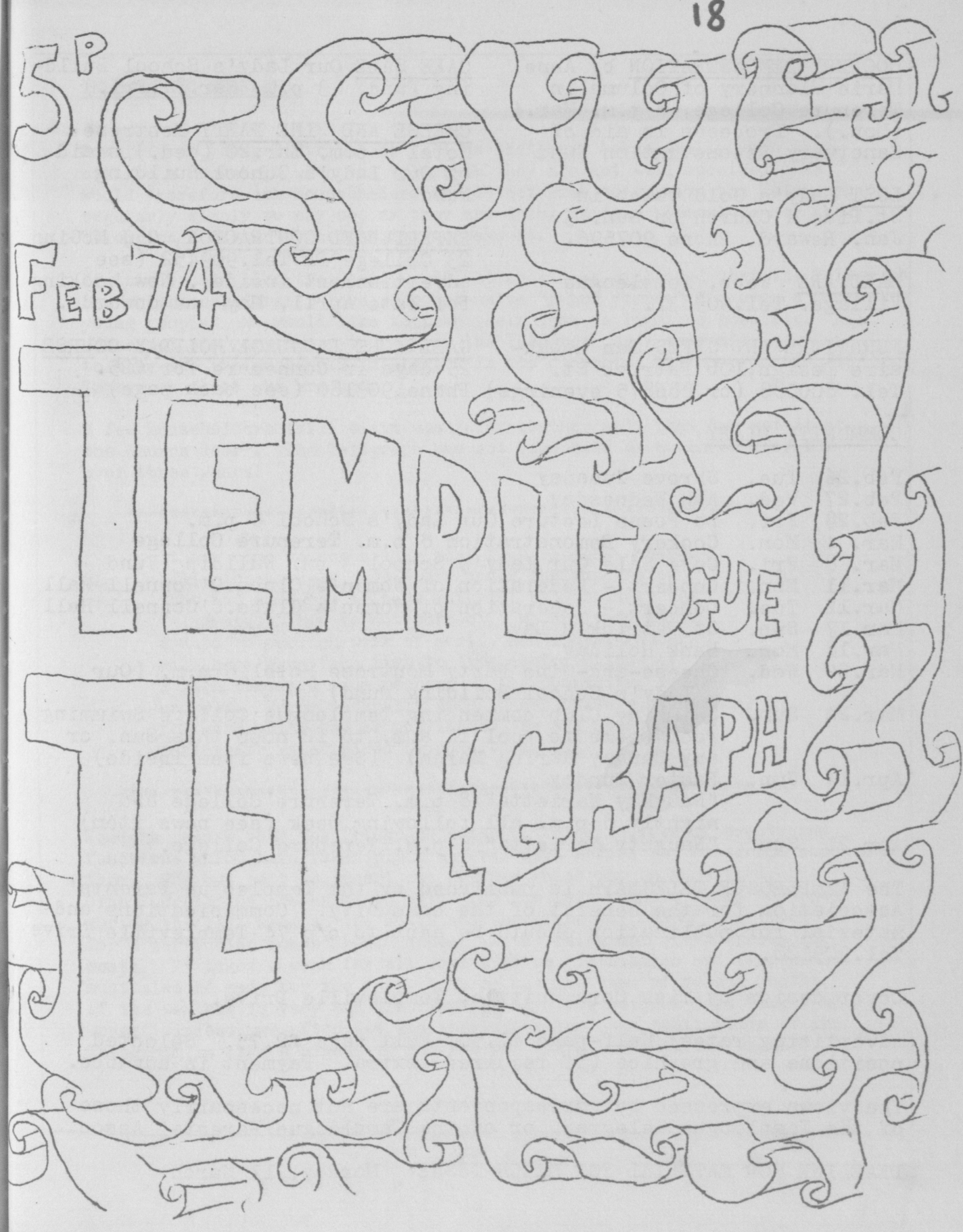


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TELEGRAPH



COOKERY DEMONSTRATION by Anne Marie Flannery of Odlums in Terenure College, 8 p.m. Mar.4 (Mon.). Proceeds in aid of Sanctuary Reconstruction Fund

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Feb.26	Tue.	Shrove Tuesday
Feb.27	Wed.	Ash Wednesday
Feb.28	Fri.	La Fosse Lecture Our Lady's School 8 p.m.
Mar. 4	Mon.	Cookery Demonstration 8 p.m. Terenure College
Mar. 8	Fri.	Cake Sale Our Lady's School 3 pm. Building Fund
Mar.11	Mon.	Concert - Federation of Women's Clubs.O'Connell Hall
Mar.12	Tue.	Concert - Federation of Women's Clubs.O'Connell Hall
Mar.17	Sun.	St.Patrick's Day
Mar.18	Mon.	Bank Holiday
Mar.20	Wed.	Cheese-and-Wine Party Montrose Hotel 8 p.m. (Our Lady's School Building Fund)
Mar.24	Sun.	Swimming Club commencing Templeogue College Swimming Pool (come to pool 11 a.m. to 12 noon this Sun. or any Sunday during March) (See news item inside)
Apr.14	Sun.	Easter Sunday "Naughty Marietta" 8 p.m. Terenure College and nightly 8 p.m. all following week (see news item)
Apr.21	Sun.	"Naughty Marietta" 8 p.m. Terenure College.

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TELEGRAPHIC MESSAGES

Some of our young distributors tell us that very occasionally when they call to a household with the Telegraph they are not well received. We would therefore ask householders who do not wish to receive the Telegraph regularly simply to say so, as they are doing neither themselves nor the Telegraph a favour by continuing to take it.

If this sounds like the "hard word", it should be explained that the Telegraph has a large readership involving extensive "paper rounds" for over a dozen young people. We would like to keep their task as light as possible. All concerned are very happy to deliver the Telegraph as a community service to many who are genuinely interested in its contents, but have no wish to impose on those who are not.

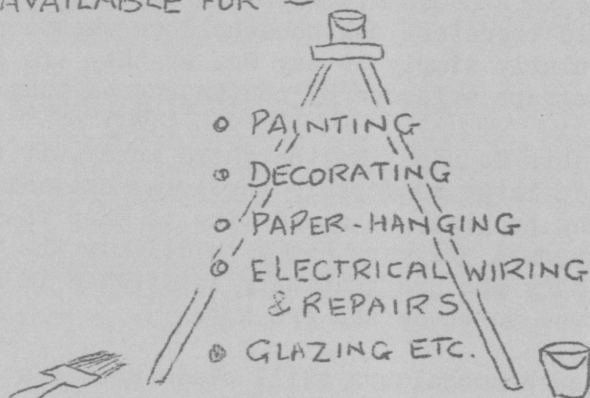
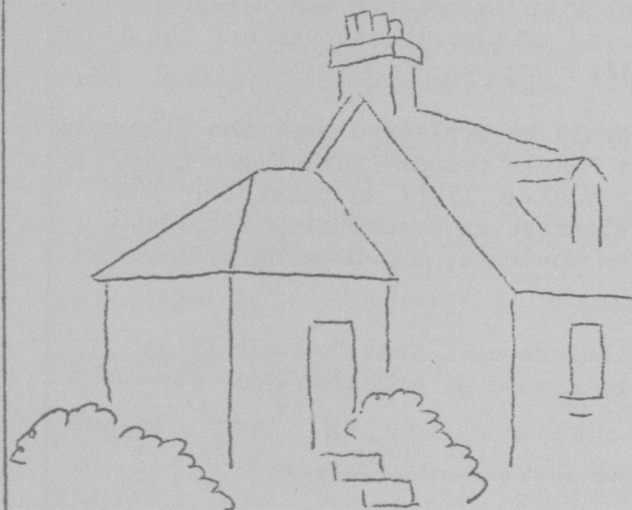
A few householders still claim when distributors call that "we get it at the Church door". The Telegraph has not been sold at a church door for over three years!

It has come to our notice that some readers - especially the younger ones - are under the impression that one must pay to have material published in the Telegraph. This is not correct. We are very happy indeed to publish work of merit, and indeed readers will have seen from time to time contributions of a high standard from members of the community, young and old. We do naturally have to set certain standards for work which may be published. We are constantly asking for material to be submitted.

Readers remark that the Telegraph often contains notices of events and functions which have taken place several days before the Telegraph reaches them. For our part we insert any notices which may be submitted, but Club Secretaries are asked to note that the Telegraph is timed to appear during the last week of the month and therefore notices of functions for a particular month should appear in the Telegraph of the preceding month. It takes a week for all copies to be distributed and allowances must also be made for the fact that, as was the case of recent months, if the weather is very bad distribution may take several days longer than usual. Indeed, we often get the impression that the publication of the Telegraph is like a signal to the Weather Clerk to "pull the chain"!

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SPANISH EYES

by Emer Lenehan

A group of Spanish children aged nine to seventeen arrived at Dublin Airport one June evening. One boy, Number 164, was to live with us "en famille" for eight weeks. His name was Pedro O'Connor. We hoped that this was a good omen for my own maiden name was O'Connor.

The car journey to Templeogue is long for a stranger, especially when he is away from home for the first time and is only nine years old. His beautiful brown eyes were filled with tears as he answered the continuous questions of our own nine-year-old. The fact that the answers usually misplaced "yes" and "no", made us realise the cold fact that he hadn't a clue about what we were saying. Fortunately sweets speak an international language and it is difficult to weep and chew.

We showed him to his room. His case had been packed by a loving and probably anxious mother. Photos of his parents, brothers and sister were in fancy frames on top. He started to unpack and the clothes kept a-coming. We quickly had to move in more furniture. He arranged all the clothes very neatly by himself. Matchbox Motorway brought the first evening to a relaxed conclusion.

Pedro took a bath daily, put cologne in his hair and was forever combing it. He spent about ten minutes each evening choosing the next day's outfit. I fervently wished that our heir, who only washes himself and changes his clothes under duress, would be converted by this good example. Alas the opposite happened! After about three weeks mother's warnings must have grown dim. Our Spaniard managed to look as scruffy as any happy, healthy Irish boy and became water-shy.

We all know the delights of sun-drenched Spanish beaches. It was encouraging to hear a boy from Spain sing out the praises of Irish beaches. He adored the waves, the rocks and caves. He did not feel the cold at all. Ireland's Eye, Courtown, Brittas Bay, Greystones and Portrane all won his eager approval. Butlins was the only outing that was a bitter disappointment. It did not in any way measure up to Madrid's Park of Attractions.

Food was no problem at all. Our dairy produce was in big demand. Discipline was the difficult one. Bad misconduct could be reported to the chaplain in charge. Minor misdeeds were not so easy to handle. Playing "ring and run", using paint in the garage and first testing colour on my gardening shoes, shouting in the evening when smaller children in the neighbourhood are in bed and using the lawnmower as a bulldozer to bash in the wall are not exactly signs of a bad boy. However, I discovered a lashing of a sharp tongue in another language is useless. I think the "translation button" is just switched off.

On the 23rd of August we drove to Dublin Airport. The two boys chatted non-stop all the way. Pedro's English was fantastically good. He had gained a stone in weight and had a great colour in his cheeks. We were glad that we had answered that advertisement in the "Templeogue Telegraph".

TEMPLEVILLE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION SWIMMING SESSION

2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Saturdays, Terenure College Pool

A Gala was held on Saturday 9th February at 2 p.m. to mark the close of yet another term of swimming classes for children.

The following were successful in The Bronze Award.

Michael Kavanagh
Fergus McCauley
Una O'Riordan
Ashling Comerford
Jacqueline Walsh
Fiona O'Mahony
Lorraine Ryan

Michael Fennell
Pascal Scanlan
Orla Scanlan
Susan Birthistle
Helen Brennan
Dara Fennell
Pat O'Neill

Great praise goes to the above group, as they were the youngest so far to take part in the Bronze Survival Award which is by no means easy. The following is a description of the Bronze Survival Test, conducted according to the rules of the Irish Amateur Swimming Association. Clothed in swim suit and pyjamas or nightdress, enter pool by jumping. Swim 25 metres using any stroke, tread water for 1 minute, undress in water, swim 200 metres, surface dive and swim 2 strokes under water to pick up a brick. Swim 25 metres on back and place brick on pool side. Finally climb out of deep end without use of steps or assistance.

Individual Certificates for exams passed were given to:

Austin McNally
John Dunne
John Comerford
Evyln Hearn

Marie Keane
Alison Fanning
Ronan Fanning
Brian Hanratty
Joseph Steward

Anne Kavanagh
Elizabeth McNally
Colm Hanratty
Kevin Ryan
Colm Ryan

Darina O'Halloran
Deirdre Keane
Jane Douglas

All children in the Templeogue area are welcome to join this Swimming Club and if you wish to do so, please phone 900650 after 6 p.m.

Children from 4 years upwards are taught. There are 2 instructors in attendance, as well as a group of parents who act as life guards.
(2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Saturdays, Terenure College.)

TEMPLEOGUE LADIES' CLUB

The 9th Annual General Meeting of the Templeogue Ladies' Club was held on Wednesday, 6th February, 1974, in the St. Pius X School Assembly Hall. The Meeting was very well attended and the following Officers and Committee were elected for the coming year:-

OFFICERS: President: Mrs. Rosa Morris, re-elected for 2nd year.
Vice " Mrs. Marie Guerins
Hon. Sec: Mrs. Eileen Green
Treasurer: Mrs. Nuala Barron.

COMMITTEE: Mrs. B. Whitty, Assistant Secretary, M. Garvey, Assistant Treasurer, M. Meehan, J. Jordan, C. Roche, F. Ryan, B. Morrissey, F. Fitzgerald, E. Gannon, E. O'Mahoney, G. O'Rourke.

The outgoing Secretary, Mrs. Imelda Gogan, gave a detailed Annual Report of the Club's activities over the past twelve months and in retrospect a lot has been achieved by our Club. Our successes in Federation Competitions were as follows:-

- (1) 2nd in Drama Festival for best Overall Production
- (2) 2nd in 2-Part Section of Choral Festival
- (3) Reserve award in Floral Competition
- (4) Debating Group have succeeded in reaching Semi-Final of Debating Competition.
- (5) Mrs. Mai Coan and Mrs. C. Carty won the Club prizes for their entries in the B.I.M. Fish Cookery Competition.

We are very proud that our member, Mrs. Clare Carty, is Editor of the Irish Federation of Women's Clubs Magazine which post she has held most successfully for the past five years. Our successes can be fully appreciated when one considers that there are 122 Clubs in the Federation.

The President in her address said how much she had enjoyed her year as President and thanked the members for their support at meetings, outings and activities. She went on to say that she was sorry to lose the Officers and Committee members who were now retiring - Mrs. M. McKeivitt, Mrs. I. Gogan, Mrs. B. Nolan, officers and Committee members, Mr. Sylvia O'Driscoll, Pat Shepherd and Mary Walsh but thanked them for all their hard work. Gifts were then presented to the retiring Officers on behalf of the Club. Regrets were expressed that Mrs. Moira McKeivitt was not with us through illness but her gift would be delivered to her.

More presentations were then made in the shape of Silver Brooches suitably engraved to former Presidents of the Club - Mrs. Claire O'Regan, Dymphna Malone, Josie Farrell, Joan Molloy and Mary Kernan.

Forthcoming events for the Club are an outing to Stillorgan Bowl on Friday morning, 15th February with bus leaving the Roundabout at 10 a.m. On Wednesday, 20th February, a bus has been booked to take supporters to the Semi-Final of the Debating Competition to be held in the Auditorium, Liberty Hall. Our team are debating against Clontarf Club and we are against the motion "That Divorce has a place in Irish Society". The other two teams competing in the

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LEGION OF MARY



"Overseas" China

In 1947 Father Aidan McGrath C.M. was given the task of establishing the Legion of Mary in China. In spite of fierce persecution and threats from the Communists, he succeeded in setting up praesidia of the Legion all over the country.

It was quite plain that the Communists had decided to attack the Legion of Mary and attack it savagely.

The terror campaign conducted all over the country was intended to intimidate the legionaries, many of whom, boys and girls, came from lowly homes in Shanghai, although some were wealthy and had plenty to lose by their attitude.

Some of the mothers and fathers pleaded with their children to be sensible and give it up, and perhaps to have your mother kneeling beside you begging you to give it all up is even worse than Communist pressure. Homes were repeatedly visited: not merely the homes of the Active members but the homes of the Auxiliaries as well - the communists did not distinguish. The Legionaries knew this, and still kept going on with their work. The Legion spread with amazing rapidity. Fr. McGrath estimated that in this first Communist drive, about a thousand Legionaries were executed in China. A very great number of Legionaries were left stagnating in horrible prisons. Altogether 4,000 Legionaries were killed and 10,000 were put in jail.

It was the Legion Training which brought so much grace to these young people and which gave them the strength to do and suffer so much. For example a lovely young girl Joanna Hsiao set up three hundred and twenty seven praesidia, many of them in Communist-occupied territory. Joanna knew she would be caught sooner or later but while there was time she must work. Eventually she was arrested and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment. From time to time news filters through to the outside world of the arrest and sometimes of the execution of Legionaries. Communications with China have been completely broken off and the Chinese Church is now a Church of Silence.

Some day, please God, it will be possible to hear the full story of the heroism and steadfastness of the Legionaries. Meanwhile, they have brought the name of "Mary" with them into courtrooms, gaols and concentration camps. The Holy Virgin has never been so well known in China as she is at the present moment. Pray for the Legionaries in China.

"Spes Nostra"

ST. BLAISE - MARTYR & SAINT (Feast Day 3rd February)

The legendary acts of St. Blaise became widely known in western Europe at the time of the Crusades. He was born in Sebaste in Armenia of wealthy parents. He studied medicine because from childhood he had sought to help the sick and suffering. When he grew up he became a physician and later became Bishop of Sebaste. He was driven by persecution to the hills, where

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ST. BLAISE

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he took refuge in a cave.

He saved the life of a boy who had swallowed a fish-bone which could not be extricated. Hence he is now invoked against throat infections. Three churches in England are dedicated to him and a festival used to be held in Bradford every seven years with Prince Jason of the Golden Fleece, Princess Medea and St. Blaise with his chaplain walking in procession.

He was crowned with martyrdom in the persecution of Licinius in 316. Several churches in Dublin hold ceremonies of the Blessing of the Throat with the Relic of St. Blaise.

C.B.S.I. 37th Unit News

Scout Section

The scout troop is now at full strength. The latest batch of new recruits (14) were invested on Saturday 9th February at the White Fathers, Cypress Grove. A "Parents' Evening" followed the investiture ceremony - this included a slide-show of last year's scouting activities and a discussion on the forthcoming Annual Camp.

Camp this year will be held in Belgium during the last fortnight in July. At present full arrangements are being made and it is hoped that the majority of the troop will travel. Our camping standard has always been very high and this will be continued.

A very active programme has been drawn up for the coming months. Now that we are over the worst of winter, the scouts are getting out their hiking boots and are preparing the tents for the next camping season.

BOOK REVIEW. KEEPING YOUR BALANCE IN THE MODERN CHURCH

by Hugh J. O'Connell C.S.S.R.
Publishers: Liguorian Pamphlets.

Price: 46p

This book is a must for all of us who are bewildered and confused by the many changes which are taking place so rapidly in the modern church. The author recognises the fact that the Church must evolve to keep pace with modern living. He emphasises, however, that our new-found freedom gives an ideal opportunity for the introduction of new ideas. He urges Catholics to sift carefully all they hear and read about religious matters before forming their own conclusions. The 'points for discussion' at the end of each chapter add to the merit of the book.

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Last month we reviewed a book which was based on fact, so for a change this time we are going to take a book which is purely fiction: "Pied Piper" by Nevil Shute (Published by Heinemann London at £1.75). This is by no means Nevil Shute's most famous book, but it shows very clearly the mark of the born storyteller. He is straight away into his story about an old man on holiday in the South of France during the invasion of the country by the Germans at the beginning of the last war. Monsieur Howard is more interested in the local fishing than in the advance of the German armies and almost leaves it too late before he decides to make for England, rather than be taken prisoner. When he does decide to go he is asked to take care of two small children whose parents must stay behind in France. On his journey through the country, he picks up several other children who for one reason or another have got lost and he shepherds the whole lot to the coast where he eventually succeeds in getting across the Channel on a fishing boat to England. Not however before they are all captured and put in prison by the Germans, who release them again on a certain condition.

Nevil Shute writes clearly and vividly of conditions in rural occupied France and all his characters are natural and very true to life. He writes with a wonderful understanding of children and their ways, and the book is very easy to read. This book would have made an excellent film as indeed some of Mr. Shute's other books have. It is an eminently suitable book for both adults and children.

ST. PIUS X MUSICAL SOCIETY

Report by Mrs. Ann Morrissey
Secretary.

The members of St. Pius X Musical Society, Templeogue are well under way with rehearsals for their forthcoming production of "NAUGHTY MARIETTA". Musical Director and Producer Mr. Peter O'Driscoll L.R.S.M. is working extremely hard with them. The cast of the show has now been chosen, and we are delighted to have some very talented people from the area in the cast, which is as follows: Austin Gaffney, Celine Murphy, Xavier Goodwin, Seamus Fitzpatrick, Pierre Cullen, Harriet Wall, Teresa Talbot, Bill Cosgrave, Oliver Fitzpatrick, Michael Donlon, Brendan Costelloe, Richie McEvoy, Philip Jones, Bernard Strahan. The show will be presented in Terenure College Theatre from Easter Sunday 14th April to Sunday 21st April inclusive, nightly at 8 p.m. Admission is 60p and 40p, and bookings can be made by telephoning 507119. We would appeal to all Groups in the area to support us and if they are interested in Block Booking there is a reduction of 10p on the 60p tickets and 5p on the 40p for groups of 10 or more people. We would also like to invite readers to become Patrons, the fee is £2.00 per year and this entitles you to two free tickets for the show. Patrons night is Easter Monday 15th April, but if this is not a suitable night tickets can be arranged for another night. If you are interested get in touch with the Hon. Treasurer, Miss K. Cullen, "St. Anthony's 19 Templeville Park, Dublin 6 (Phone 904788). DON'T FORGET EASTER WEEK APRIL 14th TO APRIL 21st, WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

"TRANSFERRING A TENANCY"

Question: I rented a furnished house in Templeville for 3 years and signed an Agreement to this effect with the owner. The Agreement says that I cannot transfer the tenancy without the Landlord's permission but I now find after one year that I have to move away from this area - yet the Landlord insists that I will still be responsible for the rent.

What action can I take from the legal point of view?

Answer: Notwithstanding what it may say in any Tenancy Agreement, or Lease, whether of a house, flat, office, etc., a Tenant is always fully entitled to transfer his tenancy to another person if he can get someone prepared to take over his tenancy. Although most Tenancy Agreements or Leases contain a clause that this cannot be done without the landlord's permission, under the law the Landlord is bound to give his permission and can be compelled to give his permission provided only that references are shown to him on the new Tenant taking over to show that the new Tenant will be able to pay the Landlord his rent.

The document transferring the tenancy is a simple one and is prepared by any Solicitor for a small fee. Some Landlords ask for money as a consideration for giving consent to a transfer of a tenancy but they are not legally entitled to do this. They are bound to consent to a transfer of a tenancy without any payment or compensation provided only that the new incoming Tenant taking over is shown to be a satisfactory person and he does this by furnishing two references.

Likewise, many Leases provide that a premises can only be used for one particular purpose. Here again a Landlord can be compelled to grant permission to use such a premises for a different purpose and he is not entitled to demand any money as consideration for giving such a consent.

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FINE GAEL ORGANISATION

TEMPLEOGUE BRANCH

Annual General Meeting held in Terenure College on 18th February, 1974

The following persons were elected to the Branch's Officer Board for the year 1974:

Chairman: Miss Marie Rooney, 14 Woodbrook Park, Dublin 14.

Vice-Chairman: Mr. Stan Laing, 86 Templeville Road, Dublin 6.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. Charles O'Donoghue, 22 Fortfield Drive, Dublin 6.

Hon. Treasurers: Mrs. Denis O'Shea, 80 Templeville Drive, Dublin 6.
Mrs. James Jolley, 47 Templeville Drive, Dublin 6.

Delegates to Constituency Executive: Mr. John Mullen 28 Wainsfort Drive
Dublin 6.
Mr. Denis O'Shea, 80 Templeville Drive
Dublin 6.
Mr. Liam Collison, 198 Templeogue Rd.,
Dublin 6.

Delegates to Ard-Fheis: Mr. Denis O'Shea, 80 Templeville Drive, Dublin 6
Mr. Michael Sheehan, 24 College Crescent, Dublin 6.

Anybody wishing to join the Branch please contact the Hon. Secretary,
Mr. Charles O'Donoghue, Tel. 904531.

TEMPLEOGUE SWIMMING CLUB

- ... beginning Sunday, March 24th at the Templeogue College Swimming Pool.
- ... will cater for general and competitive swimming for boys and girls in the Templeogue area
- ... swimming hours will be at the Templeogue College swimming pool on Sundays from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon
- ... for particulars write to: The Hon. Secretary, Templeogue Swimming Club,
c/o Templeogue College,
Dublin 6.

or call at the Templeogue College Swimming Pool any Sunday morning in March between 11.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon.

POETRY CORNER

I'm an Obstinate Obstacle - But Tee Off With Yourselves!

The time is 8 a.m. my friends, for battle I am geared,
For that man I call my husband has once more disappeared.
With some other lads? he's sneaked off to Slade Valley or to Grange
To play some golf, he says, so you might ask "So what's so strange?"
It isn't playing golf that I object to, let me say.
It's the fact that he can pack up and serenely drive away.
If all the golfing widows in this area feel like me
They know what I am thinking "He can do it. Why not me?"
If we just vanished with the girls and did the very same
There would be panic in the home, which gives me quite a pain.
Those stupid men don't realise that from their golfing chatter
We know enough about the game to know why they grow fatter.
They play the eighteen holes to keep themselves so trim, they think
But they also play the nineteenth hole, regaining weight with drink.
They wear spike shoes and rainwear, special gear for this and that,
And I know an idiot played once in a hired bowler hat.
And sure lining up the fairways, some of them get really hooked
While others are just slicers and for that they should be booked!
We know about your handicaps, the shots that you're allowed
But some of you are mostly "in the rough". You must be proud!
You're rooting for lost balls, and as you root you moan and groan
And the balls that you come out with are really not your own.
You spend time "in the bunkers", hard for some in any case
When "on the fairway", golfers dear, is quite the proper place.
The "par" just means if you get in on regulation shots
A "birdy" means "one under par", so we are not such clots.
Two "under par's "An Eagle" and three's "An Albatross"
If I were out there playing, sure we'd soon know who's the boss.
A "Hole in one" is every golfer's dream, or big ambition
I'd give him a fine "hole in one" if he were in position.
Driving, pitching, putting, chipping and telling dirty jokes
Are all a body needs to do to join the golfing folks.
They play for turkeys, hampers, and of course "The Captain's Prize".
And the stories that I've heard, my friends, now cause no surprise.
If one makes a haymes of any shot they call it just a "muff",
I've heard it called by other names, (you couldn't print the stuff).
They mark their cards and they of course are "score cards" I've observed.
If I could mark their cards they'd know the real score they deserved!
To watch professional golfers any time upon T.V.
As they sniff the grass, so near the hole, is quite a laugh to me.
I watch them pick up dead grass, and some tiny bits of sand.
When my dirty floors need cleaning, how I wish they were at hand!
I'm sick to death of outings when the golfers hire a bus
And off they vanish for a day (of course they don't bring us).
They hire a bus because with drinking they're not fit to drive
While the "little woman" stays at home and keeps the kids alive.

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There's "Father This" and "Father That" when one reads club name members
But are there any nuns, oh no! as far as one remembers.
Like us the nuns must stay at home and teach and cook and pray
While all the holy priests, if they so wish, can go and play.
I do not blame the wives of golfers if they go astray...
Wouldn't anybody turn to someone else to fill the day?
Remember all you golfers, who now leave your wives at home
The day will come when you'll discover she's not yours alone.
I hope that by the time my beauty thinks of wandering home
His dinner will be burnt black and I to town have flown.
The day is coming very fast, but not quite fast enough,
When we, the wives of golfers, will make your lives so tough
That you'll either take us with you, or some days take up our chores
While we, the "girls" of Templeogue, will calmly shut our doors
And then at last the bitterness and hate will disappear.
I think I've made my feelings about golfing very clear.

Sheila Whittle
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The Templeville Do

To the Templeville Do we all went:
The ladies all powder and scent,
The men in their fashionable flares -
We really made such handsome pairs.
At the Hermitage this time 'twas held.
And I think the meal last year's excelled.
The group were too noisy I'd say,
And the organist just couldn't play!
Soft sweet music was definitely lacking
And those who sang songs got no backing.
A piano stood inside the door
And a new one it was, what is more!
But alas there was not one to play
Ah! we miss Father Diffney that way.
A visitor there had a bash
At singing and playing "The Sash".
And a Templeville dancer of fame
Did a fantastic dance with some dame.
The meal that we thought was so great
Was served just an hour or so late,
Which meant that the group's so-called playing
Was also an hour late - who's paying ?

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The Templeville Do

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Jim Loughman sang his "Bantry Bay",
Of course there was no one to play!
He can sing "Call, Call, Vienna Mine",
But we just didn't hear it this time.
Bill Murphy was really fantastic
Sure, you'd think he was made of elastic.
And he'd lost so much weight I declare
He's turned into a real Fred Astair.
Sean O'Brien, who's made all of us well
With Maura, his wife, danced like hell.
I was only allowed to drink Coke
And I'm one of the few who don't smoke.
When I'm asked why, you all know the answer
Those of right mind don't like sticks of cancer.
The style there was very exciting
Sure, one couldn't put it in writing.
Some ladies wore daring dark glasses
And some men made the usual passes.
And a nut that I know of great fame
Put Val Doonican's jumper to shame.
The spot prizes too were worth winning
I admired them while I did some spinning.
But unfortunately my luck was out,
I'm unlucky in some ways, no doubt.
I was lucky to be on my feet
My recovery was really complete.
But that man from Belfast, I declare
Gave me lessons on "letting down hair".
I'm sure everyone there whom I know
On that night really let themselves go.
Some said I might cause consternation
If I wrote about their conversation
But you know I'm the soul of discretion
They might just as well go to Confession.
The Templeville Do number eight
Was not just a good night - 'twas great!

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SWIMMING SUCCESS FOR TEMPLEGUE COLLEGE

Last November Templeogue College made their first serious bid in schools' competitive swimming when they entered a team for the Confined Leinster Championships. There they put up a very good performance and won a total of twenty medals. Encouraged by this success they applied themselves seriously to their training and prepared for the Leinster Open Championships. This paid off handsomely last week-end (16th and 17th February) when at the Leinster Schools' Swimming Championships held at Marian College, Ballsbridge, against strong opposition they captured the overall award, finishing one point ahead of St. Vincent's Glasnevin.

In the two days of competition, Templeogue College captured 24 medals, a very creditable performance from such a newly formed team and coaches Jim Farnan, Mick Glynn and Father John Cooper consider their work over the past months very well rewarded. Medal winners for the College were Paul Farnan (2), Tom O'Gallagher (4), Pat Mullally (3), Kieran Dawson (3), Matthew Kenny (2), Ricky O'Dea (3), Frank McCann (2), Michael McCann (2), Aidan Kearney (1), Rory Farrelly (2).

Such a praiseworthy performance augurs well for the future of swimming in the College and its neighbourhood: and now that the Leinster Branch of the Irish Amateur Swimming Association has accepted affiliation from the Templeogue Swimming Club, which will cater for swimmers in the Templeogue area, it is hoped to see many more swimming trophies being captured by our boys and girls in the years ahead.

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INSURANCE

by Noel McKenna

(We are grateful to the Development Manager of the Irish Catholic Church Property Insurance Co. for the following timely article on Insurance)

A subject which most people put on "the long finger" is this whole question of insurance. A lot of people have Comprehensive Insurance on their property which when a claim occurs, turns out not to be "Comprehensive" at all.

Companies, now, are offering attractive packaged Policies, which not only try to provide for the Insurance needs of the normal householder, but are now presented in a very "easy to read", practical form.

Scope of cover has been widened considerably, to take account of the present-day needs of the houseowner. Under today's modern Home Protection Policy a householder can cover his house and its contents against such perils as:-

- (1) Fire, Storm, Flood, Burst Pipes, Burglary, Housebreaking, Aircraft & Impact,
- (2) His liability for accidents to any tradesman, labourers or domestic employees,
- (3) His liability for accidents to members of the public caused by himself, members of his family, including children. Indemnity from £100,000 any one accident, upwards will be provided,
- (4) Items of value such as jewellery, furs, television sets, watches, cameras and projection equipment, can also be covered for "All Risks" cover.

The more up-to-date type of Home Protection Policies will also provide the following cover:-

- (a) Personal Accident Benefits for the householder and all members of his family, including not only a death benefit, but also benefit in respect of temporary disablement and medical fees.
- (b) Another Section looks after the family during recreation. Accidental loss or damage to sports equipment and to personal property in sports clubs, along with liability to Golf Caddies and similar people, engaged during recreational pursuits, is also covered.
- (c) The Central Heating System can be covered against explosion, cracking or fracturing of boilers, pipes and radiators, breakdown of pumps and damage caused by oil.
- (d) Television aerials can be covered, including damage to neighbours' houses caused by the Insured's aerial collapsing on same.
- (e) "All Risks" cover on personal possessions, up to £500 value, which obviates the necessity of special Insurance on baggage at holiday time.

(Contd.)

Despite Companies having single Proposal forms, which often only require the insertion of the word "yes" or "no" opposite the cover to be selected, the average householder has failed to see the necessity to insure and if he does, does so inadequately. It is a known fact that a large proportion of buildings are insured, but only about 40% have contents insured. "Under-insurance" is also very prevalent and with the increasing rate of inflation, many householders may find themselves in a position of being under insured. Insurances should be reviewed every year and householders should remember that property values have risen by approximately 10% per annum over the last few years. As an exercise, I would recommend each householder to compile an inventory of his various furnishings and other items in the house and I have no doubt that he will be astonished at the quantity of furnishings, household equipment etc., which he has acquired over the years. Some Companies apply the "Condition of Average" and this means that, if a house is under-insured, in the event of a loss the Insured will only get the same proportion of the loss as the sum insured bears to the value of the property. For example, a fire occurs and furniture valued £500 is burned. If the contents are insured for £1,000, but the actual value of contents is £2,000 i.e. the insured person is covered only for half of his loss, therefore he only gets half of £500 or £250.

The petrol crisis at the moment introduces a further danger to homes. People are now storing petrol for the "rainy day" in garages and homes. This is a most dangerous practice and is not to be recommended. Householders should be aware that by law only two gallons may be stored in suitable sealed metal cans and in one pint measures. Petrol is not allowed in houses. The standard fire policy has a clause avoiding cover with respect to any item in regard to which there may be any alteration whereby the risk of destruction or damage is increased. In other words, by storing petrol on premises, the risk of fire is greatly increased. Therefore it is incumbent on the Insured parties to inform their Insurance Company of the amount of petrol stored and where. Otherwise, in the event of fire, the Company would be quite within its rights to decline a claim on the grounds of non-disclosure of a relevant fact.

As will be seen from reading daily papers, fires, burglaries and accidents occur with monotonous regularity, but everybody says to himself "It won't happen to me"! Unfortunately, accidents so easily occur and an initial outlay of £10 to £15 will buy an awful lot of Home Protection. If the dictum of "The worst things in life are expensive" is remembered, people will do something about revamping their insurances.

REMINDER - PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION

The next date for applications for membership of the above Association will be Sunday 10th March at St. Pius X Church (in porch between 10.15 and 11.15 a.m.).

LATE LATE ROUND-UP

Due to the exceptionally wet weather of recent times, the St. Pius X Football Club have had almost a blank fixture list. Sadly the tradition which they have been trying to establish of a yearly trip to a Cross-Channel Match looks like failing this year for lack of support. Running into trouble, but temporarily it is hoped, is the Directory of Templeogue: paper has been almost unobtainable in recent weeks but supplies look like picking up shortly (at fiercely increased prices, of course). The Templeogue Parents' Association's swimming session in Terenure College on Fridays (7 - 8 p.m.) still has a few places left: this is an ideal hour for a quiet family swim. Ring 909128 for details. Good news for the campaigners to have planning laws enforced: it has finally been decided that the Ashfield Park houses must come down, but official hesitation pending the outcome of the "Central Bank Building" case suggests that the fish is not yet in the landing net. College/Wainsfort Residents seem to be uneasy about the future of the St. Mary's College Rugby Club Grounds. Hard News about the present ownership of this property is not easy to come by. Con Somerville (our Goods and Services correspondent) is complaining that after a good start he has been crowded out of our pages, but agrees that so crazy has been the prices scene that not one word of sense could be written in the last six weeks. Good news for consumers is that we have been negotiating with the Consumers' Association of Ireland, and they may be interested in giving us material for a regular column. Meanwhile a reader has been in touch complaining that despite having taken the matter up with one of the conductors, the 15B bus to town very often carries the 15A scroll: one result has been that an old lady visitor leaving citywards from Templeogue in a "15A" bus, misguidedly took a 15A bus on her return from the city and found herself in the Whitehall Road! Another of our correspondents (Herr Hammerman - household repair and construction problems) also complains that no one seems interested in his words of wisdom. We have been asked by readers outside the district to mention two worthy causes: The Community Government Movement have organised a conference on the theme "Communities in Local Government" for Sunday 24th March in the Spa Hotel, Lucan. Details from Mrs. Connie O'Reilly, 20 Shanowen Park, Santry, Dublin 9. A Parish Priest in South India is appealing for help to enable poor students to continue their studies and "over-aged girls" to marry; he is Fr. G. Alphonse c/o Fr. Jerome Robert, Caldey Abbey, Tenby, Pembrokeshire. Nearer home, St. Pius X Parish is having a meeting, chaired by Fr. Sean Swayne, to prepare for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery in Holy Week. Still on the local scene the "Annual Agonising" continues as children enter intensive preparations for examinations which will decide whether they can attend local secondary schools or be doomed to canvas for surplus places in distant communities and travel long daily bus journeys for the next five or six years. Some of the examinations are coming in the middle of a flu epidemic, adding the element of risk to the in-built tensions as students strive to be 100% fit on "E-day". Although this year the plight of the girls gave rise to a considerable number of meetings, many parents believe that in the long term the provision for boys will be the more critical problem for a restricted range of subject choices combines with lack of places. On the roads the long-promised yellow lines on Wainsfort Road have not yet appeared and traffic chaos reigns at "the usual times" when parked cars makes single-line working only possible. The Templeogue Village pedestrian crossing is now a death-trap, devoid as it is of all lights. Progress is reported on the new bridge spanning the Dodder at Springfield Avenue and agile schoolboys have been seen to make the crossing via the scaffolding.

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