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Templeogue Telegraph

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T.C. Breen 1982





DIARY

- Sat. 1st: Youth Group - St. Pius X Hall
(Every Saturday night)
- Sun. 2nd **SUMMER FETE** - Our Lady's School
11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- SOCIAL EVENING** - Templeogue Coll.
Parent's Assoc. 9 p.m.- 1 a.m.
- Mon. 3rd: Talk - "Sex Education" -
Sr. Una Collins, Holy Faith
Convent, Skerries. (St. Pius X
Parents Association)
- Tues. 4th: Community Council Meeting,
Our Lady's School - 8.00 p.m.
- Wed. 5th: Ladies Club Meeting "Make or
Bake Competition"
- Sun. 9th **C.B.S.I. Plant Sale** - St. Pius X
Committee - 10 a.m.
- Mon. 10th: School Management Boards
Meeting, St. Pius X School.
- Tues. 11th: St. Joseph's Young Priest
Society, White Fathers.

Community Notes

The following members have been elected to the Executive Committee of the Community Council:-

Chairman	Mrs. J. Farrell (Cypress)
Vice Chairman	Mr. Jerry Mullally (Wainsfort)
Secretary	Mrs. Eithne Flynn (Glendown)
Minutes Sec.	Mrs. Helen O'Toole (Fortfield)
Treasurer	Mrs. Maura Clarke (Wainsfort)

In an attempt to promote and foster good community relations between all sections of the community a letter has been sent to all local organisations and clubs inviting them to attend a meeting in Our Lady's School on May 4th at 3.00 p.m. This invitation is extended also to any interested member of the community who is anxious and willing to contribute to making our community a better place in which to live. With all the good will in the world the Community Council cannot of its own accord accomplish a spirit of participation and involvement unless it has the active support of the people they are trying to serve. The Community Council is not simply a Committee sitting in isolation but should consist of the coordinated efforts of all community members. We hope that this appeal will not fall on deaf ears.

JOSIE FARRELL.

OUR LADY'S SCHOOL
Templeogue Road

SUMMER FETE, Sunday 2nd May, 1982
11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
(wet or fine weather)

Fun and Games for the kiddies.
Cakes : Drapery : Plants : Garden
Produce : Books, etc.

Morning Coffee : Hot Dogs : After-
noon Tea.

COME EARLY

- Thur. 13th: **Help Force** Meeting, Small
Committee Room, St. Pius X
Church.
- Fri. 14th: Whist (2nd & 4th Friday)
Committee Room, St. Pius X
Church.
- Fri. 14th: Dodder Vale Flower Group,
Templeogue College.
- Mon. 17th **Local History Group** - Lecture: The
Dublin to Blessington Steam Tram.
- Wed. 19th: Horticultural Society, Our
Lady's School, 3.00 p.m.
- Sat. 22nd: Zion Church Summer Fete, Rathgar
2.00 - 5.30 p.m. Competitions -
Special Attractions. Enquiries:
Jim Finlay 900994.
- Mon. 24th: Solo & Friends, Templeogue
College.
- Fri. 28th: Whist: St. Pius X Committee Room.

St Pius X Altar Servers

On the 6th March we went on a very enjoyable outing to Holy Cross College, Clonliffe. The transport was provided by a few of our parents. When we arrived, another altar boy group was there also. We played a soccer and basketball match with them. After the meal we had a quiz. Following that the students showed us a film which was enjoyed by all the boys.

The altar servers held their annual cake sale recently. It was a great success. The total amount collected was over £500. Our thanks must go to both parishioners and parents who helped at our cake sale.

Holy Week began with Palm Sunday. As Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, we symbolised this with our own procession around the church with palms. The acolytes attended all the ceremonies during Easter.

At the 7.30 p.m. Mass on Holy Thursday, Very Rev. Fr. Lee concelebrated the ceremony. The washing of the feet took place.

Good Friday is the most solemn occasion during Easter. The reverence which takes place is of paramount importance. Rev. Fr. Supple officiated at this ceremony.

The Easter Vigil had as its chief celebrant Rev. Fr. Breen. This ceremony is the joyous event of Holy Week. Over Easter you may have noticed how well everything was organised. This is due to the hard work of Mr. Eddie Power (MC). We wish to thank him for taking time to train the acolytes, and by making sure that everything went according to plan.

During Lent, Rev. Fr. Flavin, C.S.Sp. gave us a two night retreat. It was most inspiring and our thanks are due to him.

Finally, we would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Miss Bileen Malone (Former Principal of Our Lady's School). Many of our altar boys knew her as a kind and good natured person. May she rest in peace.

Moladh go deo le Dia.

PETER HURLEY; COLM RYAN; FINTAN McKENNA.

Cypress Downs: Templeogue's newest estate

ENVIRONMENT

The other day I took a stroll through Cypress Downs. It's rather sad to see a place where I remember walking by acres of barley torn up and built on, but I was still impressed. The builders call it an 'exclusive development' and it certainly is an asset to the area. Inspired by the elegant buildings of the 18th century and faced with a warm honey-coloured brick, the houses are pleasant to walk past, and are laid out around a large green. Although only about half of the estate has been built so far, the builder has already laid down winding paths across this green, and the ground is almost ready for the planting of grass. (What a contrast with Wainsfort Park in the early '60s - see elsewhere in this issue). It is separated from the older green in Cypress Grove North by a decorative wall, which should please the residents there, and the old trees - including a magnificent cypress - have been retained.

The far end of the estate, towards Glendown Road, is not built yet. This was another field, once divided in three and known as Scotch Meadows.



One of the new houses.



July 1975: the last barley crop in Cypress Downs.

The houses themselves are amazingly spacious, and such big gardens haven't been seen for ten years. Admittedly, the furnishing and decoration of a showhouse always give an overly optimistic view, but features such as the window-seat in the drawing-room, and the round-headed window above the staircase make these houses rather unique.

Some builders seem to think that the neo-Georgian style automatically evokes luxury. They are wrong, of course: the effect fails totally where houses are crushed together in regimented lines as at Brookfield, beyond the K.C.R. In Cypress Downs this has been avoided, and the estate really looks well. So, when you're strolling around Templeogue this summer, do go through Cypress Downs.

st. jude's g.a.a.

WINNERS OF THE DUBLIN UNDER 10 CHAMPIONSHIP

St. Jude's Gaelic Football team are seen with the trophy and medals following their final match which resulted in a win for them over St. Anne's. This gave them a 100% (2-2 to NIL) record, the first team to do so in many years. They also defeated St. Olaf's, winners of the "B" division, and so proved that they are the champions. The scores for the league were a massive 64-44 'for' and 11-8 'against'.

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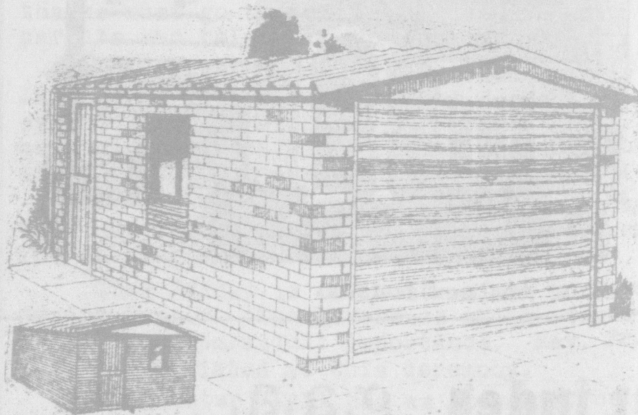
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Templeogue and the Third World.

The Templeogue Telegraph would like to put forward for your consideration a project which we think would have your enthusiastic support.

We feel that a closer, more intimate involvement with a specific community in the Third World would be a most satisfying experience. It would not be intended that such a project would entail withdrawal of support from the more usual channels of such aid, rather would it make us more aware of the needs.

It would be our suggestion that we in this community would be the home base, the logistical support, the backers, of someone or some group working at the "front line".

The closeness and intimacy could be achieved by letters, tape recording and film from the worker/workers on the spot. Perhaps correspondence between families in the deprived community and our own could develop. Perhaps children could communicate.

On the more practical level, a specific need could be dealt with. There is no project big or small that a community like the Templeogue Community could not solve. If it was a question of seeds or sewing machines or the where with all to dig a well or buy a bike money would be forthcoming.

We are sure that many of you have felt as we have on occasion when shown by newspapers or television situations where if one was on the spot one would have given anything to assist or perhaps save the people involved. This suggestion of ours is, we think, one way of achieving this involvement.

May we suggest to those who might be interested that they come along to a meeting in Our Lady's School on Thursday 18th May at 8 p.m. when we could discuss the way in which we would like to proceed.

It would be our intention to report all activities and keep all fully informed each month via the Templeogue Telegraph.

ST. PIUS X SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Highlight of our month was the Table Tennis Tournament, the finals of which were attended by Miss Rock, Mr. O'Brien and the former principals Mr. and Mrs. O'Doherty, who in their time in the school took a great interest in the tournament. Surprisingly, or perhaps not so to many of us, there were very few parents attending. The results of the finals are printed below. We continue to organise the weekly events for children in the school, and preparations are starting for the annual summer sports. Incidentally, fifth class children are now invited to table tennis on Saturday mornings, as is usual after the tournament and until the summer holidays.

The association has also been involved in a number of informal discussions and has written various letters about matters arising in the school, and post primary education facilities in the area. If parents have views on any aspects of schooling in St. Pius, these should be expressed, either to the school principals, teachers, or the parents' association. Mattered praise, or criticism, does no one any good.

On May 3rd we expect that Sister Una Collins, of the Holy Faith Convent in Skerries will talk to an extraordinary general meeting on Sex Education. She is a highly regarded guidance counsellor. The relationship between school and home in sex education will no doubt be part of her brief.

By the time this is published, committee members will have met Miss Rock and Mr. O'Brien to discuss the sports, and other matters of mutual interest. In our pending newsletter to Pius parents, there will be more detail on the issues raised.

We also have the annual tussle, the Heather Cup, to look forward to, and for the committee, the annual dinner, a good round-up to an active year.

RESULTS:

Girls 1.	Emma Ellis
Runner Up	Emer Halpin
Boys 1	Gavan Barlow
Runner Up	David Heather
<u>Winners Competition</u>	
	Emma Ellis
Runner Up	Gavan Barlow

Aifreann na Gaeilge. The Mass in Irish.



"Anois teacht an Earraigh,
Ta an la 'dul chun sineadh,
's tareis na Feil' Bhrighde
Ardochaigh me mo sheol,"
arsa an File Rafturai ... fado.
Sea, go direach, ta an la ag sineadh,
agus ta boladh na h-uire mar dtimpeall,-
fiu amhain annso inar bparoiste fein.
Marsin, a dhaoine uaisle go leir,
agus go hairithe, sibhse a ghaelgeoiri -
agus is mor le h-aireamh a bhfuil agaibh
sa cheanntar aluinn seo,- nach mithid
dibh dulseacht as bhur suan gach maidean
Domhnaig, agus freastal ar Aifreann na
Gaeilge ar a 8.45 a.m.!

"Tosnu maith leath na hoibre"-
marsin, seo chughainn sibh in-ainm De,-
agus ar son ar dteangan agus ar gcultúr fein.
We hope in the months ahead to see a big
increase in the number of people (young and
old) attending the Sunday Mass at 8.45 a.m.
in our Parish Church at Templeogue. We
have hundreds and hundreds of Irish speakers
as well-who attend Mass regularly on Sunday
- but not the Mass in the Irish language. I
often wonder why, oh why! will they not come
and give us their support and so help to
promote, or at least preserve our language
and culture. As Padraig Pearse and many other
famous patriots, including Eamon De Valera
would say - "Tir gan anam tir gan teanga"
"A country without its native language is
only half a nation". Let us "arise and go now
and go to Inish Free" - the Parish Gaelic Mass
each Sunday morning at 8.45 a.m. "In Ainm
De! Ca bhfuil na Gaeilgeoiri? mar a deireann
an t-Athair Mairtin O Liodain, in Eaglais
Naomh Treasa, Sraid Chlarendon, mar a mbionn
Aifreann Ghaeilge uair sa mhi ar a 3 p.m.
an 3u Satharn de gach mi (Cualacht an Scabaill,
Fear iontach e a thugann seanmoir Chinn
Ghlasta nGaeilg, maraon le h-Aifreann Ghaeilge
agus an Choroinn i nGaeilge. "Muscaill do
mhisneach a Bhanba"

Padraig Feiritear

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

Some months ago while having a social drink with my husband and some friends in a local Club, my attention was drawn to the behaviour of our young teenagers at Discos. I was shocked, my friend felt as I did. During the fast dances fellows and girls can absolutely do what they like, e.g. cartwheels, turn-overs, mad leaping around the place. But in my view the carry on during the slow "dances" - if you could call swaying in one position for ten minutes; long, long kisses, and very intimate lurching "dances" - is much, much more violent to the individual, and harmful.

A daughter of a close acquaintance arrived home from another Disco with a "love bite" on her neck - she was not quite sure how it got there. Since then I have heard of "love bites" on tummies.

Before Easter my son, nearly 15, asked to go to an under-15 disco "as everyone in his class was going". My answer was in the negative, as I had experienced at first-hand the carry on in a Community Centre at a disco for the 14-90 age group. I was asked how could I judge as I had never been inside this particular hall. I agreed, I hadn't, but with two neighbouring friends, mothers also, I visited this Club with a disco in progress

about a week ago. Three shocked and dazed parents came out about twenty minutes later. Actually, we did not "come" out, we were forced out by "our" children, who threw stones and jeered and shouted us out. A slow dance was in progress when we went in, and one couple were not closely embracing. One couple in particular never stopped kissing for the duration of the dance. Others kissed and fondled and absolutely carried on to a very intimate level, and then we discovered a pair completely stretched out on the floor in the corner - oblivious to everyone but themselves. In that hall there was no one supervising.

Parents - is this what we want for our children? Can we get rid of flashing lights and semi-darkness and bring back "steps" in dancing? How can our young children cope with feelings and emotions which must come from such close contact at a very tender age? Unfortunately, It is not now enough to deliver and collect our sons and daughters from these places. Please have a look inside and see do you think as my friends and I do.

I cannot speak for discos everywhere, but I can speak in the above terms for five local ones.

CONCERNED

P.S. I intend during the next few days writing to the committees of the five clubs.

Dear Sir,

Re May O'Neill's reference to us in Templeogue Roundabout (April '82) thank you for your delightful suggestion that we "get it together" with the Fianna Fail Cumann to analyse the employment prospects for young people.

We can understand your need for our advise since your leader an Taoiseach has felt the need for the benefit of Fine Gael advise in the complex maze of the Brussels Beauraucracies.

We would have appreciated an invitation to the Fianna Fail sponsored meeting and explain Fine Gael policies on achieving full employment. Sadly an opportunity we missed. We look forward to an invitation in the near future and of course you are very welcome to any of our Young Fine Gael meetings.

On the matter of employment much anger was raised at our last meeting about the astronomic rise in P.R.S.I. deductions without a fairer tax system being introduced. Surely Fianna Fail cannot defend this matter as helping the unemployed or the employed.

Yours sincerely,

Brian Gallagher
P.R.O. Young Fine Gael

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PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

HEATHER CUP—Junior Seven—aside Football.

Heather Cup has been competed for over the last ten years in the Parish.

There were some discussions on its present format at the last A.G.M. of St. Pius X Parent's Association which has helped run the competition over the years. A sub Group was appointed to review the rules and amend where necessary.

Before continuing, for the benefit of recent blow-ins to the area (anyone who arrived after 1971) I will try to outline the additional aims of the competition as I understand them:-

- Competition for a range of ages. This is achieved by teams of 8 players aged between 7 - 11 whose combined age should not exceed 77. The trick was to achieve the right balance, e.g. a team of four 11 year olds had to make up the balance of 33 years with three 8 year olds and one 9 year old, while teams with six 10 year olds, a 9 year old and a 7 year old would have less weak links.
- The teams had to find their own manager. This is to teach the young players that organisation is needed in addition to playing ability, and to teach them to find a good manager. Thus, things are not handed to them on a plate.
- Competition is confined to residents of the Parish.

The criticisms were as follows:-

- Weak players were not getting on teams i.e. young managers only picked the best players.
- Subs were seldom getting a game.
- Young managers pushed too hard for a victory.
- Difficulty, due to rising age of children in area to putting teams together.

Criticism a) tended to come from parents of weak or shy potential players. Good players do not wish to play with weak players if there is a better player available.

Criticism c) fails to accept that there can only be one winner. The rest must lose by definition. In our opinion, the only difference between young managers and adults is that the young managers show their enthusiasm earlier. One only has to go to the con-

cluding stages of the competition to see adults as het up as the younger people. If the youngsters learn to accept defeat after trying their best, a major aim of the competition has been achieved.

To meet the criticism and to try to improve the competition and get more people playing, the review body came up with the following:-

- Teams to be made up of 9 players combined age not to exceed 86.
- Players to be residents of St. Pius X Parish or attending St. Pius X School or Terenure College. Non Residents' school status to be confirmed by their school on the entry form.
- Subs to be played for second half of match. If subs do not attend, the team must play without the non-attending subs, i.e. with 5 players, after one let off. No exemption in play-off stage of the competition.
- No. 4 plastic ball to be used.
- Running shoes to be used.

No article on the Heather Cup would be complete without our thanks to the following:-

- Bernard Byrne and family, who together with B. Smith (R.I.P.) started and helped run the competition for years.
- Terenure College who give the ground each year.
- Allied Irish Banks, Templeogue, who have part-sponsored the medals for winners.
- Ignatius Martin who has refereed each final to date.

May the next ten years of the competition generate as much enthusiasm as it has done to date.

Entry forms available from:-

- Mr. P. O'Brien, Pius X Boys School.
- Fr. Hegarty, Terenure College Jr. School.
- Mr. T. Woulfe, 105 Templeville Road.

P.S. The competition had its first girl medal winner last year.

THIS AND THAT

The message coming from our County Council, loud and clear, is that if you want anything done besides collecting your bin you should do it yourself. Strong vigorous residents associations are what is required by our public representatives - this in the hope that the Council will thereby be expected to do less.

The situation, of course, should be that if you have enthusiastic residents associations they should be given every encouragement and their requests for assistance should be met promptly if reasonable.

It is not good enough for residents who are living at the Templeville/Wainsfort round-about to be told that because the gardai have few reports of cars going over the roundabout made to them there is no problem. Few of those unfortunate enough to make this mistake would think it necessary to report it to the gardai.

As we have mentioned before, the plantation at Fortfield Park is a disgrace. We would go a little further now and suggest that it will shortly be a health hazard. Assistance is required from the County Council with this problem.

What is not required from the Council is the visit we have just had from the man with total weedkiller. It is really very annoying when one is doing ones best to keep the grass verge pleasant to have it mutilated in this heavy handed way by the Council.

C.B.S.I. 37th (St.Pius X) Unit
P L A N T S A L E

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Poetry Corner

MISHAP

He'd been driven round the bend
 He cried "my life I'll end"
 He snatched the razor in a blazing flash
 And sorrowfully shaved off his moustache!

His heart was sick he oozed with ills
 His impulse quick he grabbed the pills
 He'd swallow them all, "that would give them a shock"
 What a pity the jar had a child-proof lock!

He went down stairs feeling sad
 He thought he might be going mad
 "I'm glad I didn't do it, I was out of my head"
 He tripped on the carpet, and was killed stone dead!

THE TELEPHONE CALL

"I really feel out on a limb"
 "How could he be so cruel"
 Tears filled her eyes to the brim
 "He uses me like a tool"
 "I'll get even, so help me God!"
 She strode about the room
 "With his manners he's downright odd"
 She resigned herself to the gloom
 Swiftly the silence is broken
 It sounds like an intimate tone
 From her trance she is awoken
 "Darling you're sweet to phone!"

by L. A. DEEGAN

St. Pius X Church - once again car owners please -
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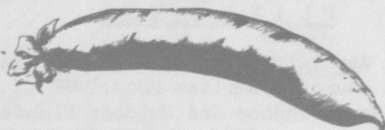
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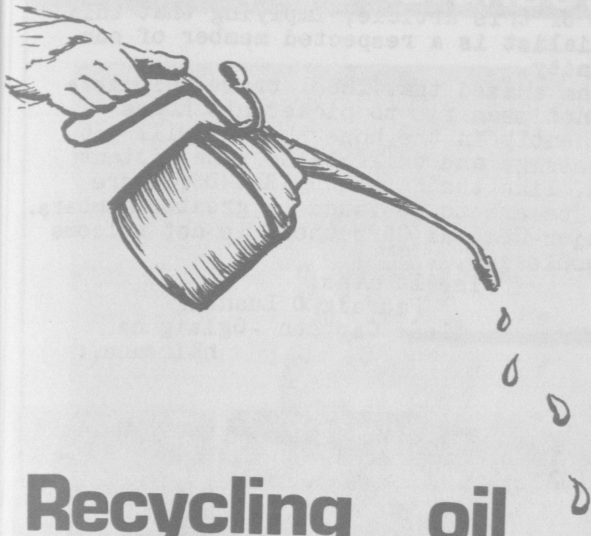


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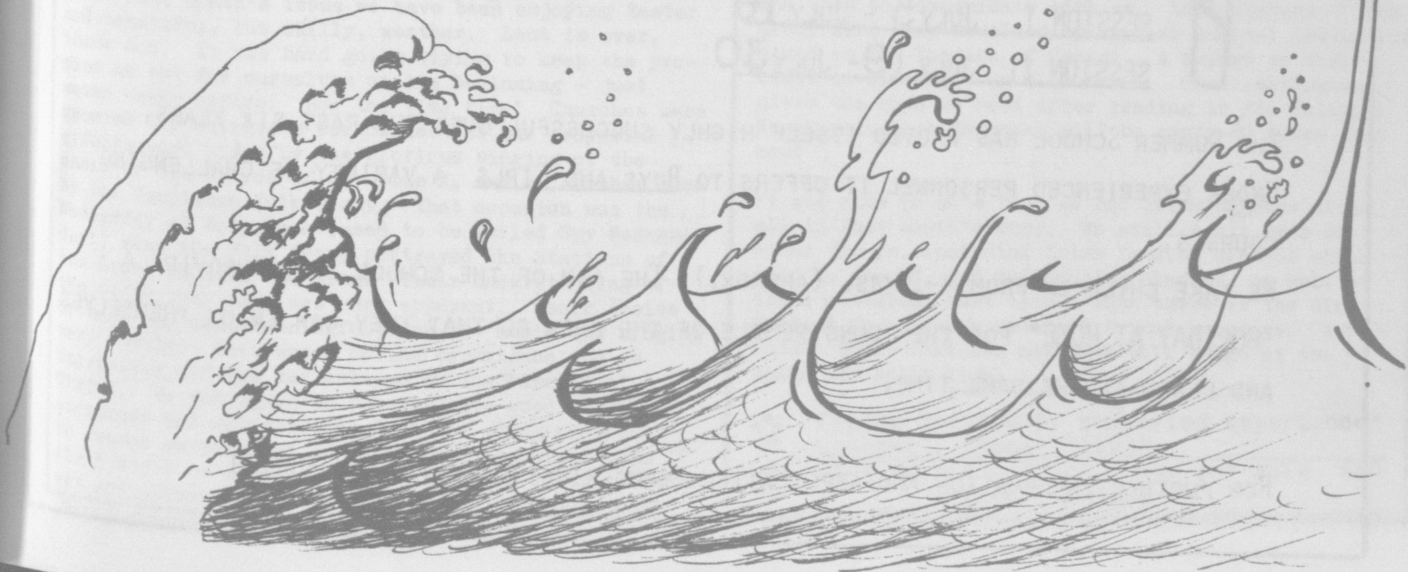
Recycling oil

The recycling of oil and anti-pollution measures could be said to go hand-in-hand. Here we are not concerned with the headline catching pollution which follows the grounding of an oil tanker like the Torey Canyon but a scale of pollution which may not get more than a small paragraph tucked away on an inner page. For example in the late 50s a farmer in the midlands thought he had struck it rich when he found oil oozing out of the ground on his holding. Before he could solicit investment in his newly found resource it was discovered that a local garage had been dumping oil into a hole on higher ground for a number of years and it had eventually been brought to the surface on his farm by a rising water level. For many years waste oil from industry and from cars must have been dumped in this way and into drains and perhaps it still happens although now there is little excuse for this thoughtless practice. In 1971 the Atlas Oil Company was founded to collect, refine and blend lubricating oil for industry and the motorist. The demand for its services was so great that it soon extended its activity to N.Ireland and to Britain. The collection of the oil is handled by large and small tankers equipped with two-way radios, so they can be contacted without delay, wherever they are or whenever they are needed. They also supply oil containers for storage (minimum quantity 40 gallon drums) and replace with empties or drain when required. Last year they collected 2 million gallons of waste for which they paid £500,000.

This quantity might otherwise have contaminated the environment. People in Dublin can now dispose of oil safely by using the special tank provided at the Dublin County Council tiphead (Friarstown, Bohernabreena, Tallaght for our area) or at the Rathfarnham Service Station, Rathfarnham Rd., Dublin 14 between

8a.m. and 7p.m. Monday to Friday. There are eight collecting points in the Dublin area. The Atlas Oil Company invested £1m in a Luboil refinery located centrally at Portlaoise and so they can supply Irish industry with recycled oil, at its highest value, thereby saving about £2.5m in imports. This does not represent the maximum recycling possible, but about 3 times this amount must still be dumped or disposed of in other ways. Some garages now burn their oil to heat the premises, which at first sight might seem quite a good idea. However lead contained in petrol is accumulated in lubricating oil and is therefore released into the atmosphere when the oil is burned.

The E.E.C. are reported to have sent recommendation to the Government regarding the recycling of oil and its disposal but the Department of the Environment seems not to have acted on the advice. Do-it-yourself motorists handle about 1million gallons of lubricating oil annually and much of this may be dumped. If any of our readers are among the dumpers they should give some thought to the advantages of having this oil recycled. Firstly they will receive money in return, secondly they will protect the environment and finally they can help our balance of payments by cutting down on oil imports. If you can fill a 40 gallon drum just ring Atlas Oil 32 Nassau Street, Dublin 2 at Tel. 714426



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

John Paul House for Travelling Children
14 Ontario Terrace, Dublin 6.
March 1982.

Dear Editor,

May I through the Templeogue Telegraph reach out to so many benefactors, known and unknown, in the Templeogue area who have so consistently supported the work in which I am involved for the Travelling Children.

Too often, when contributions in money or kind have been left in to one or other of the Centres which I am privileged to share with the Travelling Children, no name or address of the donors have been taken. I am very conscious, in consequence, that I have not been able to send any thanks.

I would like, therefore, to express here my sincerest gratitude and that of the staff, to all who support us both spiritually by their prayer and materially. May our most generous God, the Friend of the poor, reward each one.

Sincerely,
(Sister) JOYCE ROBERTS
R.C.E.

A Chara,

As a reader of the Templeogue Telegraph since its inception some 15 years ago, I feel feel that I am entitled to protest at Mr. Sheehan's unfortunate decision to spotlight a British Major-General in his "Know Your Neighbour" article in the April issue.

To praise this "gentleman" who fought against the Irish Republic in 1916, and then helped to keep the gallant Indian people under the heel of the British Monarch, must surely rank as a major insult to those of your readers who cherish Ireland, its people and everything Irish. Many will I am sure, resent the foisting

on us of this article, implying that this Colonialist is a respected member of our community.

I am amazed that local trade-unionists have not seen fit to picket his house permanently in the hope that he will get the message and emigrate to some distant shore, like the FALKLAND ISLANDS, where his type are to be found in greater numbers. Major-General Carruthers is not welcome in Templeogue.

Mise le meas,
Padraig O Luanaig
(leas Captaen -Oglaig na hEireann).



Representatives of St.Pius X Parent's Association at A.G.M. of Community Council, including Mrs.Helen O'Toole and Mrs.Eithne Flynn who were elected Minute Secretary and Correspondent Secretary respectively

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Paddy Crehan of Templeville Road is a truly remarkable athlete whose career spans the last twenty nine years, and who has won between 400 and 500 trophies mainly for hammer throwing.

A native of Newbridge, Ballinasloe, Paddy played the usual games at school but it was not until The Hammer Club of Ireland was formed in Dublin in 1953 that he became seriously involved in this form of sport. They held their first competition at Belfield in the summer of 1953 and Paddy Crehan won the competition. From then on he has gone from success to success. He won the All Ireland Senior Hammer Championship in 1953 and has competed in that event for twenty nine successive years. His collection of medals is quite superb - he has 59 All Ireland medals in gold, silver and bronze, together with dozens of medals won at County and Provincial championship events. The Crehans had a double success in 1973 when Paddy won the Senior Irish Championship for 28lb. hammer and his son Paraic won the Juvenile National Championship. Paraic is presently a student at Templeogue College but he was only 8 years old at that time so it was a feat.

He is closely involved with the National Athletic and Cycling Association of Ireland and during the years 1976/78 he was National President of the organisation. He also held the position of P.R.O. during the years 1967/73 and was National Secretary

for a short time. At present he holds the position of National Vice President. N.A.C.A. (I) is a thirty-two county organisation and in the early 1970s they organised races inside the barricades in Belfast which were very successful. In 1978 Paddy was appointed to the National Sports Council by the then Minister for Sport, Mr. Jim Tunney. A new Council was formed in February of this year and he was reappointed.

During his long athletic career Paddy has competed in and won many events in England and on the Continent. In 1977 he got into the final of the Hammer event at an International Sports Festival held in Austria in which 9,000 athletes were involved. His successes have been consistent over the years and as evidence that he is still in tip-top shape he won the Irish Senior 28lb Hammer Championship at Belfield in 1981. Over the years he would train three or four evenings a week, however he is now content to train about twice a week and he intends to enter for the National Track and Field Championships at Belfield this year and then retire. Although retiring from active participation he will continue to be involved on the administrative side. Apart from the trophies he has won Paddy is grateful for the many friendships which he has formed throughout his sporting career.

The Crehans came to live in Templeville in 1959, but whilst most of the residents bought their houses from the builder, Paddy displayed rare initiative in buying his site in 1957 and during the next two years he built his detached house in his spare time.

Having been educated at an all Irish School Paddy is proud to wear a gold Fainne and is still very interested in the Irish language. He took part in an Irish Quiz on television in 1967, which he won. He was also the first Irish hammer thrower to appear on Irish Television in 1962 when he won the Ballinasloe Relays event.

In 1973 when there was an accident involving an escape of poisonous gas in a tunnel at Guinness's Brewery Paddy showed great bravery in trying to save the victims trapped in the tunnel and was awarded a certificate of Bravery for his efforts.

We wish Paddy success in his final event during the summer and hopefully he will add another trophy to his vast collection, which is a testimony to his very successful athletic career.

TEMPLEOGUE ROUNDABOUT

May O'Neill

Since last month's issue we have been enjoying Easter and beautiful, but chilly, weather. Lent is over, thank God. It was hard going trying to keep the promise we set for ourselves at the beginning - just seven weeks before. How the time flew! Churches were crowded for religious ceremonies and our prayerful efforts were aided by the glorious singing of the choir of the Church of St. Pius X, and at another time by the Templeogue Folk Group. That occasion was the Wednesday of Holy Week (used to be called Spy Wednesday!) when the Folk Group portrayed the Stations of the Cross in mime and song. Their understanding of the story they told was very apparent. Their choice of song was most meaningful, and the music and singing very lovely. This was a moving experience and an impressive aid for reflections on the Passion of Christ. So yet again we parents have good reason to encourage and support this Group of young people - to foster an interest in what they are doing, even if their style of music is not ours. They enjoy themselves and obviously take trouble to try to understand

and then to communicate with us. Some members of the Group were very involved in another musical production based on the Passion of Christ. A report on that event is elsewhere in this issue. Their enthusiasm gives the hope we need after reading in the National Newspapers that Churches will be empty 20 years from now!

It was nice to note that we had Swimming News after all in last month's copy. We still await news of other Groups, including Irish Dancing classes which seem to abound, and tap-dancing classes, as well as those mentioned last time. Then there is the Girl Guides' Group which meets on Friday evenings. Any more? Hopes that our magazine will bulge at the seams are still high.

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T.C.B.

WAINSFORT PARK : A PLANNING ROW OF YESTERYEAR

In Wainsfort Park, beside the Wainsfort Road, is a large triangular open space. It is green and neat; quiet except for the joyous shouts of children at play or the occasional bark of a dog. Over twenty years ago, this site was the centre of a planning row which took twelve years to solve.

The estate had been built by a Mr. Percival Hanna. Like so many builders, having completed the houses, he started work on another site elsewhere without waiting to finish off the Wainsfort site - including the cleaning up of the open space.

As the law stood at the time, there was no time limit in which a developer had to complete these works. This meant in fact that he never had to do so. Until this was done,

however the local authority would refuse to take it over, so that the householders were getting no benefit from the rates which they had to pay. Mr. D. Brophy, then Secretary of the Wainsfort Residents' Association remarked to an Evening Herald reporter in 1960 that it was odd that the only pressure the County Council could put on a developer was to tell him that the estate would not be taken over until all the conditions were carried out. "This" he said "is no hardship on him but only on the residents". As time dragged on the site became more overgrown: "you could lose a child among the nettles" recalls Mr. Bill Noonan, who as Chairman of the Residents' Association spearheaded the attack. Worse was to come: to the dismay of many residents the builders allowed a circus to encamp there for a few days.

Eventually the aid of politicians was invoked and three of them, Mark Clinton, Sean Dunne and Paddy Butler agreed to help. The latter was to approach Mr. Hanna. In fact victory was already in sight by then, for not only did the 1963 Planning Act plug the 'time-limit' loophole, but it was retrospective, and so covered this estate. There was now a time limit of 20 days. The developer's reply was to apply for permission to build 12 houses on the site. The County Council turned this down. Eventually a compromise was reached: the Council agreed to buy the land. They paid £4,500 for it, and before long it was the pleasant green we see today. T.C. Breen



According to the plans, this open space at Wainsfort, Terenure, should be walled, properly fenced to tone with the surroundings and converted into a well laid-out park.

Newspaper photograph from the time of the dispute
(Evening Herald, June 8 1960).

FIANNA FÁIL

The Annual General Meeting of Bob Briscoe Cumann took place at the White Fathers on April 6th. The attendance included Councillor Sean Walsh, T.D. and Mr. Jim Hilliard, Constituency Delegate.

The following officers were elected:

President: Richard Conroy, The Old Rectory, Belgard Rd. Tallaght
Chairman: John Bolger
180 Templeogue Road.
Vice-Chairman: John Condren
1 Fortfield Park
Hon. Secretary: Kitty Coffey
122 Templeville Drive

Treasurers: Anne Duffy
7 Cypress Drive
Vincent Gibson
39 Templeville Road

Delegates to
Comhairle Dail
Ceantair: Kitty Coffey
Margaret Lynch, 41 Cypress
Grove Road
John Bolger.

Sean Walsh, who chaired the meeting, referred to the many problems facing the country - the one which caused him most concern was unemployment, but the Government was totally committed to creating as many jobs as possible, particularly for young people. He wished to thank all who voted for him in the election, and promised to continue to do all in his power to promote the interests of this area.

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LARRY MC MAHON T.D. H.C.C.



Councillor Laing.

Since I last wrote to you a number of local matters have come to hand and I have taken immediate action.

The most important of these has been the attempt by Dublin Corporation Traffic Dept. to impose a "No Right Turn" at Templeville Road - Templeogue Road junction into Templeogue shopping centre. Consequently, I set up a meeting with the Gardai, Dublin Corporation, Deputy L. McMahon, and the Templeogue Traders. At the Site meeting it was decided to leave a decision in abeyance, and to have further examination of the traffic junction before a final decision would be reached. I am sure we would all agree that a decision such as this would have a detrimental affect on the business of the area, and the livelihood of many would be at stake.

The traffic on Templeville Road is still causing considerable concern, and I have requested the Traffic Study Group to re-examine the pedestrian lights at Templeville Road - Fortfield as many householders are having difficulty getting into Templeville Road, and also those motorists from Templeville Drive - Avenue are having great difficulty in gaining access at this bad junction.

The Roundabout has become like a "disaster zone", and I have taken the matter up with the Roads Engineer, and I hope to have a report for next month. The general maintenance in this area leaves a lot to be desired.

I am happy to report that at our recent Estimates Meeting money was allocated for the provision of traffic lights at Glendown Road - Templeville Road, and the way is now clear for the go-ahead. I have requested the Roads Department to give this matter special priority as it has become an extremely dangerous junction.

Finance has also been provided for a pedestrian crossing at the Autopoint Garage on Wellington Road which is badly needed at this very wide crossing.

I am also delighted to report that money has been provided for improved lighting on Fortfield Park.

I think it is also important to report that many councillors were concerned about the standard of general maintenance. However it was pointed out by the County Manager that the Government has allowed a rates increase of 15%, and as this does not keep pace with inflation, the Council is unable to come into the housing areas as often as possible. Consequently the Manager appealed for the co-operation of all Residents' Associations in helping to maintain a high standard of maintenance, in particular grass verges.

There was one major planning decision by An Bord Planala during the month, and that was to grant permission for a housing development at Manor Avenue, Wainsfort Grove, as they felt this would greatly enhance the residential amenities of the area. Most of us know the area well which has been occupied as Steel Works for many years. This will mean a big change to this area, and I will be keeping an eye on the rigid conditions laid down by the Bord.

NEWS FLASH: The Gardai have made a decision not to go ahead with "no right-hand turn" on Templeville Road, but instead will proceed with warning signs of a dangerous turn.

The Experience of Ecumenism.

What is Ecumenism? The following definition was given recently by the Director of the Irish School of Ecumenics, Dr. Robin Boyd:

"Ecumenism is the response of Christians of many Churches throughout the inhabited world to the prayer of Christ to the Father in John 17:21 "that they all may be one; as you Father are in me and I in you; that they may also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me".

So Ecumenism is a response. We may feel like asking what sort of response? The simplest answer is that it is a coming together of Christians from different Churches who also remain loyal to their own Churches. So it is both a "coming together" and a "staying apart? Yes, it is a partial coming together. When all Christians are fully united there will be no need for Ecumenism in the Christian context. But, until all Christians are fully united, Ecumenism is essential in order to express the reality of the present situation. What is the reality of the present situation? It is that Christians are already united in Christ by their common baptism even though they are divided in other respects. If Christians come together to give expression to what they have in common and at the same time acknowledge their divisions, they are witnessing to the reality of the present situation; they are practising Ecumenism and responding to Christ's prayer. Even though the coming together is partial, it is specially blessed. The Second Vatican Council Decree on Ecumenism says:

The co-operation of all Christians is the living expression of the attachment which already connects them; it puts the countenance of Christ in a clearer light."

When Christians come together to pray together for the unity which Christ wills, they experience that special blessing that is the experience of Ecumenism.

Why should Christians be fully united? We find the answer in the above prayer of Christ. The reason is "so that the world may believe".

Anyone interested in obtaining information about the Ecumenical Movement is invited to contact MAUREEN BRAZIL - telephone: 905774.



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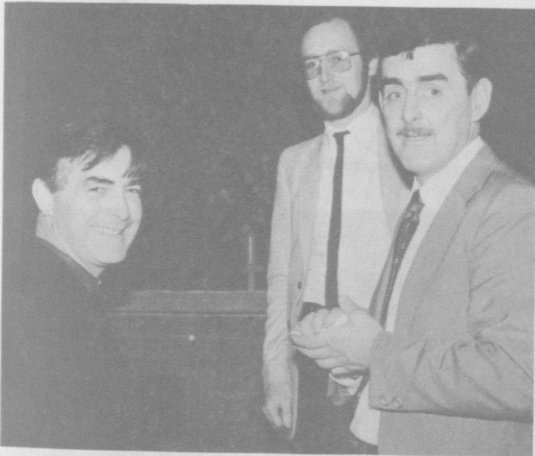
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Anybody willing to respond, please contact Sister Roberts by post c/o Our Lady's School, Templeogue Road, Dublin 6 or by phone 726709 (Day) 966166 (night) or 905516 (Sat. night & Sunday).

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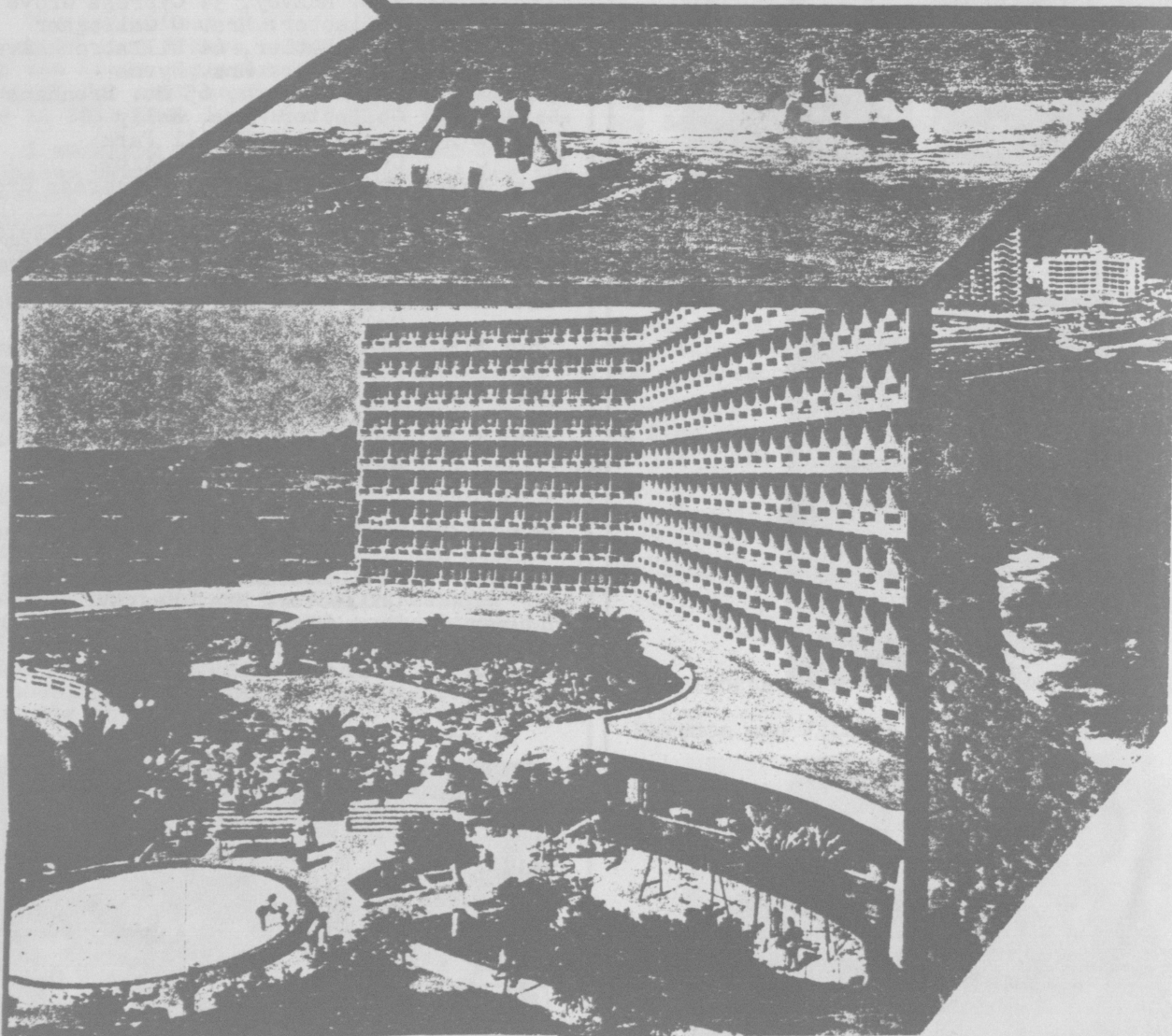
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