NEW JOURNALS APPEAR

Five new publications of interest to scholars in Irish studies have been announced:


- *Irish Economic and Social History*, edited by David Dickson, Trinity College, Dublin, will be published by the Economic and Social History Society of Ireland. First issue was scheduled to appear this fall.

- *Melsus*, the Society for the Study of the Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States, publishes a newsletter which will contain information about meetings, new books, syllabi, and bibliographical data pertaining to multi-ethnic American literature. Membership information is available from Dr. Ernest Falbo, Department of Foreign Languages, SUNY-Buffalo.

- *Oral English*, "a quarterly journal in newsletter form," is published at Le Moyne College, Syracuse, New York 13214.

- *Sword of Light*, an Irish-American review, is published by the Irish Arts Center, P.O. Box 577, Ansonia Station, New York, New York 10023.

KEARNEY TO U.S.

Professor Hugh Kearney of Edinburgh will join the permanent faculty of the University of Pittsburgh in September, 1975. He is in Pittsburgh this year as Visiting Professor of History.

AMERICAN IRISH BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

An American Irish Bicentennial Committee headed by Joseph F. O'Connor, former U.S. diplomat to Ireland, has been established; the mailing address is 3917 Moss Drive, Annandale, Virginia 22003.

IN MEMORIAM: ERSKINE CHILDERS

The sudden death on November 17 of Erskine Childers, third president of the Republic of Ireland, will be felt as a loss to all scholars in Irish studies. A lover of poetry, an admirer of Douglas Hyde, Childers had brought to the presidency a sincere interest in the literature and history of his country.

A cable expressing sympathy was sent from ACIS to Mrs. Childers as soon as news of the President's death was received.

AHA, MLA SCHEDULE IRISH PROGRAMS

Chicago is the site of the 1974 Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association (December 28-30). Headquarters will be the Conrad Hilton Hotel. The biennial AHA-ACIS session, *Parnell: The Man and the Myth*, has been scheduled for Saturday, December 28, 2:30-4:30 p.m., in Williford Room A of the Conrad Hilton. John W. Boyle of the University of Guelph will serve as chairman. "The Young Charles Stuart Parnell" will be presented by Michael Hazel, University of Chicago; "The Parnellite Legend" by William Murphy, University of Chicago. Michael Hurst, Oxford University, will comment.

Meanwhile, the Modern Language Association of America will convene (December 26-29) in New York City, where the following sessions on Irish writers and writing will be offered:


- Seminar: Swift and His Heirs, Friday, December 27, 9:15-10:30 p.m., Gibson A, New York Hilton. Chairman, John P. Frayne, University of Illinois; Secretary, Bobby L. Smith, Kent State University. Participants: Flann O'Brien and Swift, Brian O'Doherty, Barnard College; Austin Clarke and Swift, Robert F. Gerratt, University of Puget Sound.


An opportunity for all present and potential ACIS members to get together, following the MLA-ACIS Seminar, will be arranged. Time and place will be announced at the sessions listed above.

FINNEGAN'S WAKE READ

Faculty and students of SUNY-Albany are touring the northeast this academic year with a reading of *Finnegans Wake* that has received newspaper notice.

OREL HONORED

ACIS member Harold Orel has been named University Professor of the University of Kansas, the title used at Kansas to designate a distinguished professor.
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TEAM TAUGHT IRISH COURSES

Edgar Slotkin, Hugh B. Staples, and Annemarie Mahler have introduced a team-taught, year-long course in Irish studies, combining the training of a Harvard Celticist, an Anglo-Irish scholar and an art historian-comparatist, at the University of Cincinnati.

At Metropolitan College, Denver, Colorado, Robert Henry Mawes has developed a full course (three quarters) in the history of Ireland plus a mini-course on the IRA.

Other news of Irish courses offered at American colleges and universities is solicited for the ACIS Newsletter and for the ACIS archives.

IRISH HISTORY SESSION AT CORTLAND

"Anglo-Irish Tension in the 19th and 20th Centuries" was the topic of the Irish session at the 1974 annual meeting of the New York State Association of European Historians, SUNY-Cortland, October 18-19. Joseph Curran, Le Moyne University, chaired the program which included the following papers: "Lord Salisbury and Ireland," Peter T. Marsh, State University of Syracuse; "The Decline and Fall of the Irish Parliamentary Party," Lawrence J. McCaffrey, Loyola University; "The Literature of Violence," Joseph Browne, West Chester State College. Hugh Kearney, Visiting Professor, University of Pittsburgh, served as commentator.

Weldon Thornton, University of North Carolina, chaired the session in Irish studies at the 1974 annual meeting of SAMLA. Washington D.C., October 31-November 2.

NEW ASSOCIATION IN IRISH LIT

Lectures, panel conferences, and a poetry reading by Seamus Heaney were presented by the Modern Irish Literature Association of the Colleges of Westchester in its inaugural year, 1973-74. The lectures were by Robert O'Clair (Manhattanville) on modern poetry, Raymond Porter (Iona) on Brian Moore's Catholics, and Leo Cooley (Marymount) on Liam O'Flaherty. The Association also compiled and printed a catalog of Iona's special Irish Collection for each college library in the county.

Iona College and the National Endowment for the Humanities cosponsored the Association; James Brophy, who applied for the NEH grant, was first director. He has been succeeded by Leo Cooley. assisted by Frank Messmann (Westchester Community College). Events for 1974-75 include a reading by Richard Murphy.

ACIS LIFE MEMBER

Miss Anna Russell of Fort Ogden, Florida, has become the first Life Member of ACIS.

A resolution passed at the 1973 Annual Meeting established a life membership fee of $100.

Long Life to Miss Russell! Any more votes of confidence in the future of ACIS?

JAMES JOYCE AND THE IRISH


EASTER IN IRELAND?

An "Easter Introductory Course in Irish Civilization," March 16-29, has been announced by the Humanities Area of the Institute of Irish Studies. Further information is available from the Institute, 5 Wilton Place, Dublin.

COLBY HEALY COLLECTION

Many first editions are included among the 8,000 volumes by and about Irish authors who wrote between 1880 and 1940 in Colby College's Healy Collection of Irish Literature. In addition, the Collection contains secondary materials, periodicals, letters, manuscripts, a file of clippings, and microfilms of dissertations.

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