First Meeting

The Society met at the offices of The Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday 18th October 1984 and the President, Professor R D C Black was in the chair.

Dr W K O'Riordan of University College, Dublin, presented a paper entitled “Induced Employment in the Marketed Services Sectors in Ireland 1975” A vote of thanks was proposed by Professor E Henry and seconded by Mr J O'Leary. The following also spoke — Mr J FitzGerald, Professor R O'Connor, Professor J P Neary, Dr J Bradley, Professor L Smith, Dr P Honohan and Professor K A Kennedy. Dr O'Riordan replied to the discussion.

Second Meeting

The Society met at the offices of The Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 14th February 1985 and the President, Professor R D C Black was in the chair.

Mr G O'Hanlon and Mr J Treacy of the Central Statistics Office, presented a paper entitled “An Analysis of Irish farming in 1980 based on the Community Typology of Agricultural Holdings” A vote of thanks was proposed by Professor R O'Connor and seconded by Mr J Heavey. The following also spoke — Mr B Fingleton, Mr E Embleton, Mr J Higgins, Fr J Brady, Mr B Kearney, Dr A Conway and Mr J Durkan. Mr O'Hanlon replied to the discussion.

Third Meeting

The Society met at the offices of The Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 28th March, 1985 and the President, Professor R D C Black was in the chair.

There was a Symposium on “Ireland, Europe and the Third World” and papers were read by — Dr Jim Fitzpatrick, Jim Fitzpatrick and Associates, Economic Consultants, Dr Helen O'Neill, University College Dublin, and Mr Alan Matthews, Trinity College, Dublin. The following also spoke — Mr J Durkan, Professor D McAleese, Professor R O'Connor and Ms J Corkery. The authors replied to the discussion.
Fourth Meeting

The Society met at the offices of The Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday 16th May, 1985 and the President Professor R D C Black was in the chair.

Dr A Unwin and Dr M Gallagher presented a paper entitled “The Impact of Random Sampling on the Counting of Votes at Elections in the Republic of Ireland.” A vote of thanks was proposed by Professor B Whelan and seconded by Professor B Walsh. The following also spoke – Dr M Stuart, Mr T Keane, Dr P Honohan, Mr T P Linehan, Mr P Cox, Mr G O’Hanlon, Mr S Cromen and Mr W Keating. The authors replied to the discussion.

Fifth Meeting

The Society met at the offices of The Economic and Social Research Institute on 28th May, 1985 and the President Professor R D C Black was in the Chair.

Dr M Stuart presented a paper entitled “Statistics in the Second-Level Curriculum.” A vote of thanks was proposed by Professor M Moran and seconded by Mr C O’Caoimh. The following also spoke – Professor R O’Connor, Mr E Mullins and Mr J Haslett. Dr Stuart replied to the discussion.

Special Meeting

A Special Meeting of the Society was held in Trinity College, Dublin on Thursday, 23rd May 1985 at which the winner of the 1984/85 Barnington Prize, Ms Deirdre McHugh, The Economic and Social Research Institute, presented her prize winning paper, this was entitled “Trade, Growth and the Role of Demand Neoclassical and Keynesian Explanations of Ireland’s Post War Growth Experience.”

Belfast Meetings

The Society met at The Queen’s University of Belfast on Tuesday, 8th May 1984. The President Professor R D C Black was in the chair.

Mr J V Simpson, The Queen’s University of Belfast, presented a paper entitled “The Employment Generated by New Industry Locating in Northern Ireland, 1951-1980.” A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr R I D Harris and a general discussion followed.

The Society met at The Queen’s University of Belfast on Tuesday, 7th May 1985. The President Professor R D C Black was in the Chair.

Dr Boyd Black, The Queen’s University of Belfast, presented a paper entitled “Collective Bargaining Structure in Northern Ireland Dimensions, Determinants and Development.” A vote of thanks was proposed by Dr J P Enderwick. Mr J V Simpson and Mr T Craddan also spoke and the author replied to the discussion.

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