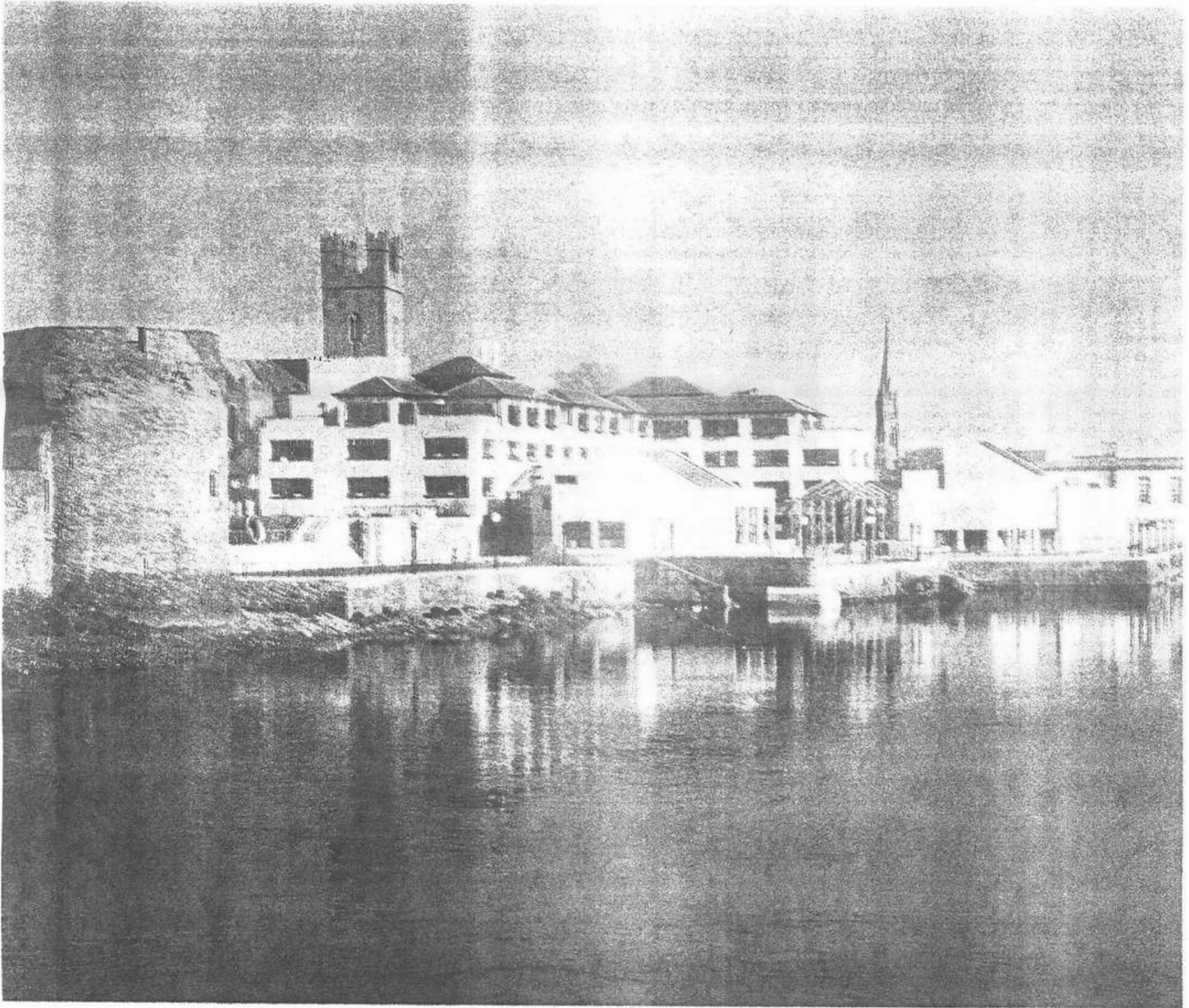




# Limerick Corporation City Hall

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 1990

## LIMERICK CELEBRATES



□ LIMERICK Corporation are proud to announce the formal opening of the New City Hall. City Hall will become the centre and focal point of all Corporation activities in the City of Limerick.

□ Mayor Gus O'Driscoll will lead the members of the Corporation, Aldermen and Councillors as well as city officials in welcoming An Taoiseach, Charles J. Haughey, T.D., who will perform the official opening ceremonies on Friday, June 1st, 1990.

□ The Official Opening of City Hall will be the culmination of many years of planning for civic officials led by City Manager, Mr. Jack Higgins. The building was commenced in July, 1988, and was completed for occupation in January, 1990.

□ This Special Edition Newspaper is intended to tell you, the Citizens of Limerick, about the City Hall and what it means to you.

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## A message from Mayor O'Driscoll

□ ON behalf of the Aldermen and Councillors of Limerick Corporation it gives me great pleasure as Mayor to take up official residence in our new home on the banks of the River Shannon in the Old Quarter of the City of Limerick.

The Corporation has been planning for this day for many years. We have been in need of a new City Hall for some time and now we have a most magnificent building in which to conduct our business and affairs. We look forward to the opportunity of welcoming visitors from the city and outside to our new home. In 1991 we will celebrate the progress made by Limerick people and we will have a great monument to that progress in the City Hall.

I want to thank all the

various officials, especially our city manager, Jack Higgins, and his dedicated team, and former city manager, Tom Rice, for making this such a great day for Limerick. The contractors, McInerneys, and in particular, their managing director, Jed Piersie, who were so meticulous in finishing the building to such a high standard. The architectural and engineering team who ensured that all the aesthetic and functional aspects of the building were merged so successfully.

In particular, however, I want to thank the people of Limerick who have put up with the limited facilities which the Corporation was able to put at their disposal in the past. We are delighted that we can now offer you such beautiful facilities in your new City Hall. I hope that you will all make the best use of it for the betterment of our city.



View of Curraghour Falls from Council Chamber



Mayor O'Driscoll in Council Chamber

### "... agus as Gaeilge" ...

Ar son seandúirt agus ar son comhairleoirí Bhardais Luimní, is cúis mhór athais dom, mar Mhéara, teacht chun cónaithe go hoifigiúil anseo in ár n-Aras nua ar Bhruach na Stoinne i sean-cheantar cathair Luimní. Bhí Bardas na Cathrach ag leagadh amach pleananna don lá seo leis na blianta beaga anuas.

Bhí géar gha le halla cathrach nua ar feadh mórán bliain agus anois tá áras niamhrach againn chun ár ngothaí a stuiradh as. Tá ár súil go mór ar an lá a mbéimid in ann fáilte a chur roimh cuairteoirí on gcathair agus lasmuigh go dtí ár n-aras nua.

I naoi déag nocha haon

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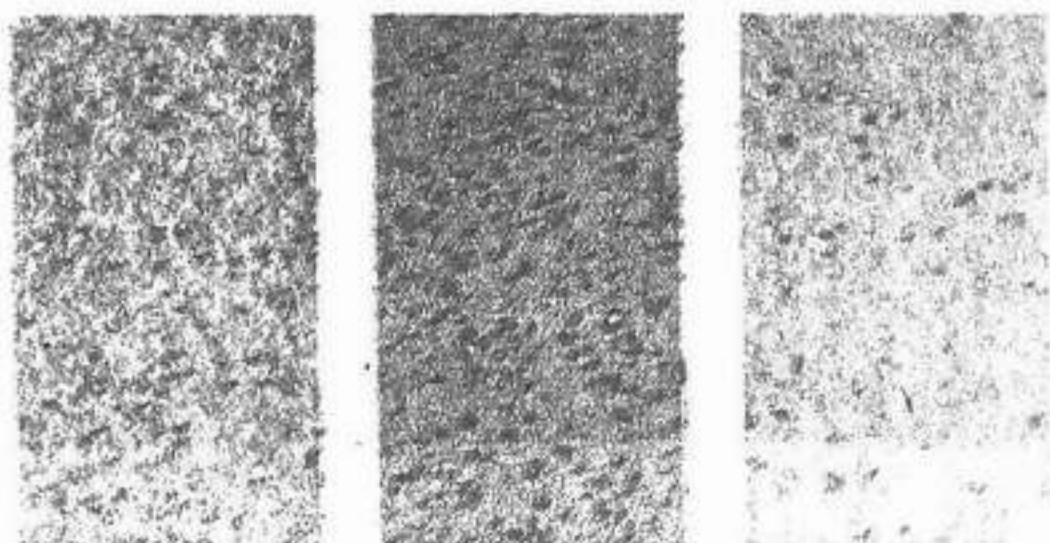
Ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil dos na hoifigigh éagsúla agus an sár-obair a rinne siad chun ár bpleananna a chur i gcrích, ar an lá suntasach seo. Ar an gcuma seo ba mhaith liom buíochas speisialta a ghabháil don bhainisteoir cathrach an tUas Seán O hUigín agus a fhoireann dhíogresach; ab in-Bainisteoir, Tom Rice; dos na conraitheoirí, McInerneys, agus go háirithe, Jed Piersie, a bhí chomh deismíneach is a bhí siad a chun chumtúir go mbeadh an caighdeán foirgníochta chomh hárd is atá sé inniu. Ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil chomh maith dos na hinnealtóirí agus na hAiltirí de bharr an chomhtháthú iontach a ghnóthaigh siad idir áilleacht an árais seo agus an fheidhm phraicticiúil atá chun bhain as.

Go mór mór áfach, ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil do phobal Luimní a chuir suas leis na deiseanna teoranta a bhí ar ár lámh anseo sa Bhardas san am a chuaigh thart. Tá gliondar croí orm anois go bhfuilimid in ann deiseanna agus seirbhísí thar barr a chur ar fáil san Aras seo. Tá súil agam go mbainfidh sibh go léir tairbhe as agus go mbeadh ár gcathair níos fearr dá bharr.



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## Congratulations from Chamber of Commerce

AS President of the Limerick Chamber of Commerce, I am delighted to have this opportunity to congratulate and applaud the civic authorities on the occasion of the opening of the new City Hall.

The Chamber of Commerce has had a long and fruitful association with Limerick Corporation. This relationship has been built on a common and simple objective to improve the well-being of all members of the community in Limerick.

Whilst the Corporation has a wider brief and focus than the Chamber of Commerce, which is mainly concerned with the economic well-being of the city, we have had the pleasure of co-operating with the Corporation for well over a century.

The Chamber of Commerce was incorporated by George the 3rd at the request of members of the Mercantile Body in 1815. The Chamber celebrates its 175th anniversary of incorporation this year. The physical link with the Corporation is that the original Mercantile Body (subsequently to become the Chamber of Commerce) were the owners of the "old" City Hall in Rutland Street. The Chamber of Commerce sold this building to the Corporation in 1846 and moved to their present premises in O'Connell Street. The Chamber still possesses the original and important painting of the charring of Thomas Spring Rice which features the Rutland Street building and the coats of arms of the Guilds of the City. The building is still as it was all those years ago. We look forward to the completed restoration of the building in the near future.

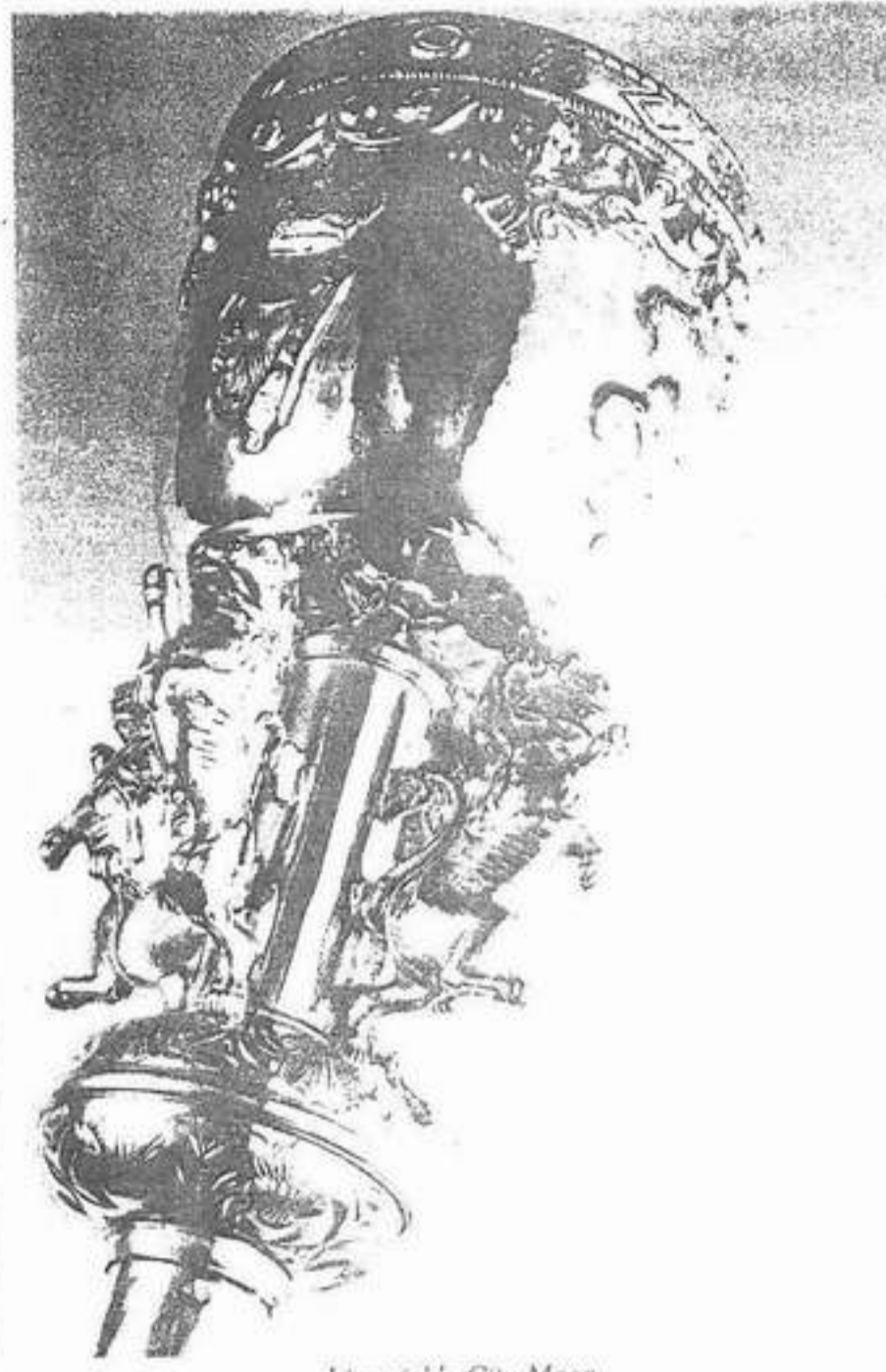
In more recent times many

members of the Chamber of Commerce have served on the Corporation and we include a number of Mayors in our membership. We are also constituent members of the Market Trustees as well as joint supporters of many other organisations in the city such as Civic Trust. These are just some examples of the integration between the two bodies.

Limerick is a revitalised city thanks to the foresight of the Corporation planning team and the enterprise and vision of businessmen in the city who have taken up the challenge and the opportunity presented to them. They all deserve our support. Their success has been recognised nationally by the extension of the Urban Renewal Designated Scheme in Limerick as well as awards for the Corporation's attention to the environment. Limerick City Hall was mentioned as the best example of inner city developments by the Minister for the Environment recently when he announced the extension of the designated area.

As we look forward to the future we can dream our dreams for Limerick as we watch the Shannon flow past Curraghmore and on to the sea. I hope that this new City Hall, on this superb riverside site, will be an inspiration to the City Fathers in the years ahead.

Today the Corporation celebrates the official opening of the new City Hall by An Taoiseach, and it gives me great pleasure to congratulate Mayor O'Driscoll and his Council together with City Manager, Jack Higgins, and his officials, on behalf of the business community in Limerick.



Limerick's City Mace

## Limerick City Hall

□ The City Hall Complex has a most splendid setting, and is the nucleus of the revitalisation of the King's Island area.

The Complex has been designed to enclose a landscaped court with an elevated promenade overlooking the Shannon and the City.

At the same time it relates to other historical features of the surrounding area, notably, St. Mary's Cathedral, the Old Prison Wall together with its feature Portico and the existing Court-house.

Because of its size, on this extremely sensitive site, the roof space has been broken up and varied, so that from all view points, it presents a broken skyline and harmonises with the Spires and Towers of Limerick's historic Cathedrals.

### Effort

A conscious effort has been made to incorporate elements of stone work, which existed on the site in the scheme.

The City Hall relates to the surrounding buildings in many ways. Limestone is used to blend with the Courts and King John's Castle; views through the complex frame the Towers of King John's Castle. The building terminates a new vista over Merchants Quay and creates a new relationship with St. Mary's Cathedral, the Court and the Potato Market, focused around the steel like sculpture by Vivienne Roche.

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An historic occasion for Limerick as the Padraig Flynn, T.D., Minister for the Environment lays the foundation stone for City Hall. This culminated with the official opening on this Friday, June 1st.

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City Manager, Mr. Jack Higgins, has overseen the development of the City Hall. We were interested in learning more about the details of the development so we went to see him in his new offices in City Hall

## City Hall is "user friendly" says the City Manager

The main reason why the Corporation decided to develop City Hall was to improve the efficiency of the Corporation in Limerick. Before occupying the new City Hall, Corporation officials were housed in a number of buildings around the city. The Mayor's Office was in Rutland Street, the Manager was in Sarsfield House and other officials were in the Granary in Michael Street. This made life difficult for officials and was not the most efficient way to manage the city.

The second reason why the Corporation decided to develop a new headquarters was that the old City Hall in Rutland Street had essentially outlived its usefulness. The Mayor's Chambers in the Rutland Street City Hall were no longer of an international standard expected by dignitaries and industrial visitors to the city. The Corporation are very conscious of the need to put across a positive image of Limerick. They were faced with spending substantial sums of money to refurbish the buildings in Rutland Street and elsewhere to bring them up to standard so it made sense to look to a new site and a purpose built building in which all staff could come under the one roof and where visitors and citizens could be catered for in the appropriate dignity and surroundings.

The building plan called for a "user friendly" building where people with business in City Hall would find the building an inviting place to go. So, the planning team which started work in a detailed way in 1986 were asked to deliver a design which met the needs of the people whilst also facilitating the Corporation's own operations.

The first issue was to find a suitable site and the Corporation were in a position where it owned a substantial riverside site which could accommodate a building of the scale envisaged at that time. The site is a very historic one and has been carefully researched by the Corporation's own archaeologists.



City Manager, Mr. Jack Higgins

The location of the site beside the Courthouse and St. Mary's Cathedral meant that the Corporation had to be extremely conscious of the environmental and aesthetic aspects of the building. For example one of the early planning decisions was that the City Hall could not blot out the view of the Cathedral from the river or the city. This has been achieved in the finished building.

The location of the site on the riverfront also gave the Corporation the opportunity to reflect the grandeur of the Shannon and take a lead in re-focussing the physical development of the city onto the river rather than away from it. The opportunity to develop a riverside park as part of the development also presented itself. This concept has been extended to include a riverside walk from the new Shannon Bridge up to and through Arthurs Quay, the Potato Market, the City Hall Square, the Cathedral, King John's Castle and over Thomond Bridge to

the Treaty Stone. The addition of the new riverside park at Arthurs Quay will enhance this development of riverside sites even more.

The fact that the site is in the mediaeval quarter of the city and will be part of the new heritage precinct meant that the development had to be carefully assessed to preserve any artifacts found on the site. The development of the site allowed the city archaeologist to assess the site and re-create an impression of what was on the site originally. When the Museum is moved to City Hall this aspect of the location will be highlighted by exhibitions of the city artifacts and suitable material found during the excavations for the new building.

So the intention is to provide a highly accessible building for the people of Limerick. Easy to get to and easy to use.

When the transfer of Corporation staff to the City Hall is completed every department will be located there — all with the exception of the City Library, which will remain in its present location in the Granary.

The immediate feature obvious to the first time visitor is the glazed street by which you enter the building. This is designed to make easy access to the building a feature and the entrance is both spacious and airy making pedestrian movement to the various departments located on the ground floor easy.

The development of the building was planned in 1986 and submissions were assessed in January, 1987. Following this assessment the Corporation decided that a McInerney Properties company would be awarded the design and build contract. The building work was commenced in July, 1988 and the building was completed in December, 1989. The overall cost of the development was six million pounds and the Corporation were able to take advantage of the Designated

Area Urban Renewal Scheme to reduce the real cost of the building. The fact that the Corporation were in rented accommodation meant that the additional costs of acquiring the new City Hall were minimal, and the economic benefit to the Corporation in the long term will be significant.

When we discussed the main features of the building, Mr. Higgins pointed out the easy access, the riverside location and focus as the two outstanding features from the visitors point of view. The City Council Chamber is a magnificent room with a high ceiling and a really stunning river view across the Curraghour Falls and down the river to Sarsfield Bridge and the Docks beyond. The City Council Chamber is open to the public during public meetings of the Corporation and is well worth a visit.

The Corporation intend to make the City Hall a focal point for the people of Limerick and visitors to the city. Mr. Higgins encouraged the use of the City Hall by outside organisations for appropriate functions. The City Manager intends to see that the City Hall will be available for functions and there is a conferring ceremony, a garden party, several summer festival events and other receptions booked for the City Hall location already. If people have events which could be staged in City Hall they are welcome to make a request to the Manager's Office. Applications will be assessed on their suitability for the City Hall location.

The Manager concluded our interview by reminding us that the City Hall is the centre for civic affairs in Limerick. It will reflect the positive attitudes in Limerick and it is an appropriate setting for the Mayor and Councillors to welcome overseas and local visitors to the city.

The City Hall is for the people of Limerick who are welcome there at any time, for business or pleasure.



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# The Civic Office Site

□ **LOCATED** at Curragh Falls, the first ford across the Shannon above its mouth, the City Hall is probably close to the landing place of the Viking longships in the 9th and 10th centuries.

Throughout the Middle Ages the site was occupied by the house and garden of the Dean of St. Mary's Cathedral, bounded on the west by the City wall and the river.

A map of the City c. 1590, giving a bird's eye view from the West, shows the Dean's house, fronting Newgate Lane, as a large two-storey slated house with chimney, the upper storey in the slope of the roof.

The garden is shown bounded by three single-storey houses on the river side, and three along the east end of Bow Lane. In 1784, the Deanery moved to Henry Street, close to the new Bishop's Palace there. The building of the City Jail on the site between 1811-1813 was planned as early as 1788. A plan of the site of that year in Limerick Museum shows the Deanery yard and adjacent strand crossed by the City wall with the dimensions of the intended jail outlined. The City wall is described as staunch and durable, 14 feet high and 6 broad at the surface of the yard, and fronted with hewn stone. The strand is described as being a rocky foundation, dry in summer but with water rising 10 or 12 feet in spring tides, the "Old Weigh House" of the Corporation is shown against

the City wall at the end of Bow Lane. The office of Weighmaster was one of the sinecures of the Corporation, usually occupied by a member of the Council.

The jail replaced the one built on the site of the Tholsel, Mary Street, in 1750. In March 1811, the Grand Jury presented the sum of £6,123-4-3 for the purpose, to be assessed off the City and the county of the City at £1,000 per annum. The jail was finished in November, 1813, and had a stage or drop in front for the execution of criminals. Lenihan (1866) reported that the stage had not up to then been used.

The City Courthouse on the Merchants' Quay front of the jail was in use from the mid-1840's, when the old Courthouse on Bridge Street

was sold for use as the Gerald Griffin Memorial School in 1845. The jail was closed in 1904, and leased in 1908 for 99 years to Geary & Sons, biscuit and sweet manufacturers. The factory closed and the contents were auctioned in March, 1981. The Courthouse continued in use as the District Court until 1958, when it became the Motor Tax Office and the City Solicitors' Office of Limerick Corporation.

At the Northern end of the Civic Office site was a mill, in the river, shown on a map of the City c. 1575, with access through a gateway in the City wall over a triple-arched bridge. The map of c. 1590 names this as Thomas Arthur's Mill, and shows a second mill, the Queen's Mill, at the landward end of the bridge. In 1789, the City Brewery was established on the site and its foundation stone, showing the city arms, is incorporated in the cafeteria of the new City Hall.

A detailed description of the brewery, then called Mathew Fitt & Sons, Newgate Brewery, is given in George S. Measom's 'Tours of Ireland', 1866. He describes it as one of the largest in the country and one of the first established in the South of Ireland. The brewery premises extended from Newgate Lane to King John's Castle. Towards the end of the 19th century, a small housing estate, called Nolan's Cottages after William Nolan, who was Mayor in 1895 and 1896 and Town Clerk up to the 1930s, was built on the Newgate Lane section of the Brewery.

To the South of the City Hall where the County Courthouse and the potato market now stand, was the mediaeval port of Limerick. This was an irregular body of water surrounded by quays and jetties, and guarded by pier-like projections of the City wall terminating in towers.

Dineley (1680) reported that it could accommodate vessels of around 200 tons. The waters of the port were gradually filled in and built upon as new quay walls were built southwards along the river in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. The last section of the port, the Long Dock, was covered over and opened as the potato market in 1843.

## Government of the City — Locations

Tradition states that the first seat of government of the City, the Viking thingmote or Parliament, was on the adjacent site where St. Mary's Cathedral now stands. When Murtagh O'Brien, King of Thomond and great-grandson of Brian Boru, moved his royal seat to Limerick in 1101, he built his palace on the same site. Donal Mor O'Brien, King of Limerick, from 1164-1194, granted the site for the erection of the Cathedral.

The Tholsel (Town Hall) on Mary Street was built 1449-1451, and was the meeting place of the Corporation for two centuries. At the time of the Civil Survey, 1654, the Tholsel is described as "the Old Courte" formerly the Towne Clerk's Halle... and the Town Hall is placed on Quay Lane (Bridge Street) at the east corner of the Court House Lane.

In 1673, William Yorke, Mayor, built at his own expense, the Exchange in Nicholas Street, and bestowed it on the Corporation. It was rebuilt by the Corporation in 1702 at a cost of £1,500 and rebuilt again in 1777/8. The Tholsel was rebuilt as the City Jail in 1750. On Quay Lane (Bridge Street) opposite Gerald Griffin School and now in the Cathedral grounds, the Corporation had a Mayor's House between 1720-1782.

The Reformed Corporation decided in 1843 to acquire the former premises of the Chamber of Commerce on Rutland Street as the Town Hall. Negotiations were begun in February, 1844, finalised in April 1846, and the first meeting of the Corporation there was held on 21st January, 1847.



Left to right, front row: Matt Macken, former Limerick City Manager; Alderman Gus O'Driscoll, Mayor of Limerick; Stevie Coughlan, former T.D., Mayor and City Councillor. Back row, left to right: Pat Harnett, former Programme Manager, M.W.H.B.; Jack Higgins, City Manager; Joe McHugh, former Cork City Manager; Flann O'Neill, Deputy City Manager. Pictured on the occasion of the visit of Mr. Matt Macken, former City Manager, 1946-1959.



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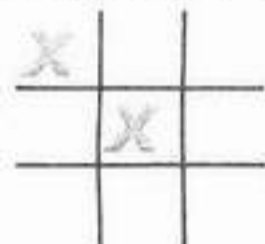
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# Corporation Moves

□ AT the time of the Reform of Limerick Corporation in 1841, the old Corporation held its meetings at the Exchange in Nicholas Street. It is to be noted that this Corporation did not administer the whole City of Limerick. St. Michael's Parish was administered since 1807 by 21 Commissioners. It is difficult to ascertain where said Commissioners held their meetings initially, but from 1827 they were based at 43 George's Street. They were not affected by the 1841 legislation and continued to function until 1853, when they were finally merged with Limerick Corporation.

The first meeting of the Reformed Corporation of Limerick took place on 11 November, 1841 in the County Court House. The old Corporation at first refused to recognise them, but soon gave in and the new Corporation held its meetings at the Exchange from 17 November, 1841.

In 1846, the Councillors felt the Exchange was inadequate and bought the lease on the Commercial Buildings, which had previously housed the Chamber of Commerce, for £600, from James O'Hara.

The first meeting in the new premises took place on 21/1/1847, and the name was changed to the 'Town Hall.'

(One notes in passing that on the occasion of their move to new premises there was a lot of talk of providing a new Museum.)

□ ACCESS is the key word when talking about the New City Hall in Limerick. The building is situated in the heart of the New Mediaeval Quarter. The building is beside St. Mary's Cathedral and is fronted by the river just below the Curraghour Falls.

The Council Chamber is a magnificent example of what can be done by sensitive planning and an awareness of the site and aesthetics which can be developed. The Chamber overlooks the river and features a glass wall looking out onto the river. This chamber is the site of the council meetings and these meetings are open to the public who can view the proceedings from the Visitors Gallery in the chamber.

The "Glazed Streets" within the building give an airy and open aspect to the entrance. Easy access to the various departments is a feature of the building which will make life much more pleasant for members of the public doing business with City Hall. It is hoped to use the front and foyer of the building for receptions and exhibitions as appropriate to the setting.

If you have any ideas for special uses for City Hall, why not send them to the Editor of the Corporation Bulletin? We would love to hear from you, and promise you serious consideration of your idea.



Early 17th Century artist's impression of City Hall Site, based on archaeological research.

The majority of the site of the Civic Office Complex is located on the interface between the limits of the Hiberno-Viking town, to the south and its Norman expansion, to the north. The area between Newgate Lane and King John's Castle would have been walled early on the 13th century and the greater part of this wall which boarded the River Shannon, was revealed during investigations prior to construction.

A postern gate in the wall opened on to a bridge (located immediately below the Council Chamber), consisting of 2-3

arches which led out to a Mill. The bridge and the wall are contemporary. To the north of the bridge and just inside the wall is a twin-aisled cellar or undercroft of late 13th century/14th century origin but which was altered in the later mediaeval period and which was used as a basement storage area for a merchant's house probably as late as the 17th century.

The 18th century saw major changes in the use of this area with two breweries and two mills flourishing up to the latter part of the 19th century. With their demise by the early

1900s, the area was used for public (Nolan's Cottages) and private housing.

The southern part of the site, in the vicinity of the Court House on Merchant's Quay, marked the limits of the northern end of the harbour which flourished up to the 18th century. Just north of this was the Deanery of St. Mary's parish. In the early 19th century, the river side of the City Wall was infilled and the City Gaol constructed - 1811-13. This was closed in 1905 and two years later was leased to Geary's Factory which closed in 1980.

## A LIST OF THE MAYORS AND SHERIFFS OF LIMERICK

Beginning here, and continuing through the following two pages, we list the Mayors and Sheriffs of Limerick from 1373 to 1990

Mayors		Sheriffs		Mayors		Sheriffs	
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1374	Rd. Milles Owen	John Fleming; Laurence Daniell, S.		1419	John Spafford	Nicholas Palliel; John Muddy	
1375	Wm. Bambery	Wm. Longe; John White		1420	Richard Troy	Peter Loftus; John Troy, A.	
1376	Rd. Bultingford	Thom. Pill; Roger White, S.		1421	Thomas Arthur	Patrick Cogan; Thomas Borton, W.	
1377	Thomas Kildare	Wm. Longe; Rd. Grant, S.		1422	Richd. Troy	Piers Loftus; John Troy, W.	
1378	William White	Thomas Barkley; John Man, W.		1423	Spafford	Richard Arthur; William Harold, W.	
1379	Thomas Kildare	Thomas White; Thomas Spicer, S.		1424	Piers Loftus	John Creagh; William Budstone, A.	
1380	Rd. Bultingford	Peter O'Cullen; Brandon O'Hartigan, S.		1425	Richard Troy	William Creagh; John Borton, W.	
1381	John Bambery	Wm. Longe; Thom. Taylor, S.		1426	Thomas Arthur	Nicholas Walsh; John Rede, A.	
1382	John White	Richard Nophtyrein; John Whyte, de Ballysheeda, A.		1427	Nicholas Stritch	Edmond Harold; Philip Nagle, W.	
1383	Richd. Troy	Nich. Woulfe; John Troy, S.		1428	Thomas Comyn, W.		
1384	Thomas Kildare	William Longe; Richard Grand, S.		1429	Wanting in S.A. and W.		
1385	Thom. Pill	Mathew Long; Roger White, A.		1430	Richard Troy	Patrick Cogan; Philip Russell, A.W.	
1386	Richard Bultingford	Nich. Gough; Nich. Scourlock, A.		1431	William Arthur	Robert Warren; John Loftus, W.	
1387	John White	John Spafford; Roger White, A.		1432	John Spafford	Richard White; William Harold, W.	
1388	Thomas Malby	John Casey; Richard Wignore, S.		1433	Thomas Bambery	John Casey; Richard Vigoner, W.	
1389	John White	Roger White; Thomas White		1434	William Walsh	William Loftus; Thomas Fox, W.	
1390	Richard Baltingford	Pierce Callan; Brandon O'Hartigan, W.		1435	Richard Fox	John Loftus; Robert Nagle, W.	
1391	John White	John Carter; John White; Alanus O'Noyn, A.		1436	Nicholas Arthur, A.S.W.	John Hushie; John Cromwell, A.S.	
1392	John Kildare	John Man; John Carter		1437	William Yong	Edmond Howell; Philip Michael, A.	
1393	Thomas Kildare	John Sraws; Alanus O'Noyn, A.		1438	Thomas Comyn	Philip Russell; John Axdy, A.	
1394	Thomas Kildare	John Grant; Jhn. Carter		1439	Walter Yong	Robert Warren; Laurence Scott, A.	
1395	Walter Daniel, W.	John Grant; Philip Moddi; Brendanus O'Hehgian; Petrus O'Cullan, A.		1440	William Arthur	Robert Waring; John Loft	
1396	Richard Billingford	Richard Wale; William Yonge, A.		1441	William Arthur	Robert Nangle; Richard Galway, A.	
1397	Thomas Kildare	Nicholas Walsh; Richard Mason		1442	Nicholas Arthur	Patrick Turger; Robert Warren, S.	
1398	Thomas Kildare	John Vigoner; John Moody, W.		1443	Richard Fox	John Loftus; Robert Nangyll, A.	
1399	Nicholas Black	Richard Troy; John Moddi, A.		1444	Nicholas Arthur	John Loftus; Edmond Harold, S.	
1400	John Arthur	John Budston; John Fitz-Robert, Crevagh, A.		1445	Richard Arthur	John Loftus; Robert Nagle	
1401	Peter Loftus	Thomas Comyn, John Whyte		1446	Nicholas Arthur	John Loft; Edmond Howell	
1402	Thomas Spicer	Thomas Comyn; Philip Lawless, A.		1447	William Loftus, W.		
1403	John Arthur	John Moddy; Peter O'Cullan, A.		1448	William Comyn	Robert Waring; John Rede jr., A.	
1404	John Arthur 27th June. John Spofford 6th Dec., A.	Richard Troy; Nicholas Fitz-Howe, S.A.W.		1449	William Arthur	Patrick Cogan; Robert Nangle, A.	
1405	Thomas Kildare	Philip Callane; John Moddy, W.		1450	Thomas Arthur	John Creagh; David Arthur, W.	
1406	Wanting in S.A.W.	Thomas Arthur; Nicholas Walsh, W.		1451	Richard Arthur	Edmond Howell; Robert Nangle	
1407	Thomas Comyn	Thomas Arthur; Nicholas Walsh, W.		1452	Nicholas Arthur	John Long; Patrick Turger, A.	
1408	Thomas Comyn	Thomas Arthur; Nicholas Walsh, W.		1453	Thomas Barthon	Patrick Vogane; Thomas Budstone, A.	
1409	Thomas Comyn	Thomas Arthur; Nicholas Walsh, A.		1454	Nicholas Arthur	John Loftus; Edmd. Harold, S.	
1410	John Bambery	William Long; John White, A.		1455	William Longe	David Creagh; John Comyne, S.	
1411	Thomas Troy, A. W.	Richard White; Nicholas Howell, A.		1456	Edmond Howell	John Verdune; William White, A.	
1412	Wanting in S.A.W.	Nicholas Walsh, A.		1457	Nicholas Arthur	John Roch; John Verdun, A.	
1413	Thomas Comyn	Philip Lawless; Richard White, A.		1458	Nich. Arthur, A. W.	Maurice Roch; John Arthur, W.	
1414	Thomas White	Richard White; Peter Loftus, A.		1459	William Comyn	Patrick Fox; Richard Fanning, A. W.	
1415	Peter Loftus	William Budston; John Crevagh, A.		1460	Richard Arthur	John Arthur; William Young, S. A.	
1416	Thomas Comyn	John Nagle; Nicholas Walsh, A.					
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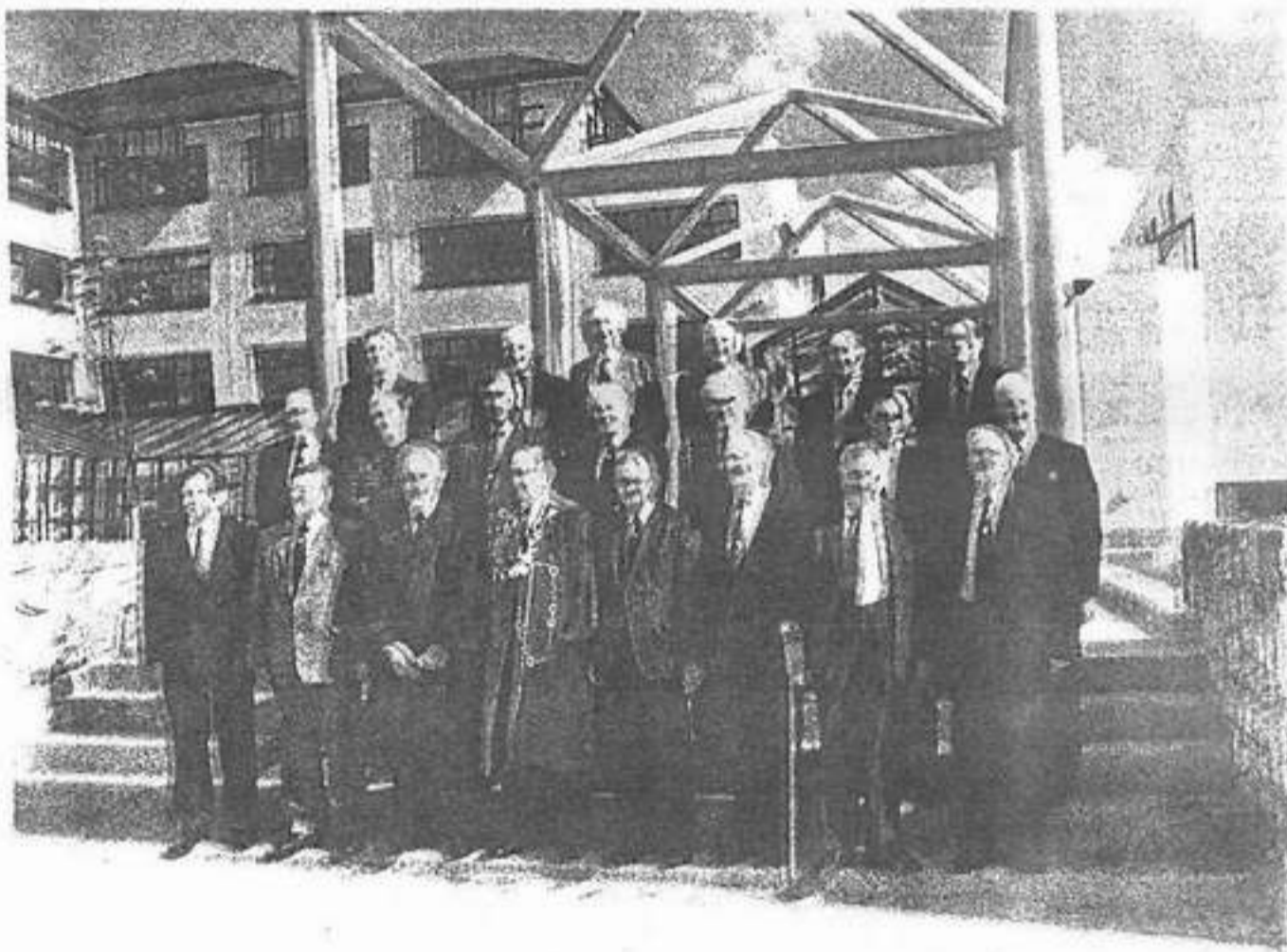
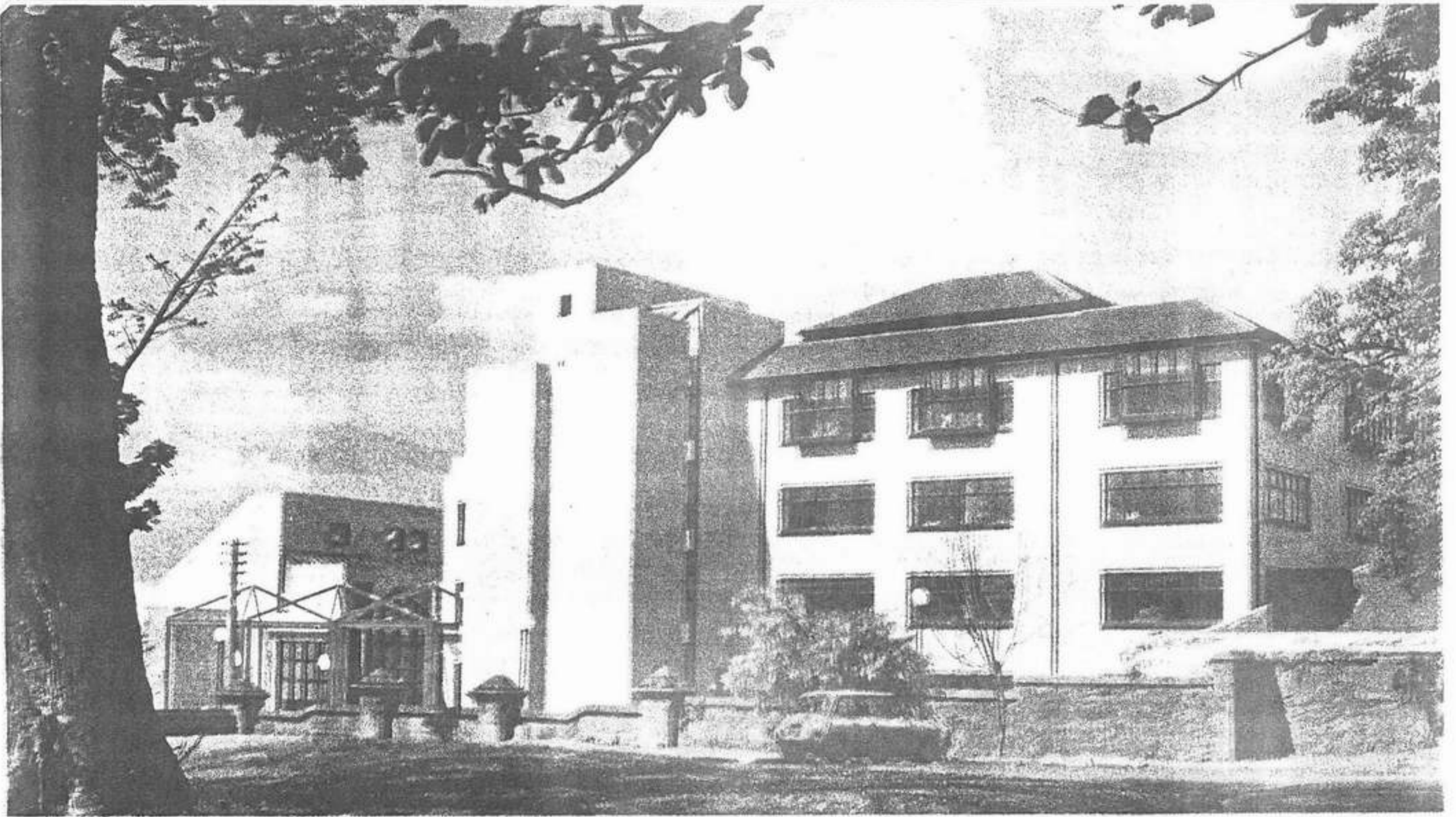
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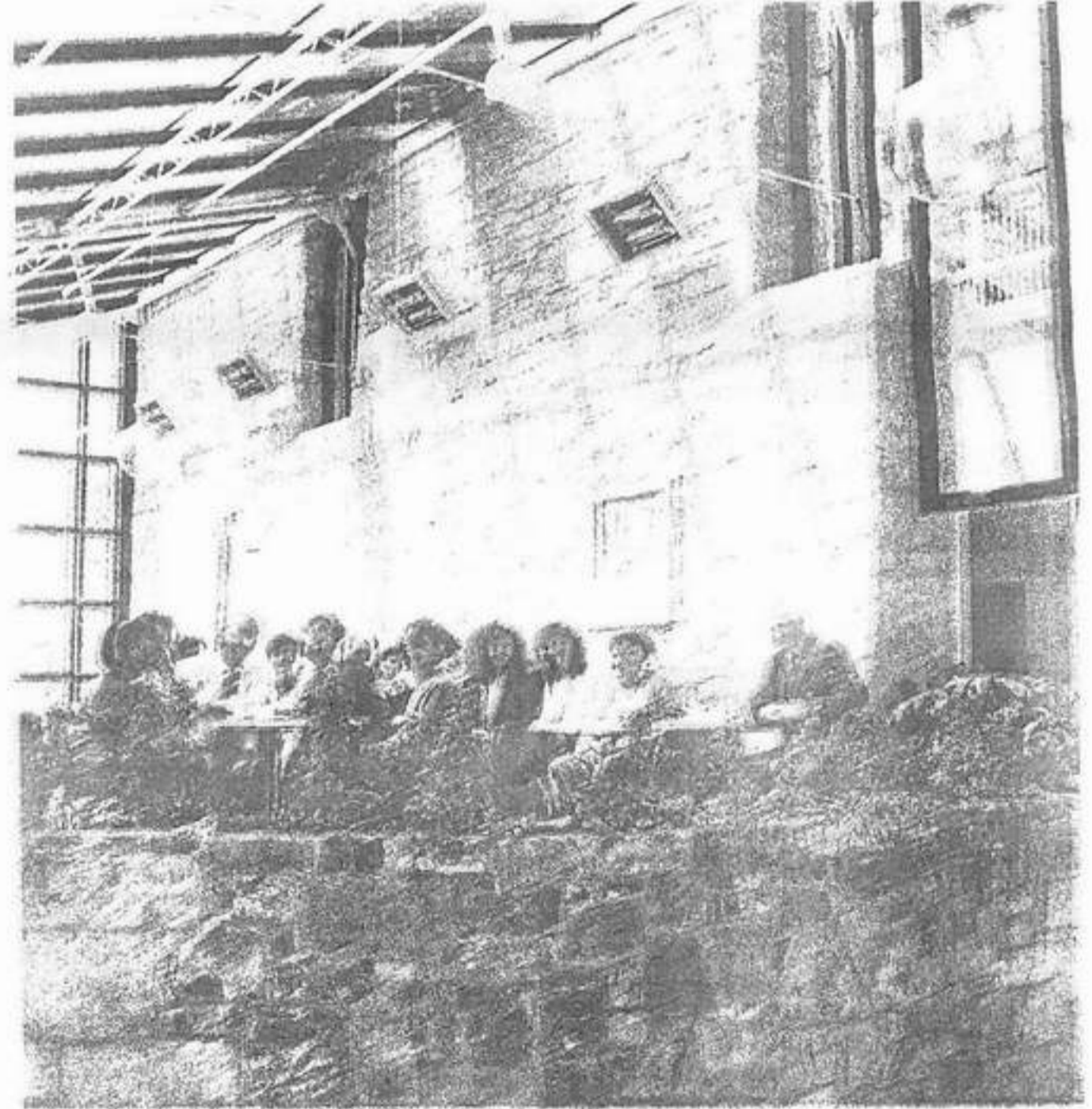
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Former Mayors of Limerick pictured with City Manager, Mr. Jack Higgins: Back row, left to right: Jack Bourke, Bobby Byrne, Tony Bromell, Clem Casey, Ger Leddin (for Frank Leddin), Michael O'Malley (for Michael B. O'Malley). Second row, left to right: Ted Russell, Terry Kelly, Paddy Madden, Tim Leddin, Christy Keyes, Thady Coughlan, Liam Coughlan. Front row, left to right: Billy Slattery, Tommy Allen, Jack Higgins, City Manager; Gus O'Driscoll (present Mayor), Paddy Kiely, Frank Prendergast, Stevie Coughlan, Paddy Kelly.



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## Limerick Corporation 1990

Limerick Corporation, 1990: Left to right (front), P. Madden, J. O'Sullivan, Mayor G. O'Driscoll, City Manager, J. Higgins; J. O'Connor, T. O'Driscoll. Second row, K. Kiely, L. Cross, G. Fahey, J. Harrington, T. Leddin. Back row, J. Quinn, J. Kemmy, J. Bourke, B. Byrne. Insets (left to right), F. Prendergast, W. Harrington and P. Kennedy.



City Manager, Jack Higgins