



TOMÁS BAIRÉAD PAPERS

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I was born at Sean Annapoie Oil, N. York

a lot of cash⁴ as well as a 6 family apartment building they did not have any children I think the Conneely family will get it all in Ireland & Chicago there are 4 sisters & Paddy in Chicago. Paddy & me ~~correspond~~ correspond with each other. The oldest sister Anne have been very sick too. X Pat O'Dea must look pretty drawn by now. He said to somebody at the station in Galway, when ye were leaving for trial in Kimerick Pat said I am afraid it will be a dear job on us.

You are out of this world on the news from Ireland. Tom J. Carr was not from Bannysore he was from Font. The Bannysore was East of Bueypark church the rector's Naughtons & another Bartley Carr family lived there. I enjoyed that intercourse between my Uncle Paddy & Paddy Wrean. I made some remarks one day about Father Rewell. in his presence sh a Morgan ya habor e sin cas agid fur Saigant boaspeig e. I never gave any of your letters to anybody I showed Mattie Griffin some passage from one when he was here one night. but I did not give them to the flames either

Was sorry to hear of Mick 10 Bellare Ave Cookes death. Its well I remember Feb. 13th 69 the night John McDonaghs wedding I got Tom O'Dea & John Kearns to come to join the singing club that night. It was in Johns bays loft at Storgans Connelys ~~place~~ where we first met some. N. Morgan N. Sean's Capital Oil. GP273

I now have

before me the task of answering your 2 letters. your letter was postmarked Gallinsth 30.XI.1968 & I received it on 30.XII exactly. I received your book a few days later for which I want to thank you sincerely. I enjoyed it very much. It takes me a little longer to catch on to some of the sentences but I finally make them. I cannot understand why the regular mail is so slow, surely the boats do not take that long. You know your letter had 2 Dublin Post marks on. Even if your letter did pass through Dublin why should it be checked there with a U.S.A address plainly written on there. I used to wait 25 to 30 days for my pension Voucher by regular mail. I wrote & asked them to

I want to thank you for all the news you send me about our old neighbours this is always very interesting news to me. Was sorry to hear of Walt Regan's death. Walt was a very intelligent man in my young days. I suppose ye have many intelligent young men nowadays with all the means there are of getting educated.

I am also sorry to hear of George Kynes' illness. He was a nice man & of course Emily Lullinane she was also a nice girl in her young days. I bet George is well up in his eighties. I think you told me in a previous letter that he lived in Savages house. Is his wife still living? George was many yrs her Senior. How is Mark McDonough Sarah's after their trip to the New World they must have a very interesting trip. It was very sad about Sarah's brother Tommy & his wife going so sudden within a few months of each other under pretty near the same circumstances Tommy left

send them AIRMAIL². Since then I have them 3 days after the end of each 3 months but they deduct the A. M. postage. I then have to send them back again through a bank & it is near the end of the month when I receive my checks at the bank. The bank is only 2 blocks away from my home. I think I heard Kyme Keady & Matt Flaherty got the Pension? Did any body else in Moyculleu get it. Matty Griffin is getting it here Mick Bonnelly & Morgan got it in Chicago. I wonder if Pete or Tim Sullivan got it.

There is only one more that I know of in Pgh a Collins man from Tom Maguire Brigade in S. Mayo. There was a Hughie Downe from Sean McKeown's Brigd the first one who got it here passed away a few yrs ago. He was the one who told me to go after it first. He went before the Pension Board over there when he made a visit to Ireland. He was mentioned in Sean McK account of the Siege of Longford.

Tommy Mark