

**Poet" Ryan is remembered**

...rit of the late Ger-  
 Ryan, poet, natural-  
 izer of Old Limerick,  
 e been pleased by  
 and the night chosen  
 merous friends, for  
 ing of a commem-  
 thology of his poems.  
 e was The Round  
 b in High St.—the  
 cribed over a century  
 other Limerick poet,  
 ncis O'Donnell, as:  
 St. here so narrow,  
 ide/With the quaint  
 on every side." And  
 ay night was the one  
 anniversary of the  
 John Francis O'Don-  
 oet whose birthplace  
 Gerald Griffin Street,  
 by a commemorat-  
 . A bit down the way  
 Round House, Sean  
 one of the Gaelic  
 oets, kept a tavern,  
 ped limericks with  
 and patrons of the  
 ayhouse, in the years  
 death in 1751.

...corner in Cornmarket  
 the early 1930s, Des-  
 rady, the young poet  
 somely acknowledges  
 to Ger ("The Poet")  
 a memoir in Gerard  
 ommemorative anth-  
 s born and spent his  
 years.  
 O'Grady shows how  
 yan's fidelity to poe-  
 he lore of Old Lime-  
 n the Old Poet taught  
 other young Lime-  
 s), was a living and  
 link with the broken  
 rld of O Tuama and  
 to the promising fu-  
 etry in Limerick.

...an was for O'Grady:  
 d . . . and the last of  
 in the true Gaelic tra-  
 insale marked the be-  
 of the end. Aughrim  
 rick finished it. Yet,  
 3 of the spirit ling-  
 no matter how thinly  
 , even into our child-  
 or me, Gerard was a  
 enant of that tradit-  
 ough his life, work,  
 passed it on to those  
 to have known him,  
 nant with him is to  
 se."

...ive portrait of The  
 n, seated with a glass  
 uff that kept the faith  
 s Ger called whiskey)  
 his favourite pubs, by  
 friend, Jack Dono-  
 eproduced as an em-  
 ent of the commem-  
 anthology.

...: "An Early Morning  
 - poems by Gerard  
 here's a cover design,  
 ohn's Castle motif, by  
 artist friend, George  
 , and the price is 50p.  
 nes reflect the things  
 arard Ryan loved: the  
 e of Plascsey; the  
 nderable swans of the  
 ; the bleak country-  
 -Clare, and poems for  
 ke Kitty Bredin, Des-  
 O'Grady, Fr. Albert,  
 Alice Guerinni (the  
 actress now in Can-  
 d Elizabeth Mills, the  
 artist/designer — ap-  
 ply, as Gerard Ryan  
 dentally valued friend-



Reform: Don O'Connor, Joe Mulcahy and Willie Brown.



Rosemary Burke.

**Success for Rosemary**

**L**AST weekend a young Lime-  
 rick girl was the guest  
 of RTE, and her many friends  
 and relatives heard her read  
 her winning poem on the  
 Rogha na nOg programme  
 with Lorna Madigan. She is  
 Miss Rosemary Burke, Mount  
 Carmel, Corbally Road, Limer-  
 ick, a pupil of Scoil Ide and  
 Miss Gabrielle Wallace. She  
 is 11-year-old, and this was her

**Management development programme at N.I.H.E.**

**T**HE National Institute for  
 Higher Education, Lime-  
 rick, in conjunction with the  
 Institute of Public Adminis-  
 tration, is running a short  
 management development pro-  
 gramme for Local Govern-  
 ment personnel and other pub-  
 lic sector employees in the  
 Mid-West region. The pro-  
 gramme, which is due to com-  
 mence on Tuesday, May 14th,  
 is spread over five weeks on  
 a one day per week day-re-  
 lease basis. It has direct re-  
 levance to both middle and  
 senior management. (Admin-  
 istrative and Engineering  
 staffs) within the local and  
 regional administrative organ-  
 isations.

The changing role of local  
 authorities and the necessity  
 to become familiar with mod-  
 ern management and problem-  
 solving techniques are two  
 of the central themes of the  
 proposed programme. Although  
 basically a foundation course,  
 it encompasses a variety of  
 topics ranging from computer  
 systems to European local  
 government and organisational  
 behaviour. It is envisaged that  
 further programmes will em-  
 erge from this initial base,  
 catering for regional needs  
 and fitting in with the pro-  
 gramme of staff development  
 and training for officers of  
 local authorities provided at  
 national level by the I.P.A.

The programme co-ordinator  
 is Mr. Donal A. Dineen, who  
 is a lecturer in economics at  
 the Institute.

**New single from Reform**

**R**EFORM, the star-laden 3-  
 piece rock band from  
 Limerick, present a new  
 single, which reflects their per-  
 sonal attitudes to the show-  
 business life.

The first song is a tribute to  
 road managers, the unsung  
 heroes of the music game. It's  
 called "One for the Boys," an  
 insight into the work and the  
 hazards of a roadie's life.

The flip, "Saltaway," was ori-  
 ginally titled "It always rains  
 in Galway," but Reform felt  
 that the song might well work  
 against tourist interests in the  
 west. So they changed.

Reform is Don O'Connor,  
 Joe Mulcahy and Willie  
 Brown.

The record is on the Young  
 Blood Label and now on re-  
 lease.

**Expert leads Burren tour**

**M**R. Rod Young, of An  
 Foras Forbartha, will  
 travel from Dublin specially  
 to lead a tour of the Burren  
 country by members of An  
 Taisce, on Sunday, May 19:  
 he is a widely known ecologi-  
 cal expert.

The group will travel in a  
 cavalcade of cars, meeting at  
 the Folk Centre in Kilfenora,  
 at 12.30 p.m., stopping for a  
 packed lunch. The details were  
 announced this week by Lime-  
 rick secretary, Miss Shiela

**I.C.A. ladies win many awards**

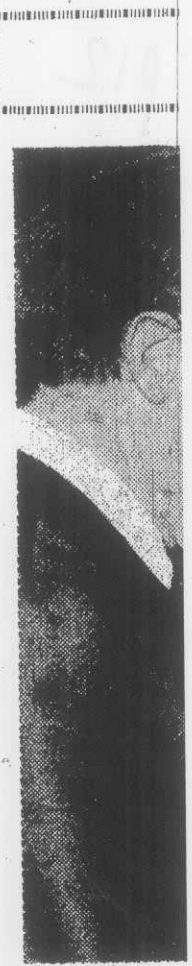
**A**T the monthly meeting  
 held in the Gaelic League  
 Hall the President gave mem-  
 bers a report on the AGM in  
 Dublin.

Mrs. O'Sullivan, recorded  
 President Childers' interest in  
 the Association and his de-  
 tailed knowledge of and  
 praise for the work being  
 done in the field of adult ed-  
 ucation in the I.C.A. college,  
 An Ghrianan. There the tradi-  
 tional crafts—which are part  
 of our heritage, are taught,  
 also courses in literature, arts  
 and communications are  
 available of all year round.

This theme was further de-  
 veloped by a member who  
 spoke on her recent visit to  
 the college where she pursued  
 a writer's course.

Mrs. Nellie Penny was con-  
 gratulated on the achievement  
 of her choir, Donoughmore  
 Ladies' Choir, in winning a  
 cup in the Cork Festival. She  
 was warmly praised for the  
 tremendous work she does in  
 the field of music.

More congratulations, this  
 time to Mrs. Noreen Stolan,  
 who won the Federation Fish  
 Cookery Competition. She  
 was assured of the best wishes  
 of all members when she com-  
 petes in the next round of the  
 B.T.M. competition



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