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## Wireless dealers and TV

The Wireless Dealers' Association has issued the following statement in regard to television: "We rather feel that the public must be somewhat bewildered by the spate of rumours and scare headlines which have beset the introduction of Television to this country."

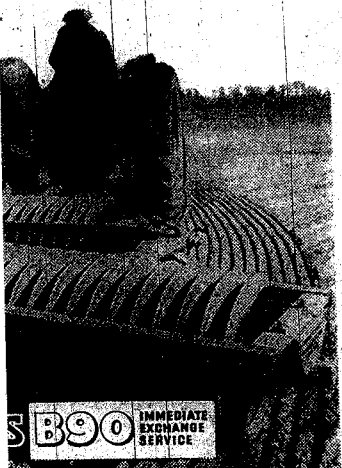
"It is a fact that the introduction of Irish Television has presented very many technical problems on the transmission side and the Wireless Dealers' Association have had a Technical Committee watching these matters. From time to time we have requested interviews with Telefa Eireann and the Department of Posts and Telegraphs, and our requests have always met with immediate response, and we think that we should publicly state that in our opinion both Telefa Eireann and the Department of Posts and Telegraphs are viewing the problem in the widest possible terms, and are endeavouring to seek a solution to provide the greatest amount of programme enjoyment for Irish viewers."

"We feel certain that the problems involved will be solved, and we hope that the efforts of the Authorities concerned will be appreciated by the viewing public."

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## Limerick man in jet aircraft course

Competing a short familiarisation course in the Boeing 707 jet aircraft at Shannon is Mr. John Goodwin, a son of Mr. A. E. Goodwin, Limerick.

Mr. John Goodwin qualified as a pilot at Southend in 1958. After a short period piloting with an English charter company, he joined B.O.A.C. With this Company he studied further technical courses, and his early flights included the London to Africa route. He was next on Britannias on the trans-Atlantic route, and was later assigned to the Boeing 707 jet.

Mr. Goodwin, who is married, was educated at Newtown School, Waterford, and Portoro Royal School, Enniskillen. He was well known at Irish regattas, and stroked for Limerick Boat Club. He was also a member of Shannon Aero Club.

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND WHITE SCOUR

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# Murder of Colleen Bawn recalled

"Of all the districts in Limerick I always thought Glin was amongst the best of them with a history going back to six or seven hundred years B.C.," said Mr. R. J. Cussen, LL.D., the well-known West Limerick historian, when he delivered a very informative and interesting lecture to a gathering of over 200 at Ballyguiltenane National School on Friday night of last week.

The function, which was organised by the Ballyguiltenane Branch of Macra na Feirme, was one of the most successful of its kind ever held in Glin Parish. The school building was crowded to overflow capacity by an attendance which included numerous ladies, and the lecture was followed by a most enjoyable social with community singing as well as songs and poems written by poets from the district.

Mr. John Kelly, Chairman of the Branch, presided and Rev. D. Murphy, C.C. Glin, who was mainly instrumental in organising the function, acted as M.C. The attendance included Very Rev. M. Ryan, P.P. Glin; Padraig O'Ceallaigh, Principal, Abbeyfeale Technical School; Mr. D. Reidy, M.C.C.; Mr. Seamus Duggan, N.T., etc.

## HOW GLIN DERIVED ITS NAME

Tracing the history of Glencarbery, which he described as one of the loveliest names in the Limerick area, Dr. Cussen explained that Glin originally derived its name from one of the oldest churches to be found in the county. According to the distinguished Irish scholar, John O'Donovan, there were 4,839 inhabitants in Glin parish in 1830, but the population had dropped in 120 or 130 years to the present level of 2,300. In O'Donovan's time the wages of male farm labourers were £12 a year and females £2 a year, with board. Casual men labourers were paid 8d. a day in summer and 6d. a day during the winter months. There were three schools in the parish at Ballydonoghue, Killaacolla and Ballyguiltenane North. Land was let at 40/- an acre with a county cess of 2/-. Apparently, remarked Dr. Cussen, amidst laughter, there was no need for protest marches by farmers in those days against local taxation.

## THE COLLEEN BAWN

Dr. Cussen also gave a graphic review of the circumstances surrounding the tragic death of the Colleen Bawn and the subsequent hanging for murder of John Scanlan, whose father came from Hipphaul, near Glin.

Gerald Griffin, whose home was in the vicinity, had immortalised the tragic occurrence in his book, "The Collegians." The Colleen Bawn, as Ellen Healey had become known, lived with her uncle a few miles from Scanlan and she disappeared on 29th June, 1919, taking with her over £100. Nothing further was heard of her until her body was found on the Clare side of the Shannon. Scanlan was subsequently hanged for the crime at Glows Green, near Singland, Limerick, where at the time there was a public place of execution. After the murder, Scanlan and Stephen O'Sullivan, who had actually committed the crime at Scanlan's behest, foolishly dis-

tributed ladies' clothing in Glin. One of the articles, a clock, was traded in at a shebeen in Glin for a quart of whiskey and the clock was afterwards identified as having belonged to the Colleen Bawn. Scanlan's trial in Limerick was made more noteworthy by the fact that Daniel O'Connell, the Liberator, was brought down from Dublin to defend him.

## FAMOUS POET

The lecturer also mentioned that Michael O'Langain, the famous poet, was born in Ballyguiltenane Upper, in 1760. He was a poet in his own right and attended the famous bardic sessions at Croom. He later went to Wexford after his father had been dismissed by the then Knight of Glin. An interesting character came to Ballyguiltenane about 1820 in the person of Col. Kitchener whose son, Lord Kitchener, later became famous in World War I and who lost his life when his ship went down on a mission to Russia in 1916.

Dr. Cussen said the Knights of Glin were of Norman stock, which came to this country in 1170. They were one of the oldest families that had stayed in the place in these islands and the B'os had been maintained in Glin for 30 or 31 generations since 1200. Referring to later times, the lecturer said Sir Robert Peel, now mainly remembered as founder of the "Peelers," was for a time the "Peelers" of property in Ballyguiltenane, where Rory MacSheehy was agent for the estate. He thought Glin should also be proud of Constable Pat Sheehan, of the D.M.P., who, in 1913, heroically sacrificed his life in rescuing Dublin Corporation workers from a sewer which had collapsed on them. He successfully rescued one man but when he went down he collapsed sewer a second time he was overcome and thus laid down his life for his fellow man. His heroic sacrifice set the country on fire at the time and a plaque had been erected at Burgh Quay to commemorate the event. Constable Sheehan's remains were brought to Fynes station and from there were borne on the shoulders of fellow D.M.P. men all the way to Killeferus Cemetery.

## BOOK BEING PREPARED

During an interesting discussion that followed Padraig O'Ceallaigh mentioned that at present a book was being prepared on the life of Michael O'Langain, the poet. Mr. S. Duggan, N.T., said Langain fought in Wexford in 1798. Mr. James Reidy, Secretary of the Macra Branch, proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer for his most entertaining and instructive talk and said they were all very grateful to Dr. Cussen for having come there that night at great inconvenience. Mr. Sean Fitzgerald seconded. Rev. Father Murphy joined in the vote, which was passed with acclamation, and Dr. Cussen suitably replied.

