

# FORÓIGE

## NEW NAME

Since the first edition of AN LIAG, reports have been given in each issue of the activities of local Macra na Tuaithe Clubs. Well, in a changing world, nothing is sacred because "Macra Notes", this month give way to FOROIGE NOTES.

FOROIGE, National Youth Development Organisation is the new name taken by Macra na Tuaithe. The name is made up of the Irish words - "Forbairt" (development) and "oige" (youth).

So in future Carrick Macra Club will be known as Carrick FOROIGE Club.

Incidentally the change of name was organised by a sub-committee of 4 leaders and Officers among whom was local club leader, Brian Mc Auley.

## COUNTY DISCO

There are 19 FOROIGE clubs in Donegal at the moment and most of them came together

recently for a monster Disco at the Highlands Hotel in Glenties. It was a most enjoyable occasion for all members.

## NATIONAL VICE-CHAIRMAN.

At the recent National Conference of Foroige Youth Leaders in Wexford, Brian Mc Auley, of Carrick was elected National Vice-Chairman of the Organisation

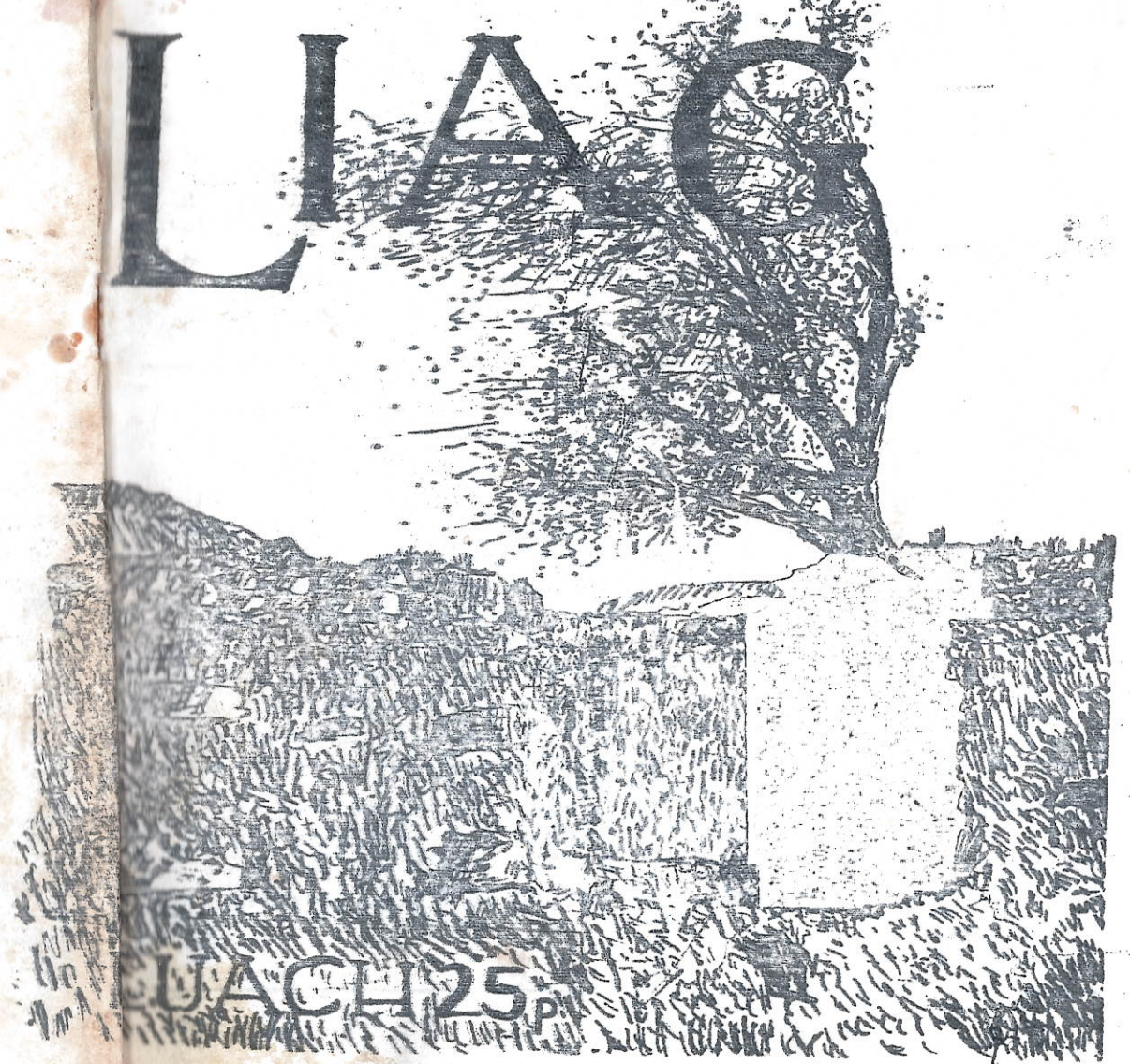
## PROJECTS

Besides some nice singing we hear there are some interesting nail pictures being produced on Thursday nights at the Carrick Club.

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# AN MARTA 1981

# LIAG



WEDNESDAY 25th

## seo is siúd

<p>The local I.C.A. committee wish to thank all those who contributed to the "Blind Collection" to the tune of £126 held at the Chapel Gate recently.</p>	<p>Congratulations to Sean J McGinley, Sieve on his £100 win in the Glen G.A.A Silver Circle</p>
<p>Bingo:- Congratulations to Mrs. Kathleen McNern on winning the £350 snowball in Halla Mhuire last week. I was beginning to wonder if it would ever go.</p>	<p>Benefit Dance Delighted to hear that a huge crowd turned up for Fr. Boyle's benefit dance held in the old School-Meenanearly recently. In all £600 was collected</p>
<p>New Baby Congratulations to Wilfie and Patsy Milsop, Churchtown on the birth of a baby girl - Loraine.</p>	<p>Wedding Bells:- Patrick and Francis Gallagher, Carrick Rd., Kilcar had a double cause for celebration this month when both daughters Frances and Annette were married recently. Frances and John Joe McBrearty were recently married in Scarborough, Ontario Canada Annette and Peter Farrell married recently in Longford.</p>
<p>Congratulations also to Mary and Eugene Haughey Roxboro on the birth of a baby girl.</p>	
<p>Confirmation Large numbers of our young children were confirmed last Tuesday in Kilcar and Glen.</p>	<p>Congratulations to Paddy O Donnell Crove and Mary O Donnell, Bavin who were married in Kilcar recently.</p>

## mise



Nuair a shóilleá grian mó oige díom  
Bhí mise ar bharr ná gaoithe,  
Ag sceámhlú líom lá gartha lom  
An cat i léar an oíche -  
An roithléan laimh le seoirce.

Agus ghearr mé scuing fa bhun ná goraínn  
A dhreapúí mé 'nā dhiaidh sin;  
Gen uaim ach spoirt d'achain seoirt  
Gur éalgi grian an lāe sin -  
Agus muchadh im broin mó pleisuir.

Agus d'ól mé meadar fharraing, 'bhróin'  
O mó Dhié a chruthaigh ná crusche  
Mara d'ól mé ailneacht ailtinn rom  
Agus mé mó oigfeár luthfár -  
Agus d'ól mé a go fluireac

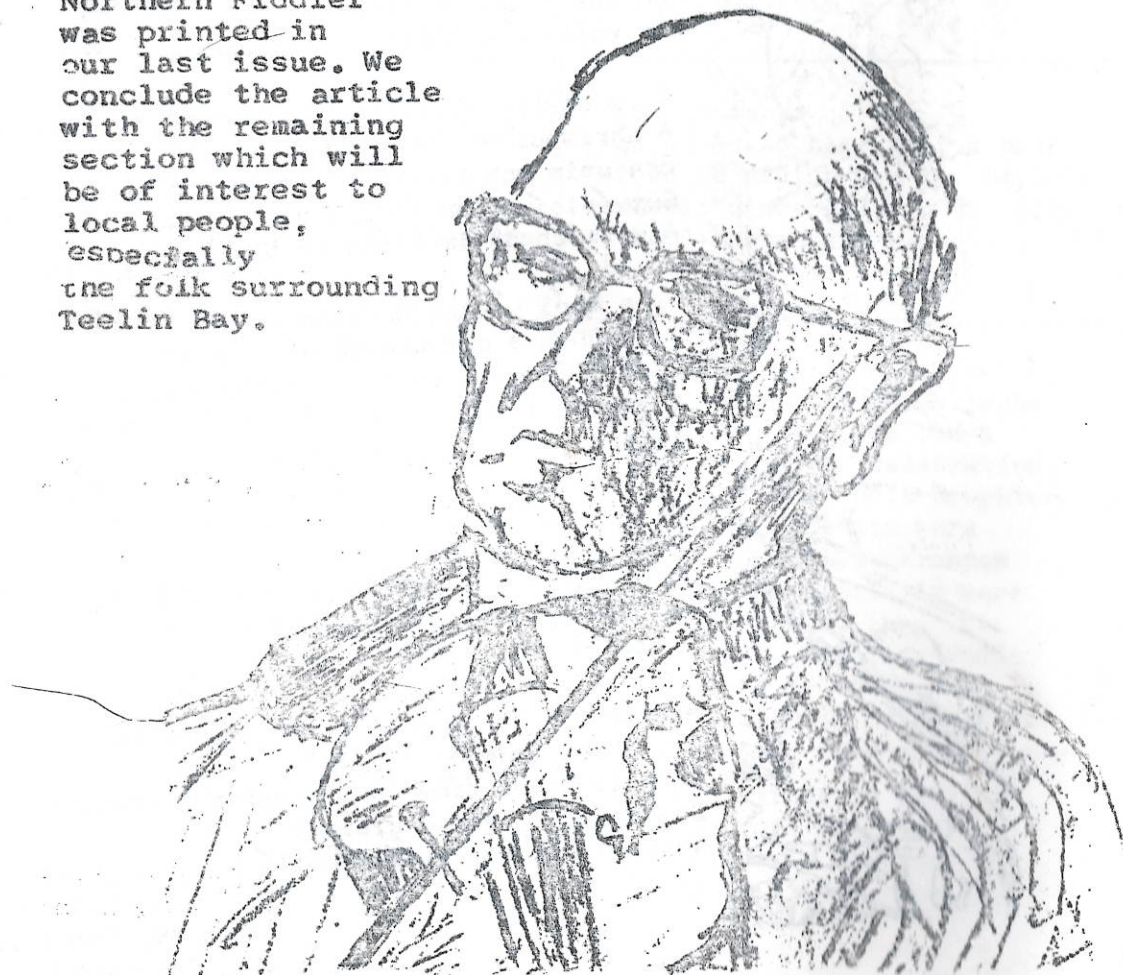
Nuair a dealú grian m'óige uaim  
isteach i néaltai dubha  
Ar shiabh a' Tuaiigh 's ar barr a Chruaidh  
Go failligh shliocai, tútach -  
Sa tsool sin, figthe - fuíte.

Agus faech inniu mé, 'críon' don chluar  
Gen dhada uaim an 'feile'  
A thaidhbhsuí díom faoi ghaethe teasmhúigh  
Dhaithe, luighe - greinne  
Nuair a bhí me óy, dí-chéilli!

Eamon Mac Cathail.  
Cill Charthaigh.

# Micheál Ó Beirne

The first part of this article from the Northern Fiddler was printed in our last issue. We conclude the article with the remaining section which will be of interest to local people, especially the folk surrounding Teelin Bay.



During the period that the brothers were mastering the fiddle, Teelin had become an active centre for country house dancing and boasted several accomplished fiddlers. The Byrnes naturally gravitated to Teelin. They would row a fishing boat across Teelin bay from Derryleahan harbour to play for the dances that were often held on the pier. Con Gassidy remembers Francie Byrne spending entire winters in Teelin playing for the dances.

When he was in twenties, Francie Byrne went to Scotland to work as a labourer in Kilsythe, near Glasgow. He remembers that time as being very active musically. There was a good bit of Scottish fiddling around and he was also exposed to the fiddling of emigrant labourers from other parts of Ireland. The Irish held separate dances from the Scots and Francie was one of the few Irish fiddlers to play for the Scottish dances. Though he picked up tunes from the Irish players, in the end run it was understandably the Scottish fiddling that had the most influence on his music. Though his exposure to other schools of fiddling increased his technical range and repertoire, he played in the local Kilcar style, which in many ways closely resembles the type of Scottish fiddling to be heard on Cape Breton Island today, with the exception of the pipes through the use of drones and staccato bowing.

Some of his most vivid memories of that period in Scotland were of the street buskers in Glasgow. They used to play music in the narrow alley-ways of the tenements, for the sound of the instruments would echo loudly in those back streets. One group he noted consisted of a fiddler, button-accordion player, a dancer and a collector. While the musicians played, the dancer would beat out a loud rhythm with his feet on a portable wicker-work 'floor' that he carried around with him. The collector, who was dressed like Charlie Chaplin, would pass the hat around for the money that fell from the windows.

In talking to Mickey, I decided to concentrate on his deep knowledge of the oral history of South-west Donegal to see if I could garner background information about the development of the music in the area. His responses confirmed certain things that had been mentioned by other fiddlers or were apparent in their music. The oral history that Mickey was shows that the basic of the shared musical culture of Donegal and the Highlands of Scotland was in the cross-emigration that took place between the regions. It also indicates that the fiddle was introduced to Donegal from Scotland. But possibly the most surprising piece of information to come from Mickey is the folk memory of a bowed instrument that preceded the violin. This instrument is certainly medieval in origin, and, judging from Mickey's description of its construction and melodic range, must be akin to the medieval regec, and the Arabic rebab.



## CENSUS

It's the big count-down time again. Having studied the forms already it seems that the Central Stastics Office requires much more detailed and comprehensive information .That last time '79 which will mean more headaches for the poor

Enumerators. who are as follows:

Francis Walsh - Carrick and Teelin area.

Gerry Gillespie - Malinmore, Malinbeg to Port.

Grainne Conlon - Kilcar.

Marion Shovlin - Kilcar - To Fintra.

One complain, I however, would make having done this survey before to the C.S.O. Is why the Enumerators are saddled with ancient survey maps of the area which are almost a century old and told to update them. Who's to blame???:

7.  
OFF AGAIN... ON AGAIN... GONE AGAIN... THIN AGAIN

Some ladies from Glen, disappear now and then  
And nobody knows where they've been  
Were they doing a show, or where did they go  
Will we see them some night on the screen.

(11)

One man on the sly, said he'd do master spy  
To see where they went, and divulge  
But his latest report, says its a new kind of sport  
And they call it "The Battle of Bulge."

(111)

There's none of them trim, though they try hard to slim  
And get measured each week by a gauge  
But, said a neat little man, with a hat in his hand  
Its not overeating, so it must be their age.

(1V)

Now they scorch round the block, with one eye on the clock  
Before jumping up on the scales  
But the weigh man, a charmer, whoe's also a farmer  
Says he'd far rather handle hay bales.

(V)

No prunes or no steaks, no sit-ups. at wakes  
No duckling, no trifle, or sugar  
No odd ball of malt, just a trot to Dunalt  
And recruits joined as far out as Bogagh.

(VI)

All as fit as a fiddle, now flat in the middle  
 They Envy of old men and boys  
 Cast off O.S. Duds, Dont Eat Swilly Spuds  
 Their battle cry "Averdupois"

(VII)

And often at night when they put out the light  
 And husbands lme cold in their bed  
 Half out of his wits, while she does the splits  
 And then maybe stand on her head.

(VIII)

But their Annual Dance, Put these Dames in a trance  
 So anxious to show their lean knees  
 Tp prepare for the Ball, they hit Donegal  
 And a Hay-Day was had by McGees.

(IX)

New lines were brought in, they must fit like a skin  
 Belts tied to the very last link  
 They paid all by cheque, they dont give a heck  
 Round each throat hung a nice stole of mink.

(X)

Hair do's were the rage, from afro to page  
 Like the styles that you see on the Telly  
 It was quite a thrill to climb Cashel Hill  
 To the Salon of dear "Nitty Nelly"

(XI)

Invitations went out, to eat Meat and drink Stout  
 And shake a leg, with some fine slim big lassie  
 But one neighbour when asked, just reached for his flask  
 And said - he'd rather shake hay in the "Glashie"

(XII)

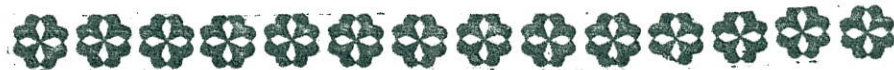
Gorging Turkey and Mutton, they all did the glutton,  
 To make up for, the long lenten Past  
 Fine wines they did sip, which brought weight to the hip  
 And the Beef, it rolled back awful fast

(XIII)

At their class the next week, they appeared tired and Meek  
 And the boss cat, she eyed them in turn  
 When she ordered them "Bend", old tracksuits did bend  
 Thats the worst of being built like a churn.

(XIV)

Now their back where they started, big, fat and light hearted  
 Red cheeks, once again are a glow  
 No Twiggy like Elf, just her misshaped self  
 Thank God, for the olf Status Co. — Yo. Ho.



Past pupils of Vocational School  
 Anyone having library books or teacher's books since they  
 left school might try and get them back.

# Seanchas Scoile

## 'Cosmos' in Action\*

For the past couple of weeks the students have had to take a back seat while the teachers have dominated the Basketball scene. The School's staff league is well under way - 'The Cosmos' winning one, lost two.

Match one v Glenties. Lack of training and fitness led to the team's downfall in this game. One could only stand back and applaud the brilliance of Fr. McHugh with his uncanny ability to score. Carrick's outstanding player - Bart Whelan, who belied his years, with his enthusiastic verve. He hustled, harried and covered every square metre of the court. His powerful tackling saved Cosmos from an even more embarrassing defeat.

Man of the Match - Bart Whelan.

Match v Ballyshannon - Once again Cosmos were the pre-match underdogs, on hearing Ballyshannon had Carl Duggan - a former Irish International. But for this one Carrick unfolded their trump card missing from the last day 'Brian Bomber' McAuley. He strode through the match like a Colossus. His awesome strength and 'ariel' domination had the game Ballyshannon lads cowering with fear. His deceptive dribbling, and body swerve mesmerised the Ballyshannon defence, who could only retreat in the face of the awesome assault. His delicate, silky skills allied to the battering ram effect finally won the day.

Man of the Match - Brian McAuley.

Match v Killybegs - This was billed as the match of the season, and lived up to the prematch billing. Like all local derbies it was a tough, bruising uncompromising affair with no quarter given. Despite the glittering array of A and B posts - status was forgotten as both sets of teams tore into one another with the enthusiasm of Roman day gladiators.

Features of play were a twenty yard "pot", by Brian McAuley Danny Gillespies mazy runs, Sean Burke's resilience at the back while captain Barry Campbell ran himself into the ground. Gerry Rodgers, Frank McGee and Joe Ward were the king pins of the Killybegs while the usually vivacious John Joe O'Shea was kept unusually quiet. At the end of the day Killybegs ran out warty winners by 3 Points. Our thanks to Miss Quinn for after match refreshments, Next week the 'Cosmos', face Donegal Town.

Our own Kathleen Doherty made history by becoming the first lady teacher to represent the school in the basketball team. Currently starring with the U.C.G. all Ireland championship winning side her deft touches bewildered the Killybegs outfit. Well done Kathleen.

Welcome to Teelin.  
We extend a welcome to Mr & Mrs Sean McBrearty who has taken up residence in Croaghlin, Teelin.

Get well wishes  
John Byrne formerly of Bogagh now living at Bartley Haughey's Kilcar who underwent an operation recently.

We hope Anne McGinley Derrylathan. is well on the way to recovery.

? Benny Gillespie our local 'fish & Chip' man landed the first white trout from the Glen River. Funny how the other 'chip' man Brendan Byrne missed it !!!

Congratulations to Mrs. Carmel Mc. Brearty on the birth of a baby boy recently.

## CUMANN DRAMAÍOCHTA THEILINN

Bhí deire seachtaine gnóthach againn i dTeileann ón 13-15ú Marta nuair a bhí an Féile drámaíochta ar siúl ach tá luchtáir orm a bheith ábalta a rá gur éirí thar barr leis.

Léiríodh 10 ndrámáí ar fad agus 2 agallamh beirt comh maith le teipeántas aonair amháin. Bhí an halla lán i rith an deire seachtain. Bhí éagsúlacht mhór drámaí ann agus bhain óg's aosta sult agus taitneamh astu.

Bronnadh 5 gradaim ag deire na féile agus dúirt an moltóir Áine Nic Giolla Bhríde agus í ag bronnadh na duisanna go raibh an caigdeán an-ard agus gur mheith léi dá mbeadh níos mó ná 5 gradaim aici le bronnadh. Cúis mhór bróid dúinn gur thuill Theileann dhá cheann de na gradaim céanna, sé sin ceann don choiriú stáitse ab fhearr ag an fhéile agus ceann do Chathal Mac Gairbheith ar son a pháirt san dráma 'Labhartar Bearla Anseo' a léirigh Aisteoirí Theileann.

Beidh ainmnúchán a fháil chuig an Feile Naisiúnta Dramaíochta a bheas ar siúl san Taibhdhearc i nGaillimh ón 15-17ú Bealtaine ag cúpla ceann de na drámaí a léiríodh ag Féile Theileann. Ba dheas an rud dá bhfaigh cumann Dramaíochta éigin ó Dheisceart na Condae ainmnúchán ach ceithfidh muid fanacht go ceann coicíse nó má sin leis an eolas sin a fháil.

Tá mórán daoine a chuidigh linn leis an fhéile Dramaíochta a reachtáil agus gan a gcuidiú ní bheadh muid ábalta a leithéid a dhéanamh. Ba mhaith liom go mór focal mór molta a thabhairt do na mná a d'eagraí agus a rinne an tae agus do na mná tí uilig thar a rinne buns, cístí, ceapairí nó cibé eile agus leoga té siad ag caint i nGaoth Dobhair go fóill fan fheasta a fuair siad i dTeileann.

Tá an coiste áitiúil a d'eagraí an Féile an-bhuíoch dóibh sin uilig a thug cuidiú beag nó mór dóibh agus tá súil againn nara fada go mbeidh a leithéid arís i dTeileann.

Runaí: Na Féile.

( Meadhbh Nic Gairbheith. )

Bronnadh Na Gradaim Air;

1. Aisteoirí An Cholaiste Reigiúneach. - ' Chun Na Ferraige Síos. '
2. Aisteoirí G.P.E. Teo, Anagaire.- Agallamh Beirte '
3. Cathal Mac Gairbheith.
4. Aisteoirí Theileann ' Labhartar Bearla Anseo '
5. Aisteoirí Radio Na Gaeltachta - ' Tréis An Duchais '

Mar a dúirt Meadhbh bhí an cholaiste pholaithe chuile oíche agus baineadh an sult as Is léir uaidh seo go bhfuil athbheochaint i ndrámáíocht tosnaithe arís agus léiríodh dom freisin go bhfuil abhar iontach aisteoireachta sa cheantar Ba dheas an rud é do mbeadh Club Dramaíochta againn san eit.

### LETTER FROM LONDON "LIAG FAN"

Dear Editor,

Did you know?

When Lady Diana marries Prince Charles, one of her titles will be "Countess of Carrick".

Regards,

A Carrickonian in Exile.

# COISTE FORBARTHA NA CARRAIGE

## CARRICK DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The term of office of the present committee ended recently and the election of the new committee should begin shortly. Sean Burke will act as Director of Elections. Although many are chosen in such elections, it would be fair to say that not all represent their areas seriously by attending meetings regularly.

It is hoped that the new committee will press on with the proposed Community Centre project. The major success of the last Committee was the Multi-Channel T.V. project. There are, we hear, some people benefiting from the scheme who have contributed nothing to it and that some money is owed to people in the Curris area.

Another issue which the committee has been actively pursuing is the provision of a refuse collection for the Teelin area. No action has come from the Committee's repeated representations to the County Council concerning the pressure of the water in the back lane, Carrick.

Some people are putting a question mark over the present format of the Development Committee. Over the years it has been a case of many being called and few answering. With committees operating in Meenaneary and Teelin, the Carrick Committee might consider confining its representation to the village area and maybe once in a while a federation of the committees could meet to voice local concerns of common interest.

## CUMANN LUTHCHLEAS GAEL CILL CHARTHA

Ag cruinniú míosúil Mí Mharta ag Cumann Lúthchleas Gael Chill Charthaigh do labhair Séamus DeFaoite faoi staid na gaeilge san Chumann. Mar gheall ar na h-Imeachtaí atá ar suíl ag an Chumann Cultúrtha do mhol an t-Uasal DeFaoite, Sean Mac Niallais as ucht an obair iontach a bhí á dhéanamh aige ar son céilí a chur ar siúl agus rince a mhúineadh dos na daoine, óg agus sean. D'iarr sé fosta ar na baill níos mó gaeilge a labhairt ar an pháirc imeartha agus an teange a chlochtadh ag na cruinnithe. Ag an Cruinniú (inn Bhliana do phioc an cumann Proinsias MacGiolla Cearra mar Oifigeach na Gaeilge agus theastaigh ón Uasal De Faoite cruinniú a bheith aige gan mhoill i géóir Oifigí na Gaelige uilig, chun plean a leagadh amach.

Ar an pháirc imeartha do bhuaíl Cill Charthaigh go furast ar Ghleam Colm Cille ach ansin thit an tóin astu in aghaidh Sean MacCumhaill i bPáirc Fhontra agus bé sin archead uair a chaill siad cluiche taobh istigh den Chondae ó Mí na Bealtaine. Chríochnaigh Cill Charthaigh an comortas seo (shield) le cluiche in aghaidh, R. Emmets agus bhain siad 2-11 go 0-9. Tá cuireadh faite ag Cumann Cill Charthaigh chun foireann seachtar an taobh a chur chuig Litir Ceanainn ar Domhnach Casca, chuig An Chaislean Nua Condae An Dúin ar LuanCasca agus chuig Ollscoil Bhaile Atha Cliath Belfield ar an Domhach in dhiaidh sin. Ag an am i láthair tá cúpla duine gortaithe agus níl a fhios go fóill an deichniúr a bheas ag imirt sna comortaisí seo.



The area was deeply saddened by the recent death of Con Sweeney Straleel after prolonged illness. Sincerest sympathies to the children and relatives. Go ndeana Dia trocaire ar a anam.



NEW BUTCHER

Congratulations to John and Peter Molloy of Kilcar who opened their new butcher shop in Main St. Carrick recently. John has been our regular travelling butcher for a few years now.

The two lads have put a huge amount of work into their new venture and such enterprise does not deserve to go unrewarded. Modern day butcher shops have come a long way, as was proven to me when I went into the premises last week. The very latest up-to-date refrigeration equipment is installed.

The shop is open for business, except between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock all day TUESDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY.

We hope that this new shop will get the custom and support it deserves. Carrick has lost so many amenities in the last number of years that it is heartening to see some new developments. We wish the boys every success.

RAY DAY

Some of the local young pioneers will travel to Falcarragh this week to take part in a talent show organised by R.A.Y.

BEREAVEMENT

The death occurred recently of James McGuire of Sieve, Glencolumbkille. Sincere sympathies are extended to his friends and relations. Go ndeana Dia trocaire ar a anam.

BABY GIRL

Congratulations to Sean and Margatet McGinley on the birth of a baby girl recently.

WRONG SHOW

Who was missing with Rory's video tapes recently replacing the "Day of the Jackal" with "Tom and Jerry",

LORD MAYOR

We have still no news about the "Lord Mayor" elections. We note, however that Eunan Moore has definitely scratched from the list of candidates. Maybe Robbie would run.

FOET DISCOVERED

In an area where people seem to be able to rhyme you a verse at the drop of a hat it would seem that there would be no great news in discovering another poet. However Sergeant Frank O'Donnell hit the headlines recently when he qualified for the regional finals of the Garda Competition in Sligo. In this issue we feature one of Frank's poems - "Death in the Snow". We hope to print some more of Frank's work in future issues.

BEREAVEMENT

Sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Mary Ann Doherty of Straleel who died recently. Ar dheis De go raibh si.

BABY BOY

Congratulations to Sean and Patricia Mc Gill of London on the birth of a baby boy recently.

WINTER HOLIDAY

Back from a skiing holiday recently was Annette Cunningham of Upper Carrick. You couldn't catch up with these young nurses nowadays.

STUDENTS HOME

Many of our students from Third level college are home at the moment. We must particularly welcome the N.I.H.E. Limerick hard-working folk whom we don't see very often. They always seem to be doing examinations. Incidentally, congratulations to Seamus Cunningham of Carrick on the excellent results in his recent examinations.

## EDITORIAL

We're still in business, despite the slight delay - due once again, of course, to circumstances beyond our Control.

Elsewhere in this issue we have noted that the term of office of the present Carrick Development Committee has come to an end. Some members of the committee were unhappy at the lack of interest shown in the work, evidenced by the poor attendance at many of the Committee's meetings. There also seems to be a clash of interest concerning the proposed new Community Centre at the Line Road, Carrick.

We say that it is time that everyone joined forces on this issue and geared themselves to providing an amenity which is so necessary in our locality. Such an all-purpose building could become a focal point for community activity. It would be a centre of social activity and indeed the social life in the area at the moment leaves a lot to be desired.

Such a centre would also provide some facilities for the young people and would give no excuse for the present situation where some of them can be found idling away their time in lounge bars. I think most of us will agree that lounge bars are not suitable areas of recreation for young people under 18 years of age.

Finally, a word about the recent issues of AN LIAG. We have heard complaints from some folk that there is an imbalance in our coverage of the news in various areas. This is due, really, to the difficulty of obtaining news from different places. If people would help out the editor by sending in news and information, perhaps with Vocational School students then the newsletter would cover every viewpoint and area.

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SLIABH LIAG SLAN, ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

The local environmental group, Sliabh Liag Slan, are holding a Sale of Work on the 1st May next. The proceeds will go towards an environmental weekend being held later in the month. The weekend will include Field Trips, Childrens' Art Competitions, talks on local fauna and wild life and a general clean-up. Donations of gifts for the sale would be greatly appreciated. Contact Jacinta Campbell, Line Rd., Kilcar, Kilcar 14.

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CHARITY WALK

Last week people from all over the country took part in the Milk Run to raise money for the disabled. Local young people were not found wanting and 20 youths left Carrick on a run to Kilcar. First to reach Kilcar was 10 year old AIDAN BURKE of Upper Carrick. We hear that some of the runners tried a short cut across the fields but got lost! Altogether £50 was gathered and we extend congratulations to the generous young people.

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THE SPACEMEN COMET

Or indeed we could say the Spacemen Comet because that's what Jimmy Enright reckons what it was all about - the comet we mean, you know the one that flashed across the sky last week and that visits us every thirty years or so. Well Jimmy reckons that what it is all about is a visit by some wee green spacemen who are here to case the joint or as they say look around. Maybe they'll look in the new bay window and drop in for a pint.

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TEACH A' DHITH ... DO MHI' IUNASA

I DTEILLEANN

GACH BOLAS LE FÁIL ON EAGARTHOIR

# KILCAR 1730

The following extracts are from a report that a gentleman called Thomas Addi made in 1730. Addi was from Donaghadee in Co. Down and travelled down this way on behalf of the then landlord, Alexander Murray. Basically Addi was down to make sure proper rents were collected and to value the properties.

ON THE WAY IN ...

LARGY MORE is a large farm of about two thousand acres and about 160 acres of it is arable and meadow. The rest is mountainy pasture, and good grazing ground. It is three miles from Killybegs and is situated between Largy Sollagh and Muckcross.

MUCKCROSS. This is likewise a large farm containing eight Ballyboes. Most of it good course grazing ground and but a small quantity for ploughing, except the point next the sea, on which the house is that Robert Murray lives in. The office houses are almost all down. It is five miles from Killybegs and is situated between Largy More and Tawney.

CROA AND TAWNEY. This is a good grazing farm and some good arable ground and a neat little dwelling house now in possession of Roger Ellis, its under lease, during the life of Mr. John Nesbitt of Tyrone, who is now near 70 years of age, and I think they will be worth £546 per annum at the expiration of the lease. They pay now but £13 per annum. It joins Muckcross on the northwest and the river of Tawney on the south-east.

# CUMANN CULTÚRTHA CHILL CHARTHA

Déanann an Cumann comhghairdeachas le Coiste Shóisialta na Monarchan i gCill Chartha as ucht an chéad áit in Éirinn a bhaint sa chomortas Cultúrtha agus Teanga idir Comhlachtaí a reachtaíl Údarás na Gaeltachta le déanaí. Múir siad corn álainn agus lena chois duaiseanna sa bhreis, £500 agus £1500.

Is iad baill an Choiste:

Muiris Ó hEigeartaigh (Cathaoirleach)  
Gearóid Mac Giolla Easpuig (Cisteoir)  
Máire Nic Giolla Cearra (Runaí)  
Aodh Ó Raifeartaigh,  
D. Ní Dhúbhgáin  
B. Mac Seáin.

Seo cuid de na himeachtaí a ghlac siad páirt iontu i rith na bliana Deireadh Fómhair '79 - Meán Fómhair 1980.

- Oícheanta Gaelacha
- Comortaisí Ardain (Gaoth Bobhair)
- Siamsa Nollag
- Reanganna Gaeilge (Oíche sa tSeachtain)
- Ranganna Rince
- Ranganna Ceol do pháistí
- Duais Gaeltacht Beo (Do comhoibriú idir paróistí).
- Campa Deireadh Seachtaine (Cosaint Sibhialta),

comh maith le neart imeachtaí eile nach bhfuil spás againn anseo len iad uile a lú. Tá buíochas faoi leith tuilte ag Máire Nic Giolla Cearra as ucht an obair iontach atá a dhéanamh aici mar rúnaí.

-Comhghairdeachas.

## SPONSORED STUDENTS FAST

A 24 hour fast organised by the 4th years of Vocational school Carrick, took place on 12th/13th of March in aid of third world. They all got their sponsors and the brave 26 with Una O Byrne, Patricia Murrin and Brian McAuley started their fast after having a sumptuous meal prepared by Miss Quinn and the girls. There were a few temptations when Macra members came along munching apples etc. The time was whiled away by listening to music, throwing darts, and playing games (types not being specified) Everyone eventually got bedded down - females in the kitchen - males in the Science Room. The basketball court got some early players next morning after breakfasting on a glass of lucozade, all got back to class. There were a few more temptations at break time and everyone eagerly awaited their lunch of - glass of lucozade. A sum of around £800 was collected. Well done students.



## ENGAGEMENT

Hearty congratulations to our good friend Pat Doherty (Straleel) who recently became engaged to Marion Dalton of Dublin. You just can't keep these Doherty's out of the news this weather. Marion is a former employee of 'Core Fashions' which is why Jimmy Deegan is claiming a large part of the credit...!! As our darts skipper Martin Carr added with a touch of the beck-lane wit-'Pat finally steadied up,- aimed for tops-and succeeded.

Death

Sympathies are extended to the relatives of Annie McHugh Bavin Kilcar who died recently. Ar dheis De' go rabh a H-anam.

# Death in the Snow

Spring is here according to the Calendar and  
Man's Reckoning,  
Hardy mountain folks braving it all on the way  
to Mass,  
A jack-knifed truck with big bales has keeled over  
Sunday April One here on Glengesh Mountain Pass

Lying land-locked and such an ungraceful Monster,  
Sprawling there in the infernal Ice Grip,  
Invoiced from the other end of the World,  
Forty Tons of New Zealand 'First Clip'.

Mother Nature has flashed on her Stop Lights of  
Warning,  
And taken control of this whole Mountain Range,  
Stop the rushing, the speeding, the Rat-Race,  
and come listen to Her for a Change.

Staggering about and your little body shivering,  
Ears drooping and your knees going Askew,  
The life-line of birth, still clinging to your  
Girth,  
Tongue protruding and your nose turning Blue.

First glance tells me that your one of the soft Ones,  
That men decided would improve the native Breed,  
Right now there's some doubts about that Wisdom,  
Céad Mile Fáilte and God's Will for New Seed.

It was well intended that your fleece would make  
lovely Carpets,  
And cosy garments that flash out on T.V.,  
Irish Lamb high up on the Menu of Exotic Houses,  
To delight the Gourmet of Roma and Gay Paree.

But men have reckoned without Mother Nature,  
Right now she appears to be off the Rails,  
Casting a mantle of snow, with frost four Below,  
Not to mention piercing winds and High Gales.

The symbol of innocence and peace in the Manger,  
Being cast helpless and without any Bliss,  
Into such arctic conditions fraught with Danger,  
You might have decreed otherwise on a morning  
such as This.

The old grey puss still weak from her Ordeal,  
Showing a Mother's Care as she whirls around in  
Snow and Ice,  
Casting a glance at the mountain ridge for a  
ray of hope or Sunshine,  
That might avert this impending Sacrifice.

You have picked the location better than any  
Film Director,  
You're assured of the Award of the Year,  
The joke is on Us, no sense in a Fuss,  
The Message is received Loud and Clear.

We don't full understand all your Meaning,  
As the lesson seems full of Contrast,  
Cruel and kind characters all chosen in the  
Screening,  
With the Devil himself the Leading Man in  
the Cast.

With Mother Nature taken the role of the Jester,  
And poking fun with scant regard for the Rules,  
The memory of that Hill, will stay with me Until...  
Yes, Everyday is a Day of All Fools?

-FRANK O'DONNELL

# PROFILE

JOHN JAMES McLAUGHELIN (NACMH COLUMBA)

HEIGHT: 5 feet 6 ins. - 6 feet on a football field.

WEIGHT: 10½ stone.

OCCUPATION: Clerical Officer - C. I. E.

CAR: Escort - my previous car Jaguar XJ12 was not suitable to the terrible roads.

HONOURS SO FAR: U-14 Championship - 1967.

Junior Championship 1974.

Junior League 1978.

Senior League 1976.

All-Ireland Gaeltacht 1978.

Senior League 1978.

Senior Championship 1978.

Senior League 1980.

FAVOURITE POSITION: Right half back or Corner back.

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: The All Ireland Gaeltacht final v Clontar '78.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing 1972 & '73 Junior Championship finals.

FAVOURITE PLAYER: Danny Murray (Roscommon) We have a lot in common !!

FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Kilcar - - - !!!

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Eada McMenamin - McCumballs.

FAVOURITE FITCH: McCumhall Park (Ballybofey)

HOBBIES: Birdwatching - "All" species, keeping fit, Stamp Collecting.

FAVOURITE FOOD: Boiled Eggs, all vegetables, early spuds - - - (Vegetarian)

VARIOUS LIKES/DISLIKES: Nice interesting girls who don't try to over impress me with their looks - but rather with their personality. - well said John.: - (Ed.) Chewing gum and foul mouthed people.

FAVOURITE T.V. PROGRAMME: Dallas, University Challenge.

FAVOURITE ACTOR: Paddy Beag.

FAVOURITE ACTRESS: Joan Collins.

PERSON YOU MOST ADMIRE: Pope.

BEST COUNTRY VISITED: El Salvador!

YOUR VIEWS ON WOMAN'S LIB: Negative.

PERSONAL AMBITION: To keep enjoying my work and to remain healthy.

SPORTING AMBITION: To be playing Gaelic Football until 1990,

and a repeat performance of the 1978 season.



Cómhghairdeachas le aisteoirí Gleann Cholm Cille as ucht an  
an greadam a bronnadh orthu ag Feile Dramafóichis Gaith  
Dobhair coicis o' shoin.  
Cleamhnas an léidir a bhí ar an drama aqua b'iad seo na  
h-aisteoirí a ghlac páirt  
Gearóid Mac Giolla Easpuig  
Máire Nic Gadhra  
Eibhlín Nic Fhionnlaic  
Seosamh O Beirne  
Sean O' h-Einne  
Sean Pól O' Currain

Tugadh san mhóladh do Máire Nic Gadhra. Cómhghairdeachas.

# FARM ADVISORY SERVICE

## FARMER CONFIDENCE IN WEST DONEGAL

At present there is a recession in farming, not just in this area but throughout the country. However the West is especially hard hit in these bad times. The main system of farming here is drystock, and even in good times drystock farming shows the lowest income return.

The country experienced a similar recession in 1974, when cattle prices fell very low. Experience from these two recessions has taught us that the main factors which influence farmers and the confidence they have in farming are:

- (1) The cost of feed and fertilisers
- (2) Cattle prices.

In recent years, costs (inputs) have increased, while prices for produce have remained static or have fallen. This has had a dampening effect on farmer confidence towards further development, and it is expressed in the following ways:

### EXAMPLES:

A. Farmers tend to cut back in the use of fertiliser, especially phosphate and potash.

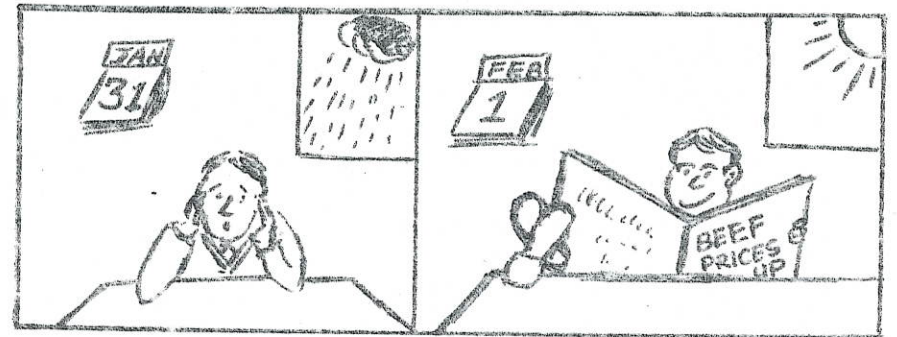
B. They tend to destock their farms.

However, when farmer confidence is high, farming may be unplanned. This happens when prices rise rapidly (e.g. cattle prices).

Examples of this would be:

- A. The high price paid for agricultural land - this indicates an exaggerated confidence in farming.
- B. More locally, the offer of a £7 bounty on ewes tempted many farmers to buy in extra old ewes, at high prices, for the subsidy.

Therefore we can conclude that farmer confidence and attitudes are very changeable, (as our illustration shows), and are too dependent on the income situation at the time.



In times of economic difficulty, a planned system, giving stability of returns is very desirable. The role of the agricultural advisor as a stabilising agent, to help plan through difficult times is a crucial one.

The Department of Agriculture has attempted to plan agricultural production in their many schemes. These were:

- A: The Glencolmcille Hill Farming Experiment
- B: The Small Farm Scheme
- C: The Farm Modernisation Scheme.

Next month I will write about these and discuss the impact they have had on the area.

-ART MC GRATH

## FARM MANAGEMENT NOTES.

1. During the lambing season, some form of a shelter for the ewes would be of great benefit in reducing lamb mortality. It could take the form of an old homestead fixed up on the hill to house sick or weak ewes, or something more elaborate near the house to put in each ewe the night before she lambs, and letting her out when the lambs are suckling and well on their feet.
2. Cow colostrum (beestings) can be stored in a fridge and fed to orphan or weak lambs.
3. Anybody hand feeding sheep before lambing should continue to do so for a period after lambing, until the grass begins to grow. Reduce feed gradually before returning to hill. This is much better than cutting off hand feedings abruptly.
4. Now is the time to plan for silage making. Remember all first time silage makers will get a grant this year. If farmers gave a good dressing of farmyard manure to their meadows, then the cheapest form of Nitrogen to apply is urea.  
Urea contains 46% N - £140 per tonne  
Each unit of N costs 15 pence.  
Ordinary Nitrogen (26%) - £105 per tonne  
Each unit costs 20 pence.  
18 . 6 . 12 is a good fertiliser for silage. Apply three bags per acre in April. Cut silage in June.
5. Next month I will be writing on some of the techniques of hill land improvement. Hopefully then the new 70% grant for hill fencing will be introduced, and there will

be a renewed interest in improving hill land.

- ART MC GRATH



Home on Holiday:-

We extend a warm welcome to Mr & Mrs Stokes, from London who are spending a few days visiting. All their friends and relations in Kilcar.

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We wish Paddy 'Golly' from Teelin a speedy recovery (at the time of press hospitalised in Dublin).

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We sympathize with John O'Donnell and family on the recent death of John's sister Evelyn Carmody in Dublin  
An dheis De' go rabh a H-anam.

Lost and Found:-

A considerable sum of money was found on Carrick, Main St, just before Christmas. The find was promptly reported at the Barracks, where a notice of the find was duly displayed. To date no one has claimed the money. So would the person praying to St. Anthony since Christmas claim his or her money from Francie Maloney, Aughera or ring Carrick 45.

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Get well soon wishes are also extended to Mrs Margaret McGinley Meenacharvey who is at the moment convalescing in Letterkenny Hospital.

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Congratulations to Mrs Brid McGinley Meenaneary on the birth of a baby girl - last Monday.



# Paddy Frank

In onoir Padraig O Beirn, (Paddy Frank) go deireannach as an Chillbeag, Cill Chartha, a fuair bas tobann i Mi Eanáir 1981, go ndeana Dia trocaire ar a anam.

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O a Phaddy, A Phaddy, ta na laetha ag gabhail thart,  
Ach silim gur choir dom, tu a fheiceail ag teacht,  
Coisceim, ar choisceim ar nos cuma liom Anios an bealach mor le do cheann crom'.  
Nach iomai sceal saothmhar a d'inis tu Fan am nuair a bhi muid og.  
Ach drochfhocal nior chualas ariamh as do bheal.  
Ni raibh aird agat ar a leitheid de short.

Nuair a smaointim ar chomh minic is duirt tu Gur meantar leat a bheith ar an tsuirimneas,  
Agus gan aon duine 'scoilstan i ndeireadh do shcol,  
Go nathrodh an saol a chaith tu.  
Nach beag a shiol me, la de mo laetha Gur mar seo a gheobhfa bas,  
Nach mbeadh am againn labhairt ar caoi lena cheile,  
Nach bhfaigheadh sinn an oiread sin spas.

O, nach maírg, is nach maírg ins na bonniti deireannacha,  
Nach raibh me ansi le labhairt leat,  
Thogadh se buaireadh mor de mo chroi,  
Ach Cad e an gar anois bheith ag tracht air 'Phad is a bheas mise fagtha ar an domhain seo  
Dearmad cha ndeanim go brach,  
Ach toil De go raibh doanta.  
Nach aige is fearr ata a fhios.

Níl dada níos mó a thig liom a rá,  
Ach guí ar neamh oíche is lá,  
Go raibh an Mhaighdean Mhuire comgarach duit uair do bhás,  
Agus gur chuir sí an coineall beannaithe in do láimh.  
Duine ar bith ar raibh aithne aige ort,  
Óg agus sean, fear agus bean  
Achaine amháin a iarraim  
Paidir a chur le d'anam.

I gcoíche, i gcuimhne a dheirfiúr Annie.

- Áine Bean Mhic Niallais, Cill Beag.



Congratulations to Micheal and Cait McGinley, who recently moved into their new home at the Back Lane, Carrick.



## A JOB WELL DONE:

Joe McEneaney, Contractor from Ballybofey has recently wound up operations in Kilcar. In the seven years Joe has been in the Area he has completed 5 factories. We congratulate Joe and Co. on the quality of their workmanship and hope that its not too long until he is called upon again.



# Bits and Pieces

Not an awful lot on the gossip scene - due to Lent of course!!! now what kind of a lame excuse is that!!! Paddy Boyle (killanad) resigns as Glen G.A.A. Assistant Sec. due to pressures of work Big anxiety in Glen last Sunday, a new sample rig (jersey, togs socks plus three footballs) mysteriously disappeared from the boot of the Chairman's car, - followed by a frantic search, suspicious were cast in all directions, - the special branch were on the verge of being called in. The day was saved, however, when after a frantic search the loot was found intact. Investigations are still going on however, and my security correspondent informs me that the net is closing in on the culprit who is believed to be from the Carrick area perhaps the Main St. I wonder who could that be? Paul Boyle breezed in for Paddy & Mary B's wedding and promptly jetted out to Brussels again for the Ireland v Belgium match. Eoda tells me that Paul has lodged an official objection to F.I.F.A. regarding the disallowed goal. Brian McAuley has been offered sponsorship for the Basketball season by the famous O'Neill's Sportwear Firm Cork. After his rip roaring escapades of the last two weeks he'll need it. John Mc Laughlin (Aughera) does it again - first lamb born in the area for the 2nd successive year, and who said there were no progressive farmers left in the area!! Starsky and Hutch are keeping a low profile - it must be all the knitting. Dave Enright had a 'gas' experience last week, it didn't affect his darts though, he fairly 'slipped' his opponent that night. Michael Oliver tips 'Sheeba' to win the Eurovision. Congrats to Jim (Post Office) on his new Kadett 'Cead' - very few of them around I hear! Noel Carr burned the steak last night again - third night in a row. Big surprise guest for next month's profile. Very good Comhaltas session in Nora McGinley's last Thursday night - Bernard Boyle sang some beautiful old songs. Joseph Haughey looks none the worse for wear after his holiday in London - then again why should he. Jimmy Haughey (Teelin) I hear is available every Tuesday and Thursday nights for babysitting - so Paddy Ban says!!

# Laugh Line

UNA MC DEVITT



Garda: "Come out of that river, there's no bathing allowed in there"

Dublin Man: The laugh's on you I'm not bathing I'm drowning

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A kerryman emigrated to America and one of the first sights he saw was a dead millionaire being buried. The Millionaire was dressed in a mohair suit and was encased in a golden coffin shodded with diamonds. 'Now that', said the kerryman is what I call really living!!!

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'How come', said a sergeant to his men that you allowed the wanted man in the country to escape from the building? told you to surround the building and watch all exits. 'We did but he must have escaped by one of the entrances.'

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Have you heard about the farmer who did a hundred yards in three seconds wearing his wellingtons?  
He fell over a cliff.

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A Donegal man opened an antique shop and one day an American tourist came in and offered him £10 for an antique vase. Take it, though it cost me £20 to buy, "But how on earth do you manage to stay in business at that r te? asked the astonished American. "Sssh" said the Donegal man "I just make a wrong entry in the ledger".