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**Team arrives Colbert Station 8.20 p.m.**

## Home come the Heroes

LIMERICK UNITED'S soccer heroes are assured of a tumultuous reception at Colbert Station this evening when they return from Dublin with the Blue Riband of Irish soccer. They are expected to arrive around 8.20 p.m. Not since 1971 have fans had the opportunity of viewing the FAI Cup, won in such exciting fashion at Dalgymount yesterday when the Joe O'Mahony led Limerick to a brilliant 1-0 victory over Bohemians. The Blues, in anticipation of victory, booked themselves into a Dublin hotel for the weekend, planning to return into a style with the trophy this evening.

**Applaud**  
It is anticipated that upwards of 5,000 people will be at Colbert Station to applaud the men in blue. There should be an extra special welcome home for Rathbane-born Brendan Storan, scorer of the only goal at Dalgymount. The left-overs from last week's bonfires were stored away in various estates and they will be re-lighted in the hope that the players will parade the Cup around the city, just as they did a decade ago. Arrangements are being made to have a float available at the station, where the welcoming party will include the

Mayor of Limerick, Ald. Tommy Allen, a devout soccer fan.

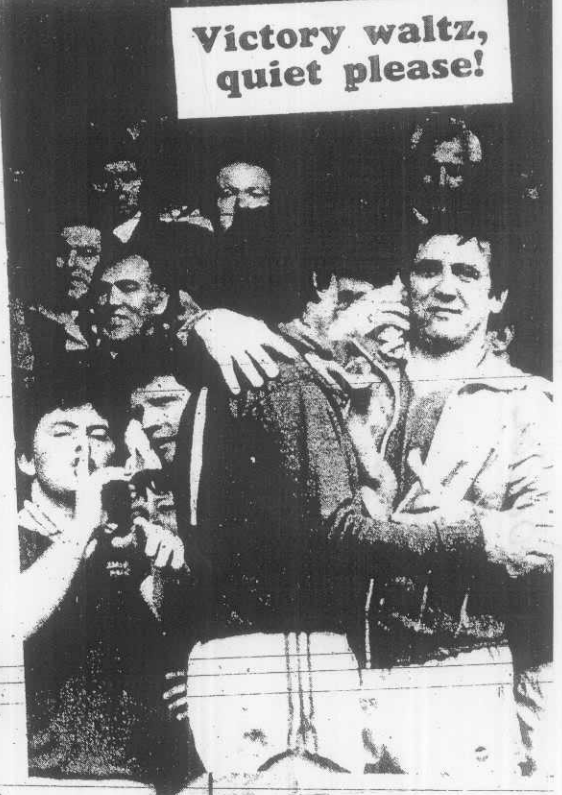
**Forces**  
Followers of other codes will also be out in their thousands. GAA and rugby devotees joined forces with their soccer brethren at Dalgymount to celebrate a famous victory. In fact, one of the first to greet Eoin Hand as he ran off the pitch at Dalgymount Park was Mick Leahy, of the Kilmalock GAA Club. The celebrations will not end this evening as Kevin Fitzpatrick said in his address at Dalgymount, they will go on for a long time. When Limerick won the League of Ireland two years ago, every hotel and pub in the region was visited over a period of two months. The trophy was even brought to that famous GAA nursery, Limerick C.B.S. It is not often that Limerick win a major soccer trophy, but since Eoin Hand arrived on the scene in 1980 their fortunes have taken a turn for the better.

**Return**  
"They should now erect a monument to him," said one

enthusiastic fan on the return journey last evening. At least one player will be absent at Colbert Station. Man of the match Johnny Walsh, jetted out to New Zealand with the League of Ireland team this morning. Tony Ward, though now based in Dublin, is likely to travel with the official party, and what a welcome there should be for the rugby international who put aside the disappointment of not figuring in Ireland's Triple Crown win at Lansdowne Road.

**Medal**  
Ward can now claim to be the only Ireland rugby international to have won an FAI Cup medal. If Limerick have right to feel proud of their team, spare a thought, too, for their supporters who journeyed to Dublin at considerable expense to cheer on their heroes. It was estimated they outnumbered Bohs. fans by 2 to 1. CE did a marvellous job in ferrying the fans to the Metropolis by train and no incidents were reported. Those same fans can be forgiven if they paint the town red or blue to-night.

JOHN O'SHAUGHNESSY.



Pat Nolan calls for a moment's quiet amidst Limerick-United's Kevin Fitzpatrick and Eoin Hand embrace each other

**Final show at the Savoy?**

COMMUNITY Siamas Spectacular, a gala variety performance of extracts from all 14 shows in this year's festival of Community Siamas, goes on stage at the Savoy tomorrow for one night only. At the present there is still no firm information available as to the future of the Savoy complex. If this, therefore, is the last show to be staged in the theatre, it is only appropriate the performers should be the people of Limerick themselves. With a cast of over 1,000 people, representing 14 community groups from both Limerick City and County, this promises to be a night of first class entertainment not to be missed. The proceeds of the night will be donated to the Little Company of Mary Hospice Development Fund. The show is being produced by John Raleigh (adjudicator at this year's festival), and tickets are available from Millford House, or at the door of the Savoy on Tuesday evening.

# Euro hat-trick by Limerick

BY JOHN O'SHAUGHNESSY

**THE name of Limerick will be flashed throughout European soccer this summer - thanks to the exploits of Joe O'Mahony and his colleagues at Dalgymount Park, Dublin, yesterday, in winning the FAI Cup for only the second time in their history by beating Bohemians 1-0.**

Limerick-United have carved their name with pride in European competitions in the last two years when they won the admiration of officialdom and the respect of the soccer powers in their games against Real Madrid of Spain and Southampton of England.

Yesterday's win can only do their image a power of good. They won the trophy with a highly disciplined performance under the guidance of Eoin Hand.

**Poor**  
Limerick are no longer the poor relations of Irish soccer - in fact, their name is now revered wherever soccer is played.

Despite the recession, they were supported by over 5,000 of their fans at Dalgymount Park. The official attendance was given at 12,000.

And once again their behaviour was exemplary, except perhaps for a brief skirmish before the game when Bohemians' fans "evicted" them from the stand behind the goalmouth.

Many of the youngsters who travelled with their dads were seeing United win the cup for the first time, and will now cherish the memory for ever. Not since 1971 had it last found a resting place here.

The Minister for Sport, Maire Geoghegan-Quinn, was in attendance and was introduced to both teams prior to the kick-off.

Zeland with the League of Ireland team. Mayor Tommy Allen was the bearer of a broad grin as Captain Joe O'Mahony received the trophy, and also bedecked in blue and white was Clr. Jack Bourke.

Limerick had a good deal of support from Cork - thanks to the Jimmy Nodwell connection. When Limerick last won the cup they had another Corkman in their team - in winger, Paddy Shortt, and the Cork connection stretches back as far as their first league championship when Dominic Wallace starred.

**Wealth**  
There were nine "natives" in yesterday's team, which once again emphasised the wealth of talent in the city.

Those who travelled by car made many a stop on the return journey last evening to have their own little celebration.

It was confirmed this Monday that Limerick United are to be accorded a civic reception at Arthur's Quay tonight.

Mayor Allen praised the Limerick supporters on their behaviour and paid tribute to Kevin Fitzpatrick on his remarkable service to the club.

Fitzpatrick, Finucane and O'Mahony had won cup medals in 1971, but for the remainder of the panel it was a first.

Unbelievably, it was also Eoin Hand's first ever cup medal.

An interested spectator at the game was former chairman Lord Petersham. GATE RECEIPTS: £25,000.

## Euro grant for NIHE

THE EEC has given a joint grant of £168,000 to NIHE. Limerick and the IIRS for research into the development of a fluidised bed technique for the burning of coal and other fuels.

The intention is to develop a small scale boiler based on the fluidised-bed principle, capable of burning variable quality fuels and able to supply hot water for the small industrial and commercial unit and even for household use.

The efficiency of the new system is planned to be more than 80% compared to alternatives ranging between 25% for open fire and 65% for a high efficiency boiler.

The NIHE work, under Dr. John Bannard of the Materials Engineering and Industrial Chemistry Department, will be to produce a boiler which will be at least as efficient as a gas or oil burning boiler but which will be able to burn a much cheaper fuel with greater control of the combustion process leading to higher efficiency of heat production.

The IIRS will develop sensors via microprocessor-based control circuiting, which will operate in a solid fuel burning environment.

## Double celebration

It was a memorable weekend for defender Jimmy Nodwell - his wife Geraldine presented him with their first baby, a daughter, 24 hours before the game.

Brendan Storan made his own little bit of history - he became the first Limerick-born player to score in an FAI Cup final at Dalgymount Park.

When the final whistle sounded there was a stampede in the direction of goalkeeper Kevin Fitzpatrick, who had played his last game for the club after an unbroken sequence of 22 years. It was also Tony Ward's last soccer match.

While the prestige to be gained from winning the cup is enormous, it is the honour of competing in Europe which really counts. Limerick will now be in the hat with the giants of European soccer, with the possibility of another glamour tie against Tottenham Hotspur.

And what a fabulous end to the season it has been for Garry Owenman. Johnny Walsh just back from Algeria with the Republic of Ireland team, he not alone won a cup medal yesterday but was also awarded the Man of the Match title, with a prize of £300. And today he is on his way to New

## BOMBARDIER DRIVES TO SUCCESS

THE beneficial effects of the Bombardier bus plant for Limerick students have been stressed by Mr. Bill Kretz, managing director, Bombardier Ireland, at a press briefing in Shannon.

"The bus building factory here in Shannon is of great benefit to local students," said Mr. Kretz.

"The students of the locality are now in a position to learn the skills of bus building at first hand", he added.

At present there are three pupils from the NIHE in the company while other trainees are employed in manufacturing engineering.

Mr. Kretz went on to praise the Shannon workforce as probably the best in the world stating: "The Irish workers have more than exceeded our expectations from a production standpoint".

Mr. Kretz said that the company hoped to achieve an export figure of £100m, given the continued rate of production and an upturn in the world economy.

A total of £50,000 is being pumped into the weekly wage bill of the company with raw materials, purchased in Ireland, costing in the region of £6m a year.

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## DEATH NOTICES

**DILLON** - Limerick, May 2, 1982, at St. Camillus Hospital, Patrick, 6 Byrre Ave., Prospect. Very deeply regretted by his loving wife, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends. May he rest in peace. Removal from Cross's Funeral Home, to Our Lady of Lourdes Church, this Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Requiem Mass tomorrow, Tuesday, at 2.30. Funeral afterwards to Mount St. Oliver Cemetery. (c)

**O'GRADY** - May 3rd, 1982, Michael John, 17 Cluain Road, North Clontarf, Limerick. Very deeply regretted by his loving sons, sisters, daughters-in-law, nephews, nieces, grandchildren, relatives and friends. May he rest in peace. Removal from Cross's Funeral Home to St. John's Cathedral tomorrow (Tuesday) at 7.45 p.m. Requiem Mass on Wednesday at 11 o'clock. Funeral afterwards to Mount St. Laurence Cemetery. (c)

**SLATTERY** - May 3rd, 1982, at the Regional Hospital, Stephen, Crossgallia, Old Cork Road, Limerick. Very deeply regretted by his loving wife, Bridget; sons, Michael and Donald; daughters, Margaret and Monica; brothers, sisters, sons-in-law, nephews, nieces, grandchildren, relatives and friends. May he rest in peace. Removal from Cross's Funeral Home to Donoughmore Church on Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. Requiem Mass on Wednesday at 12.30. Funeral afterwards to Mount St. Oliver Cemetery. (c)

**WALSHE** - Limerick, May 1, 1982, unexpectedly, Thomas, beloved husband of Marie, 58 College Park, Corbally (and late of St. Patrick's Ave., Tipperary). Very deeply regretted by his loving wife, son, daughters, brothers, daughter-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends. R.I. Removal from Griffin's Funeral Home, Gerald Griffin St., to St. Mary's Church, this Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Requiem Mass tomorrow, Tuesday, at 11 o'clock. Funeral afterwards to Mount St. Oliver Cemetery. (c)

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## HISTORICAL EVENTS RECALLED BY STAMP

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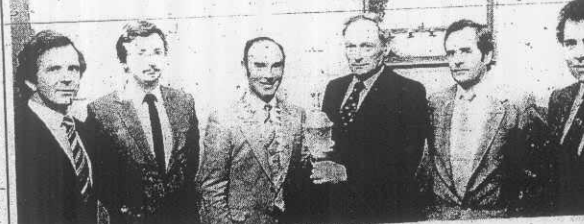
The theme of this year's Europa stamps is historical events. The stamps will be issued in two denominations, 26p and 29p, and in two separate designs. The 26p denomination features the Great Famine (1845-1850) and depicts a famine scene; the 29p denomination features the coming of Christianity to Ireland and depicts Saint Patrick and followers preparing the Paschal fire. The stamp designs and graphics are by Peter Wildbur.

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Mr. P. J. O'Sullivan (left), president of the Insurance Institute of Limerick, making a presentation to Mr. Robert Bolster on the occasion of his retirement as branch manager of the Norwich Union, Limerick. Also included in the photograph are, from left, Mr. Sam McCrum, vice-president, Insurance Institute of Limerick; Mr. Padraic Hastings, secretary, Insurance Institute of Limerick; Mr. Joe Murtagh, deputy president I.I.L.; and Mr. Denis Sullivan.

## £100,000 promotion greets VAT removal

A £100,000 campaign to promote book sales was launched to celebrate the removal of VAT on books on Saturday, May 1.

The campaign is organised by the Irish Books Marketing Group, the new marketing advisory body of the Irish Book Sellers Association and the Irish branch of the Bookellers Association of Great Britain and Ireland.

Funded by the books industry, the aim of the campaign is to use the removal of VAT on books to increase book sales.

"Around 300,000 books a week are sold in Ireland," according to Harold Clarke, a director of Easons and chairman of the Irish Book Marketing Group. "Our target is to double sales in May, to well over half a million

books, and to put the books industry back into business in a big way."

**Campaign**  
Announcing details of the campaign, Michael Gill, managing director of Gill & Macmillan and a member of the Irish Books Marketing Group, said that it included an intensive advertising programme, a hard-hitting poster campaign and a big in-store sales drive in 2,500 outlets where books are sold, all over Ireland.

"The in-store promotion is the first of its kind ever, for books in Ireland," said Irish Books Marketing Group treasurer, Sean O'Boyle of Veritas Publications. "Every book bought, over a six-week period, qualifies for a free entry in a weekly draw for a £5 book-prize."

"Chairman added that the campaign slogan, "B Now!" he said, "now that are in fact cheaper than been had removed."

## WRITERS WEEK

WRITERS Week Limited has announced the launching of a new bursary of great interest to young creative writers. It is sponsored by IBM Ireland Limited and is one of the most prestigious awards ever offered to young writers in Ireland.

The award, to be known as the IBM Writers Week Literary Bursary, is worth approximately £3,000. It offers the recipient an opportunity to spend one semester at Columbia University developing his or her literary skills. The Creative Writing Programme at Columbia is run by the College's Writing Division. This Division has generously agreed to allow the recipient of the IBM Writers Week Literary Bursary to attend one semester of what is a two year course at Columbia.

This award will offer the winner an opportunity to become exposed to the influence of the capital of American literature in a very significant way. The Writing Division maintains liaison with many of the most important literary organisations in New York - the contemporary New York School of Poetry, the American P.E.N. Centre and the Circle Rep. Company of New York.

At Columbia the award winner will take academic and workshop courses in writing of poetry, fiction and non-fiction.

Writers Week, an annual event held in Listowel is organised by a committee who meet regularly throughout the year. The committee's efforts have not been in vain as Writers Week has achieved international significance - a fact which has been generously recognised by its many sponsors and patrons.

IBM Ireland has been a sponsor of events at Writers Week for a number of years. The company has, in the past sponsored, successful poetry

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