



VALUE FOR MONEY?



Cafe

Sir Walter Raleigh is said to be the gentleman who first introduced the potato to Ireland - bringing it all the way from South America. That was in 1584 and we've never looked back. Ar an droch uair duinn theip ar na torthaí ins na daichéidí do'n naoú céad déag agus fuair na milliúin bás leis an ghorta a lean. Undaunted, we now eat more 'spuds' than ever especially in the form of chips and crisps. Along with the British we seem to have made these our national diet. We've now got our own crisps factory - on the Industrial Estate in Gaoth Dobhair. And judging from the number of Cafes springing up all over the area the demand for potato chips seems to be enormous. The handy, tasty, hot bag of chips is definitely here to stay. But is it value for money or are we paying the price for our hot potatoes? A few years ago potatoes were potatoes? A few years ago potatoes scarce and they rocketed in price. Naturally there followed a stiff increase in Naturally there followed a stiff increase in Later, the the price of a bag of chips. Later, the price of potatoes came down - but not the price of chips. "Guth 7 Tuairim", noticing different sizes of bags in different Cafes and also different prices being charged, decided to investigate to find out which "chippie" was giving best value for money.

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ON YOUR PLATE SIR. THEY'RE NEW. WE CALL THEM

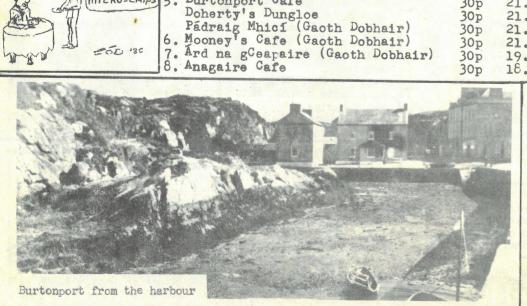
MICRO-CHIPS

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So we sent out a team of hungry chip-caters who covered most cafes in the three parishes. Here is what they found :-Rosie Mhór's in Fálcarrach was best value. partly because they only charged 25p (as did Gallagher's Cafe in Falcarrach), whereas all other cafes charged 30p. The largest bag we found in Paddy Og's in Crolly (4[±]/_x 6"= 24.50 sq.in.) which charged 30p. The smallest was in Anagaire Cafe which admittedly had by far the tastiest chips. We measured these bags from one or two examples from every cafe and it's possible that they might sometimes use larger bags. If so we will only be too happy to hear from them. Also, we missed some cafes because I hear there is now one in Loch an Iúir and possibly one in Rann na Feirste. We find it strange that there are so many different sizes of bags and feel that there should be a standard bag and also that the prices commission or some such body should fix a maximum price. For instance, some cafes also had a large bag available and in at least one the large bag in proportion to

the small one was 12p dearer. We'd like to hear the views of the public on this and indeed on other consumer affairs. Biodh bhur nguth le cluinstin!

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2.34.5	Rosie Mhór (Fálcarrach) Gallagher's Cafe (Fálcarrach) Paddy Óg's (Crolly) Éamonn Eoghain (Gaoth Dobhair) Burtonport Cafe Doherty's Dungloe Pádraig Mhicí (Gaoth Dobhair) Mooney's Cafe (Gaoth Dobhair) Ard na gCeapaire (Gaoth Dobhair) Anagaire Cafe	25p 25p 30p 30p 30p 30p 30p 30p 30p 30p	22.28 sq.in. 21.56 sq.in. 25.50 sq.in. 24.49 sq.in. 21.66 sq.in. 21.66 sq.in. 21.66 sq.in. 21.20 sq.in. 19.44 sq.in. 18.82 sq.in.	0.891 0.862 0.850 0.816 0.722 0.722 0.722 0.722 0.706 0.648 0.627





Mayor of the Rosses-Michael Hanlon wearing his chain of office.

EAGARALT

Recently we heard the story of the British Soldier shot dead at point blank range in Derry while drinking with his wife and her family in a local pub. He had been given compassionate leave from the army to visit his wife who had a miscarriage. Hooded gunmen burst in and ended his life at 19. Just another statistic to add to the growing number of tragedies brought by the troubles. The men of violence must brought by the troubles. be happy! They have furthered the cause of Irish No - when future generations look back on unity? this dark period of our history the gunmen will not be remembered like we remember Pearse and Connolly. Rather will they be remembered as murdering thugs who delayed the unification of our country. "An t-Eagarthoir".

Rann na Feirste

Cuireadh fearadh na fáilte roimhe an Chairdinealach Ó Fiach muair a thug sé cuairt ar an bhaile le J.R. gairid. Bhí an da Bhuíon Ceoil amuigh ina airicis oíche mháirt an 15ú lá. D'fhan sé go dtí an Sathairn ina dhiaidh sin agus chaith se 'chuid ama 'shiul frid na tithe. Bronnadh pictiur de Rann na Feirste a rinne Cathal Mac Fhionnghaile air le linn a chuairt. Nuair a fiafraíodh do níos luaithe ca h-ait ar mhaith leis an pictiúr a bhronnadh air d'fhreagair sé, "Cá h-áit a mbronnfaí orm é ach i gcroí-lár Rann na Feirste!"

Bhuaidh Buíon Cheoil Shinsireach Rann na Feirste Corn Fhéile Ailt a'Chorrain don dara bliain as a Ta suil acu e thabhairt aniar lena chéile. choinneáil ar an bhliain s'chugainn.

Ta Biddie Huidí Sheamaisín 'sa bhaile ar saoire as Glasgow. Níonn Biddie atá sé bliana déag agus ceithre scor an turas achan bhliain.

Fuair Micheál Ghracie an 2ú áit i gCraobh na Contae sa Jig dúbailte ag Féile Leitir Ceanainn le gairid. Bhuaidh a iníon Caroline corn "Donegal/Sligo/Leitrim Tourism" agus a iníon Maureen craobh na contae i mBurnfoot, chomh maith le craobh ar an Fhálcarrach, Craoslach, Leitir Ceanainn, An Chraobh Fhoscailte i nDoire agus dhá iú áit i Rossnowlagh fosta. Fuair Donall O Gallachoir craobhannaí i mBurnfoot. Culdaff, craobh na Gaeltachta, Craobh na ^Contae agus craobh fhoscailte ar an ^Fhálcarrach agus craobh ag féile na Suille i Leitir Ceanainn. Bhí cruinniú ag bunadh Rann na Feirste oíche Shathairn 26ú lá fa fhnóithe díol rátaí an uisce agus socraíodh gan níos mó rátaí a dhíol go

bhfaighidh siad píopa uisce úr o cheann an bhealaigh go dtí an caramacán. Tá na píopaí atá ann faoi láthair leagtha ón bhliain 1934 (bá é seo an chéad phiopa uisce 'thainig isteach na contae) agus ta siad lofa le meirig. Táthar ag cuartú píopa ur le blianta.

Dun Luiche

Summer-Cup mania has hit Dun Luiche and already the football team has won a "sevens" competition in Dunkineely and the Loch an Iuir five-a-side. Tá Seán iontach gnóitheach ag rith anuas agus suas an bealach mor le tamall. Nil firinne 'san sceal go bhfuil an fear eile ag iarraidh greim a fhail air. Tá na Olympics thart agus tá achán nduine ag iarraidh fáil amach caide 'tá ar intinn aige. Walking down the road you may meet a couple "babbling" away in some strange language. Nothing unusual about that, until you meet someone who says "Guten Morgen". Still, you don't start who says "Guten Morgen". thinking until you meet a Continental looking type who speaks neither Gaelic or English. But It's dont panic - you are still in Dun Luiche. just that there seems to be more foreigners than locals here at the moment. Ta an chuid is mo acu ag fanacht 'san Hostel ach tá cuid acu ag campáil fosta.

To the business people who are not giving visitors the going rate for their sterling. Go h-áirithe na Raspberries siopadóirí a bhí ag "déanamh" na scolairí Gaeilge. To the Hotels and other businesses who are paying young people doing seasonal work extremely low wages.

To the Cafes who are only charging 25p for a bag of chips.

Do na h-oibrithe a chuidigh an reilig ur i nGaoth Dobhair a chríochmí saor i n-aisce.

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Roses

The town is in a festive mood once again as the "Mary's" converge on the town and the Internationally famous festival gets into swing. Our thanks must go to this years committee for their great effort in presenting such a hectic and varied programme of events - at such very short notice. By the time you read this things will be well under way, and I sincerely hope that the weather will be kind enough Lough to let us enjoy events to the full. As the last voters went to the polls on July 11th most of us were quietly looking forward to the count which was fixed for Ostán na Rosann at midnight. fit Inside the hotel, rumours were flying: "If it's not Alcorm it must be Hanlon". "I feel Big Anthony could be a dark horse". "Jim the Cope's 4 wouldn' Anthony could be a dark horse". very worried looking - and he didn't even dress up for the occasion" (come to think of it he hasn't slimming y's coat w dressed up for a long time). Shortly after 12.30 there was great silence as the Returning Officer Fr. P. Kerr moved slowly in the direction of the rostrum. All eyes were fixed on the brown envelope under the arm of the Curate and he didn't s shot for sl Patsy' keep us in suspence - he was quick to give us the mus Mae r recipe f ho said F verdict. Regretably, he was unable to name the first Mayor of the Rosses, because in fact Hanlon and Alcorn had tied for the title. People People Seamus A reci Who sai looked at each other open mouthed. Would there be re-count? M. C. Naul McCole answered that question. He announced that "the chain" would be Would there be a shared by the two successful candidates - six month's each. But a rather displeased Mr. Alcorn would have none of it and after saying what he wanted to say requested that "democracy be upheld". Jim the Cope on behalf of Michael Hanlon thanked everyone - and also requested that democracy be But how could the "chain" be shared? upheld. Very soon we had the answer when David Alcorn withdrew from the Contest - which meant that Michael Hanlon was now Mayor of the Rosses. Harmony appeared to have been restored and for the remainder run. of the night a good time was had by all. staff The following Wednesday evening more than 40 carloads of enthusiastic supporters, with a motor cycle escort a ccompanied the new Mayor on a tour of the Rosses. Tara During this whistle-stop tour the Mayor availed of the Citizen Band P.A. System to say "Thank You". On returning to Dungloe the children's band was on hand to lead the Mayor who was in an open-roofed car up the through the main-street where hundreds turned out to offer their congratulations to the one who for so taken doing long had done so much for the community in a voluntary capacity with so little recognition. Willie has y is Martin So very often were we embarassed when we were forced to tell tourists that we had no Cinema, no this and no But this wasn't too bad since we could that. always direct them to the Tourist Office. Now, sad to say Bord Mailte has decided to deprive us of this 50 Why I was always of the opinion that service also. Bord Failte saw Donegal as being an area similar in size to the Rosses with Letterkenny in the centre. I am now fully convinced! "The Kerryman".

Congratulations to the following happy couples:-

Rose Marie Byrne, Loch an Iuir to Liam Sweeney, Loch an Iuir.

Sorcha Nic Ruaidhrí, Toraigh to Feilimidh MacEidigh, Glaisarchi.

Caitlin Nic Fhionnlaoich, Glenhola to Cathal Greene, Ardsbeg.

Carmel McGee, Mullach Dubh to Brendan Boyle, Arainn Mor. Anne Marie Bonner, Main St., Dungloe to Seamus Sheerin, Mountcharles.

Bridie Coyle, An Ghlaisigh to John McLoughlin, Creeslough. Sile McBride, An Luinnigh to Sean MacAoidh, An Falcarrach.

Sympathy is extended to the family of the following:-Nellie Ní Ghallchoir, Machaire Loisce Mary McClafferty, Lr. Dunmore Mary Rodgers, Bun na mBeann James Doogan, Lr. Keeldrum Bridie Mulhern, Baile an Droichid Ellen McGonagle, Cruit DEATHS Sheila McNally, Ardmore Nellie McBride, Sleeghan Hugh Ferry, An tSeascan Beag Katie Boyle, Loch an Iuir Annie O'Donnell, Brockagh

<u>Saotoobair</u> Ceantar Pobail Dhoire Beaga

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ndiaidh dha bhliain deag. Ba í seo an dara tionscal a cuireadh ar bun ar an screabán agus fágann a dúnadh tuairim agus 100 oibrí as job. G.T. have had financial problems over the years but many of the workers are casting a suspicious eye on Gaeltarra's involvement in her running. One way or another her closure is a severe setback to the employment situation in the area.

Ta muintir na h-áite ag gearrán mar nach bhfuil bosca telefón poiblí ar bith i gceantar an Luinnigh/ Carraic/Srath Máirtín. Caithfidh muintir na h-áite sin theacht aniar go Doire Beaga no dhul soir go Bun a'Leaca, sin no brath ar charthanacht a gcomharsanaidh. Over to you Co. Councillors. A development of a forward-looking nature is the opening of a T.V. signal booster station at Machaire Gathlan. Now houses in the locality who have joined the scheme can enjoy the luxury of 5 channels.

B'í Nellie Bean Ní Ghallachóir as an Mhachaire Loisce, 'chead duine 'cuireadh sa Reilig úr i Machaire Gathlán. Deirtear gur duine de chlann Uí Ghallachóir a cuireadh ar tús ins an sean reilig chomh maith. Samilchhia Teo. were the first factory on the estate to take their summer holidays when they went off on the 25th July - a week before the other factories.

The tourist season has been very disappointing so far with far fewer visitors than last year. The Northern people seem to be all staying in Caravans and tents and there are even less "Scotties" than usual.

What is to become of the Tech' in Doire Beaga? suggest it would be ideal for a public library, something that is badly overdue in the area. An bhfuil sé fíor go bhfuil an Comhairle Contae 'gabhail a thógáil cúig theach úr ar an Charraic? Níonn muid comhghairdeachas le Proinsias O Duibhir agus a bhean as Srath Máirtín (nó bhfeidir an Chaiseal, Gort a'Choirce) a bhí 15 bliain pósta le gairid. Bhí scaifte mór thíos Machaire Gathlán ag

ceiliúradh Domhnach na Reilige ar an 20ú lá. Bhí scaifte mor fear thios cupla tráthnona le sluaiste agus tractors ag cur créafog isteach san reilig úr. Tá sluaite móra thíos fan Gholf Club le cupla Nil dabht ar bith nach go bhfuil seachtain. bealach Mhachaire Gathlainn iontach gnoitheach. Is mor an true go bhfuil an bealach chomh cung. A local man was overheard saying, "Udaras na Gaeltachta are doing their best to keep the factory open but Gaeltarra are trying to close her down".

Ceantar Pobail Bhun a'Leaca

Ta Colaiste Cholmcille indiaidh Ard Scoil Mhuire i Machaire Chlochair a cheannacht. Usaidfear an foirgneamh mar cholaiste samhraidh. Tá muintir na h-áite an mhí-shásta fá dhá eachtra a tharla sa cheantar ag deireadh na míosa 'chuaigh thart. Goideadh carr le Charlie Greene ar dtus. Fuarthas an carr i nDún Lúiche agus damaiste deanta don ineall. Cúpla la ina dhiaidh sin briseadh isteach i siopa John Ferry ar an Ghlaisigh agus goideadh roinnt mionearraí.

Congratulations to the Foreland Dynamoes U-15 team who recently won the 7-a-side competition at Loch an Iúir.

Níonn muintir na h-áite comhghairdeachas le Pat Mhaggie a raibh gamhain ag a bho Domhnach amháin ag deireadh na míosa. Tá mé ag déanamh go raibh "struggle" millteanach aige!

D'fhág scaifte scolairí Gaeilge an ceantar ar an 25ú d'Iuil agus tháinig scaifte eile dhá lá ina dhiaidh sin. Deir na daoine sa cheantar go raibh formhór na scolairí breá múinte i mbliana. Bhí céilí mór ag na scolairí, an oíche sular fhág siad. i scoil Bhun an Inbhir. One man is broken-hearted after the departure of a certain 15 year old blonde, called Rose, to Dublin.

Níor chodlaigh Joe M. bocht a' néal oíche an chéilí B'éigean do éirí ar a cúig a chlog ar maidin fa choinne an tóir a chur ar chupla maistín. "Bean na dTrí mBó".

Ceantar Fobail Mhín Uí Bhaoill

Comhghairdeachas le buíon ceoil Dhobhair (na bpáistí) a bhuaidh an comórtas i nAilt an Chorrain don dara bliain ar an 20ú Iúil. Bhí droch adh orthu nuair a chaill siad le 1 phointe ar an Fhalcarrach an la roimhe sin.

There was great jubilation in Burtonport when band leader Caitlin Sweeney received the cup from Neil Blaney, M.E.F. and a victory dance was held in the hall that night where Rose Marie provided the music.

Níonn muid comhghairdeachas le Patrick McGee agus a bhean chéile Sarah a bhí 25 bliain pósta le gairid.

Last month we heard how one Dore married couple stay up until 5.00 modulating on their C.B. and how one woman modulater in her sleep. Now Noreen is Is that a four? modulating in the toilet!

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of The local children's band have added several more honours to their great list of achievements by many capturing first prize at Rossnowlagh and Fálcarrach, and narrowly missing at Burtonport where they came MOH Out of five competitions this second to Dore. year they have captured four first prizes and a second prize. All this is due to the hard work 1 o of Jim McGinty as their music teacher has put into The neu and Mai Brian (town?" their practices. Eel fishing has taken a new lease of life on the lake when a party of eel fishers captured eleven stone of eels recently. Using a long line, they caught very fine specimens and they are selling at very attractive prizes. It also helps trout fishing as it leaves more feeding for trout. The committee in charge of the "booster aerial" on Cnoc na nAgall are well ahead with the arrangements. When completed, the houses in the area will get five stations and a lot of houses already have ordered five televisions - to cater for everybody's tastes. Mary McGarvey of Corner House, Loch an Lúir was the lucky winner of a weekend for two in any of Údaras na Gaeltachta's Hotels. The competition was run by Radio na Gaeltachta. Sadie? Tá an Cafe úr i Loch an Iúir ag déanamh scoith gnóithe agus é ina áis mhór ag lucht na colaiste. Deirtear go bhfuil go leor do bhunadh na h-aite a theann ansin Deutscher fa choinne a gcuid tae. Deir siad go spáralann sé gas sa bhaile! Potato crops are very well advanced this year and the early varities are very satisfactory. The variety early varities are very satisfactory. to give the best results so far is the May-Queens zwei fosta. although they were not ready to dig in May. The people of Loch an Iúir offer their heartiest Gheobhaidh (o B. Dh. fo: Haben sie zi congratulations to the new Mayor of the Rosses Michael Hanlon. There is no truth in the rumour that he said he would do nothing for Loch an Iuir because he only got 90p from them. He well deserves to be Mayor as he has worked very hard for "Are you everything that is good for the Rosses. right there Michael are your right!" Visitors are very pleased this year with the great value they are getting for their English money. They reckon it helps to balance for the high prices here and that they are glad it's in the Rosses they are spending their holidays! Buíochas do Dhia tá'n Comhairle Contae ag déanamh rud beag cóiriú ar an phríomh bhóthar ó theach strand Bhreiní an mháistir go A rd na Brocaí. This stretch of road was in such a bad state that many people got sea-sick (or is it road-sick?). The the hollows are not now so deep, but it can still churn the dinner in you. "An Bacach". Mín Beannaid crossed Ta Bridget Gorry sa bhaile arīs as Londain, an áit ar fhreastal sí pósadh a mac ladraig. Sa bhaile fosta ar saoire as Glasgow, ta John Billy agus Jimmy Sally agus a gclann. Ta Rachel agus agus Jimmy Sally agus a gclann. Ta Rachel agus Kenneth Deale ar laetha saoire anseo o Carraic Dubh Kelly i mBaile Atha Cliath. Neddy Beag an chead duine ar an bhaile a bhain a chuid preataí úra. Mharaigh John Bhiddy breac 2 phunta, 1C n-unsa le N time. cial cuiteog ar Loch a' t-Adharcann ar na mallaibh. Meenmore 's offic record Patsy and Danny were hard at it building fish boxes for their 2nd Trophy at Durtonport Festival. Connie Boyle thought the factory was being broken The guard? guard? It's of in reco into until he went 'round the back to find the boys hard at it.

The Lower Rosses

The Annual Burtonport Festival proved to be a great success with plenty of activities. Crowds thronged to the area and fortunately there was enough drink to go around. Rann na Feirste won the band competition and Dore won the Junior band. Blaney was there too and keeping some very strange Mr. David Alcorn deserves great credit company. for the way he ran the festival.

The first farmer in the area to get an electric fence is Pa Sweeney (Jock), Acres who has a large herd of cattle on his ranch. It's unusual to see so many cattle in Acres as since the milk lorry started coming around everybody sold their cows. Now there's grass going to loss, even along the roadside. It was true for James Ward to say 10 years ago that the cows had to wear glasses the

grass was so short. The largest motorcade since the late Fa O'Donnell was made minister went through Burtonport with the new Lord Mayor of the Rosses Michael Hanlon. Tension was too much for the new mayor coming near the town and he left the car with the open roof and went into an enclosed car. There is absolutely no truth in the rumour that Michael is considering the Bye-Election as a F.F. candidate.

A motor car took to Charles Boyle's field when it saw a Swilly Bus approaching and Big Danny Campbell had to lift the car on to the road again.

had to lift the car on to the road again. I wonder what kind of phobia would you call people using old reg. No. plates on new cars? Mamus Faddy Kitty says it's I. H. Fhobia. Nan Coll says the trip to France with Anthony McGinley was out of this world. They played bingo from the midlands to Dover. Doalty Sharkey called the numbers and for the first "check" someone shouted "Heues" Doalty wouldn't give the pergent Francis "House". Doalty wouldn't give the person the prize of £5 - he said you must shout "Bus" not "House". Anyway the person got the money with Anthony saying "we'll allow this one".

Is it true Owenie joined the screamers? They are not going away after all, their new book is on sale for £7 and it doesn't make much sense.

It is reported the old Cooperage in Burtonport has been bought by a Dungloe man and that he's tossing it and is going to build a store and a restaurant. I hear the Arranmore 1014 J.R. in case he will be shot. "The Listener". I hear the Arranmore folk are afraid to travel with

Keadue

Congratulations to the Keadue Band for winning the Fife & Drum County Championship recently in Letterkenny,

ANAGAIRE

We extend our congratulations to the Annagry Fife 2 Drum Band for their well deserved victory at the Mary from Dunglee band competition on Sunday 27th. They brought this coveted prize back to Anagaire

after two years. The T.V. Transmitter in Braade is proving to be a big "boost" with many houses enjoying the luxury of 5 channels.

There is no truth in the runour that the potatoes Big Anthony was showing off belonged to John McGarvey! A man who definitely has green

fingers is Danny Kaye who will be putting his 2 1b onions on display shortly.

Welcome news in the parish is the formation of Cumann Ramhaiochta Anagaire/hullach Dubh.

Chairman of the new club is Dom McDevitt, Treasurer - John Gorman and F.R.C. Dinnie John and John Boyle.

The Anagaire Ladies Tug-c-War team are going "strong". They've won competitions recently in Ballybofey and Burtonport and came second in Letterkenny. (Who said they were disqualified for lying down?).

Special request - Facky and Charley says Antóin can cut Another request - Angela D. The 2 Dans say - "these shu walking". Still on the sporting front we congratulate Maire Rodgers of Anagaire Athletic Club who won a silver medal at the All-Ireland Championships in Limerick recently.

We had a Canadian priest Fr. Tim Sullivan with us on holidays recently. He met Joe Sharkey at eight o'clock one morning and somehow he was convinced that Joe was a priest.

Cloich Cheann Fhaola The Lord Mayor Mr. Seamas Gallagher opened Féile Ceilteach an Fhálcarraigh on Friday 18th July and for the whole of the weekend large crowds converged on the town for the many and varied events. Greenlough of Derry won the Senior Pipe Band Competition with Gweedore Pipe Band coming second and in the Junior Band Competition Loch an Iuir pipped Dore Band to first place by half a point. The Publicans' race brought great laughs and some very strange "Ladies" indeed took part. At night the pubs were packed and most premises had music and sing-songs. One disappointing aspect of the weekend was the very poor support given by the public to the concert by Dana in the Pobal Scoil. Seemingly local people dont appreciate International talent!

Last The new Mother General of the Franciscan Order is Mother Felicitas. Good wishes are extended to her in her onerous duty. Mr. Tom Walsh of Killult recently returned from the

wanted: U.S.A. where as President of the Irish Handball Association he accompanied the Irish team who visited and played games in New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Tucson. Beidh damhsa ag Glenea Utd. in Ostán Mhic Phaidin

ar an Déardaoin, 21ú Lúnasa agus beidh Movita Touch ag cur an ceol ar fail. The Lord Mayor, Seamas Gallagher was on hand to welcome Margaret McFadden, Rose Sharkey and Sheena Sharkey on their triumphant return from Dublin where they won 3 Gold Medals in a national Handball competition. A lot of credit is due to their coach John Gallagher. Also, on the handball front, good news is that a youth employment grant has been made available for renovating the handball alley.

Deir lucht gno nach bhfuil mórán cuairteoirí ins an cheantar agus muna nathraíonn an scéal i mí Lúnasa go mbeidh droch bhliain acu. Níl an aimsir ag cuidiú, agus deirtear nach dtháinig oiread daoine fiú amháin as Albain i mbliana. Deir muintir Mhachaire Rabhartaigh agus Mhín Lárach go bhfuil rudaí ibhfad níos suaimhní nó mar 'bhí fan am seo anuraidh.

A new football pitch at the Community School is nearing completion and when finished it's expected to be one of the best in the county.

A local businessman who wants to remain anonymous claims he saw a mermaid down at Ballyness Pier recently - and he wasn't drunk either. Could Cloich Cheann Fhaola soon rival the Loch Ness area of Scotland? "The Gang".

Doire Na Mainsear

A young lady on holiday in the locality had a lucky escape when her car left the road at Mallaigh Eoghain, and was extensively damaged. Mallaigh Eoghain as it's known locally is a notorious "Black Spot" with near misses daily and a fair amount of "bumps" yearly so it's over to our County Councillors who never seem to bother about Doire na Mainsear except at election We only get the same degree of moonlight as time. surrounding townlands, yet they all have streetlights! Changed days indeed on the car market front. Fr. O'Connell came all the way from Dublin to buy a new Datsun. But as Josie says, "That-son, is a bargain".

Tá go leor cuairteoirí s'na tithe 'san am i láthair. The first "yanks" to arrive were Rosie and Kate Eoin. If only Hughie had the extension finished! However, the undisputed "Holiday House" title must go

to Biddy (Sheain) Brady who has more visitors during the summer than Colaiste Anagaire.

Chaith Ann-Marie trí seachtaine ag obair i gColaiste Bhríde, Rann na Feirste agus deir sí go raibh am ar doigh aici.

Paddy Eibhlín considered engaging the local Lord Mayor for the official opening of his new house. Ar cheannaigh John Mór compressor? This month we have the first P 7 T poles erected in Doire na Mainsear for

private telephones. Fuair Owenie Anna cárta ó Shiubhán atá ar laetha saoire. Deir sí go bhfuil aimsir ar dóigh 'san áit sin, ach gur bhfearr léi sa bhaile ag léamh cuid magazines Kevin Brady.

No prizes for guessing which house displays a "Beware of Rooster" sign! But Brandy would say, "typical - display the notice when the harm's done!" "The Rock".

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A Chara,

I enjoy "Guth 7 Tuairim" and look forward to it every month but perhaps I could offer a bit of I find it annoying when reading an criticism. article to find bits of Irish in the middle of it. The Irish of today is so hard to read anyway that perhaps it would be an idea to have the paper all in English and I'm sure you would get a lot more readers.

Le meas,

"Regular Reader".

Acres, Burtonport.

Dungloe,

July, 1980.

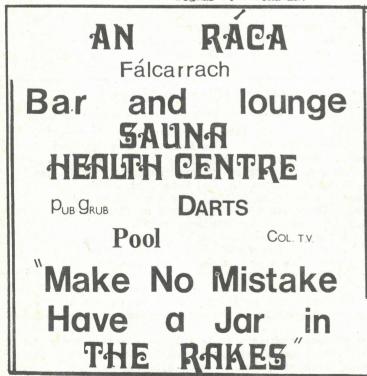
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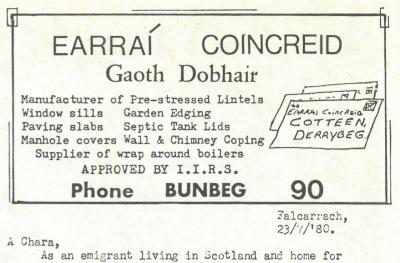
I enjoyed the recent letters and articles in "Guth 7 Tuairim" about Flute Bands. I think you would travel most of Ireland before you would find so many bands in such a small area. I agree with M. Gillespie that the late Paddy O'Donnell N.T. was the founder of school bands. Nowadays, N.T. was the founder of school bands. the likes of Faddy Ferry in Keadue is doing excellent work in promoting the bands and it's a pity that the anonymous "Interested" writing in "Guth 7 Tuairim" should criticize him so harshly. As there is no community centre in the Acres area it's good to see the young people taking an interest in bands and if we had more people like Mr. Ferry I feel there would be less hooliganism. All bands and band leaders in the Rosses, Gweedore, Doochary, Leitir, etc area deserve great credit. Mise le meas, Cathal Murray.

> Mín Beannaid, 23ú Iúil.

A Chara,

It was reported recently in the daily press that Ian Paisley made a snide remark about Cardinal O Fiach. My answer to that would be, "You can take Paisley out of Ballymena but you cant take the "bally-meanness" out of Paisley. Mise le meas, Seamas S. O Donaill.





a few weeks holidays I was delighted to see "Guth 7 Tuairim" with its mixture of news, comment and local wit. It has never been a strong Irish trait to be able to laugh at ourselves but this paper seems to be succeeding. A s my holiday co-incided with the Falcarrach Celtic Festival there are a few observations I would like to make. Talking to various shopkeepers and local business people the comment most often heard was, "there are no visitors about at all". I can tell them why! Compared to other places shop prices for groceries, meat, etc., are above average in Falcarrach. I even saw one item with two price tags - one dearer than the other. Not only that but most places were not giving a fair exchange rate for English money to visitors which I think is very unjust. During the Festival I found the price of drink outragously high and really the festival seemed to be centred around drink.

So a word of advice Falcarrach Businesses: You are frightening the visitors awa y. Was it Lincoln that said, "You can fool the people some of the time, but you cant fool them all of the time". I'm glad to be living in Scotland because I dont think I could afford to live here.

I wish "Guth 7 Tuairim" continued success. .Mise le meas, Falcarrach "Scottie". machine

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The Call Us The Screamers

arrival. by Jenny James - published by Caliban Books at $\pounds7.00$ (Hardback). My first thoughts about this book concerned the price which I consider to be rather steep at £7.00. unsi n It is not so much a book written by Ms. James as a Karen collection of letters, private, personal and public written to, by, and at Ms. James. What the author seems to be aiming for is a picture of the for are Atlantis Commune as it is and was. The letters are very skillfully chosen and put in hard girls continuity to give us (the author hopes) a realistic picture of the place. How s uccessful she has been in painting the picture I cannot say never having been an "inmate" of the commune. Some of the letters will ted depress you, some will surprise you and some may even shock you. But if you have 27 to spare, in the name of understanding buy this book. It Maj GTO Cathal Some of certainly changed my mental picture of Atlantis House. I am not being flippant when I say, in the words of a well know cross-channel Sunday paper, "all human life is there".

Anagaire N.S. with their teacher, Mrs. A. Bonner in the mid 50's

F. G. July '80.

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Bhí siad uilig léirithe ag Donal Lunny taobh amuigh de cheann amháin. Ar an chead cheann i 1975 "Whatever Tickles Your Fancy" bhain sé úsaid as uirlisí leictreach ach níor éirigh go ró-mhaith le seo.

Ceolann sé an hamhráin a bhfuil dúil aige iontu agus ní iad sin a iarann comhluchtaí céirníní air a cheol. Tá doimhneacht agus tuighbheáil ag baint lena chuid ceoil. Bíonn an tionlacán i gcónaí blasta. Ní phlúchann sé an glór. Tá dairireacht iontach ag baint lena chuid ceoil. Ní cheolann sé amhrán ar bith go leathmheasartha . Shílfeá gur ag inse scéil fá rud inteacht a tharla do fhéin a bhíonn sé.

Cuirtear ina leith go mbaineann sé úsáid as droch theanga ar an stáitse. Chuala mé féin é i mBéal Atha Fé ag Bhi seiseann thuas ansin ag déanamh a dhícheall eolas a thabhairt fá'n cheol agus ag cur a ceolchoirm Phlanxty. chuid fuinneamh uilig isteach ann. Ach bhí daoine thíos fríd an lucht éisteachta a bhí ag caint i rith an cheolchoirm agus bhí fear mire amháin ag scairtigh suas leis i rith an ama. Ghlac Christy le seo go foighdeach ar feadh tamall maith ach b'éigean do iarraidh orthu bheith suaimhneach sa deireadh - agus ní mar sin a d'iarr sé é! Ach ní air a d'fhágfainn an locht.

Tá dearcadh sólúbtha aige i leith a chuid ceoil. Mar a dúirt mé rinne sé ceirnín "folk rock" amháin; ins na ceirníní eile a rinne se o shin bhain se úsaid as foirmeacha deifriúla tionlacáin agus ceoil agus cuid de na ceoltoirí is fearr sa tír.

A nois, ar ndóigh tá Planxty le chéile arís agus iad ag déanamh go maith. Ní bhíonn oiread brú orthu anois mar nach mbuaileann siad le chéile i rith na bliana. Tabhaireann seo seans do Christy amhráin a cheol nach gceolfadh sé sa ghrúpa. Tá a ghradam mar cheoltóir ag fás i gcónaí. Rinne sé sraith teilifíse do RTE i mbliana. Chuir sé amach ceirnín singil "John of Dreams" a dhíol go maith agus tá fad-cheirnín eile le theacht ó chomhlucht Tara. Ach indiaidh sin uilig caithfear a admháil nach bhfuair sé go fóill an t-aitheantas iomlán at ag dul do mar cheoltóir.

S. O Domhnaill.

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Last month we looked at the birth of the "flying saucer" or U.F.O.'s. We saw how in ancient times men had seen strange objects in the sky. In later years when man had finally

taken to the skies himself people began seeing airships, balloons and fireballs. Headline from The San Francisco taken to the skies himself people began seeing airships, balloons and lifeballs. headline from the ball flatballs. Chronicle, Aug. 13th 1897 - "Strange visitors in Northern Skies". New York City Aug. 30th 1910 - " a long black ovject flew over the city in fullview of hundreds of people". In Dec. 1933 "ghost fliers" reported over Sweden. Two Swedish airforce planes crashed while investigating the sightings. Cappoquin, Co. Waterford, 26th Two Swedish airforce planes crashed while investigating the sightings. Cappoquin, Co. Waterford, 26th December 1965 between 3.15 and 3.30 in the afternoon, two ladies on a motoring holiday took a photograph of "a round solid object flying from right to left across the horizon. There was a trailing plume of flame but no smoke. The thing made no sound and it looked bright and metally". Derry City 15th Aug. 1979 -Mrs. Mary Sheils a 27 year old housewife from the Creggan while bringing in her washing saw a disc shaped object in the sky. It was emitting a pulsating luminous glow on and off and it was quite large. Around the outer rim there appeared to be a number of multi-coloured lights and above those there seemed to be several port-holes. She watched the object for six or seven minutes and it made no sound. In 1978 two Dunlewey men saw a "ball shaped object" near Errigal mountain. In late 1979 a number of people in the Dore area saw a red object shoct upward into the sky. People in Rann na Feirste saw a bright red light Many people in the Derrybeg/Stranacorkra area coming in over the sea and heading slowly up over the mountains.

saw something similar. From every part of the world and in every age people have reported seeing objects in the sky. Numerous books and films have investigated the subject. Do people really see "discs" and lights in the sky? What would you do and films have investigated the subject. Do people really see "discs" and lights in the sky: What would you do if you saw such an object? According to a classification system invented by Professor J. Allen Hynek, the United States Airforce advisor on the subject there are, based on sightings to date:- (a) Nocturnal Lights: Any unidentifiable light in the night sky. (b) Any object or vehicle seen in the sky in the daylight (whether a disc or not) which is not identifiable. (c) Radar/Visual: An object seen at night or in the daylight which is unidentifiable and which is registered by a Radar Screen. (d) Close Encounter I (first kind): An unidentifiable object seen close at hand, in the air or on the ground at night or in the day. (e) Close Encounter II (second tird): An unidentifiable object seen close at hand, in the air or on the ground at night or on the ground, at night or in the day, which kind): An unidentifiable object seen close at hand, in the air or on the ground, at night or in the day, which leaves some physical trace on the land, on creatures (including humans), on vehicles or on any earthly thing. (f) Close Encounter III (third kind): An unidentifiable object seen close at hand in which living beings are visible, or living beings which are unidentifiable are near or in conjunction with an unidentifiable object. What should you do if you see or experience an object or being which is consistent with any of the above classifications? All over the world there are concerned people who study the subject of U.F.O.'s. If unidentified objects are reported we may know a lot sooner what the causes are. If you wish to report a sighting of a U.F.O. you could contact "The Northern U.F.O. Investigation Society", at 33 Donagh Place, Rossville Street, Derry or write to "Skywatch", C/o "Guth 7 Tuairim", Doire Beaga. "Skywatch". "Skywatch".



LEO (July 22 - Aug 23)

Developments which arise this month means you can get rid of an irksome duty. Stav away from awkward people and troublemakers. Although nothing outstanding happens in the social sphere you will have opportunities for enjoyment. Changes are likely - mostly to your advantage. Lucky colour white. VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sept 23)

It has been hard for you to put up a brave face this past few months but everything will be worth it in the end. There may be trouble at home but with understanding on both sides everything will work out right.

LIBRA (Sept 24 - Oct 23)

There is a very exciting event coming up for you this month. The Initial "S" has special significance in this event. Your financial situation is pretty good just now but overspending could leave you short towards the end of the month! Lucky colour - Green.

Lucky number - 3. SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov. 22)

You may be feeling a bit left out of things at the moment, but there's no point in going on like this. Make the most of the situations available to you. There is a new

romance in the air and it may result in a trip Lucky date 17th. for you. SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23 - Dec 22)

You may have been involved in some sort of trouble lately which has resulted in some unhappiness to a close friend. You would do well to try and clear this trouble up as it could get more serious. Lucky colour -Blue. Lucky number - 25:

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)

You can expect news which will throw new light on a situation. It is a good time to take risks and achieve your aims. Money matters will need careful watching. The 21st and 29th are lucky dates for you. AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

Too much routine does not really suit your way of life, but duties will be tying you down more than usual. You may feel tempted to try out something new and this will affect loving relationships favourably. Lucky colour

- pink: PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

A practical step forward can now be made. Trends are beneficial in both your domestic and love life. This month should find you in a more self-confident, enterprising frame of mind. The initial 'G' will mean something important towards the middle of the month. ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

You have quite dynamic personality and the active kind of temperament which allows you Dont try to isolate yourself, little rest. you can make pleasant and useful contacts. Your efforts concerning someone close to you will not go to waste. Lucky number 33!

RULES FOR GOOD JAMS

1. Since nothing comes out of a bag but what goes into it, you cannot have perfect jam unless you use perfect fruit. It should not be over-ripe, and it should-for preference-be used the day it is picked.

2. For stirring, use a piece of clean wood. Most cookery books specify a wooden spoon, but I have found that the rounded end of the spoon is not so effective in preventing sticking as the straight end of a piece of wood.

Ignore the "skim constantly" injunction if you wish to avoid waste. The skimming may be done when the jam is cooked.

To Test: Put a teaspoonful of the jam on a cold saucer. Leave it in a draught for a minute or two, then touch it with your finger-tip. If a skin which wrinkles has formed on top, the jam is cocked. The use of a sugar thermometer provides the most accurate test. Setting point is 220°F.



matters of the heart. In GEMINI (May 23 - June 21) Some shared responsibilities could bring you increased happiness. Dont let others hold you back - reach out for what you want.

Problems which may arise will probably be caused by switching your interests from one thing to another too often. Lucky colour -Blue.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22) Get your activities well organised during the first few weeks so that you have spare time and energy to cope with emergencies arising later. Someone surprises you with an interesting proposition and future happiness may depend on your decision. Lucky dates -10th and 19th.



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HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Stiff paint brushes will become pliable again if soaked, bristledeep, in vinegar heated almost to boiling point.

Very often a little cold milk added to milk when it is boiling, will prevent a skin from forming.



A Group of Golfers at Gaoth Dobhair half a century ago Tosach - Francie Molloy, Thomas John McBride, Fr. Danny Molloy, James Boyd, Mickey Gallagher, Paddy Sheain and Dualtaí, Hugh Mór McBride. Cúl - Mary an Dualtaí, Kitty an Dualtaí, Kitty Blake, Maggie Neill, Bella Gallagher, Mary Coppins and Annie Coll.













An coireactas

This year's Oireachtas Festival is being held in Gaoth Dobhair, commencing on October 24th. Conall O Donaill, Ballyconnell Road, Falcarrach, Uacharán an Oireachtais and Chairman of the local committee addresse d a recent Fress-Conference giving details of the Festival, as follows:-

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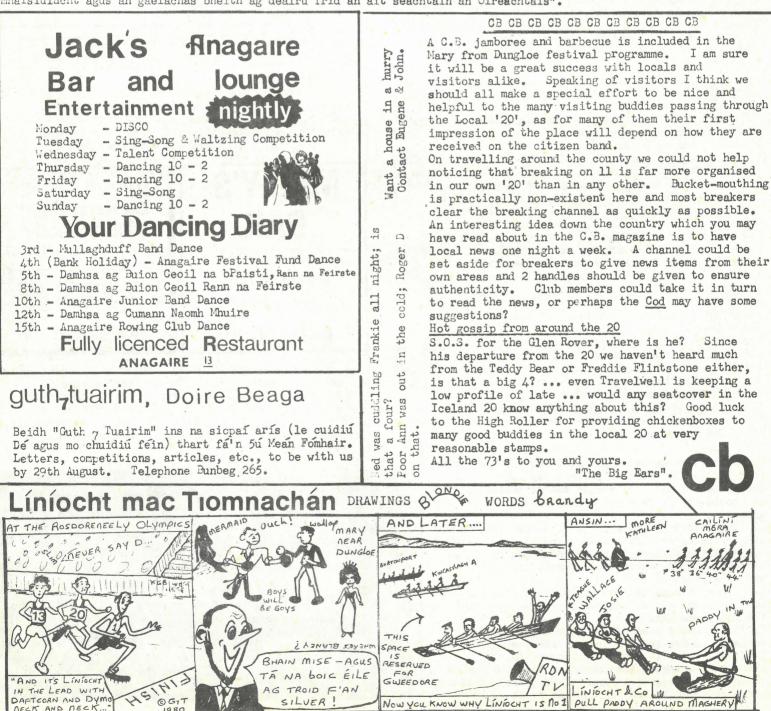
síntiúisí airgid. Thar cheann an Oireachtas beidh muid buíoch do thuaiisceoirí nuachtain, Raidió agus Teilifíse an féile mór seo a chuir os ard i measc na ndaoine le é bheith na spreagadh ag aos óg an lae inniu agus ag glúnta a thiocfas 'na ndiaidh ar ndúchas a choinneáil slán. Cinnte go leor tá Raidió na Gaeltachta 'na chuidiú mhór againn, ach ní leor linn aidió amháin nó páipeár amháin ná coiste amháin. Is é an tacaíocht a bhéarfar dúinn agus an dlús a chuirféar leis an obair a bhéarfas an toradh agus dá ndéanfadh achán nduine gníomh beag amháin nár mhór na cuidiú don fhéile seo é.

Tá féile an Oireachtais ag tabhairt aire d'ár nduchás. Ní bheadh mórán de leabhraí fiúntacha na Gaeilge le léamh nó le fáil againn inniu ach go bé an t-Oireachtas. Bhí sé 'na chuidiú na scríobhneoirí is fearr sa Ghaeltacht a bhroslú chun pinn agus mar a dúirt mó fhear muintearra féin Séamas Ó Grianna, 'má thig an lá choíche a dtiocfaidh meath ar an Ghaeilge bhlasta a bhí ag ár sinsear ní bheidh le déanamh ag an t-a os og a thiocfas 'nár ndiaidh ach cromadh agus a dhul isteach ins na leabhraí seo agus druithleogaí na litríochta a fhadó agus a ghríosadh agus a lasadh arís'. Chomh maith le sin fuair muid an chuid is dúchasaí dár gcuid amhráin agus dár gcuid ceoil a chur ar shlí a shábhála go dtí go bhfuil againn ceol atá cumtha chomh binn is chomh beacht is chomh filiúnta le ceol ar bith ar an domhan. Níl mórán eile a thiocfadh liom a rá ach go bhfuil muid ar ár ndícheall anseo san choiste áitiúl ag eagrú sa chruth is go ndeanfaidh muid an t-Oireachtas seo chomh maith is

chomh sásúil is chomh tarantach don phobal le Oireachtas ar bith dá raibh againn go fóill. Ach mar adúirt mé tá cuidiú a dhith ó chuile dhuine agus sin an rud a ba mhaith linn mar choiste a fheiceáil go mbeadh áit ag achán nduine ann. Ach go bé an duthracht a rinneadh tríd an Oireachtas le Éirinn a ghaelú ní

go mbeadh ait ag achan hduine ann. Ach go be an dubracht a rinneadh trid an Direachtas le Eirinn a gnaelu ni bheadh an saoirse againn atá againn inniu. Sin an rud is bródúla agamsa le béim a chur air-é bheith ina ábhar gríosaithe ag an t-aos óg le aibhleog an ghaelachais a áth-dhealgadh arís. Tá muid ag duil le mná tí agus lucht ostáin a bheith réidh, mar go measaimid go mbeidh cuid mhór cuairteoirí

Ta muld ag duil le mna ti agus lucht ostain a bheith reidh, mar go measaimid go mbeidh cuid mhór cuairteoirí ag teacht chugainn le linn an Oireachtais. Tá an coiste ag brath go mór ar na trí pharoiste atá congarach de ionad an Oireachtais. Tá muid ag iarraidh ar lucht gnó dreach Ghaelach a chur ar a gcuid áiteacha gnó trí ainrneacha, comharthaí agus mar sin de, agus a thaispeáint go bhfuil an taobh seo tíre agus go h-áirithe pobal Ghaoth Dobhair ar cheann de na Gaeltachtaí is mó i nÉirinn. Beidh sé na ábhar bróid againne mar choiste an mhaisiúlacht agus an gaelachas bheith ag dealrú fríd an áit seachtain an Oireachtais".



Guíonn muid chuile adh oraibh Áine agus Eibhlín.

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I wonder if there are many people living now who remember "Sports Phaidí Oig" or the day Buttie Shile lost his eye. The event occurred in the early years of the century (Circa 1910) and it's said that Dan Fhearagail from "obhar was an umpire. Sports phaidí Óig

In Crolly of old, a story is told, Of a tavern called Paddy Ogs, Where whiskey and guinness and brandy was sold And other intoxicant 'grogs'; But the money got scarse and the customers sparse Though boozers there were quite a few, But each had a stil on the breast of the hill, Concocting his own mountain dew. Jack Antoin got wise, he consulted his boys, And they founded the Meenaleck fair, With a licence to boot and an eye for the loot, As long as the jobbers came there; Now polly-cows came from Braade and Calhame, And heifers and donkeys and sheep, Between braying and lowing, the guinness kept flowing, Jack Antoin was making a heap.

Paddy Og at the bridge developed a grudge, And swore he'd impoverise Jack; For weeks on an end, he was near 'round the bend Through planning some form of attack; But the Gallagher brain lived up to his name, He came forth with a powerful scheme: He'd broadcast reports, he was holding a 'sports' With prizes galore for the teams; The programme he planned with a masterful hand, Athletic events by the score, Competitors welcome the Jorum to enter, From Gweebarra right down to Gweedore.

Came a Saturday in June, when the gorse was in bloom, And according to schedule and plan, From ravine and fen, from valley and glen, The mighty procession began; Tinkers and tailors and one-legged sailors, Hucksters and trucksters and shams, Con-men in troops with their 'trick o' the loops, And medicine men with their 'trick o' the loops, And medicine men with their balms; There was Jack a' chinn mhóir from Meenlecknalore, Mylie na gcoinnín from Owey, A master turf-clamper from over the Ramper, And a flooter from Ceannballycroey; A glutton from Acres who challenged all takers, at eating a loaf in two bites,

And a brow-beaten four from above Crickamore, Excelling in wrestling and fights.

Last month we published the words of "My Charming Mary Neil", a very old version of Mary from Dungloe. We have now received another version under the title "Mary near Dungloe". Mary near dungloe

Farewell farewell sweet Donegal, the Rosses and Gweedore, I'm going to cross the ocean where the foaming billows roar; It grieves my heart from you to part where I've spent many happy days, Farewell to kind relations, I am bound for America.

Oh, many's the pleasant evening with my true love I did walk, By the mountain side where the streams did glide, we lovingly did talk; But I must roam far from home which fills my heart with woe, I'll go where I will, I'll love you still, My Mary near Dungloe.

My love she's tall and handsome and her age is scarce sixteen, She far exceeds all other maids as she trips it o'er the green; With her lovely neck and shoulders and her skin as white as snow, Till the day I die, I'll ne'er deny, the girl lives near Dungloe.

Ch, Mary of my heart's delight, my joy and only care, It was your cruel father, he would not let me be there; But when I'm on the ocean where the stormy winds do blow, I will constant prove to my true love, the girl lives near Dungloe.

Her father he's a wealthy man, convenient to the town, And if I had stores of riches, on me he would not frown; But absence makes the heart grow fond when I'm far o'er the main, May the Lord protect my darling girl, 'till I return again.

My love wrote me a letter as you may understand, She says my lad do not feel sad, though in a foreign land, For I'll keep you in my mind, no matter where you go, Until you return again to me, my love in sweet Dungloe.

Farewell my kind relations and comrade boys adieu, I'm going to the land of liberty, my fortune to pursue; And when I do return again with my fortune great instore, I'll wed my dear and only love, she's the girl 'lives near Dungloe.

Who swore by the Pope he would birl a straw-rope, A guy and his duck from over Faoi Chnoc And humping a grandfather clock, To tally the time while the lachan would mime, Robert Emmett's last speech from the dock; High jump and hop jump long jump and low jump, Milers and half-milers to boot, A thousand yard pace and the three-legged race, And target-men eager to shoot; The quarter mile race began with good pace From the cross 'round to Connaghan's bend, The one running last left spectators aghast, The race course did not comprehend; At the turn-about post, he appeared to get lost, They reckon his eyesight was bad, He caused a furore as he galloped through Dore, Grunting in Gaelic like mad.

The race for the mile lined up in good style, From the bridge 'round to Faddy Mor's street, But whatever the reason, they reckon 'twas treason, Dan Airtin began cooking meat; The man in the lead got weak with sheer greed, When the smell of the gravy came o'er Between shivers and slivers, he made for the river, And was heard of in Crolly no more. To round off the fun, Tom na Spag and his gun, He offered a half pound of tay, To the best shooting man who would knock a tin can, From a gatepost ten fathoms away; There were pellets going wide and some going astride, Some jammed in the ba rrel instead, 'Till a prig from Loch Mile shot poor Buttie Shighle, And knocked the eye out of his head; Now the clamour that 'rose, brough events to a close, Paddy Og was the winner no doubt; For a year and a day Micky Shiela would say, He sold twenty barrels of stout! William Sling (the younger). ita



Paddy Ogs brother Peter Paddy Neddy who emrigated to Montana.





FOLK

Hey Jude - De Danann (Gael-Linn CESN002)

'eo leagan uirlise do amhrán na mBeatles on ghrúpa as Gaillimh, agus job maith a rinne siad do fosta! Deireann corr dhuine nach dtaitníonn se leo mar go measann siad nach bhfuil morán céille le bheith ag cur amach leagan uirlise do amhrán pop. Rinne na Beatles níos fearr é dar leo. Ach ní fheiceann na cainteoirí caide ata De Danann a dhéanamh. Níl mórán baint ag amhrán na Beatles le ceirnín De Danann. Bhain siadsan úsaid as an fonn a bhí le "Hey Jude" mar bhun de phíosa ceoil tradisiúnta agus buaileann siad é ar dhóigh atá

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deas go maith don mhodh tradisiúnta. Rinne Mícheál Ó Domhnaill poinnte iontach maith ar an raidió le gairid agus é ag caint fá na grúpaí "folk rock". Dúirt sé go dtabhaireann siadsan leo píosaí ceoil tradisiúnta agus buaileann siad iad mar phíosaí ceoil rock le uirlisi leictreach, in áit iad a bhuaileadh mar phíosaí tradisiúnta le tionlacán o uirlisí leictreach.

Tá a mhalairt déanta ag De Danann anois. Thug siad leo fonn amhrán pop agus bhuail siad é mar amhrán pop le huirlisí tradisiúnta agus ar dhóigh atá cosúil le ceol tradisiúnta. Sílim féin gur éirigh pop le huirlisí tradisiúnta cosúil le ceol tradisiúnta. go maith leo. Ach má tá tionchar ar bith le bheith ag an chíneal seo ceoil caithfear triall a bhaint as níos mó do. Tá éileamh maith anois ar "Hey Jude" le De Danann sa bhaile agus thar lear. Is fiu go mor é a cheannacht.



DANA STAIR

Long Ago In North West Donegal

Like many parts of Ireland North West Donegal was in the not too distant past, self supporting. Food, clothing, and most of the necessities of life were home-produced. Flour for bread making was obtained from the rye or wheat grown by each household. Oats or corn provided oat bread or brachan (otherwise known as "stirabout" or porridge). One of the stable meals was bruitin ("poundies" in Tyrone and "champit tatties" in Scotland. To the English -mashed potatoe). Coastline potatoes were particularly nourishing and probably contributed to longevity because they were fertilised with seaweed or wrack, which with its iodine content was likely to ensure a healthy blood stream. A11 other seafoods were used extensively along the coast. Enough flax (or lint) was grown by each family to make their own (unbleached) bedsheets. In recent In recent years such sheets were still to be seen in a home in Rosbeg. From their own sheep, each family once From their own sheep, each family once carded and spun the wool they used to knit garments and to weave into blankets and tweed. Like the Scottish highlanders a family killed a sheep for a festive occasion such as a wedding. People produced their own footwear from animal hides. Part of the tanning process involved steeping a cow hide for a certain length of time in bogwater. Vegetable dyes were used to dye wool in various colours the best known of which was known as "crotal" or "crotta". It is a hard grey skin that sticks to rocks, known in English as Licken. When boiled it produces lovely shades of



DOD pop

I was far from impressed with POOR POOR PERFORMANCE: Dana's performance in Falcarrach some weeks back. It was stated that she charged £3,000 for this concert that lasted well under two hours. I feel that both brothers John and Gerald will always be known as Dana's brothers, and their vocal talents are very limited. Dana herself was disappointed with the small turn-out, and her stage show badly needs to be revamped. I feel the Eurovision winner of a decade ago, is a much over-rated artist, with a very dull and boring show. I felt sorry for the promoters they deserved better public support, and a better programme from The Brown's (the singer and her brothers). BUY IRISH SING IRISH: Well after the publicity of

an Irish composed, arranged, produced and recorded hit with 'What's Another Year' singer Johnny Logan is back on the recording market with a British composed, arranged, produced and recorded follow-up single. The single is entitle 'God Givin Love' and on the flip side a number called 'Sweet Lady'. Poor composer Shay Healy must be very disappointed, with the way dear old Johnny has re-paid him for his instant success.

CELTIC ROCKERS: Some months back Horslips performed 'Shaking All Over' at a concert in California. The number proved to be so popular that they have issued it as their new single, and also on their new album 'The Belfast Gigs'. This This album was recorded live in Belfast last May, and will be issued in America in mid-September. Horslips are off to the States next month to promote the album on a coast-to-coast tour.

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<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u>: Warwick Records present singer Mary O'Hara with a 'Platimum Disc' for sales in excess of 300,000 copies of her album 'Tranquillity'. Mary returns home from England for a concert in Sligo. Outlet records are to present a Silver Disc for the single 'Mary from Dungloe'. The single was recorded in 1968, and the artists Emmet-Spiceland have long since disbanded. ANOTHER CEANNAIRE: After two years as Ceannaire of Radio na Gaeltachta Brian Mac Aonghusa has rejoined RTE. Brian will be in charge of RTE's bid to gain control of the new Nationwide Community Radio. If successful Brian would have the North-West Region Community Radio on the air within two years. We wish him well, and wonder who will be the new boss of Radio na Gaeltachta.

"Maestro".

brown or beige depending on the amount of strength of the crotal used. Apart from vegetable dyes other plants and herbs were in everyday use. Nettles and dandelions were boiled and added to the potato - and - meal diet of fowl. Nettles were thought to be particularly good for turkeys! The herb bogbean was boiled for treatment of the common cold. Children sucked "surrocks" for Carageen Moss the sweetness of the said plant. collected from the sea shore was boiled to make a pleasant dessert or milk pudding. Bee-keeping was also a widespread activity in days gone by in the North-West. In Summer cattle were driven to hill-top grazing where members of the family also spent the summer months. This is a possible explanation for the finding of tubs of butter occasionally in bogs. In those days the people were far more active than the T.V. generation of today and with the far more nutritious food many outlived the "alotted span" by a few decades.

Le Margaret Foley.





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