sec to inform Stephen Loughlin, that we were to have our own Photographer at the dinner. T.E. Paddy Lahy. that he would be available to him at any time.

A member pointed out that we had agreed to give up our Socials on the 7<sup>th</sup> Nov & 2nd Jan, but that no arrangements had been made about the Band, & as we had a form of contract with Mr. Pat McNamee, it was felt that he should be hired by the parties concerned on each night; if this was not agreed to, that we should carry on and hold our own socials as usual.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

It was brought to the notice of the meeting that the Cork Society had made an application to the Parade Committee for them to be included in next St. P. day Parade. It was the unanimous decision of the members at meeting that if this was agreed to that the Corkmen's Association would withdraw from the parade.

There being no other business the meeting closed.

NEXT MEETING MON. 14<sup>TH</sup> Oct. 8.30 P.M.

Proposed: Mrs. M. Brown. Chairman: T. G. O'Leary  
Seconded: Rev. T. McNamara. Date: 12/10/64.

Minutes of meeting held at Irish Centre on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1964.

Present.

T. Wyse. Chairman. Fr. Mc Namara. Treas. J. Sullivan Sec.

Mrs E. W. O'Sullivan, Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs P. Smythe.

maids. M. Brown, T. Lehane.

Apologies L. Gallagher, M. Brown.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

Matters Arising

The chairman showed that the Centre were charging £2. 12. 0 for a bottle of whiskey, Fr. Mc Namara said they should be asked to take at least 10% a bottle off the whiskey bill. It was agreed to discuss this with the manager.

Re. Pat McNamee Band for Knights of St Columba social. Fr. Mc Namara contacted organiser who confirmed that they would engage Mr. McNamee who worked from Cork, as band for their function on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan '65. chairman said he would get in touch with Pat McNamee.

No. Treasurer's report.

Correspondence.

The Sec read a letter from Lord Mayor, in which he stated that he would be very pleased to propose toast of Assoc. & also stated he would be making his own travel arrangements. The chairman read letters of acceptance from the following: The Ambassador. Fr. Sweeney, President of Portsmouth Irish Society. Mr. J. Dawson. Jim Whelan, Paddy Hickey.

Annual Dinner.

The chairman said that an agency had contacted him re. Toast Master. & they recommended a Mr. Victor Griffin at a fee of 7 Guineas. This the meeting agreed to, it would cost in all about £10 as he would have meal etc.

Further tickets were issued to members, & the approx sales were thought to be in the region of 160. M. Brown asked if he could have his party seated <sup>all</sup> together, this was agreed.

Liam Murphy has promised to take the tickets at reception.

Sec. to get in touch with John Hayes Hammameth re tickets for dinner.

Bazaar.

It was suggested & agreed that this Association provide the following stalls: Bottle Stall, Flowers & plants, Books & Stationery, White Elephant, & that all goods etc should be in good condition.

A. O. B.

It was agreed that the Sec. get in touch with Mr. O'Brien who has the old Corkmen's Assoc. banner, & make arrangements for it to be collected.

Mr. Brown on his recent visit to Bristol met Dr. O'Callaghan, who arranged for him to meet Sister Mary Philomena, she mentioned about St. Raphael's home for unmarried mothers, & said that the children could do with some help in way of toys etc for Christmas. & asked him if he would do anything for them, this is a deserving cause & after it being discussed a member proposed that we donate £5 to the home. This was seconded.

A. C. M.

Date fixed Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Following date for membership, 14<sup>th</sup> November. This date was also fixed for <sup>dominating</sup> Motions, & Amendments, etc. which have to be in Secretary's hands by that date.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next Meeting 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. Irish Centre at 8.30 pm.

Proposed: M. Brown.

Chairman: T. J. Shee.

Seconded: Mrs. M. Murphy.

Date: 8/11/64.

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tuesday  
24th Oct. 8.30 P.M.

Present:

Z. Wye. Chairman. T. O'Sullivan Hon Sec.

Mrs E. M. O'Sullivan V.C. Mrs P. Smyth. Mrs Murphy.

Messrs. M. Brown. J. McGrath. D. Cahalane. P. Spillane

M. Devlin.

The chairman stated there was no agenda. So we would only deal with the Dinner & Dance. & asked the members not to bring up any other business unless it was extremely urgent, as a lot had to be done after the meeting. The whole table plan had to be done.

The chairman reported that just before leaving for the meeting Mrs Murphy phoned to say that Sean would not be able to take the tickets at the dinner. He had contacted another party to see if they could help, but up to the end of the meeting he had not had a reply.

The chairman thought it advisable not to give bouquets this year as it may embarrass the Ambassador, but thought it appropriate to put small sprays on the table in front of the chief lady guests.

It was agreed by the meeting that admission to the dance be by ticket only.

It was also agreed to invite Mr & Mrs. Michael Casey in place of Mr & Mrs. D. Donnelly who had another engagement that night.

Mr. J. McGrath asked the chairman to explain why he had not been given D & D. tickets to sell. He told the meeting that he had to turn down twelve applications, as he had no tickets to offer. The chairman told him that the tickets had been issued to all present at the two previous meetings, & that before he turned down any one's application he should have contacted the sec

or anyone of the people whose names were in the newsletter.  
he thought it rather a poor show on the part of Mr. Mc Grath. The Sec informed Mr. Mc Grath that at the close of meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> Oct he had only 5 tickets left to meet applications by post.

Mr. Mc Grath said he would like to bring to the notice of the meeting that a Fr. Gerald O'Kieran, of Ballymowney Co. Cork who was in the foreign mission. The chairman asked Mr. Mc Grath if we could hold this until next meeting as we were only dealing with the D. & D. However he made a note of it & said he would bring it up at next meeting.  
The meeting closed at 9.30 P.M.

Proposed : M. Brown. Chairman : T. J. Shee.  
Seconded : Mrs. F. M. O'Callaghan Date : 9/11/64.

Minutes of meeting at Irish Centre 9.11.64.

Present. Mr. T. Wye Chairman. Mrs. E. M. O'Sullivan Vice C.  
Mr. T. Woodman. Treasurer. Mr. J. O'Sullivan Hon Sec.

Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs. P. Shillane, Mrs. P. Smythe.  
Messrs. M. Brown, T. Lehane, M. Connealy, J. Harrington.

Apologies. Messrs. D. Cahalane, J. Mc Grath, P. Shillane.

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

Matters arising.

It was agreed to contact the manager of the Irish centre to find out if in fact Mr. J. Mc Grath had left the old leekmen's Association banner at the centre or

stated by him at last meeting. Lavan Assoc. had informed our Chairman that they were engaging Pat MacNamee's Band for their dance on 2nd Jan 1965.

Mr. M. Brown stated that he had to date raised some £60 from Raffles + Auctions for the children in St. Joseph's home in Brastool. All present complimented him for his hard work in this cause.

### Correspondence

Sec. read a letter from the Secretary of the Council of Irish County Associations stating that each County should sell the 10. tickets allocated to it if pos. The Chairman read a letter from Fr. Sweeney Chaplin of the Irish Centre, thanking the Association for the gift of £50 for the Hostel improvements fund + paid tribute to the generosity of the Assoc. over the years.

### Treasurer's Report.

Balance in B. approx. £170.

Membership 116.

### Bazaars.

This was discussed at some length, it was agreed that Behan + his wife + Mrs. Smythe ~~buy~~ buy some flowers at Lorient Garden to stock the Flower Stall. On flower + plants stall Mrs. Smythe + Mrs. Spellane. Miss O'Sullivan + Mr. M. Brown on Bottle Stall. Mrs. P. Smythe kindly offered 12. Persianums for the stall. Mrs. Murphy said she would also have some available. The following promised to give Bottles Mr. T. Lehane & self. Bottle W. each. Mrs. Murphy Bott. Pin. Mr. M. Brown donated £1. 20/- donated by Mr. J. Harrington towards flowers etc.

### Council Deemed Dance.

10. tickets Allocated as follows. See 3.

Mrs. Spellane 2. M. Brown 3. Mrs. M. Murphy 1. Miss E. O'Sullivan 1.

## Welfare.

Mrs Spillane visited Miss Kellegher & took her flowers. The chairman read a letter from Miss Godfrey asking that cash given by her to the Association (Welfare) be refunded, because she was in financial difficulties, agreed that Secretary reply to this.

Mrs Pickering stated her radio was giving trouble. Mr. Brown offered to see to it at weekend.

Mrs O'Sullivan said that Mr. Hudson had received papers from his solicitor relating to H. Assistance. He is now doing light work. Mrs O'Sullivan to keep case under observation.

Fr. Browne Fund. This stands at £20 approx. Agreed to close fund at the next meeting.

The chairman read a letter from J. W. O'Farrell re fund for Fr. O'Rorke, who is in Mission work. decided to hold this over until closure of Fr. Browne fund.

## A.O.B.

Agreed to consider refunding price of tickets to two people who missed D. & D. owing to found becoming ill in the Convent.

Also agreed that Mr. Pat. Moran should be reimbursed for wages lost, owing to missing night shift by helping at D. & D. during dinner & D. Mrs Spillane to investigate amount lost.

No further business so meeting closed.

Date of next meeting 16.11.64. 8.15 P.M.

Proposed by: Mrs. M. Murphy. Chairman: T. G. J. S.  
Seconded by: Mrs. P. Gillane Date : 16.11.64.

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1964.

Present.

Mr. T. Wyse. Chairman. Mrs. E. M. O'Callaghan V.c.

Mrs. H. Woonan. Treasurer. J. O'Callaghan Hon. Sec.

The: Mrs. K. Spillane, M. Murphy. Messrs: M. Brown. W. Brown.

D. Lachlan, J. Harrington.

Apologies: J. W. Pratt, P. Spillane, T. Rehane. Mrs. Smythe.

Minutes of previous meeting read + adopted.

Matters Arising:

Mrs. Spillane reported that Mr. Woonan loss of wages for the night of our Annual Dinner was £3. offered.

Correspondence.

Sec read a letter from the Manager of the Criterion in which he stated as there was no 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday in October next year, he wished to know if we would be interested in holding it on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. The Sec reported that he had phoned the Criterion re above + pointed out to them that the Annual D. + D. was held there on the last Thursday in Oct each year but on since October 1964. On this information the Manager promised to contact the other party to see if they would agree to change date. After a long discussion it was decided to hold dinner again next year at the Criterion. This was proposed by Mr. W. Brown. Seconded by Mrs. K. Spillane. It was the feeling of the meeting that we should protest at the quantity + quality of the main course. + have an assurance that there would be a big improvement for the future.

Treasurers Report.

J. Browns fund now closed at approx £20.

H. O'Roudeau fund. This was opened + agreed that an appeal should be put in newsletter, it was also agreed to donate the proceeds of one Monthly Social to this cause.

A.G.M.

Amendments etc for to the Constitution. none received. no applications from new members. only 4. nominations papers Rec'd.

Nominations were as follows:-

Chairman: Mr. T. J. Wyse.

Vice Chairman: Mr. P. Spillane, Miss E. M. O'Sullivan, Mr. W. Brown.

Treasurer: Mr. T. Mc Namara.

Hon Sec: Mr. J. O'Sullivan.

General Committee as follows.

Mrs. E. W. O'Sullivan. Mr. Mrs. K. Spillane, P. Smyth, R. Wyse,  
Mr. Murphy. R. O'Sullivan.

Messrs: Mr. Brown, D. Cahalane, C. Gallagher, Mr. Brown.

J. Harrington, T. Lehane, A. Murphy, T. McGauley, J. McGrath.  
P. Spillane.

Bazaar.

Chairman asked all present to follow up promises made at last meeting to provide goods. Mrs. Spillane donated £2 towards cost of bottles for B. stall. She gave Mr. Mc Namara. £2 which was a donation received by her on the night of our dinner. The donor wished to remain anonymous.

Mrs Murphy stated she had for bottle stall 6 Bottles each of B.C. & orange. Mr. W. Brown said he had accepted for the sale some very good S/H. clothes which had been offered to him.

Childrens Party 30<sup>th</sup> Dec. 3. p.m.

Chairman said he would get the robe & act the role of Santa Claus again this year, he said that he had been promised all the balloons that would be needed. & he also stated he had a source of supply of toys at cost price.

Paddy Fahy is he asked to take photo's at the party.

Mr. Mc Namara said that if we can do as good as last year with the party that we would be OK. as that one was the best

party held at the centre.

Dinner & Dance. New Years Eve.

It was agreed to charge 2/- per head. 150 tickets to be printed. we hoped to cater for a maximum of 120. Pat McNamee to provide the music.

Annual D. + Dance a/c.

Mr. Mc reported that he had received payments for 144 D. + D. tickets + 8 only dance tickets. This leaves 66. still outstanding. The chairman asked those present who may still have some cash to collect, to make every endeavour to have it for next meeting.

H. O. B.

Mr. M. Brown suggested that we make a presentation to Pat McNamee as a token of our appreciation for services rendered over the years. It agreed to give him a B. of Whiskey. Tickets were issued to members for the Council Dinner + Dance. (~~There being no further business.~~) J. O'Sullivan. 3. Mrs. Murphy. 1. Miss O'Sullivan. 1.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next meeting Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 8.30. P.M.

Proposed by: Mr. D. Lalor. Seconder: T. G. S.  
Seconded: Mrs. M. Murphy. Date: 1/12/64.

Minutes of meeting held at Irish Centre on Tues. 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 1964.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse. Chairman. Mrs. E. M. O'Lullivan V.C.

Rev. Fr. T. McNamee. Treasurer. Mrs. J. O'Lullivan. Sec. Sec.

Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. Spillane. Mr. D. Boholane. Mr. M. Brown.

Apologies: Mrs. P. Smyth, Misses: J. McGrath, M. Cronin, P. Spillane,  
L. Gallagher.

Minutes of previous meeting read & adopted.

#### Matters Arising.

A member said that a Father Christmas robe was advertised at 29/- by a London firm. agreed to investigate & purchase if good value.

Agreed to give a bottle of Spirits to Mr. P. Fahy in appreciation of his loyalty to the Association, as their photographer.

Correspondence.

Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Godfrey which was to say the least abusive & slanderous. It was agreed that we have no further correspondence with this lady.

Chairman read a letter from a Mrs. Shields who was anxious to trace her brother a Mr. Paddy Walsh. Mr. D. Boholane agreed to call to address she gave & find out what he could about this man whereabouts.

#### Treasurer's Report.

Income for year £615 - 9 - 1. Balance in Bank  
1. 12. 64. £137. 19. 0. 1964. Dinner & Dance not included as some tickets still to be paid for.

Fr. McNamee reported that the proceeds of the stalls (3) stocked & supervised by members at the Bazaar on the 28/11/64. came to £50. He thanked the Association members for their hard work. The proceeds for the whole venture came to £270.

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The Treasurer paid by cheque the Sec. expenses £10. 9. 3.  
It was suggested & agreed that Sec send a get well card &  
flowers to Mrs. Lehane. Flowers were also to be sent  
to Mrs. Tommy Gorman, who is in Spain.

### Childrens Party.

Chairman agreed to cover Childrens party  
with Mr. J. Whelan. Mrs. Smyth & Mrs. Spillane & Mr. D. Cahalan  
to shop for toys & hats, it was agreed to buy extra hats as  
they would be required for the Dancer Dame a few weeks.

### Dance.

It was agreed that the profit from this  
to be given to the J. H. Kennedy fund. Cost of Dance  
would be in the region of 17/- per H.

### A.C. M.

Chairman agreed to provide Agenda, Ballot papers, etc  
would refer to the second cork organisation in his  
address.

### A.O.B.

Michael Collins fund closed. Cheque for £10. 10. 0. to  
be sent by Sec. who was <sup>also</sup> to contact Mr. J. Hayes, who had  
previously intimated that he wished to send cheque.

Cheque to Dr. Brown for £25. which includes another donation  
from the Arsec. of £5. this to be sent by the chairman.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Proposed: Mrs. M. Brown Chairman: T. J. <sup>depo.</sup>  
Seconded: Mrs. M. Murphy Date: 14/12/64

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish centre on Monday 14th Dec 1964 at 8.15pm.

Present: Mr. T. Wyre. Chairman. Mr. P. Spillane. & Mrs. E. O'Sullivan. Vice-Chairman.

T. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.

The Mrs. K. Spillane, M. Murphy, P. Smythe, E. O'Sullivan.

Messrs.: M. Brown. M. Brown. T. Cahalane. T. McGeath, T. McGeath,

Apologies: Dr. McNamee, G. Callaghan.

Minutes of previous meeting read & adopted.

Matters Arising:-

Mr. D. Cahalane, apologised & said he was unable to contact Mrs Shields re her Brother Paddy Walsh who she was anxious to trace. The Chairman reported that he had seen the steak which we had agreed to buy, he said the quality was very poor, so we again agreed to have one. The Chairman to see to this.

It was agreed to give Pat McNamee & P. Takey a bottle of Whiskey each after the childrens party. The former to be given a 100 bgs as well. Chairman reported he had sent Mr. Brown his cheques. Secretary stated he had sent cheque for Michael Collins Memorial to Mr. John Hayes to send on to him in Lalmakilly. Sec. also reported he had sent flowers & get well card to Mrs. Tim Lehane. Owing to Dr. McNamee's absence it was not known if he had sent flowers to Mrs. Tom Corcoran (in Spain). See Report.

A letter from Mr. S. Coughlan thanking the Officers' Committee for the hospitality extended to himself & his wife & Mr. D. Brodie on the occasion of our annual dinner, he also stated that he did not know of any Irish Association in Edinburgh, it was felt that the Sec should get in touch with any Irish Union, or London Scottish Association or C.R.S.A. to get the information requested by Mr. O'Shea.

Treasurers report:- none.

Sub. Committees. Social None. Welfare. as last year.

There was long discussion on the matter of an attendant for the Ladies C. Room. It had been suggested that the ladies take turns in the cloakroom. In lady number said she would not be a regular attendant, so that would only leave four to do this duty, & they felt the duty to be a minor one. No definite

decision was made on this.

Childrens Party.

All arrangements were complete for Childrens party. Mrs Spillane reported that she had got all the toys at a cost of just over £16. Mr. W. Browne had got toys in Southend at a cost of £1.16.0. The chairman reported that he had the balloons. Mr. D. Cahalane stated he would get the Hats & Crackers next day. It was agreed to organise a song & dance competition at the party - give a prize. It was agreed to have a record player.

Dinner & Dance. Sec reported that he had issued 120 tickets which was maximum. The members were asked to return any unsold tickets to the Sec. as soon as possible.

A. O. B.

Mrs O'Sullivan reported that Mr Jordan, was having some trouble with his claim for compensation & wished to get advice from the Assoc. it was felt we could not help her on this but he was welcome to come along any time & discuss his problems with us.

Mr. Mc Namara is present.

It was agreed that we present him with a canteen of buttry during the social following the Dinner on New Years Eve. The cost of same to be covered by donations from members. as it was felt that most members of the Association may want to subscribe.

A member raised the question of meetings being held prior to the monthly socials on each first Saturday. This was deferred to the next meeting as it would have to be fully discussed & the time now was late.

Another member ~~said~~ asked if the Patrons should be elected annually as stated in the constitution, the chairman replied that the election of patrons was only a formality, as they carry on from year to year, it was agreed to nominate them annually in future.

It was agreed to increase the £5 already agreed on to P. Noonan. £1.5 as £3 did not cover his loss of earnings, it was agreed that Mr. McNamee pay the £5.

Outing to the White Bear. Sat. 2nd Jan 1965. 8pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.25pm.

Next meeting to follow the <sup>Children's Party</sup> Social on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1964.

Proposed. T. McGrath. Chairman. T. T. McNamee.

Moved. Mrs. K. Spillane. Date. 4.1.65.

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 4th Jan 1965.

Present: Mr. T. Wye. C. Miss E. M. O'Sullivan - Mrs. P. Spillane. V. Chair.

Rev. T. McNamee Treasurer. Mr. J. O'Sullivan. Hon Sec.

Mrs. K. Spillane. Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Misses. M. Brown. M. Brown.

T. McNamee. T. McNamee.

Apologies: Mrs. P. Smyth. Mrs. M. Murphy. Misses. D. Cahalane. C. Gallagher.

J. Harrington.

Minutes of previous meeting read & adopted.

Matters arising: A member suggested that we should have a social committee with a Chairman. Sec & Treasurer. who would work in conjunction with the General Committee. after some discussion it was decided that there would be a social com. as last year, but not with Officers of its own, and with the addition of two more members. I.E. Misses. D. Cahalane & M. Cronin. Mrs. P. Spillane to have charge of cash box & pay Pat. M. Warren.

It was also agreed that lady members should not have to stand at the doot or attend in the cloak room during socials.

All members of the Committee present said they would be prepared to help on all occasions in any way possible.

Worshipful.

See read a letter from Banqueting Manager re our Dinner & Dance A/C. & they were still insistent that they had supplied two bottles each of whisky & gin. It was agreed to leave this in the hands of the officers. Sec. also read a

letter of thanks from Mrs. T. Rhone acknowledging flowers & get well card. & in which she wished the Soc. all the best in 1965.

Chairman read a letter from Dr. Browne thanking us all for the League & said he would have messages said for members.

#### Treasurer Report.

A. Dinner-Dance. 204 tickets were paid for. & one still outstanding. Bank statement not available so could not give an accurate state of a/c.

At our years Eve Dinner-Dance. This was well attended 101 people partook of the meal. Some tickets were paid for but a lot were still outstanding.

Membership. The Chairman said an all-out effort should be made this year to increase membership. A member pointed out that it would be a good idea if committee members have official receipts to give to any new people they enrol, this was agreed to. Mr. Mc. agreed to get the receipt book & have the official stamp on each receipt. It was agreed suggested that as Mr. M. Brown was the Men in that his name & address should be on the new forms. this was agreed to. Sec. said he would have the forms for next meeting.

#### Trip to Cork.

It was suggested last year that we should arrange a visit to Cork during Film Festival in Sept. this year, this was fully discussed & agreed that we go ahead & make arrangements. Chairman said he would contact Aer Lingus as to cost of chartering a plane from London Airport to Cork. Mr. J. McGrath said he would enquire of another Airline their price.

#### Gresham Dance

All were here present felt that we should have a dance in the Gresham & if possible engage the Dancers. Sec. to contact Mr. Green for dates available

to engage the band.

A.O.B.

Fr. Mc Namara asked how many presents we had over after the children's party, as he would buy them for his party which he was holding for the children in his Parish. Mrs. Spillane told us she had 49. presents & one box of Crackers. All present felt that he should have them with the compliments of the Association. Fr. Mac. was reluctant to accept them on this basis, but finally agreed & expressed his thanks.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.45 P.M. next meeting Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1965. 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: P. Spillane.

Chairman: T. G. A.P.

Seconded: Mrs N. O'Sullivan.

Date: 6.2.65.

Minutes of Meeting held in the Irish Centre on Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 1965.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse. Chairman.

Mrs E. O'Sullivan, Mr. P. Spillane Vice Chairman.

Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Hon Sec.

Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. P. Spillane. Mrs. T. O'Sullivan.

Messrs: Mr. Brown. Mr. Cronin. D. Cahalane. L. Gallagher.

T. McGrath, J. McGrath.

Apologies: Rev. Fr. Mc Namara.

Minutes of meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Jan read & adopted.

Matters Arising

Date fixed for our dance at the Cushington Stand. (Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March). Dixielanders not available to play on this date at the Cushington, but would be able to play at the Kensington Town Hall. The fee asked by Mr. Fox their Agent was thought to be too high. We were to contact one of the following Bands. Vectors, Cadets, Capitol, Blue Aces, Derry Girls Show Band. The maximum figure set by the members for expenses

for Bond & Hall was £200.  
Books purchase.

Secretary read a letter from Mr Michael Collins West Cork Memorial Fund. Thanking us for our generous donation. hoped that some of our members would be present at the Unveiling on Easter Sunday. The Sec distributed copies of the Brochure which he had received.

Chairman read a letter from Mr. Brownes in which he again expressed his thanks for our gifts.

F. McNamee. Presentation.

Cash received to date £30.11.0.  
leaving £11.7.6 outstanding. To make up the deficit some members present donated very generously to a total of £4.  
leaving £7.7.6. outstanding.

Dr. O'Kordan Fund.

Agreed to donate the proceeds of tomb-ralle  
at tonight's Social to this fund.

Trip to Cork.

Chairman stated that Air Rangers had quoted  
for two types of aircraft. Friendship 38 seater would cost £16.17.0.  
per head. Viscount 65. Seater would cost £16.10.9. a head.  
Aircraft would leave London Airport about noon on Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Sept.  
returning on Sunday evening 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. This venture was discussed  
at some length & the members felt that the prices were too  
high. However agreed that Sec should put it in newsletter &  
get the feelings of the general. await results.

1964. Dinner + Dance A/c.

The Chairman said the proprietor had  
agreed to take £7.17.6. off our bill. & said that Dr. Mc  
would be sending a cheque in the next day or two to settle the A/c.  
A.O.B.

J. Mc Patti told members about a programme in the

B.B.C. on Saturday nights. Those were the Days" old time Music Hall which is held in houses Regent St. He said he could get tickets for a Saturday night, it was agreed that he get them for Sat 13<sup>th</sup> March.

J. F. Kennedy Hall.

This is expected to be opened by the 17<sup>th</sup> March.

Book Society.

Chairman told members that <sup>they</sup> had applied to St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee for a place in parade. Their application was turned down.

Rained Player.

Stolen a recent social at the centre, was now the subject of an Insurance claim.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15 P.M. Next meeting Monday 22nd Feb. 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: T. Wyse N. D. Cahalane, chairman. T. V. alpe  
Seconded: M. M. Brown. Date. 22. 2. 65.

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 22nd Feb.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse, chairman. Mrs. O'Sullivan. Mr. P. Spillane. Vice chair.

Mr. J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.

Mrs. K. Spillane. Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. E. O'Sullivan.

Messrs: M. Brown. D. Cahalane. L. Ballohan. T. McGrath.

Apologues: Dr. McNamee. Mr. M. Conneen. Mrs. P. Smythe. Mr. T. M. Grattan.

Minutes of the previous meeting read & adopted.  
Correspondence. See read a letter from Sec Irish Centre

informing him that they had cancelled the Association's bookings for April & June. This was discussed at some length & the chairman pointed out that we had an obligation to Pat McNamee, & of course the resulting loss of revenue would have a disastrous effect on our finances. A member said that he saw the engagement book before the meeting & there was no booking for Sat 3rd April. but that the G.A.A. had booked Sat 5th June.

Agreed that Sec write a letter of protest & point out that we had recently given up two Saturdays, but that we were prepared to co-operate re June date. Our chairman pointed out that the Irish Centre had been very generous to us in the past in granting us facilities for social dances, dinners etc. but felt we should have been consulted re above dates.

#### Treasurers report

None as Mr. McNamee was out of town.

#### Dance 12<sup>th</sup> March. Gresham Ballroom.

Sec. reported that he was unable to engage one of the well known bands for this date. All present agreed that we engage the resident band for this date. & to inform Mrs. Green. Agreed we have 500 dance tickets printed also 3,000 Hand Bills. These <sup>latter</sup> to be distributed on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March at all Masses in Highgate, Kentish Town & St. Gabriels.

#### Annual Dues

Agreed to await results from news letter re revenue for above.

#### A.G.M. of C.I.C.A.

Chairman informed meeting that due to other heavy commitments he had reluctantly withdrawn his nomination for Secretaryship. It was agreed that our delegates to meeting should support Mr. T. Conway for chairman & Ms. T. Moran for V.C.

#### Quiz.

Secretary reported that he was still waiting for names of

who are the home team to contact him. Mr. D. Cahalane agreed to be on the team & to organise the team.

### Vases for the Irish Centre.

Agreed that we should buy these, our chairman to have a word with Mr. Sweeney re same. Mrs O'Sullivan said she had been approached by a gentleman who was prepared to donate £35 towards the price of a Chalice for the centre, while this was a most generous offer, we felt that a chalice was beyond our means at the moment.

### A.O.B.

Mr. Spillane asked if we could have the Annual Dinner on the Agenda for next meeting. Some members suggested that due to all the work Fr. H. Samara had on his hands in his new Parish, ~~could not~~ it would it not be a good idea to transfer annual dinner completely to our Membership Sec. Mr. M. Brown agreed to accept. The chairman felt we should defer this to our next meeting.

Mr. P. Spillane said that the Sec of the Offaly Men's Assoc. had spread a rumour that we had boycotted their A.Dinner. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that Sec wrote to their Secretary & point out that this was not so. To point out that our President & his wife & Mr. D. Cahalane & his wife attended. Also to request that this letter be read at their A.G.M. on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

There being no other business the meeting closed 10.15 P.M. next meeting Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 8.30 P.M.

Proposed by: Mr. M. Brown. Chairman: T. T. J. S.  
Seconded: Mrs. M. Murphy. Date: 8.3.65.

Minutes of meeting held at G.C. on Monday. 8<sup>th</sup> March 1965.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse C. Mrs. P. Spillane & Miss E. O'Sullivan, V.C.

Rev. F. McNamee, Treasurer. T. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.

Mrs. P. Spillane, Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs. E. O'Sullivan.

Mrs.: M. Brown, H. Cowen, L. Gallagher, T. McGrath, J. McGrath.

Apologetis D. Cahalane.

Minutes of previous meeting, read & adopted.

Matters Arising

Mr. M. Brown stated that letter from our Association to Sir of Gaff Assoc. re report that we had boycotted their Annual D. & D. was not read at their Annual G.M. Their Sec acknowledged having received it. It appears that Gaff Assoc. members were more than surprised that it was even thought of, let alone suggested that we had boycotted their function.

Correspondence.

He read a letter from Mrs. Goham in which she enclosed a P.O. for £. for Dr. O.R. fund. She also made some unfavourable comments on our new years eve D. & D.

He also read a letter from Paddington Public Library requesting information about our activities.

Treasurers Report.

Balance in Bank as at to day's date £112-16.10.

Membership to date 66.

Dance (Gresham)

It was agreed to hold a raffle during this dance & the profit from same to go to Dr. O.R. fund. Tickets to be sold by lady members. @ 6<sup>d</sup> each or 5/- for 2/. J. McGrath to buy 12 x 300. while books of tickets. 4 prizes: (1) Bottle of Powers W. (2) Bottle Sherry. (3) 50. Players. (4) Box Choc. It was agreed to leave the matter of a gratuity to Dance W.C. to our chairman.

### Monthly Socials

It was possible that our social on Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> April would have to be cancelled. See had written to Mr. Sweeney re same & was awaiting a reply.

### Annual Outing

Suggested venues Stratford-on-Avon. Aylesford Abbey.

Mr. J. McGrath to make inquiries about the former. It was agreed to defer discussions on other venues to next meeting.

### Yr. o. Rordam Fund.

At the moment we have approx. £10-15 in fund.  
This does not include the proceeds from Gresham Dance raffle.

### St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Suggested & agreed that our banner be carried in parade by T. McGrath. All members instructed to report at Horse Guards Parade not later than 2.45 pm.

### A.O.B.

Our Annual D&D. 1965. This was discussed at some length.  
All most of the members present felt that we should have a change of venue for this function. The general feeling was that we were overcharged for drinks & that quality & quantity of the dinner was very poor. See was instructed to write to the following for quotations:  
Connaught Rooms, Piccadilly Hotel, Cafe Royal.

No further business meeting closed at 10.45 pm. next meeting Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> April <sup>7.30pm</sup>. (before the Social) If the social is not being held meeting to be held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 8.15 pm.

Proposed: Mr. H. Conin. - Chairman: T. F. Shee

Seconded: Mr. P. Gillane. Date: 29.3.65.

Minutes of meeting, held in the Irish Centre on Monday 29/3/65.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse. Chair.

Mrs. E. W. O'Sullivan & Mr. P. Spillane V.C.

J. O'Sullivan Hon. Sec.

Mrs. K. Spillane, Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs. E. O'Sullivan.

Messrs: M. Brown, D. Cahalane, L. Gallagher, T. McGrath, T. McGeath.

Apologies: M. Brown. (away in N. Wales).

Minutes of previous meeting read & adopted.

Matters arising.

J. McGrath asked why bassendish rooms were not asked for a quotation for our 1965 D&D. as the Sec had been instructed to include this with his applications to other hotels.  
See Apologised for his error.

Rooms for dance.

Sec read a letter from Mrs. M. E. Gallagher informing him that her husband had died & not to send any more news letters. Sec stated he had got a Mass card from Fr McNamara & would send it in the next day or so.  
Read letters from Castle Royal, Arnaut Room & Piccadilly Hotels re our 1965 D&D.

Read a letter from Irish Centre re bookings for functions. This letter was discussed at some length as it affected our advance bookings for the 1st Sat of each month. All advance bookings from 31st Mar were cancelled. New Applications to be submitted for bookings after this date. we had again applied for all, 1st Sat, but it was felt that we should apply for 8舞会 as these may get possibly over dance only bookings.

No. Treasurers report due to Mr. McNamara's absence.

Annual D&D. 1965

Sec handed round brochures he had received from the different Hotels. These were discussed at some length. It was finally decided to approach the Piccadilly Hotel

+ discuss with their Manager the arrangements for the dinner. The Chairman + Sec  
is to arrange this. Most members present favoured the 30/- or 32/- menu  
with a slight variation + to have light refreshments served during the  
dance at a cost of an extra 2/6. a.H. It was agreed that the Lt. Hon.  
<sup>be invited to</sup>  
J. Brown, be Chief Guest at our annual dinner.

Annual outing. Mr. J. McGeath stated for an all in charge of £2. per H. we could  
have a nice day in Stratford-on-Avon. This would cover cost of coach,  
lunch + tea. Agreed to discuss this at a later date.

P.D.B.

At a previous meeting it was agreed to buy vases for  
the Chapel in the Centre. It was left to Chairman to discuss  
this with Fr. Sweeney. Further to this agreement Fr. Sweeney said  
that a bhaloi would be much more acceptable, so this was duly  
brought by Fr. S. in Dublin. The bhaloi was shown to members  
by the Chairman, it is a beautiful vessel, + with an  
inscription presented by "Arch. mens Assoc." around the base.  
The cost to the Association was £50.

It was mentioned that as Mr. Brown was away, membership  
from the awaiting collectors in his flat. The Chairman  
said he would call + see if any correspondence was there  
+ would communicate with the Sec.

It was agreed to B. + Cobage supper on Wed 21st April  
12/6. a head fee to get tickets printed.

Sec. collected £3. 15. 0. from members, for tickets sold for dance  
12. 3. 65.

No written business. next meeting 12. 4. 65. 8.30. pm.

Proposed: Mr. D. Eshelane.

Chairman. T.T. [Signature]

Seconded: Miss E. M. O'Sullivan.

Date. 12. 4. 65.

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 1965.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse : Chairman.

Mrs E. M. O'Sullivan. & Mr. P. Gillane V.C.

Rev. T. McNamee Treas. Mr. J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.

Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs. E. O'Sullivan.

Messrs: T. McGrath. D. Cahalane.

Apologies: Mrs. P. Smythe, Mrs. K. Gillane. Messrs: G. Gallagher,  
M. Brown, M. Brown. T. McGrath.

Minutes of previous meeting read, amended & adopted.

#### Matters Arising

Fr. McNamee wished to have it recorded in the minutes that he thought it very remiss not to have a Cork man as Chief Guest at our Annual Dinner. Mr. P. Gillane pointed out that S. Brown had been invited, but so far had not replied. & in any case he was of Cork descent, his Grand Father was born in Cork. If Mr. Brown declined the invitation we could then look for some one from Cork.

Boar & Cabbage Supper fixed for April 21st had been cancelled after Secretary had consulted Chairman & pointed out that this only a couple of days after Easter. & people may not be in a position to attend. All present agreed it was correct to have it cancelled. The new date was fixed for Wed 19<sup>th</sup> May. 15/- a head. Social only 3/-. 3 piece Band also raffle to be held during Social. It was also agreed to officially present Fr. Sweeney with the balance after the Supper.

The Chairman then told Fr. McNamee that we decided at last meeting to have an informal dinner at the Irish Club, <sup>on the 4th May</sup> to celebrate his birthday & Silver Jubilee. Officers & Committee were to attend.

#### Correspondence

Sec read a letter from Fr. O'Sweeney thanking

as far the very beautiful *Lobalci* which we had given to the Centre & saying that he felt sure that our generosity translated in this instance in to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass would bring many blessings on our Assoc & its works.

See also read a letter from Mr. M. Brown & handed some membership from he had enclosed to Fr. M. elanara.

#### Treasurers Report.

Balance in Bank 121. 7. 5. out of this would have to come quite a few payments, & it was agreed to hold over sending cheque to Fr. O'Rouordan.

#### Annual Dinner & Dance. Piccadilly Hotel.

See & Chairman reported that they had been very well received by the Manager & had a very nice lunch with him; & discussed the menu, & agreed that we could arrange this to our taste at a date nearer the time of the function. He also stated that they make no charge for late night extension also that he would waive the baggage charge for our 1st dinner.

#### Annual outing to Stratford. 20. 6. 65.

Mr. Ted McGrath reported in the absence of John McGrath that a coach had been booked & asked for a £5 deposit. Adults £<sup>£2.5.0</sup> per p. 4. Children .32/6. this all in charge to our cost of lunch & tea. & a possible river trip.

#### A.O.B.

Chairman mentioned about sending Secretary to represent us at the unveiling of the Michael Collins Memorial at Sants Cross. on Easter Sunday. All agreed that he should fly over to Cork. The fare (£18. 10. 0.) ~~to be paid~~ & expenses up to a maximum of £30. See to present his A/c. on his return.

See informed meeting that he had got a Mass card from Fr. Mc. for a deceased member. (Mr. J. Callaghan) It was agreed to give Fr.

21/- for the Maes & Card.

Mr. T. McGrath gave £1. towards the St. O'Roarke fund. same member stated the the hall in the Earl of Derby would be available to us at any time for a Social.

Mr. P. Spillane spoke of the Irish Club Dinner on St Patrick's night & said that they should be complimented on their efforts in Anglo Irish relations & suggested that the Sec should write to them on this point.

Mrs Pickering is having trouble with her radio, chairman said he would call on her & see what was the matter.  
Mr. P. Spillane to buy a roll of 500 tickets (3/6) for our socials.

No further business meeting closed 10.45 P.M. next meeting Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: Mr. D. Callaghan chairman: C. E. Shee  
Seconded: Mr. P. Spillane Date: 11.5.65.

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 1965.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse. chairman. Mr. P. Spillane Vice chairman.

Rev J. McNamee. Hon Treasurer.

Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs E. O'Sullivan.

Messrs: D. Callaghan, M. Brown, T. McGrath, J. McGrath.

Apologetis: L. Gallagher. Mrs O'Sullivan. M. Conne, J. O'Sullivan.

Mrs. K. Spillane.

Minutes of the last meeting read & adopted.

Matters Arising:

M. Brown said he had a letter from Mr. T. Murphy re Mrs. Pickering's radio. chairman said he had called & failed to get a reply to ring.

Correspondence:

Chairman read ~~a~~ letter from Mrs. E.

to Gallagher in which she thanked the Assoc. for their kind expression of sympathy. & Mass. Letter from Rt. Hon. G. Brown M.P. accepting our invitation as Chief Guest at our Annual Dinner. Letter from Dr. Lumeny stating they had decided to delay publication of the "London Irishman" until mid October. Letter from Banqueting Manager, Piccadilly Hotel confirming our reservation of the Piccadilly Suite for our A.D.D. on Thursday 21st Oct 1965.

### Treasurers Report:-

Balance in Bank £116 - 14 - 9. some bills still to be paid. 2

### Socials

Discussion on social at "Earl of Derby" agreed to hold one on the 17th July. Suggested that it be published in "Kilburn Times". Charge 2/- Posters to be got by D. Mahalane. Ex to 12. midnight to be seen to by D. Mahalane. T. McGrath said that an invitation had been extended to 12 members of the committee, by Dr. McGuinness. to visit the Apostleship of the Sea, Barking Rd. agreed to select members to go, at a later date.

### Annual outing.

This was discussed at some length. J. McGrath pointed out that there would be no reductions for anyone taking packed lunches as the price was - of 45/- was inclusive of lunch + tea. 48 Seals coach in mind for the trip, 24 of which were counted from the committee as possible. He to get in touch with Mr. T. Whelan, & ask him to put an announcement in his column about outing. Coach starting from 8.30 A.M. Fernhead Rd, W.9. (Burtong Corner). Irish Centre, 9.15 A.M. St. Gabriels 9.40 A.M.

### Bacon + Cabbage Supper

A member asked if there would be an extension for that night. Dr. McGuinness pointed out that only six extensions a year were allowed, it was agreed that we should try for an extension to 11.30 P.M. On a rough count it appeared that 96 tickets were sold.

A. O. B.

Dr. McManara gave a cheque for £25 to John McGrath to send to Dr. O'Riordan. A small remained over & it was suggested that this be kept in consideration of another presentation being possible at a later date.

Chairman said in view of the fact that Secretary had to pay 1st class fare on his return from West Cork at Easter, he thought it only right to pay the full £30 to cover his expenses, all present agreed. Cheque for this amount handed over.

S. bahalane suggested we send flowers to Mrs. Cowman.

There was a query re newsletters from two members. Mr. J. Hayes & Mrs. T. Godall.

Chairman suggested inviting Mr. Jack Lynch to our Annual Dinner to Balance Mr. G. Brown. It was agreed that T. Lehane should first make discreet inquiries as to whether he would come.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.45 pm.

Next meeting Monday 14th June 8. pm. Sharp.

Proposed: Mr. P. Spillane. Chairman: T.S. [initials]

Seconded: Mr. F. McNamee. Date: 14.6.65.

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 14th June 1965.

Present: Mr. T. Wyse, Dr. McManara, P. Spillane, Mrs. O'Sullivan, T. O'Sullivan.

Mrs. P. Smythe, Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs. K. Gillane, Mr. T. McGrath.

Apologies: Messrs: S. bahalane, M. Cronin, J. McGrath, M. Brown, Mrs. E. O'Sullivan.

Minutes of the previous meeting read, adopted.

Correspondence. Letter read from Sec. of I.C. Assoc. offering 5 tickets for Supper & social to be held on the 24th June at the I.C. price 15/- each. These were taken by the following: Mr. Wyse - 2, Mr. Spillane - 2, Mrs. Murphy - 1. Chairman said he would get these tickets at the Council meeting on the following Wed. night. The Quiz organiser (M. Waters) wrote stating that 1st round of the individual Quiz championship would take place at the Irish C. at 8.30 pm. on the 17th June. Letter from Jack O'Connor

Thanking the Officers of this Assoc. for attending the reunion social on a recent Sunday at the local hotel in Branksome Rd. Letter from Dr. T. Geary expressing regret that he would not be able to attend Bacon & C. Supper. He enclosed P.O. w/f. Letter from Mr. Cronin with £3. 15. 0. P.O. for 5 tickets for the supper. also wished to be excused next meeting as he started his holidays on the 10th June. Letter from Fr. O'Dowd thanking us for our application for Dinners & Socials. + had pleasure in stating that we had been allocated the following dates:

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> August: Social.

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Sept.: Social (Sharing with Armagh Assoc.).

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct: Dinner + Social.

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. " "

He also stated in a letter that they had revised the charge for the band on Sat nights. It was found that a three piece band wanted all that was necessary. + the charge for this would be £7. Letter from Mr. Browne with a cheque for £18. 15. 0. for 25 tickets for the Supper, he intimated in this letter that he would not be at the meeting. He also enclosed a membership form + £2. Plus another envelope with £5 for Fr. Mac.

Chairman had a letter from the Van Straten + Monty Cott Ltd. Agency re Toastmaster for our annual D. + D. They offered the services of a Mr. Victor Griffin for a fee of 8.gns. They also offered a Trio or a 4 piece Saloon Orchestra @ 16 gns per man for a four hour period before midnight. It was agreed by all that we engage the services of the Toastmaster.

Treasurers report. He did not have exact figure from bank. He then took cash for the tickets sold for B. + Cabbage Supper. 103. people sat down. One gentleman paid through Mrs. P. Smylie for 9 tickets even though only 6 of his party attended. + another member stated he had been paid for two tickets which were not used. + Dr. T. Geary had paid for his unused ticket making a total of 6 tickets. add this to those seated + it makes a total of 109.

Fr. Mac. Stated he had now received £71. 5. 0. representing cash for 95 tickets. This would leave 14 tickets outstanding. It was agreed to leave this over to next meeting as some not present may have tickets to pay for.

Annual outing to Stratford-Upon-Avon. This was discussed at some length.

It was decided that Paddy Sohey be invited to bring his camera, also a gentleman to play an accordion on the run out + back + in the Hotel

if any members of the party wanted to dance. In the absence of John McGrath his Father reported that they had in all 27 adults + 10. booked £37 for a 41 seater coach. The pick up points were again mentioned as follows. 8.30 A.M. Fernhead Rd. W.9. (Burstons corner) Irish Centre 9.15 A.M. St. Gabriels. 9.40 A.M. It was pointed out that we would have no stop on the outward journey as lunch was to be served at 12.30. So it was suggested we take some drink on the coach. This was agreed to. Mr. Spillane then asked would it be possible for the Assoc. to pay for the drink, this was finally agreed on. J. McGrath to get 2 dozen Guinness 2. dozen L. Ales. + 1 dozen mixed minerals. + present the bill.

Socials: <sup>Irish centre</sup> As this came up under correspondence it was not discussed further. A member suggested that we should have a social some time in the Duke of York Arms in view of the staunch support we have always had from the Landlord Mr. Pallyher. This was to be discussed at a later date.

Visit to Apostleship of the Sea, Barking Rd. not discussed.

A. D. B.

He reported that he had arranged with Mr. T. Conway to have me hold a dance in the "Emerald" Hall Hammersmith on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Mr. Conway said that without advertising it we would stand to gain at least £20. Some members said they had other engagements + may be unable to attend. Chairman said as many as possible should make an effort to attend.

No further business the meeting closed. Next meeting

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: Mrs. N. O'Gallagher  
Seconded: Mrs. P. Longue Date: 12.7.65  
Chairman: F. S. McGehee

Minutes of Meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July.  
Present: Mr. T. Wyse chairman. Mr. P. Spillane, Mrs. E. O'Loughlin, T. Chownan.

R.W. T. McNamee. Treasurer + J. O'Loughlin. Hon. Sec.

Mrs. K. Spillane, Mrs. E. O'Loughlin. Mrs. P. Smyth.

Messrs: W. Brown. M. Cronin; D. Cahalane. E. McGrath, J. W. Grath.

Apology. Mrs. M. Murphy. (Holidays).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read + adopted.

Matters arising. It was stated by Dr. McNamee that the price of 6 tickets from B & C. Supper on the 19<sup>th</sup> May were still outstanding, Mrs O'Sullivan offered to see Mr. Kearney about this on the following Friday. A member queried our future bookings at the Centre, saying that we should give the August Social to the Brughairis. The Secretary informed the meeting that the news letter was printed with the dates of the next two socials. It was finally agreed to carry on as planned. Another member said that our bookings for October & November were both dinners & socials, & as both these months would be taken up with County Annual D. & D., would it be possible to have these functions changed to socials only. It was agreed that the Secretary ask Dr. Lamey if he would oblige.  
Conveniences.

Chairman read a letter from Mr. Geaney suggesting that the Asses. charters a flight to Canada next year. He also stated he had six firm bookings if the trip came off. J. McGrath said ~~Aer Lingus~~ he knew of another proposed trip to America next year by Aer Lingus Boeing 707. Cost to be £66. approx. No decision was made on this as yet, agreed it should be fully discussed at a later meeting.  
Treasurers Report.

Balance in the Bank £114. 18. 6. plus £1. Con Hand. Profit from previous years are D. & D. £14. 11. 6. this to be paid to the T. F. K. Hall Eoc. Fund. John McGrath stated he had £5. 17. 0. profit from the Stratford-upon-Avon outing £4. 17. 0. in actual cash. plus the pound which Dr. Mc had in hand. Members agreed that it was quite an enjoyable day with reservations on the standard of the tea. The Sec said he thought the profit should be much more, as he had received a quotation of 10/- for a chicken lunch from that Hotel. Also that the tea was a very inferior one being just tea & biscuits for the stated price of 5/- per H. & that a collection had been made for the drinks to which he contributed 10%. John McGrath said a reduction had in the price of tea to him though the members had paid 5/-, this

\* that was the profit of £5 odd. Mr. Spillane said he regretted that the Secretary appeared to doubt the integrity of the organisation especially as it was a success. Secretary said he did not doubt the honesty of T. M. McGrath, but that figures did not appear to add up correctly considering every adult was charged 45/- John McGrath said he had given the coach drivers £2. 10. 0, after Sec had said <sup>that</sup> even if the lunch was 15/- there appeared to be a discrepancy, ~~the~~ & that the figure of £2 had been agreed on for the drivers, then Ted McGrath threw 10/- on the table & asked that this be added to the profit; it was not accepted. P. Spillane abused the Chair & Sec & was called to order several times. Discussion was closed on the subject.

Talk to Cablesford deferred to next meeting.

P. Spillane asked who was going to pay for the lost record player stating that either the Berryman's Assoc. or Tom Wya should pay. Chairman replied that he would supply one, as he was responsible for its loss, he would not like to ask the Berry Assoc. to pay for it. & so far he was not getting any satisfaction from the Insurance companies.

#### Annual D. & D.

John M. McGrath proposed that the ground work be done now to make the Annual D. a success. A meeting of Social Committee was arranged for Tues. 20<sup>th</sup> July. 8.45. P.M. It was agreed 14 Guests be invited to the Dinner. 1.5.

G. Brown. 2. Ambassador 1. J. Conway 2, Mr. Sweeney 1.

T. Lynch. 2. Cork Examiner 2. P. Fahy 2. T. Leahan 2.

It was also agreed that the Chairman & V.C. & Treasurer could at any time attend Social Committee meetings. Sec said he had not so far had a reply from Mr. T. Lynch.

#### A.O.B.

M. Brown said that the Cricklewood Hall had offered their hall free to the Assoc. This would hold 160 people & we could have the Pioneer Band for 2 hours a night.

Sec said he had written to Jim Kirby re owing to

Potterton suggesting 18<sup>th</sup> Sept. & was awaiting a reply.  
There being ~~to~~ two vacancies on the Committee. Mr. T. Hayes was proposed by Mr. McNamee. Seconded by Secretary & voted <sup>(11 to 4)</sup> in Committee. Mrs. E. Wagstaff was proposed by Mr. P. Spillane & voted in to the committee <sup>(5 to 4)</sup>

There being no further business moved meeting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Aug. 8.15 pm.

Proposed: Mrs. Smyth. Chairman. T.V. after  
Seconded Mr. Galligan. Date. 16.8.65.

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August, 1965.

Present: Mr. T. Hayes. Chairman. Mr. P. Spillane J. Chairman. Mr. J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.  
Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs. E. O'Sullivan. Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs. E. Wagstaff. Misses. M. Browne,  
D. Cahalane, H. German, T. Hayes.

Apologies: Dr. McNamee. Miss E. M. O'Sullivan. Mrs. K. Spillane, & Misses. T. & J. McGrath.

The chairman opened the meeting by welcoming two new members to the Committee. Mrs. E. Wagstaff, Vice Chairman of the Brent Irish Society, & Mr. John Hayes. Ex. Mayor of Hammersmith, & hoped that their association with the Committee of the Consumers would be a long & happy one.

Minutes of the previous meeting read. ~~and filed~~. Mr. Spillane asked why it was stated in minutes that he had been called to order at the previous meeting. Chairman told the Secretary to re-read part of the minutes. This was done, & Mr. Spillane was told by the Secretary that in fact his statement at the previous meeting was not included in the minutes, namely that "Quote" "He & a chairman had got together to discredit J. McGrath" unquote. Mr. Spillane said that this was not accurate. Mrs. Smyth said that it would have been impossible to put all that was said at that meeting in the minutes. The chairman asked for a show of hands, on whether, the minutes were a true & accurate record of the previous meeting, & this was carried. The chairman then said that it would be better if nothing further was said on this subject. The minutes were then adopted.

Matters Arising.

Mr. M. Browne asked if Mr. Steeney had been contacted about tickets

outstanding for Bacon + Cabbage Supper held on the 19<sup>th</sup> May. It was told that Mrs O'Sullivan had this in hand, but that she was on holidays at present. Mr. Wyse said that he had ordered a new "Record Player" & that it would be delivered on or before the next meeting.

#### Correspondence

Sec read a letter from Mr. Jack Lynch stating he would be unable to be present at our Annual Dinner-Dance in October. The chairman said there was a further on this - that Mr. Lynch would be attending. Sec read a letter from Mr. Shaw Proprietor, Ellington Park Hotel, Aldermaston, Stratford-upon-Avon, stating that they had made a mistake, & quoted, 10/- in error for 15/- for a chicken lunch. Mr. Spillane then said would not an apology be due to Mr. T. McGrath. It was told by the Sec. that no apology was necessary as the letter vindicated him, & in any case there was no allegation made to warrant an apology. Letter read from Mrs E. Wyse asking for two tickets for the Sept. Social.

#### Treasurer's Report - NONE.

#### Annual Dinner + Dance 21<sup>st</sup> Oct. 1965

The price fixed for our A.D.+D. was £2. 10. 0. a head. We had arranged for a buffet of tea or coffee + assorted biscuits to be available during the night at no extra charge. The menu was not yet decided upon. Tickets have been issued to the following. Dr. McNamee 20. Mr. T. McGrath 30. Mr. D. Leahane 20. Mr. M. Brown 20. Mr. Spillane 50. Mr. T. Wyse 20. Mrs. E. Wagstaff 20. Mr. J. Hayes 12. Mrs. P. Lucy 16. Miss A. O'Sullivan 20. Total 228. All unsold tickets to be returned to the Sec one week before the dinner. Anyone wanting more tickets to apply to the Secretary + not to other members. All tickets should be paid for before the 21<sup>st</sup> Oct. Mr. Spillane asked what arrangements were made for taking tickets on the night of the dinner. He said he had done it each year + felt it was time that someone else took over. It was suggested that we ask Pat Wooster + Secretary suggested getting a Commissioner to take the tickets with Mr. Wooster. It was agreed that the Sec. get in touch with the Corps. of Commissioners with a view to the above. They

Would need to be <sup>on</sup> duty from 7. P.M. to 10. P.M. The chairman was to contact Mr. Pat MacNamee & get in writing that he would provide the music on the night of our A.Dinner-Dance. We were to provide meal for Band.

#### Future Activities

Mr. John Hayes said he could arrange for a party of 25 to visit the House of Commons. He was to get in touch with Messrs. C. Guiness & get list of dates available for a visit. The trip to Lylesford to be deferred to next Spring. Trip to Portsmouth. It was agreed that we should leave the Irish Centre at 1. P.M. Mr. Browne suggested a coach company which was not accepted. Paddington Transport to be approached for a quotation. & the Soc to fix the price of seats to cover the cost. Each person to make own arrangements for a meal in Southsea or Portsmouth. as we would only charge for the seat on the coach.

#### A.O.B.

A member suggested that we should reduce our charge of admission to Socials, because since the price was increased the attendances had shown a big drop. Agreed that we should wait result of September social before making a change, as the low attendance over the past couple of months could be attributed to holidays. He reported that owing to Mr. Sweeney being away on holidays he was unable to state if we could change our October & November bookings at the centre from Diners & Socials to Socials only. He had been in touch with Miss Kenny & she thought there would be no objection. The chairman informed the meeting of a proposed series of articles on the activities of County Associations by the Irish Press. The word need a report & a photograph of the Committee of the Committee. Since we now have a couple of new members, he felt that we should have a photograph specially taken. It was agreed this be done at the next meeting. There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next meeting Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: D. Cahalane

Seconded: J. Hayes

Chairman. O'Fidlane

Date. 14 - 9 - 65

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept.  
Present: Mrs. P. Gillane. S. Chavis. J. O'Sullivan. Ann. Lee. Mrs. M. Murphy.  
Mrs. K. Gillane. Mrs. P. Smyth. Mrs. E. O'Sullivan. Mrs. E. Wagstaff. Messrs. D. Bohanen.  
J. F. Hayes, T. McGrath & T. McGrath.

Apologies: Dr. McNamee, Mrs. E. O'Sullivan. Mr. M. Cronin & Mr. W. Browne.

Minutes of previous meeting read & adopted.

#### Matters arising.

Secretary reported that a Photograph would be taken immediately after the meeting for the Irish Press.

Some discussion followed about the disagreements at previous meetings. A member recalled that an adequate explanation had been given about this matter & it would be best forgotten. Mrs. Smyth moved that there be no more discussion on the subject & this was seconded & carried.

#### Correspondence.

Secretary read a letter from the Emerald Staff Agency also a letter of apology from Mr. M. Cronin. He also read a letter from Mr. M. Waters, Hon. Treasurer, C. of I.C.A. in which he asked payment for free tickets given to this Assoc. for the dance in Gresham.

#### No. Treasurers Report.

#### Annual Dinner.

Secretary reported that he had engaged two commissioners to take tickets at the door. They would be on duty from 7 P.M. to 10 P.M. <sup>one to remain on until 1 A.M.</sup> at a cost of 11/3 per man per hour. The chairman (Mr. Wyse) joined the meeting at this point & took the chair. It was agreed that he put an advert in both Weekly re Annual Dinner for ~~two~~ <sup>one</sup> weeks. 25/9 & 9/10. Portsmouth coach outing cancelled owing to lack of support.

#### A.O.B.

Future socials at the Irish Centre 2/10. & 6/11/65.

Mr. J. Hayes said, re proposed House of Commons visit; that this could not take place until the end of the year or early next year.

Secretary reported that there was no vacant date as yet for the Gunners visit.

A Social Committee, <sup>meeting</sup> was

arranged for Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. next meeting Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October  
8 P.M. There being no further business the meeting closed.  
Proposed: Mrs. Smyth T. McNamee Chairman.  
Seconded: Mrs. Murphy 15-11-65 Date.

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Saturday 16th October.

Present: T. Wyse. Chairman. J. O'Sullivan Hon. Sec. P. Spillane. Vice Chairman.  
Mrs. K. Spillane, Mrs. P. Lynch. Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. E. O'Sullivan.  
Murs: M. Browne. D. Lahalane. M. Cronin. T. McGrath & T. McGeath.

Reading of minutes of last meeting deferred to next meeting,  
and devote the meeting to business of the Annual Dinner & Dance.  
This was agreed to by all present. Secretary reported that  
two Commissioners would be on duty from 7-10 P.M. & one would  
then carry on to 1 A.M. The cost would be £5. 1. 3. He also  
reported that Toast Master would be on duty from 7 P.M. The  
provisional of tickets sold was 184. with hopes for further sales.  
A member asked if any one was coming from the Excitement to  
work. Secretary reported that he had not had any communication  
from the Cork office about the dinner. After some discussion  
the Sec was instructed to phone Stephen Lahalane mid-  
day (Sunday) & find out if any one was coming over.  
Chairman reported that Mr. & Mrs. T. Lynch would be arriving  
London Airport early afternoon on the day of the dinner. & would  
be staying at the Irish Hotel.

<sup>for 21st. d.</sup> D. Lahalane resigned in protest, for due to the Chairman not accepting  
<sup>A. G. Martin's</sup> proposal. Mr. D. Lahalane proposed & T. McGeath seconded  
~~that~~ the proposal that we take nominations from the floor  
at this years A. General Meeting. The Chairman refused to  
accept this proposal. He referred back to the minutes of the  
meeting held on the 7-10-65. in which it was proposed & Seconded  
that all nominations, <sup>start</sup> be in 21 days before the A.G.M. He ~~also~~  
stated that he had no intention of altering this decision.

Meeting closed. Next meeting Monday 15-11-65 November. 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: Mrs. Spillane  
Seconded: Michael Brown

T. McNamee Chairman  
15.11.65 Date.

Minutes of the Annual General meeting of the Corkmen's Association held at the Irish Centre, Camden St. N.W.1. on Sunday 6th December 1964. commencing at 3.30. P.M.

Present: Mr. President: Mr. T. Lehane. Chairman: Mr. T. Wyse. Vice-Chairman: Mrs. E. M. O'Sullivan & Mr. P. O'Sullivan. Hon. Treasurer: Rev. Fr. T. McNamee. Hon. Secretary: J. O'Sullivan. & the members of the outgoing Committee.

Minutes:

It was proposed by Fr. McNamee, that as the minutes of the last A.G.M. had been read at a previous Committee meeting, that they now be taken as read, this was seconded & unanimously agreed to by the meeting.

Secretary's Report:

The Secretary gave a full report on the activities of the Association throughout the year. He appealed to members to support the Socials on the 1st Sat of the Month, and also to bring as many friends as possible, as this was our main source of income for the year. Young people, especially, would be very welcome and could be sure of an enjoyable few hours dancing and meeting new friends.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Fr. McNamee opened his report by stating that financially the Association had had a very successful year. He told the meeting that the Association had helped several deserving cases during the year, Fr. Browne Mission fund, an accident case & others. A balance sheet was handed to all present, and this showed us to be in the favourable position of having £137. 13. 1. in the Bank on the 1st December 1964. This report was adopted by the meeting as being very satisfactory.

Arising from this report the President - Mr. Tadg Lehane said he had the cheque for the Sean Moylan fund which he would send in the near future.

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Tom Wyse referred to the death of

one of our members, Mr. Hugh O'Neill, R.I.P. He was a very loyal Irish man, and a staunch supporter of this Association. In his death we had suffered a great loss. On the social side, he said, we had a very successful year, & thanked his fellow Officers & Committee for putting in a lot of hard work. He mentioned help that the Association had given to Fr. Browne, from Cork, and said that during the New Year we would be helping another Cork Priest who was on the Foreign Mission. He went on to say that the Corkmen's Association was formed in 1954, the 4th Co. Association to start in London. Membership is open to all Cork people living in England & their descendants, and therefore the recent formation of another association called the Cork Society was very regrettable. Mr. Wyse concluded by thanking all present for their attendance.

#### President's Address.

The President Mr. Tadg Feehan then addressed the meeting. He thanked the Chairman, Treasurer & Secretary for their reports. He also, <sup>said</sup>, that it was to be deplored that a Cork Society had been started by ex-members, and he felt that the Chairman had to remark on this. However, he hoped that no animosity would ever be shown & that its members were welcome at any time to rejoin our Association. He congratulated the Chairman in his two years of office & thanked him & Mrs. Wyse for their loyal support over the years. He also wished the Chairman every success in the work he was doing for the Council of Counties as their Secretary.

#### Election of Scrutineers.

Two scrutineers were appointed to supervise the election, namely Mr. Tadg Feehan, and Mr. P. Smyth.

#### Election of Officers & Committee.

There was only one candidate for the office of Chairman. This was the outgoing Chairman Mr. Tom Wyse, who was duly re-elected Chairman for 1965.

There were three Candidates for the two vacant positions of Vice-Chairmen. Mr. M. Browne withdrew, leaving Mrs E. M. O'Sullivan and Mr. P. Spillane who were then declared elected.

For the office of Hon Secretary the only candidate was the outgoing Secretary J. O'Sullivan. he was therefore declared elected.

For the office of Hon. Treasurer the only candidate was the outgoing Hon Treasurer. Mr. T. McNamee, he was therefore declared elected.

For Committee there were sixteen candidates for the eleven vacant positions. Of these two had already been elected to the office of Vice-Chairmen leaving fourteen. Of these one was not present at the meeting therefore his name was withdrawn. For domestic reasons Mr. T. Blake withdrew his name. Mrs Wyse also asked to be excused. This left eleven candidates who were declared elected to the Committee for 1965. Mrs. D. Murphy, Mrs. P. Spillane, Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Messrs: M. Browne, M. Brown, D. Behan, B. Gallagher, T. Harrington, T. Mc Grath, & T. Mc Grath.

The President then congratulated the officers & Committee & wished them every success during the next 12 months. He congratulated the Chair on his third year of office. He welcomed back one old member to the Committee Mr. Ted Mc Grath. & one new member Mrs. J. O'Sullivan.

#### H. O. B.

A member suggested we raise the price of admission to 3/- for Socials. This was deferred until later, when the new Hall would be available. It would then be considered by the Committee. A member asked to have the menu changed for our 1965 Annual Dinner & Dance. The Chairman reported that we had already made arrangements with the caterer for the 1965 dinner, but that the suggestion would be considered for the following year. The same

members said that we should at least approach the management of the bar license re high prices for wines & drinks in general and also about the bad service the previous year. A member asked if the monthly socials could be started earlier. He was informed that this was something over which we had no control, irrespective of starting time most people came when convenient for them.

Mr. P. Gillane said he wished to make it clear that contrary to the beliefs of many people he was not a founder member of this Association. A member raised the point re membership subscriptions and asked that it be inserted in the constitution that 10% covered husband & wife. This was agreed to and the chairman <sup>also</sup> asked the secretary to mention it in a newsletter. A member suggested that a diary be printed & include a list of the members, and said it could be sold to members for 5/- . No decision was taken on this, it could be discussed later by the committee. The meeting closed by the chairman asking the Sec. to report on forthcoming events. He then stated that a children's party was to be held on Sunday 20th Dec. at 3 P.M. in the Irish Centre. Also a dinner & dance had been arranged for New Years Eve. Tickets 2/- each. There being no further business the meeting closed at 5 P.M.

J. Gillane.

I. V. alpe chairman.  
5/12/65 date.

Proposed:

Seconded:

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 15th November 1965.

Present: Mr. T. McNamee. Hon. Treasurer. J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec. Mrs. K. Spillane. Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Mrs. E. Wagstaff. Messrs. M. Browne, M. Brown, T. McGrath & J. McNamee.

Apologies: Mr. T. Wyse. Mr. P. Spillane, Mr. John Hayes. Miss O'Sullivan  
In the absence of the Chairman (who was ill) & both Vice-Chairman, the Treasurer Mr. McNamee took the chair nominated by Mrs. M. Murphy & seconded by Mrs. K. Spillane. The minutes of two past meetings were read & adopted.

#### Matters Arising.

Mr. M. Brown stated that Mr. Stephen Leighton of the Cork Chamber was annoyed at not being invited to our Annual Dinner. Secretary replied that he had invited a man from the Cork Office, & that he was coming over for the dinner. Mrs. J. McGrath said that Danny Cahalane had resigned at the last meeting. ~~at the previous meeting~~. Secretary had not understood this and the minutes were amended to include D. Cahalane's resignation.

#### Correspondence.

Secretary read a letter re nursing positions for girls in an Irish Hospital in Co. Wicklow. Hand bills & posters were issued to several members of the Committee who promised to distribute them in various parts of London. A letter of thanks ~~was received~~ for invitation to annual dinner was received from Mr. Jack Lynch, T.D.

The Secretary handed over the proceeds of the Council of Counties Cambridgeshire Draw to the Treasurer, which came to £8. plus 10/- which Mrs. M. Murphy kindly donated. The Secretary then read the nominations for Candidates for A.G.M. 17 nomination papers were received. For the office of Chairman: Mr. T. McNamee, Mr. T. McGrath, Mr. P. Spillane, Mr. T. Wyse, Mr. D. Cahalane.

For Vice-Chairman: Mrs. John Hayes, Mrs. E. M. O'Sullivan, Mrs. P. Smyth,  
Mrs. E. Wagstaff, Mrs. Spillane, Mr. J. McGrath, Mr. M. Browne,  
J. O'Sullivan.

For the office of Hon. Secretary: Mr. P. Mosley, Mr. J. O'Sullivan,  
Mr. J. McGrath, Mr. D. Cahalane, Mr. M. Browne, Mrs. J. Hayes.

For the Office of Hon. Treasurer: Mr. T. Wyse, Mr. M. Browne,  
Mr. J. McGrath, Mr. D. Cahalane, Mr. P. Spillane.

For Committee there were 37 candidates.

#### Treasurer's Report.

This showed a still healthy balance in the bank of £163-12-0. out of this a few items of expenditure were then met. The committee members then paid for tickets sold for Annual Dinner & Dance, making a total of 132. with some still outstanding. A short discussion followed on this event, most members agreeing that even though it was very enjoyable, there were still some improvements which could be made. It was agreed that this be fully discussed later.

#### A.O.B.

Mr. J. McGrath reported that one new member had paid twice for her membership card, so it was agreed that 10/- be refunded to her. The name of another paid up member Mrs Burke which had inadvertently been omitted from the list of members, was inserted for 1965. There being no other business the meeting closed.

#### Addition to the Constitution

The following addition was received to be inserted after the first paragraph of No. 4. "Only people of Cork birth and/or descent shall be eligible to become officers of the Association or members of the committee"

Signed: S. Mc Namara. (Raw). 12-11-65.

Proposed: Mrs. M. Murphy  
Seconded: Mrs. D. Cahalane

Chairman: T. Mc Ardle  
Date: 13.12.65

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 13<sup>th</sup>  
December 1965.

Present: Dr. M. W. Nwamara. Chairman.

J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec. T. Wyse. Treasurer.

Dr. M. Duggan. Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Mrs. M. Murphy.

Mrs. M. Cronin. A. Morley. A. Morrissey, D. O'Regan. B. Young.

Apologetes: Mrs. P. Smyth. Mrs. T. Lee. Miss E. M. O'Leary. Mrs. J. O'Bryan.  
B. Lussen.

The Chairman Dr. M. Nwamara declared the meeting  
opened & welcomed the newly elected committee, and said  
he felt sure we would have a very happy year working  
together.

Minutes of previous meeting were then read & adopted.

No matters arising from the minutes.

#### Correspondence.

The Sec read a letter from a Cork firm  
offering Christmas Cards of Cork places of interest. Sample  
Cards were handed round. All present felt that it was too  
late to order for this year, but the chairman asked the  
Sec to bring it up at a meeting about next Sept.  
The cost of the cards would be 48/- per Gross. F.O.B. plus  
duty about 10%. He also read a letter from Hon. Sec.  
C.O.I.C.A. informing us that the John F. Kennedy hall had  
been allocated to us for a function on New Years night.  
1st Jan. 1966. Letters of acceptance were read from the following  
Mr. S. Desmond. Lord Mayor of Cork. Mr. M. P. Murphy. T.D. Chairman  
Cork Co. Council. Most Rev. Dr. Purdie. DD. Protestant Bishop of  
Cork, whom we had again invited to be Patrons of the  
Association for the coming year. ~~a further~~ a second letter was  
read from the Sec of the C.O.I.C.A. offering us 5 tickets for  
Dance in Hammersmith on the 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. The chairman said  
if no one wanted them the Association would pay the 35/-  
New Years night Dinner & Dance.

The chairman reported that we  
had fixed to hold a Dinner & Dance on New Years night.

The menu would be either turkey or chicken. We had engaged Pat McNamee's Band for the Dance. Tickets would 2/- include. Dance only 4/-. We also agreed to have no guests at the function. We should make every effort to start at 7.30 P.M. sharp. Inquiries were to be made about a piper for that night. T. Wyse, M.C. Dinner tickets were then issued to members.

Fr. Leo. Namara.	10	Dinner & D.	+	11.	Dance tickets.
Mr. Morrosey.	6.	"	+	6	"
Mr. B. Young.	6	"			
Mr. T. Wyse.	10	"	-	4	10 "
Mrs. Murphy.	10	"	-	4	"
Fr. Duggan.	6	"	-	6	"
Mr. W. Curran.	<u>4</u>	"			<u>57.</u>

### Childrens Party.

The Leo was instructed to book the Hall at the Centre for Sunday 23rd Jan. if not available on this date 16.1.66. He was also to mention it in news letter & insert an application form for the names & ages & sex of members children who would be attending the party.

### Autumn Events

London Transport Catholic Guild were anxious to have a quiz competition with us. The chairman Fr. Leo Namara felt we should make every effort to get a good quiz team for next years competition. The following team leaders were appointed. David O'Regan, Brian Young, Bill Morley & M. O'Mahoney. They are to get teams of five for a friendly match & from these we were to select 5 with a couple of subs.

Suggested also that we should try to get the Flashy Ring film. If this could be arranged, we would <sup>hire</sup> ~~get~~ the Gresham Hall for this event.

### A.O.B.

Mr. T. Wyse said Jim Nichols was getting up a fund for Mrs. Gary whose husband had died recently. we agreed to

contribute £5 towards this fund. The Sec brought up the subject of the stolen record player which had been replaced at his own expense by Mr. Tom Wyse. all present felt that this was most unfair, as it had not been ~~the~~ fault of Mr. Wyse that it was stolen. It was therefore suggested the bill for the ~~new~~ new record player be paid for out of the Association's funds. All present agreed.

There being no further business the meeting closed next meeting Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Dec. 8.30 P.m.

Proposed.: Mr. Murphy

Chairman. J. McNamee

Seconded : E.O. Corrigan

Date: 29.12.65

Motions of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Wed. 29.12.65.

Present: Dr. J. McNamee. P.P. Chairman.

Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs. E. M. O'Sullivan. V.O.

J. O'Sullivan Hon. Sec. & Mr. T. Wyse. Hon. Treasurer.

Mrs. J. Lee. Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Mrs. M. Murphy. Mr. McNamee  
& Mr. A. Morrissey.

Apologees: Rev. Fr. Duggan. Messrs. A. Connell. D. O'Regan. A. Morley  
~~A. Connell~~.

Motions of previous meeting read & adopted. No matters arising  
Correspondence.

The Sec read a letter from Bishop Lucey of Cork, accepting our invitation to be Patron of the Association for the next year. He also read a letter from Mr. M. O'Connell Hon. Sec. of the C. of I.C.A. stating that we had only one booking 1.12. 1st Jan 1966. in the first 4 months of the year. The Sec. also read out names of children who wished to attend the party on the 23rd Jan.

New Years Night Dinner & Dance.

It appeared that 64 tickets were sold for the Dinner & Dance & 6舞 only tickets. The menu would be. Soup, Chicken & Bacon, Veg. Sweet & Coffee. Mrs. Lee promised to buy 3 double shot Prizes for the Annual Childrens Party: Mrs. P. Smyth reported that she was

buying toys at an average cost of 5/- per head. It was agreed that she should get 6 doz. It was agreed that the two of the ladies present should see the Manager after the meeting & arrange about the table layout for the Party. It was agreed that we should provide hats, balloons & crepe paper. Mrs. O'Halloran was to be asked to play the accordion & we ~~were~~<sup>are</sup> to have our own record player as well. Mrs. Lee said she would supply some records. Mr. Wyse was to arrange for a Ventriloquist to be present & to get the St. Christopher robe.

#### London Transport Quiz.

of the London It was agreed that an arrangement with Sec of the London Transport Catholic Guild to meet them for quiz on Tuesday 1st Feb. To prepare for this members of the Committee suggested that we have an inter Assoc. quiz on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Jan. for the purpose of preparing & selecting a team. Team leaders already appointed had promised to do their best to bring along as many as possible.

Mr. Wyse & Mrs. M. Murphy our representatives at the Council of Churches meeting, reported that our affiliation fee was outstanding for the St. Patrick's Day Parade (£3). Also it had been suggested at this meeting that all Assoc., march under the Colours on Easter Sunday & not under individual Association Banners. This Parade is to proceed from Horse Guards Parade to Trafalgar Sq. following Mass in Southwark Cathedral. Th Police are to be approached to ascertain if it will be possible that the marching ranks are not interrupted by traffic.

#### Membership.

The Treasurer reported that 16 members were paid up to date. Mr. Wyse suggested that we have a new membership card, this should be in fold over type, containing information like, Officers & Committee members names & extracts from the constitution. It was also suggested by Mr. Wyse that certain stores be asked if they would discount to Association members on purchase of this

board. It was agreed that Mr. Wyse draft a letter to be sent to Stones in the London Area.

A. O. B.

Mr. Wyse read a letter from Fr. Browne in Ghana appealing for some immediate material help if possible. Fr. Browne said there would be only two Priests to 6,000 Catholics in that area for at least the next nine months & his Superior was on sick leave. He had his car repaired but still owed the bill. He also needed funds for to cover the cost of church Silver Jubilee celebration & reception of a new Priest. This was felt by all the committee to be a very deserving cause. It was suggested sending £30 £6 of which had already been collected by Mr. Wyse, but this amount was deferred until the New Years Night Dinner, when Fr. McSwanara would appeal for donations, also the proceeds of a raffle of a bottle of whiskey was to be added.

Mr. Wyse asked to have Annual Dinner &c. on the agenda for the next meeting as we would have to fix a venue.

A member reported that we owe the Centre 17/6<sup>d</sup> for fees etc. since our A.G.M.

There being no further business the meeting closed. Next meeting Monday 17-1-66. 8.15 P.M.  
Proposed: Mr. Murphy : T. McSwanra Chairman.  
Seconded. A. Morrissey : 17.1.66 Date.

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Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 17th Jan. 66.  
Present.

R.W. Fr. T. McSwanra. P.P. Chairman.

Mrs. P. Smyth & Mrs. E. M. O'Sullivan. V.C.

Mr. T. Wyse. Hon. Treasurer. T. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.

Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Messrs. D. O'Regan.

Col. Murphy. A. Morrissey.

Apologies Fr. Duggan.

Mrs. J. Lee. B. Young. & C. O'Connell who joined us just as the meeting closed. apologized for his absence, saying that he was at a meeting of the Irish Centre, re building development.

Minutes of the previous meeting read & adopted. There were no matters arising from these minutes.

### Correspondence.

The Secretary read a letter from the Secretary of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee which was by way of being a progress report on the activities of the committee. 4 tickets for their dance at the Ascanmore Dancer Club. on the 21st Jan were enclosed. These tickets were offered to members, as no one seemed to want them. Our chairman said they would be paid for out of the funds. A letter was read from Hon. Mr. London Transport Catholic Guild informing our date with them for a friendly quiz at the Irish Centre on Tuesday, 1st Feb. 1966. at 9.30 P.M. Mrs. T. Wyse. B. M. A letter was also read from Fr. M. Duggan. in which he expressed his regret at not being able to attend the meeting. He enclosed £1. for 5 dance tickets for New Years night Dance. & also returned 6 dinner tickets.

Treasurers Report. Trade Enquiries. Mr. Wyse read several replies to his letters sent to firms in many parts of London. They promised discounts of from 10% to 25% on all purchases made by members of the Association. of Cars. Jewellery, Electrical Goods, Wines, Spirits, Clothes, etc. He expected to have a lot more replies in the next few days.

### Childrens Party.

Mr. Wyse said he now had got the balloons, hats. & the Christmas outfit he said would be available on the Friday before the Party. Dr. McNamee & Mr. Whaley were to arrange for an accordionist to be present at the Party. The Sec reported that the Manager had promised to supply assorted sandwiches, biscuits, Orange & Lemon drinks as required & jelly & Ice cream & fruit salad. The cost would be in the region of £8-£9. for 60. Children tea & sandwiches would also be made available for Parents & helpers. Mrs. Lyttle said she had 60. Presents ready. She would also get

Mrs. M. Murphy very generously donated a quantity of sweets, of which each child received a packet as they went home, she also gave a very nice selection of cakes.

some boxes of crackers. It was agreed that some members of the Committee should endeavour to come early on the Sunday to help with the laying tables etc. The following agreed to report at 1.45 P.M. Dr. McNamee. T. Wyse. Mrs. O'Sullivan. Mrs. M. Murphy. 1966. Annual Dinner & Dance. Nothing to report on at the moment.

### Future Socials.

It was agreed we should hold a social on the 5th February in the "Dublin Castle". Our chairman reported that this hall would be more suitable for a social than a dance. He stated that 100 people would probably fill it. It was also suggested we should hold a social in the Hall at St. Monica's, Howth Sq. but no date was fixed for this event. Dr. Browne Head.

Treasurer T. Wyse said he had sent off a cheque <sup>for £50</sup> to Dr. Browne. Donations received as a result of chairman's appeal at dinner on New Years night came to £26. Raffle £13. Profit from door £5. Plus sum of £6 which Dr. Wyse had in hands from his own efforts brought the figure to the £50.

New Years night Dances done a/c. 60. People Seated at Dinner.

The following paid:

Mrs. Smyth	10 tickets	£10. 10. 0.
Mrs. M. Murphy	1 -	1. 1. 0.
A. Morrissey	8 -	8. 8. 0.
J. O'Sullivan	4 -	4. 4. 0.
D. McCarthy	4 -	4. 4. 0.
T. Wyse	14 -	14. 14. 0.
Dr. McNamee	12. + 4D.	13. 8. 0.
Fr. Duggan.	(53) 5Dance	1. 0. 0.
Total.		£57. 9. 0

There were still 8 tickets to be paid for.

A.O.B. Mrs. Murphy reported that two members were not receiving news letters. a Mr. Higarty & a Mr. Flannigan. Sec. reported that news letters were sent to all members but failed to find a member by the name of Flannigan.

on the membership list:

The following were nominated by us for the Executive of the C. of I.C.A.  
Annual General meeting on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1966.

Chairman. Mr. T. Conway. V.C. Mrs. T. Noonan. Treasurer. Mr. Waters.  
Hon Sec. Mr. W. O'Connell.

Mr. Wyse read a letter from a lady requesting information about  
1st & 3rd Battalions of the Irish Guards. 1914-18. War. As we were  
not in a position to deal with this, it was agreed that Mr. Wyse  
should pass the letter on to the Irish Guards.

There being no further business the meeting closed. Next  
meeting Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Proposed: Mrs. Murphy

Chairman: T. Conway

Seconded: Tom Wyse

Date : 15-2-66

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on ~~Tuesday~~ 15<sup>th</sup> Feb  
1966.

Present: Rev. Fr. T. McNamee. P.P. Chairman.

Mrs. P. Smyth. V.C.

Mr. T. Wyse. Hon. Treasurer. Mr. J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Secretary.

Rev. Fr. M. Buggan. O.S.A. Mrs. T. Lee, Mrs. M. Murphy. Misses. S.  
O'Sullivan. Misses. E.B. Carson, A. Morley, A. O'Connell, & S. O'Regan.

Apologies. Miss. E. M. O'Sullivan. & Mr. M. Carson.

Minutes of the previous meeting read & adopted.

#### Matters Arising

Mr. Wyse reported that he had sent the letter referred  
to in the minutes to the Irish Guards.

#### Correspondence.

Secretary read a letter from Dr. Murray Irish centre  
asking the Association to sell the four books of tickets which he  
had enclosed. Secretary read a letter from the Irish Dairy Produce  
Board re. Kerry Gold Butter. The meeting agreed that the last paragraph  
of this letter should be put in a newsletter. In this paragraph people  
were asked to report if the found Kerrygold was badly presented or  
had ~~disintegrated~~ through age. Letter read from the Hon. Treasurer of the  
C. of I.C.A. acknowledging £10 received from as for the Cambridgeshire Draw.

Letter read from Mr. P. Spellane in reply to a letter from your Secretary re tickets for 1965. A. D. W. In his reply he stated that he did not owe any cash for tickets. Arising from a discussion in this letter, the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Spellane & ask him to give the names of the people in his party who had attended the dinner.

#### Treasurer Report.

Mr. Wyse read a long & amusing letter from Dr. Brown in which he thanked us for our very generous gift. Mr. Wyse read several letters from firms re discount scheme. He said a full list of the firms would be compiled & sent to members in the very near future. The new membership cards would be available shortly.

#### Charity Ring Film.

It was agreed that we show this film with two other supporting films. i.e. Film Tour of Ireland - a colour film of the late President Kennedy's visit to Ireland in the following halls if available. Gresham, Rossmore, Emerald, Hammersmith, Galtee more, buckwood. & possibly in the Irish Centre. & St. Monica's Weston Sq.

#### Annual Dinner 1966.

Our chairman had a selection of venues from the Gresham. prices from 31/- to 36/. These prices included the band. The Criterion had quoted 35/- for steak dinner, this price did not include the late night charge. Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October was available at each of these venues. It was agreed after a discussion that we should seek quotations from Connaught Room & Hotel Europa. The meeting further agreed that the Officers could arrange a venue for our dinner before next meeting.

#### A. O. B.

The Secretary reported that Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> September was available to us for a visit to Guinness Brewery. The meeting agreed that we should accept this date. A bill from the Irish Club was given to Mr. W. O'Connell who said he would investigate one of the items mentioned in same. Chairman reported that our social at the Dublin Castle was not the success

that it should have been. In view of this we have no Saturday bookings at the Irish Centre in the next few months it was suggested we have a mid week dinner. Thursday 21st April was suggested if the date was available. venue Colclough & Ham. Tickets 2/-.

There being no further business the meeting closed. Next meeting fixed for Tuesday 8th March. 8.15. P.M.

Proposed: Mrs Smyth  
Seconded: Mrs Murphy

Chairman: E. M. O'Sullivan  
Date: 8-3-66

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tuesday 8th March.

Present: Mrs E. M. O'Sullivan - Mrs. P. Smyth Vice Chairman.

Mr. T. Wyse. Hon. Treasurer - T. O'Sullivan. Hon. Secretary.

Rev Fr. Duggan. Mrs. T. Lee, Mrs. T. O'Sullivan. Mrs. M. Murphy.

Mrs. A. Morley. Mr. D. O'Regan.

Apologies: Mr. W. O'Connell - Mr. W. Brown: Dr. McNamee sent his apologies & said he would join the meeting about 9 o'clock.

Mrs O'Sullivan declared the meeting open & asked the Sec to read the minutes of the last meeting, these were then read & adopted.

Matters Arising:

Mr. Wyse read a letter from Mr. W. O'Connell in which he explained that the item on bill from Irish Club which he had inquired for us appeared to be for two lunches that were charged to a Mr. O'Sullivan. The Secretary said he had no knowledge of this & certainly had not incurred this debt. The Chairman (Mrs O'Sullivan) said a mistake could have been made, as another gentleman of the same name was in the habit of having lunches at the club.

Mr. Wyse was asked to inform Mr. O'Connell that we were not prepared to pay this item without further investigation. The Sec informed the ~~correspondence~~ meeting that he had no reply from Mr. P. Spillane to his letter requesting the names of his guests at our G.D. 1965.

Correspondence:

Sec read a letter from Mr. M. Waters quoit competition organiser in which he stated we were drawn against Longford in 1st Round of the Inter-County Quoit Championship 1966. He also stated that 1st round should be completed by 1st May.

Fr. McNamee joined the meeting here. ~ the next item discussed was the Christy Ring Film. Mr. Mc. informed the meeting that the Gresham would be available to us on any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. He also said Christy Ring may be coming over at Easter, he was unable to get anything definite from the London Co. Board, but that he would contact them again next day. The Sec reported that he was having trouble in contacting Mr. Burns of the Galtee more.

#### 1966. Annual Dinner & Dance.

We had a choice of three venues for this function, i.e. The Criterion, The Gresham, Hotel Europa. These were more discussed at some length. ~ it was finally agreed to hold our Annual Dinner 1966. at the Hotel Europa. to whom we have to guarantee 250. guests. Service charge 10%. Flowers for top table free. rest at  $\frac{1}{2}$  per head. The following names were put forward for Chief Guests. Dr. Lucy, Dr. Ahern. Lord Mayor of Cork. Vice Chairman. P.P.C. No decision taken on these.

#### Chicken & Ham Dinner at Irish Centre. 28.-4.-66.

Sec suggested as we had turned down the Gresham as a venue for our A. Dinner & D. why not hold a dinner there in May or June. It was agreed by all present that we hold a dinner there on Thursday 12th May if the hall was available. Fr. McNamee agreed to see Mr. Gorman about this. The Sec was then instructed to cancel of booking with the Irish centre for the 28th April.

#### A.O.B.

Fr. McNamee congratulated Tom Wyse on his election to the executive of the C. of I.C.A.

There being no further business the meeting closed. Next meeting Monday 28th March. 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: B. Crossen

Chairman: J. McNamee

Seconded: M. Murphy

Date: 28.3.66

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish centre on Monday 28th March 1965.

Present: Rev. Fr. T. McNamee. P.P. Chairman.

Mrs O'Sullivan. & Mrs. P. Lynch V. Chairman. T. O'Sullivan. Hon. Secretary.

Rev. Fr. W. Duggan. Mrs. M. Murphy. Messrs. E. R. Lussen. M. Brown;  
A. Moriarty. D. O'Regan.

Apologies. Mrs. T. wise. Mrs. T. O'Sullivan. Mr. T. Wyse & Mrs. M. O'Connell.

Minutes of previous meeting, read & adopted.

Business.

Chairman informed the meeting that Christy Ring would not be coming over at Easter, so we would carry on our original plan - hold the film shows at the following places. 1.2. Tues 3rd May at the Gresham Ballroom. Wed 11th May Emerald Hall Hammersmith. Thursday 19th May. St Monica's Hospital Sq. Wed 25th May. Gallymore. Bricklewood. No possible booking of the Ballroom at the Irish Club for this film show. Secretary to make inquiries as to the leading accommodation & available dates. The Secretary had reported that he had informed <sup>in writing</sup> owners' acceptance of the Hotel Europa. as the venue for our 1966. Annual Dinner & Dance. 27th Oct. 1966. Secretary also reported that he had cancelled our booking with the Irish Centre for the 28th April. (Lunch & Ham dinner).

Complaints.

Mr. T. Conway ~~and others~~ sent us 10 tickets for the bazaar at Kinsale Town Hall. Easter Monday. The following brought these. Dr. McNamee 2. 10/- P. Mrs. P. Lynch. 2. 10/- P. Mrs. M. Murphy 2. 10/- P. 6 = 30/- cash. The Sec read a letter from John Heide Ltd (Dublin) offering us their first issue of the 1967 "Beautiful Ireland" calendars, a copy of which was handed round. They quoted us a price of 5/- each including postage & Purchase Tax. for a minimum order of 12. Several members were interested & asked if any further reduction would be made on orders for 5 to 10 doz. The Secretary was asked to contact them on this point.

1965. Annual Dinner. Dr. McNamee informed the meeting that we were paid for 6 of the outstanding tickets.

1966. Annual Dinner & Dance. It was proposed & seconded that we invite Bishop Ahern to be chief guest at our dinner.

If he was unable to accept, we would then invite the Lord Mayor of Cork.

Dr. Mc Namara informed the meeting that the Cork hurling team were invited to play at Wembley at Whit. He suggested that we ask them to be our guests at a dinner at the Irish Club. This to be held on Whit Sunday. The meeting agreed to this. The Secretary said he had sent a telegram to the team congratulating them on their win over Waterford.

#### A. O. B.

Chairman asked the Secretary if there was any tickets available to us from the Easter week Committee for the dinner at the Irish Club on the 16th April. Secretary informed him that he had received no correspondence about these. The only member present wishing to attend was Miss O'Sullivan. The Secretary said he would get her a ticket.

Quo championship 1966. He was still waiting for Lurgford to name the day & venue for 1st round in Aug. It was suggested we get in touch with Sligo & arrange to have a friendly <sup>quo</sup> after our next meeting.

Mr. E. B. Curran paid his 10/- subscription for 1966.

There being no further business the meeting the meeting closed. Next meeting Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April. 8.15. P.M.

Proposed: Tom Murphy Chairman : T. Mr. O'Sullivan  
Seconded: Donald O'Regan Date : 18-4-66

Minutes of meeting held at the G.C. on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April

Present: Miss E. M. O'Sullivan. & Mrs. P. Smyth. Vice Chairman.

Mr. T. Wyse. Hon. Treasurer & J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.

Mrs. M. Murphy. Messrs. N. Conne, C. Morley & D. O'Regan.

Apologies. Dr. Mc Namara. Mrs. T. Lee, Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Mr. B. Curran  
& Mr. B. Young.

In the absence of the chairman Miss O'Sullivan V.C. declared the meeting opened & asked the Sec to read the minutes of the last meeting. These were then read & adopted.

Matters Arising. The Secretary informed the meeting that the

Ballroom at the Irish Club would seat 300. ~ that he had booked it for our film show on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May. ~ He also read a letter from Gael-Linn in which they stated that the "Christie Ring" film was being sent from their Armagh Office to Dr. McNamee. They promised it would be despatched in good time to reach us before the 3<sup>rd</sup> May. They also mentioned that the charge for the 5 showings of the film would be £7. plus carriage. ~ Board Gaillí were providing the supporting films. ~ The Irish Embassy were providing the Kennedy Film. The Sec also stated that Board Gaillí were providing a projector & operator. The Secretary reported that it was now almost certain that the Cork hurling team would be our guests at the dinner at I. Club on that Sunday night.

Correspondence.

Secretary read a letter from Mr. M. Waters reminding us that we had not yet paid our 1966. affiliation fee. ~ would we arrange to pay this before the Council meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> April.

Secretary also read a letter from Fr. E. Casey in which he told us of a proposed meeting to be held in the Emerald Hall, Hanover Street at 3 P.M. this meeting would be addressed by Fr. MacDyer, the Priest who is taking a very active part in the "Save the West" Campaign. He enclosed 5. 2/6<sup>d</sup> tickets for the meeting which the members bought. He was to apply for 4 more tickets.

The Secretary read letters from members who had sent him the 1966. membership fee. These he handed to Mr. Wyse.

A.O.B.

A member asked if it would be possible to arrange an outing to Portsmouth. Dates suggested, Sat. 4<sup>th</sup> or Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> June. Secretary to get in touch with Mr. Kirby. Mr. O'Regan said that as we appeared to have a very full programme for the next couple of months it might be a good idea to obtain the utmost publicity by advertising in both Weekly Examiners. Mr. Wyse agreed to inform Mr. Whelan, London Editor. Further to this it was agreed to send a large advertisement concerning the Christie Ring<sup>film</sup> to the C.W. to be inserted on the 29<sup>th</sup> April.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Subsequent meeting Monday 2nd May 1966.

Proposed: C. Morrissey

Chairman: T. McNamee

Seconded: T. Wyse

Date: 2. 5. 1966

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 2nd May, 1966.

Present: Rev. Fr. T. McNamee. Chairman. Mrs. E. M. O'Sullivan. V. Chairman.

Messrs. T. Wyse. Hon. Treasurer & T. O'Sullivan Hon. Secretary.

Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. T. O'Sullivan. Messrs. Mr. Crossan.  
C. O'Connell. S. Morley. A. Morrissey.

Apologies: Mrs. P. Smyth. Mrs. T. Lee. Mr. D. O'Regan. J. J. Duggan  
Minutes of previous meeting read & adopted.

Matters Arising:

The Treasurer reported that he had paid the affiliation fee to C. of I.C.A. He also stated that his paid up membership was now 65. Order of showing the film at the Gresham was as follows. Ireland at your ease, Kennedy in Ireland, Christy Ring. Re-Dinner on the 29th May. Chairman reported that the Cork team had been invited to play at New Eltham. Lee was asked to write Mr. L. Murphy for list of names of team & officials who would be attending the dinner.

Trip to Portsmouth.

The Secretary reported that he had written to Mr. T. Kirby & so far he had not received a reply. A member suggested that we should invite the Portsmouth up to London for a social evening. No decision was taken on this, but we were to enquire if the Irish Centre had given them a date for a visit to the Centre. A member suggested that we should wait until the end of September, when holidays would be over before inviting them.  
Hand bills for Film Show.

Mr. Wyse reported that he had given out hand bills at New Eltham. Mrs. O'Sullivan & Mrs. Murphy agreed to give them out in Hammersmith & Clapham. It was agreed that Fr. McNamee would introduce the main film at

the Grusham ~~met~~ on Tuesday night. Stewards for each film show as follows: Grusham: Mr. Wyse & T.O'Sullivan. Balham: Mrs. O'Sullivan & Mr. O'Connell. Hammersmith: Mrs. M. Murphy & Mr. A. Morley. Irish Club: Fr. De Souza & T.O'Sullivan. Hoxton: Mr. T. Wyse & Fr. Duggan. Gallymore: Mrs. P. Smyth. Mrs. J. Lee, Mr. A. Morrissey. It was also agreed that any members of committee attending any of the shows should be prepared to help if wanted. Mr. Wyse agreed to get a roll of 3/- admission tickets. He now Wyse reported that he had collected the Kennedy film from the Irish Embassy.

#### A. O. B.

The chairman reported that he was sure we would be able to get the Grusham for a dance, but he said we should make a big effort - sell tickets before the dance date, a suggestion was made that we put a couple of tickets in with each newsletter. Mrs. O'Sullivan said that Mr. B. Daly had told her we could have a dance in the Hall. Sullivan Broadway. No decision was taken on either of the above proposed dances. The Secretary reported that he had received cash for some of the tickets sent out with newsletter for Fr. Crowley's dance in the Gallymore. Mr. A. Morley paid 10/- for his tickets; ~~and~~ & Mr. A. Morrissey likewise. Agreed that we put advert in b.w. on the 13th inst. for dinner on 29th.

There being no further business the meeting closed. adjourned meeting Tuesday 24th May. 8.15. P.M.

Proposed: Fr. Duggan

Chairman: T. McNamee

Seconded: Mrs. Murphy

Date: 24-5-66,

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Tuesday 24th May. 1966.

Present: Fr. T. De Souza. Chairman.

Mrs. P. Smyth & Mrs. E. M. O'Sullivan. Vice Chairs.

Mr. T. Wyse Am. Treasurer & T. O'Sullivan. Hon. Sec.

Rev. Fr. M. Duggan. Mrs. M. Murphy & Mrs. T. O'Sullivan.

Messrs. B. Curran A. Morrissey. D. O'Regan.

Apologies: Mrs. J. Lee. & Messrs. M. Cronin, A. Morley & B. Young.

Minutes of previous meeting read & adopted.

Matters Arising.

Mrs O'Sullivan reported she had not seen B. Daly about dance in Fulham.

Correspondence.

Most Rev. Dr. T. Shearn, D.D. Bishop of Clogher wrote stating that it gave him great pleasure to accept our invitation to be chief Guest at our Annual Dinner in October. Secretary of the Irish Centre ~~was~~ wrote & asked us to nominate our representative to the Council of the Irish Centre. Fr. McNamee was proposed for this, but he declined. Mrs O'Sullivan was then proposed to represent us. all present agreed to this. A letter was read from Mr. Tom Walsh Manager Irish Centre Liverpool requesting information about Schenley Ring film. The Sec. reported he had written to Mr. Walsh giving him details of how to get this film. Treasurer's report.

Mr. Wyse reported income from film shows to date £122-17-6. with approx £62 expenses. He also stated that we had 80 paid up members to date.

James for future socials. This item was discussed at some length. - it was agreed that Tom Wyse should enquire about St Michael's Hall, Victoria & Carlton Hall, Westminster. Mrs O'Sullivan to make enquiries about Kings Hall. Fr. McNamee was to approach Mrs. T. Gorman about dance in Gresham. <sup>Mrs. M. Murphy.</sup> ~~Mrs. O'Sullivan~~ said that the manager of the Emerald Dance Hall, said we could have a raffle there any Saturday night, no decision taken on this.

Mr. Wyse said he did not have time to tabulate the letters received re discount scheme. Mr. Basson took the folder & said he would see what he could do with them.

Whit-Sunday dinner. Irish Centre. Secretary reported that he had received <sup>28.</sup> tickets so far. He then gave <sup>6</sup> to those present: Bakeron. 3. cheque. Fr. Duggan. 2. cash. Fr. McNamee. 3. cash. + 4. ch. + 6. cash. T. Wyse. 6. cash. Mrs. Longue. 6. ch. Mrs. Murphy. 1. ch. <sup>+ 6. cash.</sup> Miss Miller 1. ch. This made the total paid £6. Cash received for 43. tickets. It was agreed that the Secretary should give a final figure to the Club.

on Friday night. The following guest had accepted invitations Mr & Mrs. T. Conway.  
Mr. T. Gorman. Cork Team & officials 23. Mr & Mrs. Mullarkey. It was agreed  
by all that Mr. Whelan be invited from Cork Examiner & Mr & Mrs. Byrne.  
Buckleywood. It was also agreed that the Sec & Treasurer & their wives  
should sit at the top table. Name to be put on top table - on centre  
table for the Team.

Portsmouth outing.

The following booked seats. Mr. M. Brown. 1. Mr. Wyse. 6. Dr. Duggan 1.

Mrs O'Sullivan 1. Mrs. Murphy 1. Dr. McNamee. 3. Mr. & Mrs. Moroney 2.

Mr. Wyse said he had trouble in getting a coach, due to the late  
hours of return. & the one he managed to engage was costing £28.

There being no further business the meeting closed. Next  
meeting Monday 20th June 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: Mary Murphy

Chairman: Dr. McNamee

Seconded: Mrs. O'Sullivan

Vote: 20. 6. 66

Minutes of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 20th June, '66.

Present: Dr. T. McNamee. P.P. Chairman.

J. O'Sullivan. Hon. Secretary.

Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Misses. Mrs. Conroy, A. Murphy.

W. O'Connell, D. O'Regan.

Minutes of the previous meeting read, & adopted.

Matters arising from minutes. "Beautiful Ireland" calendar.

The Secretary reported that we were to be allowed 5% discount  
on the price quoted. i.e. (5/10). This would now make the price 5/6½<sup>d</sup>  
per calendar. ~~etc.~~ The following placed orders for calendar.

D. O'Regan. 1 doz. Mrs. Murphy 1 doz. Dr. McNamee. 1 doz. Mrs. O'Sullivan. 1 doz.  
A. Murphy 1 doz. It was agreed that we take 10 doz in all.

Except Portsmouth Outing. Dr. McNamee reported that it was a very  
unpleasant trip, but that it would financially show a big loss.  
Dr. McNamee said that in future we should allow a larger margin  
of profit on the price of coach seats. This would help to cover  
loss if all seats were not booked.

Holidays: Mrs. O'Sullivan. Mrs. Smyth, Mrs. Lee. Mrs. T. Wyse. Dr. McNamee

informed the meeting that Dr. Duggan had been transferred to Dundee, &  
had therefore resigned from the Committee. The election of his successor  
was adjourned to the next meeting.

Correspondence. The Secretary read a letter from Dr. W. O'Rahilly one of the Governors of the Michael Collins Memorial Foundation, Dublin, asking if we could interest our members in the collection of funds for this foundation. The money will be used for the educational, cultural or artistic training & development of Irish men & women from any of the four Provinces, without distinction of creed, class, or politics. This was discussed at length, and all present agreed that we take no immediate action. It should be brought up at a meeting again in the near future.

The Secretary reported that he had received the bill for the Liberty Run Film from Gael-Linn £7 plus 3/- postage. Also read a letter from Manager Irish Central Newsprint acknowledging receipt having received the Liberty Run Film & thanking us for our assistance.

Whit-Sunday Dinner. Secretary gave £19-5. 0. by Dr. McNamee for 11 tickets he had sold, at £1-15. 0. from Mrs Murphy. Mr. Wyse had been paid for 6 tickets. (Mrs B. Kelly 2. + Mrs O' Sullivan 4. Cash £10-10. 0. which he had banked. The Secretary reported that he was now paid for 68 tickets. (Cash £119). outstanding were 19 tickets (£33. 5. 0.). The Secretary stated that 121 people sat down to dinner. & we should realise cash for 93. tickets. (28. 5) £6 paid at O'Connell for Coach.

O.O.B. Raffle at the Gresham Emerald Dance Hall, Hammerville. Agreed that we should go ahead & hold this on Sat 9th July. The matter of prizes was discussed at length & it was agreed that we give 3 prizes: 1st. Bottle of Whiskey. 100. Cigarettes & Box Chocolates. Mr. O'Regan offered to provide the Whiskey & Mr. Murphy the Cigarettes, Mrs Murphy the Chocolates. The chairman thanked them for their very generous offer & gladly accepted their gifts. Mr. Murphy gave the Secretary £3. 10. 0. to get Cigarettes & the balance of the cash to go towards the proceeds. Dr. McNamee suggested that the Secretary get in touch with the Gresham sisters & ask if they would like to come along & sell some tickets. Mrs. Murphy said she would help & the Secretary promised to come along & give a hand at Annual Dinner 1966. agreed to postpone this to the next meeting. There being no further business the meeting

Closed. next meeting Monday 11th July 8.15 P.M.

Proposed: Mrs. Murphy

Chairman: T. McNamee

Seconded: Mr. Brown

Date: 11.7.66

Motions of meeting held at the Irish Centre on Monday 11th July.

Present: Fr. T. McNamee. Chairman. Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs. O'Sullivan V. Chair.

J. O'Sullivan, Hon Sec. & Mr. T. Wye. Hon Treasurer.

Apologies: Mrs. J. Lee. Mrs. M. Murphy. Mrs. T. O'Sullivan & Mrs. M. Corcoran.

Motions of the previous meeting read & adopted.

Matters arising. Mrs. O'Sullivan asked if she could have a half dozen of the Beautiful <sup>second</sup> Calendars which were in order.

The Secretary reported that the raffle held at the Emerald Club was a great success.

Tickets were sold by the Misses McNamee, & Mrs. Murphy & Mrs. O'Sullivan. £12 - £. 6.

was made on the sale of tickets. £2. 0. 0. by donation & 23/- £ balance left after buying Cigarettes. out of the £2. 10. 0. given by Mr. Murphy. This made a grand total of £15. 10. 6. White Sunday dinner 2/-.

The Secretary reported that we were now paid for 85 tickets.

A member then paid for 6 tickets making the total 91. Cash £153. 5. 0. There were still 4 tickets to be paid for.

This cash would be given to Mr. Wye when he joined the meeting, as he had promised to say he would be late.

Co-op. successor for Fr. Duggan. Miss Shanahan & Mr. Bob Hyde were proposed. It was agreed by all that we ask Mr. Hyde to fill the vacancy. The Sec. to write & ask him if he would be willing to fill the vacant place.

Annual Dinner. It was agreed that the chairman & Mrs. Smyth & the Secretary visit the Europa & discuss the dinners with the Banqueting Manager before our next meeting. The meeting discussed the menu & decided that we have the menu Clasped K.K. 35/- & we were to find out if we could have a soup instead of the Pineapple. Table lay out to be long top table & then individual tables of 10 & over. The question of table decoration was left until we had seen Banqueting Manager. All agreed that the charge should be £2. 10. 0. per H.

Reception 7.15 P.M. for 7.45 P.M. The guest we decided to invite were as follows. The Ambassador 1. Mr. Lawry 2. T. Gorman 1.  
Dr. Lucey 1. J. Trehan 2. T. Whelan 2. Cork Examiner 1. P. Foley 2.  
T. Branigan 1. J. Giffen Portsmouth 2. - making a total of 16.

Re tickets it was agreed that tickets would not be interchanged by members, & that all unsold tickets be in for Sunday, 23rd October. It was also agreed to cut down on the speakers. President. Toast "Ireland". Chairman & Bishop to speak. Grace by the Bishop. Dr. McNamee said the Bishop may wish to meet people from his own dioceses residing in London. It was agreed that we hold a social on the Wednesday night provided the Bishop could be in London. The Grosvenor was suggested as a suitable venue for this function. The Soc to write to the Bishop & find out if he would be able to come in time for this. We should get names & addresses of P.P.s in Blyne & will be them asking that announcements be made in social in all Parishes requesting parents etc to write to their sons & daughters in London telling them of the social. Mrs. Wyse who had joined this meeting then gave us a break down on the Wednesday Dinner a/c. 121. Dinner £172. 8. 6.

Drink £ 13. 8. 4.

Flowers. £ 4. 0. 0.

Yogi £ 13. 6.  
£ 190. 10. 4

This meant we would have to pay 30. 5. 4. out of fund to clear their a/c.

There being no further A.O.B. Secretary read a letter from Mr. Pat Barrett ~~paying~~ which he thanked us for sending him 65-66. membership card. as he thought he was in arrears. Dr. McNamee said that he was paid up to end of 1967. & accordingly instructed the Soc to write a thank you & return his cheque. There being no further business the meeting closed. next meeting Monday 22nd August. Proposed. Very promptly  
Seconded M. O'Gorman  
Chairman  
date 9. 9. 68

Dear Member,

In my last newsletter I told you about our Annual Dinner, which was held at the Criterion, Piccadilly Circus on Thurs. 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. We were very pleased to welcome Sean Ó Siadháin as our chief guest. In his speech he told us of three ways in which we could help Ireland <sup>1st</sup> by returning home for a holiday each year (2) by buying Irish & Thirdly, we could help boys & girls who have to emigrate.

No Rush, Minister Plenipotentiary & his wife also attended the function. ~~We~~ were very sorry that our President Mr. T. Heenan, could not be with us that night.

Over 200 guests were catered for. The meal itself, service & all other amenities were excellent. Music for the night, was supplied by the Fairwairs. An enjoyable night was had by all.

I would like to take this opportunity, to thank all those who helped me in the organisation of this function. To my fellow officers, committee members & everyone who organised parties a big 'Thank you'.

A.C.M.

On 11<sup>th</sup> January we hold our A.C.M. at the Irish Club, Lister Sq., at 3.00 p.m. I enclose nomination papers for the various positions. I would be grateful if you could complete these & return to me not later than last post

On Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 1969 Remember unless you this  
is your opportunity of selecting your officers  
& Committee.

Many of you may have seen the  
recent ads. in the paper for reduced ~~fares~~ travel  
for travel to Ireland during winter & spring.  
This is a great opportunity for Cork people  
to visit home, as one of the routes, is the  
car ferry services between Swansea & Cork.  
The fare for a car party (i.e. car + up to seven  
passengers) is £20 guineas. If you need any  
more information I will be only too pleased to  
forward them to you.  
Best wishes to you all.

Yours sincerely

Eileen Honohan.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the 9. Centre on Sunday 5th December 1965. Commencing at 3.30 P.m. Present: The President Mr. Tadg Leahy. Chairman. Mr. T. Wyse. Hon Treasurer Rev. Fr. T. McNamee. P.P. & J. O'Sullivan Hon. Secretary. & the outgoing members of the Committee. Voting strength 87 In opening the meeting the chairman welcomed the members & thanked them for turning out in such large numbers. He then called the Sec. to read the minutes of the last A.G.M. Which were proposed seconded & adopted.

Matters Arising.

A member asked why we did not hold gr. meetings. He was told in reply to his question that gr. Meetings are only held when something extra important develops. There not having been such event during the year, the ordinary business was dealt with by the Committee. A question was asked re attendance of the Committee at the meetings. The attendance record for the year was read by the Sec.

Secretary's Report.

The Secretary gave a full report on his activities during the past year. He asked for the co-operation of all members to support functions organised by the Committee during the coming year. He concluded by thanking his fellow officers & Committee for their help and co-operation.

Treasurer's Report.

He gave a detailed report as for the balance sheet. He pointed out that this year Annual Dinner was not included, as there was still some cash to come in for tickets. Our working profit for the year as per Balance sheet was £88-11-3. On the Annual Dinner he said we could show a loss. The Treasurer was congratulated on the clarity of his report & the comfortable state of our finances.

Chairman's Address.

The outgoing chairman Mr. Tom Wyse then addressed the meeting by saying that as the Sec & Treas. had already covered a great deal of his association work in their reports, he would confine himself to recouering some of our general activities of the past year. In doing so, he reminded us that the Assoc. was 12. years old, founded as we know by Dr. T. Farquhar. Tadg Leahy Fr. McNamee. Tony Murphy Frank O'Connell & Dr. Dick O'Farrell. ours was the third Co. to form a Co. Association, he added. and it was — gratifying to see

that there are now 30. Associations in existence in Ireland. He mentioned the help that the Association gave to the I.C.P., saying that it is a tribute to all who thus helped that the I.C. is now regarded as one of the foremost Welfare organisations in the Country. This year their help was continued by the presentation of a chalice to Dr. Sweeney Chaplin to the I.C. In Welfare also, he said we have given help to Cork Missionary Priests. He mentioned that we were honoured this year by the presence of Mr. G. Brown Deputy P.M. at our Annual D. saying that this could be interpreted as recognition of the standing of this Assoc. in this country. Mr. Wyse concluded by saying that he was not seeking re-election & paid tribute to his fellow officers & committee & thanking them all for their help during the year. The President Mr. T. Leckie then addressed the meeting. He congratulated the chairman for his very excellent address. & said that it was very gratifying to see that the Assoc had grown from its small beginning to its present proportions. He asked that as many as possible new members should be introduced by all the existing ones & that if they so willed the members of the Cork Society were welcome to rejoin. He told the meeting that a former Sec Mr. T. Howard was not in good health & it might be possible for some Committee members to visit him in hospital. In conclusion thanked Mr. T. Howard & Treasurer for their reports & all the Committee for their years hard work & said we would now go forward to the elections. Before voting the chair Mr. Wyse asked Mr. T. Conway who had done "countable" good turns over the years. to say a few words. This he did mentioning how pleased he was to associate with the Corkmen. & he too would be delighted if any past difficulties could be resolved and the estranged past members re-united with this Association. The Chair was then taken over by Mr. Leckie & the business of electing the Committee for the coming year proceeded with. The Scrutineers appointed were Messrs. T. Conway, M. O'Connell. & F. Mc Kenna.

There were 4 candidates for the Chair: Mr. T. Mc Alonan & Mrs. P. Spillane T. Mc Grath. & D. Mahalane. of these the latter two withdrew. The members then voted Mr. Mc Alonan to chairman by 66 votes to Mr. Spillane 21. Candidates for Vice-Chairmen were: Mrs. P. Smyth, Mrs. W. O'Sullivan, Mrs. E. Wagstaff <sup>Mr. J. McGrath</sup> ~~Miss P. Spillane~~, Mrs. Morris. Mr. Brown, <sup>Mr. P. Spillane</sup> ~~J. McGrath~~, T. Hayes & T. O'Sullivan. of these the last three withdrew. The result of the voting was Mrs. P. Smyth & Mrs. W. O'Sullivan elected with 58 & 51. votes respectively. Candidates for 1st Secretary were: Mrs. Mrs.

J. O'Sullivan, T. Mc Grath, P. Shanley, D. Lehalane, T. Hayes. + M. Browne.

The last four withdrew their names, + the result was. J. O'Sullivan elected by 67 votes to T. Mc Grath 20. Candidates for Hon. Treasurer were: Messrs. T. Wyse, D. Lehalane, M. Browne, T. Mc Grath + P. Spillane. The last three withdrew + Mr. Wyse was then elected by 66. to M. Lehalane.<sup>30</sup>

There were 37. members nominated for Committee, but only 18 sought election. These were. Dr. M. Duggan. 68. Mrs. M. Cronin 64. Mrs. J. Sullivan 63.

Mrs. B. Young. 61. Mrs. T. Lee. 57. Mrs. A. Morrissey. 56. Mrs. B. Cussen, 51. Mrs. D. O'Regan 50.

Mrs. M. Murphy, 46. Mrs. W. O'Connell, 43. + Mrs. A. Morley 42. / Mrs. P. Spillane 42.

Mrs. D. Lehalane. 42. Mrs. T. Mc Grath, 31. Mrs. E. Wagstaff. 30. Mrs. J. Mc Gratt 27.

Mrs. W. Mc Grath 24 + Mrs. M. Kelleher. 16. The result of the voting was that ten candidates were elected + three tied for the eleventh position. of these ~~three~~ two withdrew. Leaving you a full working committee without a further vote. They were as follows. Dr. Duggan. Mrs. T. Lee. Mrs. J. O'Sullivan. Mrs. M. Murphy. + Messrs. M. Cronin, W. O'Connell, A. Morley, B. Young, D. O'Regan. E. B. Cussen. + A. Morrissey.

Addition to Part 4 of the Constitution.

Dr. Mc Namara pointed out his reason for submitting the article was to clarify who could in fact be elected to the Committee or become officers of the Association. He explained that it would be unfair to people of Cork birth + descent if other people could be elected to the executive. Hence his motion:

That "only people of Cork birth and/or descent shall be eligible to become officers of the Association or Members of the Committee." This to be inserted after the first paragraph of Article 4 of the Constitution. The motion was seconded by Mrs. P. Smyth + carried by 56 to 6.

#### Any other Business.

Dr. Crowley from Rath ~~said~~ who was having a well earned rest after 6 years on the foreign Missions said he was delighted to be a member of the Association + wished to thank us for what we had done for Cork Priest in foreign lands.

The chairman of the Cork Transport Catholic Guild informed the meeting that Mr. Tom Wyse was now an honorary member of ~~that~~ their Guild. There being no further business

The meeting closed at 5:30 P.M. J. O'Sullivan.

Proposed: G. Hyman

Chairman: D. Newine

Seconded: R. Wylie

Date : 11. 12. 1966