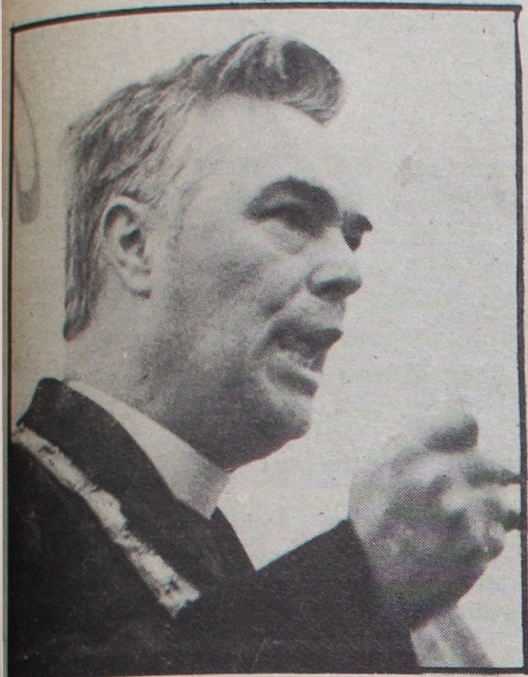


# A UNITED IRELAND IS NOT ON



What the signatories to the New Ireland Forum Report knew to be true was that a United Ireland was not on, the Grand Master, M.W. Rev. W. Martin Smyth, B.A., B.D., M.P., told the half-yearly meeting of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland in Belfast.

M.W. Bro. Smyth stated that the stream of happy shoppers who travel to and from Northern Ireland testify to this reality. Some had even said we would be mad if we relinquished our place within the United Kingdom.

"However, said the Grand Master, "more realistic judges recognise that the Prime Minister hooked into Summit Conferences has not really moved away from the principle of consent. And, witness Ernie Roberts' Private Members Bill, every effort fair or foul will be made to make us consent to the further dismemberment of the United Kingdom. This will be resolutely opposed not only by members of the Orange Institution, but Unionists generally, including, in the parish priest of Dungannon's view, 80% of the Roman Catholic population.

### "ALIENATION"

"Despite attempts by prelates and politicians to claim they are alienated the overwhelming majority only desire to be at peace within the United Kingdom. It is true that political leaders and prelates sought to give them a sense of alienation. Thus they wanted their separate school teachers paid from Dublin, and they adopted a policy of abstention from Stormont.

"The very logic of Dr. Daly's pronouncement demonstrates the absurdity. To claim that if Nationalist/Republican politicians were not given an automatic place in Government

then the people they represented had no place in the country is a travesty of truth.

### "ABSURDITY OF THE CLAIM"

Does it mean that because women are not recognised as candidates for the priesthood, women are not wanted within the Roman Catholic Church, or at best tolerated as second class religious? The vehemence with which such a claim is denounced reflects the absurdity of the earlier claim to alienation.

Furthermore, proceeded the Grand Master, to claim that it is only Roman Catholics or Nationalists who are alienated

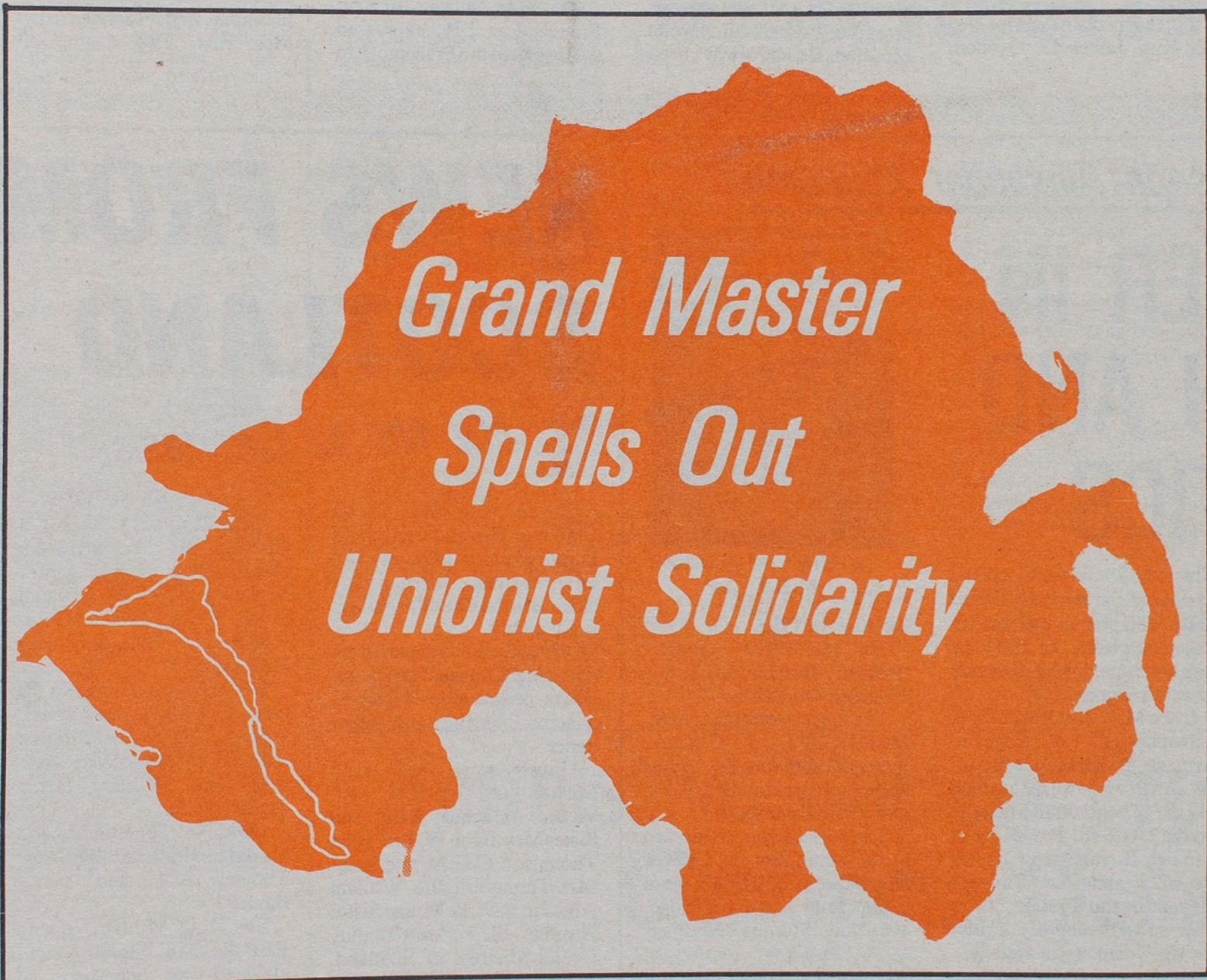
by action of the Security Forces is to further fly in the face of reality. Many Protestants and Unionists have faced the same frustration. They have known the indignity of body searches; the delays in trials, the wrong use of the supergrass system, the loss of property, even of life and limb.

But generally they recognise these not to be the intent of the Security Forces, but the result of terrorist activity and the support of fellow travellers. Accordingly the Loyalists and law abiding community thole while some whine "alienation."

Many had been further alienated that week when not only have complaints been voiced because two terrorists on active service received the fate they planned for others, but also the use of Christian worship to cover their tracks in a Church which has claimed that involvement in terrorism brings automatic excommunication. It would still seem in Ulster that it is more heinous to sit beside a Protestant child in school than murder a "Brit."

Finally he noted that Fathers Murray and Faul claim "one of the causes of alienation is the Orange Order. Since Roman Catholic Authorities from Manchester to Melbourne, from Londonderry to Liverpool, and from Garvagh to Glasgow have historically opposed Orangeism one can only conclude the opposition to Orangeism is on account of its principles.

"As we move forward to remember 190 years of modern Orangeism in Ireland, and share the next Session of the World Orange Council in Belfast in 1985, may I call all of us to re-affirm our profession by a consistent practice. As we live our lives in the outworking of Christian faith — love in action I believe we will still contribute to the wellbeing of the Nation and the World."



## RAPC Has New Leader

Well Known in Co. Antrim

We offer our congratulations and good wishes to W. Bro. Kenneth Watson on his election as Grand Master of the Royal Arch Purple Chapter. He succeeds the late Right Hon. Bro. J. A. Anderson, B.E., J.P.

Ken Watson has long been a most enthusiastic officer of the RAPC and of the Orange Institution which he has served in several capacities in private, district and county lodges.

While he is well known in his own County Antrim as

Orangeman and Ulster Unionist Party man — election agent for Jim Molyneaux in the General Election — he is perhaps known more widely in this country and elsewhere as the able and energetic secretary of the specialist Lodge of Research. And he has travelled in the Orange jurisdictions of Scotland and England, and Canada which he visited for Orange Order purposes in 1981 and 1982.

In '82 he also enjoyed the hospitality of Orange folk in

America, at New York; Wilmington, Delaware; and Boston. Ken is a Select Vestryman and Choir Member of Magheragall Parish Church. Deeply committed to his church and organisational work he finds time to be most actively involved in the Ulster Savings Movement.

Bro. Watson is one of those men who prove the point that if you want something done expeditiously and well you must ask a busy person to do it.



Five members of Ballynahinch RBP 103 have 'clocked-up' over 250 years service between them. Deputy Master David Barr (right) presents the men with their 50 year Service Medals. Photo shows (from left): Sir Knights Robbie Gray, George Moffett PM; Robert Barr, Fred Heanen and (insert) John Douglas PM, who was absent due to illness.

# First Co. Down Temperance RBP Honour Long

## Serving Sir Knights

Three senior members of First Co. Down Temperance Royal Black Preceptory No.3 were presented with Long Service Medals for fifty years service, or longer, at a meeting of the Preceptory in Ballynahinch recently.

A fourth senior member, Sir Knt. Wm. J. Ringland, was unable to be present owing to illness, but will have his medal presented to him in his home, at a later date.

During an excellent supper, served by the Ladies Committee, the following toasts were honoured. "Her Most Gracious Majesty, the Queen," followed by "County Down Grand Black Chapter," proposed by the W. Master of RBP 3, Sir Knt. Francis Fox, J.P., and responded to by Sir Knt. James Carlisle, Deputy County Grand Master, and "Ballynahinch Royal Black District Chapter No.5" proposed by Sir Knt. Francis Fox and responded to by Sir Knt. Pharis McIlwaine, WDM, No. 5 District.

The W. Master of RBP No.3, Sir Knt. F. Fox, then called upon the three senior members present to come forward to be presented with their medals. The members with longest service to the Institution was Sir Knt. Thos. Graham, Senr PM, who became a foundation member of "Ashfield Sons of Joseph" RBP No. 999, County Cavan, in 1914 (70 years service). RBP 999 was founded by him, and his brothers, together with a few members from other preceptories. He and his brother Fred are now the only surviving foundation members of RBP 999, now known as "Ashfield Temperance Church Defenders."

In October 1959, Sir Knt. Graham affiliated to First County Down, Temperance RBP No.3 and in 1963 was installed as its W. Master with his son Thos. Junr, as Deputy Master.

Next in order of service was Sir Knt. James D. Gordon.



J.P., P.M., (68 years service) he became a member on 1st April 1916, and was installed as Wor. Master in 1967. In August 1973 his wife unfurled a beautiful new banner for the preceptory and it had the honour of leading the County Down Grand Black Chapter through Ballynahinch on the occasion of their annual demonstration. Sir Knt. Gordon said it was a great pleasure for him to be with his preceptory on this important occasion. He had always been

a member of Ballylone Purple Guards LOL, and First County Down Temperance RBP No. 3 and had never had any desire to leave either of them.

Next in order of service was Sir Knt. Thomas McNamara PM, (54 years service). He said he was very glad to be present, and had always enjoyed the good fellowship of the Sir Knts of "No.3".

The Wor. Master, Sir Knt. Francis Fox J.P., expressed the thanks of the Preceptory to

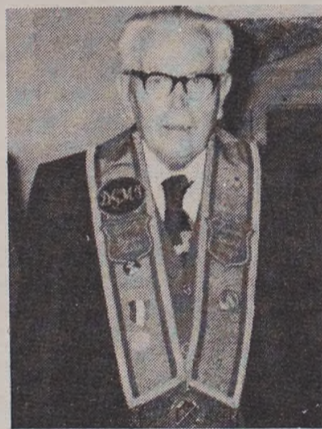
Three members of First Co. Down Temperance RBP No. 3 who received 50 year medals were Sir Knights Thomas McNamara (seated left), Thomas Graham, Sen. (seated centre), James Gordon (seated second right). Included are Sir Knight Frank Fox, WM (seated left), and Sir Knight Ansley Sherlock, DM (seated right), with District and visiting officers.

the Ladies Committee who prepared such an excellent supper, and a toast to "The Ladies" was enthusiastically honoured, and responded to by Mrs. Fox. The singing of

"Auld Lang Syne", and the National Anthem brought to a close another happy occasion in the history of "First County Down Temperance" RBP No.3.

### Death of Joseph Alexander Anderson

## A LEADER IN CHURCH AND POLITICS



W. Bro. J.A. Anderson M.B.E., J.P.

It was with a sense of deep sorrow that his many friends learned of the demise of Mr. Joseph Alexander ('Sandy') Anderson, M.B.E., J.P., who for many years was a prominent figure in the Orange Institution and in the Ulster Unionist Party.

He was aged 78 years, and had been in failing health for some months past.

A native of Hamiltonsbawn Richhill, he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Daphne Anderson, and a son John, Edinburgh, also by a brother Sidney, Kilmore, Co. Armagh, and a sister Mrs. Sarah Melidosian, USA. Four brothers and four sisters predeceased him.

In early life he became interested in the Ulster Unionist Party and, on joining, rapidly rose to become chairman of the County Association, of which he was also an honorary treasurer and was election agent for Co. Armagh MPs from 1938. He was also a delegate to the Ulster Unionist Council.

In the Orange Institution he was County Grand Master of Armagh from 1971 until his retirement in November last year, having also been County Grand Treasurer for about 30 years. He was elected Deputy Grand Master of Ireland and was delegate to the Imperial Grand Orange Council of the World.

Mr. Anderson was Grand Master of Co. Armagh Black

Chapter, D. Imperial Grand Master of the Imperial Grand Black Chapter of the British Commonwealth. In 1981 he was honoured for his 50 years as a "Blackman".

In the Masonic Order he was a member of Craft Lodges in Armagh, Tandragee, Market-hill and Portadown, being Past Master of Markethill Masonic Lodge No. 888, Past King of Armagh Royal Arch Chapter No. 623 and Past Eminent Preceptor and Prelate of the Portadown Preceptory of High Knight Templars of Ireland.

He was also Chaplain of the Mid-Ulster Amalgamated Committee of the Apprentice Boys of Derry.

In the life of the Church of Ireland Mr. Anderson had been a lay reader for about 20 years, a member of Armagh Diocesan Synod and Diocesan Council of the Church of Ireland, a diocesan representative on the Standing Committee of the Church of Ireland, a member of the Representative Church Body

for 25 years, and a vestry member and honorary secretary of St. Mark's Parish Church, Armagh.

Until recent years he was a member of the Board of Governors of Armagh Royal School.

A former chief clerk in the County Surveyors Office of the old Armagh County Council, which he joined in 1928, Mr. Anderson retired from this

position in 1973.

In the 1981 Queen's Honours Birthday list he was awarded the MBE.

The funeral took place to St. Mark's Parish Church, Armagh, and was the largest and most representative seen in the city for many years.

The service was conducted by the rector, Rev. Dr. Charles Combe, assisted by the Dean of Elphin and rector of Sligo, Very Rev. Sterling Mortimer, M.A., former rector of Armagh. The lesson was read by the Rev. W. Martin Smyth, B.A., B.D., M.P., M.P.A., Grand Master of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland. Also present in robes were Very Rev. H.A. Lillie, M.A., former rector of Armagh and former Dean of Armagh and the curates assistant of Armagh parish, Rev. Ian Ellis and Rev. S. Irvine.

In his address the Archbishop of Armagh, Most Rev. John W. Armstrong, D.D., paid a fine tribute to the life and work of the late Mr. Anderson, both in his service to the church and in the various organisations and bodies which received his active support and involvement.

The interment followed in the St. Marks churchyard, Dean Lillie reading the final prayers and the Archbishop taking the committal at the graveside.

## NEWS FROM SCOTLAND

### LOL No. 42 Entertains

Govan Blue Star Social Club and Govan Orange and Purple District LOL No. 42 entertained 150/senior citizens in the Blue Star Hall on Boxing Day.

After a 3 course dinner in the adjoining Orange Hall there was a programme of games, dancing, singing and other items.

Guests were the Grand Master of Scotland, Rt. W. Bro. Magnus Bain and Sister Mrs. Bain, W. Bro. John Thompson, C.G.M. and Sister Mrs. Thompson, Bro. William Armour, R.W.D.M. and Sister Armour, Sister May Baillie, Grand Mistress of Scotland, Sister McKimm, President of the Blue Star Social Club and Bro. Robert Hazel, secretary Blue Star Social Club.

The executive of the Blue Star express sincere thanks to all who assisted in making this a worthy success, and to the RWDM, officers and members of District 42 in assisting to defray expenses.

Britain's Sons RBP No.187 Orange Hall, Partick. Sir Knight George Binning R.W.M. welcomed back after a recent stay in hospital. A recent gift of a Bible dedicated by Sir Knight Malcolm Campbell, District Chaplain. Members travelled in September to Star of Bethlehem RBP No.1145 anniversary accompanied by Queen Elizabeth Accordion Band. The parade made a big impression as it passed through Corby's main streets. A joint presentation by RBP No.187 and the Band to RBP No. 1145.

Partick Lecture Class. Delegates appointed to attend December District meeting.

Star of Bethlehem RBP No. 333, Orange Hall, Clydebank, two candidates initiated by members of No. 4 District Lecture Class.

### RBP NEWS

Hope of Airdrie RBP No. 296 Orange Hall, Airdrie. Three candidates initiated by Sir Knights Pater Downie, Archie McCracken and John Main, assisted by Sir Knights Jack Simpson and W. Cowie. One former member was reinstated and welcomed. Plans made for presentation of Long Service Medal to Sir Knight Archie McCracken, RBP No. 296.

Star of the North RBP No. 171, Orange Hall, Sandback Street, Mary Hill, Glasgow. A very satisfactory report by Sir Knight McKay on recent District meeting, also on Banner Fund. Five members elevated.

The Poems 'Orangeism' and 'Journey' appear in the book 'Summer Poets' published by Regency Press in London, available or request from any public library. See also the letters page of the 'Newtownards Spectator' of 16th August 1984, under the heading 'The Integration Option' and pages 1348 to 1358 of the Statemans Year Book 1984-1985, published by Macmillan Press, concerning Northern Ireland

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# Memorial arch is dedicated to murdered undertaker

MANY hundreds of Loyalists gathered at the corner of Barrack Street and Scotch Street Armagh for the unveiling of a plaque and dedication of a new arch to the late Mr Herbie Burrows.

Mr Burrows, from Ballinahone, Armagh, who was murdered by a terrorist bomb beside his funeral undertaking premises, at Alexander Road on Saturday, March 3rd last, was a leading figure in the Apprentice Boys, Orange Order and Royal Black Preceptory in Armagh, and was undoubtedly one of the most popular brethren in all three organisations.

The impressive arch is the result of the collective efforts by his many friends in the Orders who wanted to provide a worthwhile and lasting memorial to the quiet but valuable work Herbie had carried out without fuss for their religion and faith over the years.

So keen had been their determination to do this that it has meant that the arch has been designed, built and erected in time for the first "Twelfth" demonstration following his untimely and unnecessary death.

The imposing structure is 54 feet wide from footpath to footpath across the dual carriageway at the end of Barrack Street.

four bands — Armagh True Blues; Clarke Memorial Flute, Armagh; Aghavilly Accordion; and the William Currie Memorial, Derrycrew, Loughgall.

Chairman for the ceremony was Mr William Burden, Worshipful Master, of Armagh L.O.L. No. 109 who welcomed the guests — and the public — to the auspicious occasion. He also paid special thanks to Mr Mervyn McWilliams and Mr Geoffrey Clarke without whom, he said, the arch could not have been completed or erected in time for the ceremony.

Prayers were led by the Rev. Tom Taylor of Tynan and the scripture reading was by the Rev. John Bachelor of Killylea.

The memorial plaque was then unveiled by Mrs Barbara Burrows, widow of Herbie, who was accompanied by the chairman's wife, Mrs Lavenia Burden.

The plaque and arch were then dedicated by the Rev. Dr. John Lockington, minister of the Mall Presbyterian Church, Armagh.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr Bobby Orr, Worshipful District Master of Armagh No. 5 District, L.O.L., who praised Armagh Arch Committee on "a very fine



Armagh True Blues parade under the new arch in Barrack Street

## Ethiopian Need Touches Irish Hearts

The horrific consequences of hunger and disease in Ethiopia, and the continuing tragedies there and elsewhere in Africa, touched the hearts of so many people, and there was such a release of purse strings that evidence of concern and compassion for needy people was shown in the practical steps taken to change an awful situation.

The publicity on the Ethiopian appeal had two disclosures — signs of impending disaster were apparent for some time, nothing happened unexpectedly; and however generous the benefactors the destiny of many is still not to live but to die. The important realization which has come out of the Ethiopian horror is that there is no cure for this kind of situation in remedial responses however spontaneous and munificent. It helps, of course, and the giver as well as the receiver.

There must be a commitment to permanent aid from those who can help in agricul-

ture and engineering, skills and machinery, to encourage these and other people in danger to meet their own need perhaps never totally but considerably. That task is much the bigger one and it will take a great deal of time, patience, money and skill to implement such a programme.

That it is possible to make the desert blossom as the rose is not to be questioned, for Israel made that happen in parts of Palestine ever since the foundation of that state and the pressures on it to develop infertile land for a rapidly expanding population.

A November programme on television, "And the desert shall rejoice..." showed how a Co. Antrim farming company in partnership with Saudi

Arabian land owners has developed out of desert seven farms with large scale and big yield wheat production and 8,000 dairy cows. It was a thrilling story, not only of what had been done to make barren land fertile, but of men who had the necessary experience in farming and that Celtic courage which refuses to be beaten by obstacles however apparently insurmountable.

The BBC N.I. agricultural journalist, John Johnston, presented the programme and interviewed those principally involved in a scheme which had to be seen to be believed. The project was explained by a proprietor of the Ulster company, Mr. Paddy McGuckian, and described on the ground by the managers of the constituent departments,

live stock and wheat growing.

There were conversations with the Irishmen employed there and they showed their pleasure in what had been accomplished. They were from North and South of the Border with only one complaint, the heat.

Heat is a problem in the treatment of animals and crops, and because of the terrain intensive farming is the norm with the cattle permanently penned.

When Johnston interviewed the Saudi partners he found them well satisfied with the progress and prosperity of the scheme. And delighted with the work of their Irish colleagues and employees. The whole situation was most satisfying for the production figures were impressive and the scheme's social and economic potential a persuasion on this firm and others to work elsewhere on similar lines. Here is the longer term answer for hungry countries.

## Permissive Society Promotes Classroom Chaos

cruel world where they are the casualties of broken homes.

It is naive to believe that a pupil's education will not be adversely affected by his experience of the traumas of marriage breakdown and divorce. Inspectors of Education have recently called on teachers to stretch their pupils academically, but this presupposes that the children in the classroom wish to be stretched and exhibit what was formerly called a thirst for knowledge.

Often this is no longer the case; too high a percentage of the school population does not have the energy or vitality to acquire knowledge because they are overburdened with emotional problems which may overwhelm them. This is part of the price exacted by a permissive society which has devalued marriage, and it is a price being met in our classrooms.

Another factor promoting disruption in our schools arises from the grim prospect of unemployment which confronts pupils approaching school leaving age. Qualifications and academic excellence no longer guarantee a bright future, and pupils now question the value of education.

This state of mind is, sadly, being exploited by a section of the pop scene or pop culture represented by those who record songs with a nihilistic outlook and an anarchic theme. Pupils influenced by this teenage sub-culture and identified as "Punks" are sometimes sullen, resentful and anti-social in outlook.

It is not unusual for a teacher to be faced with a secondary class where nearly a third of the pupils are from broken homes, and where a handful of pupils are deliberately disruptive,

evinced no desire to learn and resentful of the educational system.

The issue of classroom discipline is now a matter of major concern, because the alternatives to corporal punishment so far proposed are not a deterrent to the disruptive, and consume too much of the teaching staff's time. It is little wonder that many teachers believe that their task is widely misunderstood by the public and undervalued by the government.

The Education Committee of the Grand Lodge of Ireland insists that all those with responsibilities in education, whether in management, as teachers or as parents, actively participate in a crusade to reinvest our educational system with Christian values, thereby applying and upholding standards of conduct which will provide an antidote to the present malaise.



Mrs. Barbara Burrows (right), widow of the late Mr. Herbie Burrows, chats with Mrs. Lavenia Burden and Mr. Bobby Orr, WDM of Armagh No. 5 District, L.O.L., after the dedication of the arch. In the background is the Rev. Tom Taylor of Tynan.

achievement" of which he, personally, was very proud. This was seconded by Mr Henry Emerson, W.M., Armagh No. 4 District, Royal Black Chapter.

Also present on the platform was Mr J. A. Anderson, former Grand Master of County Armagh and Mr Stanley Burrows, twin brother of the man whom Armagh was honouring on Monday night.

Since this ceremony the death has taken place of W. Bro. J.A. Anderson M.B.E. J.P.

### FOOTNOTE:

A memorial service was held on Sunday 5th August in St. Mark's Parish Church, Armagh organised by Mid Ulster Amalgamated Committee Apprentice Boys and Walker Club City of Armagh Branch of which Herbie Burrows was the President until his murder. Over 500 brethren from all three organisations attended the service at which the Rev. Ian McDonald, M.A., Maghera, was the preacher.

The side pillars are each 80 inches square and painted a brilliant orange, and are 17ft high while the arch at its pinnacle is a towering 22ft.

The centre is supported by a cylindrical pillar 15 inches in diameter and finished in Londonderry crimson. This also bears, midway up, the memorial plaque to Mr Burrows.

### Emblems

The arch face is decorated overall and includes six beautifully painted plaques — three with emblems of the Orange Order and three with those of the Royal Black. Other emblems are also depicted across the main structure.

Surmounted overall are flags of the Apprentice Boys, Orange and Black, together with the Union Jack and Ulster flag.

Monday night's ceremony was heralded with a parade of

# STANDARD BEARER



## Always someone to blame

One recurring theme which runs through all the protestations of the Roman Catholic community in Northern Ireland, whether it be certain clergy or extreme republican — cum — nationalist elements is that their people are always on the receiving end of ill-treatment and that no matter how heinous their offences the culprits are not really to blame!

Take for instance the shooting dead of a young man and the wounding of his companions at the Kennedy Way roundabout on the outskirts of Belfast on the night of January 14. No sooner had the matter been reported than Sinn Fein were joined by their cohorts of the SDLP and also Alliance, in criticising the UDR for shooting the

occupants of a stolen motor car which was forging its way through a military checkpoint, and, having knocked down three soldiers and damaged three motor cars en route, left themselves open to rapid fire. The theft of motor cars in certain areas of Belfast has reached endemic proportions and represents one of the most serious problems for the police and the motoring public in general. This is the second such fatal shooting, and those who engage in the practice of taking and driving away vehicles without the consent of their owners have only themselves to blame for the consequences, either in open court when they are caught, or the more extreme punishment as in the case of the Kennedy Way incident.

One clergyman who has pointed the way for young Roman Catholics to renounce the call to violence is the Bishop of Down and Connor, Dr. Cathal Daly. He appealed to the IRA and INLA to cease violence and "join in the

peaceful struggle for the rights of nationalists". The Bishop then drifted to the political when he proceeded: "There must be no preliminary exclusion of any political option. There cannot be a purely unionist or nationalist

solution, a unionist victory or a nationalist victory, but there can be a victory for reason, tolerance, mutual trust, justice, forgiveness and reconciliation." He then urged young people who may have become involved in paramilitary organisations to "obey God, rather than man." All fair speaking but underneath one detects a note of refusal to accept Unionist suzerainty in Northern Ireland. Nowhere does the Bishop tell those young people in the New Testament sense that they

ought to obey also those who have been elected by the popular vote to administer the affairs of this State. There would appear to be an element of ambivalence in the Bishop's pronouncement. The New Testament contains several appeals to recognise the State in which the people of those times were living, and the Bishop knows this very well. He is a Co. Antrim man, born and bred, but does he hold a British passport? If he does then his appeal to the young flock throughout his diocese is

deserving of immediate and widespread acceptance. If not then he is failing to personally give to Caesar the things that belong to Caesar in the sense that he and others refuse to give due recognition to the jurisdiction in which they reside. The Protestant people in the Republic of Ireland do not hold passports issued by Her Britannic Majesty. What is good enough for the Protestants of the Irish Republic should be good enough for the Roman Catholics of Northern Ireland.

## Thou shalt not steal

In the light of the tragic death of a young man and the wounding of his companions one is forced to ask if they were taught that easy-to-remember Commandment which forbids stealing. Can the priests who move in so zealously and so speedily to condemn this menace of joy riding honestly say that the Ten Commandments are as carefully taught in schools, where they also share the teaching, as they should be? Can they say that from their pulpits the crime of stealing people's cars is sounded loud and clear. Can the parents say equally honestly that when their children are going out from their homes each day they take care to tell them not to engage in these dangerous and criminal pursuits? Of course it will be argued that it is the fault of the Government in not providing work for these young folk. Always there is someone

or somebody on whom blame is placed. Blame . . . blame . . . blame . . . always on someone, but not on the criminal. That is why Father Faul is so busy these days appealing for young convicts to be released from prison before their sentences have been fully served. That is why we have been flooded in various sections of the media with the clamant call for the removal of every vestige of 'alienation'. The republican case has never been a valid one, and it is thinning down as the days go by. The time may have come when those who make these ridiculous appeals for clemency should be given to understand that their representations would carry greater weight if they were to urge their followers to accept the rule of law and, equally accept the consequences for their wrong doing.

The final months of 1984 saw the emergence of a new 'in word' . . . alienation. It replaced to some extent that rather emotive word 'discrimination'. It is of course, a somewhat more mellifluous word and less likely to raise hackles than its much trumpeted predecessor. Alienation . . . there is something in it which suggests a deliberate act, in this instance the attitude of Unionists in relation to their Roman Catholic neighbours. When in the last 60 years of Unionist rule in Northern Ireland have we been free of Roman

## Who are the alienated?

Catholic and Nationalist allegations that Protestant dominance at the polls has not resulted in some form of discrimination. But the shoe is rather on the other foot. Have we ever heard the propagandists for Roman Catholicism and Nationalism pay tribute to the Government at Stormont and its successor, the present regime, for generous treatment in, say, the field of education? Have we compared that treatment with the disabilities of the Republic's Protestant population, very much outnumbered in this regard, when they decide to build a new

school? We have seen the Protestants in the Republic fly the Tricolour when a school built by them is being opened for the first time. Have we ever seen a Union Jack with the representation of the Cross of Christ incorporated on it flown at the opening of a new Roman

Catholic school? Perhaps Bishop Daly would inform us of such occasions. There is so much alienation of the Protestant community both North and South that it would comprise such a long list that available space here would not suffice. Such as the refusal of

the Roman Catholic Church to admit that Protestantism is Catholic and Reformed, that Protestant clergy are validly ordained, that Roman Catholic authoritarianism in the matter of 'mixed' marriages is an intolerable slur on the Protestant partner and his or her Christianity. We could multiply Protestant grievances but those few outlined above are sufficient in themselves to indicate that the real alienation has its roots in the dogmatism of the Roman Catholic Church which in so many instances appears to be an extension of the basics of Sinn Fein.

## RBP Medals Presented in Co. Fermanagh

Kiladeas "Banks of Erne" R.B.P. 1239 Long Service Medals presented by Sir Knt. W. H. Guy, Grand Master Co. Fermanagh.

Front Row, left to right: Sir Knights H. Manley, Chap. (30 years); L. Wilson, W.M.; F. Johnston (50 years), W. Watson (50 years), J. Healy (50 years), W. Morrow, Reg. (25 years).

Second Row, left to right: D. Clarke, T. Laird, T. Cuthbertson (25 years), W. Gray (30 years), C. Cooke (30 years), J. Healy (25 years).

Back Row, left to right: J. Mitchell, R. Clarke, E. Clarke, C. Chittick, J. Gibbons (25 years), R. Farrell, J. Moore (25 years), W. Henderson, W. Fields (25 years), A. Hetherington and G. Healey.



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## The Imperial Council

The Imperial Council will meet in Belfast in July this year and delegates from the several Orange jurisdictions have been making plans to attend the sessions.

Because the value and importance of the Council is not appreciated by the membership at large it is necessary from time to time to explain the reason for such an organisation and its usefulness to Orangeism generally.

The membership is owed such a simple explanation for the good reason that they help to pay its accounts. It has to be added hastily though that while some jurisdictions or county lodges in them, meet the expenses of their delegates in whole or in part, others do not do so and there are some representatives who have a large outlay in order to attend the Council.

There appears to be no way to make it equal in cost for all delegates, for ability to help and generosity in helping dictates the circumstances of each case. It would appear that the Council is not seriously affected by the present situation which is likely to have been the same from the beginning.

The intention of the Imperial Council is to encourage useful association among Orangemen, distanced from one another by miles and experiences. The comparisons of jurisdictions are helpful to a better understanding of how other Orangemen live

and work and sometimes shared experiences produce ideas which can be of mutual benefit. And that is the main value of the Council, which is a consultative body without any executive functions outside itself.

To understand that reality is essential, for it is never to be questioned that each jurisdiction is autonomous and while co-operation is most desirable among Grand Lodges interference is not to be countenanced. The Council can be a forum for the dissemination of information and the sharing of ideas. It has proved long since to be a valuable asset to Orangeism for these purposes.

Other advantages are tangible, friendships are made and maintained, and nationals of various countries are given the opportunity to see something of the host country, its scenery, people and problems.

The Imperial Secretary, Most Wor. Bro. Walter Williams, J.P., Ireland, has the complex arrangements completed, and the programme promises to be valuable for both work and play.

The Council is fortunate in having the service, in that capacity, of a brother highly skilled in organising Orange events on the grand scale. He has taken advantage of the assistance of Council members available to give advice and make their contributions to the arrangements for the Triennial at Belfast '85.

## Prospects for 1985

Because things Orange-wise are generally quiet after Christmas and on into the beginning days of the new year, we are given an opportunity to look back on the way we have travelled in 1984 and to wonder about the year ahead.

The past year was fairly pedestrian without the big horrific experiences of recent years. But to say that is not to sound a note of complacency, either for our organisation or the country, for the problems which beset us are many and as worrying as ever.

The security situation is a constant concern. The safety of the citizen cannot be guaranteed in a society where to combat terrorism remains the main occupation of the security forces. They have a peculiarly difficult task, for the gunman and the bomber can choose their target and initiative is with them. Response is usually the lot of the lawman.

When there has been opportunity to act to circumvent the terrorist, and the security forces have struck to capture or destroy him the people have been grateful. Indeed there is an awareness, not always apparent in the past, of the difficulties and dangers the security people on the ground have to face in a situation like ours. Though the number of them who have given their lives in the cause of law and order should have been seen as the evidence that we have always been deeply indebted to them.

The occasions in '84 when the initiative was wrested from the terrorist made us thankful that new ideas and new methods in intelligence and action are proving to be effective. We have been encouraged to believe that good will defeat evil, and while the process may take time and require patience and long suffering the end result is sure.

The appointment of a new Secretary — Douglas Hurd succeeded Jim Prior — had politicians and media people theorising on what the change would mean. In the event nothing has happened to mark consequential policy change and Hurd has satisfied himself with underlining opinions and attitudes expressed by Mrs. Thatcher and Jim Prior and making no promises of new initiatives.

In the wake of the cold British reception of the New Ireland Forum Report he has agreed with the Thatcher judgment that its three options deserve the "No! No! No!" she gave them. It is a consolation to Unionists that there is not going to be any attempt by the present administration to coerce the Ulster British into a United Ireland.

The determination of Prior to see the survival of the N.I. Assembly is not so strong in Hurd. He appears to feel that the Assembly is so reduced in usefulness because of the non-participation of the SDLP that its continuance should be questioned. While there are vocal apologists for the Assembly within and without that body, there are unionists of the UUP who look askance at it and a few have no time for it.

We echo as Orangemen the contention that the solution of the Northern Ireland Problem lies within the Province. There has to be co-operation across the political and religious divides. It is hard to see how there can be that essential sharing of views across the political spectrum while there is a SDLP refusal to use the Assembly.

Party leaders have been talking about talks, their desirability and possibility, in which SDLP would be involved. But pre-conditions laid down by the parties have always made round table discussions difficult then abortive. The essential thing is to create better relations among people to make the temperature where conversations are possible and not only at leadership level.

There are many parts of the Province where good neighbourliness has been maintained in spite of what has happened in these troubled years. Politicians and people have shared in attempts to conquer economic ills and social imbalances — this is evidenced in the co-operation of the three EEC parliamentarians — who share a common concern about the bread and butter issues which affect all of us. It is necessary on occasion to make this point, for Ulster is often regarded as totally polarised. We may not minimise our divisions: we should maximise our co-operations.

## Orange Leadership in Belfast

Among the changes in office which have taken place as the result of the November County Grand Lodge elections is the going of Right Wor. Bro. Thomas Passmore, J.P., and the coming of Wor. Bro. John McCrea.

After holding one of the most exacting posts in Irish Orangeism, County Grand Master of Belfast, for a decade or so, Tommy Passmore declined to be nominated for another term. In his incumbency of the office he had few quiet moments and that largely because he made himself available to deal with any emergency which affected the Institution in Belfast or to speak on any matter where he believed the Orange voice should be heard.

He was constantly in the firing line, a target of terrorists for years. His father was murdered in their home in what was an attempt on his life. Bro. Passmore showed that quality of courage which has characterised so many of our people in these terrible years and in awful situations.

He is a deeply committed Ulster Unionist party man and in recent years he has been a professional politician, member of the Assembly. But over all he is a man of strong Christian convictions who has often declared himself on controversial religious and social issues with clarity and precision.

On the occasions when he has appeared on radio and television he has performed creditably to earn the appreciation of his brethren and those others whose views he faithfully represents.

John McCrea is well aware of the size of the task he is undertaking as County Grand Master of Belfast. He has been County Grand Secretary for some time. A most energetic officebearer he has filled many Orange offices and has the distinction of being also the Grand Master of the Junior Order.

He can be expected to maintain the quality of leadership shown by his predecessors. He is a Belfast councillor with a developed sense of social consciousness, a necessary quality in any leader of Belfast men in days like these.

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## The Grand Lodge of Ireland Half-Yearly

The December half-yearly meeting of Grand Lodge was held in the House of Orange, Belfast, on 12 December, 1984.

The Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth, B.A., B.D., M.P., M.P.A., presided with Right Wor. Bro. William Russell, County Grand Master of Down in the Deputy Chair. Important business concerning the Institution was considered and decisions taken.

There was a major speech by the Grand Master. Two statements, released to the media

were on the controversies over the opening of public houses on Sundays; and the advice given by the Roman Catholic priests, Dennis Faul and Raymond Murray, to Roman Catholics not to go to police stations unless accompanied by a solicitor, priest or public representative. The charge was that the RUC used such opportunities to try to recruit informers. The Grand Lodge statements received media coverage.

The Sovereign Grand Master of the Royal Black Institution, Sir Kt. and Right

Wor. Bro. James Molyneux, J.P., M.P., the leader of the Ulster Unionist Party, and Wor. Bro. Kenneth Watson, the recently elected Grand Master of the Royal Arch Purple Chapter were in attendance and received a cordial welcome.

Present too, was the Imperial Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. George Liddle, C.B.E., D.L., J.P., the lodge's Grand Treasurer, and Most Wor. Bro. Sir George Clark, Bart., D.L., Past Grand Master.

Bros. Liddle and Clark

conducted the election of officers. Bro. Smyth was re-elected unanimously and the other main officers were filled similarly.

Fraternal greetings were sent to Most Wor. Bro. John Bryans, J.P., Immediate Past Grand Master. The Grand Master paid tribute to him for his long and valued service to the Institution and added that the meeting had missed his admonitions, for he invariably expressed himself with clarity and precision. Bro. Bryans will celebrate his 100th birthday in February.

## Attention all Lodge Secretaries

It has come to the notice of the McCREA MEMORIAL TRUST FUND that brethren wishing to subscribe to the Fund are unsure of where to send their contributions.

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## Grand Orange Slam Priest's 'Advice'

The Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland at its half-yearly meeting in December "deeply deplored" the action of the Roman Catholic priests, Denis Faul and Raymond Murray, in advising, through the media, their co-religionists not to go to a police station unaccompanied by a solicitor, priest or people's representative.

This is further evidence of a determination by some priests of the Roman Catholic Church to separate their people from the police and law, said the Grand Lodge statement.

It went on to say that the claim that every lower working class R.C. is pressurised to "grass" on his fellows is bound to have that effect, and also to convince Protestant people that the Roman Catholic persecution complex contributes largely to the polarisation of this society.

The first, Patrick Buckley publicly expressed his suspicion that the police had hidden away two of his former Kilkeel parishioners. The charge was found to be groundless. He made the same complaint about the RUC pressures on them to turn informer.

This antagonism to the police and the security forces, said the Grand Lodge, tends to have Protestant people believe that Roman Catholic Church sympathy is more with the law breaker than the law keeper, and that such an attitude encourages criminals to seek and find the church's sympathy in their lawlessness and its consolation to their families in their bereavements.

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# GIFTS FOR ORANGE STALWARTS

A lifetime of service to the Orange Institution by Bro. George Matthews and his wife, Sister Margaret Matthews has been marked by presentations in Brownlow House Orange Hall, Lurgan. The gifts to both were handed over by the Worshipful District Master, W. Bro. Norman R.S. Hood, who in paying tribute to the recipients mentioned Bro. Matthews' service for more than a dozen years as caretaker of the Orange Hall. Many brethren present at the ceremony took the opportunity to pay tribute to the devotion of Mr. Matthews and Sister Matthews to



the cause of Orangeism in the Lurgan District Lodges and beyond. For several years he had charge of the distribution of the "Orange Standard" in Lurgan. Both have been in the Order for more than 60 years. Bro. Matthews is a member of Star of Faith LOL No. 95 in which he has served as W.M. Sister Matthews is W.D.M. of Lurgan Ladies District W.L.O.L. and Deputy Co. Grand Mistress of Co. Armagh Women's Grand Orange Lodge. She is a member of W.L.O.L. No. 63 in Lurgan. Picture: Courtesy "Lurgan Mail"



## Call to Pull Army Back From Border

By T. P. O'MAHONY

**At the annual Kilmichael commemoration in Co. Cork a call was made to the Government to move the Army back from the Border and to end extradition to the North.**

The call came from Mr. Gerry Jones, a prominent businessman and former mem-

ber of the Fianna Fail party executive.

Mr. Jones, the guest speaker at the function commemorating the 64th anniversary of the Kilmichael ambush, led by the late General Tom Barry, said in his view there was no law in Northern Ireland. He could not understand why we should send people up there to be tried by Diplock courts, "and to be interrogated, mutilated and maimed in places like Castle-reach barracks on the say-so of supergrasses."

He added that if change could not be brought about in a so-called democratic society by democratic means, then people had a moral right and a moral obligation and duty to take up arms.

"The situation now is that the British should take immediate steps to withdraw their army, not only from the North, but from the South as well.

"Maybe the time for negotiations is past — what other conclusion can be drawn from the events last week in London?"

In a prepared text, a portion of which was not delivered, Mr. Jones criticised the Taoiseach's performance at last week's summit in London. "Never again must the leader of our people be subjected to the shame recently meted out to Garret FitzGerald."

He said Dr. FitzGerald was "conned" in London and the only honourable course for him now was to resign.

Mr. Jones, who resigned from the Fianna Fail executive in 1970 in protest against its Northern Ireland policy, went on: "Dr. FitzGerald should not have bothered to go to London,

and if Sean Donlon, Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs, had not made a cock-up by failing to understand in advance how little the summit would achieve, the Taoiseach could have saved his fare to London."

Mr. Donal Mac Giolla Phoill, chairman of the Kilmichael commemoration committee, said the denial of Army guns to the Old IRA for yesterday's ceremonies amounted to "the ultimate insult to the man who had won for the Minister for Defence his freedom and who had put him into his plum job."

Mr. Mac Giolla Phoill said this same Minister could, however, find it possible to participate in the Poppy Day ceremony in a Protestant church "to honour British Tommies — the scum of the earth."

He also criticised the

Minister for Health, Mr. Barry Desmond, and said he was a disgrace because "he only wants to pave the way for abortion and contraception. This country used to be called the Island of Saints and Scholars, but if he gets his way it will be known as the Island of Whores and Robbers."

A member of the Orange Order, residing in the deep South of Ireland sent us this report, published in the "Irish Press," for reproduction in the "Orange Standard." Our correspondent in an accompanying letter says that when newspapers are so keen to comment on Unionist statements — George Seawright's remarks in Belfast City Hall being an example — the Kilmichael address by Mr. Gerry Jones, "a one time politician in the South, brands him as a republican bigot." Ed.)

## M.B.E. For Veteran Orangeman

Ligoniel True Blues L.O.L. 1932 wish to express their delight and satisfaction on W. Bro. John Henning D.D.M. of No. 1 District, Belfast, being honoured with the award of the M.B.E. in the New Year Honours List.

John, a frequent visitor to Ligoniel, is a member of Crimson Banner L.O.L. 1116 which meets in Clifton Street Orange Hall.

A sprightly 76 year old, he still runs a regular six miles every day from his Battenburg Street home in the Shankill area.

He has had a lifetime connection with the Orange Order, and with athletics. He is the president of the Northern Ireland Amateur Athletics Association.

## Tyrone Grand Lodge Officers Elected

The half yearly meeting of Co. Tyrone Grand Orange Lodge, was held in Newmills Orange Hall, Dungannon, at which the County Grand Master, Mr. Thomas Reid, presided, with Mr. John Miller District Master of Stewartstown District Lodge, as deputy.

The W.M. of Newmills LOL No. 183, Mr. William Brodison Jr., welcomed the delegates.

Mr. Reid extended a warm welcome to the two visiting

officers of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland from Belfast, Rev. Martin Smyth, Grand Master and Mr. Walter Williams, Grand Secretary. He also extended a welcome to all the members.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was conducted by Mr. Williams and resulted as follows: Grand Master: Thomas R. Reid, Gortaclare, Omagh; Deputy Grand Master, Joseph Brodison, Stewartstown; Chaplain, Canon W.G.H. Williams,

Dungannon; Secretary, William Courtney, Dungannon; Treasurer, Franklin H. Kelly, Donaghmore; Deputy Secretary, Victor Jeffrey, Omagh; Assistant Secretary, Robert Abernethy, Stewartstown; Deputy Treasurer, William J. Thompson, Donaghane, Omagh; Lecturers, Robert Deans, Ardmore, Londonderry; Alan Rainey, Brackagh, Ballygawley; Tyler, Roland Mulligan, Ballygawley.

# Co. Cavan GLOL Seek Church Facilities in New Hospital

There was an encouraging attendance at the half yearly meeting of Co. Cavan Grand Orange Lodge held in Kilmore Cathedral Hall on November 17, commencing at noon.

Distinguished visitors included W. Bro. W.C. Moody, M.B.E., J.P., D.G.M.I., Co. Armagh, W. Bro. E. McGuigan and Bro. E. Hill, Dublin and Wicklow, together with visitors from other jurisdictions.

W. Bro. W.G. Foy, CGM, presided with Bro. J.F. Roberts in the vice-chair. Apologies for inability to attend were received from M.W. Bro. Revd W. Martin Smyth, M.P., M.E.P., Grand Master, W. Bro. Noel Maxwell, CGM, Co. Monaghan, and Bro. Very Rev. R.C.H. Turkington, C.G.C., Dean of Kilmore.

It was agreed that the annual Co. Grand Lodge parade service be held in 1985 in Ashfield Parish Church near Cootehill. This service will be marked by the unveiling and dedication of a memorial outlining the active service of the late W. Bro. Stephen W. McAdam, late Co. Grand Master of Co. Cavan Grand Orange Lodge.

W. Bro. Foy emphasised the importance of a large attendance at this service.

Members of the various Districts in Co. Cavan expressed dissatisfaction with the practice of the Co. Cavan Protestant Orphan Society distributing grants from the Lord Enniskillen Memorial Orphan Society to all its children under its care and not to the Orange orphans for whom they are intended.

After a lively debate it was decided unanimously to ask the LEMOS to send grants to the Co. Grand Lodge for distribution direct to Orange orphans.

The two delegates elected to represent Co. Cavan GLOL at the Triennial World Orange Council in Belfast in July, 1985, were W. Bro. W.G. Foy, C.G.M. and Bro. John

McAdam, LOL No. 276.

Bros. W. Roberts and Harry Latimer were appointed as reserve delegates.

It was agreed to send a delegation of Co. Grand Lodge officers to a meeting with the Bishop of Kilmore to advocate the provision of a Protestant place of worship in the new regional hospital being built in Cavan.

Officers elected for 1985 were: CGM, W. Bro. W.G. Foy, DCGM, J.F. Roberts, CGC, Very Rev. R.C.H. Turkington (since deceased), Co. Grand Secretary James W. Scott, County Grand Treasurer, Harold Spotten, Tyler, Charles Trenier.

After the meeting all present were entertained to a splendid meal by the ladies of Co. Cavan.

## Lecturers Examination Successes

The Imperial Grand Lecturer, Sir Knt Thomas Malcolm, and members of the Examining Board, attended at the Stevenson Memorial Orange Hall, Ballygraine, for the purpose of testing members of the Newtownards No.11 District Lecturers Class.

The following were successful: 2nd Certificate John Moore RBP No.768; Norman Johnston, Comber No. 10 District.

1st Certificate: Alan French RBP No. 209; David Coulter, RBP No. 632.



Sir Knt. R. Gibson

The Imperial Grand Lecturer congratulated the candidates on the very high standard achieved, and thanked the Class chairman, Sir Knt Robert Gibson and his team for the dedication shown in the running of the Class.

The photographs show the Imperial Grand Lecturer presenting, on behalf of the Class, 40 years Service Jewels to Class Chairman Sir Knt Robert Gibson and Vice-chairman Sir. Knt Albert Graham.

After the conclusion of the business, all who attended were entertained to a splendid dinner by Sir Knt Gibson.



Sir Knt. A. Graham

# Ulster Nurses Alienated in North Hospitals

One hears a great deal these days about 'alienation' and especially as it is claimed to effect the Roman Catholic and nationalist section of the population.

Thanks to Protestant Church leaders, and Unionist politicians, the point has been brought home forcibly in recent times that this alienation is a two-edged thing.

Canon Eric Elliott certainly performed a worthwhile duty for Protestants by publishing a list of 20 points of alienation concerning Protestants in the Republic of Ireland, and the Presbyterian Church in Ireland has also made the telling point that alienation is a community problem in most Western European societies.

To take one recent example, spotlighted by

Unionist politicians, it seems inconsistent, to say the least, that while a class of 25 girls in the Royal Victoria Hospital in Belfast had completed their nursing training, and not one of them could secure a job, according to statistics provided by Unionist members of the Craigavon Borough Council, of a recent intake of nurses at Craigavon Area Hospital for training, only five out of 45 are said to be Protestants.

The 'Orange Standard' does not spotlight such cases lightly, believing, as most Protestants do, that all the staffs at the hospitals do a wonderful job, often thankless and underpaid.

Nevertheless, it seems odd, if the figure quoted is correct, that there should be such an imbalance, especially as the Craigavon hospital is

situated in an area of Northern Ireland which has a two-thirds Protestant majority.

What we find disturbing is the fact that, on the admission of administration chiefs, a sizeable proportion of girls accepted for training in Ulster hospitals come from the Republic of Ireland.

If there was a shortage of nurses in Northern Ireland, and the places could not be filled, then there would be no opposition to recruitment taking place anywhere. But it seems strange, to say the least, that at a time when so many Northern Ireland nurses, both Protestant and Roman Catholic, are facing unemployment, and the

prospect of many years training to equip them for their chosen careers, being in vain, that the service should be recruiting a fairly large number of nurses for Ulster hospitals from the Republic.

Unionist spokesman who have highlighted this matter have rightly stressed that it is not a sectarian point they are making. Indeed, the very

same Unionist politicians have revealed that they have been approached by Roman Catholic girls from their constituencies who have been dismayed to find they cannot get jobs, and yet girls from Eire can be accepted.

It surely cannot be termed sectarian or offensive for Ulster public representatives to take up the cudgel on behalf of girls from the Province, and argue that they should get preference over those from a foreign country when it comes to employment.

## PEACE

While walking through Enler Park just off Bridge Street in Comber, County Down, thinking about recent articles in the "Orange Standard" and the "Orange Evangel" in Yorkshire the following prayer came to mind —

Peace is a many splendored thing  
Bring it to thy people in Ulster  
Rid this Province of evil men  
Hear our pleas O Lord  
For our wish is simple  
Peace, Peace, Peace,

James Annett (Jnr)  
Ballyhenry Estate,  
Comber  
(P.M. LOL 265 Belfast)

## Orange Landmark at Coalisland

Coalisland Faith Defenders LOL No. 93, together with officers of Killyman District No.1, Co. Tyrone and Coalisland Jubilee Accordion Band, outside the Orange Hall and recently acquired property. This property, consisting of a hall and two-storey house was purchased

by the Lodge in this staunch republican area of Tyrone after a tremendous response from Orange Lodges from all over the province to an appeal. The Coalisland

brethren wish to express their heartfelt thanks for this generous acknowledgement.



## Memorial Service

To the late Right Worshipful Brother  
**Joseph Alexander (Sandy) Anderson,**  
M.B.E., J.P.,  
Will be held (D.V.) in  
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# Lifetime of Service to Orangeism

A unique event took place in the Bonn Orange Hall, Pomeroy when district officers, brethren and their counterparts from neighbouring districts met with their friends to honour in a tangible way the life and work within the loyalist community of the late W. Bro. Thomas J. Hughes, J.P.

Guest of honour on this occasion was his widow, Mrs. M. E. Hughes, J.P.

The ceremony took the form of a short religious service conducted by the District

Chaplain Bro. Rev. J. Kane M.A., D.G.C.I., assisted by Bro. Canon W. G. H. Williams, M.A., C.G.C., D.G.C.I., and Bro. W. S. Courtney, District Lay Chaplain.

Immediately following prayer and the opening act of worship the chairman, W. Bro. W. D. Hughes, W.D.M., called on W. Bro. F. H. Kelly, District Treasurer, to give the assembled gathering a brief outline of the offices held by the late W. Bro. Hughes within the loyal institutions and also the invaluable voluntary work

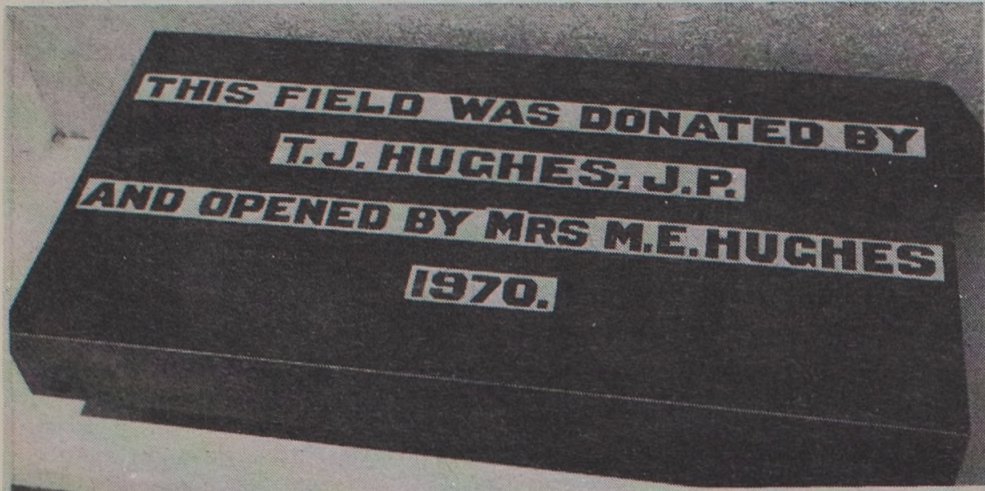
within the local community and further afield, carried out untiringly by him.

At this juncture the chairman called on Mrs. M. E. Hughes, J.P. to unveil a plaque in memory of her late husband and also as a record of the generosity of the late W. Bro. Hughes in donating the demonstration field at Pomeroy.

The plaque was then dedicated by Bro. J. Kane, M.A. who afterwards reminisced on his associations with the late W. Bro. Hughes and how the deceased had worked unceasingly for his Church, for the Loyal Institutions and the Community at large.

W. Bro. Canon Williams concluded the proceedings with prayer.

Supper was served to all present by the ladies and a social hour followed. All the speakers without exception paid glowing tributes to the late W. Bro. Hughes.



## News From London



### London Orange Service

Loyal Orange District 63 held their Church Service in the Orange St. Congregational Church, Leicester Square, London for the first time for four years.

The Service was well attended with members from LOL 779, 1688, 1689, Ladies No. 1 and The Pride of London (Mixed) Juniors in attendance as well as family and friends.

The Minister welcomed the members of the Orange District, Pastor Houghton being an ex member of LOL 1688, and wished them every success. He also hoped that the friendship between the Church members and the District would flourish, as it had done in the past.

The lessons were read by District Chaplain, Bro. T. Jackson, PGC, and District Master, Bro. A. Richardson, APGS.

The preacher gave a very warm and sincere sermon directing his theme especially to the Juniors.

The friendly welcome given by the members of the Church ensured that old friendships were renewed and new ones cemented.

We hope that these links will continue for many years to come.

Two District Officers attend the Weekly Bible Class, Bro. W.A. McKinley (HDGM) having been a member of this church for many years.

which kept me sane during the built-up. Best wishes to you all. Its Londonderry — No Surrender.

### RBP Hold Service in London

The South of England Royal Black Chapter were honoured by the presence of the Asst Sov. Grand Master, Sir Knt J. Logan, from Belfast, Scottish HGDM Sir Knt T. McKay, Glasgow, at their annual parade and Church Service on Sunday 25th November.

The parade left Smithfield Market, led by the Colour Party Sir Knts P. Nolan Union Flag, S. Ferguson, St. George and J. McCulloch, Ulster.

The District Master, Sir Knt A. Richardson, along with the two distinguished guests and District Officers followed. The Saracen Truth Defenders Flute Band led the Parade via St. Pauls to the Church at Gresham Street, followed by Sir Knts from Ulster, Glasgow, Corby, London, Oxford, Southamp-

ton, Plymouth, Portsmouth and Bristol, Portsmouth Accordion Band bringing up the rear.

A very fine sermon was delivered by the Dist Chap. Sir Knt M. Lawson. Old Testament reading from Exodus Chap 2 was read by the Dist Master, and New Testament reading from Mark was read by the Assistant Sov Grand Master who also brought fraternal greetings from the SGM and from the Shankill.

The District thank all who gave support, especially the two bands who did some very good marching music.

Come again next year on the 3rd November 1985. Best wishes from London and the South of England RB District No. 11.

### Was LEMOS Secretary for 37 Years

It is with a sense of deep regret that we record the demise of W. Bro. Robert S. McVeigh, J.P., who occupied the office of Secretary of the Lord Enniskillen Memorial Orphan Society for 37 years.

In his 70's he died in hospital following a brief illness.

Mr. McVeigh, who lived at Riverside Park, Bangor, was one of the senior Deputy Grand Masters of Ireland in the Orange Order and a Past Deputy County Grand Master of Down.

He took over as secretary of the LEMOSF in 1941 from his father, Mr. James McVeigh, who held the position for seven years, and at the time of his death was treasurer of the fund.

He was a Past Master of

Ballygowan L.O.L. No. 1181 and was also prominently associated with the Royal Black Institution and the Official Unionist Party. He became a Justice of the Peace 25 years ago.

Mr. McVeigh was for a number of years manager of Express Dairies at Maralin. He was also chairman of the Magicians' Circle in Northern Ireland and in his younger days played senior soccer as a goalkeeper with Distillery.

He was a member of Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church in Bangor.

He is survived by his widow Mary and two brothers.

The funeral took place at Roselawn Cemetery.

### Bro. Charles Hewitt, U.S.A.

American Orangeism has suffered grievously in recent years by the passing of some of its best known, most experienced and highly respected brethren. We have just been told, by intimation of the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. the Rev. M. Martin Smyth, of the death of Bro. Charles J. Hewitt at hospital in Fontana, California, on 11 September 1984.

American - fashion the Christmas and New Year message from widow Betty to her friends gives them information about Charlie's death and funeral. He was born in Cavan, Co. Cavan, 24 August 1905. The service was in the Wee Kirk O' the Heather, Fontana, with the officiating minister, old friend the Rev. Frank Kelly, retired Episcopal clergyman and brother Orangeman. The inurnment was in the Columbarium of the Patriots, the Freedom Mausoleum, Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, California.

Betty's sense of loss is apparent but so too is her alive and active Christian faith. And she has been helped greatly by the sympathy and loving care of family and friends.

She appends this James Dillet Freeman poem — and her good wishes to those to whom she writes has this sentiment. May you all have Peace of mind, warmth of heart, the brightness of hope; For these things ARE Christmas, God's gift for you to keep this year and ALWAYS!

"He has put on invisibility, Dear Lord, I cannot see, But this I know — although the road ascends and passes from my sight, that there will be no night;

That you will take him gently by the hand and lead him on along the road of life that never ends

And he will find it is not death, but dawn.

I do not doubt that You are there, as here — and you will hold him dear.

Our life did not begin with birth — it is not of the earth;

And this that we call death is no more than the opening and closing of a door;

And in Your house, how many rooms must be, beyond this one where we rest momentarily.

Dear Lord, I thank You for the faith that frees, the love that knows it cannot lose its own;

The love that, looking through the shadows, sees that You and he and I, are ever one.

### Success of Parade

On behalf of the Thames and Avon Branch AB of Derry (Londonderry) Murray Club may I through your publication thank all Amalgamated Committees/Branch Clubs from all over the United Kingdom, who gave their support to the Parade on Saturday November 17th 1984.

This parade and rally, the first ever in the Capital City of London, was a great success. The media for once were not anti-Loyalist. Thanks also to the General Committee for

allowing us to hold the Parade and Rally in London. The bands from Scotland, England, Ulster and the Borders were a proud sight to see.

The Wreath laying and Petition Parties were a very smart and distinguished envoy, who carried out their duties to the very high standard accustomed to the Apprentice Boys.

My personal thanks to the very fine speakers and platform party at Trafalgar Square, also my friend and Brother John Reid for all his help and advice,

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### Togo Lodge Honour For Canon Long

The Right Wor. Bro. Rev. Canon S.E. Long, L.Th., J.P., has been honoured by the Grand Lodge of Togo which has conferred on him the status of Honorary Grand Officer of the African jurisdiction.

The Imperial Grand Chaplain has been most happy to accept the appointment.

He is already Honorary Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Canada and Honorary Deputy Grand Master of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the United States of America.

