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## Dangers in "fair employment" policy

The obsession in Northern Ireland with so-called "fair employment" has surely reached even more ridiculous heights with the stress being placed on persuading more Roman Catholics to join the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Even the Chief Constable, Mr. Hugh Annesley, has joined in the campaign, and in a major article in the Irish News has called on Roman Catholics to join the force in large numbers and play their part in policing the Province.

With all this hue and cry about not enough members of the minority being in the RUC, one could very easily get the

impression that members of the Roman Catholic faith had been precluded from joining the RUC before the "enlightened" period which has dawned since the implementation of the Fair Employment Act and the Anglo-Eire Agreement.

In fact, one of the first things the newly elected Unionist Government of Northern Ireland did in 1921 was to retain

### policy

one-third of the places in the newly-formed Royal Ulster Constabulary for Roman Catholics—exactly the same as their ratio in the Northern Ireland population.

The quote was never taken up, or indeed nothing like one-third, although there have been many thousands of decent, law-abiding and loyal Roman Catholics who have passed

through the ranks of the RUC down the years.

Some of them have paid the supreme sacrifice in their loyalty to the Crown, as did many of their co-religionists in the Royal Irish Constabulary, predecessor of the RUC.

But the fact has to be honestly faced that for various reasons, members of the Roman Catholic community did not tend to join the RUC, or the Ulster Special Constabulary.

Again, contrary to the lies and propaganda of republicans, the USC was not formed as a "Protestant Militia" or exclusively Protestant force. In its very early days there were a number of Roman Catholic 'A' Specials and 'B' Specials, but they were intimidated out of the force. Not by "Orange bigots," but by the IRA of those days and their supporters.

#### CAMPAIGN

But to get back to the current campaign to entice more Roman Catholics into the force, it would seem that employment ratios are also a pressing consideration.

In its anxiety to provide more jobs for Roman Catholics to the exclusion of Protestant applicants, as has happened in the civil service, local government, industry, and every area of Ulster society since the Fair Employment Act was introduced, the Northern Ireland Office would seem to be deter-

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### Easter parades

**Easter Monday (April 1)**  
Apprentice Boys:  
Larne, Cookstown and  
Killyleagh (Co. Down).  
**Easter Tuesday (April 2)**  
Junior Orange Order:  
Carrickfergus.



## A goblet of real value

This highly important engraved Williamite commemorative goblet, dating from around 1720 was estimated to fetch between £20,000 and £30,000 when it came up for sale at Sotheby's in London on Monday, March 25. Note the inscription.

"Glorious and Immortal memory of King William."

## New lodge makes big strides

Wednesday, January 9, was indeed a very special date for Bro. Julius Hunter, of Ballynaveigh District in Belfast.

Bro. Hunter was instrumental in forming LOL 1542 "The Star of the South" in No. 10 district, Ballynaveigh—the first new lodge to be formed in 20 years.

He had been elected into the D.M. chair on formation of the lodge in March 1990, and had performed in the job very well—guiding a young lodge and membership through their first year of existence.

His knowledge and respect of the Orange Order in Ballynaveigh No. 10 has helped LOL 1542 to rise a membership of over 40 members in only 10 months.

The W.M. officers, and brethren expressed their gratitude and made Bro. Hunter an honorary member.

Wor. Bro. William Carter, DDM No. 10, performed this duty after he had installed the newly elected officers of LOL 1542. Bro. Hunter wished his successor in the deputy

his successor in the deputy chair, Bro. William Stalford all the best for the future and hoped that the lodge would go from strength to strength in 1991.

## Changing scene in 'leafy Malone'

Things are changing in the leafy and fashionable suburbs of South Belfast, according to a report in a Dublin newspaper.

The report claims that the Roman Catholic population in the Malone Road-Balmoral area of the city has gone up dramatically in the past decade.

Apparently hundreds of middle-class and professional Roman Catholic families are less than enamoured with the antics of their co-religionists in West Belfast, and are plumping to set up home in the Malone area rather than in the new private estates on the fringes of West Belfast!



At a recent social evening in the Ranton Memorial Orange Hall, Donaghmore, a presentation was made to Bro. Sam Cowan, who has retired after 30 years as superintendent of Hope of Ulster Junior L.O.L. No. 95. The presentation was made by Bro. Rodney Moffett, W.M., while Bro. Allister McConville, D.M., presented a gift to Mrs. Cowan. Front row (from left): Bro. Cowan, Bro. Allister McConville, Mrs. Cowan. Back row: Bro. Jim McConville (superintendent); Bro. Bobby Magowan (W.M. Lodge No. 1364), and Bro. Trevor McGaffin (assistant superintendent).

(Picture: Courtesy of Rathfriland Outlook).

## Orange protests to Bush and Major

Belfast Orange Order leaders have protested to Prime Minister John Major and US President George Bush over Eire's territorial claim to Northern Ireland.

They sent letters to the two leaders, congratulating them on their handling of the Gulf war, but also highlighting the terrorist war in Ulster and the existence of the Eire claim.

The Orangemen's move follows a recommendation from the Worshipful Masters of the 250 Belfast lodges, which held their annual conference at the weekend.

The city's County Grand Lodge said that Mr. Bush had placed great emphasis on Saddam Hussein's illegal claim to Kuwait and the importance of enforcing UN resolutions.

It added that it would be requesting Mr. Bush to reject Eire's illegal claim and to urge the UN to direct Dublin to delete it from its constitution.

## Unionism and Orangeism loses hearty stalwart

Sir George Anthony Clark, one of Northern Ireland's first political bridge-builders and for decades, a leading figure in the Ulster Unionist Party, is dead.

Aged 77, he died in his sleep at his home, Tullygirvan House, Ballygowan, Co. Down on February 19.

In a tribute to the party patron, Glengall Street chief Wor. Bro. Jim Molyneaux said: "Sir George was one of the stalwarts who saved and stabilised the party and a Province which had been



plunged into turmoil by the reckless destruction of Stormont in the early seventies.

"I was delighted when he accepted the presidency of the party a few months after I became leader."

Sir George was born in Belfast just before the outbreak of the First World War and was educated at Canford in England.

He boxed and played rugby for the school and later cultivated a love of horse racing. His highly successful Co.

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### Ballyvea lodge's dinner

Members of Ballyvea L.O.L. 343a (Mourne District) at the Lodge dinner in Annalong Presbyterian Church Hall. Seated from left: Bros. Leslie McVeigh (Treasurer); William Chambers (Lay Chaplain); Jim Martin (W.M.), and Stanley McConnell (D.M.). Standing: Bros. Bob McConnell (first Lecturer); Charles McConnell (Tyler); Sydney McKee (Secretary), and John Hanna (second Lecturer). (Picture: Courtesy of Rathfriland Outlook).

## Serbian support for Ulster cause recalled

In the mid-1970s, at the height of the Provisional IRA bombing campaign in Ulster, a blistering attack on the IRA was carried in an official Community Party paper in Yugoslavia.

The article concerned, referred to the IRA as "reactionary forces of Roman Catholicism," and alleged the movement was seeking to impose tyranny on the Protestant majority in Northern Ireland.

It was an attack caused astonishment in some circles in the West, including the United Kingdom, because most Communist countries in those days had tended to take a pro-IRA line, with the terrorists cast in the mould of "freedom fighters."

This Yugoslavian statement was something different, and is explained perhaps by the hostility and suspicion harboured among Serbs, the majority ethnic group in the Yugoslavian republic towards the Roman Catholic Church.

Serbs constitute the majority of Yugoslavians, and Serbia,

with Belgrade as its capital, is the largest of six states which formed the Yugoslavian republic, created after the First World War.

Serbs are Russian Orthodox by religion, but two of the other six states which make up Yugoslavia, Croatia and Slovenia, are Roman Catholic by religion.

There has always been rivalry and suspicion between Serbs and Croats, and this reached its heights during the Second World War, when the Germans invaded Yugoslavia.

Many Croats collaborated with the invading Nazis, and a separate Croatian State was created with a Roman Catholic activist called Pavelich as its head. A militant Roman Catholic organisation called the Ustashi created a wave of terror in Croatia, and tens of thousands of Serbs, who are a minority in that part of Yugoslavia were murdered, or forced to convert to Roman Catholicism.

The Croats fought alongside Hitler's armies in the struggle against the Yugoslavian Partisans, and when the war eventually went badly for the Axis Powers, and the Partisans drove the Germans and their allies from the country, the full extent of Croatian collaboration came to light.

The Roman Catholic Church emerged with less than credit from the Yugoslavian struggle, but because of the anti-Communist mood in postwar Europe, and the American influence, the full role of the Church's participation in the persecution of the Serbian minority in Croatia was not fully reported.

One of the most fully documented accounts of this pogrom of Serbian Orthodox people was published in a book called "Ravens Wolves" by Monica Farrell, and it makes for grim reading.

These events in Yugoslavia have been largely forgotten by the rest of the world, but not by the Serbs, and this explains their fear of Croatian militancy.

It probably also explains the Yugoslavian support for Ulster Protestants in the mid-1970s at a time when few other voices were speaking up for the Unionist cause.

### History men change tack

Changes have been made to a common history curriculum for Ulster's schools after some teachers complained it placed too much emphasis on Irish history.

A major report by the Northern Ireland Curriculum Council yesterday changed the history course to make it more international, following complaints that it was too narrow and did not contain enough British history.

The working party which drew up the course has proposed that history should be compulsory in all schools up to the age of 16.

But NICC has pointed out that under the legal framework, young people can choose between history and geography at the age of 14.

The common history course is aimed at breaking down sectarian barriers by encouraging an understanding of each other's background and history.

## Junior Orange leaders look to the 1990s

The Junior Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland held a conference at Warren House, Donaghadee on January 19, entitled "Junior Orangeism in the 1990s and beyond."

In attendance were Grand Lodge officers, County Grand Lodge officers, district masters, and district secretaries.

The conference was declared open by the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. Thomas R. Haire, who welcomed the guest speaker, Wor. Bro. Dr. Clifford Smyth who gave an interesting lecture on "What is an cultural heritage."

This was following by the deputy grand master, Wor. Bro. Jim Conly, who outlined the various activities available at present for Junior Orange-men.

The conference then adjourned for lunch and in the afternoon Wor. Bro. Hugh Conn, treasurer of the McCrea Memorial Trust, spoke on the trust and the grand secretary, Wor. Bro. Thomas Ross addressed the gathering on administration and communication.

The meeting then broke into four groups for discussions and reported back before the Grand Master close the proceedings with his address on how the junior movement should advance in the next number of years and indeed into the 21st century.

From the discussion groups many suggestions came forth and will be more closely studied by Grand Lodge officers before any action is taken. On the education scene it is considered that history in the form of video cassette/slide

presentation for use at lodge meetings would be helpful.

Trips to places of interest should be considered and a regular in the Orange Standard to cover lodge news and to draw up competitions should be considered.

Competitions were also reviewed and everyone seems to be satisfied with the present ones on lecturing, scripture, football, and general knowledge. Some suggestions were made on how to improve and update those in existence and to consider additional ones such as darts, cross country, swimming, and pool.

Regarding the McCrea Memorial Trust it was decided to cancel the weekends allocated to three district lodges at a time and allocate to each of the four county lodges in turn.

Information, which would be helpful to visitors, should be collated and circulated with the booking form and a request to organise sporting weekends based at Warren House is to be considered.

Several aspects of administration and communication must be addressed particularly when there are requirements to be attended to in between grand lodge meetings. These are matters best left to the secretaries to resolve.

All in all the conference was a great success and could prove the forerunner to one for lodge superintendents and junior worthy masters.

### A lifetime of service

Members of Aughlish Heroes LOL No. 74 (Tandragee District No. 4) recently presented a long service jewel, fully engraved and certificate to one of the lodge's outstanding members, Bro. Thomas Irwin.

Bro. Irwin has been attached to the Loyal Orange Institution for approx. 56 years.

He joined Blearly Loyal Sons of William LOL No. 754 (Lurgan District No. 6) in 1935 and transferred to LOL No. 74 in 1956.

Worshipful Bro. George Patton, P.M., No. 74 and Executive Officer of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland was called on by the W.M., Bro. Samuel Hogg to perform the presentation.

He complimented Bro. Irwin for the services he rendered to both lodges during 56 years and wished Bro. Irwin many more years, coupled with good health and happiness.

Bro. Irwin suitably replied and said he had spent 35 very happy years with No. 74 and wished the lodge every success and God's richest blessing.

Other dignitaries attending the function were Bro. the Rev. George Little, Deputy Grand Chaplain of Co. Tyrone, and Wor. Bro. the Rev. Hugh Ross, County Grand Chaplain of Tyrone plus Wor. Bro. Sydney McIlldoon, WDM No. 4 District, Tandragee and Wor. Bro. George Hamilton, district treasurer, Tandragee.

A social hour followed after the festive board. The loyal toast was duly honoured, also a toast to the visitors and a special toast to the guest of the evening Bro. Irwin and the newly installed chaplin, Bro. J. Patton.

## Easter parades

On Easter Monday (April 1), Apprentice Boys will be on the march at separate demonstrations in Larne, Cookstown and Killyleagh (Co. Down).

The Junior Orange Order will parade in Carrickfergus on Easter Tuesday (April 2). Lodges from Belfast, East and South Antrim, and North Down will take part.



## Long service honoured

Rathfriland District L.O.L. No. 3, at a meeting held in the House of Orange, Belfast, presented an inscribed watch to Bro. Gavan Hughes in recognition of his many years faithful service within the District. Pictured (seated from left) are: Bros. Hugh Russell (County Secretary); William Brown (County Grand Master); Hughes; William Young (District Master), and Bro. Alex McShane (Deputy County Grand Master). Back row (from left) are: District officers Bros. Sam Walker, Hugh Bell, the Rev. Alistair Smyth, Stanley Priestley and Lindsay Weir. (Picture: Courtesy of Rathfriland Outlook).



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## Fluters' day out

Ravenhill Temperance Flute Band won the championship grade at the Ulster Flute Band league contest in Bangor on Saturday, February 23.

Runner-up was Ballywalter, third Ballygowan and fourth Ballyclare Victoria.

Other results: Melody: 1, Ballymacarrett Defenders; 2, Blackridge; 3, William King Memorial, Londonderry. Grade 2: 1, Churchill, Londonderry; 2, Ballywillan, Portrush. Grade 3: 1, Johnston Star, Newtownabbey; 2, Castlegore; 3, tie, Seapatrick, Banbridge and Cahard. Grade 4: 1, Orangefield, Kilkeel; 2, Derryogue, Kilkeel.

## HELD OVER

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



Installation dinner

Members of Cottown LOL 1029 at their installation dinner in Stevenson Memorial Orange Hall, Ballygrainey, Co. Down.

# Lord Prior's warning on Ulster violence

Lord Prior, who as James Prior was a former Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, has forecast that the violence in the Province will last for another five to 10 years at least.

That is a terrible prediction, bearing in mind the suffering endured by the people of Northern Ireland for the past 22 years, but it is one that few honest Ulster people would disagree with, writes a "Standard" correspondent.

Security, as we have so often stressed, is the most pressing problem which confronts the people of Northern Ireland, and sadly the indications are that the present British Government is no more committed to firm and decisive action to end the IRA campaign than was any of its predecessors since 1969.

In the past month the unrelenting slaughter has continued, with victims of the Provisional IRA, and by groups describing themselves as loyalist.

Another bomb attack on Shorts, the most important manufacturing firm in Northern Ireland, murders of UDR men and civilians, attacks on RUC stations, and so the list goes on and on.

Loyalist violence is no more to be condoned than that of republican killings, but the kernel of Northern Ireland's problem lies in the complete defeat of the IRA campaign.

It is the republican campaign, with its twin objectives of the withdrawal of the British from Northern Ireland, and the suppression of everything of a Protestant, Unionist and loyalist tradition that is the key factor in the violence. It has fanned loyalist counter-violence, no less deplorable, but something which would wither on the vine, and would have no support from any sizeable section of the unionist population if the threat to the Union and to the security of Ulster people was removed.

Sadly, even in the aftermath of so much violence during the past month, the only reaction for Government and NIO Ministers has been meaningless platitudes and ritual condemnations.

## REVIEW

There has also been a promise of yet another "security review," despite the fact that there have been numerous such reviews in the past 20 years with no radical change in approach to the problem.

Ulster people, as in 1982, have been able to witness the great contrast in HM Government's approach to wars abroad, and that on their own doorstep.

A war is being fought in Northern Ireland, with all the terrible range of weaponry available to the guerillas attempting to overthrow the State. Yet, unlike the Gulf war, the Falklands War, the British Government does not use the measures so necessary to defeat the enemies of the Crown in Northern Ireland.

Upper Bann MP, David Trimble was quick to pinpoint the contrast when he spoke in the House of Commons on March 6. He has rightly called for internment as a necessary measure to end the IRA campaign — the removal of known activists, not just the gunmen and the bombers, but the planners from society, and put behind bars until the defeat of the campaign and conspiracy.

The answers certainly do not lie in temporary measures such as the use of extra troops for a few weeks in the aftermath of an outrage, or in the much publicised appeal for more Roman Catholics to join the RUC.

Neither does it lie in securing the consent of politicians from both traditions for a new form of devolved government in Northern Ireland, which would, it is claimed, command the support of nationalists for the security forces.

Appeals for information from the general public, and for everyone to play their part in securing the capture of the terrorists will not end the campaign.

Even if the vast majority of nationalists abhor the IRA campaign, as the supporters of this line of thought claim, it would not woo the hard-line republican supporters of West Belfast, Londonderry, South Armagh, and the other strongholds of the IRA.

The achievement of "good community relations," and "reconciliation" between the Unionist and Nationalist communities would not defeat the men and women committed to revolution, to the overthrow of the State, and the absorption of Northern Ireland into an all-Ireland Republic.

## RECRUITS

No matter how much reconciliation and cross-community support is achieved in

Ulster there will always be enough recruits for the IRA to keep its campaign going indefinitely, and destabilise the Province — unless decisive steps are taken in the community field.

It must be emphasised that it is not the personnel of the security forces — Regular Army, UDR, and Royal Ulster Constabulary, which are to be criticised for the terrible security situation in Northern Ireland.

No, it is the failure of the Government to use the forces at its disposal in the way required to end the campaign which holds the key to the ending or continuance of Ulster's misery.

The Government has a number of past examples it can study, of how similar campaigns were defeated in the past. The 1920-22 and 1956-62 IRA campaigns in Northern Ireland were defeated by firm, resolute action, and the refusal to allow political considerations divert the Governments of those days from their duty.

The British also defeated similar terrorist campaigns in post-war years in Malaya and Kenya. Both those countries were faced with formidable terrorist organisations — Communist in Malaya, and Mau Mau in Kenya — which at one time looked capable of overthrowing British and local democratic rule.

On each occasion it failed because the British Governments allowed the security forces to do the job without having one hand tied behind their back.

In Malaya, a great Ulsterman, Field-Marshal Sir Gerald Templer, from Loughgall, was Army CO, and his campaign was a masterpiece of planning and implementation.

Templer's plan included the arrest of suspected terrorists and their detention in camps for the duration of the campaign — a similar tactic was used successfully in Kenya.

Martial law was introduced at the start of the campaigns, and other measures like curfew. There were relaxed as the campaigns continued with complete normality returning to "pacified" regions of the country.

The areas still experiencing terrorism were subjected to rigorous military and police control until they too were pacified, and gradually the terrorists realised their campaign was hopeless.

Citizens in the areas under strict military

control realised they could be protected in coming forward with information on terrorists and on the location of guns and explosives. Thus, the terrorist hold on communities and regions was weakened, and eventually lost.

In Northern Ireland, by contrast, the IRA has been able to exert its hold on big areas of the Province, and can control the local populations by fear.

Anyone who doubts this has only to look at West Belfast, Londonderry, South Armagh, where people can be forced out of their house for no other reason than supplying the police with information. The IRA has unwritten authority in those areas, and its writ is extending in sinister fashion to other areas.

Even in Unionist areas, like Ballymena, firms supplying the security forces with goods, have been forced to stop this and put notices in the local press to indicate this.

## BACKING

Local support groups formed to give backing to Ulster troops serving in the Gulf have been forced to adopt a low profile, and there are many other examples.

Appeals for reconciliation, for people to give information, and for more Roman Catholics to join the police force, will not end the terror which has lasted almost 22 years.

That can only come by Britain showing the same resolution in Ulster as it has shown in the Gulf and Falklands, but to do this it has to be prepared to show Dublin the door when the Eire Government exercises its veto on firm security policies.

Dublin's input into security in Northern Ireland was bad enough before November, 1985, but since the signing of the notorious Anglo-Irish Agreement, it has become intolerable.

The Eire Government pays lip service to calls for increased security and condemnation of violence, but sits firmly on any moves by Westminster to alter tactics in the Province.

Peace and stability will only come to Northern Ireland when the security situation is resolved, and anything else merely amounts to a cosmetic exercise. The paramount need in Northern Ireland is the defeat of the IRA campaign, and Ulster politicians will continue to hammer home this message in the Commons.

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# Letters to Editor

Omagh.  
March 10, 1991.

Dear Sir,  
I would just like to compliment the Orange Grand Master, Wor. Bro. the Rev. Martin Smyth; the Executive Officer, Wor. Bro. George Patton, and Westminster MP, Bro. David Trimble for their very able defence of the Orange Institution on a recent Radio 4 programme entitled, "Loyal and True."



'Seven Springs,'  
Pembury Road,  
Royal Tunbridge Wells,  
Kent TN2 4NB.

Dear Sir & Brother,  
I read with interest the report entitled "English politicians out of touch" which appeared in the December 1990/January 1991 issue of the Orange Standard. As a long-standing English Young Conservative and an honorary member of the Ulster Unionist Party, I would like to fully underscore the comments in your report.

Before Edwina Currie starts bleating that Ulster MPs should contribute more to national debates she would be wise to remember that, as Bro. David Trimble, MP, rightly said in his maiden speech, "the policies pursued in Northern Ireland are applied not on a United Kingdom basis but specifically to Northern Ireland. Northern Ireland is treated differently from the rest of the United Kingdom and its constitutional status in the kingdom is diminished."

If Mrs. Currie is genuinely anxious to hear more contributions from Ulster MPs, she would make better use of her tongue by wagging it at the government, and convincing the Conservative Party to legislate for Northern Ireland using the same procedure employed for the rest of the

United Kingdom (i.e., by amendable bill at Westminster and neither by unamendable orders-in-council nor in a devolved legislature), whilst simultaneously devolving additional administrative powers to Northern Ireland's elected local councillors in order to bring the structure of local government in Northern Ireland into line with Great Britain, to afford Ulster MPs more time to participate in national politics.

As for the Labour Party - leaving aside the axiom that socialism is incompatible with the Reformed faith - it too could help defeat terrorism if only it would abandon its romantic dream of a sovereign united Ireland and proceed to afford the British citizens of Northern Ireland the same democratic structures as in Great Britain. In the light of this, I urge all unionists to continue to support the Ulster Unionist Party.

Yours faithfully,  
Christopher Luke,  
Chairman,  
Young Conservative Party.

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Dear Sir & Brother,  
On behalf of the above lodge I would like to thank the brethren of No. 10 District for their financial help with our fun run on Boxing Day. LOL 990 as usual scooped the trophies (1st-2nd-3rd) for the run and our lodge owes them a special thanks for their support. We hope to give Belfast Orange Widows' Fund more than £100 when all the sponsorship is in and counted.

Our lodge hopes to make this an annual event on Boxing Day to raise money for BOWF, so if there are any more lodges in Belfast, who can organise a team of three men and can run five miles, drop us a line and I will give you details. In our brethren's opinion in LOL 1542 we must do all we can to help BOWF.

Yours fraternally,  
Ian J. Hunter (PM),  
sec. LOL 1542 and  
vice-president BOWF.

## Re-selected

Orange Order Grand Master, Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth has been unanimously selected by his Ulster Unionist Association to fight the next Westminster election in South Belfast. Bro. Smyth has been an MP since the early 1980s.

## Presentation to outgoing County Master



The newly-installed county officers pictured with Wor. Bro. the Rev. Martin Smyth.

Co. Down Grand Orange Lodge, at a meeting in Downpatrick Orange Hall, made a special presentation of a gold watch to Wor. Bro. William Brown (left), outgoing County Grand Master, in recognition of his loyal and dedicated service. The presentation was performed by Wor. Bro. Alex McShane, the new County Grand Master (right). Also in photo is Wor. Bro. the Rev. Martin Smyth, Grand Master of Ireland.



(Pictures: Courtesy of Rathfriland Outlook).

## Gilford enthusiasm for Orangeism

Numerically, Gilford is not one of the largest Orange districts in Northern Ireland, but as far as enthusiasm is concerned, the mid-Down district takes some beating.

There are only seven lodges in Gilford District LOL No. 13, with a total membership of 200 Orangemen.

But members do not always tell the true story, and this applies in the case of Gilford. In the past few years a number of important steps have been taken to strengthen Orangeism in Gilford district, not least the building of a fine new Orange Hall.

Typical of the spirit of Gilford Orangeism is the success of one of the lodges, Gilford Independent Heroes LOL No. 2016, which has trebled its membership in the past five years.

In fact, the percentage increase of this lodge during that time is one of the most spectacular in Irish Orangeism - from 11 to 33 members.

Driving force behind the recruitment campaign has been Portadown solicitor, Bro. Timothy Mayes.

Bro. Mayes, who has been Worshipful Master of LOL 2016 during that period, believes there is no reason why many lodges could not do the same thing.

### ENTHUSIASM

He puts down the success to hard work and enthusiasm, and believes that every effort should be made to make meetings interesting.

"We try to have special speakers as often as possible, on a wide range of issues, and we also do our best to ensure that members of the Junior Orange Order are not lost to the senior Order," he said.

That last point is an important one, as there have been many cases of boys who were very impressive members of the Juniors, but were not attracted into the adult Order, simply because no-one took the

trouble to encourage them once they had left the ranks of the Juniors.

Bro. Mayes also points out that the new Gilford Orange Hall is a constant hive of activity. Organisations which hold meetings include a thriving community association - the Stramore Association - and he paid tribute to the great work of Bro. William McKeown in this connection.

Bro. Mayes believes communications should be improved within the Orange Order, making use of new technology.

A keen Unionist, Bro. Mayes believes that Dublin and the SDLP has been allowed to exercise a veto over progress in the political field in Northern Ireland.

"I am delighted that our Unionist leaders and politicians have been able to show in recent months that it is the SDLP who are intransigent, and holding up progress. Too often in the past our opponents have been able to portray Unionists as being the stumbling block to progress, but that is certainly not the case this time," he said.



Bro. Matthew Duke, of LOL 219, one of the oldest brethren in the Keady District, pictured on the Boyne Bridge with the District Secretary of Keady, Bro. Thomas Shilliday. On display was the Co. Cavan District banner. A short parade was held to mark the Tercentenary year.



Members of Keady District No. 8 and the ladies of Markethill Orange Lodge pictured on the bridge over the River Boyne, Co. Louth, on their day trip recently.

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# Formation of new district junior lodge in Co. Tyrone

Another milestone in the history of Junior Orangeism in Co. Tyrone was reached with the inauguration of Annahoe District Tercentenary JLOL No. 286.

The ceremony took place, under the auspices of West Tyrone Junior District LOL No. 1, working under the jurisdiction of Tyrone Junior County Grand Lodge.

The Junior County Grand Master of Tyrone, Wor. Bro. Johnston Mulligan, who is also Worthy Master, West Tyrone District, occupied the chair for the opening ceremony with Wor. Bro. Dennis Kelly, Deputy County Grand Master in the deputy chair, and Bro. Alex Reid, Lay Chaplain, Annahoe District, acting as honorary chaplain.

The W.M. extended a cordial welcome to all present, including Bro. Jim Conly, Junior Deputy Grand Master; Bro. Tom Ross, Junior Grand Secretary; Bro. Tom Reid, Tyrone County Grand Master, and Bro. Ivan Duff, W.M., Annahoe District lodge.

Bro. Mulligan said that this was a most auspicious occasion in the history of Annahoe District and he congratulated the officers on their initiative in getting their new District Junior Lodge formed. He was very glad to see so many officers and brethren present to witness the inauguration.

Following the opening ceremony, 39 boys were introduced by Bro. Wilfred Breen, Grand Steward, and initiated into the Junior movement. The junior lecture and address was delivered by Bro. Rowland Mulligan, Deputy Grand Lecturer, assisted by Bro. John Caldwell, West Tyrone District.

Bro. Conly took the chair, and Bro. Ross the deputy chair to carry out the installation of

the officers of the new lodge: W.M. - Clive Sharkey; D.M. - John Mulligan; Chaplain - Winston Duff; Secretary - Graham Booth; Steward - Andrew Alexander; Inner Guard - Paul Eagleson; Superintendent - Bro. Noel Erskine; Assistant Superintendents - Bros. Andrew Condy and Stephen McKeown, and Treasurer - Bro. Paul Bell.

Bro. Conly then handed over the lodge warrant into the safe keeping of the lodge superintendent and invited the chaplain, Bro. Reid to dedicate a Bible, the lodge regalia, and a set of mallets.

Bro. Conly said he was delighted to be present to see yet another junior lodge formed and he thanked the County Grand Master for his words of welcome. He congratulated all the newly installed officers and wished them every blessing in the years ahead. He knew that the boys would never regret the step they had taken that night and under the guiding hands of their senior officers, the lodge would go from strength to strength.

Bro. Ross thanked the Annahoe brethren for the invitation that night and apologised for the absence of the Grand Master, Bro. Tom Haire. He was delighted to have had the opportunity to play a small part in the proceedings. He urged the boys to enjoy themselves as members of the Junior Order and said there were lots of ongoing events from which they would derive lots of fun.

Bro. Breen said he was pleased to have played a part in the initiation and installation ceremonies. This was the second district junior lodge, he said, to be formed in Co. Tyrone and had the largest membership of any lodge within the county.

As county secretary, he invited the boys to participate fully in all the various spiritual and sporting activities, both at all levels of the junior order. He stressed the importance of daily reading of God's word and endeavouring to make it the standard of life and practice.

The Tyrone County Grand Master, Bro. Tom Reid, congratulated the officers responsible for inaugurating the new lodge. He said that it was the junior brethren that senior members were looking to take Orangeism into the 21st century.

He urged the senior brethren to continue to give the senior officers of the lodge their wholehearted support as the job they had taken on was every bit as responsible as that of a Sunday school teacher. He knew that under God's hand the future of the new lodge would be bright and its formation would add impetus to Orangeism in the Annahoe district.

Bro. Alex Reid said it was a great day for the brethren of Co. Tyrone to see so many young folk initiated into the junior movement and he congratulated all the officers and members and wished them God's richest blessing.

Bro. Ivan Duff, WM, Annahoe District, said he was thrilled to see a junior lodge being formed in his district.



A cake is cut by Bro. Clive Sharkey, to mark the formation of the Annahoe District Junior LOL.



Members of the Annahoe Junior District LOL.

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## Markethill table quiz

Markethill District LOL No. 10 held a table quiz competition in Kilcluney Orange Hall.

A similar event had been held last year as part of the Tercentenary celebrations and had proved so successful that it was decided to hold a competition in 1991.

A combined team from Mullabrack LOL No. 1406 and Mullabrack Accordion Band - Bros. Lewis Singleton (secretary); R. Wilson (D.M.); D. Bingham, and N. Lester - won the contest this year again, making it two in a row.

Indeed, so good was this team that the view was expressed they might step aside next year to give other lodges and bands a chance!

A total of 13 teams took part, including representative teams of local lodges, bands, Mount-norris Women's LOL No. 24, Markethill RBP No. 54, and the Markethill Black lecture class.

Runners-up were Ballylane True Blues LOL No. 478, entering for the first time - Bros. W. Anderson, F. Ander-

son, R. Sterritt, and W. McClure.

Question-master was Bro. Roger Gardiner, District Secretary, with Bro. Jim Reaney, District Treasurer, as scorekeeper, and Wor. Bro. David McCullough, WDM, as adjudicator.

Bro. Gardiner would discount rumours that he was biased to his own lodge, LOL No. 479, of which he is secretary! The winning team members were presented with Markethill District LOL No. 10 Tercentenary souvenir pens and Somme-Aughrim Grand Lodge badges.

The presentations were made by Bro. McCullough, WDM, who also presented a County Armagh Grand Lodge Tercentenary plate to Bro. T. H. Whiteside, DM, of Kilcluney LOL No. 132 for use of the hall.

At the end of the proceedings, Sir Knt. Jim Finch, WDM of Markethill RBDC No. 3, proposed a composite vote of thanks to all who had organised the event, and to Kilcluney lodge for supper provided.

## New booklet

The Education Committee of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland has just published a 44-page booklet.

Titled "The Glorious Revolution," the book is written by Cecil Kilpatrick

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# Series of events to mark 1641 anniversary

Of all the terrible events in Ireland's troubled history, none was more dreadful than the massacres of Protestants in the North of Ireland in the year 1641.

An unknown number of innocent people, many of them women and children, perished at the hands of bloodthirsty rebels for no other crime than the fact that they were Protestants and of planter stock.

Estimates vary as to the number who died—these range from 12,000 to 100,000 and it is the latter figure which is generally accepted today—but the actual total is irrelevant, because it was the ruthless and cruel way in which the people were butchered that caused such shock waves of horror to reverberate throughout the British Isles, and the legacy of that terrible time of 350 years ago in the woods and highways of Ulster still lingers on.

Down the years the folk memories of those massacres have been handed down from father to son, and in parts of Counties Armagh, Down, and Tyrone, the tales have been told from generation to generation of how men, women and children were tortured and killed.

It is not in the nature of Protestants to harbour ancient hatreds or blame the co-religionists of today on those who perpetrated them. But such was the awfulness of that period in Ireland's history that it is felt the memory should be

commemorated with religious services and other events this year.

It was the planters of English stock who suffered most in the massacres, because their settlements in Armagh and Tyrone were more vulnerable to the rising of the native Irish than the stronger Scottish areas in Antrim and North Down.

The close proximity of Scotland meant that the Ulster Scots could count on help arriving quickly to aid their kinsfolk in the north of Ireland, and that is what happened.

The inland English settlements suffered greatly at the hands of the rebels and there were many instances of Protestants being put to the sword, some having been promised safe passage by the Roman Catholic rebels to England.

This is what happened in one of the most infamous massacres, that at the bridge in Portadown, where over 200 Protestant men, women and children were drowned by a rebel force led by Toole McCann.

### TORTURE

In nearby Loughgall, over 300 Protestants were herded into the parish church, the doors locked on them, and they were burned alive, some after

suffering terrible torture.

Many of the deaths were caused by the poor people being simply driven from their homes naked, and into the woods which then covered most of Ulster. In that terrible winter of 1641, they either froze to death or were killed by wolves.

In fairness, many Protestants were protected by the native Irish among whom they lived, and some of the rebel chieftains, notably the great Owen Roe O'Neill prevented their men from joining in the slaughter.

### STAND FOR FREEDOM

But the terrible bloodletting was to cast its shadow down the years and it was one of the reasons why so many Protestants rushed for the safety of the citadel cities of Londonderry and Enniskillen in 1688-89, fearing a repetition of the killings which had cost the lives of so many of their forefathers. There were also survivors of that terrible killing time still living then in Ulster and their stories no doubt influenced the men of Derry and Enniskillen to make their stand for freedom and religious liberty in face of the armies of James the Second.

The 1641 Rebellion had many other subsequent effects on Irish history. For example, it is one of the reasons why the

Orange Order had its formation in the heartlands of Armagh and Tyrone.

### ORANGE CAUSE

The men of the Diamond, and the surrounding countryside, and the towns of Portadown, Lurgan, Dunganannon, and Loughgall had read their history and had been taught at their mother's knee of what happened in 1641.

These people of Anglican and English stock rallied immediately to the Orange cause because of the real fear of a racial and religious pogrom similar to 1641.

Orangeism took longer to get established in the Presbyterian areas of Counties Antrim and Down because of several reasons. Presbyterians were discriminated against because of their form of worship, and it was only when they had been granted their full rights that they made common allegiance with Anglicans in the Protestant and unionist cause.

But the Presbyterian and Scottish areas of Ulster had not suffered to the same extent as the English and Anglican regions, so the fear and dread of what had happened in 1641 was not as vividly imprinted in their folk memory.

### REBELLION IN THE SOUTH

As the 1798 Rebellion progressed in Wexford, how-

ever, the massacres of Protestants at Scullabogue, Wexford Bridge, and Enniscorthy brought home to the Presbyterians of Antrim and Down that the rebellion in the south was not simply a campaign for social justice and religious freedom, but a fearful campaign of extermination of Protestants and loyalists.

This drove a crucial wedge between the Presbyterian radicals of Ulster and the sectarian Roman Catholic rebels of Wexford and the south, and the inclination thereafter of Presbyterians was to make common cause with their fellow Protestants in the Orange and unionist cause.

### CROMWELL REMEMBERED

Retribution for the 1641 rebellion was to come eight years later when Oliver Cromwell and his victorious parliamentary armies crushed Irish resistance.

The excesses of the Cromwellian forces in Drogheda and Wexford have been remembered to this day, and carefully documented by Irish historians, who have often ignored or minimised the part the 1641 massacre of Protestants played in the revenge killings by Cromwell and Ireton's soldiery. These were deplorable, but in the interests of fair play, it should have been important to stress the more

widespread and general massacres of Protestants in the North.

### COMMEMORATE

This year a number of Orange districts will be holding a series of events to commemorate the 1641 massacres.

One of the districts most involved will be Portadown scene of the most infamous killings. Portadown District LOL No. 1 formed a committee some months ago to co-ordinate events, and planning for these is well under way.

They will include a mini-Twelfth in June with a pageant and re-enactment of the event close to the scene, with actors in period costumes, a religious service in October, and the unveiling of a plaque.

### PUBLICATION OF EVENTS

A booklet is also being published in connection with the series of events, and other Orange districts are planning similar commemorations.

The Ulster Society, based at Brownlow House, is also hoping to produce a booklet on an event which, despite its profound effect on Irish history at the time, and ever since, has not been as well researched and publicised as other Irish historical events such as 1688-90, 1795, 1798, and the Home Rule struggles.



Members of LOL 647 and LOL 778 parading to the St. Patrick's Day service in Nelson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Belfast.

## Big turn-out for St. Patrick's Day services

Hundreds of Belfast Orangemen attended two St. Patrick's Day services.

Belfast Grand Master John McCrea and the Order's Executive officer George Patton led 700 members to a service in St. Patrick's Parish Church on the Newtownards Road in east Belfast.

The service was organised by St. Patrick's Total Abstinence LOL No. 1365.

A St. Patrick's Day service was also held in the west of the city—in Nelson Memorial Presbyterian Church on the Shankill Road.

Lodge members from the Clifton Street and Shankill districts attended the service, organised by Agnes Street LOL No. 1953.

(Pictures: Ulster News Letter).



Belfast Orange leaders on parade to the St. Patrick's Day service in Nelson Memorial Presbyterian Church on the Shankill Road.



Orangemen from North Belfast parading along Crumlin Road to attend a St. Patrick's Day church service in Nelson Memorial Presbyterian Church.



Band members and Orangemen on the march to a service in Belfast on St. Patrick's Day.

# Comment — Comment — Com

The death of Most Wor. Bro. Sir George Clark, Bart., could be seen as the end of an era in Irish Orangeism. The report of his passing on television carried a glimpse of him as Grand Master addressing Grand Lodge from a top table at the dinner and seated around him were Wor. Bro. Brian Faulkner, M.P., Senator James Baillie, and Grand Lodge officers, all of whom predeceased him. Wholly committed Orangemen as they were none was to give himself more generously and sacrificially to this organisation than did Sir George. When the Ulster Unionist Party took a battering in the early Seventies with division in the ranks, the prorogation of the Stormont Parliament, and splintering he remained in the old party and one with his Orange brethren. Right Wor. Bro. James H. Molyneux, J.P., M.P., leader of the UUP, said on the day of his death, "Sir George was one of the stalwarts who saved and stabilised the party and a Province which had been plunged into turmoil by the reckless destruction of Stormont in the early 1970s." This is to be seen when names of once well-known party people, parliamentarians among them, are not to be found among the Orange Order faithful for many years. There were those of Sir George's generation who made use of the Institution to their own advantage and when it ceased to be useful to them they lost interest and in many cases membership of it. To the end of his life the Past Grand Master was deeply involved in the Order making his considerable contributions in time, talents and gifts to its maintenance. His enthusiasm for the Tercentenary celebrations ensured that the Grand Lodge exhibition had artifacts, the miniature enactment of the Battle of the Boyne was his idea and had his sponsorship. As an ex-Army officer he had a precise knowledge of an interest in the movements of the Williamite and Jacobite armies. To cite this one example of his involvement in the celebrations is to remind us of the many faceted enthusiasm of a great Orangeman.

## Sir George Clark — an Orangeman of outstanding qualities

Sir George was elected MP for the Dock constituency at Stormont in 1938 when he defeated Harry Midgley, one of the most colourful personalities in Ulster politics. At the outbreak of war, Sir George was commissioned in the Black Watch serving in France and with the Eight Army in the Middle East. He was wounded at Dunkirk in 1940 and he was on the Lancastria when it was sunk by the enemy and had to spend several hours in the water before being rescued by a French cruiser and brought to England. Rejoining his regiment in North Africa he spent the rest of the war there. At the end of the war he returned home to resume his business activities for he lost the predominantly nationalist Dock constituency in 1945. He became a Senator in 1951 and served in the upper house until 1972. Sir George joined the Orange Institution at 17 and became the Worshipful Master of Eldon LOL No. 7, the only senior office he held until his election as Grand Master of Ireland in 1957. He held that office for 10 years and filled it with dignity and that sympathetic treatment of his brethren which characterises the good leader. He was successively Imperial President and Imperial Grand Master. Those who had an intimate friendship with Sir George knew him as a most thoughtful, courteous and kindly man of integrity and courage.

He defended Unionism and Orangeism with skill, knowledge and tolerance of those whose beliefs, aims and aspirations were different from his own. He was a devout and devoted member of the Church of Ireland, serving his parish church at Saintfield in several capacities over the years. The funeral service in Killyleagh Church — Saintfield Church would not have held the congregation who attended to pay their respects — was conducted by the vicar of Saintfield, Canon Norman Woodrow, and his address was a fine tribute to the work and worth of a man he knew well and greatly respected. Among the mourners were the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth, B.A., B.D., M.P.; Rt. Wor. Bro. John McCrea, J.P., Grand Secretary; Wor. Bro. Colin Shilliday, Grand Treasurer; Wor. Bro. George Patton, Executive Officer. Other Grand Lodge and Imperial officers were Rt. Wor. Bro. W. S. K. Crossley, B.A.; Rt. Wor. Bro. Canon Dr. S. E. Long, M.Th., J.P., and Rt. Wor. Bro. Walter Williams, J.P., Imperial Secretary. The Ulster Unionist Party was represented by Rt. Wor. Bro. Jim Molyneux, leader and several MPs and party officers. Our sympathy goes to Lady Nancy Clark, their daughter Margaret, and her husband and family who live in England, and the whole family circle.

## Standing for the faith

A feature of the tercentenary celebrations here was the number of gospel missions held under the auspices of Orange and Black lodges. The emphasis on Christian commitment in Orangeism is necessary if the organisation would honour its obligation to stand firm for the faith. But these evangelistic campaigns are not only a statement of faith, a testimony to belief, but efforts to encourage people to make their commitment to Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord of their lives. There has always been evangelistic emphasis in Orangeism and a persuasion on Orangemen to follow in the way of Jesus and godly living. If the Institution can make a contribution to the outreach of the churches in our secularised society it will be doing a most necessary and worthwhile job. Reports show that the missions have been very well attended, sometimes to overflowing congregations in the churches in which they were held. The co-operation and support of the ministers and members of the churches when they themselves are not Orangemen has been a notable characteristic of shared evangelism. Series of teaching meetings have also been held to better equip Orangemen to speak about the history and philosophy of the movement and these, too, have served a purpose. It should mean that we shall have many more brethren who can give a reason for the existence of the Order in words, and with facts, which will confound and perhaps educate their critics. We can not be too well educated in the things for which Orangeism stands.



A Tercentenary Songs of Praise concert organised by Gilford District LOL No. 13, and staged in the Stramore Road Orange Hall raised £300 for worthy causes. Half the money was presented to the Tandragee and Poyntzpass branch of the Leukaemia Research Fund and the other £150 to the Tullylish Presbyterian Church fire damage fund. District Master, Wor. Bro. John Walker, left, is seen presenting a cheque to Mrs. Edna Harvey, of the Leukaemia charity, and Bro. Garnet Chambers, DDM, hands over the other cheque to Tullylish minister, Bro. the Rev. Edward Smyth. Also included in the photograph are Margaret Mawhinney, joint treasurer of the Tandragee and Poyntzpass branch, and brethren of the district. (Photo: Portadown Times).

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## Death of Protestant stalwart

A former Stormont MP, Norman Porter has died, in his early seventies.

Mr. Porter, a Baptist Church pastor, was Independent Unionist MP for Clifton in Belfast from 1953 to 1958.

A man of strong right-wing political views and deeply-held evangelical convictions, Norman Porter was a close associate of the Rev. Ian Paisley and for many years was director of the Evangelical Protestant Society.

In his period as MP, Norman Porter was a constant critic of the Stormont unionist regime for what he claimed were policies of "compromise and sell-out to the enemies of Ulster."

Norman Porter was a staunch Orangeman and was a regular speaker on Twelfth

platforms during the 1950s and 1960s; particularly in the Mourne district.

He was also an official of the Ulster Loyalist Association in the 1960s and ran the Ulster Protestant newspaper with the late William Wilton.

During the 1970s and early 1980s, Mr. Porter was a pastor with the Baptist Church in Australia and New Zealand. He returned to minister at Killicomaine Baptist Church in Portadown and since 1986 was pastor at Orangefield Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth, sons Albert and Norman, and daughters Dorothy and Helen.

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## Dangers in "fair employment" policy

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mined to do the same, if it can, in the realm of security.

Pro-republican and pro-SDLP propagandists never seem to tire of trotting out figures which show that the RUC is claimed to be some 90 per cent Protestant in its composition, and the UDR and prison service even higher.

Now, it would seem an attempt is to be made to redress the balance. It is questionable if this campaign will succeed to any greater extent than previous attempts to woo more Roman Catholics into the force.

But the motive, while apparently reasonable on the surface, could have serious security implications. If proper security screening is not maintained, then people could be encouraged to join the police service for no other reason than to get religious ratios more evenly distributed.

This has happened in Short and Harlands in Belfast, and everyone knows the result.

No reasonable person would object to a man or woman joining any branch of Her Majesty's forces and police

and prison service, irrespective of their religious denomination. Ulster Unionist governments have never, contrary to popular belief, held a contrary view to the present one.

### SECURITY

But standards of security must not be sacrificed on the altar of political expediency, so that some Government Minister can get up in the Commons and say that the religious minority in Ulster now has a share of security force jobs in keeping with their ratio of the population.

Mistakes have been made before in the area of security, and the Government should learn from these. Will it be prepared to face up honestly to the implications of the rush to bring the RUC into line with other areas of employment in the realm of "fair employment?" — Time will tell, but those with authority over policing and security should resist pressures to step up recruiting among one section of the population just to present a more favourable "image" and to counter accusations of bias.

## Derrycarne event

Members of Derrycarne LOL 78, in Portadown District, are looking forward to many competitors and visitors to their annual drumming match on Saturday, April 20.

Derrycarne, for the untravelled, is about four miles out on the Drumcree-Derryanville side of Portadown and the usual hospitality will be laid on during the evening.

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## Presentations at Carnew

Two members of Carnew L.O.L. No. 982, Castlewella District, Bros. Robin Kelly (Secretary) and Errol Kelly (Treasurer), who have retired from office, were presented with gifts in appreciation of their services at the lodge's installation of officers in the Orange Hall. Seated (from left) are: Bros. Samuel English (W.D.M.); Robin and Errol Kelly, and William Herron (D.D.M.). Standing (from left) are: lodge officers Bros. John Bingham (D.M.); Geoffrey Meeke (Treasurer); Ian Lindsay (Secretary); George McLaughlin (Chairman of committee); Robert Martin (Chaplain), and Derek Cochrane (D.M.). (Picture: Courtesy of Rathfriland Outlook).

## Minority get jobs at expense of Protestant majority

Fair employment is a term bandied around continually in Northern Ireland, but to many Protestants it increasingly seems that the intention behind the Fair Employment Act is one that mitigates against their community, and seeks to put Roman Catholics into jobs at the expense of members of the majority community.

As the "Orange Standard" has said on several occasions, the need is for the Government to push Northern Ireland's claims as a priority area for job creation, and provide the sort of incentives which Unionist Governments use so successfully in the 1960s to attract many new industries to the Province.

Ulster has never enjoyed full employment, even during the Second World War, when there was a labour shortage in the rest of the United Kingdom, or in the boom years of the immediate post-war era.

The Province deserves something better than tinkering with the existing manufacturing and public sector employment base — and soon the police and prison service it would seem — in order to provide more jobs for Roman Catholics, at the expense of the majority Protestant community.

Discrimination is now rife in Northern Ireland in the realm of employment opportunities — and with official sanction — and it is directed against the Protestant community.

That is not a harsh claim, because the Fair Employment Act is clearly being used to push the claims of the Roman Catholic section of the population.

Just imagine the howls of outrage there would have been in the days of the Unionist Governments at Stormont had there been a requirement to fill in a form for a job stating the religion of the applicant.

### PRACTICE

Yet, that is standard practice now throughout Northern Ireland, and people are required to divulge their religious affiliation.

The real answer is to provide enough jobs in Northern Ireland for everyone who needs them, and this would remove

the need for such obnoxious legislation as the Fair Employment Act.

But few Government spokesmen or politicians from the minority community are prepared to admit that one of the reasons for the difficulty in keeping pace with employment needs in Northern Ireland is that the Roman Catholic population in Northern Ireland is growing at a greater rate than any other section of the population in the United Kingdom.

Recent statistics show that for the first time, there is a Roman Catholic majority among schoolchildren in Northern Ireland.

Why did this interesting piece of information not get more publicity, especially from SDLP spokesmen who are rarely backward when it comes to making their point?

Perhaps it would be embarrassing to admit that in a Province where there has allegedly been so much discrimination against Roman Catholics, that section of the population is actually growing at a greater rate than the majority population from where the so-called discrimination originates.

Far from declining in influence and numbers in Northern Ireland, the Roman Catholic population has prospered, encouraged by Unionist Governments down the years

who provided more generous support for Roman Catholic schools than any other part of the United Kingdom, and also implemented the same social benefits existing on the U mainland.

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## Aughrim and Somme badge

A badge has been commissioned by the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland to celebrate the joint anniversaries of Aughrim and the Somme this year.

The badge retails at £1.50, but is available to District Lodge at £1.25 enabling Districts to raise money through their sale.

It is anticipated that there will be a considerable demand for these, and orders should be placed at the earliest convenience.

Grand Lodge commissioned Tercentenary prints to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne. These are available from Grand Lodge headquarters and it is hoped that at least one would be purchased to hang in each Orange Hall.

Many of the Tercentenary souvenirs are sold out, but it is still possible to obtain some items, and any members or lodges who would require any item to contact Grand Lodge headquarters, or your District sales representative as quickly as possible. It is obvious that when stocks of Tercentenary items are exhausted they will not be replenished, therefore now is the time to buy before disappointment.

## THE POEM

"Keep the Union flag flying"  
by James Annett (Jnr)

has been described as the "Battle Cry Poem" of Northern Ireland and appears in the book - Poetry for Everyone (second issue) (ISBN 0946 204 209) and published by the Dickens Publishing Company Ltd. in London in 1983. Verse 3 of the poem goes:

"The Orange Standard pleads our case  
But no one listens  
The Red Hand of Ulster seeks revenge  
On those who destroy our Province  
For Ulster's call is a simple call  
Keep the Union flag flying  
Keep the Union flag flying."

This poem was conceived by its author while walking through Dunsavoy Recreation Area (known locally as Ballyhenry Park) in Comber, Co. Down. See also the February, 1990 issue of the Orange Standard. Support always the Union and the idea of a single "Unionist" party to maintain the "Union" remember the motto —

One for All and All for One.

"Keep the Union flag flying"



# Unionism and Orangeism loses hearty stalwart

Continued from front page.

Down stable produced a number of winners.

Sir George, who started out in politics in 1938 by ousting Labour's Harry Midgley as Stormont MP for Dock, created a stir in the early sixties when he had talks with a nationalist senator, the late Gerry Lennon.

The dialogue, about the possibility of improving inter-community relations, became known as the Orange-Green talks and failed to get anywhere.

At the time, Sir George was a member of the Stormont Senate and Grand Master of the Orange Order — a post he held for 10 years — and Mr. Lennon was a leading light in the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Sir George was the youngest Grand Master and later became the Imperial President and Grand Master of the Institution world-wide.

He had joined the Order at the age of 17 and, apart from being a past master of Eldon LOL No. 7 in Belfast, he had not held any posts until he was

made Grand Master.

When he resigned the post in 1967, he took over as chairman of the standing committee of the Ulster Unionist Council.

He presided at the series of meetings which preceded the resignation of Terence O'Neill from the premiership.

Sir George was also a key member of the 1982 party delegation which told then Secretary of State James Prior that it was against his rolling devolution blueprint.

When World War II broke out, Sir George was commissioned in the Black Watch, serving in France and with the Eighth Army in the Middle East.

Shortly after Dunkirk, he was on the ill-fated Lancastria when it was sunk.

He jumped overboard and, after some hours in the water, was picked up by a French trawler and brought safely ashore in England.

He later rejoined the regiment, spending most of the rest of the war in North Africa.

He returned to Ulster as soon as the war ended.

The eldest son of Sir George Ernest Clark, he married Nancy Catherine, second daughter of George W. N. Clark of Upperlands, Co. Londonderry, in 1949. They had a daughter, who is married and lives in England.

Sir George's grandfather, the first baronet, was a co-founder of the now defunct Workman Clark shipbuilding firm.

Ulster Unionist president Josias Cunningham said Sir George had given a lifetime's service to unionism and had not allowed anything to overshadow Ulster's place in the United Kingdom.



Pictured at a meeting in Sandy Row Orange Hall in December 1961 are from left: Rt. Wor. Bro. Lord Brookeborough, K.G.; Capt. Sir George A. Clark Bart., Grand Master, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Harry Burdge, O.B.E., J.P., Grand Secretary.

## Top Unionists in tribute

Six Ulster Unionist MPs attended the service of thanksgiving in the Co. Down village of Killyleagh for party patron Sir George Clark on Friday, February 22.

Mourners included politicians, businessmen and church representatives who crowded into Killyleagh Parish Church for the special service for Sir George, who died, aged 77.

The Ulster Unionist Party contingent was led by leader Wor. Bro. James Molyneux.

Other mourners included MPs Ken Maginnis, John Taylor, Roy Beggs, David Trimble and the Rev. Martin Smyth, who was also present in his role as Grand Master of the Orange Order. Other leading members of the Grand Orange

Lodge of Ireland among the mourners were Grand Secretary, Wor. Bro. John McCrea; Past Grand Secretary, Wor. Bro. Walter Williams; Executive Officer, Wor. Bro. George Patton and Grand Chaplains, Rev. Canon Ernest Long and Rev. William Crossley.

Canon Norman Woodrow, vicar of Saintfield Parish Church, referred to Sir George's "great love of Ulster and its people."

"He was a voice of tolerance within the Orange Order and the Unionist Party, and in both organisations he exercised a tremendous influence for good," he said.

He told the congregation he first met Sir George, or Tony as he was known to close friends and relations, 26 years ago. He paid an affectionate tribute to his work for the parish of Saintfield where he was a regular worshipper.

Over the years he served as a churchwarden, member of the select vestry, of the diocesan synod and at the time of his death as a parochial nominator. When a new parish hall was provided in Saintfield 16 years ago he contributed generously to the establishment of an indoor bowling club and youth club.

He always showed a great interest in the affairs of the parish and was "a great influence for good," he said.

Canon Woodrow referred to Sir George's political career as a former Stormont MP,

member of the Senate and Grand Master of the Orange Order.

"He was a voice of tolerance within the Orange Order and the Unionist Party, and in both organisations he exercised a tremendous influence for good. Sir George never lived in the

past, he always looked to the future.

"He was a man of fearless integrity and a great lover of peace. He was a man with a great capacity for kindness, understanding and friendship," added Canon Woodrow.

## Showing-up Haughey's wild men

An Ulster Unionist councillor has claimed that the "belligerent and hostile" attitude of Fianna Fail underlined the party's "hypocrisy" over Northern Ireland affairs.

Former Belfast Lord Mayor Reg Empey was referring to remarks made at the Fianna Fail conference by Louth County Council leader Michael O'Donnell, who called for British army helicopters which flew into Eire to be "blown from the sky."

Addressing the Stranmillis branch of the South Belfast Unionist Association, Mr. Empey, the honorary secretary of the Ulster Unionist Council, asked: "What condemnation has there been? Who has been asked to resign?"

"Judging by the rapturous applause accorded to this delegate, he was expressing the belligerent and hostile view of his party faithful."

Defending unionists' reluctance to start dialogue with

politicians in Eire, he said the Fianna Fail conference illustrated their reasons.

"We were subjected to a sanctimonious and misleading speech by Gerry Collins, the Irish Foreign Minister, who claimed that no stone was being left unturned and showing great flexibility in the search for a formula to begin inter-party talks."

But he said Mr. Collins had made no comment on the "outrageous" remarks of Mr. O'Donnell.

"Can you imagine what would have happened if a unionist Mayor had made similar remarks here with regard to Irish army helicopters?" he asked.

"We would have been told that contacts were being made by the Secretariat of the Anglo Irish Conference and that Mr. Haughey was closely monitoring developments.

"Such is the double standards and hypocrisy that applies to Northern Ireland."

## Lodge of Research meets

The Loyal Orange Lodge of Research held its annual installation of officers in the House of Orange on Saturday, February 23.

Lodge chaplain, Rt. Wor. Bro. Canon Dr. S. E. Long conducted an act of remembrance for three brethren whose sudden deaths had shocked the members — Wor. Bros. Bob Marshall and R. H. Stewart and M. Wor. Bro. Sir George Clarke, Bart., Past Grand Master.

The installation was conducted by the Grand Master, M. Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth, MP. Installed were W. Bro. Nevil Hamilton as WM, and W. Bro. Eddie Keown as DM.

As the late Bro. Stewart was to have read a paper "The UVF 1908-16" on the request of the widow, Bro. Hamilton was the read of the essay helped by a visual aid.

The installation dinner followed in the Europa Hotel, Belfast. The Executive Officer, Wor. Bro. George Patton, BA, responded to the toast of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, proposed by Wor. Bro. Lt. Cdr. W. J. Martin; that of the Lodge of Research was by Wor. Bro. David Trimble, MP, with the response from the new WM, Mrs. Pamela Hamilton replied to the toast of "Our lady guests" proposed by the new DM.

There was a presentation of the Past Master's jewel to Wor. Bro. Leslie Cree. The company enjoyed the cabaret provided by talented artistes.

## Mourne brethren's get-together

Brethren present at the annual dinner of Aughnahooey L.O.L. 343B (Mourne District) in Kilkeel Orange Hall. Front row, left to right: Bro. Kenneth Parke (W.M.); Bro. Clifford Smyth (guest speaker); Bro. Isaac Hanna (P.M.). Back row, left to right: Bro. Alexander Hanna, Bro. Wesley Hanna (Chaplain); Bro. Herbert Stevenson (Treasurer).



## 'THE BOYNE' 1690-1990

Official video of the Tercentenary



1990 has been an historic year for the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland.

The Tercentenary of the Battle of the Boyne has encouraged many people to look once again at our history.

Throughout the year we have commemorated that special period with a series of well planned events, culminating in the Tercentenary parade on September 29.

Thousands of people watched a re-enactment of the Battle of the Boyne at Cookstown and there were also large crowds at pageants in Carrickfergus and Belfast. King William's victory at the Boyne and the implications of the Battle have been the subject of books, lectures, and exhibitions.

It is fitting therefore that the Grand Orange Lodge should have a special record of the events of 1990. We commissioned Austin Hunter, of G.C.A.S. Public Relations in Belfast, to write and narrate a video of the celebrations. Austin, a former B.B.C. Television journalist, who recently made special television documentaries on The Battle of the Somme and the Tercentenary of the Royal Irish Rangers, has been working with producer/director, Mike McGeagh, of the film company, Design and Production, to make what we know will be an outstanding Video of 1990.

This official video of the Tercentenary will be on sale from the "House of Orange", 65 Dublin Road, Belfast, from late November. You can book a copy now by completing the form below.

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# How long can Government resist internment call?

**How long can the British Government resist the growing clamour for internment to deal with the Provisional IRA campaign?**

The hard-hitting comments of former Moderator, Dr. James Matthews, at the funeral of murdered UDR man, Mr. Jim Love, of Richhill, must echo the sentiments of most law-abiding people in the Province.

Dr. Matthews, in a radio interview on the same day, made the point that lives would be saved if the Government removed the terrorists from the community by interning them.

He pointed out that even though most of the terrorists are known to the police and army, the courts are not able to deal with them in the normal way.

The interviewer then put it to Dr. Matthews that Roman Catholics would see this directed mainly towards them, but the ex-Moderator stressed that the measure would be used in an impartial way, to deal with terrorists from whatever quarter.

He made a couple of telling points. In the past five years, three-quarters of terrorist violence was carried out by

republicans, and one-quarter by loyalist organisations.

In that period, 50 per cent of crimes carried out by so-called loyalists had been dealt with by the Courts, compared to 10 per cent by those carried out by republicans.

In other words, it can be seen that the security forces have been far more effective in dealing with violence and terrorism emanating from the unionist section of the population, compared to that which comes from the republican or nationalist section.

## WEAPONS

Internment has traditionally been one of the strongest weapons in the armoury of Northern Ireland and southern Northern Ireland and Eire Governments since the troubles of the 1920s.

It was used very effectively by the Northern Ireland Government from 1921 to 1923, with over 400 republicans interned in the Argenta, a boat moored in Belfast Lough. Internment was one of the main reasons why that IRA offensive, designed to overthrow the new State, was defeated.

It was used both north and south during the IRA campaign of 1956 to 1962, while the Irish Free State Government did not hesitate to use it against the IRA in the 1920s and 30s.

The British did implement a form of internment in 1971, but it was carried through in an unsatisfactory manner, and inadequate intelligence resulted in many men being lifted who were not connected with the Provisional IRA.

Today, the vastly superior intelligence of the security forces would ensure that most terrorists were caught in the net.

Why then the hesitation to introduce the measure which would do more than anything to end the agony which the people of Northern Ireland have endured for the past 22 years?

The answer is easy. It is the Dublin Government, through the notorious Anglo-Eire Treaty, which exercises its veto to prevent internment being implemented.

British politicians, afraid of annoying the southern Government, have held back from allowing the security forces to put internment into action.

## PROVISION

Every now and again they make the point that there is still provision for internment, but they step back from using the measure which the IRA fears more than any other.

Some politicians claim internment would not succeed unless it was introduced both north and south. That is a weak argument. It would help if it were implemented in both parts of the island, but that should not prevent the British Government from putting internment into effect in Northern Ireland and lifting the men and women within its jurisdiction who are committed to violence to overthrow the State.

Government Ministers make all sorts of reassuring speeches in the aftermath of outrages in Ulster, but they draw the line at effective action.

Another measure which would help, urged by Upper Bann MP, David Trimble recently, is the introduction of identity cards in Northern Ireland.

But no, once again this is an unacceptable measure to the Government, which prefers bland words to real action.



Bro. Edward McDonald (centre), being presented with a honorary members' certificate by Bro. William Scott (District Master of Limavady District No. 6) and Bro. Norman Craig, WM, Edenmore LOL 644.

## Officers installed for Limavady lodge

**Edenmore True Blues LOL 644 (Limavady District) held their annual installation of officers in Edenmore Orange Hall on Tuesday, February 5.**

Bro. Norman Craig, WM, presided and extended a warm welcome to the following visiting brethren - Bro. W. J. Scott (WDM); C. McKeegan

(Dist. Secretary), and Bro. J. King (District Lecturer), all from Limavady District LOL No. 6. Bros. N. McDonald (WM); D. Young (DM); J. Scott (Chaplain); A. Scott (Treasurer), all from Ballyquin LOL 645.

Limavady WDM, Bro. Scott presented an honorary members' certificate to Bro.

Edward McDonald, a long serving and valued member of the Edenmore lodge.

Bro. Scott installed the lodge officers, assisted by Bro. McKeegan in the deputy master's chair.

The following officers were installed - Bro. Norman Craig (WM); Samuel Martin (DM); James Kennedy (secretary); Robert Craig (treasurer); James Craig (chaplain); Joseph McIlmoyle (foreman of committee), and committee - Bros. Robert Forsythe, Samuel McGregor, Robert Callaghan and William Scott.

## Battle sounds at Lissan

*"On the 26th May in the year of '90*

*They enacted the battle fought 300 years ago  
In a field outside Cookstown on the Moneymore Road  
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*The first in the line was the large Lambeg drums  
Some were beaten by fathers and others by sons  
These were followed by the armies of William and James  
Resplendent in uniforms and costumes of same.*

*The districts then followed from County Tyrone  
With their standards and bands looking second to none,  
The crowds they had come from near and from far,  
To witness the enactment and battle of war.*

*Now Lissan water for one day or so  
Had been renamed the Boyne and still it did flow.  
The armies they gathered on each side as in yore  
To take up the fight just like before.*

*When the armies had gathered the commentary began,  
To inform the large crowd of the general plan,  
The fight it then started, it looked as for real  
No quarter was given, no time for appeal.*

*The result was the same as those years long ago  
King James he was beaten in defeat he did go  
But this time it was different, they sat down for a blether  
Even some of the armies, they went home together.*

*With everything over they returned to their homes  
To reflect on the way the day it had gone,  
A splendid portrayal of that year long ago,  
Good work, all well done, our best thanks to them go.*

Composed by Bro. Ernest Greaves, of LOL 218 Stewartstown District No. 2 (Co. Tyrone), in relation to the re-enactment of the Battle of the Boyne by County Tyrone Grand Orange Lodge on May 26, 1990.

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## Bro. William Dick - Christian gentleman

**In the passing of Bro. William Dick the town and borough of Lisburn has lost what one could only describe as a great statesman and pillar of strength, not only in Lisburn in particular but in the Province in general.**

Bro. Dick who was in his nineties, was a keen and former and devoted member of Lisburn Borough Council for the south ward; a keen member of the Orange, Black, and Apprentice Boys Institutions and other Protestant bodies. He had a great historical knowledge of not only the loyal orders but of the whole town of Lisburn and district which he loved and spent much time walking around.

Any Sunday or indeed weekdays would have found Bro. Dick out walking and enjoying the beauty of God's

handywork in the surrounding countryside and meeting people with a smile and kind word.

But above all these characteristics there was one and the main one, he was a christian of sterling quality who came to know the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord over 70 years ago, and for over that time lived and practised the Christian way of life by his attendance at the house of God, the reading of God's holy word, and the observance of the Lord's Day, which he loved.

He was a Christian gentleman who will not only be missed by his family and friends but by the whole of Lisburn, whose sympathy and prayers are with his family at this time.

I came to know Bro. William Dick, JP, more than

60 years ago when I bought my first new Humber bicycle from him and retained that friendship down the years.

He will be missed for his seat will be empty, but he is in the Lord's presence as the Rev. Harry Cairns said in the funeral

address when he preached on the words "where is he" and asked the large congregation present at Bro. Dick's funeral if they all could answer the question if applied to them: "William Dick is in heaven, where will you be?"

William Belshaw.

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Loyal Orange Institution of England  
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## Women's standard dedicated



Sisters of Clounagh Women's LOL No. 85, Portadown, are pictured with the new Union Jack presented to the lodge in memory of the late Sister Mrs. Beatrice Whitla. The flag was handed over by Sister Mrs. M. Orr, a member of the Women's Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland. The standard bearers are Sister Shirley Tedford, grand-daughter, and Sister Sonia Crowe, great grand-daughter of Mrs. Whitla. The lodge Worshipful Mistress is Sister Elizabeth Sewell. The flag was dedicated by Bro. Rev. Tom Taylor. (Photo: Portadown Times).

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**GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.**

## DESIGN A LOGO FOR 1995

One of the many success stories of the 1990 Celebrations  
One of the many success stories of the 1990 Celebrations  
was the Tercentenary Logo designed by Wor. Bro. W.  
Wilson, of LOL 1213.

The Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland is now preparing for  
the Bicentenary in 1995, of the Birth of the Orange  
Institution.

### A competition

is therefore being organised to find a suitable logo for this  
historic occasion.

Submissions (on A4 paper) should be forwarded to the  
"House of Orange", 65, Dublin Road, Belfast BT2 7HE.

**on, or before Friday, May 31, 1991.**

The design should encapsulate the significance of the event,  
but should also be easily identifiable as a specific logo, and  
should enable Grand Lodge to reproduce it on differing  
sized souvenirs.

A prize will be awarded to the winning entrant. The panels  
decision will be final.

All entries will become the property of the Grand Orange  
Lodge of Ireland, and may be used or altered as desired by  
the Grand Lodge.

## Bleary's successful competition

Brethren of Bleary Crimson Star LOL No. 12 have great  
cause to be pleased with the undoubted success of their  
recent Provincewide Tercentenary Wordsearch competi-  
tion.

It gained support from all over Northern Ireland, the  
neighbouring counties south of the border, and even an  
entry from England. More than £700 profit was realised  
towards their Hall Renovation Fund.

**The winner of the competition was: Bro. William  
Boyd, 5 Upper Coolerannell, Maguiresbridge, Co.  
Fermanagh, a member of LOL No. 450.**

Bleary lodge treasurer, Bro. Peter Savage, says that  
unfortunately a number of the entries were incorrect. Some  
participants even wrote to tell the organisers that they had  
noticed a spelling mistake in the wordsquare — the word  
BOYNE spelt BONYE. However, the subtle wordsquare  
compiler had cunningly inserted the correct spelling  
elsewhere in the wordsquare.

The lodge members would like to take this opportunity to  
thank all those brethren and their friends who entered the  
competition, and by doing so contributed to its success, and  
also to their Hall Renovation Fund — they say to watch out  
for another competition, with a good prize for the winner, in  
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## New officers for Aughnahoor Orange Lodge

Bro. Kenneth Parke, W.M. (left), presents the Past Master's Jewel to Bro. Isaac Hanna.  
(Pictures: Courtesy of Rathfriland Outlook).



Aughnahoor LOL 343b installed new officers in Kilkeel Orange Hall. Pictured above (front row, from left) are: Bros. Sydney Hanna (committee member); Wesley Hanna (Chaplain); Herbert Stevenson (Treasurer); Kenneth Parke (W.M.); Alan McCulla (Secretary); Tommy Nicholson (Tyler), and Roland McMath (committee member). Standing: Bros. Geoffrey Walmsley, and Isaac Hanna (Lecturers); Henry Deans (committee member); Eddie Keown (District Secretary); Billy Russell (W.D.M.); Jim Martin (D.D.M.), and Eric Hanna (committee member).



## Society formed to remember Ulster's past

Saturday, May 26, 1990 will long be remembered by Orangemen throughout Co. Tyrone as an important date. For on that glorious spring afternoon an unique event occurred in the grounds of Lissan rectory, near Cookstown.

Never before had an accurate re-enactment of the Battle of the Boyne taken place; however, this was rectified when the Tercentenary committee of Co. Tyrone Grand Orange Lodge staged a two hour battle near the home of the late Rev. George Walker of Siege of Derry fame. An enthralled crowd of 15,000 people had the opportunity of witnessing six notable scenes from that famous battle enacted by a cast of 450 volunteer Orangemen.

So successful was the Cookstown battle that the organisers decided to form a society which would re-enact battles which were significant in Ulster's history - so The Sword of Gideon Society was born.

It is the aim of this society to promote an understanding and appreciation of Ulster/British culture, history and heritage and to bring people to a full state of cultural and historical awareness through the re-enactment of historically significant events in Ulster's past.

Prior to the formal formation, members engaged in several successful events during 1990: the arrival of William at Carrickfergus harbour; the arrival of William in Belfast city; the arrival of William in Scarva; and the re-enactment of the Break of Killyleagh, Co. Down.

There have been many important battles either fought on Ulster soil or where Ulstermen have played a prominent part. Most Ulster Protestants are ignorant of the facts surrounding these battles and their ramifications.

It is therefore the intention of 'The Sword of Gideon Society' to endeavour to educate Ulstermen and women to understand and appreciate events which helped shape their country. It has been discovered that one of the most effective methods in promoting this awareness is through the visual impact of a re-enactment with all its noise, colour, splendour and pageant. It is hoped as many people as possible throughout the Province will avail themselves of the opportunity to attend these re-enactments and that they will make a special effort to bring along their children in the hope that they will also be made aware of their own history.

The first enterprise a society is to undertake to re-enact the Battle of Aughrim, fought on July 12, 1691. The setting for the battle will be Dungannon Park, situated one mile from the motorway on the approach road into Dungannon. The battle will take place against a backdrop of beautiful parkland and spectators are assured a good view as they take their position on the steep slopes surrounding the battle area.

The Battle of Aughrim was much more significant than many realise. In fact in terms of casualties it far surpassed the Battle of the Boyne and the society members felt that the 300th anniversary of this crucial but little known battle should be commemorated and that the Ulster public should avail themselves of this opportunity to improve their understanding of one of the most important Williamite victories.

## Shame of low-key welcome for returning Ulster heroes

It is nothing short of shameful that a Province with such a proud record of military service as Northern Ireland is not in a position to accord to its returning heroes from the Gulf the same sort of reception which will be the norm on the UK mainland.

sonnel on the streets of the Province wearing their uniform was so common as to go without comment.

Today, such is the hold and fear exerted by the Provisional IRA that it is necessary for the identities of Ulster soldiers to be kept hidden. Even stories and photographs taken of Northern Ireland men in the Gulf had to be used in such a way that they could not be identified by readers.

This is a truly dreadful state of affairs, and one which should bring home to everyone how deplorable is the security situation in the Province.

Ireland, both north and south, has a noble military heritage involving service with the Crown. Great regiments like the Royal Irish Fusiliers, Royal Irish Rifles - and its

successor Ulster Rifles - and Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, shared this great heritage with units from the south like the Connaught Rangers, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, and Leinster Regiment.

The 36th (Ulster) Division stood shoulder to shoulder with the 10th and 16th (Irish) Divisions in the Great War, and their sacrifice is one of the greatest in the annals of the British Army.

But such is the hatred of all things British within a sizeable section of the Irish population, the heritage and traditions of those Irishmen who have served so nobly is not allowed its proper place.

Indeed, in the south of Ireland, there is no State or official recognition of the part played by tens of thousands of southern Irishmen in the two World Wars.

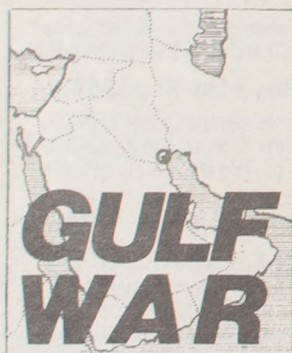
Eire premier, Charles Haughey, made it clear in the Dail that the 75th anniversary of the Easter Rising in Dublin could not be combined with a tribute to the heroism of many more Irishmen, both north and south, at the Somme in 1916.

No, Mr. Haughey and his Government finds itself unable

to show recognition to brave Irishmen whose only crime would appear to be the fact that they wore British uniforms.

All this proves to Unionists just how hollow are continued southern reassurances that their rights and traditions would be respected in an all-Ireland republic.

Such promises are not worth the paper they are written on, because Ulster Unionists know by past example that within a few years of such an all-Ireland republic being established, their traditions would have been almost eradicated, and ceremonies like Remembrance Day would have disappeared, as they have almost completely in the Republic of Ireland.



Such is the sorry state of security in Northern Ireland that the identity of Ulster soldiers serving in the Gulf with the Royal Irish Hussars and other units has had to be withheld.

Nothing could more vividly underline the lack of security and freedom which exists in Northern Ireland.

For many people, the memories of World War Two most vividly captured within their memory is that of a father, uncle, or brother, returning from that war, or on leave, proudly wearing their uniform.

Every city, town and village in Northern Ireland had street parties for servicemen and women who were back from the war, and the sign of Army, RAF and Royal Navy per-



## Presentations at Ballinran dinner

Pictured at the Pride of Ballinran Flute Band's annual dinner in Cranfield House Hotel, Kilkeel, are (front row, from left): Nigel Edgar (flautist of the year); Lesley Pue and Joanne Forsythe (joint flag bearers of the year), and James Norris (drummer of the year). Back row: Bro. Arnold McMurray (Secretary); Bro. Robert Donaldson (Treasurer), and Bro. Rodney Eakins (Bandmaster).  
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