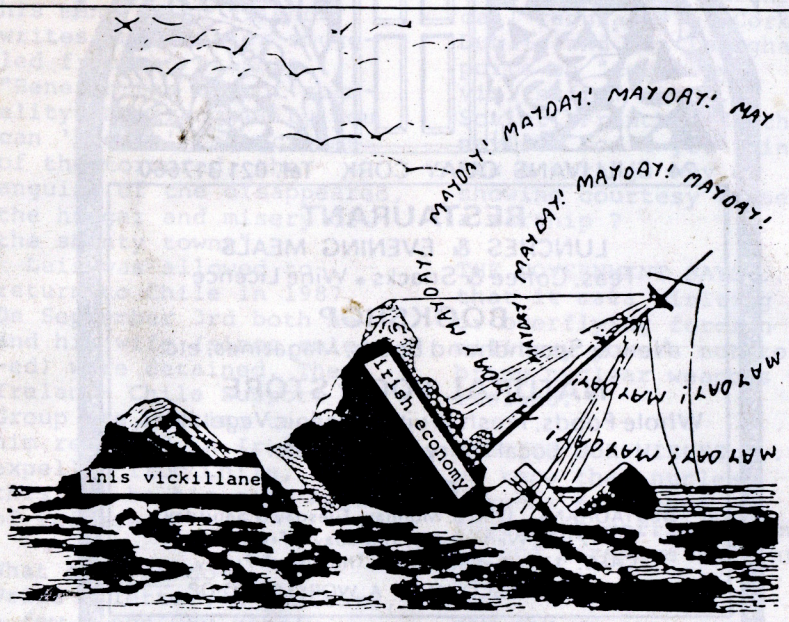
# CORK·FREE·PRESS

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THE FIRST MAY DAY

The circular printed below was issued in Chicago in 1886 as part of the Trade Union campaign for an eight hour day. On May 1st the same year, as part of the agitation for the reduced working day, a demonstration of 90,000 workers took place in the city. This was the first May Day:

AROUSE, YE TOILERS OF AMERICA. LAY DOWN YOUR TOOLS ON MAY 1ST, 1886, CEASE YOUR LABOR, CLOSE THE FACTORIES, MILLS AND MINES FOR ONE DAY IN THE YEAR. ONE DAY OF REVOLT, NOT OF REST. A DAY NOT ORDAINED BY THE BRAGGING SPOKESMEN OF INSTITUTIONS HOLDING THE WORLD OF LABOR IN BONDAGE. A DAY ON WHICH LABOR MAKES ITS OWN LAWS AND HAS THE POWER TO EXECUTE THEM. ALL WITHOUT THE CONSENT OR APPROVAL OF THOSE WHO OPPRESS AND RULE. A DAY ON WHICH IN TREMENDOUS FORCE THE UNITY OF THE ARMY OF TOILERS IS ARRAYED AGAINST THE POWERS THAT TODAY HOLD SWAY OVER THE DESTINIES OF THE PEOPLE OF ALL NATIONS. A DAY OF PROTEST AGAINST OPPRESSION AND TYRANNY, AGAINST IGNORANCE AND WAR OF ANY KIND. A DAY ON WHICH TO BEGIN TO ENJOY 'EIGHT HOURS FOR WORK, EIGHT HOURS FOR REST, EIGHT HOURS FOR WHAT WE WILL'.

As the campaign continued a demonstration against strike breakers in the city on May 3rd led to the police shooting dead four demonstrators. Further demonstrations and the shooting of a policeman on May 4th led to the frame up for murder of four leading Chicago socialists who were hanged on Nov. 11 1887. They became known as the HAYMARKET MARTYRS.

To this day, MAY DAY is celebrated throughout the world as INTERNATIONAL WORKERS DAY, while here in Cork, the Cork Council of Trade Unions have expanded it into a festival.

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Welcome to the first issue of the Cork Free Press. We are a non-profit making collective whose aim is to provide a forum for local groups, campaigns and individuals to advertise their events and highlight the issues which concern them.

Send us your articles (up to 350 words), details of your meetings, letters, cartoons, and advertisements. Don't lose this opportunity to get rid of your second-hand bike, litter of kittens, speedboat, family heirlooms.

We reserve the right of editorial control.

If you want copies of The Free Press to distribute, give us a ring at 317660, 10 to 5 Monday to Friday and we'll get some to you pronto.

Contributions should be sent to:

CORK FREE PRESS
QUAY CO-OP
24 SULLIVAN'S QUAY
CORK

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***** JOB VACANCIES ******

The Quay Co-op Ltd.,
24, Sullivans Quay, Cork
is looking for people to
work in their Pre-School
and Resource Centre.
Previous experience in
the respective areas
would be an advantage but
not a necessity and we
would welcome people with
some general office
skills.
The Pre-School is looking
for someone who genuinely
loves working with childr
-en. The Resource Centre
provides various services
to low-income/ campaign
groups and is currently
working on The Cork Free
Press. Typing and general
office skills would be an
advantage here.
The positions are funded
through the Social
Employment Scheme. Wages
are £60 per week for 20
hours work, or £85 if you
have a dependant spouse.
To be eligible to apply
you must be over 25 years
of age and currently in
receipt of Unemployment
Assistance or Unemploy-
ment Benefit.

For information and
application forms please
phone 317660. 10am- 5pm,
Monday to Friday.

*"JOBS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT"*

EARTHWATCH is seeking nine
part-time employees to
work on the EARTHWATCH
magazine, fundraising,
administration and camp-
aigns. The positions are
based in the Bantry office
and are under the Social
Employment Scheme.
Applicants must be over 25
and receiving Unemployment
Assistance.

Application forms are
available from :

EARTHWATCH,
HARBOUR VIEW,
BANTRY,
CO. CORK.
TEL: (027) 50968

Completed applications
must be submitted by
May 13th 1988.

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CAFE: 12 to 9, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
UNWAGED DISCOUNT - A WORKERS CO-OP


# Competition

We are pleased to offer as
our first competition
prize, the new book by
Peter Mulryan called
"Radio Radio". A fascin-
ating and often bizarre
account of the history of
pirate radio in Ireland.
A special reference to
Cork's pirates, giving an
insight to the Byzantine
negotiations that surround
what would seem to be a
mild form of entertainment.

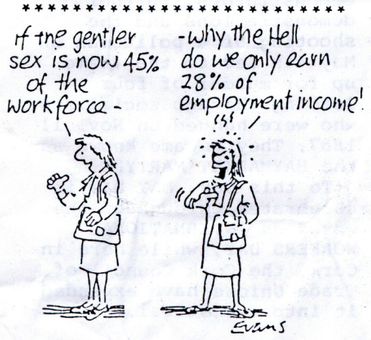
Q1. Where in Cork is Sober
Lane ?

Q2. Who wrote "The Ballad
of Reading Gaol" ?

Q3. Who wrote the Commun-
ist Manifesto ?

Answers must be in by
first post Friday 13th
May. If there is more than
one correct a draw will
take place. Result will be
published in June issue.
The winner will be notif-
ied by post.

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PLEA FROM A CHILEAN
PRISONER

LUIS TRICOT is a Chilean
who lived in this country
for more than ten years.
Today he lies in a prison
hospital, his spine broken
as a result of the torture
inflicted on him.
His crime : to work for
the restoration of democ-
racy in Chile.
"In Chile, death has
become a way of life",
'Tito" (as he is known to
his many Irish friends)
writes in a letter smugg-
led from the prison.
"Beneath tha air of norm-
ality and tranquility you
can 'breath' the screams
of the tortured, the
anguish of the disappeared,
the hunger and misery of
the shanty towns".
Luis was allowed to
return to Chile in 1987.
On September 3rd both he
and his wife (since releas
-ed) were detained. The
Ireland- Chile Support
Group are working to have
him received in Ireland if
expelled from Chile, as
this may be his only hope
of release.

What can you do ?
Write a letter, a postcard,
a few lines. By simply
sending a postcard we can
perhaps help to save his
life. At least we will
have the knowledge that
such messages strengthen
the will to live of all
political detainees in
Santiago jail.

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Cork Anti-Apartheid and
the Ireland-Chile Support
Group will be holding a
joint benefit on May 12th
from 8.30pm at St.Finbarrs
GAA Club, Togher. All
money received by the
Support Group will go to
the Luis Tricot Fund, for
the support of Luis's
companion and young child.
The address to write to
in Chile is :

Senor Luis Tricot Novoa,
Hospital de la
Penitenceria,
Centro de Readaptacion
Social,
Pedro Montt 1920,
Santiago,
CHILE.

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DID YOU KNOW ?

12,000 foreign military
aircraft flew through
Irish airspace last year.
That's 33 a day. Many of
these had nuclear weapons
on board, being trans-
ported between Europe and
the USA. Imagine the
devastation to Ireland if
one of the planes crashed.

DID YOU KNOW ?
Nuclear capable warships
call regularly at Cork,
Dublin and Dun Laoighaire
ports on "courtesy"
visits from the U.S,
Soviet, French and other
navies. Don't you think
its a strange way of
showing courtesy to send
a warship ?

THE GOVERNMENT SAYS....
that it *asks* visiting
or overflying foreign
military powers not to
bring nuclear weapons to
Ireland.

DESPITE OUR WISHES....
we know that nuclear
weapons have been
routinely carried throug
gh our airspace and into
our ports.

HOW CAN WE STOP THIS ?
We can pass a Law,
similar to the one
drawn up by the Nuclear
Free Zone Alliance,
banning ships and planes
carrying nuclear weapons
from Irish skies and
territorial waters.
This would lessen the
risk of a nuclear
accident happening
in our country. It would
also allow the Irish
people to stand up and
be counted in the grow-
ing movement to reverse
the nuclear arms race.
We cannot do much, but
we can do this !

YOU CAN HELP.....
Ask your local and nation-
al representatives to
support the Irish Nuclear
Free Zone Act.

CONTACT: Nuclear Free Zone
Alliance, 8 Sidneyville,
Bellevue Park, St. Lukes,
Cork. Phone (021) 506411

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International Women's Day

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CORK COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS
MAY DAY '88

I survived the hike to Kinsale 1987

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of Quay Co-op, Sullivan's
Quay, we offer services
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onable cost, to low-
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aign groups and community
groups who have little or
no finances or other res-
ources of their own.
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making service for fest-
ivals, campaigns and
various groups. See above
We produced and dist-
ributed the 1987 edition
of the Alternative
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THE WORKERS OF THE QUAY CO-OP SEND EVERYONE GOOD WISHES ON MAY-DAY.

THE QUAY CO-OP IS SIX YEARS OLD ON MAY 1st, THANK-YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

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CONTACTS

CND - 8 Sydneyville, Bellvue Park, St. Lukes, Tel. 506411 Meets every Thursday, 8p.m. Quay Co-op, Sullivans Quay.

ANTI-APARTHEID - C/o 61 Wainsfort, [illegible]town, Tel. 364213 Meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month, 8p.m. Quay Co-op, Sullivans Quay.

CORK FAMILY PLANNING CLINIC - 4 Tuckey St., Grand Parade.

DRUG ADVISORY & TREATMENT - Detoxification Unit, Jervis St. Hospital, Dublin 1. Also Regional Hospital, Cork 546400

STD CLINIC (Sexually Transmitted Diseases) - Victoria Hospital, Tel. 966844

CORK AIDS ACTION ALLIANCE - 22 Mc Curtain St., Tel. 507237 Monday & Thursday 6 - 8p.m.

RAPE CRISIS CENTRE - 27a Mc Curtain St. Tel. 968086

CORK LESBIAN LINE - Tel. 317026 Thursdays 8 - 10p.m. Lesbian group meets every 2nd Thursday, 8p.m. The Women's Place, Quay Co-op, Sullivans Quay.

THE WOMEN'S PLACE - 2nd Floor, Quay Co-op, Sullivans Quay. Tel. 317660

CHURCHFIELD WOMEN'S GROUP - 5 Churchfield Ave., Churchfield.

GAY INFORMATION - Tel. 710895 Wednesday 7 - 9p.m. Gay Collective meets Tuesday, 7.30p.m. Quay Co-op, Sullivans Quay.

UNEMPLOYMENT CENTRE - 8 North Mall.

LAW CENTRE - 24 North Mall.

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THE WOMEN'S PLACE

The Women's Place is in the Quay Co-op Building, 2nd Floor, 24 Sullivan's Quay, Cork.
Tel. 317660 Mon - Fri 10-5pm, Sat 1-3pm.

WHAT FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE?

Women's Library - new members welcome to join: £3 / £2 unwaged per year. (Donations of books are always wanted)

Drop-in Centre - coffee/ tea, someone to chat to, a place to breastfeed or change a baby's nappy.

Library and Drop-in Centre are open Mon - Fri 10-5pm, Sat - 1-3pm.

Room-Hire - (Women's Groups) 80p/40p per member.

'Women's Space' - Bimonthly Newsletter (20p/copy). Short articles (350 words) graphics & relevant info. welcome.

WHAT EVENTS ARE BEING ORGANISED?

5th Annual Women's Fun Weekend - Women from all over Ireland will be coming to share in a weekend of music, fun, workshops, games, cabaret.
May 13 - 15 Cabaret £5
Ring us for more info.

Monthly Social Function - 1st Tuesday of the month, music and 'craic' for women
May - Talent Competition Prizes
from 8.30pm, Three Ones Bar, Barrack Street.

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