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A BELFAST TELEGRAPH/QUEEN'S SURVEY

94% Want a negotiated settlement | **69%** Do not want talks to stop | **74%** Believe Stormont talks will fail

The voters' message

ULSTER people have little faith in their politicians achieving a political settlement, according to a Belfast Telegraph/Queen's survey published today.

While almost everyone in the province — 94% — wants negotiations, only a quarter of the population believe the Stormont talks will succeed.

Significantly, the depth of pessimism is felt almost equally in the Protestant and Catholic communities.

There is little comfort for the political parties in the wide-ranging survey, with

By Mark Simpson
 Political Correspondent

the public giving relatively low approval ratings to the parties they support.

Seven out of 10 people surveyed believe the Stormont talks should not be stopped because of the logjam on arms decommissioning. Instead a sub-committee should be

THE MAJOR POINTS

- 94% want a negotiated settlement
- 26% believe the Stormont talks will succeed
- 69% believe the Stormont talks should not stop and a sub-committee should deal with decommissioning problems
- only four out of 10 people believe their own party is doing a lot to reach a political settlement
- one in 10 believes the Government is doing a lot to reach a political settlement

allowed to deal with the problem. The findings are food for thought for politicians as they

thought the party they supported was doing to reach a political settlement at the Stormont talks. Only four out of 10 people thought their party was doing a lot.

Of all the parties, SDLP supporters are the most positive about their politicians' contribution.

On the parades issue, only four out of 10 people believe their party is doing a lot to resolve the issue of contentious marches.

On both the talks and parade issue, people expressed little confidence in the Government. Only one in 10 said the Government is doing a lot to resolve the problems.

The Irish Government did not fare much better in people's estimation.

The survey investigated in detail the thorny issue of how to deal politically with parties like Sinn Féin, the PUP and UDP, which are linked to paramilitary groups.

Among Protes-

tants, the most popular strategy is to have all-party talks after a ceasefire.

But among Catholics, the most popular option is immediate all-party negotiations.

The religious divide in opinion is also clear when people were asked their view on decommissioning and a talks timetable.

Among Protestants, the favoured option is for a fixed timetable for decommissioning followed by talks. But among Catholics, most suggested a fixed timetable for the talks, followed by decommissioning.

When people were asked the overall question of whether or not the talks should stop because of the decommissioning deadlock, most said 'no'.

An overwhelming 69% said don't stop the talks, let a sub-committee deal with decommissioning problems.

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On guard: An armed police officer at Aintree today

Politicians hit out after the Aintree scare

By Mark Simpson

POLITICAL fall-out from the Aintree bomb scare increased today as a ring of steel was thrown around the racecourse for this afternoon's delayed Grand National.

Police began a new search of Aintree at first light, combing every inch of the racecourse before the public were allowed in for the re-race.

It emerged today that bombs planted by the IRA on English motorways last week contained a total of 400 of commercial explosives — probably Semtex.

The bombs, which failed to explode, caused widespread traffic chaos across the Midlands after a coded warning was sent from a phone-box in Birmingham. A senior DUP politi-

Belfast bomb scare

THE security forces were examining a suspect package today in a side street near Belfast city centre.

Stephen Street, near Donegall Street, was sealed off as Army bomb experts were called to deal with the suspicious object.

LIAM AND PATSY TIE THE KNOT

THE wedding of rock's bad boy, Liam Gallagher, finally took place today when he tied the knot with girlfriend Patsy Kensit at Westminster Register office.

The Oasis singer and the blonde actress went through a simple ceremony at 8.30am in the offices of Westminster City Council — witnessed by two friends.

Liam (24) and Patsy (29) did not invite any friends or family to the ceremony, Oasis' record company said today.

Nor will there be a party or honeymoon because the showbusiness couple are too busy. A spokesman for Creation Records said: "Their parents were not there and no other members of the band. It was totally, totally private with just them and the registrar."

"They don't want a party because it will be turned into a media circus and they are too busy to go on honeymoon."

"No-one knew about this until it happened because they wanted to keep it absolutely secret."



Happy couple: Liam Gallagher and Patsy Kensit

What Northern Ireland thinks about decommissioning

Stop the Talks until the decommissioning problem is solved 31%

Do not stop the Talks, let a subcommittee deal with decommissioning problems 69%

Preferred Acceptable Tolerable Unacceptable

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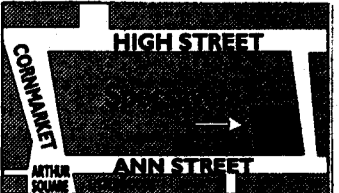


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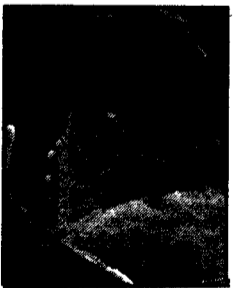
Man faces court charged with four loyalist killings

By Paul Connolly
 Security Correspondent

A LISBURN man appeared in court in the town today accused of four loyalist paramilitary murders.

Gary Martin Quinn (33), of Drummond Crescent, was charged with murdering south Down nationalist Down nationalist Loughlin Maginn, whose 1989 death sparked a political storm over security force leaks to loyalists.

He is also accused of murdering Catholic security guard Patrick Martin Feeny (32) who was shot dead at a



Quinn: Court arrival

factory in Donaghoney 1989.

Unemployed Quinn is also charged with murdering Hugh Terence Delaney, a Catholic shot dead in Dromore as he waited for a lift to work in 1988.

Quinn was further charged with the murder of Protestant

construction worker David Dorman in Lisburn.

He was shot dead in 1989 by loyalist gunmen who are believed to have mistaken him for a Catholic.

Quinn also faces UFF membership and explosives charges. Lisburn Magistrate's Court heard an RUC detective say he believed he could connect Quinn with the charges.

The defendant — who was wearing a light-brown suede jacket — did not speak during the six minute hearing.

The court was told that when charged with UFF membership Quinn replied: "All I can say is that I was put out seven years ago."

When charged with the murder of David Dorman the court heard Quinn replied: "I have told you all about it."

In response to the murder of Patrick Feeny, he is alleged to have said: "Yep. Nothing to say."

Quinn made no reply to the other three charges, the court heard. The detective agreed with Quinn's solicitor that the defendant had "voluntarily surrendered himself" to police last Tuesday.

The court also heard that Quinn had received a serious head wound in the past after he was injured in a shooting.

Quinn was remanded in custody until April 23.

BELFAST TELEGRAPH/QUEEN'S SURVEY

THE PARADES DISPUTE - WHAT YOU THINK

DON'T MISS PART TWO OF OUR OPINION POLL TOMORROW

WEATHER OUTLOOK

Greater Belfast Area: This evening will be cloudy with light rain and a light to moderate westerly wind. Overnight it will stay overcast and damp with perhaps a little drizzle at first, especially over the hills to the west of the city where it will turn misty. Moderate southerly winds. Lowest temperature 5C. SEE BACK PAGE

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