It would be preferable to

censor them.
Mr. Sib Rooney called for

tighter enforcement of laws

Mangan hoped Oireachtas members would look

carefully at the implications

for young people of

proposed new licensing laws.

complimented all involved in

continue in a mannerly

fashion in the future," he

(secretary) told Mr. Gerry

Marry that Malicious

Injuries Act claims would be

examined as usual by the

local authority and dealt with

Deputy Colm Hilliard



Compensation

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ict Justice Len l said he would the case to allow the to be paid.

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and ling ns.

The concelebrants were Fr. Caldwell; Rev. James Bradley, P.P., Sallynoggin, Dublin, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. L. Bradley, Emmet Liam Talbot, visiting from Australia, both of whom

JUBILEE MASS A concelebrated Mass in St. John the Baptist Church, were ordained on the same day as Fr. Caldwell; Rev. Kilberry, on Sunday marked Terry Toner, C.C., Oristown: the silver jubilee of the Rev. Leo Smith, England, ordination to the priesthood of Rev. Joseph Caldwell, son

NAVAN PRIEST'S

and Fr. Andrew From Australia. of the late Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Caldwell, Randlestown, Navan. Fr. Caldwell, whose ordination took place in the Salvatorian College, Chester, England, is at present based in Breakspear College, Hertfordshire. He spent many years on missionary work in Tanzania and only Terrace, Navan, and Rev. recently returned from to appear at Dunshaughlin Court next Tuesday in connection with the incident. A Northern Ireland man

aiso is due to appear at the same Court in relation to the theft of two lorries which Ashbourne, last Thursday.

July. It was found "cut up' in Kilmoon while the other vehicle was intact.

Gaming Decision Wrong?

Kells Urban Council is to seek clarification of the situation regarding gaming machines in the town in light of a recent Supreme Court decision which stated that Gardai cannot enter private premises to check on these machines.

Mr. Tommy Grimes said

in light of this judgment the council seemed to have Lotteries Act.

> It was agreed the Council's legal agent

RESIDENTS OPPOSED TO FUTURE GIGS

claimed the agreement

between the objectors to the

concert and the promoters still holds. This was

hammered out a few months

ago after the Kells Circuit

Court action which released

Belfast promoter Mr. Jim

Aiken from an undertaking,

made prior to last year's

not to promote future

singing and dancing and enjoying themselves. I am

not against rock concerts as such. I am against the things

that arose out of what can

only be described as a

planned drunken booze-up

the concert-goers are well behaved. "They have a few

pints and they go home. But

any large gathering like this will attract a mob," he

added. He also warned that

before long the Slane festival

could well result in a similar

disaster to that which

occurred during the 1985 European Cup Final in

Belgium's Heysel Stadium, in which over 30 people died.

TERROR

"Maybe we are timid

people," concluded Mr. Maloney, "but from 6 pm on

the Friday prior to the concert to noon on Sunday

Similar extreme concern

HELL

"It was sheer hell for the whole weekend," declared

ve are terrorised."

Mr. Maloney said most of

for two months.'

"I can't see why not. That

in Slane.

Bruce Springsteen

Slane residents have said "no" to future rock concerts at Slane Castle following Saturday's Queen gig.

Residents' Association, who unsuccessfully tried to stop the holding of last year's Bruce Springsteen and the weekend's

However, in the light of activities in the village on

burden of collection on

Meath Co. Council. The

local authority now has

direct responsibility for all

housing loans approved from

funds left, right and centre," said Mr. Traynor. "I think it's regrettable that no

consultation takes place

about this sort of change particularly at Oireachtas

end of the year, how far do

we have to carry the can?"

Senator Lynch wondered.

He was also worried about

Mr. Robert Doonan was

worried about people taking

on loans who then lost their

The Co. Manager, Mr.

F.J. O'Brien, told Mr. Sib Rooney that the local

authority was selling almost

ressure on staff.

"If we're left short at the

"We're being left short of

The main organised morning, the association has near future and "we will take firmed up its opposition to it from there." He also who stand has won support from other local residents. particularly on the Drogheda Road, Slane, who are not association members.

STATEMENT The association's committee, who met on Monday night, have released he following statement: "Slane Village Residents" Association say no to future rock concerts. The association is more

determined than ever to oppose future rock concerts because a large proportion of fans who arrived both on Friday evening and during Saturday were already drunk. They were carrying with them large amounts of drink; many of them were clearly underage.

"With the absence of adequate toilet facilities, public urination became the order of both day and night. The drunkenness led to aggressive behaviour and constant intimidating noise, which was extremely

Norman civic behaviour went out the window and public disorder became trespass; damage to property, both public and private - including the local school - and the using of cemeteries, Roman Catholic and Protestant, as a public place of disrepute and toilet.

"The violence which started in the village overflowed into the con field (which has been adequately reported elsewhere) and flowed back into the village afterwards. The members of this association are not cranks. We are parents also. We, have children who we have nurtured and try to fit for

"Does the commercial exploitation of our youth warrant the bill which our youth will have to pay in later life? The conduct in the village is the responsibility of ert promoters. The atendant nuisance would not arise if there were no rock rts. The village of Slane is small and unable to cope with the enormous crowds generated by rock

"The association is fearful that sooner or later there will be a disaster of awesome proportions. Can we not prevent this before it happens?"

Association PRO, Mr. Tom Maloney, said a meeting will be called in the

week. Commenting on the association's statement, Lord Mount Charles said: "The only comment I have to make is that extensive steps

(Monday) to ensure the village is power-hosed, which was never done before. The clean-up of all the litter has been done quicker than it has ever been done before.' POSITIVE

He added: "I have lost count of how many people in the area have taken the trouble to either 'phone me or get to my wife - because I have been confined to bed for a day and a half - with what I could call thoroughly positive comments. They (association) do not speak on behalf of all the people of Slane. As for any future s, I am assimilating

APPROACHES

The Slane Peer said he already had two approaches for a concert in 1987 but "I am making no firm decision yet." He said it will be months before any decision is made as he is "looking at

contributions to the area, he the Slane Trust Fund."

donation to the Trust Fund is in "recognition of the work that the Trust Fund does."

Pictured at Ratoath Fianna Fail Cumann's dinner in the Grasshopper Inn, Clonee, are (front, from left) - Rosemary Wallace, Mary O'Rourke, T.D., (special guest), Councillor Mary Wallace, and Beryl Donnelly. (back) - John McCann, Noel Con-way, Noel Eiffe, Nick Killian, John Roche and Declan Gannon.

Mr. Delaney, at a meeting business as long as it's not doing any harm," he added.

Deputy John Farrelly of Meath Co. Council on

MIXED VIEWS ON

Monday, bemoaned the "level of debauchery" that goes on at big rock concerts like Slane. It was a measure of the depravity the country had reached when the papers reckoned "all went well at the concert - only about 20 limbs were broken." People should call for a halt.

He said he felt sorry for some of the attendance he met on their way home and described them as "a crowd of aborigines."

of the county.

"Things have not changed much since the Middle Ages," concluded Colr. Delaney, referring to a medieval Lord patronising young people.

But Colr. Carey thought

the Co. Council should be delighted Meath had a arena like Slane and proud that the Gardai were able to control about 80,000 young people. "What we could do with Trim Castle if we had someone like Lord Mount Charles there," he

Mr. Carey said he was so impressed after a visit to the 1985 concert that he allowed some of his family to go with a bus tour this year. "They all returned before 12 and all enjoyed themselves, did 99 per cent of the 80,000," he told members.

Mr. Jimmy Cudden said scenes took place outside all-Ireland finals when damage was done to cars but nothing was said about it. He complimented the Gardai for their tolerance at Slane and young people for proving they were not all layabouts and vandals.

You're not going to have 80,000 altar-boys coming together at any time," commented Mr. Peter Finnegan. "There are bound

to be trouble-makers." He did not want people to think the Co. Council had a negative attitude to youngsters enjoying the day at Slane. "How they enjoy

Meath had a Lord Mount Charles figure to organise a similar event in that part "too long in the tooth" for heavy metal but his only criticism was of a minority in

Colr. Tadgh Delaney thinks the annual Slane rock concert is as "massive rip-off, nihilistic, sensual and anti-social." But Colr. Willie Carey wishes south

> agreed that the members should not be so national scandal of alcohol conservative on this point. abuse. He added that the chances of a drowning accident were criticise the television more or less eliminated this stations which feed young year due to controls. His own people "appalling films" every night of the week, said car was one of 13 in a row damaged outside the all-Mrs. Mary Sylver. There Ireland final two years ago, should be an attempt to

But Senator Michael Lynch claimed it was not GAA fans but thugs who were responsible for such vandalism. He paid tribute to the hospital services, adding that he was where "the real music" was at the weekend not in Slane but in Gormanston for a Comhaltas

he said.

Ceoltoiri Eireann event. Deputy Frank McLoughlin and Mr. Robert Doonan revealed a shared added. dislike for heavy metal Mr. music. Deputy McLoughlin' said he went to Slane only because he got complimentary tickets and

is wife wanted to attend. Mr. Doonan said he was; by the Courts.

was last seen at 2 pm on Saturday while on his way to een rock co ert at Slane Castle. A cousin last saw Sean McArdle (24) alighting from a bus in Slane. He did not return to the bus after the cert, and he has not been heard of or seen since

Gardai have appealed for information regarding the

whereabouts of a Banbridge, Co. Down, joiner who

The missing man, who is single and resides at home with his parents, was no stranger to the Co. Meath village as he previously attended the Rolling Stones and

Bob Dylan concerts at Slane Castle.

Gardai described Mr. McArdle as being 5'9" in height, with "dirty blonde" hair. When last seen he was wearing blue denim jeans and a white shirt.

The Royal Ulster Constabulary have been alerted to Mr. McArdle's absence while any information should be forwarded to Gardai at Slane ('phone 041-24202) or at Navan ('phone 046-21445).

Meanwhile, a number of people summoned in connection with offences in Slane at the weekend appeared at Kilcock Court yesterday (Tuesday). Other accused are due to appear at Navan Court today.

Radiation Levels Are Now Less

Levels of radiation in the atmosphere, despite the recent Chernobyl accident, now are two to three times less than in the 1950-1970s era, Meath Civil Defence Chief, Lt.- Col. Jim Crowley, told Monday's meeting of Meath Co.

Lt.-Col. Crowley said in that era there was a tremendous amount of radioactivity in the country.

Lt.-Col. Crowley said in sensitive instruments (as will defence as a largely voluntary organisation.

Mr. Jimmy Mangan wondered whether Meath atmosphere. Then Russia and the U.S.A. signed a treaty banning explosions and levels gradually reduced. Lt.-Col. Crowley was

accompanied at the meeting by Dr. Dermot Collins, scientific intelligence officer with Meath Civil Defence.

Members heard that the instruments used by Meath Civil Defence were capable of detecting the sort of very high dosages of radiation which would arise in a wartime situation. Mr. Peter Finnegan was

concerned that the equipment would need to be within 20 miles of an explosion, such as occurred at Chernobyl, to detect fallout. It was clear, he said, that industrial nuclear accidents could happen at places like

Sellafield.

Lt.-Col. Crowley told the meeting that using his equipment he could get a idioactivity reading from a television set. But fall-out from Chernobyl in this area was so minute that it could not be detected. However, he added, Meath Civil Defence will get two

Mr. Finnegan, "I would have to be reassured that the Nuclear Energy Board had massive amounts of

highly qualified technical people to operate it. "We do

Lt.-Col. Crowley told members the 18 Civil

with him and take account of these in the budget. "They can only deliver what they're financed to deliver," he said; paying tribute to Civil

Civil Defence was satisfied people to safety should a

Lt.-Col. Crowley replied that winds blow from the east for 15 per cent of the year. The hope was that if an accident occurred it would be at a time when winds were not blowing in an easterly direction. If it happened during easterly winds, people in this area would have to be evacuated, perhaps to other

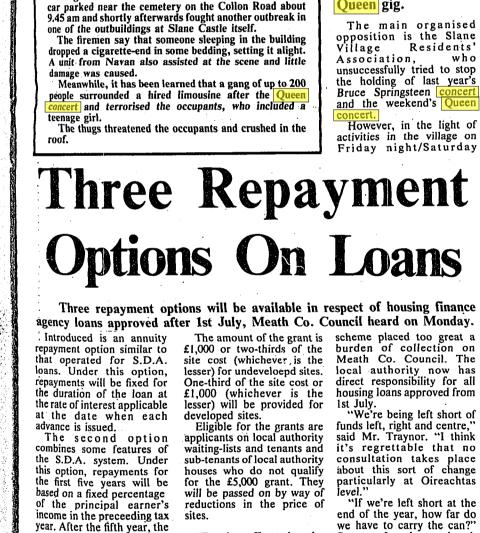
Fergus Muldoon that views were exchanged at national Chernobyl between the Civil Defence organisation and

Mr. Tadgh Delaney felt it would be desirable to extend Civil Defence's brief to include monitoring in peace

the question of financial allocations to Meath Civil

were informed each year at budget discussions about the Civil Defence team and its





outstanding capital is to be

repaid on an annuity basis calculated over the following

Under the third option,

repayments will be at a rate of 20 per cent or 22%

lepending on the amount

borrowed) of the principal

earner's income in the preeding tax year. They may

not in any one year fall below

90 per cent of the amount

payable in the previous year

or fall below that amount at

fixed at £10,000 per year for

ordinary purchasers.
The Minister for the

Environment has made

arrangements for payment of

direct grants in respect of

building sites provided by local authorities under joint

venture housing schemes,

Income limits are now

any subsequent stage.

there on Saturday evening.

agency loans approved after 1st July, Meath Co. Council heard on Monday. The amount of the grant is scheme placed too great a £1,000 or two-thirds of the site cost (whichever is the lesser) for undeveloppd sites. One-third of the site cost or £1,000 (whichever is the

Dublin band, The Fountainhead, warm up the early arrivals

may not have set Slane alight on Saturday

at Slane for Freddie Mercury (inset) and <mark>Queen's </mark>performance

afternoon, but some of their supporters were responsible

for two outbreaks of fire in the area the following morning.

Drogheda firemen were called to deal with a blaze in a

lesser) will be provided for developed sites. Eligible for the grants are applicants on local authority waiting-lists and tenants and sub-tenants of local authority houses who do not qualify for the £5,000 grant. They will be passed on by way of reductions in the price of

"Despite efforts by the council, joint venture housing has not so far been operated in Meath," Mr. Eddie Breen (secretary) told the meeting. "This probably reflects the fact that there is a good supply of housing available on the market at competitive prices."

Both Mr. Paddy Traynor

and Senator Michael Lynch

as many houses as it built. A were worried that the lot of people opted for the changes in the H.F.A. tenant purchase scheme.

STOLEN VEHICLES **RECOVERED**

A Northern Ireland car, stolen from Dublin's Jury's Hotel car park on Friday night, was recovered in Ashbourne on Saturday

Two Dublin men are due

were recovered in Kilmoon, One of the trucks, owned by Mr. Paddy Gallagher, Drumconrath, was stolen between 30th June and 1st

made a wrong decision in rescinding the Gaming and

have been taken to ensure should prepare a report on the subject. that Slane is one of the cleanest villages in Ireland.

agreement only binds Jim Aiken and Henry Mount Charles to hold only one rock concert a year. However, the agreement is only binding on the four all the comments and their people - who are association (association) views are not members - who signed it," he the only views.' He stressed: "We are not

all the angles."

CONTRIBUTIONS As for financial

remarked: "The contribution that will be made jointly by Jim and I - as pre-arranged some months ago - to the Tidy Town Committee is in the region of £5,000, which is similar to last year. In addition to that, there's another contribution being made to another organisation. Effectively, there was some revenue coming to me from merchandising (arising from the concert) and I said I didn't want it, and I said I wanted the donation made to

He said the £1,000

also has been expressed by Mrs. Ann Hickey, Drogheda Road, Slane, who voiced the The donation also follows "very friendly approaches, both to Jim and I," by the fears of 12 households in this area, who are opposed to

equipment." The Co. Manager, Mr. F.J. O'Brien, said Civil Defence had nothing to do with monitoring fall-out in peacetime situations. For this, very sophisticated

not have that," said Mr.

Defence district wardens in Meath felt they had a role to play during the Chernobyl incident. "We'd have expected to be briefed properly each day," he said. He added that this would have provided an opportunity for training and

recruiting personnel. Senator Michael Lynch suggested inviting Lt.-Col. Crowley to a further meeting around the time when the annual estimates are prepared. Members could discuss Civil Defence costs

disaster occur in the U.K.

counties. Lt.-Col. Crowley told Mr. the Nuclear Energy Board.

Mr. John Murtagh raised

Defence.
Mr. O'Brien said members

requirements. The subsidy was adequate for the organisation in Meath in the present constrained