

there the finest people one could wish to know. There are wonderful things going on in South Hill, so why do your papers insist on publishing the odd bail incidents and ignoring the good?

Great men and saints often come from the "despised" while "bad" citizens reflect parental, state or circumstantial, ill-management or ignorance.

My grandfather, the late Vincent "Jack" McCaffery, features very honourably in one of your 1939 (April) editions.

He was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, yet he refused a "respectable" house in the Ennis Road as well as membership of the Dail.

He devoted his time to the workers and fought successfully for pensions for the Corporation workers.

My father, Joseph O'Shea, served ~~the~~ months hard labour under the "Black and Tans," yet my mother only got

ate that I am proud to live in South Hill among such wonderful people and in a thoroughly devoted parish.

I hope you will find space in your paper to draw attention to the injustices mentioned and thus use your media for good and not bad purposes.

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A puerile tribute to Kate O'Brien

WHAT A disappointing tribute your paper offered to the author Kate O'Brien. We can accept the list of facts, at the beginning of the article, re the place of her death, her surviving relatives, the place of her birth and other details.

But then some biting obsession with "the milieu of the prosperous middle class family takes over and permeates the scant "tribute" paid to her.

Let us despise the intellectual snobbing which imagined her great works to be "a task to overcome certain middle class predicaments" or an effort "to grasp the middle class ethos"!!

Apart from this obsession with the milieu and ethos of the middle class your "tribute" contains a generalisation, "the stage will be the poorer for such a cultivated lady of Irish letters".

What a puerile effort on behalf of one of Ireland's great writers!

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PLEASE NOTE

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construction. Work has now started again and it is hoped to have the court ready within the next few months and this will allow games to be played under lights at night time during the winter.

Winning song

AHL TREACHTA Mhohair, written by Mr. John McCarthy. Harvest Festival song contest at the Friary Hall on thy, N.T. Ennis, won the Tuesday night.

Mr. McCarthy also composed the music for the song, which was sung by James Ball.

Mr. McCarthy was presented with a recording contract by Mr. James Liddane, president of the International Songwriters Association. He also received a set of Waterford glasses and a silver tray.

Taoiseach here

THERE WAS intensive Garda security at Dromoland Castle Hotel last Sunday where the Taoiseach, Mr.



Mr. John Sheehan, R.M.N., R.N.T., a native of Rooskagh, Ardagh, who has written a book "Essential Psychiatry for Nurses," one of a series of medical books written by specialists. Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sheehan, he is tutor with the Institute of Advanced Nursing Education, Royal College of Nursing and National Council of Nurses of the United Kingdom. In his book he has drawn on his experiences in clinical work, teaching, examining and committee work.

Don't blame O'Donnell, Crowe

I AGREE with Patrick Clancy (Limerick Leader, 17-8-74). I too, would like to know where the ratepayers' money goes, and how it is spent.

But he is wrong to knock Messrs. Crowe and O'Donnell before they are given a chance.

After all, Mr. Crowe has been on the council for only a few weeks.

I think housing should get first preference over anything else. People must have a decent place to live in. Then you can repair your roads and bridges.

Mr. Clancy has written to Mr. Mac Curtain about Sarsfield Bridge being repaired.

Well, I went to see Mr. Mac Curtain about a window in the toilet of my mother's house in St. Mary's Park. It is in need of repair for the last three years.

He told me it would be repaired within four weeks. Well, it is now eight weeks, and it still is not done.

So, I think the motto Mr. Clancy mentioned in his letter should be forwarded to Mr. Mac Curtain.

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