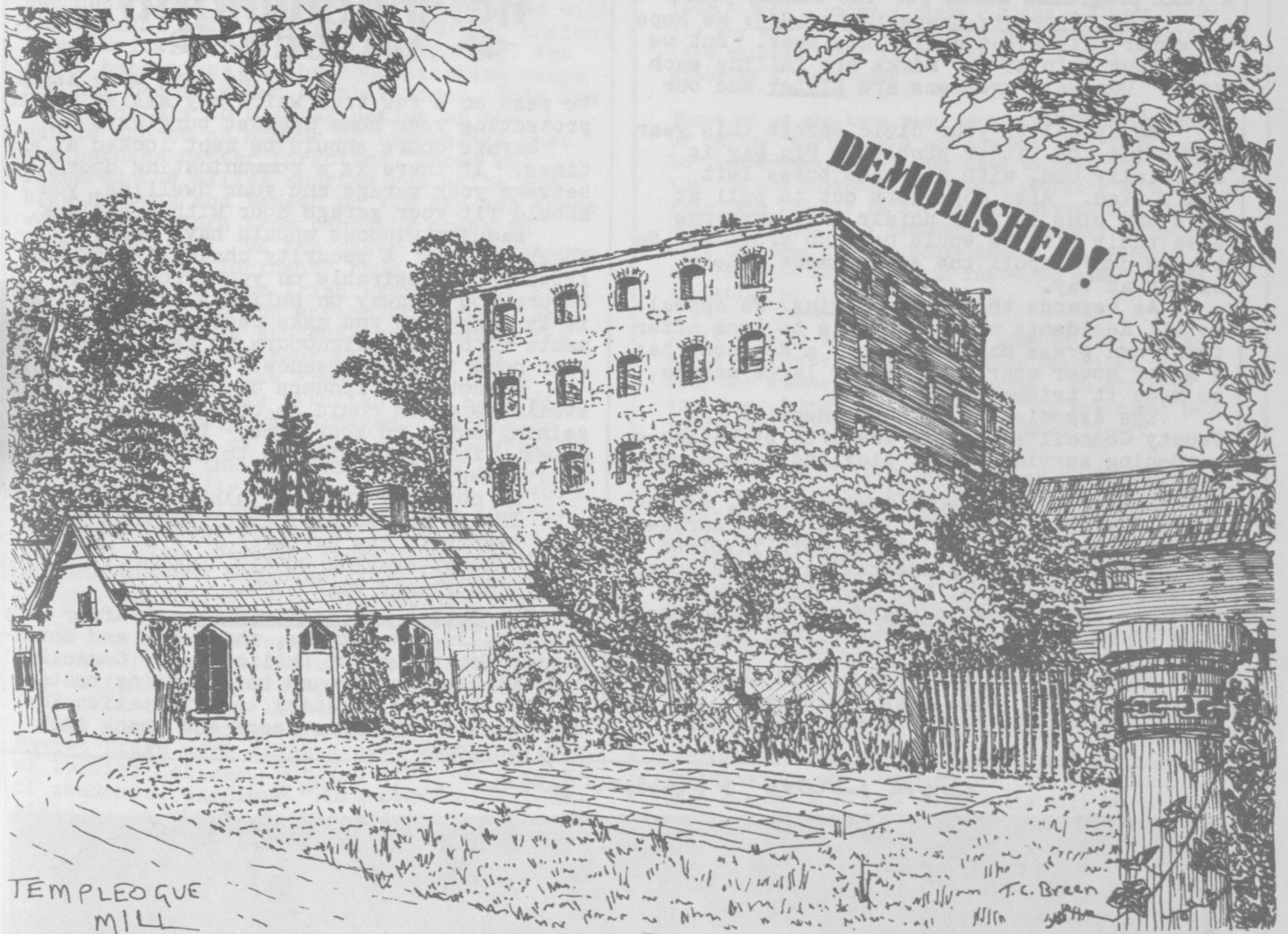


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## residents' association

The 30th Annual General Meeting took place in Terenure College on Monday, 25th March, 1985.

Minutes of last year's A.G.M. were read by Mrs. Eileen Tobin and signed by the Chairman.

The Hon. Secretary's Report took the meeting through the year's progress and activities. Her report was adopted unanimously.

The Hon. Treasurer's Report was very detailed and showed a healthy balance. A vote of thanks was passed to the Auditors for the work for the Association and they were duly elected for the coming year.

The Chairman's Address was comprehensive and informative. Many items of local interest were discussed and the incoming Committee has a full programme ahead for the coming year.

Tidy Districts Competition 1985: We hope to enter this event again this year. But we need your help as our marks are falling each year. Our main problems are Litter and our Grass Margins.

We appeal to your civic spirit this year regarding the litter problem. Bin Day is especially bad, with bags and boxes left badly tied. Also dogs left out to pull at bags and bins is very unfair. If everyone does their bit, we would have no problems. So please don't spoil the environment. Keep litter at bay.

As regards the Grass Margins. We appeal to all Residents where possible to look after their own grass margin, and if a Resident has a motor mower near a corner or large margin, to keep it trimmed.

The Association is supplementing the County Council's work in the area by having a gardening service clean, tidy and remove rubbish where needed.

But we do need your co-operation, as the basic aim of the competition is to encourage you, the residents, to become more involved in the tidiness and presentation of our area. It is also hoped that the competition will create a keener public awareness and encourage more local involvement in an effort to reduce vandalism.

The Committee asks you not to hesitate if you have any ideas that would gain us a place amongst the prize winners this year.

### Committee Members, 1985/86.

Mr. John Doran, Fortfield Grove, Chairman.  
Mrs. Michael Meagher, Templeville Drive.  
Mrs. Claire O'Regan, " " Hon.

Mrs. Ena Heffernan, " " Hon.  
" " Secretary.  
" " Treasurer.

Mrs. Eileen Tobin, " " Road  
" " Minutes Secretary.

Mr. Denis O'Shea, Templeville Drive.

Mrs. Ethel Tobin, Fortfield Avenue

Mr. Paddy McGovern, Fortfield Drive.

Mr. J. O'Connor, Templeville Road.

We are looking for Representatives from Fortfield Road, Hyde Park, Fortfield Park.

## neighbourhood watch

We have been asked to pass on a few tips which may assist you in protecting your home against burglary.

Garage doors should be kept locked at all times. If there is a communicating door between your garage and your dwelling, you should fit your garage door with a padlock.

Landing windows should have security locks fitted. A security chain with sturdy fittings is desirable on your front door. Before you go away on holidays or even a day it is suggested you make reciprocal arrangements with your neighbours to keep an eye to your home in your absence.

Do not keep ladders or garden tools available which could be of assistance to gaining entry to your home. Do not leave notes. Tell your milkman to discontinue deliveries.

Do not draw your curtains or blinds. If you are suspicious of persons or cars report to the Gardai.

Local Station 905417, 900580.

Emergency Dial 999.

Plantation at Fortfield Shops. After many phone calls and letters, the Parks and Environment Department of Dublin County Council have at last got around to attending to the rose bushes and cleaning the plantation for us. We wish to acknowledge and thank them for the work.

### OUR LADYS' FASHION SHOW Friday 19th April





## FORTY YEARS AGO RPK

On May 1st 1945 the German Radio announced the death of Adolf Hitler "at his command post in the Reich Chancellery fighting to the last breath against Bolshevism and for Germany". The reality, somewhat less glorious was revealed subsequently, but it was a week later that total surrender was announced by his successor as Fuehrer, Admiral Doenitz, with the words "Every soldier can therefore lay down his arms and proudly! And can in these most grave hours of our history, go back to his work for the eternal life of our people." Although V-E Day on May 7th sent a wave of relief around the world the war with Japan had yet to continue to the bitter end.

It is perhaps true to say that in spite of her neutrality many Irishmen sympathised with the Germans mainly because it was our "ancient enemy" Britain that they were fighting. The awful happenings in the concentration camps had not become known at that time. This led unfortunately to a polarisation of the public and to a number of happenings that are perhaps better forgotten. Those who favoured the Allies sported red, white and blue ribbons and badged on V-E day and these were rudely torn from people's coats in Grafton Street. On the other side there was "A Disgraceful Incident" thus readlined in an editorial in the Irish Press of May 8th. This referred to the action of a few stupid and irresponsible students who removed the tricolour from the roof of T.C.D. and replaced it with the French, Soviet and British Flags. This resulted in a near riot in which property was damaged. Naturally the authorities of the college were greatly embarrassed by the incident as were also the vast majority of students. The Provost visited the Taoiseach Mr. DeValera and expressed his deep regret at the insult to the National Flag. Several student Bodies including the Student Representative Council, its Historical Society and Philosophical Societies sent a letter to the Press expressing their regrets. However "The Times" of London gave their own version of the incident which ran as follows according to a report in the Irish Press of May 10th:-

"The Bire, American, British, French and Soviet flags were hoisted over the main gate of Trinity College, Dublin, today by a party of students, who sang "Rule Britannia", when standing on the roof over the gate. A large crowd collected, and police intervened when scuffles developed. Later, after a meeting in O'Connell Street, another group marched to Trinity College, and tried to force a way into the college to take down the flags. Police made baton charges and dispersed the crowds which blocked the traffic for some time."

The paper of May 15th reported on questions by British M.Ps. firstly criticizing Mr. de Valera for calling on the German Minister to express "the condolence of his Government on the death of Hitler." One M.P. asked was deValera harbouring Hitler. It was stated that the windows of the British Representatives Office and that of the U.S. Consul General had been broken "by stones thrown by a member or members of a disorderly crowd." Yet another M.P. wished to know what steps were being taken to arrest the Germans in their Embassy and elsewhere in Eire with a view to their trial as war criminals.

By May 23rd we were reading accounts in the Dublin papers of the experiences of Irishmen who had been imprisoned by the Germans and had now returned home. One of these had been captured in Greece and had spent four years as a prisoner before being liberated by the Russians just outside Berlin. He had experienced hardships including hunger but also had enjoyed Ceilidhes in their "Irish Club" in the camp as they had their own ceilidhe band. They also taught this dancing to other prisoners but had to give it up when it became too popular.

These were stirring times brought to light by my browsing through old newspaper cuttings in my attic.

## SUDDENLY ITS SUMMER!

Here is the News - Summer has finally arrived!! The long - cold - snowy - windy - rainy - Winter is on its way out and we have it on very good authority (the milkman) that it will be many months before it attempts a "come-back".

Those of us who have seen many summers have a habit of saying "the summers now are not what they used to be" and my own grandfather used to boast of the fact that in his boyhood days "there wouldn't be a drop of rain from 1st May to the end of September". Of course, he was only remembering the many happy sunny days he spent on Inchidoney Strand and probably did n't feel the cold wind and fog which came in from the Atlantic.

Be that as it may, now is the time to cast off the gloom of winter and get ourselves organised for the long hot summer we hope lies ahead. So off with the "long Johns" and, having put the overcoats back into "moth balls", on with the summer finery.

Now, I am one of these people who cannot stand excessive heat so the best parts of summer for me are early mornings or late evening. In the past my ideal pastime on a hot summer day was to sit under a leafy tree, preferably during a cricket match, with a favourite book. During the winter just passed, however, when the cold seemed to penetrate into the marrow of my bones, I vowed that I would never again complain of excessive heat in the Summer - even if it killed me!

Somebody once said that Ireland would be a great country if only it had a roof! Hence the ever-increasing demand for "holidays in the sun - in Spain, Greece etc., without the fear of torrential rain during, what some years could well be called, our "Monsoon Season".

But those who choose to spend the summer holidays in Ireland hope springs eternal and wet or fine sure isn't it a lovely country anyway?

That's the end of the news - now for news of the weather over to ... Evelyn. .what's her name!

Michael Sheehan

## LETTERS

A letter to "Mr. Joe Walsh" delivered to 12 Templeville Park at Christmas was sent back to An Post as it was not for this address. Letter is from Sean H. thanking Joe for his Christmas gift. After going to Templeville Drive it came back to the Park again and owner can claim it there. D. WALSH.

# Diary

Wed. 1 Ladies' Club.  
1 Closing date Heather  
Cup entries.

Mon. 6- Heather Cup  
Thurs 16

Sat. 11 Summer Project -Bring &  
Buy Cake Sale after 7pm  
Mass.

Sun. 12 " " after all Masses

Tues. 14 St. Joseph's Young Priests  
Society. Pius X Church 7.30pm

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Wed. 15 Horticultural Society, 8pm  
Our Lady's School.  
Thurs. 23 Thursday Club St. Mary's Room  
2.30pm.  
Tues. 28 Ladies Club Summer Outing  
1 p.m.

▶ Which was the first city to have a children's playground?. The first was set up in Boston in 1886 the main feature being being sand pits.

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# horticultural society

Maureen Hearty

The Templeogue Horticultural Society held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, 17th April in Our Lady's School. Two speakers were engaged for this meeting in preparation for the forthcoming Annual Show.

Sr. Benet O.P. gave a very informative talk on what is expected from Show participants. Study the Show Schedule and enter for the Classes of your choice but your entry must be exactly as stated in the Schedule, i.e. size of cake or tart, number of scones etc. Disqualification will result if you deviate from the explicit instructions, no matter how magnificent your presentation may be. The same rules apply to preserves but in this instance attention to the container is also important. The jam for show purposes must be in plain glass jam jars not fancy jars, and must be clearly labelled showing type of jam and date. A clean shining jar is an advantage.

Mr. P. Christian spoke about the floral aspect of the Show. He too stressed the necessity to enter exhibits as stated in the various Classes. His advice was to read and re-read the Show Schedule and thereby eliminate the possibility of being disqualified.

Blooms should be in good condition and preferably half-open, never blown, position each flower to the very best advantage and make sure that the entry card is in position. Always take 'spare' blooms to the Show, just as a precaution. Mr. Christian also spoke of the enjoyment of exhibiting and mentioned that one should be always willing to help another exhibitor.

The first rule of course should be to have the completed entry form returned to the Society in good time.



## ST. MACDARA'S

On March 25th, 1985 the new oratory in St. MacDara's College was dedicated to their patron - Saint Mac Dara - by Bishop Donal Lamont, who was the main celebrant in the concelebrated Mass which followed.

There was a very large attendance and needless to say the reception afterwards was enjoyed by all.

The Oratory is a welcome addition to the many facilities already available within this expanding Community College. It is a most peaceful room, and has many outstanding features.

The spirit of co-operation and effort that prevails within the staff is demonstrated once more by this project. Thank you for inviting me.

MILDRED GLEESON.



# HILL WALKING

Hill walking is a delightful activity and one which is much older than orienteering or jogging which are at present experiencing a boom. To walk the hills is to enjoy clean pure air, to tread soft tracks and enjoy splendid views unobtainable from most roads. To take up hill or mountain walking seriously one needs a good pair of walking boots, not necessarily very heavy and two pairs of socks (one heavy and the inner light), a modest sized rucksack sufficient to carry rain gear, food and drink, perhaps a camera and binoculars, and maps, compass and possibly a whistle.

In the Wicklow Mountains, which are at our doorstep, one can walk for hours without crossing a road or seeing a car or house. Walking alone in the mountains is unwise because if the weather deteriorated suddenly as can happen, visibility can be down to a few yards and there may be dangerous cliffs nearby. It is always best to walk in company and that indeed is one of the pleasures of walking. There are many walking clubs in Dublin and these usually cater for a wide range of ability and fitness. One may choose between six or eight hour walks involving the climbing of several mountains or an afternoon more level stroll on forest track or along a beach.

Walking In Ireland and particularly near Dublin has been made more accessible to the casual walker by the opening up of our National Parks and of Trails such as the Wicklow Way, which runs from Marley Grange down through the length of the Wicklow Hills taking in some splendid views. This trail is signposted and one can obtain a plan of it by writing to Mr. J.P. Malone of Caspoir, Hawkins House, Dublin 2 or to Bord Failte. Shops which cater for walkers and for venture sports generally such as "The Great Outdoors" in Chatham Street may also be able to advise about trails and organised walks.

Throughout the summer for the more experienced walker a number of long walks are arranged by various walking clubs. For example the Irish Ramblers Club founded in 1964, and which has about 250 members organises the "Lug Walk" on the Saturday nearest the longest day of the year. This covers 33 miles and includes 19 peaks, 17 of which are over 2,000 feet. The average time taken for the walk is 15 hours and people usually set out before 6a.m. It starts at Stone Cross above Bohernabreena on the Road to Ballynascorney Wood and passes by Sally Gap and Wicklow Gap where refreshment is provided, ending in Glen of Imaal after the descent from Lugnaquilla. Members of the club man check - points along the way and sign cards which must then be seen before a certificate is awarded at the finishing point. Usually about 100 people finish this walk out of a total of around 130. One can drop out at either Sally Gap or Wicklow Gap if the going is too tough. Other Clubs organise walks, including the the 25 mile "Ring of Imaal" of An Oige, the "MacGillycuddy Reeks Ridge Walk" of the Mountaineering Club of Kerry, the Galtees Walk of the Tipperary Mountaineers and the Glover Marathon a 12 mile trek over 7 peaks from Muckish Mountain to Errigal organised by the North West Mountaineering Club.

It is well known that hill walking induces a state of euphoria or a high such as experienced by joggers. It can therefore help one get out of a less acceptable addiction such as that to nicotine, alcohol or drugs. It can be truly said to be therapeutic and for that reason alone can be strongly recommended.

## COUNTY COUNCIL NEWS

### 1. Grosvenor Court Estate

A recommendation to take this estate in charge is being finalised at present. All works have been completed.

### 2. Cypress Downs

Following a survey of section 1 the developers have completed remedial work listed for attention. A final check is now taking place and all being in order it will be recommended that it be taken in charge.

### 3. Cypress Downs

Following a planning application for a revised house type for sites 1-32 the avenue, 1-20 the close, 1-19 the walk, permission was granted on 22 conditions. Condition No.17 required one house to be omitted, No.16 the walk and its curtilage be incorporated into the adjoining open space. Condition No.20 required that a further financial contribution of £2000 be paid towards the cost of open space development. The revised density will be less than 10 houses per acre. S.L.

## May O'Neill

There is no Templeogue Roundabout this month and other reports will be missing as our indefatigable and most enthusiastic contributor May O'Neill is in hospital. We wish May a most speedy recovery and early return to the fold.  
Editorial Board.

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\* Who was the famous composer whose monument stands above an empty grave?  
Mozart, who was buried in a pauper's grave which is now unknown. Today a monument stands to him in Vienna over an empty grave.

\* What weight of blood does the average heart pump each day? The heart pumps approximately fifteen tons of blood per day.



# israelites THE TRUTH

Last month the Templeogue Telegraph published a fascinating article by Frank Burns on the British Israelites. However, lest any of the Telegraph readers fancy themselves as Raiders of the Lost Ark and run around wrecking every archaeological monument in sight, I should like to point out that a lot of their beliefs rest on very dubious foundations indeed - perhaps Mr. Burns was a little too easy on them in this respect!

All these fringe beliefs depend on picking out coincidences, which is not difficult, but the people who then construct theories from these coincidences usually know very little about the facts which have been systematically assembled by scientists and historians, and which usually give a much more plausible explanation than the fantasies concocted by the charlatans.

## PREHISTORIC SPACEMEN

Everyone has heard of Erik von Daniken (Chariots of the Gods), who claims that the earth was visited by space-travellers in prehistoric times. One or two interesting facts caught his attention and he tried to explain them without bothering to look at what archaeologists had actually learned from painstaking research. To bolster up his claims he even took to forgery.

Martin Brennan, an artist, believed that he could 'decode' the symbols in the art of Irish megalithic tombs, but again had little knowledge of what archaeologists already knew, and so let his imagination run away with him. (The Boyne Valley Vision).

## BRITAIN AND ISRAEL

Attempts to link the Bible with Celtic mythology are not new. Genealogies compiled in the Middle Ages claim descents of contemporary Irish Kings from Noah. More recently, there is an American church which believes that the stone which had been Jacob's pillow (Gen.28:18) was eventually brought to Ireland and became known as the Stone of Destiny (Lia Fail). This has been identified both with the coronation stone of the Kings of Tara (which still stands in that place) and the coronation stone of the Kings of Scotland - the Stone of Scone: now part of the Coronation Chair at Westminster Abbey. It has even been said that 'Lia Fail' is a palindrome (i.e. it can also be read backwards) because Hebrew is read from right to left! This is nonsense, as this is only one of a number of possible spellings.

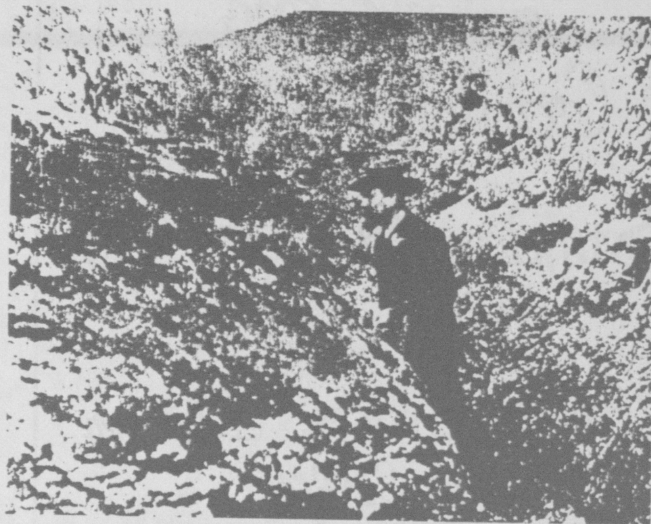
What of the proof? How true are these 'historical' accounts of Fenius Farsa, King of Scythia and his Egyptian princess Teataphi? This is all pure invention, made up by some mediaeval monk. There is very little reliable historical information on the period before the fifth century A.D. in Ireland, which is unfortunate, as it means that we are dependant upon archaeological excavations alone to recover information about earlier times.

Stories of early kings such as Niall of the Nine Hostages, of invasions by Fomorians and Tuatha de Danann and of the exploits of Cuchulainn and the Red Branch knights are myths. The idea of 'High Kings' before Brian Boru was largely propaganda on behalf of the Kings of Tara. Even many of the details of the life of Saint Patrick are now known to have been made up by the monks of Armagh as part of their successful attempt to extend

their power over the entire Irish Church.

## DIVERS TONGUES

So much for the supposed descent of Irish Kings from Biblical personages. What of the alleged linguistic links? The British Israelites claim that the Spanish city of Zaragoza is called after Zarah, son of Judah. This is utter nonsense, as there is clear documentary evidence of the gradual evolution of the name from the Roman Caesar Augusta.



The British Israelites at Tara, in search of the Ark of the Covenant

R.I.A.

Similarities between Gaelic and Aramaic, the ancient language of the Hebrews don't prove that there was any special link between the Jews and the Ancient Irish: Gaelic is part of the Indo-European group of languages, and its origins are well known to linguists. Resemblances can always be found. It has been claimed that the word 'British' is derived from the Hebrew berith (covenant) and ish (man). Anyone with even the slightest knowledge of linguistics would know that the word has a quite ordinary Celtic origin (the original word for the inhabitants of the British Isles was something like \*Pritani) and -ish is a common Germanic ending for adjectives.

## KINGS AND HIGH KINGS

Towards the end of his article Mr. Burns touches on the subject of Royal descents: some intriguing linkages here deserve more comment - and they are well-documented: one of the most ironic genealogical facts concerns 'Red Hugh' O'Neill, 2nd Earl of Tyrone: where as his greatest enemy, Queen Elizabeth I, died childless, it is Red Hugh, last native King of Ulster's own direct descendant who now sits upon the throne of Northern Ireland, as Queen Elizabeth II. In fact, through the Honourable Anne Hill, great-great-grandmother of the Queen Mother, Queen Elizabeth II is both an 11-greats granddaughter of Red Hugh O'Neill and a 29-greats granddaughter of Brian Boru!

## SUMMER PROJECT

A Collection and bring and buy Cake sale will take place on Saturday 11th May, after 7p.m. Mass and on Sunday 12th May after all Masses in St. Mary's room (St. Pius X Church).

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# st. pius x parents' association

Frank Burns (PRO)

Children bless their little hearts are more in need of models than critics but are always in need of recognition of their achievements. Encouragement fuels the fire of enthusiasm, ambition, and genius. It looks like the sun has got his hat on at last and it's time again for the great outdoors and the forthcoming activities:

**Heather Cup:** is scheduled this year for two weeks from Monday to Friday. Remember the closing date for entry of third, fourth, fifth, and sixth years, is the 1st of May. Forms were circulated in local schools. The playing fields in Terenure College have supposedly been booked to run from Monday 6th to Thursday 16th of May. Unlike former years the tournament will probably be run on a 'knock-out' basis rather than on a league basis unless more help becomes available. It is hoped that former committee members may help out and an effort will be made to contact old committee members to solicit their help.

**Swimming:** A Gala has been timetabled for mid-June possibly the 11th, 12th, and 14th of the month. A distance certificate will be awarded to finishers.

**Table-tennis:** The evening of the 17th of May has been set aside for the tournament. The heats for the finals will take place for girls on the 4th of May and boys on the 11th, the times of normal Saturday activities. Trophies will be presented hopefully by Mrs. O'Doherty.

**Speech and Drama:** The school hall will be booked provisionally on the 21st or 23rd of June for a live performance by the children.

An **Art** display will be on show at the same time. Parents will be encouraged to attend to give some recognition to the achievements of the children.

**French** classes having recommenced after Easter are to go on until the end of term.

Yours on behalf of the Association,  
Frank Burns P.R.O.

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## poetry corner

### The March Snow

The March wind blew cold and chilly,  
Yet the day was bright  
With Hope of winter gone.  
But alas, by night



Gardens and houses and treetops  
Glistened -- a child's delight-  
With snow transforming everything.  
I poked my fire bright.

Then my prayer like the blaze ascended  
That God's Peace undefiled like the snow  
Would descend on our land so disturbed  
So that our Youth in True Happiness would grow.  
Kate Meaney.

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# templeogue ladies' club

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At our April Meeting the President welcomed twelve new members to the Club and we hope that they will get involved in many of the Club's activities.

Mairtin Cooney from Pearse College Clogher Road invited members to attend their Irish classes with the intention of fostering the use of Irish in every day life.

We were delighted to welcome Mr. Patrick Casey of the Old Dublin Society and the Dublin Camera Club who brought us on a fascinating and nostalgic photographic tour of Dublin in the '50's and '60's. We saw O'Connell St. from the top of Nelson's Pillar and the Capitol Theatre hours before the bulldozer razed it to the ground and we almost shed a tear for our lost youth when we saw the majestic Metropole in all its glory. A reflection of the Four Courts in the Liffey brought a spontaneous cheer from the audience. All in all it was a wonderful show and it left us all asking the question "What have they done to our City?". Thanks for the memory, Patrick.

The Senior Citizens Reunion in St. Mary's room, St. Pius X Church, on 21st March was a great success. In spite of the inclement weather fifteen visitors came along. We had tea and cakes and Kitty Bowden played the piano while Jean Thompson gave a flower arranging demonstration. A draw was held among the visitors for the flower arrangements. On 23rd May we are inviting all Senior Citizens in the area for another friendly afternoon.

Fifty of our Club members were invited by Deputy John O'Connell to visit Dail Eireann on Tuesday, 26th March. We were served tea and biscuits, after which we listened to a Dail debate from the Visitors' Gallery. Dr. O'Connell then took us to the Senate chambers where we talked about current problems.

Our Bowlers were very successful over the Easter. In the 'Brother' competition a number of our members reached the semi-final's stage. Eleanor O'Mahony and Eileen Gannon went into the Finals, and Eleanor carried off the winning prize - a sewing machine. This is the second year for a member of the Club to win the Brother competition. Eileen Gannon was the winner last year. In the Feddern Jewellers competition the following bowlers won gift vouchers - Eleanor O'Mahony, Evelyn Sharkey, Joan Murphy, Marie Guerins, Nuala Lucas, Rosa Morris, Treasa Durcan, Kitty Bowden, Marie Shannon, Rose Giblin and Nancy Forde. Well done, Ladies!

**PHYSIOLOGY LECTURER :** "Now boys, if I stood on my head and blood ran down into it, I would turn red in the face?" "Yes, Sir!" "How is it when I am standing upright the blood doesn't run into my feet?" **BOY :** "Because your feet ain't empty, sir!"  
(From "More Bulls and Blunders" J.C. Percy 1921.)



## TERENURE IN THE 20'S

Looking back on Terenure and its environs in the early "20's", where I lived as a child, I often reflect on the vast changes in the locality since then.

Terenure village itself was a quiet little shopping centre, where customers could run accounts and pay weekly or monthly. Most grocery and vegetable shops employed messenger boys, and the delivery of the groceries was always made to the side doors of the houses, where they were taken in with due ceremony by the maids.....woebetide the boy who made the mistake of going to the front door! These old houses can still be seen on Greenmount Road, Healthfield Road, etc.

As I looked out of the window of our shop at the Cross, I could view the passing scene. At the centre of the Cross, where the four roads meet, stood a tall policeman (no "Garda" in those days), wearing a high helmet and long black overcoat, complete with leather belt and truncheon. Most of the traffic except the trams, was horse-drawn, and the familiar clip-clop of horses hooves could be heard all day. Quite often there was the exciting diversion of a horse bolting, or slipping under its cart, and the bystanders rushing to the aid of horse and driver.

A short distance from the Cross on the Rathfarnham Road was the forge, and the sound of the blacksmith's hammer had a magical ring to us children. A few yards further along was the entrance to Bushy Park House, the home of Sir Frederick Shaw, now Our Lady's School. It was an imposing entrance with an avenue of half a mile leading up to the house

What is now known as Terenure Road West and also Templeogue Road were quite rural with large houses standing in spacious grounds with lodges at the entrances. The same was true of Rathfarnham where the tram line ended.

There were a number of colourful characters to be seen also, the most famous was a huge fat man who wore a sackcloth apron, high hat and rosary beads around his neck! And I remember a young messenger boy who sang operatic arias as he delivered the groceries.....In summer ladies drove by in their carriages, with the coachman sitting high on the box, and one adventurous lady was to be seen cycling into the village on her high tricycle to shop.

Ah! those were the days, and what a change from our modern Terenure.

J. O'CONNOR.

### TEMPLEOGUE COLLEGE PARENTS ASSOCIATION 300 CLUB DRAW

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## St Pius X Altar Servers

### Easter

Easter is the busiest time of the year for us. On the 31st of March all of us attended 12.35p.m. Mass in honour of Our Lord's triumphant entry into Jerusalem on the Sunday known to Christians throughout the world as Palm Sunday.

Holy Thursday took place on the 4th of April, with the emphasis throughout the ceremony on International Youth Year. As many youth organisations as possible took part in this special celebration of the washing of the feet. One member from each parish organisation relating to young people took part in this special occasion representing the twelve apostles.

The most sombre occasion over the Easter Week is Good Friday. All the Altarservers were present. That evening at 7.30p.m. a most moving pageant was put on by the pupils of Our Lady's School and Terenure College with the able guidance of Rev. G. Collieran.

Many of us were gladdened with the end of Lent. Holy Saturday heralds the new year for the Church, with the Choir and Folk Group in full voice throughout this joyous and uplifting ceremony.

### Clonliffe

We met at 2.30p.m. on Saturday March 30 outside our parish Church for our annual visit to Clonliffe College. When the cars arrived it began to rain very heavily. On our arrival at the College, we were welcomed by a student of the College. Since it was the day of Ireland's memorable Triple Crown match against England at Lansdowne Road and also the day of the Grand National many of us went up to the Television room to see these events, while the rest played snooker in the Billiard Room. Our thanks go to the students and staff of the College for their hospitality.

Finally the Summer is upon us again and as usual we will be taking part in the parish Summer Project in July. In August we go for our annual Summer outing to Clongowes Wood College.  
D. Duffin

## Thursday Club

The second meeting of the newly formed "Thursday Club" took place in St. Mary's Room, St. Pius X Church on Thursday 18th April. After an enjoyable afternoon tea, during which Mary Kirby played the piano and one of our guests sang, Imelda Gogan demonstrated how to use up small scraps of wool. Of particular interest to the audience was a small jumper, see below for pattern. We then had a game of bingo, Rosa Morris calling the numbers and keeping us amused with the jargon. The evening concluded with a small raffle and the prizes, which were supplied by the Flower Group of the Templeogue Ladies' Club and by some of the guests were very much appreciated. The next meeting will take place on 23rd May D.V. at 2.30p.m. and all who have time on their hands and would enjoy a sociable afternoon are cordially invited. By the way, wheelchairs are no problem as Father Breen has kindly offered to supply a ramp. If you need transport ring Brigid Nolan 900802, and it will be arranged. We look forward to seeing you all then.  
B.N. →

## DOUBLE KNITTING VERSION

### BABY'S AND TODDLERS SWEATER

To fit chest cm. 46 [51 56 61] - in. 18 [20 22 24]  
Length from top of shoulder, approx. cm. 26 [29 32 36] - in. 10½ [11½ 12½ 14]  
Sleeve seam cm. 7 [8 10 12] - in. 2½ [3½ 4 4½]  
**Patons Beehive Double Knitting** x 50 gram balls 2 [3 3 3]  
Pair each Nos 3½mm and 4mm Milward needles. Needle sizes quoted are metric; equivalent UK sizes are No. 10 for 3½mm and No. 8 for 4mm.

#### Tension

On No. 4mm needles, 22 sts and 30 rows to 10cm (stocking stitch).

#### CAUTION

It is essential to work to the stated tension, and Patons & Baldwins Limited cannot accept responsibility for the finished product if any yarn other than the recommended Patons yarn is used.

#### Abbreviations

K - knit P - purl st - stitch beg - beginning rep - repeat patt - pattern  
cm - centimetres in - inches mm - millimetres

**BACK AND FRONT** (alike) With No. 3½mm needles, cast on 51 [57, 63, 69] sts and K7 [7, 9, 9] rows.

**Change to No. 4mm needles** and work in **patt.** as follows:

**+ + 1st row** - (Right side), K. **2nd row** - P. **3rd to 6th row** - Rep. 1st and 2nd row twice. **7th and 8th rows** - K. These 8 rows form patt.

Continue in patt. until work measures 16 [17, 19, 22] cm, ending with right side facing for next row. **+ +** Keeping continuity of patt., cast on 15 [18, 22, 26] sts for Sleeves at the beg. of next 2 rows (81 [93, 107, 121] sts).

**Next row** - K3, - patt to last 3 sts, K3. Rep. last row until work measures 25 [28, 31, 35] cm, ending with right side facing for next row.

**Next row** - K3, patt 17 [20, 24, 28], K41 [47, 53, 59], patt 17 [20, 24, 28], K3. Rep last row 4 times more. Cast off.

**TO MAKE UP** Do not press. Join side and underarm seams, then join cast-off edges together leaving sufficient free at centre for head to go through.

## 4 PLY VERSION

To fit chest cm. 46 [51 56 61] - in. 18 [20 22 24]  
Length from top of shoulders, approx. cm. 26 [29 32 36] - in. 10½ [11½ 12½ 14]  
Sleeve seam cm. 7 [8 10 12] - in. 2½ [3½ 4 4½]  
**Patons Beehive Knits as 4 Ply** x 50 gram balls 2 [2 2 3]  
Pair each Nos 2½mm 3½mm Milward needles. Needle sizes quoted are Metric; equivalent UK sizes are No. 12 for 2½mm and No. 10 for 3½mm.

#### Tension:

On No. 3½mm needles, 28 sts and 36 rows to 10cm (stocking stitch).

#### Notes and Abbreviations:

As Double Knitting version.

#### BACK AND FRONT

 (alike)

With No. 2½mm needles, cast on 64 [72 78 86] sts and K9 [9 11 11] rows.

**Change to No. 3½mm needles** and work in **patt** as for Double Knitting version **+ +** to **+ +**.

Keeping continuity of patt, cast on 20 [22 28 34] sts for Sleeves at beg of next 2 rows (104 [116 134 154] sts).

**Next row** - K4, patt to last 4 sts, K4.

Rep last row until work measures 25 [28 31 35] cm, ending with right side facing for next row.

**Next row** - K4, patt 29 [34 41 50], K38 [40 44 46], patt 29 [34 41 50], K4. Rep last row 6 times more. Cast off.

#### TO MAKE UP

Work as for Double Knitting version.



# SECURE SAVINGS IN TEMPLEOGUE?



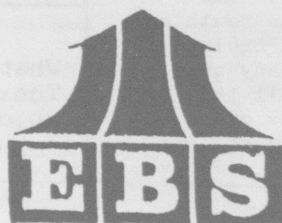
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# ENGELS AND IRELAND

It is well known that the living Karl Marx was a dismal failure. He passed most of his life in poverty dependent on the charity of the capitalist Frederick Engels. The many references to Ireland in the works of Marx are well publicised but less so the Irish connections of Engels himself.

Even the least enlightened conservative would agree that much of what Marx and Engels said was right, but particularly in relation to their own time and we must lay a lot of emphasis on that. In people like Engels we can trace the official ideology of about  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the worlds population. There was no need for Engels to ghost Marx like he did for he lacked neither ideas nor writing ability. They both hoped for great things from a divided Italy, serfs in Russia, slaves in America and tenant farmers in Ireland. Even the Paris Commune of 1871 failed to initiate the overthrow of capitalism. General Cluseret the military leader of the Commune was commissioned by James Stephens to lead a fenian rebellion in Ireland in the 1860's that never materialised.

From Engels own life we must draw the conclusion that he was at least altruistic. He had an obvious concern for the least well-off section of humanity. He could have lived a comfortable life. He was the son of a wealthy German cotton industrialist who came to Manchester in the interest of the family business but spent much of his time in the libraries and slums of that city. I vaguely remember hearing that he had some relatives on his mother's side, possibly an aunt, but I am not sure. His chambermaid, I am also told was Irish. A close student of Irish affairs, he mixed with the Manchester fenians, married an Irish girl called Mary Burns, began a History of Ireland and twice visited the country so we must pay some credence to his observations.

The great holocaust of our people during the famine years provoked great immigration into England of Irish people at the rate of fifty thousand a year. The unbelievable squalor in which many of them were forced to live was well documented by Engels and the additional competition soon brought the wages of the English labouring classes down to the lower Irish level. If this great influx aggravated the hardships of the English workers, it also contributed a new spirit to the labour movement that helped to inspire the revolutionary ideals of The Peoples Charter and the other labour movements, from which the British Labour Party can trace its origins. Said Engels: "The rough egotism of the English bourgeoisie would have kept it's hold upon the working class much more firmly if the Irish nature, generous to a fault, and ruled primarily by sentiment, had not softened the cold English character in part by a mixture of the races and in part by the ordinary contact of life".

Accompanied by Mary Burns, early in the year 1856 Engels visited Ireland. He called on Dublin, Galway, Limerick, Tralee, and Killarney. "I never thought that famine could have such a tangible reality" he later wrote to Marx "Whole villages are devastated.....Famine, emigration and clearances together have accomplished this. There are not even cattle in the fields. The land is an utter desert that nobody wants. He talks of political and industrial oppression and a demoralised spirit which permeated all classes of society. He thought that the country had the exact appearance of France or the North of Italy: His description of many classes of the time was scathing: "Gendarmes, priests, lawyers, bureaucrats, squires in pleasing profusion and a total absence of any and every industry so that it would be difficult to understand what all these parasitic growths could find to live on, if the misery of the peasants did not supply the other half of the picture.....I have

never seen so many gendarmes in any country, and the drink-sodden expression of the Prussian gendarmes is developed to its highest perfection here among the constabulary, who are armed with carbines, bayonets, and handcuffs". His description of these classes however deserved, was not merited by the clergy who had done so much to educate the children of the poor from the turn of the century. He had obviously learned nothing of Edmund Rice and Nano Nagle.

Engels undoubtedly saw the Irish used as a weapon by the English industrialists to subjugate the English proletarian population. He spoke of the necessity of convincing the English Workers that the national emancipation of Ireland was not simply a matter of altruism but a first principle of their own emancipation. On a rather sarcastic note he once wrote of the "Holy Isle" whose aspirations must on no account be mixed with the profane class-struggles of the rest of the sinful world". He evidently noted nationalistic overtones of a 'holy' war against an ancient enemy far removed from a class struggle.

In 1863 after twenty years of comradeship, Mary Burns died. "I cannot tell you how I feel" he wrote to Marx "The poor girl loved me with her whole heart". Though their union had never been legitimised, it had been a model in respect we are told, of love understanding and fidelity. When Engels did begin to recover from the blow, it was because his relations with Lizzy, Mary's sister, became more intimate.

Towards the end of 1869, accompanied by Lizzy and Eleanor Marx, he undertook another trip to Ireland. As Mary had done in Manchester so Lizzy in Ireland introduced him to the Fenian movement. When Lizzy Burns died in September 1878 Engels said of her "She came of real Irish proletarian stock and the passionate feeling of her class which was instinctive in her, was worth more to me than all the blue-stockinged elegances of 'educated' and 'sensitive' bourgeois girls could have been".

He never forgot the nation that had given him Mary and Lizzy. He remarked on the colour of the Irish temperament "full of violent contrasts" and having "none of the hindrum greyness of England".

A fervent advocate of Irish freedom, he was quick to recognise the indomitable nature of the Irish spirit: "The English have attempted to reconcile to their dominion people of very different races. The Welsh set great store by their nationality and speech, but they have been assimilated to the British Empire. The Scottish Celts, although they were rebellious until 1745, and since then have been almost exterminated, first by the government and then by their own aristocracy, have now no thought of rebellion. The French of the Channel Islands fought and against France during the Great Revolution "ONLY THE IRISH ARE TOO FOOLISH FOR ENGLISH".

No doubt a prophetic insight evidenced from recent history.

Frank Burns

What is the largest bird that flies?  
The Condor of the Andes and California,  
which has a wing-span of ten feet.



# know your neighbour

bunny williams



When speaking to Vivian Rynne the message comes over loud and clear that here is a man who thoroughly enjoys his work. The job in question is Senior Hotels Inspector for Ireland in the Automobile Association, and entails selecting Hotels, Guest Houses, Caravan Sites and Restaurants for inclusion in their handbook, which is revised every two years. Their standard has to be high and the responsibility for maintaining this high standard devolves on Vivian. If there are complaints from clients it falls on him to fully investigate the cause and to seek redress for the disappointed client. This is usually done by trying to duplicate the client's experience and ascertain the reason for the complaint - was it just an isolated case or was it something which is likely to recur? Vivian Rynne administers this department and also takes an active part in the choosing of the various premises to be included in the handbook. As a result he quite regularly has to spend two or three nights away from home each week. However, one of the more pleasureable aspects of the job must be sampling the culinary delights of the various hotels and restaurants, but in spite of this Vivian's waistline does not seem to be suffering.

Although he was never involved in The Scouts when he was growing up he is now actively involved with the local Scout movement. About 1970 he and Fr. McCarthy, who was curate with St. Pius X Church, had a discussion about facilities for the young people in the parish and they came to the conclusion that there was a need for a Scout troop. Having made that decision he then discovered that he had no idea how to go about rectifying the situation. Undaunted he and his wife, Alice, spent a lot of time in phone calls to Scout Headquarters finding out all there was to know about the project. Another local, Marty Morris, took charge as Scout Leader and held this position for about seven years. Throughout this time Vivian Rynne did not hold any office but was constantly involved with the movement. When Marty Morris withdrew Vivian took over as Unit Leader which involved overall responsibility for the Cubs, Scouts and Venturers. There is a considerable amount of time involved in this each week but he considers it time well spent.

The Rynnes are the proud parents of six sons, all of whom have been involved with the Scout movement over the years. They are Fergal, Niall, Eamonn, Cormac, Manus and Donal.

When not caught up with work or scouting, he finds time to indulge his other pastimes. He loves reading and says that he is almost an addict for enrolling in courses. He did a course in wood-working for five years and then took up oxy-acetylene welding. In short, he enjoys any activity which involves working with his hands. They have a large extension to their house at College Drive which was completely erected and finished by Vivian, although at the start he had very little knowledge of how to go about it. He works on the principle that if you want to do something you read up on it and watch how the professionals do it, and then you go ahead and do it yourself. He is presently working on laying a patio at the rear of the house, but not content with just laying the paving slabs he also made the concrete slabs himself.

Alice Rynne is kept busy looking after her all-male household but she radiates cheerfulness and is very supportive of Vivian's various enterprises.

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