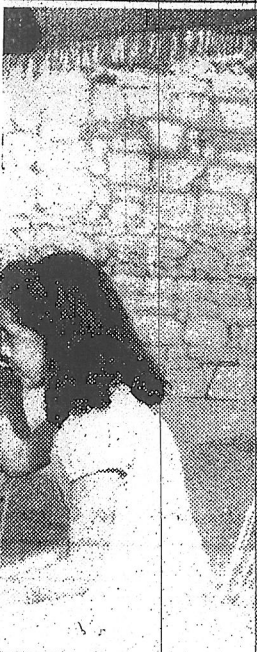




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...the same group, signing the visitors' book. He was on an official visit
to Limerick, which he hopes to make an annual one, and called to see the
Mayor, Ctr. Frank Leddin. On the left is Mr. G. P. Jackson, Assistant Managing
Director of Arthur Guinness, Son and Co. Ltd.

New book on Limerick's historic scenes

Just published, *Cois Maíghé na gCaor* by Mainchín Seoighe (who will be better known to some readers of this paper as Mannix Joyce, or by his pen name, "An Mangaire Súgach"). It is a Club Leabhar choice.

Cois Maíghé na gCaor contains the whole story of the Maigue countryside. This book can be said to have had its beginnings in the pages of the "Limerick Leader" for beginning in September, 1951, the author contributed 19 articles in Irish on the Maigue country to this paper. And in 1958, the Maigue story, now translated into English, and very considerably expanded, was contributed by the author as his weekly offering for his weekly "Odds and Ends" column, and ran for 48 weeks.

Since that time, Mainchín Seoighe has collected very much more material about the Maigue country, and all this new material is included in his new book, *Cois Maíghé na gCaor*, which runs to just over 200 pages. The book, which, as the title indicates, is in Irish, is much enhanced by a very attractive dust cover by Karl Uhlmann, which shows the loveliness of the Maigue at Adare Bridge.

The Maigue story begins at a Fun Fair in Ballyvaughan; and the Fair of the Well in the same place serves to introduce a chapter on Faction Fighting. The rival claims of Laragh (near Milford) and Castletown, MacEniry, to be the source of the Maigue are dealt with; and the memory of the illustrious Mac Enirys, chiefs of Corca Muichead, is recalled. Colmanswell introduces a story about St. Colman; and Creggan brings up the achievements of the great Leahy brothers; and because he was born so near Creggan, Archbishop Mannix enters the story.

Knocksoona, scene of many battles, links Sirna Saeghlach of 1000 B.C. with the patriotic Fr. Michael O'Flanagan of 1920. There are anecdotes about the victories of the Ardpatrick and Galtemore in the English Derby—these horses were owned by John Gubbins of Bruree House, and there are many interesting items from the colourful history of Bruree, including a 24 page chapter on President de Valera's association with the place. While the book was still in manuscript form the author submitted this chapter to Mr. de Valera, as he wished that it should be as accurate as possible. This was followed by an invitation to the author to visit the President at Aras an Uachtaráin, where Mr. de Valera corrected some slight inaccuracies in the original version of some of the memories of his youth still alive in the Bruree district, and gave the author a considerable amount of extra material about his early years in Bruree. This extra material is incorporated in the chapter as it appears in the book.

A few days after the book was published, the author had a telephone call from the President, complimenting him on the book, and expressing pleasure that the story of the Maigue had been written by a Bruree man, and in Irish. The President's personal secretary was reading the book for him.

FR. SHEEHY

A 10 page chapter is devoted to that remarkable priest of the Land War, Fr. Eugene Sheehy, C.C., in Kilmallock, and later P.P. of Bruree. And we meet the Connors of Bruree, tailors and story-tellers, and Dancing Master Maurics Mac Auliffe, and his pupil Pat Stanton. Next the author takes us up along the Morning Star, one of the tributaries of the Maigue, to visit Athlerea and Bruff, and the Limerick Decies generally. The famous story of O'Donnell (Sean O'Domhnaill) and Ormsby is recounted, and a 23 page chapter gives for the first time ever in print the Irish

poems of this same Sean O'Domhnaill of Athlerea, who did not die until as late as 1854. Other places that figure in *Cois Maíghé na gCaor* are Glenma, Knockferna, Manister and Tors Hill; and then we come to Croom, and to a 26 page chapter on the famous Poets of the Maigue. David Cantwell, former N.T. of Croom is remembered, and the Callin Bán, and the Evanses of Caherass Adare and its rich past is adequately covered as a monastic centre, a Geraldine stronghold and a mediaeval port. There is a description of the Stage Coach that plied between Adare and Limerick during the second World War; and there is a chapter on the Palatines, and information about the New Lights of Askaton. Nor are the de Veres or Gerald Griffin forgotten, no more than is the coursing at Clounanna. And Ballyculhane, of the Purcells, Carrigounell, Kilcormac, Pallaskey and the Ferry Bridge all figure in the final part of the book, which gives the history and folklore of the lower Maigue.

The Maigue is principally famous for a school of Gaelic Poets who flourished on its banks in the mid 18th century. Therefore, it is not surprising that this book teems with poetry, nearly all in Irish, of course, but with a number of pieces in English, including samples of the poetry of the de Veres and Gerald Griffin (e.g., the latter's "O Sweet Adare"), and a poem written by Alice Milligan about Bruree. The book also carries some interesting illustrations.

Angling season was best ever

OVER 10,700 peal and grilse have been bought by a dealer between the 20th June and July 19th of this year, said Inspector Breen, Chief Fishery Inspector, in a report to the Limerick Fishery Board. Another dealer had purchased 1,100 from net men, he added.

Inspector Breen reported that the number of salmon which had passed through Thomond Weir between June 20 and July 19 was 10,900, of which 2,062 were taken.

The Chief Clerk described the present angling season as the best ever known. From March right up to now the rivers had been full of fish and anglers had a very successful season.

Mr. J. Dunne said that it was the worst peal season known on the Feale for the last month and there was no ascension above Ffynure Bridge.

The Chairman said that 18,000 salmon had passed through Thomond Weir since the beginning of the season.

Mr. J. Hickey, E.S.B. Fishery Protection Staff, reported large numbers of peal ascending the River Shannon and tributaries as far as Pallas and Newport and even Bunkey. Over 200 salmon were caught by rod men in these waters, while a small number of rod men had good catches on the Castleconnell portion of the river.

Indoor pool for Ennis

Ennis is to have an indoor swimming pool at a cost of £20,000. This was told to the local Urban Council by the Co. Manager, Mr. T. J. Boland, who said that the pool would be heated so that it could be used all the year round. Ennis U.D.C. will give a grant of £10,000 towards the cost, and the Clare Co. Council will contribute £5,000. The Pool Committee will provide the remaining £5,000.

State Solicitor

Clare's new State Solicitor, Mr. P. J. Chambers, was welcomed at Ennis Circuit Court by Judge Barr O'Brain who wished him every success, and paid a tribute to his work as a solicitor in Clare for over twenty years. Mr. M. Kennedy, R.J., Mr. Flahann O'Reilly, Co. Registrar, and Supt. P. J. Lyons also welcomed Mr. Chambers.

rick Flynn (brother); Mrs. K. Pathe, Mrs. F. Obergruber, Mrs. J. Quirke, Mrs. F. Mulligan, Mrs. M. Maloney (sister); Maria (grand-daughter); and other relatives. Sympathy is extended to her family and relatives.

MR. MICHAEL V. LEAHY, CHARLEVILLE

The tragic death of Mr. Michael Vincent Leahy, Gardincenna House, Charleville, who was killed instantly when the car he was driving was involved in a collision with a lorry at Birdhill, has evoked feelings of profound regret. Aged 51 years, the late Mr. Leahy was youngest son of the late Mr. John and Mrs. Leahy, Gardincenna Co. Limerick. A farmer and a licensed vintner, he was the proprietor of the old established premises known as "The Railway Bar" adjoining Charleville station, where he conducted a progressive business. A keen sportsman, he was a member of the

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