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ORANGE

STANDARD

It's not so fair on the on the By A Special Correspondent

Discrimination by the BBC against the Reformed and Evangelical tradition in its reporting of events and current affairs has been evident for some time

The lavish coverage of the Pope's visit to Britain, and the vast amount of time devoted on television and radio to the Roman Catholic and ecumenical case, can be contrasted with the paltry amount of time given so often to ceremonies and events with a Protestant flavour.

Orangemen in Northern Ireland are only too well aware of this, as the Twelfth', one of the greatest and most colourfulday's events of the year, rarely gets the media coverage it deserves.

Both the BBC and ITV fall down in this respect and the Corporation has actually reduced the amount of time given to the coverage of the Belfast procession compared to 10 years ago. Often both channels tend to go for 'off beat' stories with an Orange flavour — humorous and frivolous — instead of presenting the Orange case in a positive and accurate way, reflecting the views of a very large section of the Ulster population.

Perhaps, having given the Pope's visit such magnificent treatment, and allowed so many hours of pro-Roman Catholic material to dominate the screens of the nation, the BBC and UTV will redress the balance, even if only marginally, by giving this year's 'Twelfth' demonstration the coverage it deserves.

Perhaps, but having experienced so many disappointments in the past from the BBC, the Ulster Orangemen, and their tens of thousands of supporters, do not really hold out all that much hope that things will be much different this year.

It is not just the Orange cause which receives such scant treatment from the media. The same applies to the Reformed attitudes towards church affairs.

The popular "Sunday Sequence" programme is another example, as it churns out item after item giving the ecumenical tiempoint on a whole range of issues.

It is rare that there is an anti-eumenical viewpoint given, and when it does there has to be at least one spokesman giving the other side's point of view on the same programme.

Why is it so many people in key positions appear to find it necessary to give such a pro-ecumenical slant to a large percentage of programmes? It surely cannot be because ecumenical viewers are better licence payers than anti-ecumenical viewers!



Historical visit marked

King Billy on his white charger, rides through Carrickfergus with the Norman Castle in the background for the reenactment of the King's arrival in the town 293 years ago. Photo courtesy "Belfast News-Letter"

Home from the Falklands

At the monthly meeting of Sir William Youngs Chosen Few RBP 388 held in Bankend Hall, Dumbarton. Sir Knt J. Pennell RWM was welcomed back after his spell in the Falkland Islands with H.M. Forces.

The Preceptory was congratulated on winning the aprons awarded for having the greatest increase of candidates during past year. These were duly dedicated for use of the Preceptory by Sir Knt Malcolm Campbell (Dist. Chaplain).

Delegates were appointed to attend the June meeting of the District Chapter.

Two members were elevated by Sir Knts Archie McCracken No.3 Dist, and D.H. Boyd PPGM who briefly responded to a vote of thanks, also Sir Knt M. Campbell (DC).

Visitors made welcome on second Friday of each month.

50 Year Presentation

At a recent meeting of Temperance Guiding Star of Ballymacarrett LOL 265 Bro. Reginald Clark was presented with his 50 years Service Certificate. He has been a member of the Orange Institution for a little over fifty years, is a well known figure in the Ballymacarrett District No.6, and a keen supporter of Glentoran F.C.

Grand Lodge Congratulates Imperial Grand Master

The June half-yearly meeting of Grand Lodge was held in the First Omagh Presbyterian Church Halls. The Grand Master. Most Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. Martin Smyth. B.D., M.P., presided, assisted by Right Wor. Bro. Jack Ashenhurst, in the Deputy Chair. Opening devotions were by the Grand Chaplain, Right Wor. Bro. Canon S. E. Long, L. Th., J.P., and Right Wor. Bro. the Rev. W. S. K. Crossley, B.A.

On opening congratulations were offered to the Grand Master on his winning the election for the South Belfast constituency at Westminster.

Tribute was paid to prominent members of the Institution who had died this year. They were Bros. Michael Armstrong W. D. Morrow, R. Colhoun, William Spotten and J. Smyth.

The lengthy agenda had many matters of pressing

concern to the Institution. The fact that so much was done so expeditiously owed much to the essential preparatory secretarial work of the Grand Secretary and his staff.

At the lunch provided by the Co. Tyrone Grand Lodge the Grand Master gave his customary address in reply to the toast of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

The County Grand Master of Tyrone, Bro. Ashenhurst.

replying to the toast of the host county, expressed the pleasure they had in entertaining Grand Lodge. He thanked the Minister and Kirk Session of First Omagh Church for the use of their fine halls and the members of the P.W.A. of the church for preparing and serving the meals.

The collection was given to the Florencecourt Parish Church, Co. Fermanagh, towards the cost of the replacement of the Earl of Enniskillen Memorial Window. In a little ceremony introduced by Right Wor. Bro. Walter Williams, J.P., Grand Secretary, the Grand Master handed over the money to Wor. Bro. Henry Guy, Treasurer of Co. Fermanagh Grand Lodge, for transmission to the church authorities.

The Earl had been Grand Master of Ireland and Imperial Grand Master. A contribution was also made to the fund for the injured of the security forces in the South Atlantic.

Among those in attendance at Grand Lodge were the Past Grand Masters, Most Wor. Bro. Captain Sir George Clark, Bart., D.L., and Most Wor. Bro. John Bryans, J.P.



Tenyear Secretary Jewels have been presented to two members of Downshire LOL 1725 (Dundrum) by Rt. Wor. Bro. William Russell, Co. Grand Master of Down. The recipients (pictured centre with Rt. Wor. Bro. Russeii) are Dist. Sec. W. Bro. Cecil Cummins (PM) and W. Bro. Albert J. Cummins

Presentation of Jewels

(PM) who has been Secretary of LOL 1725 for over ten years. The presentations took place at the Lodge's monthly meeting in Dundrum last Thursday. Picture includes members of the Lodge and visiting brethren from Castlewellan District No.12

Photo courtesy "Mourne Observer"



Members of Portadown Royal Black District Chapter preceptories parading to the annual service of RBP No.267 held at Vinecash Presbyterian Church, near the town.

Can you solve this poser?

Recently I was asked by a friend if I could find any information on the Meerut LOL 703 India.

In my possession at present is a smalltab (approx 6 inches by 2 inches), purple in colour, with the Lodge number and name printed on it. The reverse side is black, bearing the words "In Memoriam" with a picture in white of King William III and also the Lodge number and name.

This tab was found by my

friend as she was looking through some old items which had belonged to her late father, a native of Belfast.

If any brother has any information about the aforementioned tab would he please contact Bro. Joseph Long, 58 Cuan Gardens, Greyabbey, County Down, who will appreciate any information he may receive.

Joseph Long Dist, Lecturer LOL Noll

Orangeism

and Politics

Sir, I feel I must write to you concerning the necessity of printing political statements from the various Unionist parties — statements which criticise other Unionists. You replied that you felt obliged to print these items. Why?

In what possible way does it enhance the Orange Order?

The duty of the paper is to promote the interests of Orangeism and not to indulge in printing articles that can give offence and cause disharmony amongst the Orange brotherhood. The vast majority of Orangemen are dismayed and perturbed with the slanging matches taking place between these groups, wrangling which does not benefit anyone, except those hostile to the loyalist cause. That the Orange Standard is willing to provide a medium for further dis-unity is a matter of some concern especially as most articles point towards the paper being an agent of one particular side. I would ask the editor that before any article be considered for inclusion to pose the question will it benefit Orangeism?

And to keep in mind that the Orange Order contains within its ranks, members of all Unionist parties and Protestant denominations.

Yours fraternally (Bro.) C.A. Hennessey P.M. Treas 31 Lyndhurst Park,

Belfast

Research Lodge

The Loyal Orange Lodge of Research No. 1994 had its June 12 outing to Enniskillen in the company of some friends and lady friends. The arrangements for a day of entertainment and education were in the capable hands of Wor. Bro. Kenneth Watson, P.M., and he had the considerable assistance at destination of Wor. Bro. Victor Lynn, Co. Fermanagh Grand Secretary.

The programme included a trip by water-bus on Lough Erne with a call at Devenish Island and an examination of the historic site, and a conducted tour in the afternoon of Castlecoole, that magnificent house which is in the care of the National Trust, with a chance to admire its magnificent craftsmanship in wood and plaster. The fine weather made both trips the more pleasure-

The lodge meeting in the Cathedral Hall with Wor. Bro. John Black, D.M., in the chair,

hadasits lecturer, Wor. Bro. H. A. Burke, LL.B., whose paper on"Water," specifically about the waters of Lough Erne, was remarkable for its humour, its information, and for its miniature profiles of famous Fermanagh folk, a talk which kept the interest of the audience from first word to last. The appreciation of the lodge was expressed to Bro. Burke by Right Wor. Bro. Canon S. E. Long, P.M., lodge chaplain.

The thanks of 1994 were expressed to the County Grand Master of Fermanagh, Right Wor. Bro. Lt.-Col. G. E. Liddle, C.B.E., D.L., J.P., and especially to Wor. Bro. Victor Lynn and Mrs. Lynn, who with her ladies provided and served morning coffee and high tea, by Wor. Bro. Harry Lewis, P.M. The County Grand Master in his reply spoke of the pleasure he and his colleagues had had in welcomingandentertainingthe specialist lodge on such a happy occasion.

The Truths of Protestantism might have been different had "His Holiness" decided to visit Benburb or Ballymurphy! But as I see it the rot

which has set in on the other

Letters to

the Editor

Sir, I write as one of a very

sizeable section of evangel-

ical Christians throughout

the entire United Kingdom

who would see nothing good

for the Protestant faith by the

coming of the Pope of Rome

No-one is denying him the

right to make a pastoral visit

to his own flock there, but

everyone is a cutely aware that

this particular visit which,

incidentally, the Pope was so

determined to make at all

costs, has had a greater

significance for the

ecumenical movement in

general and Archbishop

Let no-one be in any doubt

about the motives of this

scheming prelate whom

horror-struck Protestants

saw kissing the Roman

crucifix after receiving it as a

gift from the Pontiff. No

doubt he, Bishop Shephard

and all the other hundreds of

hysterical hand clapping

Anglican bishops, priests and

laymen up and down the

country will continue to pray

for the day when the Bishop of

Rome will preside over a

united Christian Church,

totally forgetting the costly

sacrifices of the Protestant

martyrs of the 16th and 17th

The deep doctrinal differ-

ences separating the Roman

and Protestant Reformed

faiths are, in my candid

opinion, unsurmountable as

unity would involve the

sacrifice of truth on the altar

It was because some

evangelical Christians in

Britain felt so deeply about

the gradual eroding of their

precious heritage through the

Pope's visit to Canterbury

that peaceful demonstrations

were held in London and

elsewhere and although most

of these were poorly

attended, the organisers

certainly made their point.

Evangelical Christians were I

thought strangely silent in

Northern Ireland. Perhaps it

centuries.

of expediency.

Runcie in particular.

to Great Britain.

side of the Irish Sea could very well make its presence felt here in Northern Ireland in the not too distant future unless those who cherish Reformation principles are prepared to take the necessary steps to educate our Protestant brethren in the faith of our fathers and the ways in which this faith differs from Roman Catholicism.

Rev. Dr. Dewar's Junior Orangeman's Catechism has been an excellent guide for very many years. A committee of the Junior Grand Lodge of Ireland which I convened a few years ago has produced a more detailed Catechism (not yet published) setting out just why we are Protestants and how we differ from the Church of Rome.

As a teacher of both History and Religious Education, I am well aware of the dearth of knowledge of the rising generation of Protestants concerning the fundamental doctrines of their faith, as they hear precious little about these in the Sunday Schools and even less in the day schools of our Province.

Could I suggest that you sir, who have articulated Protestant truths so clearly for a long number of years, would consider running a series of short easily digested articles on these lines in this newspaper?

Protestants harbour no hatred in their hearts for their Roman Catholic brethren.

What we deplore and dete so strongly is the idolatro and dictatorial prachees the Church of Rome v believe that this Church is grave error when it venerat the saints, offers worship the Virgin Mary and accep the doctrines of Transul stantion and Papal Infal ibility and we continue 1 pray that the Holy Spirit wi lead them into the truth that Holy Word which is ab to make them wise unt

salvation. Yours sincerel WILFRED BREEN 125 Clanabogan Road Omagh

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A poster seen in Newtownards workshop

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If you get well there is nothing to worry about.

If you die there are only two things to worry about: Either you will go to Heaven or Hell If you go to Heaven, there is nothing to worry about.

But if you go to Hell you'llbe so busy shaking hands with all your friends, you won't have time to worry.

Joseph Long Lecturer Dist LOL No.11



Presentation of picture to Pride of Glenavy LOI. 618 in memory of Bros. W.J. Harbinson and A. Harbinson presented by Bros. Thomas, Kenneth and Trevor Harbinson (left to right) Back: Bros. K. Harbinson Sec, J. Harbinson, 6 Henry, R. Farrell, (left to right) Front: Bros. Thomas Harbinson, P. Lundy W.M., D. Harbinson, D.M.

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Members of the Brackagh branch of the Apprentice Boys of Derry Club, Portadown, seen here after the unfurling of their new banner ette in Carleton Street Orange Hall. The ceremony was performed by Mrs. Charlotte Docherty, daughter of the club's first president, the late Mr. John Hughes. The dedication ceremony was performed by the Rev. Derek McMeekin. Photo: "Portadown News."

Orange World Council

Meets in

Toronto

(By S. E. Long)

The Imperial Grand Orange Council of the World meets for its triennial sessions in Toronto, Canada, 18-24 July, as the guests of the Grand Lodge of Canada. Delegates will be in attendance from the Orange jurisdictions of Ireland, England, Scotland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the United States of America and Africa.

This will be the first "new world" conference since the Council met at Winnipeg, Canada, in 1923. For the last 59 years the sessions have been held in the Home Countries. The often declared reason for this arrangement was that brethren from the far corners of the world enjoyed returning to the countries of their births or their origins and many of them had a pilgrimage-like attitude to Ulster, for the Twelfth here is an experience not to be missed. The triennials were traditionally held in the week before or after the Twelfth of July. When there were dating exceptions the reason was one of peculiar importance to the host juris-

The sessions of the Council have always been characterised by a strong sense of fellow feeling — the bonds that tie brethren together are unaffected by distance, culture or race — there is the shared faith and the common attitude to life.

In the Home Countries there are the twin pillars of religious faith and political union with Great Britain and Northern Ireland. In Canada, Australia and New Zealand there is the Protestant Faith and the British Crown. In America and Africa there is the Faith and republicanism and situations again which are different politically

and religiously, for as "Britishness" is alien to them so British origins are suspect in America, and in Africa the Orange ethos must have no foreign political affiliation.

The modern phenomenon in Orangeism is the rise of the Institution in Africa among the indigenous people for there has been no British connection there to provide it with sentimental attachment. The missionary zeal of English Orangemen was something of a persuasion on the Africans to embrace the Orange movement. The dedication and enthusiasm of the East African delegates and observers at the 1979 sessions of the Council in East Kilbride, Scotland, was a revelation to everyone else. A better understanding of the appeal of Orangeism to Protestant Africans could uncover a way by which the movement might attract members in other countries where the Protestant Faith and Protestant Ethics would be reasons for its existence.

The World Council is not a legislative body. Its functions are consultative and advisory. Each jurisdiction is autonomous and the Council is the link which binds them together in an association giving mutual benefit in the sharing of views, attitudes, decisions and experiences. Attempts to give the Council disciplinary powers have been

resisted. It has been at its best when it has filled the role of mediator or advisor and as a forum for the expression of opinions on matters of common concern to Protestants generally and Orangemen particularly.

In other days a feature of the sessions was a lecture on a set theme. Its publication ensured its value to a wider audience subsequently. Attempts have been made in recent triennials to restore the practice. The speeches of the Imperial Grand Master and the Imperial Grand President, who is the Council's presiding officer, have sometimes been worthy of serious consideration for their value as reasoned analyses of the place and purpose of the Orange Institution in contemporary society.

At times there have been demonstrations of degree work by the host jurisdiction and explanations of how Orangemen express their devotion to the Institution in activities which are sometimes extraordinary and occasionally ingenious.

And there is always an extensive social programme which has at least two values: it brings brethren, and their ladies, closertogether infriendship and gives them sight of a country other than their own. But mainly it, too, contributes to the encouragement of

Orangemen to stand firm for the Faith in their several jurisdictions and to be exemplary citizens concerned for the well being of their communities and countries.

The Imperial Grand Orange Council met in Toronto, 1870, 1891, 1906; Ottawa 1879; Winnipeg 1923 (it was to have met there in 1915): New York 1900.

There will be engagements prior to the opening of the council and they will include participating in the "Glorious Twelfth Parade" in Toronto on Saturday, 17 July. On Sunday 18 inst there will be a church service at Niagara and an historic tour. Indeed the week will be interspersed with engagements of various kinds all aimed at making the event as pleasurable and useful as possible.

The party from Ireland will leave Toronto on Thursday, 15 July, and most of them will go on after the Council meetings to destinations in Canada and America for holidays.

Cathedral Service for Liverpool Orangemen

Thousands of Orange lodge members in Liverpool attended a reconciliation service at the city's Anglican cathedral on Sunday, June 20.

It was the first time in 50 years the lodge took part in a service in the cathedral. They had been invited by the Dean and Chapter.

A High Court injunction was taken out six months ago to keep the Lodges out of the Cathedral, after they "invaded" an evening service to conduct one of their own.

Trail of Orange—Blood—

The sickening and brutal murder of UDR man Lexie Cummings, in the centre of Strabane was yet another chapter in the story of the republican campaign of killing and atrocity carried out during the past 13 years.

It was also the latest murder of an Orangeman in the Troubles, and underlined once again the serious loss sustained by the loyal institutions due to the terror campaign.

Hundreds of Orangemen have died at the hands of the Provisional IRA and INLA murderers, and many other members of the Order have been maimed and badly injured.

There have been some atrocities carried out against Orangemen which stand out. The attack on the Whiterock procession in Belfast in 1970, which resulted in four Orangemen losing their lives. The horrific attack on the brethren in Tullyvallen Orange Hall in South Armagh, and the slaughter of the Bessbrook workers travelling in a minibus from their work — almost all of them Orangemen.

Not should be forget the murder of Mr. Albert White, the Roman Catholic ex-R.U.C. officer, allegedly shot by smiling I.R.A. assassins as his wife drove him home from the local R.U.C. station where he worked following an earlier attempt on his life in the Jonesborough area.

There have been hundreds of isolated attacks on individual members of the Order, resulting all too often in death. The names include those of well-known and distinguished brethren including the Rev. Robert Bradford, M.P., Senator Barnhill, Sir Norman Stronge and his son James, and Mr. Walker Whitten of Portadown.

The list includes many ordinary rank-and-file members, no less important, who

have died wearing the uniform of the Ulster Defence Regiment, or of the RUC and its Reserve. Many others were shot dead in their homes, at their front door, or in their farmyards and fields, for no other reason than the fact that they happened to be Protestants and Orangemen.

It makes a mockey of the oftrepeated lie by the IRA that its campaign has not been sectarian, and is directed solely at the security forces. Along the border, in Fermanagh and County Armagh, Orangemen and their families have been driven from their homes, again for no other reason than the fact that they were law-abiding and loyal to the Crown.

When this foul and evil campaign of genocide and murder has been finally defeated, the brave members of the Orange and Black Institution, who died at the hands of evil men, should not be allowed to be forgotten. Like all the other innocent people of Ulster who have been assassinated, they have made the Supreme Sacrifice so that freedom and decency can reign in their beloved Province.

As tens of thousands of Orangeman and loyalists prepare to celebrate the "Twelfth," they should pause for a moment and remember their slaughtered brethren — men such as Lexie Cummings who have given their lives for Ulster.

Such men answered the appeal of Orange leaders to join the security forces and play their full part in helping to defeat the IRA, and the ranks of the security forces contain a high proportion of Orange and Black members. Let no-one say that the Orange Order and its members have stood idly by on the sidelines during the IRA campaign. Far too many brethren have died for their country to allow the Order's opponents to level that charge.



Orangeism Needs You

Je Maintiendrai

(I will maintain)

Orange Boven! (Up Orange)

Canada Needs Orangeism

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Plan to attend this historical event

STANDARDBEARER

A PRINCE IS BORN TO BE KING

Throughout the United Kingdom and Commonwealth and in other countries there has been a great outburst of celebration at the birth of a son to the Prince and Princess of Wales.

The glad tidings come in the wake of the spectacular victory of the British forces who captured the Falkland Islands following the invasion by the Argentine military.

The birth of the second in line to the Thorne has come at a time when the thoughts of the British people have been uplifted not only by the success of the armed forces of the Crown but when it seems that our economy is beginning to move out of the slough of despond in which it has been wallowing for some years past.

A new feeling that we are British is in the air and our people are looking once again to the hills from whence cometh their help.

One detects a revival of the greatness which one characterised the people of these islands. The Throne is now more firmly established in the hearts and minds of the people than at any time since the euphoric days of the last war, and who can gainsay that the presence of Prince Andrew in the forefront of the battle for the Falklands gave fresh impetus to the national spirit.

So this latest addition to the Royal line is a very welcome member of the Royal Family, and we hope and pray that he will be spared to grow up in a world free from fear of nuclear annihilation and warfare, and in manhood serve his country and Commonwealth with that devotion and dedication which is always a characteristic of the House of Windsor.

ORANGE BOOKLETS The such a distance for ever refeats of in The Arr

For some years past it has been customary for the Orange nstitution in Belfast to produce a most attractive and ambitious booklet to mark the Twelfth of July celebrations.

This year's production is a plendid example of Orange enterprise, and its attract-veness is enhanced by the cover whose front is taken up with a picture in full colour of he Royal Family and relatives in the occasion of last year's vedding of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

The contents are in keeping with the cover, comprising a vide variety of articles of Drange interest and supported y a wealth of advertising. The ooklet raised £1,200 r haritable purposes in 1982.

This year for the first time a ooklet on similar lines is being study under the authority of the Grand Orange Lodge of the Grand Orange of the Lord Inniskillen Memorial Orange of the Lord Inniskillen Inni

One need not remind the Orange brethren and sisters and Loyalists generally of the rich tradition of Orangeism which Co. Armagh enjoys, for was it not there that Orangeism first came to light in September 1795

The Armagh booklet has a number of articles recalling those stirring days when Dan Winter and his sons gallantly withstood the insurgents who roamed the "one fair county" terrorising the Protestant inhabitants and wrecking their property.

Included, too, is an account of how in the past decade and indeed since the 1920's the loyalists of South Armagh have bravely stood their ground in the face of the determined attacks of the enemy to kill and maim and drive them from their homesteads and businesses to seek shelter in safer areas.

It is hoped that these two official booklets will command a wide readership and bring valuable financial benefit to the charities concerned.

PAPAL VISIT — THE AFTERMATH

After all the publicity which urrounded the visit of the Pope of England and his historic neeting with Archbishop Robert Runcie at Canterbury a cold douche of realism has been thrown by the Archbishop of York.

Dr. Stuart Blanch told York Diocesan Synod that quite spart from the claim of Papal nfallibility the modern doctrines of the Immaculate Conception and the Bodily Assumption of St. Mary, Christ's mother, have no criptural basis.

"These doctrines alone, he Archbishop said "contitute a formidable barrier to rogress. And the Archbishop recalled the dismissal by the Vatican of the Roman

Catholic theologians, Hans Kung and Edward Schillebeck which "caused consternation within the Roman Catholic Church itself". This action Dr. Blanch saw as a serious threat to the ecumenical movement, and the "false dawn" heralded by the Second Vatican Council.

"Further, in a reference to contraception the Archbishop made this very clear and pointed comment: "Are we now to understand that contraception is less sinful in England than it is in Ireland?"

Dr. Blanch was able to say that as a result of the Pope's visit there is now widespread interest in the Church of England, Realism after all the razmatazz.

After Argentina-Northern Ireland

Relations between the British Government and the Government of the Republic of Ireland must certainly have been strained, if not damaged, by the decision of Prime Minister Charles J. Haughey to opt out of the international imposition of sanctions against Argentina during the preiod when the British mounted one of the most spectacular military, air and naval forces since the last

It was an operation which amazed the world, not least the armed forces of Russia and America. It was British strategy and planning at its very best. There was criticism from some predictable quarters, not least Tony Benn and his cohorts, of Britain's decision to re-capture those far-away islands and free their 1,800 inhabitants from the yoke of a foreign power.

The success of the venture at a distance of 8,000 miles, will forever remain one of the epic feats of modern warfare.

The Argentine forces on the islands left atrail of destruction and dead and wounded, and it has revealed in all its nakedness the true nature of their ill-fated direction of Galteiri and his Junta.

The Goebbels-type propaganda and the lies which the people of Argentina were told of the loss of the luxury liner "Canberra" and military victories over the British have

come home to roost, and what more ironic revelation could there be than the use of the "Canberra" claimed to be "sunk" in the icy waters of the South Atlantic, to bring home Argentina's discredited soldiers and airmen!

Faith in Britain has been restored, and it would be churlish not to attribute some portion of the glory to Prime Minster Margaret Thatcher.

She it was who displayed true British grit when people in the Benn camp were crying out to have the dispute referred to and resolved by an international body.

One serious problem remains for the British Govern-

ment to tackle with equal enthusiasm and vigour. Northern Ireland still poses political and military difficulties, and assassination and maiming continue. Now that the Falklands issue is all but cleared up the time is surely at hand to eradicate the various sectors of aggressive republicanism and free this land from the murderers and bombers for all time.

That is the task which lies before Westminster and Stormont. It must be undertaken with courage and determination or we move on towards the completion of yet another Thirty Years War.

Young Loyalists New Uniforms

Castlederg Young Loyalists Flute Band held a new uniform dedication ceremony in Castlederg recently.

Bro. Sandy Speer (WM of LOL 1272 Killen), presided and Bro. James Emery, DDM, opened the proceedings with Prayer and Bible reading. The dedication was performed by

Rev. Ian Paisley MP MEP, Bro. John Taylor MEP was also present. The uniforms cost in the

region of £4,000.

The band has now almost 60

The band has now almost 60 members.

A parade in which 28 bands

A parade in which 28 bands took part provided a musical finale.



Boyne victory celebrated in King's Moss!

Mrs. Margaret Thompson from King's Moss (Newtownabbey) pictured above, as she helps to build the family's massive 'Boyne Victory Bonfire'.

Mrs. Thompson's four sons are members of Ballyrobert LOL 389, and the family also have a unique family Orange Arch at their home which will be opened (D.V.) on Friday July 2 1982 at 8.00 p.m. following an annual Orange parade from Ballyrobert Orange Hall via Ballyclare and Kingsmoss Road. It will be led by the Earl Mountbatten Memorial Flute Band and The Pride of Ollar Flute Band (Ballyclare).

The arch will be opened by Rev. Ian Paisley M.P. M.E.P. and always attracts a good turnout of Orange, Black and Apprentice Boys on parade.

The Thompson family's own family banner — painted in Covenanter country — will

be carried, also the Union Jack, Ulster Flag and St. Andrew's Flag — showing the names of Scotland's Protestant heroes, John Knox, Richard Cameron, Alexander Peden and Patrick Hamilton.

Bro. Bertie McMurray (Roughfort LOL) has announced that the Oakview Arch will be opened (D.V.) by Councillor Worshipful Bro. Arthur Templeton. This annual event by "Roughfort Young Loyalist Arch Committee" on Tuesday 6 July at 8.00 p.m.

Bro. McMurray also a member of Cloughfern Browning Club, Apprentice Boys of Derry Branch Club, is chairman of Roughfort Young Loyalist Arch Committee and he organizes various darts, pool competitions for locallads of the Arch Committee.

Details of arrangements from Femplepatrick 33137.

Castlederg Young Loyalists Flute Band in their new uniforms which are maroon coloured with orange and gold trimmings.

Photo courtesy Norman Donnell Castlederg.



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THE PAPAL VISIT

the visit of the Pope to Great Britain, after considerable doubt out it happening at all because of the war situation in the South antic, was so governed by what was taking place there and its on Britain and Argentina that it was a pastoral visit. It of course, ecumenical and political overtones.

was the Government's "non-involvement" which ensured the visit was religious in nature and without overt political motation, though the Pope managed to say things which could described as political pleas, among them for the peaceful element of the Falklands issue.

The reception he received from his own people was overelming: and that by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the derator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. h some Free Church leaders was hardly less enthusiastic. It to be added though that the crowds were smaller, sometimes ry much smaller, than was anticipated, but there was no wing their wholehearted devotion to the man.

The Pope's personal charisma, well recognised as an asset of osiderable value to his church, was an attraction in Britain too. religious leader has greater skill as a communicator. By ile kiss. handshake and speech he makes contact with people ily and effectively. This observable fact marks him out as a parkable man. John Paul, anxious to be known as the eople's Pope." has the human touch, but as he sees everything m a traditional Roman viewpoint he is an enigma, for his low feeling with people runs alongside his conservation on ral and ethical questions of deep concern to them and which ny of them see differently from him. Whatever advantage ibacy may be to him as a priest it is of no benefit when he vises people on relationships which can only be philosophical tters to someone whose life is untouched by shared sexual

And his strict ethical attitudes are equalled by his tight ological and doctrinal emphases which make no accommodon to those whose studies and experiences of life produce for m different and more flexible conclusions. The evengelicalof John Paul manages to take in train a theology of the igin Mary which itself is the clear remainder that Roman tholicism is very different to Biblical Christianity in many of attitudes, beliefs and practices.

There were many claims made for Roman Catholic supremacy in the preambles of the presenters of the Visit's television and radio programmes, and by Roman apologists in the media generally and hints at it from the Pope himself. We have yet to hear the reactions of Anglicans, Presbyterians and others to them, but Archbishop Anthony Bloom, the internationally known Orthodox Church theologian, spoke out against Papal claims which are no more palatable when served with the pleasant voice and manner of the present Roman pontiff.

The attitude of G.B. people generally to the visit were either agreeable to it in the hope that it would help to foster better relationships among Christians or indifferent to it because religion is of so little concern to them that they couldn't care less about what religious people get up to. Indifference like that is the

Union Flag Goes up again in Falklands

Whatever other event impressed us in June nothing was more pleasing than the re-taking of the Falkland Islands after ten weeks of Argentine occupation. It brought back some of the old glory to the nation. It gained credit, too, for the Prime Minister who was unflinching in her determination to remove the aggressor from the scene.

The defeat of the Argentinians may not mean the end of the hostilities, much less the settlement of the islands controversy, but it will have the effect on international relations of discouraging attack on British territory. The Rev. Ian Paisley elicited the strong reaction from Mrs. Thatcher that she would stand as firm against aggression on the North of Ireland. He questioned her on the position of Ulster anent the Republic of Ireland.

reminder that, religiously, Britain is a mission field which needs Christian evangelism in size and significance so that whatever ambitions Christians may have they should share the goal of winning people for Christ.

The third attitude, of opposition to the Visit, was well organised, disciplined and impressive in its public manifestation in London and Glasgow particularly. The "on-the-day" protests were unimpressive. In London the right of such protest appears to have been denied, while elsewhere it was permitted.

In the wake of the visit the relationships of Roman Catholics with Anglicans, Presbyterians and others has to be different. The meetings in their sacred places, at which the Pope was an honoured guest; what was said by his hosts and his replies, makes the situation different now. And that must be a matter of concern as to its consequences for the future of Christianity in Great

It is freely admitted that the Pope's attitudes in G.B. were dissimilar to those in other countries, and markedly different from his emphases in Portugal three weeks earlier. Gone was the authoritarianism and the insistence on discipline in the church; and its-place was a clear determination to accommodate to a new situation and a willingness to listen to the Roman Catholic leaders in the country. So different was he that one R.C. writer spoke of the new Pope John Paul III. The inference was there, too, that whatever the Pope had brought to Britain he had taken away a new sense of ecumenism and found another dimension in his thinking. He had had little chance previously to know about Christian societies which are not Roman Catholic.

Time will tell what effect the visit has had on the Roman Catholic faithful and now much he affected British people generally. It will also uncover the extent of his enlightenment from the British experience.

The Pope has left behind him many questions to be answered. How they are answered will govern the progress of Christianity in Great Britain in the years ahead. It could well be that nothing more important has happened to the country religiously in centuries than the first ever visit of a Bishop of Rome to Britain.

Banner Unfurled in Scotland

A joint unfurling ceremony k place in the Bankend ills. Dumbarton, when Vale Leven True Blues LOL 176 Lily of the Valley Ladies IL 178 unfurled their new

The brethren and sisters of dges 176 and 178 were ned by prominent County and Officers from Glasgow I visitors from Clydebank. umchapel, Springburn and imbarion

Bro. Eddie Coyle RWM 6 accorded a warm welcome

The half-yearly meeting of

Provincial Grand Black

lapter of Scotland was held

the Orange Hall. Govan.

Sir Knt. Alan Lindsay

GM) presided, assisted by

Knt Peter Downie (DGM)

votional exercises and

use were conducted by Sir

its H. Reeves and R. Paul

The PGM welcomed a large

endance. Among the many

aths mentioned was that of a

ghly and respected

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haplains).

to all and after the singing of the 23rd Psalm, Sister Marion Leitch W.M. Ladies Lodge 178 was called upon to perform the Unfurling Ceremony assisted by Bro. Coyle.

The Rev. Ian H. Miller, minister of Bonhill Church of Scotland, dedicated the banner to the Glory of God and in memory of those who upheld the principles of our Institution.

After prayer and Scripture reading the well known hymn "There's a Royal Banner" was

Scots Black Chapter

Report of Grand Council

Annual Returns of Member-

The election of Officers was

conducted by Sir Knts W.

Blakely (Ass. Sov. G.M. and

Sir Knt Peter Downie was

Sir Knt A. Magee reported

on the arrangements for Divine

congratulated on his new

Philip Fisher (IDGM).

appointment of PGM.

ship and Auditors Report, were

Winter Meeting was submitted

Joseph Briggs HDGM.

by Grand Registrar.

approved.

Rev. Ian H. Miller and Sister Marion Leitch were presented with gifts by Sister Cynthia Coyle, Ladies 178 and Bro. E.

Another important presentation took place when Bro. Ed. Coyle honoured one of his veteran members. Bro. Wm Stewart was presented with a 20 year long service medal. In reply Bro. Stewart said he was highly honoured to receive the medal and thanked the brethren for their kind recognition of his services.

A silver Trophy was

presented by Sir Knt. L. Leroy.

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August

The banner was then paraded through the local Districts of Alexandria, Bonhill, Jamestown, and Balloch to the musical accomapaniment of West End Flute Band, Paisley.

An excellent dance was thoroughly enjoyed.

The banner made by T. Robinson, Belfast depicts a painting of Ruth and Naomi on one side and the reverse side King William on his white

400 parade ın Sunday August 8 and Demonstration to Ayr on 14th Bessbrook

Four hundred Orangemen and women attended the annual church service of Bessbrook District L.O.L. No. 11 in Bessbrook Presbyterian Church on Sunday, June 6.

The attendance included a 200-strong contingent from Sandy Row District L.O.L. No. 5 in Belfast, and brethren from Dublin as well as South Armagh and South Down.

The preacher was Bro. the Rev. Derek McMeekin, Portadown, and he was assisted in the service by the Rev. Robert Nixon, minister of Bessbrook Presbyterian Church.

Wor. Bro. J. A. Anderson, County Grand Master of Armagh, read the lesson, and the soloist was Mrs. Helen Chambers.

Four bands led the parade to and from the Church -Tullyvallen Silver, Prince of Orange Flute, Belfast; Bessbrook True Blues Flute, and Bessbrook Crimson Arrow

Gilford LOL Banner Unfurled

Gilford Ark of Safety LOL 1901 unfurled a new banner in magnificent sunshine on Friday June 4.

The banner which has a picture of Noah giving thanks on one side and a picture of King William III on the other was entirely paid for by voluntary subscriptions from the 38 lodge members.

The banner was unfurled by one of the lodge's longest serving members Wor. Bro. D. Lockart, PM and was dedicated by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Rev. W. Martin Smyth.

Other distinguished visitors were the County Down Grand Master W. Bro. Russell who made an appeal on behalf of the Lodge for Captain Johnston Junior LOL 13, W. Bro. J. Copeland County Down Grand Secretary, Bro. McShane C.G. Lecturer, the

Worshipful District Master of Gilford District W. Bro. S. Acheson and the District Treasurer W. Bro. J. Walker, the Deputy District Master being indisposed.

The ceremony was chaired by the lodge's Wor. Master Bro. H. Tomilson and a vote of thanks to all who had contributed to the success of the evening was conveyed by Bro. T. Harrison, Deputy Master.

Brethren of the District along with visiting brethren from neighbouring areas joined with the brethren of the lodge in a parade through the village accompanied by five bands -Milltown Silver who also accompanied the singing, Gilford True Blues, Scarva Accordion, Robert Harrison Memorial Flute Gilford and Carleton Pipe, Portadown.

ovincial Officer Sir Knt Service of Prov. Chapter in Gray, R. Paul and H. Reeves. Kilwinning, Ayrshire on **Death** Scottish Stalwart

After an illness patiently ne for six years Bro. and Sir ight Joseph Briggs died at residence in the Milton strict of Glasgow.

dentified with both Orders joined the Orange titution on 7th December 22 in LOL 268 where he was cted W.M. in 1925 and ved that office for 3 years. de latterly transferred his mbership to LOL 157 ere he became very Brested in Degree work and

was very soon a Lecturer.

He held many offices in the Grand Orange Lodge of Scotland, including Grand Marshal and an HDGM.

He was also HDGM in the Provincial Grand Black Chapter of Scotland.

The funeral took place on 21st April to Maryhill, Glasgow, Crematorium after a service in Milton Colston Church. The service was conducted by Rev. M. Stewart (recently retired) ably assisted

by Rev. Mr. Proctor, Mr. Stewart in his address, spoke of the great work, and the many activities deceased had carried out as a Church Officer.

Both ministers took part in service at the crematorium.

Among the many mourners were Bro. Thomas Orr (MWGM) and Wm Douglas (Grand Marshal). The deepest sympathy of the Scottish brethren goes out to Mrs. Briggs and her son David.

Orange and Purple Lecturers'

Eleven brethren have gained their Orange and Purple lecturers' certificates. Seven are from the Newtownstewart District (No.9) and four from the Killen District (No.12).

The class was held during the winter months in Ardstraw Orange hall under the expert guidance of Bro. Ronnie Hill of Douglas Bridge (LOL No.205) and were examined by the County Tyrone Grand Lecturer, W.Bro. Robert Deans.

At the May meeting of Newtownstewart District LOL No.9 held in Drumlegagh Orange Hall all the lecturers were presented with their certificates.

Bro. Hill presented the certificates to the Newtownstewart brethren: Bros. John Lowry, David Lecky, Victor Warnock, Ronnie Patton, John Beattie, Sandy McKelvey and Derek Rainey.

Bio. James Emery DDM of the Killen District LOL No. 12 was also present at meeting and he handed the certificates to the brethren from his District, Bros. Sandy Speer, Howard Speer, Tom Burke and Tom Livingstone who was unable to be present.

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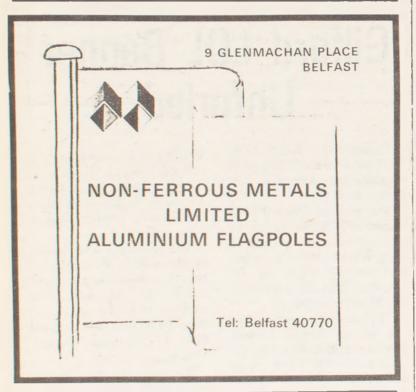
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WE CANNOT AFFORD TO BE BE CANNOT AFFORD TO BE DIVIDED Mr. John Taylor, MP

M.E.P. member Bro. John Taylor has said that loyalists in Northern Ireland cannot afford to be divided.

Addressing a meeting at Kilkeel he said his simple final message to loyalists throughout the Mourne district was, in the forthcoming elections fought under proportional representation to achieve a maximum result by voting for every single loyalist candidate, whatever party they come from.

"Those loyalists active in the institutions must give a lead to the community. We cannot afford to be divided," he counselled.

The occasion was the presentation and dedication of new uniforms for Ballinran Apprentice Boys Flute Band, and local DUP Councillor George Graham presided.

Rev. Ian Paisley, MP, MEP, performed the dedication ceremony.

DARK SHADOW AROUND

Bro. Sam McMurray Past President of the Murray Club Apprentice Boys, Ballinran, and Mrs. Dorothy Coulter president of the Women's Committee, presented the band members with their new outfits.

Mr. Paisley said he counted it agreat honour to dedicate the new uniforms and commented that it was great to see the progress and prosperity of the band. "I trust it will go from strength to strength," he added.

Commenting on the current political situation, Dr. Paisley told his listeners that they met under a very grave and dark shadow.

"The shooting of those three gallant members of the British Army and the killing of young Alan McCrum some days ago proves beyond a shadow of doubt that it is not some American government CIA we are up against but the old enemy of Ulster, the IRA and other republicans," he declared.

"Ulstermen and women need to be alerted and awakened to a fresh resolution to resist the powers of Republicanism let loose in our province. If there's one great need it is for the return in Stormont of government by Ulstermen and women who will be able to stand up for Ulster and shape Ulster's destiny," said Dr. Paisley.

"Our economy is in a shambles. Our agriculture and fishing industry are in depression. On the job front we can see the ever lengthening dole queue," he said. "The Ulster people need to be in charge of their own future."

NEWS FOR HAUGHEY

"It is Charles Haughey's intention to continue to con Margaret Thatcher," Mr. Paisley continued "but I have news for Haughey, and his partner in this evil work Mr. Hume — Ulster Loyalists will never surrender."

He warned the Secretary of State Mr. Jim Prior that Ulster Loyalists were not going to surrender to any package deal. "There is going to be no cooperation in discussions with a Council of Ireland," he said "and no republicans in the government of N. Ireland — We are completely and totally dedicated. We are not prepared to throw out the baby with the bathwater.

"We go forth by the grace of God as Carson's Volunteer Force and, as Ulstermen smashed them in the past, so Ulstermen will smash the IRA Samuel Eakins, Drum Major of Pride of Ballinran Flute Band (right) presents Bro. Sam McMurray, Past President of the Murray Club Apprentice Boys, Ballinran, with an inscribed Bible in appreciation of his long service. Looking on is Euro MPMr. John Taylor, who was a guest speaker. Photo courtesy 'The Outlook'

in the future and in the days ahead we will proudly walk along the streets of Ulster."

Mr. Paisley also called on the crowd to dedicate themselves afresh to the great cause and to give notice to the IRA that Ulster Protestants are as determined as ever. "We will have no peace with Rome till Rome makes peace with God, no capitulation with Dublin and no surrender," he concluded.

Mr. Taylor was pleased that there was unity between the two main Unionist parties on the basic loyalist issues.

"We are fighting to maintain Protestant freedom and the unity of the UK and Northern Ireland," said Mr. Taylor, "and I find the best people, in ths fight to keep Ulster British and free, are the loyalist institutions.

The President of the Ballinran Murray Club Brunswick and Cranfield Apprentice Boys, Bro. Harry Accordion.

McBurney, tendered a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Bro. Roy Park, vice-President

Before the conclusion of the proceedings, Bro. Sam McMurray, who had been president of the Murray Club Ballinran, since 1951 received a surprise presentation of an inscribed Bible from Mr. Samuel Eakins, Drum Major of the Band. The ceremony was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

Resplendent in their very smart new uniforms. Pride of Ballinran Flute Band led visiting bands on parade through the town. Bands in attendance included Annalong Single Star. Ulster Young Loyalists Castlewellan, Star of Down Maghera. Blue Star of Ballynahinch, Loyal Sons of Benagh. South Down Defenders (all flute) and Brunswick and Cranfield Accordion.

Rev Paisley MEP (centre) with members of the platform party (left to right), Bro. Harold McBurney, President of the Murray Club Apprentice Boys, Ballinran, Councillor George Graham, Chairman, Bro. Samuel McMurray, Past President of the Murray Club Apprentice Boys, Ballinran, and Bro. Roy Park, Vice-President of the Murray Club Apprentice Boys.

Ballinran. Photo courtesy "The Outlook"



Now it's Reformation Sunday Service

One of Northern Ireland's largest Orange Districts, Portadown will be breaking with a long Standing tradition this year.

This District has decided to drop the annual Gunpowder Plot service from its intinerary, and replace it with a Reformation Sunday service. For many years, Port-

adown District has marked the defeat of the Gunpowder Plot by Guy Fawkes and his fellow conspirators to blowup the Houses of Parliament.

However, a strong volume of opinion inside the District felt that it was more relevant in these days, when the Reformation and its principles are under such

attack, to focus attention on the Reformation.

This feeling was reflected when the vote to make the change came before the District Lodge meeting, and the proposal was carried unanimously.

The decision will bring Portadown into line with Belfast and many other areas, where Reformation Sunday services have been a feature for many years. The service will be held on the last Sunday in October, a week earlier than the Gunpowder Plot service, and if the change proves a success, then it is likely to become an annual event.



New Banner featuring Derrymore House, Bessbrook.

Border Banner Unfurlings



Bro. T. Gray Sen. receives 50 Year Certificate and Medal from Rev. M. Smyth.



A Section of LOL 927 assembled before new Banner.



Bro. Rev. M. Smyth gives address after dedicating new banner.



Bro. H. McCusker addressing crowd before unfurling banner.

Three banners unfurled in seven weeks—that's what they have been doing in Orange and Black circles in Bessbrook district.

On May 15 a new banner carrying a painting of Derrymore House, where the Act of Union was signed in 1800, was unfurled for Bessbrook Star of Hope Temperance L.O.L. No. 927.

The unfurling ceremony was carried out by Armagh MP, Bro. Harold McCusker, and the dedication by the Imperial Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Rev. W. Martin Smyth.

On June 5 a new banner was unfurled for Divernagh L.O.L. No. 77, also, in Bessbrook District L.O.L. No. 11, by Bro. McCusker. It was dedicated by Bro. the Rev. W. J. Beggs, Poyntzpass.

A new banner will be unfurled for Bessbrook Crimson Arrow R.B.P. No. 38 on Saturday, July 3 by Sir Knt. James Molyneaux, MP, the Sovereign Grand Master of the Royal Black Institution. The banner is to be dedicated by Sir Knt. Rev. Derek MeMeekin, Portadown.

R.B.P. No. 38 belong to Newry Royal Black District Chapter No. 4.



Miss Joanne Gray makes presentation to Mrs. Smyth.

King William returns to Carrickfergus





The Mayor of Carrickfergus and members of the Borough Council await the arrival of "King William" Photo courtesy "Belfast News-Letter"

Orangemen of Carrickfergus and district last month celebrated the landing of King William the Third in their town 292 years ago.

The Pageant re-creating his arrival was organised by the United District Committee, which represents Orange lodges from the districts of Carrick, Cloughfern, Carnmoney, Larne and Sixmilewater.

A fanfare from a trumpeter on the parapet of Carrick castle heralded the arrival of King William who was greeted by the Mayor, Alderman Ken McFaul when he came ashore.

After the landing at noon, King Billy, accompanied by a lieutenant, inspected a line-up of troops dressed in the uniforms worn for the sham battle between himself and King James at Scarva on July 13.

Local Orange lodges were also on parade. After inspecting the troops, King Billy mounted his horse and, followed by the Mayor, who was seated in a horse-drawn landau, took the salute before riding past the castle.

Flanked by pikemen, he toured the old part of Carrick before returning to the jetty. A spokesman for the organising committee said the colourful occasion was only a "symbolic gesture" in commemoration of the landing, but he added that he hoped it would set a precedent for a more spectacular re-enactment next year.

He said: "The committee was formed 18 months ago, and having already held a memorial service in Carnmoney and an Orange demonstration in Larne, we felt that the next step would be to commemorate the landing in Carrick."

King Billy landed in Carrick after the surrender of the garrison in the castle to the Duke of Schomberg.

Marching season under way

Brethren all over the Province and in some counting in the Republic will be holding their pre-Twelfth parades and church services over the next few weeks, and it is to be hoped that they will turn out in very large numbers.

It is not just the actual "Twelfth," or Scarva Day July 13, which is important in this connection. Brethren should remember that they are fortunate to live in a free country, where the right to parade has been won at tremendous cost, and they should, therefore, avail themselves of that right, and witness for their Faith and their Institution by their attendance at public parades.

In Belfast, the season of marching opened on Friday, June 18, with a parade of Clifton Street districts in the Antrim Road-York Road area.

They continued with the Shankill District No. 9 parade to Whiterock on Saturday, June 26, and then on Thursday, July 1, there will be the traditional "wee Twelfth" parades in Sandy Row and Ballymacarrett. Both these start at 7 p.m.

On the same night, there will be a large band parade in the village of Poyntzpass in County Armagh, and in the Edenderry district of Portadown, there will be the traditional "Lundy Night" burning ceremony.

On the First of July, Orangemen at many centres throughout the province will remember the men who fell in the Battle of the Somme on July 1,1916. A very high proportion of these gallant men were Orangemen, and their sacrifice should never be forgotten.

On Monday, July 5, Number 10 District, Ormeau Road, will parade to the opening of an Arch in Lindsay Street, starting at 7 p.m.

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LONDON

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Leyborne Avenue, Northfields, London W13.

Details of Opening and Grand Social will be published at a later date.

Pipped by Sandy Row

A great success, that is how Junior Orange officials rated the first inter-county soccer competition held under the auspices of the Junior Grand Lodge of Ireland, held at the Kernan playing fields, Portadown, on Saturday, June 12.

The seven-a-side tournament replaced the previous format which was an intercounty league competition.

A total of 16 teams from all parts of Northern Ireland took part in the new tournament, which was played in brilliant sunshine, and in an atmosphere of friendly rivalry.

Sandy Row District, Belfast, proved the winners, with Portadown District runners-up, but all the teams performed creditably, including Fermanagh, North Down, Beragh, Ballymacarrett, Carrickfergus and Knocknadona.

It is hoped that this will become an annual event, and that even more teams will take part next year.

The trophy to the Sandy Row team, and the medals, were presented by W. Bro. Samuel Cowan, Grand Treasurer.



The Portadown team which finished runners up to Sandy Row in the final of the Junior Orange seven-a-side competition, held at Kernan playing fields, Portadown, along with Bro. Roger Gill, who helped to organise the successful event. Photo: "Portadown