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The Annual General Conference of members of the Irish Tourist Association will open at 11 o'clock on Wednesday, October 23rd in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin. This meeting will hear the annual report on the Association's activities for the past year.

The report, now complete, will disclose a very satisfactory position, as far as the majority of Irish resorts are concerned. It will also reveal even more comprehensive tourist publicity schemes approved by the Directors for the year about to begin—schemes including, in addition to Press advertising and widespread editorial publicity, a series of lectures on Irish resorts to be delivered by Mr. D. L. Kelleher during the winter months, the issue of a large schedule of holiday publications and the initiation of a big scheme for the organisation of Holiday Savings Clubs in Irish industries.

New President.

At the September meeting of the Board of Directors, Mr. J. W. Mongan, T.D., a founder-member of the I.T.A. was unanimously chosen by his fellow-Directors as President-elect of the Association for the coming year, many appreciations being expressed by his colleagues of his untiring services in the interest of the Irish tourist industry. Warm tributes were also paid to the outgoing President, Mr. F. A. Moran, who had guided the destinies of the Association with conspicuous success during a most difficult year of office.

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Mr. J.W. Mongan, T.D.
President-elect, Irish Tourist Association.
Chairman, Irish Hotels Federation.

Calendar for October

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Angling... Pike Fishing is plentiful in Irish waters. See what Mr. Judges writes of it on page 11.

Competitions... Full details of our £50 Photo Competition on the Back Cover of this Irish Travel. Send in your holiday snaps before the end of October!

Curiosities... A page of oddities in our Irish Capital, is page 9.

Excavations... You'll like reading about this new one of a very old fort near Caherciveen. On page 4.

Hotels... Plenty of reading for these, particularly on pages 15 and 17.

Hunting... Hunting has just begun, and the many interested in this "Sport of Kings" are catered for on pages 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Killaloe... This grand old City of Kings is reviewed by Patrick Hogan on page 10.

Radio... One of our popular Radio Holiday Talks, that by Mrs. Maura Lavery, is reproduced on pages 12 and 13.

Roundstone... Loved by W. B. Yeats and described by an artist as "Ireland's most beautiful village," this spot in Connemara features on page 14.
Round the Resorts

SEPTEMBER reports from the principal holiday resorts in Ireland make pleasant reading. Late season holidays were the order of the day, this year, and the fine weather of last month stood well by the holiday-makers. In many centres, hotels and guest and boarding houses were packed to full capacity, while the verdict of caterers for the holiday market was "a marvellous season". The demand for holiday accommodation continued right up to the end of September and a few resorts report October bookings. We quote hereunder a digest of some of the returns:

BRAY. A good season, on the whole, and up to last year's standard. The first half of September was particularly good. Angling in the district was favourable, there being a satisfactory run of salmon and white trout.

DINGLE. A satisfactory season, if not quite as good as 1939. September was one of the best months. Among the visitors were the U.S. Embassy and the U.S. Consul.

GLENGARRIFF. An excellent season, this year and better than last year. Weather very dry, on the whole, which meant light rivers. But brown trout (and still is) plentiful in the Caha lakes.

KILKEE. As least as good as last year. Many hotels were booked out and the seaweed Baths were most popular. Many new visitors came and were delighted with the bathing facilities. They all promised to return.

KILLARNEY. The 1940 season was not as good as 1939 but September was quite fair and fishing was very good in the latter half of the month. The local Tourist Association is carrying out big improvements and extensions in the Hatchery, including the provision of new boxes capable of an output of up to one million fry.

LISDOONVARNA. The best September for years and a very good season altogether. Dancing was in full swing and bookings have been made into October. Fishing parties visited the Inishquin Lake, Golfing crowds went to Lahinch. At least two amateur shooting clubs have arranged to make Lisdoonvarna their Christmas headquarters.

ROSSLARE STRAND. An excellent season and a very good September. This season was the driest and brightest for years. A large number of excursion parties visited Rosslare and there were big catches of bass, pollock and mackerel by Angling visitors. The Golf Links and Tennis Courts were well patronised this year.

TRAMORE. Compares favourably with 1939 season and September was a good holiday month. Anglers got fine catches of whiting and mackerel in the Bay.

WATERVILLE. A very good season with September quite as good as last year. Excellent catches of salmon, sea trout in the rivers and lakes.

News From U.S.

Our good friend Pat Stanton of WDAS Broadcasting Station, Philadelphia writes us by air mail that he has made contact over there with a national distributor for the distribution of his film Here Is Ireland. Mr. Stanton made this film when he was over in Ireland during Summer, 1939: all his prints are in full colour, with commentary by himself. He assures us that within the next six months hundreds of thousands of people will be acquainted for the first time with Ireland's wonders and beauties.

From Boston, Mass., writes Miss Ellen O'Connor, regretting her inability this year to effect her annual trip to Ireland. In January last, Miss O'Connor lectured in the Boston Library to a crowded house, every seat being full long before the time to begin. Her subject was Irish Mediaeval Craftsmanship, illustrated by her own slides made from material gathered by her in Ireland. On next year's programme she will feature a lecture on The Abbey Churches of Ireland.

On St. Patrick's Day, this year, Miss O'Connor delivered an important illustrated lecture, this time to the Boston Women's City Club, the subject being, Just Ireland. This was the very first lecture on Ireland ever given at this important women's Club, which has a membership of more than three thousand women, most of them in professional work. The lecturer showed 263 slides, mostly in colour, and spoke for 2½ hours, without an intermission. She was warmly applauded by the audience.

New Pictorial Souvenir of Ireland.

"Worth buying and worth keeping" is the general verdict on the Pictorial Souvenir of Ireland published this summer by the I.T.A. at 2/6 per copy. It comprises sixty-four pages of illustrations beautifully printed in sepia on good art paper. Blue borders introduce a restrained yet charming note to complete the attraction of each page of pictures. Every county in Eire is covered by the illustrations, the Coastal Counties preceding the Inland Counties in order of appearance, while the third section comprises Types and Rural Scenes. All the pictures reproduced are the copyright of the Irish Tourist Association.

Angling in Ireland.

Mr. Henry G. Ryder, Hon. Secretary of the Dublin Trout Anglers' Association writes as follows to the I.T.A.

"I have received copies of 'Angling in Ireland,' and beg to congratulate you on the information and the turn out of the booklet. It is most attractive and useful."

Our thanks to Mr. Ryder and to the many other anglers whose much appreciated and appreciating comments on this booklet have come to hand.
October, 1940

HUNTING GOES ON

By STANISLAUS LYNCH

(Author of "Rhymes of an Irish Huntsman")

The Ward Union Sets Out

"Keep your hearts up, old fellows, as soon as the corn
Will be stooked in the district, I'll polish the horn:
New red whipcord I'll plait on the hunting-crop's thong;
Keep your hearts up, old fellows, the time's not too long!"

The corn is stooked, the horn is polished, new whipcord is plaited to thong, so the horses that I refer to endearingly as "old fellows" are finished with their summer boredom: Cubbing is here.

All over Ireland's hunting districts the silence of these misty September mornings is shattered by the soul-stirring twang of the hunting horn. Packs may have had their numbers reduced, followers may have been called away to Army Service, difficulties may have been legion, but everywhere in Eire fox-hunting "marches on."

A few days ago I visited the Kennels of the Ballymacads. The Lady Master, Miss Ussher, though absent on Red Cross work, has very generously insisted on retaining her Mastership of this pack. Hounds were at exercise daily and were looking extremely fit for their first Cub-hunt. I saw seven-and-a-half couple of a very promising "young entry," so that leaves little room for pessimism regarding the coming season.

Around the Hunts.

The Ward Union Staghounds, despite existing difficulties, are carrying-on as usual. The South County Dublin, the Bray, and the Fingal Harriers are doing likewise, according to reports. The Meaths have suffered a very big loss by the death of their magnificent huntsman "Willie" Fitzsimons. He was preparing to hunt his hounds this season—though on the three-score years mark!—but like the real sportsman he was, he died at the game he loved: one might almost say in harness. When a child I thrilled to the magic of his horn but now, alas, it is silenced forever.

Owing to the absence of several of the Westmeath followers this season, hounds will hunt only two days a week. The Longford Harriers have no complaints to make and are continuing at full strength.

Across the Shannon.

Across the Shannon fifteen couples of dashing harriers are going to provide slimming lessons every Monday and Thursday for the Roscommon hares. According

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EXCAVATING LEACANABUAILE
The Fort at Kilmego West, in Kerry

The excavations begun last year at the stone fort known as Leacanabuaile in Kilmego West townland (near Cahirciveen), under a Government Employment Scheme, have been completed. The work was supervised throughout by Mr. J. B. Foy, N.T., under Professor S. P. O Riordain's direction.

Grass-covered Mound.

Before the excavation, the site—which is on an outcrop of rock—showed only a grass-covered mound with traces of buildings on the surface; by it there has been uncovered a very interesting example of the Irish stone fort. Within the nearly circular rampart—ten feet in thickness and about one hundred feet in greatest outer diameter—four structures were revealed last year. These were: a circular house of the Clochán type, fifteen feet in diameter, on the west side; a larger and later rectangular house in the centre but built against the first; two smaller irregular houses to the north and south against the rampart. The continued excavation showed that the central house had been erected on the sites of two earlier round houses.

Pins, Combs, Brooches.

Many objects of everyday use were found. These included iron knives and pins, stone querns, loom-weights, pins and ornamented combs of bone, part of a bronze brooch and an iron plough-sock. An arrowhead and nails were also found. The bones of cattle and deer, sea-birds and shell-fish found gave indications of the frugal diet of the inhabitants, but the querns and plough-sock showed that tillage was also practised. The date of the occupation of the fort has not yet been determined with certainty but may be made clearer when some of the rusted iron objects have been cleaned. That the fort was lived in for a considerable period is made plain by the succession of houses of different forms.

A very interesting feature of the place is the souterrain and underground passage leading, in roundabout fashion, from the floor of the circular house to beneath the rampart, giving access there to a remarkable chamber, at a higher level, constructed in that thick wall. Wall chambers are common in forts but the means of access—from below—to this one seems to be unique.

A National Monument.

As it is intended that Leacanabuaile should become a national monument in State care, works to conserve it were carried out after the excavation. These consisted in rebuilding the collapsed portions of the walls. Great care was taken to follow the lines of the old structures throughout and a band of cement was used to define the lower limits of the new work. The roof of the rampart chamber had to be rebuilt to conserve the chamber itself while, to give access and light to it, a small opening—the only modern feature—was built in the outer wall and fitted with a gate. Both the defences and houses can now be appreciated readily by the visitor to what is quite an imposing monument.

The dry-stone masonry of the stone forts of Kerry, cahers like Staigue Fort in Iveragh and the nearby Cahergal, is notable for its excellent quality and it is gratifying to find that the local workmen of to-day carry on the tradition worthily as the new work at Leacanabuaile proves.

HUNTING GOES ON

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to Mr. Flynn of Carrick-on-Shannon the Boyle Harriers have somewhat similar ideas. Further west the Honourable Mrs. Brown is quite optimistic regarding the prospects of the South Mayo Harriers. Mr. Rowlette is similarly enthusiastic about the North Mayo Harriers. I have just come home from a morning's cubbing with the Galway Blazës. Their huntsman, Tom Fitzsimons, is a brother of Ted Fitzsimons, the huntsman of the Killing Kildares. Both are sons of the late Willie Fitzsimons of the Meaths. From such sources I learn that the Kildares, Carlow and Kilkennys are hunting two days a week with any available bye-days that may be necessary.

Over a late breakfast with the Master of the Galway Blazës, Miss Molly O'Rourke, I learned from her that the Limerick hounds are hunting two days a week. The Clare Hounds and Nenagh Harriers carry on as usual and I presume he remainder of the southern packs are doing likewise.

The Galway Blazës are cubbing four days a week and will hunt two days a week. Extra days may be added later on in the season. Miss O'Rourke was lamenting the necessity of having had to reduce the number of hounds in her establishment, but personally, I think that twenty-five couple of the stamp I saw working this morning should provide a flattering season's enjoyment.

Incidentally, quite a number of the kennels I visited are including a ration of crushed oats in their hound food. For some time after its introduction hounds are inclined to have a hide-bound, staring appearance on their coats, but as they are fed plenty of raw flesh and when they become accustomed to the oats ration, their coats develop a lustrous, healthy sheen.

So Winter approaches and soon the horn of the huntsman will sound in the land. "Song shall declare a way how to drive care away, pain and despair away, chasing the fox"!
**LIST OF**

**Irish Hunts, Masters, Secretaries, Fees, etc.**

**FOXHOUNDS**

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<td>Avondhu (17)</td>
<td>Ferney, Mitchelstown, Mallow</td>
<td>Wed. Sat.</td>
<td>Mr. T. O'Brien</td>
<td>D. Stack, Ferney</td>
<td>£3; cap, 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>10/- per day</td>
<td>Stand House, Ferney</td>
<td>Apply Hon. Sec.</td>
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<td>Ballymadd (20)</td>
<td>Castletown, Castletown</td>
<td>Tues. Fri.</td>
<td>Miss A. V. O'Her</td>
<td>Mr. A. Hone, Ballymadd</td>
<td>Minimum sub., £5; cap, 25s. 6d.</td>
<td>By arrangement</td>
<td>Dromore, Co. Meath</td>
<td>T. Tynan, Castletown, Oldcastle</td>
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<td>Boro (18)</td>
<td>Enniscorthy</td>
<td>Wed. Sat.</td>
<td>Mr. R. A. Dier</td>
<td>Mr. J. M. Mann, Ballymadd</td>
<td>Sub., £3 3s.; cap, 6d.</td>
<td>Apply Hon. Sec.</td>
<td>Coolbawn</td>
<td>Apply Hon. Sec.</td>
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<td>Carlow (25)</td>
<td>Carlow, Tullow, Ballymoney</td>
<td>Tues. Wed.</td>
<td>Mrs. W. Hall, Tullow, Carlow 17</td>
<td>Mr. O. H. Earls, Earls, Ballymoney</td>
<td>£10; 4d. cap</td>
<td>By arrangement</td>
<td>Moyle, Carlow, Tel—Carlow 17</td>
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<td>Gaulen (15)</td>
<td>Waterford, Trimone</td>
<td>Tues. Fri.</td>
<td>Mr. J. H. de Bromhead, Ardee, Waterford</td>
<td>Mr. J. H. de Bromhead, Ballymoney, Mallow</td>
<td>£15 min.; 2s. 6d. cap for subscribers</td>
<td>£1 cap per day</td>
<td>Blackrock, Mallow, Co. Cork</td>
<td>J. Davin and R. Sheehan, Mallow</td>
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<td>Island (35)</td>
<td>Gorey, Enniscorthy, Ferns</td>
<td>Mon. Wed. Fri. and Sat.</td>
<td>Mr. K. W. Hall-Dare</td>
<td>Mr. W. L. Chet, Ferns, Co. Wicklow</td>
<td>Sub., £6 2s. 6d. cap for non-members</td>
<td>£1 cap per day</td>
<td>Lisnamore, Ballinsloe</td>
<td>Mr. H. O. Eustace, Bally money, Mallow</td>
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<td>Kilcumber (28)</td>
<td>Dublin, Naas</td>
<td>Tues. and Sat.</td>
<td>A Committee</td>
<td>Capt. A. W. Higginson, R.N., Ballymoney</td>
<td>£10 10s. per day a week; 5/- cap</td>
<td>£1 per day</td>
<td>Craughwell, Ballymoney</td>
<td>B. Potter, Esq., Craughwell, Co. Galway</td>
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<td>Kilkenny (30)</td>
<td>Kilkenny, Thomastown, Waterford</td>
<td>Minor Wed. Sat.</td>
<td>Major McCanlin, M.C., Mr. J. McCanlin, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny</td>
<td>Mr. J. M. McCanlin, Kells Gardens, Stoneywood, Co. Kilkenny</td>
<td>£10 a horse; £1 per day</td>
<td>Matter of arrangement with the Hunt Secretary</td>
<td>Mount Juliet, Thomastown</td>
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<td>Kilkenny (North) (33)</td>
<td>Kilkenny, Freshford, Ballyragget</td>
<td>Once a week</td>
<td>Capt. and Mrs. McCanlin</td>
<td>Mr. E. R. Prend, Lodge Park, Freshford, Mallow</td>
<td>£5 a horse; cap 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>10/- per day</td>
<td>Ballyragget, Co. Kilkenny</td>
<td>James McClin- bock, Esq., Kells, Grange; Thos. Butler, Esq., Kilkenny</td>
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<td>Limrick Co. (30)</td>
<td>Limerick, Cusack, Adare, Rathkeale, Kilnabuck</td>
<td>Once a week</td>
<td>Mr. J. Alexander</td>
<td>Mr. E. R. Prend, Lodge Park, Freshford, Mallow</td>
<td>Sub., £15; cap £1</td>
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<td>Dundalk, Drogheda</td>
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<td>Capt. R. A. R. Fligate</td>
<td>Mr. E. R. Prend, Lodge Park, Freshford, Mallow</td>
<td>£10; 2s. 6d. cap</td>
<td>£1 per day</td>
<td>Narragansett, Kells, Co. Meath</td>
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<td>Meath (25)</td>
<td>Dublin, Navan</td>
<td>Tues. Sat. and Mon. or Thurs.</td>
<td>Mrs. A. H. Connell</td>
<td>Colonel A. Currell, Knockmark, Drumree, Louth</td>
<td>£15 per week in season; £10 for 2 days after which sub. is expected</td>
<td>£1 per day</td>
<td>Lissanough, Ardee</td>
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<td>Muskerry (25)</td>
<td>Cork, Macroom</td>
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<td>Capt. A. H. Horan and Sir George Colthurst, Bart.</td>
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<td>£10; 2s. 6d. cap</td>
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<td>Enniscorthy, Carrickmacross</td>
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<td>Ormond (20)</td>
<td>Birr, Clonbangan, Nenagh, Roscrea, Portumna</td>
<td>Once a week</td>
<td>Mrs. M. Matheson and Mr. S. Webb</td>
<td>Mrs. C. H. B. Hickey, Snoy, Birr</td>
<td>£15; 2s. 6d. cap</td>
<td>Optional</td>
<td>Knockinmore, Cloughjordan</td>
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<td>Queen's Co. (20)</td>
<td>Abbeyleix, Marytown, Athy</td>
<td>Once a week</td>
<td>A Committee</td>
<td>Mr. T. S. Moyle, Ballymoney, Strafdalby</td>
<td>No fixed sub.; 5/- field money; 1/- non-members</td>
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<td>Moyne, Darow, Castlebar</td>
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<td>Mr. J. J. Ryan and Mr. C. C. Thompson</td>
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<td>£10; 2s. 6d. cap; non-subscribers, £1 cap.</td>
<td>£1 per day for six days, then full rate</td>
<td>Screveton, Knockholt</td>
<td>Harrin, Kilmalkirk</td>
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<td>South Union (25)</td>
<td>Cork, Carrigaline, Kill.</td>
<td>Tues. Fri.</td>
<td>Mayor F. P. Morgan and Mr. C. A. Love.</td>
<td>Mr. E. P. Clarke, Mount Emu, Doug. Co. Cork</td>
<td>£5; cap, 2s. 6d. non-subscribers, 10/-</td>
<td>10s. per day</td>
<td>Kilbegley, Car-tiglin, Co. Cork</td>
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<td>Tipperary (25)</td>
<td>Fethard, Clonmel, Cashel, Cahir.</td>
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<td>A Committee</td>
<td>Mr. Alec Smith, Dun- ene, Cashel.</td>
<td>£15 10s. sub; £10 10s. two months; £7 7s. one month; cap, 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>£1 per day</td>
<td>Talbarnine, Fethard.</td>
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<td>Thirske and Kilbese (30)</td>
<td>Durham, N. York.</td>
<td>Tues. Fri.</td>
<td>Major W. Gibson.</td>
<td>Mr. J. F. V. Carri gans, &quot;Glenruff,&quot; Thirske.</td>
<td>£10; 2s. 6d. cap; 2s. cap from non-subscribers.</td>
<td>£5 for one day a week; £10 for more than one day: 2s. 6d. cap.</td>
<td>Holyroos, Thirske</td>
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<td>United Hunt Club (20)</td>
<td>Cork, Milltown.</td>
<td>Tues. Sat.</td>
<td>A Committee</td>
<td>Mr. J. D. Sheekey, Carrigower, Co. Cork.</td>
<td>£5 minimum; £10 to qualify for membership of the Hunt; cap, 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>£1 per day</td>
<td>Knockgriffen, Milltown, Co. Cork</td>
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<td>Waterford (30)</td>
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<td>Miss Walker and Mr. E. Russell.</td>
<td>Mr. R. de V. Hunt, Rockmount, Kilmac thomas.</td>
<td>£8 8s. minimum; cap, 10s.</td>
<td>£25 per day; £5 per day; £1 per day</td>
<td>Waterford, Tramore, Co. Waterford</td>
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<td>Cappoquin, Youghal, Lismore, Dungarvan.</td>
<td>Mon. Thurs.</td>
<td>Miss Anne Hickman and Miss Anne Gregory.</td>
<td>Mr. R. Keane, Belle ville Park, Cappoquin, Waterford.</td>
<td>£8 8s.</td>
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<td>Waterford, West (25)</td>
<td>Mullingar.</td>
<td>Mon. Fri.</td>
<td>A Committee</td>
<td>Mr. Richard Reynolds, Kilmainham, Waterford.</td>
<td>£5; cap, 2s. 6d. cap</td>
<td>£5 for one day, £10 for more than one day: 2s. 6d. cap.</td>
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<td>Moate, Athlone, Athlone.</td>
<td>Mon. Thurs.</td>
<td>Miss V. Mogan, Estate Office, Athlone.</td>
<td>Miss V. Mogan, Estate Office, Athlone.</td>
<td>£3 3s. cap, 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Westford, New Ross.</td>
<td>Wed. Sat.</td>
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<td>Mr. T. A. Coler, Rosbercon Castle, New Ross.</td>
<td>£8 8s. minimum; cap, 10s.</td>
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<td>Mr. R. Morton, Cranmore, Ballymena.</td>
<td>Mr. L. J. Woodside, Ardnaeen, Ballymena.</td>
<td>£5 5s.; 2s. 6d. cap</td>
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<td>Boyle, Carrick-on-Shannon, Elphin.</td>
<td>Mon. Thurs.</td>
<td>Miss M. Kieran and Mr. F. O. Odber</td>
<td>Mr. W. White, V.S., Gothic Lodge, Boyle.</td>
<td>£3 3s.; cap, 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Oakfort, House, Boyle.</td>
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<td>Bray, Greystones, Delgany, Wicklow, Enniskerry.</td>
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<td>Mr. E. B. Peyton, Beechwood, Delgany, Co. Wicklow.</td>
<td>Captain T. Wilson, Kingston, Kilternan, Co. Dublin.</td>
<td>£3 min. subscribers 2s. 6d. cap; non-subscribers, 5s. per day</td>
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<td>Belvoir, Delgany, Co. Wicklow.</td>
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<td>County Cavan</td>
<td>Cavan ...</td>
<td>Thurs. Sat.</td>
<td>Mr. J. McKiernan and Mr. E. Flood</td>
<td>R. S. Black, 100 Main Street, Cavan.</td>
<td>£2 3s.; cap, 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Cavan, Co. Cavan.</td>
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<td>Clones (12)</td>
<td>Clones, Castel, Fethard, Cahir.</td>
<td>Tues. Fri.</td>
<td>Mr. M. McCarthy, Cortinlair, Clones.</td>
<td>Mr. J. Kennedy, Derrygrath, Cahir, and Mr. J. Quinlan Kilmanahan.</td>
<td>£2 2s.; cap, 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Ennis, Newmarket</td>
<td>Mon. Thurs.</td>
<td>Mr. J. P. Quinn</td>
<td>Mr. J. O'Mara, Beech Lawn, Ennis.</td>
<td>£3 3s.; cap, 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Croom, Adare, Limerick, Rathkeale.</td>
<td>Tues., Thurs.</td>
<td>Mr. B. Fitzgerald, Limerick House, Croom.</td>
<td>Dr. W. Hodgeman, Glenwood, Croom.</td>
<td>Voluntary; field money, 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Belfast, Bangor, Comber, Newtownards.</td>
<td>Wed., Sat.</td>
<td>Mr. David Moun J.B.</td>
<td>Miss B. Brett, Rich mond Lodge, Stradestown, Co. Down.</td>
<td>£10 10s.</td>
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<td>Downpatrick ...</td>
<td>Mon., Thurs.</td>
<td>Capt. Forde ...</td>
<td>Miss C. K. Wallace, Myra Castle, Downpatrick.</td>
<td>£10 10s.; 2s. field money.</td>
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<td>Dundalk, Dunleer, Ardee.</td>
<td>Tues., Fri.</td>
<td>Miss Florence Cox</td>
<td>Mr. R. J. Byrne, Rosmany, Dundalk.</td>
<td>£3 5s.; 2s. 6d. cap.</td>
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<td><strong>Flagal (121)</strong></td>
<td>Dublin.</td>
<td>Tues., Fri.</td>
<td>Mr. Alex. Craigie and Mr. J. Holy-Hutchinson.</td>
<td>Mr. R. J. Craigie, Hartridge House, St. Margaret's, Co. Dublin.</td>
<td>£1 sub.; 2s. 6d. cap.</td>
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<td>Bruree, Charlestown.</td>
<td>Tues., Thurs.</td>
<td>Mr. M. Carroll, Bruree.</td>
<td>Miss J. B. Ferguson, Ivyhouse House, Dundalk.</td>
<td>£10 10s. and £5 5s.; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Banbridge, Dromore.</td>
<td>Wed. and Sat.</td>
<td>Mr. W. Smith and Mr. G. H. Coney.</td>
<td>Miss J. B. Ferguson, Ivyhouse House, Dundalk.</td>
<td>£10 10s. and £5 5s.; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Dublin, Lucan, Maynooth, Dunboyne.</td>
<td>Mon.</td>
<td>Mrs. A. H. Connell, Larch, Killade</td>
<td>Mr. J. W. Shackleton, Beech Park, Carlow.</td>
<td>Sub., £2; cap. members, 2s. 6d.; non-members, 10s.</td>
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<td>St. Catherine's Park, Lusk, Co. Kill.</td>
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<td>Westford, Rosslare, Kilkare.</td>
<td>Mon.</td>
<td>Mr. J. Davis</td>
<td>Mr. C. G. Miller, Shortstown, Ballycogley, Westford.</td>
<td>£2 cap; 2s. ladies exempt.</td>
<td>£10 10s.; 2s. 6d. cap.</td>
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<td><strong>Killintagh, Old Rock and Chichester (20)</strong></td>
<td>Lisburn, Antrim.</td>
<td>Wed.</td>
<td>Mr. M. D. Shaw and Mr. A. McDonough.</td>
<td>Mr. J. Hase, Killmacaugan, Co. Kilkenny.</td>
<td>Sub., minimum, £1; 2s. 6d. cap.</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Dunedick, Cramore, Co. Antrim.</td>
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<td><strong>Kilmoganny (10)</strong></td>
<td>Carrick-on-Suir ...</td>
<td>2 days a fortnight</td>
<td>Mr. John McInery</td>
<td>Mr. J. Hase, Killmacaugan, Co. Kilkenny.</td>
<td>£2 5s.; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Mr. W. Allen, Corboy, Edgeworthstown.</td>
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<td>Longford, Edgeworthstown, Granard, Ballymahon.</td>
<td>Tues.</td>
<td>Lady Durnfries and Capt. N. W. Mayne.</td>
<td>Mr. W. Allen, Corboy, Edgeworthstown.</td>
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<td><strong>Mayo, North</strong> (14)</td>
<td>Ballina, Killala, Crolmolinna, Enniscrone.</td>
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<td>Mr. J. F. Rowlette, Netley Park, Croesolna.</td>
<td>Dr. M. McNulty, Killala.</td>
<td>Sub., £3 5s.; 2s. 6d. cap.</td>
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<td>Monkstown, Cork.</td>
<td>Wed. and occasional bye-days.</td>
<td>Mr. N. Hayes</td>
<td>Mr. J. H. Carvallo Cottage, Monkstown.</td>
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<td><strong>Mount Loftus (15)</strong></td>
<td>Gowran, Graigvo, Gorebridge.</td>
<td>Wed., and alter. Sat.</td>
<td>Dr. W. H. O’Brien</td>
<td>Mr. W. Mallins, Dominica, Gorebridge, Co. Kilkenny.</td>
<td>£3; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td><strong>Nenagh (14)</strong></td>
<td>Nenagh, Borriesokane, Tonna, Sowtra.</td>
<td>Mon or Tues.</td>
<td>Mrs. D. Kee</td>
<td>Col. L. Bayley, 49 Barrack Street, Nenagh.</td>
<td>Min. £3 5s.; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Yougal Lodge, Nenagh.</td>
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<td><strong>Newry (18)</strong></td>
<td>Newry and Banbridge.</td>
<td>Mon.</td>
<td>Capt. Maxwell Close</td>
<td>Min. £3 5s.; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>Voluntary; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Drumhaghern, Portny-Fayl</td>
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<td>Collonkey, Ballynoate.</td>
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<td>Maj. C. K. O'Hara, Annaghmore, Collonkey, Co. Sligo.</td>
<td>Vacant</td>
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<td><strong>Robin's</strong> (15)</td>
<td>Portstewart, Ballymena.</td>
<td>Wed.</td>
<td>Mr. D. Hall Christie</td>
<td>S. S. Henry, Portstewart.</td>
<td>£5 5s.; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Mon. Thurs.</td>
<td>Mr. P. J. Mulligan</td>
<td>Mr. P. C. Sweeney and Mr. J. Good, C/o Royal Hotel, Roscommon.</td>
<td>£3; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>£500; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>Munsboro' House, Roscommon.</td>
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<td>Sekisore (9)</td>
<td>Wed. Sat.</td>
<td>Mrs. R. Stewart</td>
<td>Mr. W. E. Orr, The Grange, Omagh.</td>
<td>£3 3s.; cap. 1s.</td>
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<td>South Co. Dublin (12)</td>
<td>Sat. and occasional Weds.</td>
<td>Dr. L. Flanagan and Mr. P. H. Dunn.</td>
<td>Mr. C. E. McConnell, 10 Pince Street, Dublin.</td>
<td>£3 3s.; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>Cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
<td>Athgoe, Newcastle, Co. Dublin.</td>
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<td>Wed. Sat.</td>
<td>Mr. W. B. Smyth, Strabane.</td>
<td>Mr. J. P. Herdman, Red House, Strabane.</td>
<td>£3 3s.; cap. 2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Wed. Sat.</td>
<td>Miss I. McClinton, Tynan.</td>
<td>Miss Joyce Irwin, Mr. J. K. Irwin, Co. Armagh.</td>
<td>£3 3s.; cap. 1s.</td>
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<td>Grange, Ballymacnagary.</td>
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<td>Westmeath (12)</td>
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<td>Mr. H. Tynan</td>
<td>Mr. Thomas Casey, Haltinsheaks House, Rathoath.</td>
<td>£1 1s.; 2s. 6d.</td>
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**ANGLING**

**BIG CATCHES AT WATERVILLE.**

The prolonged dry spell of Summer came to an end in mid-September at Waterville and heavy rainfall resulted in an all-round improvement in local waters, especially in the rivers. Several salmon anglers had excellent sport, one rod getting eleven salmon in one day (probably a record for South Kerry waters), while another got six. Most of the fish were fresh-run and averaged about ten pounds each.

Among September anglers were Colonel Mansfield, Mr. H. Leader, Dr. and Mrs. Falvey, Rev. Fr. O'Sullivan and Dr. Fitzgerald, Miss Paul, Dr. Moran, Mr. Murray and Mr. W. T. Day.

**ITALIAN LAKES—AT ROUNDSTONE.**

"I have now visited Roundstone in Connemara. It was afternoon, and the sun shone over the curve of the whitewashed houses. There were a few idlers—of an age which permits it—near the miniature harbour. "The water was as blue as a lago in Italy and the sun on the barren limestone edges of the Twelve Pins in the distance made them look like glaciers of eternal snow on Alpine ridges."

("G.G." in the *Irish Independent*, Sept., 1940. See also page 14 of this issue).

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Curiosities

PARNELL'S TWO OVERCOATS

Around Dublin

CHURCH WITH FOUR AISLES

Thousands of visitors to Dublin have seen this monumental tribute to Charles Stewart Parnell. The work of a famous American sculptor, St. Gaudens, it was erected in 1910 at the junction of Parnell and O'Connell Streets. It shows Parnell's curious custom of wearing two overcoats—which can be clearly distinguished on the effigy.

FILLING UP IN DUBLIN

No prizes are offered for locating this familiar spot in Dublin. But the burning question is, "What goes into the engine?"

AN ANCIENT ELM

This very old elm tree in Howth Demesne dates from the sixteenth century and is probably that referred to by Loudoun as the oldest introduced tree in Ireland—an English elm planted at Howth Castle in 1585. A branch falls from the tree before the death of a member of the St. Lawrence family.
Brian's Fort.

The double ringed earthen mound known as Brian Boru's Fort is of very large dimensions. It lies close by the waters of the Shannon at the foot of Cragliagh, and was, probably, erected to keep watch and ward over that means of gaining entrance into the land of Dal gCas. It may be that Brian had trouble with marauders from Connacht and Leinster and erected this fortification to prevent his enemies from securing a foothold in his territory by navigating the Shannon to Killaloe; it may be that it was erected by others, but whoever erected it, or for whatever purpose, it stands to-day a reminder of a distant active civilization about which it remains as mute as Mount Cragliagh of the banshee frowning over it from the west.

The huge pylons of the Electricity Supply Board are close by and thus with truth it may be said that this eleventh century mound of defence or refuge is now lighted by the electric bulbs of the twentieth century.

One of the most perfect stone roofed oratories in Ireland (St. Flannan's) stands near the square tower of what is now the Protestant church of Killaloe. Here within this quiet "God's acre" there is evidence that the religious and political strife of the centuries did not pass by Killaloe, but broke the quiet and harmony which nature intended should be constant beneath those silent hills. Recent times, too, brought their strife and tragedies, as shown by a tablet on the bridge connecting Clare with Tipperary which commemorates in Irish the deaths of three young Irishmen who gave their lives for Ireland in the Anglo-Irish war.

Morning in Killaloe.

The scenery of Killaloe must be seen to be appreciated. Neither artist nor poet can do it justice. Paints and phrases convey little of the beauty that draws, arrests and holds the senses of the wanderer beside the Shannon. It may be the glory of the morning — when the dawn is pulling slowly aside the curtains and the shadows are withdrawing; when the sun peering over Keeper sends a beam of silver across the river to awaken into activity innumerable swans that lay during the summer night in the stillness and silence lurking (Concluded on page 18)
MAKE no apology for introducing the attractions of pike fishing to the host of angling readers of Irish Travel, for I can imagine no more sporting or exhilarating pastime on a morning in October, when the air is crisp from the overnight frost and the sunshine glitters in every dewdrop that festoons the flaggers and bulrushes lining the banks of a noted pike lair. It is then that hope runs high as a spoon or a wagtail is cast out into the deeps and wound slowly back in tempting jerks, when anything can happen at any second—for the pike is a problem: he either makes up his mind in a flash and, with the speed of lightning, swirls at the bait or else ignores it with supreme contempt.

Playing a Twenty Pounder.

Who ever first termed pike fishing, "Coarse fishing," has a lot to answer for as there is nothing coarse about playing a twenty pounder, mad with rage in its struggle for freedom. It takes all the skill of a practised angler to steer the fish clear of every sunken obstacle within a radius of thirty yards. Compared with the pike, the salmon is a simpleton. If there were less pike in Irish waters, the novelty of fishing for them would have a greater appeal. The trout fisherman, who is learned in the lore of entomology and the habits of trout very often cultivates a superiority complex with regard to the particular branch of angling in which he considers himself an expert and an authority, and sooner than lose caste in handling a pike rod, he hibernates through the winter in the illusion that pike are "untouchables," whereby he often misses the thrill of a lifetime. The real Waltonian goes forth in all seasons and in all weathers to seek his fun where he can find it and the pike provides the opportunity when all other fishing is at a standstill.

The Ubiquitous Pike.

It is not a matter of where to fish for pike in Ireland, as they inhabit every river and lake, between Cork and Cavan. The river Shannon with its immense volume of water, between Leitrim and Limerick and the three great lakes, Allen, Ree and Derg, through which it flows are all plentifully stocked with pike. In fact the trout fishermen of Lough Derg on the lower Shannon, consider the fish a scourge and they would gladly upset the balance of nature by exterminating them, by fair means or foul, if that were possible. The same opinion is prevalent with regard to the lakes of Westmeath, where shooting pike in the shallow at the spawning season, is a favourite pastime of the members of the local trout anglers' Associations. In many other districts notably Cork, Cavan and Dublin the members of the associations have taken a more sporting view in recent years and the method they employ to thin out the pike from the waters over which they have control is the promotion of pike fishing competitions during the winter months for which valuable prizes are offered. The Committee of the Dublin Trout Anglers' Association have recently arranged for a series of six open contests to be held on the Liffey at Clane and Celbridge in Co. Kildare during Sundays in October, November and December.
THE ROAD ALONG THE WEST

By MAURA LAVERTY

A Broadcast Talk from Radio Eireann in the "Irish Holiday" Series

IF I had the choosing of my way of living, for four months of every year I'd be a pedlar. Not just any pedlar, selling my safety-pins and scented soap in any part of the country. I'd be the owner of an ass-and-cart and I'd spend from May to September dandering along the curved road of the west. It's a grand road, that road that runs gladly along the west coast from Kilkee up to Bundoran... a road that links together the loveliest places of the west: Lahinch, Kinvara, Galway, Connemara, Ballina, Eniscrone, Easkey, Sligo, Strandhill and Rosses' Point. There's history in every yard of it and kindliness in every cottage that stands at its edge.

Two years ago I spent a fortnight in driving from Kilkee to Bundoran. It was a mistake, for I crowded into that fortnight experiences that should have been spread out over months. That's why I feel the proper way to see the west coast of Ireland would be to dander along it leisurely, taking plenty of time over it and stopping wherever and whenever my fancy might suggest.

That journey of mine two years ago started where Kilkee faces the open Atlantic. The impression I took with me from Kilkee was that for those who look on swimming as the best way of spending their spare time, Kilkee must be the finest spot on earth. The gentle slope of its beach gives grand surf-bathing and its 'pollock-holes' among the rocks make fine swimming pools. I followed the road northwards from here and it brought me through Doonbeg with its sandhills, past threatening Mal Bay where thousands of Spaniards lost their lives in 1588, and so on to Miltown Malbay and Spanish Point.

Now, the places which are known in the guide-books as 'fashionable' and 'popular' resorts are not to my liking. Swimming, golfing and other energetic pursuits have no attraction for me. I may be just plain lazy. But I don't believe in a big expenditure of time and energy as a means to longevity. The famous golf-links of Lahinch did not, therefore, tempt me so much to play a game as to enjoy their fine setting at the edge of the Atlantic.

Boxty Pancakes in Liscannor.

I continued along the coast and crossed a little sandy inlet to reach Liscannor. I shall always remember Liscannor, not so much for its currachs and browned fisherfolk as for the splendid boxty pancakes I was given there. Where I cannot enthuse about golf-links and swimming facilities I can easily grow eulogistic about food—particularly those honest traditional Irish dishes that are to be had only in the west and north of Ireland. The memory of those boxty pancakes of Liscannor will be for ever interwoven with my
impressions of the western coastline. Crisp, light and nutty, they were indescribably delicious sopped in the rashber gravy and egg-yolk with which they were served.

I should like to say here and now that I have never tasted anything to equal the excellence of the food I ate during my journey through the west. No fancy sauces, mind you. No dressed-up dishes with foreign names. It was plain Irish food cooked to perfection and it was good.

**Potatoes, Boiled in Sea Water.**

It has always been my pet belief that a country's national cooking is just as integral a part of its character as is—say—its scenery or its language. When in Spain, a plate of cocido helped me to get the atmosphere of the country far more quickly than did a visit to the Alhambra, and to eat France's pot au feu meant more to me than the picturesque peasant-costumes of Normandy. For that reason, I made a point of asking for real Irish food in the west. And the women of Sligo and Mayo and Galway and Clare certainly know how to cook it. In one house, about three miles this side of Ballyvaughan, I remember they gave me potatoes that had a better flavour than I had ever eaten. When I remarked on them the woman of the house told me she always boiled her potatoes in sea-water, as her grandmother and her grandmother's grandmother had done before her.

"Potatoes won't crack when they're boiled in sea-water," she told me, "and that means that none of their flavour is lost in the cooking."

From Liscannor my route took me by the Cliffs of Moher into Lisdoonvarna, gay with rollicking holiday crowds, and so, via Ballyvaughan, along that road into Galway—a motorist's delight, firm and level. It was July when I drove along it and, unfortunately, the oysters at Kinvara were not yet in season. I have often thought since it would have been grand to have been able to make Kinvara my headquarters for a week or so. From here one could make a dozen excursions through the wild stony country to famous ruins and landmarks. Through Killimney out to Kilnaboy where the remains of St. Colman's seventh century foundation still stand... up the hill to Corcomroe Abbey where Conchubhair O'Brien, King of Thomond, was buried... along the Gort Road to Coole Park with its memories of Lady Gregory, and over to Renvyle Castle, the home of Yeats.

A bare fortnight doesn't allow time for stops of this kind, however, so I left Kinvara behind me and drove along through Oramore with its Clanrickarde Castle and into Galway with its healthy and delightful seasuburb of Salthill.

**Galway.**

What can I say about the City of the Tribes that has not been said already? Nothing... except that I was vaguely bewildered by the manner in which the antiquity of its appearance clashed with the modernity of its ways. I went out to the Aran Islands of course—what tourist finding himself in Galway doesn't? That three and a half hours' journey from the mainland over the real Atlantic was a delightful aside of my trip, and the thrill of an ocean voyage to the islands famous in picture and story remains for me an outstanding memory.

From Galway, too, there is that lovely drive along the coast through Barra, Spiddal and Carna, and on northward to Clifden. I stayed a night in Clifden and before leaving next morning for Malarrany, I walked out beyond Clifden Castle to get that glorious view of the coastline which is to be had from the top of Gortannagh Hill. On through Kylemore to Leenane and under the shoulder of Croagh Patrick I drove, up hill and down dale, past Carrigaholt Castle (the gates of which Grace O'Malley slammed in the face of Sir Richard Burke) and so in to Malarrany with its fuchsia hedges and Mediterranean Heath, proving that the breezes here blow soft and bland.

**Sligo and Donegal.**

From Malarrany I made that easy run over to Achill Island, through Keel with its three miles of sandy beach and Dugort, a lovely little seatown in the shadow of Slievemore. Eastward then again, en route for Bundoran with a diversion at Ballina to see Killala by the glorious bay. And so on by the grand seacoast to sunny Enniscrone and Easky on the invigorating north Sligo coast. That lovely region held me longer than I had planned. Rosses Point, especially, as well as Strandhill and Mullaghmore tug at the heart of all who love the pleasant seaside places. And so I came to Bundoran of the cliffs and sands and rolling seas. Where else could you find better in all Ireland so fine a combination of health and beauty and pleasure as at Bundoran? And how finely placed it is as a base for visits to that county of Donegal that is almost a little Ireland in itself with every sort of Irish scenery somewhere on display along its coasts and between its hills.

Some day, maybe, that ass-and-cart will be mine, and then, please God, I won't merely drive through the Joyce country and the O'Flahertys' land. I'll wander along nice and easy, stopping where I like and for as long as I like. Then, maybe, I'll get my fill of the glorious west coast... and of the boxty pancakes.
Roundstone, in Connemara

A Holiday Resort on the Shores of the Atlantic

By JOHN C. BOYNE

October, 1940

The small village of Roundstone is situated about 46 miles by road from Galway. As the crow flies, it is some seven miles from Clifden and thirteen miles east of Slyne Head, being almost in line with this famous promontory.

Roundstone has no plush-seated cinema nor concrete promenade with streaming buntings; free from such trappings, it is, in its own right, a fine natural holiday centre with marked character and a complete absence of artificiality. Miss Letitia Hamilton, R.H.A. described it as the most beautiful village in Ireland, while William Butler Yeats said that he had seen nothing in all his travels on the Continent to match or exceed the beauty of the scenery at Roundstone.

Getting There.

It would be strictly correct to state that the traveller to Roundstone turns off the Galway-Clifden main road at Ballinahinch Cross and bears left for a distance of seven miles—only it leaves so much unsaid. The approach to Roundstone, through wild and colourful Connemara, is an essential part of a Roundstone holiday and the visitors' later impressions will be dominated by a grand background of mountains and lakes leading to a tiny whitewashed village whose only street stands sheltered from the ocean winds by the gentle slopes of a diminutive mountain.

The little two-storied houses which constitute this little village lie along the edge of a narrow, sheltered inlet. At the bottom of "Main Street" is a miniature harbour with its "pookhuns" and "hookers" floating in the clear water and a tangle of lobster pots resting in a heap on the quay side. The low protecting wall gives satisfactory support to the visitor who likes to end the day with a smoke and a gossip.

Climbing Urrisbeg.

Urrisbeg, Roundstone's mountain, is also on a tiny scale. Little more than 900 feet high, it looks very puny against the eight-mile-distant peaks of the Twelve Bens; but it is almost the only height within that radius and so has the distinction of a wide uninterrupted view. Easy to climb, its gentle slope invites even the laziest visitor to gaze hopefully upon its summit.

The climb well repays the slight labour involved, the hump-backed ridge giving a new and grander view of the Twelve Bens and surrounding countryside. Over in the west towers Croagh Patrick with the jagged outline of Achill Head below it. Something quite different is seen in the wide plain stretching off to Clifden—a vast flatish bogland so strewed with tiny, green-shaded lakes, as to make one wonder if the whole prospect is really one large lake close set with hosts of islands. Dr. R. L. Praeger describes it as "one of the most remarkable views in Ireland. The lakes all lie in rock-basins," he continues, "and the peat which stretches between rests directly on the granite. Only in the Outer Hebrides is there, in Great Britain, any parallel to so strange an area."

There is beauty and colour on every side; in the south the many inlets and bays form a great pattern on the green waters of the Atlantic; in the southeast are the long ridges of

The Twelve Bens, from Roundstone Harbour, Connemara.
HOTELS AND THE LAW

2. Who is a 'Traveller'?

By SEUMAS UA hÉAMHTHAIGH, B.A., LL.B., Barrister-at-law

JUST as there was difficulty, last month, in reaching a satisfactory definition of an innkeeper, so it is not easy to state clearly what persons are 'travellers,' and thereby entitled to accommodation from the innkeeper. In this sense, of course, the word has not the same meaning as the "bona fide traveller" of the licensing laws, nor is it equivalent to "commercial traveller," but signifies a person who, although he comes to an inn or hotel with the intention of using the inn for the objects for which inns are intended to be used, namely, to provide shelter, food, and accommodation for wayfarers.

In this sense a traveller would not include, for example, a person who came to use the inn as a place in which to carry on business, or as a public-house, or as a semi-permanent residence. On the other hand, a person would not cease to be a traveller merely by reason of doing business in the inn, or by taking drink there, for either of these may be quite consistent with his character as a genuine traveller: the point is, that he must not come to the inn with such objects as his sole or chief purposes.

Traveller or Lodger?

So far as the fundamental idea of an inn is concerned, it is clear that a wayfarer, overtaken by nightfall before reaching his destination, who stops for the night at a wayside hotel, is a genuine traveller. But he may still be a traveller, even though his stop is for a meal, during the daytime, without spending the night there, or even though his stay may be of longer duration than one night. As against this, however, the length of a guest's stay at an inn will have some bearing on his status as a traveller: a person who spends, say, a period of months, at the same hotel, has almost certainly ceased to be a traveller, though there may be circumstances to disprove this, such as illness, or other misfortune preventing him from going on his way.

In the case of the present day, the innkeeper, then, is only obliged to receive travellers who seek accommodation from him: he may refuse admission to "outs" or to those wishing to use the premises for business or other purposes; and if a guest has ceased, whether by the length of his stay or otherwise, to be a traveller, and has become a mere lodger, the proprietor may refuse to provide for him any further, and may send him away after reasonable notice.

A Traveller's Rights.

The facilities which the traveller may call for are merely such reasonable and proper accommodation for the guest and his goods as the inn in fact possesses, nor is the guest entitled to choose his rooms, if the rooms offered are suitable and proper. A landlord whose bedrooms are all engaged may refuse shelter and accommodation to a traveller, even if the traveller offers to spend the night in an unoccupied public room; it is sufficient to justify refusal if those rooms which the proprietor has set aside for lodgment and sleeping are occupied.

The traveller need not tender payment in advance unless asked, but the proprietor is entitled to demand it, and if the guest refuses another ground is established for declining to admit him.

Besides being himself received, the traveller has a right to insist that his luggage also be accommodated, as well as his car, if the hotel possesses a garage with sufficient space unoccupied. He is also entitled to be provided with food and drink, if he so requests, and fire and light, and the charges, if not agreed on in advance, will be a reasonable figure, as dictated by the quality of the establishment, and the class of food, etc., provided.

Remedies for Default.

Now above, and in the previous article, we have stated a summary of the strict law governing the hotelier's obligations to a traveller, so far as the satisfaction of his guest's requirements go. If an innkeeper wrongfully turns away a traveller, or otherwise fails in these obligations, the traveller may sue him, or a prosecution may be instituted by the authorities. But, although the law, as set out above, applies to inns of the present day, its provisions have come down to us from an earlier age, and the plight of a landlord nowadays who neglects or violates his obligations would not be as serious as that of his predecessor of a century ago. In the first place, the prosecution of landlords for failure to accommodate travellers has fallen into disuse, for circumstances have changed, if not the law, and so has the public conception as to how strictly an innkeeper's discretion ought to be controlled. Secondly, a hotelier should have little to fear, it is

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submitted, from a civil action by a rejected guest. Undoubtedly, in earlier times, very severe damages were awarded against innkeepers for failure to receive and lodge travellers, but those were the days of horseback journeys requiring days to cross the country, on bad roads infested with footpads and highwaymen—many of them in league with the smaller innkeepers.

A traveller, turned away from an inn after nightfall, with perhaps half a day's journey separating him from the nearest establishment safe to lodge in, was exposed to manifold dangers and hardships, and was naturally entitled to satisfaction. To-day, by contrast, transport has increased in speed, and hotels in numbers, so that the hardships of the traveller denied access to an inn are slight indeed. And the amount of the damages awarded against an innkeeper in such an action by a wayfarer would be governed by the loss and hardship sustained by the traveller.

Next Month.

It thus seems clear that, even if the hotelkeeper were to lose such an action, the award against him would be of small amount. Not so, however, with another type of lawsuit—an action by a guest for personal injuries, or for loss or damage to his property: here the landlord has little cause for equanimity, for his liabilities are heavy. They will be discussed in our next article.

ROUNDSTONE, IN CONNEMARA—Continued from page 14.

PIKE FISHING IN IRISH WATERS

(Continued from page 11).

On Loughs Mask, Conn and Corrib on the Connemara border there are many noted bays and drifts where large pike cannot resist the temptation of seizing a well-mounted bait that is spun at the proper speed and depth. Many of the veteran boatmen who fish these lakes have stories to tell of big ones captured and bigger ones lost, big ones that would defy description. There may be a certain amount of exaggeration attached to the stories, due to enthusiasm, but judging from the lack of interest displayed by two of these wizards who rowed me across Lough Conn, after I had landed a twenty pounder, I concluded that it was a case of where familiarity breeds contempt.

Pike Centres.

It would make monotonous reading to wade through the long list of pike fishing centres in Ireland if they were quoted in this feature. The subject has been dealt with by a very useful chapter in the new guide, *Angling in Ireland*, recently issued by the Irish Tourist Association, copies of which may be had free on request from the offices of the Association at Upper O'Connell St., Dublin.

The opportunities for indulging in this most thrilling sport are plentiful and varied and perhaps the best way to decide "where to go," is to shut the eyes and stick a pin in the map of the Irish Midlands and then travel to the nearest river or lake marked thereon. As far as the mode of transport is concerned—Where there's a will there's a way. And wonders await the adventurous.
New I.T.A. President :: Conference of Hotels :: A Course for Chefs

New President of the I.T.A.

On the retirement of Mr. F. A. Moran (Moran’s Hotel, Dublin) at the end of his year of office as President of the Irish Tourist Association, the Directors of the Association paid warm tributes to his leadership and congratulated him upon the success of his guidance during a most difficult and critical year of office. Faced with the task of selecting a successor—for 1940/1941—they gave unanimous choice to yet another hotelier, Mr. J. W. Mongan (Mongan’s Hotel, Carna). He is now the President-elect of the Association and his name will go forward at their Annual General Meeting on October 23rd.

Mr. Mongan is not only a far-famed hotelier: he is also a T.D., a fluent speaker of Irish (in which language only he addresses the Dail), a genial personality, an authority on conditions in Connemara and last but not least—a founder-member of the I.T.A. for which he has worked long and fruitfully.

I.T.A. Bureau in Belfast.

A report of the Association’s Belfast Bureau presented at the September meeting of Directors showed that many thousands of enquiries had been dealt with since the opening of the office last April, and that positive results in the form of traffic to resorts south and west of the Border had been most satisfactory. It was the original intention that the Belfast Bureau would be serviced only during the spring and summer months, but in view of the gratifying success reported the Directors have now decided to keep this office open all the year round.

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Wednesday Evening,

October 23rd

At

JURY’S HOTEL, DUBLIN

(3 p.m.)

This month’s recipe

CAKE MIXTURE

(sufficient for 50 persons)

3 lbs. flour.

13 lbs. margarine.

1½ lbs. sugar.

6 eggs, milk to mix.

6 teaspns. baking powder.

Flavouring: vanilla, lemon, almond.

Cream margarine and sugar.

Add eggs and flour alternately.

Variety can be made by adding—

Fruit cake: 1 lb. sultanas or currants.

Chocolate: Use 2 lbs. flour, 1 lb. chocolate powder.

Coconut: Use 2 lbs. flour, 1 lb. desiccated coconut.

(From “Handbook for Institutional Catering,” by Greengr and Turpin: Ernest Benn Ltd).

every second year has been under way in the City of Dublin Technical Schools, Parnell Square, since as far back as 1928. The full apprenticeship covers seven years, the first two being spent at this Course in the Schools, the next three under the supervision of a Master Chef in a good class hotel and the last two as an improver, in completion of the whole period of apprenticeship. Of those who completed the course, several have been placed in hotels and restaurants at home and abroad while many have taken up excellent positions in the mercantile marine service.

This course of training is intended for boys of some 15 to 16 years who are taking up hotel work as a career. Admission is obtained by a qualifying examination and subsequent interview by the hotel advisory committee of the Schools. Instruction is given in the practice and theory of cookery; French, Irish, English and Accounts, and Physical Training. From the very beginning the boys are paid a weekly stipend which increases as they advance in their apprenticeship.

This year, Miss K. O’Sullivan, Headmistress of the School of Domestic Economy, has just launched her seventh Chef Apprenticeship Course. She is delighted with the success of the scheme and particularly so, in view of the fact that the pupils hitherto have ‘made good’ not only at home but in many high-class hotels and restaurants abroad, in which they have completed their courses.

From Our Postbag.

A grand letter from Mrs. Breslin (Breslin’s Hotel, Bunbeg) giving details of holiday facilities, amusements, amenities and attractions in and around Bunbeg encloses a simple little Tariff Brochure giving information in the proverbial “nutshell.” A description of the situation of hotel and type of scenery, distances to beach and golf, fishing and boating facilities, convenience to churches and Post Office and Tariff for different months of the year is given concisely and compactly.

Mrs. Carter (Tinnahinch House, Avoca), writes that she has had a very good season, this year.

HOTELS!

We advise you to cut out and keep for reference the articles in our series HOTELS AND THE LAW which began in last month’s IRISH TRAVEL. The second instalment appears on page 15 of this issue.

Written by a Barrister-at-Law, these features will prove of very great value. Keep them at hand for ready reference in your private library.
KILLALOE ON THE SHANNON

(Continued from page 10)

'neath the shadows of Moylussa. Or it may be noon­day, when the sun shining on thousands of crystal facets presented by wavelets rippling across the Shan­non forms a scene of indescribable splendour, and the quietness and hush brooding over the silent hills and wooded plains seem to make themselves physically felt.

Evening.

Surely the glory of evening is the most beautiful. Innumerable colours play upon the glass-like surface of the water stretching from the weir at Parteen to the foot of Teann Teine. What colours, what shading, what pictures! Gold and ruby, amethyst, amber and emerald on the water; gold and purple, azure and turquoise in the sky and mountains! The changing and blending of the colours, the rolling of light and shade across the heathery hill sides and over the fields of golden corn produce and reproduce pictures ever-changing and ever beautiful. The hills of Croum, Moylussa, and Cragliagh stand out against the blue of the western sky as clearly as if cut in marble. Then as the evening slips into night and a curtain of golden and bronze cloudlets is flung like Limerick lace from mountain pillar to mountain pillar and a purplish haze envelopes the highlands, the colours slowly deepen, the shadows grow heavier and the tints in the sky tend to fade away.

Friars and fairies, monarchs and mendicants, soldiers and scientists, the dim past and the refulgent present have all contributed to the beauty and attractiveness of Killaloe. Each has left its mark, pleasing, interesting, characteristic. In their unity they are attractive and arresting. But that harmony, that combination defies description; it must be seen to be appreciated and remembered!

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ABBREYFEALE (Limerick).
LEEN'S: B. 15; Day 12/-; Week 76/–.

ABBHYBLY (Laois).
DE VESCI: B. 20; Week 40/–.

ARRANMORE (Island) (Donegal).
B. 20; Day 8/6; Week 45/–.

ARDARE (Limerick).
B. 5; Day 12/-; Week 70/–.

ARAN ISLANDS (Galway).
B. 8; Day 8/6 to 10/6; Week 50/–.

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B. 10; Day 15/- to 18/6; Week 93/6.

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B. 7; Day 7/6; Week 45/–.

AUGHATUBRID (Kerry).
B. 8; Day 8/6 to 10/6; Week 50/–.

AV LAWLESS; B. 20; Week fr. 63/–.

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DUGORT (Dugort); D. 7; Day 10/-; Week 60/–.

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KEEL BAY; B. 7; Day 9/- to 10/-; Week 52/–.

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RICHVIEW, Keel; B. 8; Day 9/- to 10/-; Week 75/–.

ST. KEVIN'S (Kilronan); B. 12; Day 7/6; Week 70/–.

O'DONNELL'S; B. 6; Day 8/6; Week 45/–.

GLENBROOK; Day 8/-; Week 50/–.

ROYAL, Main St.; B. 12; Day 10/- to 12/-; Week 84/–.

HOLLYBROOK; B. 15; Day 13/6; Week 84/–.

ROYAL; B. 16; Day 11/-; Week 70/–.

DOUGORT (Dugort); D. 7; Day 10/-; Week 60/–.

VERONA (Martello Terrace); Week 45/- to 65/–.

BAY VIEW; B. 45; Day 14/-; Week 84/–.

ROYAL; B. 20; Day 15/-; Week 84/–.

HOLY ROOD; B. 22; Day 12/-; Week 84/–.

VERONA; B. 16; Day 10/-; Week 60/–.

BAY VIEW; B. 45; Day 14/-; Week 84/–.

ROIYAL; B. 20; Day 12/6; Week 70/–.

KINVARA; B. 28; Day 10/-; Week 63/–.

O'CCLUS (Private), 1 Bay View Ter.; Day 8/- to 10/-; Week 40/– to 75/–.

ADARE (Limerick).
B. 18; Day 10/-; Week 70/–.

B. 20; Day 12/6; Week 68/-.

B. 18; Day 11/-; Week 70/–.

B. 20; Day 10/-; Week 84/–.

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ROYAL; B. 20; Day 10/-; Week 84/–.

B. 16; Day 8/- to 10/-; Week 40/– to 75/–.

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DAE (Kerry).
B. 10; Day 10/-; Week 70/–.

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ROYAL; B. 30; Day 17/6; Week 116/6.

MAIL (Private); B. 10; Day 10/-; Week 60/- to 65/-.

BELMONT; B. 10; Day 10/-; Week 60/- to 65/-.

SHANNON; B. 11; Day 11/-; Week 70/–.

PARADISE VIEW; B. 4; Day 8/6; Week 45/–.

ROYAL; B. 81; Day 14/-; Week 84/–.

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FROM OUR POSTBAG
A Problem and its Answer

A hotelier, whom we shall call Battery User has written us as follows about the article "Wireless in Hotels" by "Kilocycle" in last month’s Irish Travel:

Sir,

"Kilocycle" developed several practical points in his article "Wireless in Hotels"; perhaps he would advise me on a couple of personal radio problems.

I have a water pipe within five feet of my set, while the nearest "clay" earth is about fourteen feet away. I have always believed that a short connection to a water pipe constituted the ideal earth, yet I get much better results when I connect my set to the more distant "clay" outside the sitting-room window: this has me puzzled.

About the question of increasing the signal strength and reducing the background noise: my existing device is the ordinary inverted L type and is only sixteen feet in height, but I could, as an alternative, fix a vertical aerial from the chimney stack which is about thirty-three feet in height. Is this change to be recommended?

Between our receipt of this letter and the time of going to Press we were able to communicate with our Contributor whose reply is as follows:

Your correspondent is surprised that the water pipe is not a better earth than the more distant connection to a "clay" earth. It was not stated whether the pipe was of lead or copper, but in either case it must be suffering from a disease known as "dry joint," meaning that its electrical qualities are impaired at some point by a jointing which is good enough to stand the water pressure, but is of too high a resistance in the electrical sense. The suggestion offered is to carry on with the long earth, or try if bridging any easy-to-get-at joints with copper wire will give improved results with the pipe earth.

Replying to the other problem: A vertical aerial, yes, but let it be one of the new "rod" type aerials which is attached to the corner of the chimney stack. They cost about £1, are very easily fixed into position, and can be personally recommended as a "sound" proposition.

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