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## GENOCIDE CAMPAIGN BY PROVISIONAL IRA

The Provisional IRA is engaged in a war of genocide against the Protestant population of Northern Ireland. That fact has been apparent for years, but it took the murder of County Armagh Grand Treasurer, Bro. Robert Orr to awaken many people to the fact.

Down the years the Provisional IRA has tried to cover some of its most dastardly and bloody deeds by using the excuse that victims of its atrocities were members of the security forces, or were employed by firms doing work for the security forces.

That excuse cannot be used to justify the murder of Robert Orr, and to try and pretend that he was killed because he was connected in some way to the UDR, or had been a part-time member of the RUC 15 years ago is pathetic.

Genocide does not just con-

sist of murdering opponents of a particular regime. It means the destruction of a race, a group, a nation, or people by whatever means, and the IRA is promoting its evil campaign on a number of fronts.

It kills when it gets the opportunity, especially in regard to "soft targets" like unarmed, defenceless, law-abiding and God-fearing people like Robert Orr.

But it also promotes genocide by exterminating by whatever means, those who stand in its way, and if the

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## TRIBUTES

Orangemen in Co. Armagh have paid tribute to Bro. Robert Orr, who was murdered by the IRA recently.

The public service of Bro. Orr, the Order's District Master in Armagh city and treasurer of Co. Armagh Grand Orange Lodge, was praised by leaders of the 11 districts in the county at a meeting in Killylea.

Condemnation of the killing was expressed and the need for the security forces to get on top of the situation in the Province.

A memorial service is to be held for Bro. Orr in Armagh.



Sovereign Grand Master, Sir Knt. James Molyneux, MP, presents Sir Knt. Sam Ruddell, of Kilmoriarty RBP 267, Portadown, with a presentation gift to mark 50 years as a lecturer in the Royal Black Institution.

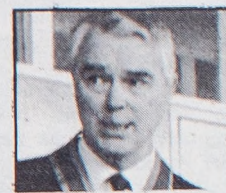
## Ulster needs a spiritual revival

A call for spiritual renewal was made at the re-opening of Burnside Orange Hall in Sixmilewater District of Co. Antrim by the Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth, MP, on Monday, May 6.

"This area of County Antrim saw through the centuries, gracious movements of God's Holy Spirit - the Sixmilewater Revival, Oldstone, and 1859 spring to mind.

"While thoughts of political developments naturally occupy our minds, this Hall should remind us of the need for spiritual renewal. Second-hand religion which conforms with worldly standards is an ever present danger in the church. Our age with its confusion and ecumenical drifts is typical.

"The Orange family, based on Biblical Christianity calls its members back to a steadfast practice of the faith. We must never settle for a glib pro-



Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth.

fession thereof. The faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, rediscovered at the Reformation and practised by William of Orange is needed today," said Bro. Smyth.

"Such a faith will have an impact in our everyday life and our own community. It is in this context our prayers and support will be with our political leaders as they seek accountable democratic government for Northern Ireland. The bulk of the population demand that be in the undiluted context of the United Kingdom. Romantic nationalism or virulent republicanism cannot thwart that demand," he added.

## Lurgan District supports local Hospice

Following the sudden death of their long-serving District Treasurer, the late W. Bro. Fred Rusk, J.P., in June 1981, Lurgan District decided that his memory should be perpetuated.

A year later, in June 1982, the District inaugurated a benevolent fund called the F.G. Rusk Memorial Fund.

The fund has proved to be very successful, and as a result over the years the District Lodge has been able to support various Protestant causes, both inside and outside the Insti-

tution, and other needy charities.

Recently they not only made a donation of £1000 to the Lord Enniskillen Memorial Orange Orphan Society, but also presented a cheque for £1000 to the local Craigavon Hospice, run by the McMillan Nursing Organisation, which serves the entire community by assisting in the home with the care of the terminally ill.

The Hospice deserves support, especially in its first two years when it has to be self-financing until it is funded by the Southern Health and Social Services Board.

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## Firm backing

Co. Tyrone Grand Orange Lodge has urged the Unionist leaders to stand firm in their dealings with the Secretary of State and the other political parties at "this critical time, particularly on the position of our beloved Province within the United Kingdom." The Lodge assures them of wholehearted support.



W. Bro. Samuel Gardiner, J.P., W.D.M. of Lurgan, and his fellow District officers, presenting a cheque to Mr. Harry Averley, Craigavon Hospice.

## Murder of another Orangeman

County Fermanagh RUC reservist Douglas Carrothers, murdered by the IRA on May 17, was a member of Cornafanog LOL No. 1333 in Lisbellaw district.

Bro. Carrothers died when a booby-trap bomb exploded

underneath his car at Lisbellaw.

County Fermanagh Grand Orange Lodge in a statement, expressed sincere sympathy with Mrs. Phillis Carrothers on the untimely death of her husband and with her three

children, Andrew, Derek and Angela, on the death of their father.

The members joined together in prayer asking that Mrs. Carrothers, her children and the whole family circle be given strength to meet the difficult days ahead.

A statement added: "The County Grand Orange Lodge, as a body dedicated to Christian principles and the preservation of civil and religious liberty for all, expressed horror that, earlier in the day, yet another hideous crime had been committed in our country. This was a crime aimed at the destruction of all that Orangemen hold dear and it was felt that, with the present inadequate level of security, it would probably go unpunished as so many other murders had in the past.

"Bro. Douglas Carrothers was a decent hard-working man who lived for his family, gave offence to none, was helpful and friendly to all and made a worthwhile contribution to the community. He

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## An evil act

The County Grand Lodge of Armagh condemned in the strongest possible terms the cowardly and dastardly murder of Wor. Bro. Robert Orr in Armagh.

"To his widow, daughters, mother, sisters, sons-in-law, and the family circle, deepest sympathy is expressed. Robert was a true gentleman and Orangeman of the highest integrity.

"As County Grand Treasurer and District Master of Armagh, he was held also in the highest esteem and his service to his church (Third Armagh Presbyterian on the Mall) in particular, and the community generally, was typical of his Christian commitment.

"To the perpetrators of his murder the County Grand Lodge can only convey disgust and the rejection of their evil excuse for his untimely death. No cause can justify their dreadful deed, and it is again to the Government that the plea and demand are made, that positive steps must be taken to deal with terrorism in Northern Ireland, once and for all," said the County Armagh Grand Lodge statement.



The Grand Master of Ireland, Most Wor. Bro. the Rev. Martin Smyth, MP, and County Grand Master of Armagh, Bro. Norman Hood, lead the parade of hundreds of Orangemen and members of the Women's Orange Order at the opening of the recently renovated Loughgall Orange Hall. (Photo: Portadown Times).

The Grand Master of Ireland, Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth, has said it should be underlined that the Anglo-Eire Agreement has been suspended.

Speaking at the re-opening of Loughgall Orange Hall on Saturday, May 4, Bro. Smyth said Ulster people tend to talk in stark black and white terms—“some would even say Orange and Green.”

“Thus, it is suggested that the earlier claims not to negotiate within the Anglo-Eire Agreement has been set aside. That is not so. Realistic people know the only way

governments put aside agreements is by replacing them.

“Our good wishes are with Ulster people as they seek to put forward proposals which are acceptable above all to the people of Northern Ireland.

“In this context a respected silence from the fourth estate would be welcome. If they know of a better way they could stand for election and put their views to the people who have their own way of discipline. Many who claimed to speak for them have been rejected by the electorate,” said Bro. Smyth.

The £30,000 renovation of Loughgall Orange Hall was a

memorable occasion encapsulating the historic ties of Orangeism with its hope for the future, said Bro. Smyth.

“Springing up in this area the modern Orange tree has spread to form continents, embracing loyalist and republican countries, within and without the Commonwealth.

“It has many detractors and fierce critics. Dedicated opponents have by every conceivable effort—even murder and bombing—tried to destroy it. The Orange tree still blooms and bears fruit. It is therefore right that this ceremony should take place just

## Loughgall Orange Hall re-opened

prior to the May apple blossom in Armagh,” said Bro. Smyth.

The 22 lodges of Loughgall District LOL No. 3 were joined at the ceremony by brethren from the neighbouring districts of Portadown, Richhill, Lurgan, Armagh, Killylea, and Tandragee.

Work is to start shortly on an interpretive centre at Dan Winter's Cottage in Loughgall, where the Orange Order was founded in 1795. The cottage will become a centre for Orange folklore and is being aided by a £75,000 government grant.



Four of the Junior Orangemen who attended the opening of Loughgall Orange Hall, pictured with the Grand Master, Rev. Martin Smyth, MP. (Photo: Portadown Times).

## Patten's foreign alignment

Chris Patten, the Roman Catholic chairman of the Conservative Party, is the man credited with attempting to align the 32 Tory Euro MPs with the confessionalist 'Christian Democratic Party in Europe.

Patten, no friend of Northern Ireland during his stint as a Government minister here, believes a Tory link-up with the Roman Catholics in the Christian Democrat movement will bring the Conservatives back into the mainstream of European politics.

But beneath his Jesuitical intrigue is there not a desire by Patten to tie Britain hand-in-foot to Rome-inspired policies that are anathema to the overwhelming majority of people in the United Kingdom?

Patten is descended from Irish Roman Catholic forebearers who settled in Britain after the famine of the mid-1800s.

## HELD OVER

Because of undue pressure on space this month a number of reports and pictures have had to be held over.

## Honour for Donegal lodge

It's not every lodge that can boast a special ending to a Tercentenary year with an honour, but LOL 1301 Loyal Sons of Co. Donegal in Sandy Row District has something to boast about.

One of the lodge's founder members, Bro. R. Lowery (P.M.) has been made Honorary Donegal County Grand Master to serve with the Donegal brethren.

This honour was conferred to Bro. Lowery on November 5 last. Bro. Lowery was first W.M. of the lodge in 1950 and again in the Tercentenary year of 1990 (a gap of 40 years). This brought pride to the officers and members of the lodge, on the night of the installation for 1991.

Bro. Lowery was assisted by the District Master of Sandy Row District No. 5, Wor. Bro.



Members of Loyal Sons of Donegal LOL No. 1301 at a meeting in Sandy Row Orange Hall.

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George Watson, in installing the officers. On the same night 10 brethren were presented with their 50-year medals, 500 years of Orangeism in all (longer than the 1690 Tercentenary!).

In September, the lodge welcomed home from Canada for the Tercentenary parade, Bro. Marshal Rogers (P.M.), a Past District Master and at present the secretary of the Toronto District. His home lodge, Belfast Purple Star LOL 875 Toronto, presented LOL 1301 with ribbons to mark the 1990 event.

With a well attended lodge, LOL 1301 look forward to a more peaceful 1990s, and with God's help still remain the pride of Sandy Row District No. 5.

## Pedigree of a P.M.'s secretary

Prime Minister John Major's press secretary is a Roman Catholic, the 'Mail on Sunday' has revealed.

In a profile on Augustine Thomas O'Donnell, in the issue of April 28, the papers says the new press secretary is the fifth child of a staunch working class Roman Catholic family.

His early education was at Holy Ghost Primary School, Bailham, South London, and he continued this at Salesian College, Battersea, a "highly disciplined school run by an austere religious Order."

The profile reveals that Mr. O'Donnell shares a passion for cricket and soccer with the Prime Minister.

He was a student of economics at Warwick University, and graduated in 1973 at Nuffield College, Oxford. After four years lecturing in economics, Mr. O'Donnell joined the Treasury in 1979.

He spent three years at the International Monetary Fund in Washington and returned to London in 1987 as a high powered analyst and forecaster.

The then Chancellor, Nigel Lawson appointed him to a senior post in the Treasury, but within a short time Mr. O'Donnell found himself a new boss in John Major.

"It was a meeting of minds," said the profile, and when John Major received the word that he was to be Prime Minister, he immediately turned to O'Donnell to tell him he would be head of his Press department.

The profile added that Augustine Thomas O'Donnell is "set to become the public face of John Major's open Government."

## Omagh brethren commemorate

### 1691 Aughrim battle

Omagh Orange District has made the one day trip to Aughrim—considered the greatest battle site of all in the Williamite Revolution.

This was the most definitive of battles. Two 20,000 man armies, both well positioned, on July 12, 1691, settled not only the future of two kings in the British Isles but carried a new balance of power in all Europe.

Because of the significance and the settlement of so many future destinies, not to mention parliamentary rule, constitutional monarchy, new banking systems etc., etc.—in fact everything that was to make the British Isles great—Omagh District has taken the unique and challenging task of commemoration. They visited the site of the battlefield that settled all battles for centuries to come—and indeed yet to come!

Every Ulster person was made truly aware that 1690 was the Tercentenary of the Boyne, but Omagh District No. 11 is determined to make sure that 1991, the greatest of the Tercentenary years, will enjoy a special effort of their own.

On Saturday, May 18, a luxury coach took 57 from Omagh on the historic journey. But the excursion had a

difference. It was a day of grand historic site viewing and grand picnic.

The journey to Aughrim took in a route covering battle sites associated with Williamite wars all along the route to Mullingar, Ballymore Athlone, Ballinasloe and Aughrim itself.

Mr. Martin Joyce who died recently, gave Omagh members Bro. Oliver Gibson the copy of what is considered a truly accurate map plan of Aughrim battle. Mr. Joyce made a life-long study of the battle site and was regarded the greatest authority on the piece of Irish military history.

The return journey took a different but equally interesting route. All along the route passengers were given opportunities to picnic at sites of great beauty, walk short distances and touch with their own hands, places of monumental historical importance.

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# Orange flag still flies in historic Parkmount

The Orange flag still flies proudly in the 'Walk' area of Portadown, despite intense republican pressure during the past two decades.

This famous district of the town, which has generations of Orange history, saw the unfurling of a new banner recently for King William's Defenders LOL No. 127, Parkmount.

The 'Walk' or Parkmount area of Portadown lies at the bottom of Garvaghy Road, scene of serious civil unrest since 1972, when the murder of a young Protestant and republican intimidation led to a mass exodus of hundreds of Protestant families from the Churchill Park estate which is situated in the upper end of Garvaghy Road, now almost 100 per cent nationalist.

It is the new estates of Churchill Park, Ballyoran Park, and Garvaghy Park in the upper part of Garvaghy which straddle Garvaghy Road, route of the Portadown Orangemen to their traditional church parade on the Sunday before July 12 to Drumcree Parish Church.

Over the past 10 years Sinn Fein and other republican organisations have staged protests, street and tea parties, to try and have the parade stopped, and there have been hostile demonstrations held on Garvaghy Road.

But the lower and historic part of Garvaghy Road - Parkmount, Victoria Terrace, King Street and Park Road is still predominately Protestant. Another post-war estate, Woodside, which is just north of Parkmount, still has a Protestant majority, but Housing Executive policies, strongly criticised by Unionist and Orange spokesmen in recent years, has resulted in an influx of Roman Catholic families which has reduced the loyalist majority.

However, the Orangemen and loyalists of the 'Walk' are determined to maintain a Protestant presence in this district, and the large turn-out for the unfurling and dedication of the new banner is an indication of that determination.

The new banner replaces a banner unfurled for the Parkmount lodge in July, 1955, at the same spot - the junction of Castle Avenue and Parkmount.

Portadown Ex-Servicemen's LOL No. 608 was given pride of place at the head of the

parade from Carleton Street Orange Hall to Parkmount, and provided the colour party for the parade.

Among the distinguished brethren heading the parade was the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth, MP, the County Grand Master of Armagh; Rt. Wor. Bro. Norman R. S. Hood; Upper Bann MP, Bro. David Trimble, MP; the Deputy County Grand Secretary, Bro. J. M. S. Hamilton, and Assistant Deputy County Grand Secretary, Bro. D. Watson.

Portadown district officers on parade were, Bros. Harold Gracey (WDM); R. McMahon (DM); George Robinson (lay chaplain); Jack Mathers (secretary); Stanley Thompson (treasurer), and Robert Guy (lecturer).

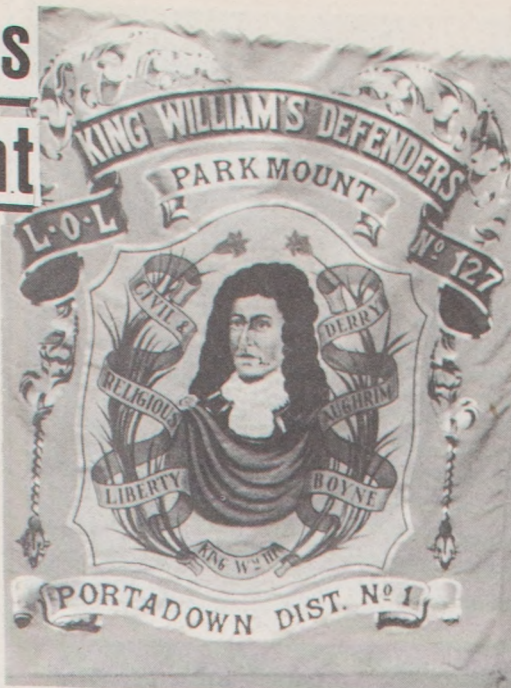
Other brethren included Bro. John Brownlee, county auditor; Bro. Samuel Gardiner, District Master, Lurgan, and Bro. Roger Gardiner, District Secretary, Markethill.

Members of the Junior Orange lodges in Portadown also took part in the parade, which was accompanied by two bands, Portadown Defenders Flute and Star of David Accordion.

On arrival at Parkmount, Mrs. Jennifer McCusker, wife of the late Bro. Harold McCusker, MP, joined the platform party.

## PROGRESS

The Grand Master, in his address, congratulated Parkmount Lodge on providing a



(Photo: Portadown Times).

of the progress being made in the Institution throughout Ireland.

Bro. M. D. Johnston, W.M. of Parkmount Junior LOL No. 150, presented Mrs. McCusker with scissors to cut the tape and unfurl the new banner, which was dedicated by Bro. the Rev. Tom Taylor, M.A., Deputy Grand Chaplain.

A vote of thanks was passed on the proposal of Bro. E. Lappin, W.M. LOL No. 127, seconded by Bro. A. Black, D.M. of LOL No. 127.

The new banner was then proudly carried at the head of the impressive procession back through the district, watched by large crowds in Parkmount and Park Road, through the town centre to Carleton Street Orange Hall, the banner carriers being Bros. A. Taylor and K. Bell.

In the Orange Hall a sumptuous supper was provided by the ladies committee of LOL No. 127.

## Common approach

Agreement has been reached among the four main Churches in Northern Ireland, including the Roman Catholic Church on a common approach to religious education in schools.

A church working party, which set about establishing common ground some six months ago, is about to publish its draft report. It will then be open to consultation, with anyone who wishes, able to make representations to the group.

The working party was set up following what the churches feared was a downgrading of religious education in the common curriculum.

Under the Education

Reform Order, there is no need for schools to test pupils in RE, though the subject is compulsory. A survey of secondary schools has also shown wide variations in the amount of time devoted to religious education.

The Rev. Derek Poots, secretary of the Presbyterian Church's Education Board, said it was hoped the report, after careful consideration of any comments made, would form the core syllabus in grant-aided schools. He said a resolution would be put before this month's Presbyterian General Assembly urging clergy to study the document carefully and encouraging them to comment on its contents during the consul-



Bro. the Rev. Tom Taylor, Deputy Grand Chaplain of Ireland dedicating the new banner for King William's Defenders LOL No. 127, at Parkmount, Portadown.



Mrs. Jennifer McCusker, wife of the late Bro. Harold McCusker, MP, unfurling the new banner for King William's Defenders LOL No. 127, at Parkmount, in the heart of the famous 'Walk' area of

tation period, which would run until October.

Mr. Poots said while the paper - which is heavily Biblical-based - set down the basics, it left individual teachers a certain amount of leeway.

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## Orange Ball at Ballymageough

Members of Derryogue Defenders L.O.L. 424 held an Orange Ball in Ballymageough Orange Hall, Killeel recently. Pictured are those who took part in the opening ceremony, with (front row): Bros. Rodney Aiken (W.M.), Harold Marshall, Alex McShane (County Grand Master), and William Charles Teggarty (D.M.). (Pictures: Rathfriland Outlook).



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# Supper night in Kilmoriarty

Sir Knt. James Molyneux, Sovereign Grand Master of the Royal Black Institution, was a special guest at a supper night organised by Kilmoriarty RBP No. 267, Portadown. Also present was Sir Knt. Allan Rainey, Assistant Sovereign Grand Master and they were welcomed by the preceptory W.M., Sir Knt. H. E. Browne.

Sir Knt. Sam Ruddell cuts the anniversary cake, held by Mrs. Audrey Branan.



## Death of esteemed Mourne chaplain

The Rev. James Adair, a leading Orange Order chaplain for many years in Co. Down died suddenly in hospital on Monday, May 6. He was in his eighties.

Bro. Adair, a Belfast man, was minister of Annalong Presbyterian Church for 36 years and was District chaplain of Mourne District LOL No. 6. He belonged to Ballyvea LOL No. 343A and was a frequent speaker on Orange platforms, both at services and at Twelfth demonstrations.

He was a firm upholder of the Protestant Reformed

principles and was devoted to his ministerial charge in Annalong in a career that spanned five decades.

Bro. Adair, who resided at 'Hillhead,' Ballyeasborough Road, Portavogie, was ordained in Annalong on September 6, 1945, in succession to the Rev. Edwin Pyper, and retired on October 31, 1981.

During his 36 years' ministry, Bro. Adair was the instigator of many new organisations, within the congregation, including the Christian Endeavour, the Boys' and Girls' Brigades, the Bowling Club and Youth Club, and the

League of Church Loyalty. A notable achievement in the early years of his ministry was the erection of a new hall in Ballyvea, which he described as "this most active and loyal outpost of the congregation."

He was also a Past Master of Mourne Masonic Lodge No. 696, Annalong.

In addition to the pastoral care of his congregation, Bro. Adair was the Temperance Convener to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church for a number of years, and his ability was further recognised by the Newry Presbytery when he was appointed



Bro. Rev. James Adair.

its Clerk in 1968.

The funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 8, in Glastry Presbyterian Church, and interment took place in the adjoining churchyard.

## RUC men remembered

Three of the Loyal Orders came together recently in Markethill Orange Hall to unveil and dedicate a memorial plaque to three RUC members. All had been members of organisations that meet in the Hall and had been murdered by the IRA.

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Latterly LOL No. 222, Grip Fast the Light RBP No. 54, and the Markethill Club of the Apprentice Boys of Derry honoured the men's memory with an appropriate plaque.

Presiding over the service was Sir Knight and Bro. Jim Spence, WM of RBP No. 54, and the service was conducted by Sir Knt. and Bro. William Bingham, district chaplain.



Pictured at the unveiling and dedication of a memorial plaque in Markethill Orange Hall to three members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary who belonged to the Loyal Orders. From left, Bro. David McCullough, secretary LOL No. 222; Bro. Henry Dillon; Bro. Jim Spence, WM of RBP No. 54; Bro. Mervyn Dougan, vice-president of Apprentice Boys of Derry Club; Bro. the Rev. William Bingham, district chaplain, Markethill LOL No. 10, and Bro. George McCall, president of the Apprentice Boys of Derry Club.

The three brethren were, Bro. Mervyn Robinson, killed May 27, 1981 (LOL No. 222 and RBP No. 54); Bro.

Michael Marshall, killed October 20, 1989 (Redrock LOL No. 788, RBP No. 54, and Apprentice Boys of

Derry); and Bro. David Sterritt, killed July 24, 1990 (Ballylene LOL No. 479, RBP No. 54 and Apprentice Boys of Derry).

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## Year of memories

The Grand Master of Ireland, Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth, MP, speaking at the unfurling of a banner for Cumberland True Blue LOL 358, Crossgar, on May 25, said, "1991 is a year of memories for many in Northern Ireland."

He said, "350 years ago Protestant people knew the savagery of 1641 when thousands were massacred for their faith."

"Fifty years later saw the victory at Aughrim, the last battle of the Williamite Campaign in Ireland which curbed the might of the Sun King Louis XIV and ensured the settlement of the United Kingdom."

"Seventy-five years ago, sons of Ulster fought valiantly at the Somme. Survivors and

families still remember. Ulster salutes their service to their community and freedom for the future. We realise the Gulf Campaign that space may be harder to gain than the conquest. Kuwait and Iraq are still rebuilding, while fires still burn.

"So in Northern Ireland the spirit of the past will inspire us as we seek to maintain the principles of Protestantism and the liberties we espouse."

"We trust that negotiators will do useful work at Stormont. Their efforts will be more successful if effective measures were taken against terrorists. We trust the great and good who urge politicians to talk will also use their influence in support of the security services without equivocation," said Bro. Smyth.

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# Comment — Comme

## No place for Dublin in Government of Northern Ireland

The inability of the participants in the Brooke initiative to resolve the problem of where the Dublin government would meet with the others meant that the start of the talks proper was delayed. Peter Brooke's statement that it must be better to clear the way from the start has to be seen as wise judgment. The beginning is important if there is to be a continuance and a satisfactory conclusion. The issue remains one of principle for the unionists who are determined that Eire must be made to recognise it has no claim on the territory of Northern Ireland. The determination of the unionists to make their case is in accordance with the wishes of their electors who remain adamant that whatever happens, Ulster will not be part of an all-Ireland republic. They are convinced that the three-way relationships — Great Britain, Northern Ireland, and Eire was worsened by the Anglo-Eire Agreement which allowed southern interference in the affairs of the United Kingdom without any reciprocal right of involvement in the administration of the republic. That fundamental flaw in the Agreement was compounded when the unionists had it forced on them. While the mammoth rallies are gone, the antagonism to it persists. The presumption that the discontinuance of the rallies marks an acceptance of the diktat is to misread the unionist mind. The unionists, less in number on the streets, are as strong as ever against what they regard as an act of incredible insensitivity and stupidity on the part of the British Government. We cannot accept the contention that Dublin has a place in the negotiations on the future government of Northern Ireland. To have allowed that participation was the fundamental error for it gave credence to its claim to an all-Ireland jurisdiction.

## The way ahead for Orangeism

The Lodge of Research's first conference was held in the Craigavon Civic Centre in April. The very fact that it was held worthy of comment, for no Irish Orangemen had experienced such an event. The careful planning which went into the organisation ensured that there were no hitches and that timing was exact for its several parts. The speakers presented their material with commendable clarity and freedom from professional jargon. This was particularly important when they were dealing with the intricacies of administration and finance. The suggestions about these crucial matters were sometimes original and often demanded critical analysis of present practices. As the papers of the conference are to be published it is to be hoped that their contents will be used as study material for the way ahead. All organisations are in danger of staying in grooves using methods appropriate in other days but which are no longer adequate today. The Orange Institution is in that state where it is required to question everything it does and how it does it in a society

which has undergone rapid change in recent years and promises to change more radically "Towards 2000." The problem is that there remains an appearance of strength in the organisation and in places growth is recognisable, especially since the Tercentenary celebrations. There is today the evidence that while many men show sympathy with Orangeism to the extent that they attend to spectate at its marches and demonstrations, they do not want to participate in its membership. There is no denying that the Order has lost some of its political clout since the 1920s when Orangemen were in power as the first government of Northern Ireland. It held the ring at Stormont until the prorogation of parliament in 1972 but since then there has been a marked lessening of its influence even in Unionist Party politics. Having said this, it is necessary to add that appearances can be deceptive the other way, for Ulster Protestants remain consciously and obviously affected by Orange Order attitudes and often look to it for a lead in crisis situations. That was clearly demonstrated in the rallies against the Anglo-Eire Agreement and in the remembrances of the Tercentenary celebrations. The problem then is how to face the questions being asked as to the Order's future usefulness and its prospects for the way to be travelled.

## Rome has not changed in theology or doctrine

The ecumenical blurring of differences between the Protestant churches and the Roman Catholic Church is a problem. Claims that the changes in Roman Catholic Church thinking are such that the differences between "them and us" are no longer of consequence is a travesty of the truth. The changes in Romanism may not be disregarded, but they have only to do with inter-denominational sharing in community matters. There is no shift in theology, doctrine, or social imperatives and the claim remains that the Church of Rome is "the one true Church." Those who are persuaded that changes have been made in fundamentals have been deceived. The accommodations of ecumenists to Romanism is a failure to stand for beliefs that are distinctly Reformed and Protestant and that is disloyalty to the church in which they took their vows. In our secularised society, Protestantism is always under attack. The practice of religion has been abandoned by some and rejected by others. It has long been argued that churches have repelled people for the conduct of some Christians has given the faith a bad name. Their condemnations of innocent pleasures, causes anger and annoyance. It is hard to be restrictive of others without being irrational and hypocritical. Christian character should show in tolerance, kindness, sympathy, and joyfulness, all positive Christian qualities. The negativness of some Protestantism does repel people. The teaching and example of Jesus Christ should be our pattern for living. His summation of the Ten Commandments, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God ... and thy neighbour as thyself" is the reminder that the Decalogue is always relevant as a code of behaviour to which Christians must often refer. A lady once told the Rev. W. B. Robertson of Irvine, Scotland, that he was practising a terrible innovation in his church — that of reciting the Ten Commandments at the Holy Communion. He replied, "My dear lady we are practising a much bigger innovation than that we are trying to keep them."

## Getting ready for the Twelfth in Markethill

Few Orange districts in Northern Ireland can surpass Markethill No. 10 in County Armagh when it comes to initiative and progress.

Markethill, along with Ballynafeigh District LOL No. 10 in Belfast have been pacesetters when it comes to twinning, and Markethill has also honoured the memory of brethren murdered by the IRA with the erection of an impressive commemorative memorial.

Fittingly, as Markethill will be hosting this year's County Armagh Twelfth demonstration, the district has produced a special booklet to coincide with the event.

The booklet called "Markethill and District Orangeism" traces the origins of the Orange lodges in the Markethill area and these go back almost to the origins of the Order, following the Battle of the Diamond in 1795.

Faction fights in County Armagh between sectarian gangs and groups, with colourful names like Nappach Fleet — it had Royal Navy connotations — Hearts of Steel, Oak Boys, Peep O'Day Boys, and Defenders, are covered in the booklet culminating in the Diamond battle, situated roughly half-way between Loughgall and Portadown.

The first reference to an Orange demonstration in Markethill was in 1796 when lodges paraded through the Earl of Gosford's estate.

An account of this written by Lord Gosford of Markethill stated: "One party consisting of 30 companies with banners and flags after parading through Portadown, Loughgall and Richhill came towards this place about five o'clock in the evening, marching in regular files by two by two with Orange cockades, unarmed, and by companies which were distinguished by numbers upon their flags. The party had one drum and each company had a fife and two men in front with painted wands in their hands who acted as commanders."

### ACCOUNT

The new booklet contains a comprehensive account of the early days of the Orange Order in Markethill and there are historical accounts of the district lodge, each private lodge, and the flourishing junior lodge.

Sadly, the booklet contains a role of honour of nine Orangemen who have lost their lives in the present Troubles, and the names are also on a district lodge memorial stone in the town's square.

At the launching of the booklet, the first copy was presented to the County Grand Master, Wor. Bro. Norman Hood, by the Markethill District Master, Wor. Bro. David McCullough. It represents excellent value for money at £1 per copy, and deserves a wide circulation.

Bro. Roger Gardiner compiled the attractive booklet and researched the information, and Bro. Jim Reaney, District Treasurer, was in charge of advertising and sponsorship.

The second copy was presented to Bro. C. McCormick, District Master of Ballynafeigh District LOL No. 10, Belfast.

Copies of the booklet, which is already enjoying a brisk sale, can be obtained from any of the lodge officers in Markethill district.



Bro. Robert Hall, WM, Kilmoriarty LOL 31, Portadown, receiving his 50-year medal from Bro. H. E. Browne, DM, LOL 31.



Six lecturers from Kilmoriarty LOL 31, Portadown. Left to right: Bros. Adrian Branyan, Joe Magee, Benny Partridge, deputy district lecturer; Cyril Partridge, Robert Oliver, and David Partridge. They were recently passed and certified as lecturers in the Orange and Purple Orders.

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Co. Tyrone Orangemen broke new ground last year when they re-enacted the Battle of the Boyne in Cookstown as the focal point to their Tercentenary celebrations.

This event was such a resounding success, the organisers decided to continue to re-enact battles with an Ulster association and thus make people more aware of past events which helped shape their own country. The result of this was

the formation of The Sword of Gideon Society.

Their first undertaking in re-enacting one of the least known of Irish battles is an ambitious one. However, as 1991 is the 300th anniversary of the Battle which shares a rather anonymous place on so many Orange arches and banners with Enniskillen, Derry, and the Boyne, it is quite appropriate that the organisers have chosen it for their first re-enactment as a society.

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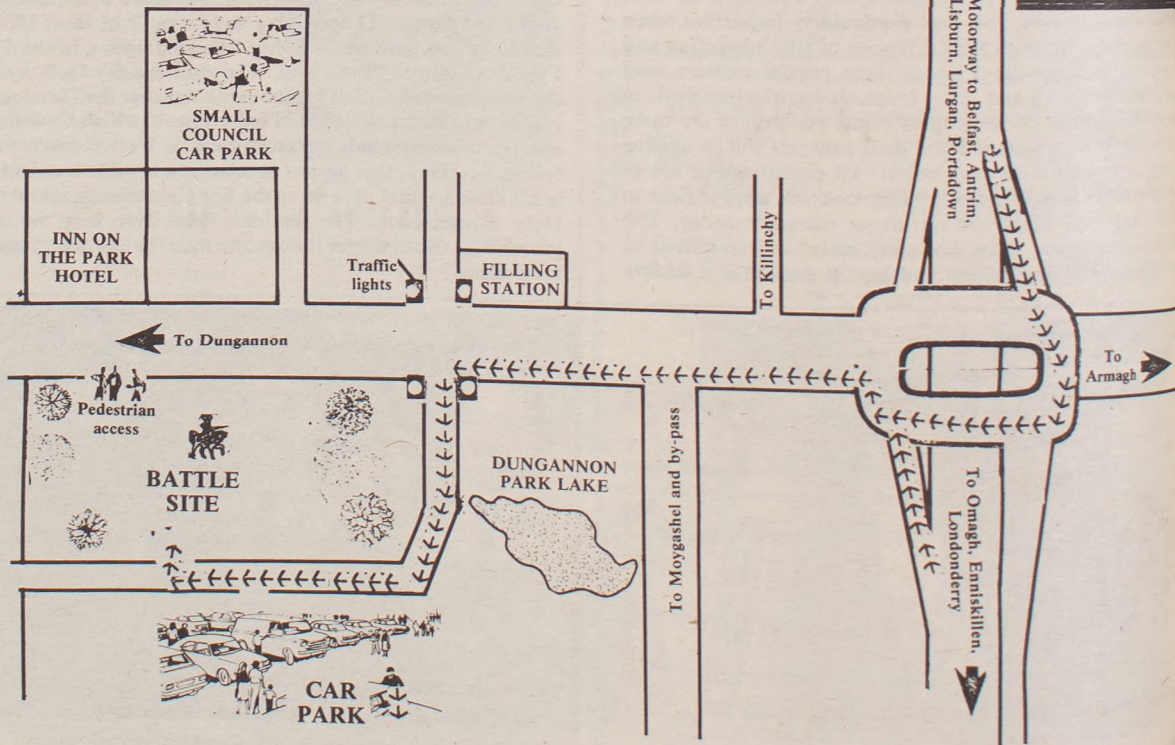
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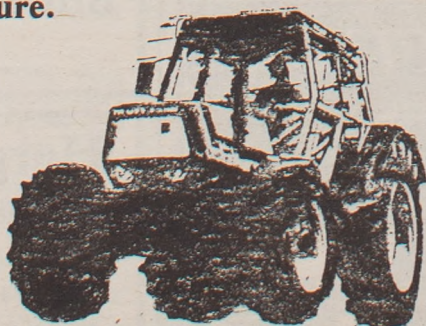
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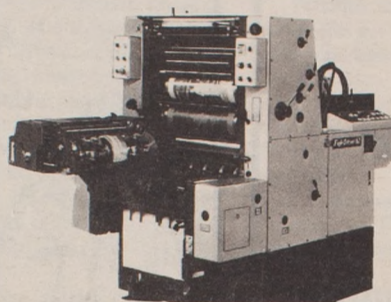
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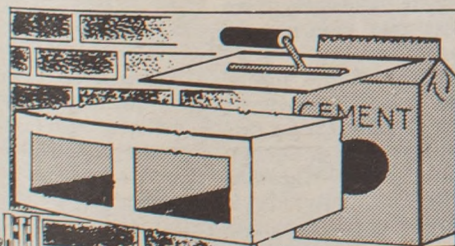
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## Memorial for murdered loyalist

A memorial service and dedication of a plaque was held in Killen Orange Hall on April 21, 1991, in memory of Bro. Olven Kilpatrick.

Bro. Kilpatrick, an off-duty member of 'B' Company 6 UDR, was murdered in his shoe shop in Castleberg on January 9, 1990 by IRA terrorists.

He was formerly drum-major of Killen Pipe Band and from 1989 until his death was secretary of Killen LOL No. 1272. As a youth leader he also served as an officer with 2nd Castleberg Boys' Brigade Company.

The service was conducted by Bro. Stephen Dickinson, chaplain of Killaloo LOL No.



Mrs. Aileen Kilpatrick (centre), unveils a plaque in Killen Orange Hall in memory of her husband Olven, who was murdered by the IRA in his shoe shop in Castleberg. Also in the photograph are from left: W. Bro. Jack Burke, W.M. of Killen LOL 1272; Bro. Ronald Porter, Kilclean LOL 773; Mrs. Ronald Porter (Olven's sister); Mrs. Kilpatrick (senior); Rev. Stewart Jones; W. Bro. James Emery, Deputy County Grand Master (Co. Tyrone), and Bro. Stephen Dickinson, chaplain Killaloo LOL 621, Co. Londonderry.

(Photo: courtesy of Bro. Gerald Montgomery, Castleberg).

621, Co. Londonderry, and a student minister in the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

The plaque was unveiled by Bro. Kilpatrick's widow, Aileen and dedicated by Rev. Stewart Jones, former minister of 2nd Castleberg Presbyterian and now in Kilcooley Presbyterian, Co. Down.

The plaque has the words inscribed thereon:-

*"Erected by the members of Killen LOL 1272, in memory of our esteemed friend, Bro. Olven Kilpatrick, murdered by terrorists 1990. Always remembered!"*

The address was also given by Mr. Jones, who paid tribute to the many fine qualities and achievements of the deceased in his short life.

A special collection for the

UDR Benevolent was received by Bro. James Emery, Deputy County Grand Master of Co. Tyrone Grand Orange Lodge.

Bro. Aelfryn Young, of Garvetagh LOL 1486, was the organist.

Afterward tea was provided by the ladies of the Killen lodge and a vote of thanks was expressed by the lodge's W.M., W. Bro. Jack Burke.

## Murdered 'for being a Protestant'

A genuinely nice man to know was dead as the result of a foul murder, simply because he was a leading Protestant, a Presbyterian minister told mourners in Armagh.

Mourners at the funeral service in Mall Presbyterian Church on May 15, for prominent Co. Armagh Orangeman, Bro. Robert Orr, heard an appeal for the security forces to be allowed to take whatever steps were necessary to establish and maintain law and order in the Province.

Bro. Orr, a 56-year-old accountant, died on May 13 morning when a 2lb IRA semtex booby-trap bomb underneath his blue Vauxhall Senator car turned the vehicle into a fireball.

The minister of the congregation where the victim was auditor, Dr. Joseph Thompson, slammed what he termed as the "sheer inadequacy of Government policies" and called for the viewpoint of law-abiding people to be listened to.

Bro. Orr's funeral was the third in the church as the result of terrorism in 15 months.

"Whoever committed this murder, without a shadow of doubt and without question, has local links in this city. Let this community, if it truly mourns this event, unite in law and pass on to the security forces any information they have which will help end these awful murders in this city, community and Province," Dr.

Thompson said.

A former minister of the Church and leading Orange Order chaplain, Bro. the Rev. Dr. John Lockington, of Lamee, also took part.

Hundreds of members of the Orange Order and Royal Black Institution, led by high-ranking officers, together with former colleagues in the RUC, walked in the procession from the victim's home at Ashley Park, off the Newry Road, about a mile from the church. Bro. Orr was a member of the RUC Reserve, but had left the force in 1976.

The cortege passed close to the spot at the Barrack Street-Mall intersection where Bro. Orr died.

Among the pall-bearers were the County Grand Master of Armagh, Wor. Bro. Norman Hood and his deputy, Wor. Bro. Norman Allen. Prominent figures attending, included Rt. Wor. Bro. the Rev. Martin Smyth, MP, Grand Master of the Orange Order in Ireland; Bro. John Taylor, MP for Strangford, a personal friend of the victim, and George Macartney, chairman of Armagh District Council.

The victim's widow, Phyllis, accompanied by her two married daughters, Linda and Deborah, a Scottish Baptist pastor's wife, along with other women relatives arrived by car ahead of the procession.

After the service, burial took place in St. James' Parish churchyard at Moy.

## Sir Knight honoured

Waringsford Gold Star RBP No. 51 have honoured one of their oldest members on attaining 70 years' membership of the Institution. Sir Knight James McIlroy (seated centre) received his medal from the W.D.M. of No. 1 District, Sir Knight Andrew McStea (third from left).

(Picture: Rathfriland Outlook).





# NATIONALIST PLAN TO TAKE OVER BELFAST

On the 12th of July 1955 the Orangemen of Belfast celebrated the victory at the Boyne with a magnificent parade to Finaghy, in glorious sunshine, and the sight of over 300 banners and some 25,000 marching Orangemen underlined the strength of the Institution in the capital city.

Belfast, like Northern Ireland was enjoying the post-war prosperity, and 10 years after the war, the Unionist and Orange position was awesome.

But among the speakers that day at Finaghy was an Orangeman of relatively low rank in the Institution representing one of the 10 city districts.

His warning to those prepared to listen was that "the enemies of Orangeism and Unionism are taking over Belfast street by street, buying property and making inroads."

If anyone heard, they probably very quickly forgot the point he was making, and anyway it all seemed so unreal and so unlikely given the relative strengths of Unionism and Nationalism in Belfast at that time.

Thirty-six years on, the picture in Belfast is an entirely different one, and that Orangeman's words have proved prophetic.

For years, Unionist and Orange spokesmen have warned of attempts to de-Protestantise the capital city of Northern Ireland, and 15 years ago 'The Orange Standard' was reflecting those fears as it exposed the scale of house building in nationalist parts of Belfast and the destruction through redevelopment of Protestant strongholds.

Those who pointed out such things were accused at the time of "distorting the facts," the classic excuse of bureaucrats with plenty to hide.

Yet, the Housing Executive and Government Ministers could not deny that houses were being put back at a greater rate in Roman Catholic districts and at a greater density than in Protestant areas.

Yielding to pressure from the Roman Catholic Church and nationalist politicians, the British Government and Housing Executive went to great lengths to provide as many houses as possible on sites cleared in Roman Catholic districts, and thus preserve the churches, schools and social amenities intact in those areas.

In Protestant areas of North and West Belfast, deterioration had already been accelerated by the Troubles, because it was loyalist districts which were most hit by the intimidation in flashpoint areas.

## INTIMIDATION

The effect of intimidation in Londonderry's West Bank is well documented and accepted —

some 16,000 fewer Protestants live on the city side compared to pre-1969.

Not so well documented was the exodus of Protestants from the north and west of Belfast. Tens of thousands of them moved between 1969 and the late 1970s, and in whole communities the Protestant population simply disappeared, such as New Barnsley, Grosvenor Road, Lenadoon, Spamount Street, Upper Meadow Street, parts of Cavehill Road, Roden Street, Lower Ormeau Road, and other areas of the city.

Lack of effective protection by the security forces at that time against intimidation forced Protestant families to move to Newtownabbey, Castlereagh, Carrickfergus, and North Down.

Huge chunks of the Shankill and other Protestant strongholds were cleared of housing because of drastic redevelopment, and the slow pace of Housing Executive put-back meant that community morale was badly dented.

Increasingly, many Protestant areas lost their young married couples and families, with the drastic reduction of school enrolments, and the closure of churches which had lost their congregations.

Today, Belfast Protestants find themselves for the first time since the city became the largest urban area in the North of Ireland faced with the real prospect of becoming a minority by the turn of the century.

This fact has been underlined in recent television programmes, which have speculated on the likely effect of boundary review changes, coupled with the increase in Sinn Fein-SDLP representation.

Interestingly, one of the programmes revealed the fact that the Roman Catholic population in the prosperous Malone district of Belfast had doubled in the past decade to over 5,000 people, which underlined the demographic changes in South Belfast, long regarded as being relatively unaffected by the radical transfer of populations, and of power in North and West Belfast.

Is Belfast destined to become a nationalist-controlled city by the turn of the century, with the City Council having an anti-Unionist majority?

On the fact of it, judging by that programme, the possibility cannot be discounted, given the inroads made into hitherto Protestant strongholds, the continued inertia in providing homes in many Unionist districts, and the divisions within Unionism.

## HOPEFUL

Yet, the position from a Protestant and Unionist stance is not all bleak, and while it would be unrealistic to expect a return to the

huge majority of pre-1969 days, given a fair share of housing and expenditure, the outlook could be more hopeful from the Unionist point of view than for some time.

To be fair, the Housing Executive in recent years has provided some fine housing in Protestant areas. The quality of some of the estates in Sandy Row, Shankill, Donegall Pass and East Belfast is excellent, and the families are delighted with them.

But while the quality is excellent, the quantity falls far behind that provided in nationalist districts.

There are many empty sites in Protestant areas which could provide thousands of homes, and Unionist pressure must be maintained to have these developed.

York Road, Shore Road, Ardoyne, Shankill and Sandy Row all have large empty spaces which must be suitable for houses, and East Belfast, where there is a large waiting list for houses, has many sites capable of being developed.

One of the most stark pictures in that television programme was of the situation at Ardoyne, where the so-called peace wall divides the Protestant area from the nationalist Glenard area. On the Roman Catholic side of the wall, lovely new houses are situated, occupied by families.

In contrast, the Protestant side is now grassy banks where houses once stood, and many of the houses still standing are empty and bricked up. A reporter made the point that Unionists feel it is policy on the part of the authorities to have Protestants move out of such localities.

Whether that is true or not — and it would be shameful if it were — the time has come to reverse the trend and to give Protestants a fair deal in the capital city.

It has often been said that the regime which controls a capital city thereby controls a country, and there is a lot of truth in that assertion.

Dublin was a Protestant majority city until the turn of the 18th century, and before that was the

seat of Protestant influence in Ireland. As it more and more became a Roman Catholic dominated city, political power in the south of Ireland moved to the nationalists.

The parallels are not exactly similar with Belfast, because the hinterland around the city is overwhelmingly Protestant and Unionist, but it would be a severe blow to Unionist interests if Belfast was to become a nationalist-controlled city.

## PRIORITY

The restoration of much more housing in the loyalist areas must be a priority item for Unionists to set their sights on, coupled with a long needed boundary extension.

Belfast was denied boundary extensions long before the start of the civil strife of the past two decades, and even under Unionist Governments the tendency was to put a brake on the power-base of the city.

That might have been justifiable at a time when it seemed the expansion of Belfast might swamp the surrounding areas of the Province, but the decline of industry, the great fall in the birth rate, and many other social changes have altered that scenario.

However, the question of boundary changes is one for careful consideration, with the views of surrounding boroughs entitled to be taken as strongly into account as those of Belfast.

The real hope of a revival in the fortunes of Unionism in Belfast lies in the ability of Unionists to convince the Government and the Housing Executive of the need for a big house building programme in Protestant areas, and for families to be encouraged to return to the districts they lived in before the bulldozers moved in.

Many families were promised they would be given the opportunity to return to their former areas when they were moved out of the Shankill and other Protestant areas. Now the Executive must honour those promises and pledges which it and its predecessor gave to those displaced families.

## Magherafelt brethren get 50-year certificates



Magherafelt District L.O.L. No. 3 has presented nine members of the District with their 50th year certificates. The presentations were made by the W.D.M., Wor. Bro. Walter Greer. Pictured (left to right) are: Bros. John Kenning (District Treasurer); James Evans (Deputy District Master); William Purvis, LOL 310; Edward Evans, LOL 711; Matthew Bowman, LOL 290; William Johnson, LOL 290; Arthur Church, LOL 290; William Brown (District Chaplain); William Keatley, (District Secretary); William Brown, LOL 678; Roland Finlay, LOL 678; Walter Greer (W.D.M.); David Andrew Brown, LOL 2033; James Winning, LOL 2033.



Pictured at the unfurling and dedication ceremony of a new banner for County Armagh Junior Grand Orange Lodge, in Carleton Street Orange Hall, Portadown. Front row, left to right: Bros. William Lee, Norman Hood, County Grand Master of Armagh; Tom Ross, Jim Conly, Rev. Tom Taylor, and Norman Allen, District Master, Loughgall. Back row: Bros. Stephen McLaughlin, Jim Uprichard, Thomas Donald, Michael Johnston, David McCullough, and Fred Mills. (Photo: Portadown Times).

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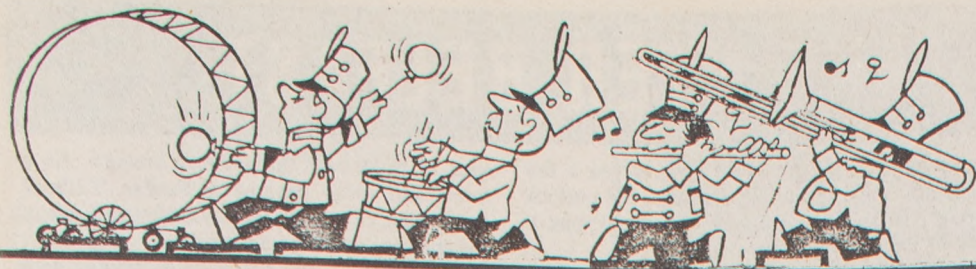
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# Ulster bands triumph again

Accordion Bands from Northern Ireland swept the boards at the British Accordion Championships in Scarborough on May 4.

It was quite an achievement with the cream of England, Scotland and Wales having to settle for the minor placings in all sections.

In the top Art Level Section the Killycoogan Band from Portglenone retained their title, under the leadership of John Millen, in fine style finishing three points clear with an immaculate performance.

Current all-Ireland senior champions Carntall from Newtownabbey silenced their critics in the best way possible by doing the double in winning the Advanced Band test piece and Our Choice sections — a fitting reward for the tireless work put in by their popular conductor, Ken Stewart. Another Ulster band, Castlewellan Victoria took a very creditable third place in the Advanced Own Choice section.

There's no keeping a good man down and despite breaking his right (conducting) arm a few weeks ago, Adam Wilkinson inspired the Lower Ballinderry Band to emulate Carntall by doing the double in the Intermediate Test Piece and Own Choice sections.

At the Accordion Band Leagues' Own Choice contest in March this year, adjudicator Paddy Kavanagh caused a few eyebrows, outside accordion circles, to rise when he stated that he had heard the best in the world. How true his words turned out to be. In April at the Limerick International Accordion Festival all prizes went north with Castlewellan, Lower Ballinderry and Blaris (Lisburn), winning the Senior, Intermediate and Junior titles respectively. Now Killycoogan, Carntall and Lower Ballinderry have proved their worth against Britain's best.

### RESULTS WERE:

**Art Level Orchestra:** 1, Killycoogan 89; 2, Jenny's Accordionists (East Anglia) 86; 3, Colchester Accordion Orchestra (East Anglia) 85.

**Advanced Band — Test Piece:** 1, Carntall 92; 2, G & B Laurie Advanced Orchestra (South Scotland) 87; 3, Fife Accordion Band (North Scotland) 85; 4, Stan Schofield Advanced Band (North Midlands) 83, Colchester Advanced Orchestra 83; 6, Castlewellan 81½; 7 Harwich Accordion Orchestra (East Anglia) 78.

**Advanced Band — Own Choice:** 1, Carntall 92; 2, Fife Accordion Band 91; 3, Castlewellan 88½; 4, G & B Laurie Advanced Orchestra 88; 5, Stan Schofield Advanced Band 83; 6, Colchester Advanced Orchestra 82; 7, Harwich Accordion Orchestra 79.

### Intermediate Band — Test Piece:

1, Lower Ballinderry; 2, Gillespie Intermediate Orchestra (Borders) 79; 3, Marian Burch Intermediate Orchestra (Thames) 78; 4, Clifford Wood International Orchestra 77; 5, J R Brown Intermediate Orchestra (Central Scotland) 76; 6, G & B Laurie Intermediate Orchestra (South Scotland) 76; 7, Dorothy Lukins Orchestra (Thames) 73; 8, East Surrey Accordion Society 68.

### Intermediate Band — Own Choice:

1, Lower Ballinderry 86; 2, G & B Laurie Intermediate Orchestra 84; 3, J R Brown Intermediate Orchestra 83; 4, Gillespie Intermediate Orchestra 77; 5, East Surrey 74; 6, Clifford Wood Intermediate Orchestra 66; 7, Marian Burch Intermediate Orchestra 63; 8, Dorothy Lukins Orchestra 63.

## Lurgan service

A crowd estimated at well over 100 braved freezing weather on the evening of Friday, April 12, to attend the annual religious service in memory of the late Keith White at the Mourneview Community Centre, Lurgan.

The service was conducted by the Rev. Hugh Ross,

minister of Newmills Presbyterian Church in Co. Tyrone.

During the service, wreaths were laid at the Keith White mural at the centre, on behalf of the Keith White Memorial Flute Band, the general council of the Ulster Clubs, Lurgan Ulster Club, and several other local bands and Ulster Clubs.

The service was organised by the Keith White Memorial Flute Band in conjunction with Lurgan Ulster Club.

Members of the best Lodge, "Hope of Ulster" Junior LOL No. 33 in Sandy Row District, with the trophy won at Carrickfergus on Easter Tuesday, for being the best Lodge on parade in the competition's inaugural year. Also pictured are Ballycoan Flute Band, who have accompanied the lodge since the band's inception, 40 years ago. The Lodge superintendent is Wor. Bro. Norman Gibson (Past District Master). The Junior Lodge will be unfurling a new banner (D.V.) in December.



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## Carrickfergus re-enactment

The annual re-enactment of the Landing of King William III at Carrickfergus will be held on Saturday, June 15, organised by Carrickfergus District LOL No. 19.

Brethren should debus at Woodburn Playing Fields for 12.15 p.m. where they will be met by marshalls and escorted to their assembly position. The buses will then proceed to Prince William Way which will be the pick up point after the parade.

Only District lodge colours should be carried, and districts will be responsible for the engagement of bands which should be limited to approximately one band per 150 brethren. Junior lodge and members of the women's Association should parade with their respective districts in this Institution.

The landing of King William will take place at 2.15 p.m. following a short religious service.

Meanwhile, on the evening of Saturday, June 15, Portadown District LOL No. 1 will be hosting a commemorative event in respect of the 350th Anniversary of the 1641 massacres.



Lodge of Research conference

Those who took part in the question time at the Lodge of Research conference: back (left to right) Wor. Bro. George Patton, Bro. B. Fitzsimmons, Bro. David Trimble, MP. Front (left to right) Bro. Leslie Cree, Wor. Bro. Rev. W. Martin Smyth, MP; Bro. Canon S. Ernest Long.



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Carrickfergus District L.O.L. No. 19

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Brethren and bands are to assemble at Woodburn Playing Fields at 11.30 a.m. All Orangemen, women and loyalists are welcomed.

## Co. Leitrim Grand Orange Lodge Annual parade service

will be held (D.V.) in

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on

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at 3.30 p.m.

Preacher:

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# IRA bomb kills District Master

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Provisional IRA can exterminate the Protestant and Unionist population by expelling it from the island of Ireland it will do so.

This is not a charge lightly made. The word genocide should never be used lightly, when one recalls the suffering and the agony of the Jewish people in World War Two, or of other atrocities on a gigantic scale.

But the facts confront one everywhere in Northern Ireland, and have been since 1969.

## PRESENCE

The Protestant presence on the West Bank of the Foyle in Londonderry has all but vanished, apart from the enclave in the Fountain. Large Protestant and Unionist communities in Belfast, and at various locations along the border have practically vanished, the people having had to move through fear and intimidation to safer areas of Northern Ireland, but also in too many cases out of the Province altogether.

All this is part of Provo tactics, because despite protestations to the contrary, that movement considers Ulster Protestants as a people and a race to be alien to their attempts to a "New Ireland."

The Provisional IRA will only tolerate Protestants in their State when they accept the chains of bondage, being prepared to surrender their freedom and their liberty of conscience as well as their traditional loyalties in exchange for some form of tolerated presence in a land where they would become strangers.

To the Provisional IRA the Protestants are the "settlers," the people who occupy the lands formerly held by "native Irish," and when they talk about the "British presence in Ireland" they really mean the Protestant and Unionist presence.

Theirs is a nakedly sectarian campaign which has no mercy towards political or religious opponents, and no willingness to tolerate views contrary to their ideas.

Protestants and Unionists are under no illusions as to what their future would be like in an Ireland ruled by the Provisional IRA or their political cohorts, but it is time the rest of



Wor. Bro. Robert Orr.

the world, especially those in the United States with Irish sympathies awoke to the reality of the situation.

The Provisional IRA campaign is not a romantic war to achieve freedom for a down-trodden people, but is one designed to destroy the democratic majority within Northern Ireland by whatever means.

Nearly 3,000 people have lost their lives since the Provos started their campaign, and Robert Orr is the latest Orangeman to die for his faith and convictions.

## SACRIFICE

The Order has lost hundreds of its members during the campaign, many of them prominent members like Brother Orr, and other rank-and-file members, and their memory and the sacrifice is still remembered within the ranks of the Institution.

## Parade halted

Sadness tinged the annual outing for County Armagh Junior Orangemen to Bangor on Saturday, May 25.

Before leaving Armagh city their parade halted at the ceremonial "Orange Tree" in Gaol Square to honour the city's district master and treasurer of County Armagh Grand Orange Lodge, Wor. Bro. Robert Orr, murdered by the IRA a fortnight before.

A wreath of red and white carnations was laid at the base of the tree close to the spot where Bro. Orr, (56), died when a booby-trap bomb exploded underneath his car as he drove to work.

Orangemen remember brethren like Bros. Sir Norman and James Stronge, the Rev. Robert Bradford, Charles Armstrong, the brethren who died at Tullyvallen Orange Hall, in the Kingsmills massacre, and many, many others.

In another story in this edition of 'The Standard' the sacrifice of three brethren who served in the RUC and belonged to the Order in Markethill district is recalled.

That story could be repeated in Fermanagh, Tyrone, Londonderry, and other parts of the Province. It is a terrible story, and one which bears testimony to their courage and resolution in the face of violence.

It also testifies to the ruthlessness and the ferocity of a campaign of genocide against a free people without parallel in Western Europe since the Holocaust in World War Two.

Victory for the Provisional IRA would not simply mean the expulsion of Northern Ireland from the United Kingdom. It would mean the end of the Protestant Unionist and Orange presence in the north of Ireland as has existed since the Ulster Plantation.

The onus is on the British Government to defeat the evil campaign directed against its people in Northern Ireland and remove the fear of genocide which has confronted the loyal people of Ulster for so long.

## Fermanagh killing

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was callously murdered by evil people who masquerade as freed, fighters but who are just common criminals intent on destroying the freedom of good citizens to go about their daily work."

The County Grand Lodge called on the Secretary of State to provide adequate security for all the citizens of this part of the United Kingdom.

"If he is dedicated to reaching agreement through talks he must first, take decisive security action to eradicate all terrorism from our society so that without fear, we, as free people, can seek to solve our problems and create conditions where all can prosper and live with their families as good neighbours in a peaceful Northern Ireland.

"Northern Ireland is and must remain part of the United Kingdom," said the Orange Lodge.



## A team of veteran Orangemen

Eleven members of Blacksessiagh L.O.L. 226 in Omagh District, who were presented with 50-year Orange certificates at a special ceremony in their Orange Hall by W. Bro. Allan Rainey, W.M., Tyrone Royal Arch Purple Chapter. They are, from left, front row: Bro. Alexander McCormick (54 years); Bro. Johnston Breen (53 years); Bro. William Warnock (63 years); Bro. James Taylor (67 years); Bro. George Beattie (56 years), and Bro. William Kyle (54 years). Middle row: Bro. James Moffitt (52 years); Bro. Alfred Breen (50 years); Bro. George Moffitt (56 years); Bro. Charles Beattie (50 years), and Bro. William Hempton (since deceased, 51 years). Also in the photograph are District and Lodge officers, Bro. James Dodds (treasurer); Bro. Jack Kerr (District Master); Bro. William Monteith (Deputy District Master); Bro. Robert Corbett (secretary); Bro. Crawford McFarland (District Master); Bro. Victor Anderson (District Lecturer); Bro. Allan Rainey (County Master R.A.P.C.); Bro. William Robb (Worshipful Master); Bro. Harold Doherty (District Secretary), and Bro. Wilfred Breen (District Lay Chaplain).

(Photo: courtesy of Tyrone Constitution).

## Service to honour memory of victims of

### 1641 massacre

Portadown District LOL No. 1 is completing its ambitious plans to honour the memory of the victims of the 1641 massacre in the town with a pageant and re-enactment on the banks of the River Bann on Saturday, June 15.

The progressive commemoration committee, formed last year has drawn up an impressive programme and it is hoped the event will be given widespread support by brethren from other districts in Northern Ireland.

Although the Portadown massacre was the most infamous and widely remembered of the 1641 rebellion, similar atrocities were committed throughout other parts of the North of Ireland.

It was the English settlers of Counties Armagh, Tyrone and Fermanagh who suffered most in the Rebellion, many being put to the sword, and others sent naked out into the woods and wilderness of the Ulster of October and November, 1641.

Some Scottish settlements suffered as well, but not to the same extent, as the Scots of

## SERVICE

Antrim and North Down were larger numerically and better protected, and a large army was soon landed under General Monroe to protect the Scottish settlements.

Several hundred Protestants were driven into the Bann at Portadown Bridge and drowned. Others were locked up in the church at Loughgall and burned to death, and there were similar atrocities at many other places in the North of Ireland.

It was not until the Parliamentary victory in the English civil war, and the landing of Oliver Cromwell and his Roundhead armies in Ireland in 1649 that the Plantation was fully restored.

Portadown District will be holding its annual mini-Twelfth on the evening of June 15, and the route this year will be mainly concentrated in the Edenderry area of the town - east of the Bann.

The parade will take in the Bann Bridge, and during a

pause there will be a re-enactment of the massacre.

A commemoration plaque is also to be placed in the area, and there will be a short religious service.

The Orange brethren and loyalists will be honouring the memory of those poor people who lost their lives in such appalling circumstances 350 years ago, not in bitter or vengeful fashion, but in a solemn manner, and with the feeling uppermost that their sacrifice in the cause of Protestantism in Ireland is worthy of remembrance.

That will be the same atmosphere in which other events will be held during the year, and it is the intention to hold a parade and service in Seagoe Parish Church in October to coincide with the date of the massacre.

There are a number of Orange banners in Northern Ireland which portray the massacre of the Protestants at the River Bann in Portadown - one of them in a Belfast lodge - and it is the intention that these should be paraded on June 15.

A number of other districts have plans for services to mark the 1641 massacre, and the Ulster Society hopes to publish a booklet which will provide details of what is one of the most important dates in Irish history.

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Carnew Temperance L.O.L. 982 (Rathfriland District) held an Orange Ball in the Orange Hall. A large number of brethren and friends attended the ceremony, which was performed by the Deputy County Grand Master, Bro. Gerry Douglas (seated second left). Pictured with him are Bro. Derick Cochrane (W.M. of the lodge), Bro. Wm. Herron (W.D.M. No. 1 District) and Bro. Samuel Walker, who rendered the opening and closing songs. Standing are other lodge officers and visiting brethren. (Picture: Rathfriland Outlook).

