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NEWSLETTER



40 YEARS AGO

Irish Times, Friday January 3rd, 1941

"MORE BOMBS DROPPED ON DUBLIN THIS MORNING"

Two families were bombed out of their homes and into the snow-covered streets in the Terenure district of Dublin City at 6.15a.m. yesterday, when a low flying 'plane dropped two 500 lb bombs in Rathdown Park and two more on waste ground near Kimmage Cross.

LAVARNA GROVE

The third bomb fell about half a mile from Rathdown Park at Lavarna Grove, where a number of new houses have been built and others are in the course of construction. The grove is quite close to Kimmage Cross. The bomb fell at a point on undeveloped ground which later on will be the centre of a street, and the nearest house is only one hundred feet away. Most of the force of the explosion here went into the air, and this accounted for the fact that the houses far away received greater damage than those nearest the crater. Windows were smashed in many houses, and the occupants were busy filling up gaps in the doors and windows with cardboard. Roofs were also damaged - in at least two instances severely, and debris fell through the ceiling into the bedrooms. Several people had narrow escapes from injury.

About two hundred yards away, on the same plot of ground, the second bomb caused another large crater, but did little or no damage because of its distance from the nearest house. Explosives experts from military headquarters, who were early on the scene, assisted by the police, found many pieces of the bombs, among them several large fragments which landed in front gardens.

Houses over a large area in both districts were badly shaken by the explosions, and many people took refuge under stairways." The most badly damaged houses were numbers 25 and 27 Lavarna Grove. This was the same night that bombs were dropped on the South Circular Road and five months before the North Strand bombing.

T. C. BREEN

Diary

JANUARY

Wednesday 7th Ladies Club Ecumenical Service to mark reopening in New Year - School Hall 8 p.m.

Thursday 8th Ceili Classes resume in Large Committee Room St.Pius X Church 7 p.m. (Ages 10-14)

Friday 9th HELP FORCE MEETING - Small Committee Room St.Pius X Church 8 p.m. ALL WELCOME
Whist Drive (second Friday) Committee Room St.Pius X Church
Recommencement of Bridge Club Templeogue College 7.30 p.m.

Monday 12th School Management Board Meeting St.Pius X School

Tuesday 13th St.Joseph's Young Priest Society - White Fathers 8 p.m.

Wednesday 21st Horticultural Society - Our Lady's School 8 p.m.
Film Show/Talk Gemini Sub Aqua Club Grange Room
Yellow House, Rathfarnham (details H.Milner 900455)

Friday 23rd Solos & Friends Tempelogue College 8 p.m.
Whist Drive St.Pius X Committee Room (fourth Friday)

REMEMBER FEILE BHRIDE 6/7/8 February 1981

WOULD EXISTING CONTRIBUTORS AND ALL OTHERS WISHING TO BE INCLUDED IN THE MONTHLY DIARY PLEASE CONFIRM DETAILS OF DATES AND TIMES FOR 1981 BEFORE JANUARY 20th TO 903424.

C E I L I C L A S S E S

HAVE COMMENCED EACH THURSDAY NIGHT FROM 7 to 9 p.m. FOR THE AGES 10 to 14 IN THE LARGE COMMITTEE ROOM BESIDE ST. PIUS X CHURCH.
CLASSES RESUME ON JANUARY 8th. THOSE INTERESTED IN CEILI CLASSES FOR THE AGE GROUP OVER 14 ARE ASKED TO ATTEND AT THE ABOVE VENUE ON JANUARY 8th AT 9 p.m.

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« help force »

There was an attendance of 25 at a meeting to form a Help Force which was held on 12th of December last.

Opening the meeting, Donal Kelly outlined how the meeting was called as a result of the wish expressed by a number of speakers at the seminar held during Laity Week. During the period since then he had been surprised to discover the amount of work that was going on quietly in the area. The Help Force would aim to extend this and to formalise the organisation behind it. The work would fall under two headings - doing and organising.

DOING could include arranging that where a wife was in hospital, a rota of people would cook meals or clean the house - or mowing the lawn for an elderly person - or shopping for someone who is tied to the house - or where an emergency arose, helping out (e.g. mending a plug or a broken window, etc) - or transporting an elderly person to town - or transporting someone to an awkward place.

ORGANISING could include putting 3 or 4 families with baby-sitting problems in touch with each other so that they could form their own baby-sitting pool - or perhaps there is someone aching to play draughts if only they had someone to play with - or someone looking for a companion to go bowling with. These may not seem like earth-shattering things, but they do add to the quality and enjoyment of life.

Some of the people he had discussed the matter with had referred to the fact that some people were afraid to offer assistance, and others afraid to ask for help, for fear of being snubbed. There was a fear that there would not be a demand for the services of the Help Force.

He recalled that having been brought up on the idea that love consisted of giving, it had been a jolt to hear a preacher underline that it was as important to allow ourselves to be loved as to love - and it followed that it was as important to allow ourselves to be helped as it was to help.

One idea would be that in addition to those who came forward, a circular letter should be prepared explaining the Help Force - offering to help and asking if the person should like to help. Pick a part of the area at a time - put a letter in each letterbox - call a few days later and see whether the person needed help or wanted to help.

NEIGHBOURLINESS would be the best description of the object of the HELP FORCE. Eileen Jones, a former Chairperson, gave a talk and answered questions on the Ballyroan Volunteer Force. Their inaugural meeting eight years ago had an attendance of 25. Their area is now divided in ten parts - each with a Unit Leader and a number of helpers.

The guidelines which they laid down at the start were that they would operate on a reciprocal basis of mutual help - volunteers would offer one hour's work per week by rota - or if unable to do outside work, they could take care of children in their own homes, or do shopping, cooking or laundry work. It was non-sectarian and welcomed participation by all with the object of mutual help. Confidentiality was strictly upheld. Some of their volunteers were nurses who helped with the sick - others helped with meals-on-wheels, others collected turf for people unable to do so. Their organisation consisted entirely of women.

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Following a wide ranging discussion it was agreed to go ahead with the formation of the Help Force - not to tie ourselves down just yet to a hard and fast structure - that we would be available straightaway to help if people contacted us. Pending a formal structure, contact can be made with Donal Kelly, 27 Wainsfort Road (telephone 908721).

Next meeting will be on Friday, 9th of January at 8 p.m. in the small Committee Room of St. Pius X Church. All are welcome.

THE WHITE FATHERS

- SALE OF WORK - Sunday Dec.14th 1980

Prizewinners:-

1st	Mrs. Thomas	Cypress Gove North
2nd	Tom Moore	c/o Enda Bannon
3rd	N.Donovan	9, Cypress Grove South
4th	M.White	12, Cypress Grove South
5th	Mollie Doyle	39, Curzon St. S.C.Rd.
6th	Jennifer Hogan	75, Cypress Grove Road
7th	Frank Oates	c/o Joe Ennis, The White Fathers
8th	M.Curran	11, Fortfield Drive
9th	"Wally"	c/o FitzWilliam L.T.C.
10th	Mr. B.O'Keefe	82, Kill Lane, Foxrock

Mrs.Callan's picture was won by Mrs. Mulvagh, Cypress Grove Road

Mrs Carey's cake was won by Mrs.Rahilly, Ballyroan Park.

CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION WINNERS

1st (£1) Jane Finlay 10 Wainsfort Gardens

Runners Up (50p each)

Susan Haugh 9 Cypress Grove Road

Shelagh O'Rourke 3 College Crescent

GULLFOSS ELKHOUNDS

DAPHNE PEARCE, 26 WAINSFORT GROVE, TERENURE, DUBLIN 6. Tel. 01-903217

" Mrs.Pearce of Wainsfort Grove wishes to thank again most sincerely all those good people who gave so generously to the Dublin Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; and a very special personal thanks for so many friendly welcomes - which make'all the difference' on chilly evenings! Thank you.

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