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## injured in shooting attack

By Paul Connolly and John Breslin

A MAN was gunned down in a suspected murder bid in Newtownabbey this He was found with gunshot wounds in Church Road, close to the Magistrate's Court. Unconfirmed reports said he may have been shot from a

moving car. It is believed the victim was found lying at the side of the road in a pool of blood.

A passing motorist is believed to have put the man in his car and rushed him to hospital.

No motive has been established for the attack and local speculation that the man is a Catholic from the nearby Bawnmore estate could not be

immediately confirmed. A woman who works in a nearby toy shop said: "A car thought to have been used in the shooting was dumped nearby and the police have the area sealed off.

"It's terrible. No-one knows exactly what happened

or who was involved." And a petrol station attendant working nearby said: "Everyone is shocked.

"This is normally a quiet area and things like that don't usually happen."
An RUC spokesman said:

"A man has been taken to

hospital with a gunshot wound after a shooting, believed to be on Church Road, Newtownabbey, around 7.30am."
The man was taken to the

Mater Hospital and immediately underwent surgery for his injuries.

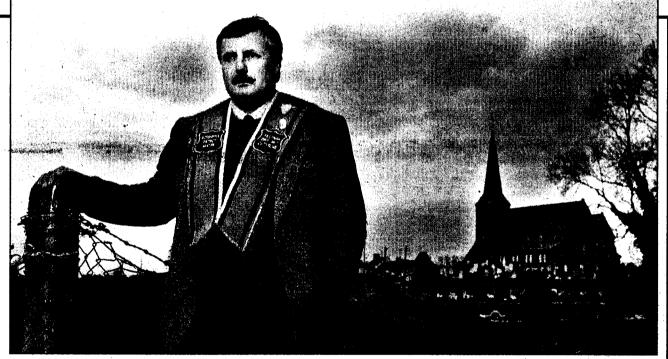
• In an unconnected incident, a policeman was seriously injured today after

being hit by a stolen car. The officer was part of a patrol attempting to stop a stolen Hyundai car as it was being chased by police along the Antrim Road in Belfast.

He was struck by the car when it drove on to the pavement in a bid to avoid a police stop at Fortwilliam Park shortly before 6am.

Police continued to chase the car but it was abandoned in Ardoyne and the occupants escaped on foot.

### **Orange Order** leaders tace crunch day on parades



movement, at Drumcree Church.

Hardline reputation: Joel Patton, who spearheads the Spirit of Drumcree Picture by Kelvin Boyes

#### By Mark Simpson

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#### Political Correspondent

ORANGE Order leaders were today facing crucial meetings to discuss efforts to resolve parade disputes.

County Antrim's Orange leader was preparing for talks on the Dunloy dispute amid fears of another angry protest from fellow Orangemen. The County Grand Master,

Robert McIlroy, was forced to abandon a similar meeting last month — and admitted today he did not know if there would be a re-run of those stormy events.

Mr McIlroy has been accused of secretly negotiating a deal, through mediation, for the Dunloy parade.

But he denied this today and told Orangemen: "You have nothing to fear.

Nonetheless, hundreds of Orangemen from Co Antrim who are not formally invited to today's meeting in Cloughmills were expected to



Robert Saulters: Face-to-face meeting.

turn up to show their con-

Recent months have seen a division opening up in the Order, with a number of grassroots hardliners critical of the more moderate stance taken by some of their leaders on the parades issue.

Today the issue has come to a head.

#### This afternoon's meeting of Co Antrim Orangemen in Cloughmills was a chance for the differences to be thrashed out — and tonight in Co Tyrone, leading hardliner Joel Patton will come face-to-face with Grand Master Robert

Mr Patton, who spearheads the Spirit of Drumcree move-ment, is an officer in Killyman district lodge, which is hosting the meeting with the Grand

In spite of their public war of words in recent weeks, the two men insist the talks will be cordial

This afternoon, Mr McIlroy was scheduled to address a Co Antrim lodge meeting and brief Orange officers — and Dunloy lodge — on the parades situation.

In a Belfast Telegraph interview before the meeting, he insisted he was not trying to pressurise Dunloy lodge into accepting a deal with

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### Give us referendum to end the deadlock'

By Mark Simpson Political Correspondent

ULSTER people want a referendum to help break the political deadlock, according to a Belfast Telegraph/ Queen's survey published today.

While a large majority remain content to stay in the United Kingdom, there is a groundswell of support for a referendum to help decide the details of a political settlement. Interestingly, there is

significant support for a referendum during the Stormont Talks to help them overcome dead-Only one in ten

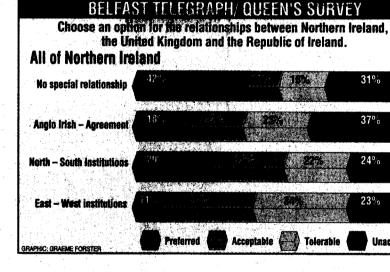
people, when asked about a referendum of some sort, said they were strongly against the idea. The survey addressed

the burning constitu-tional issue in Northern Ireland — who should govern the province, and how.

Six out of ten people (61%) said they would prefer Northern Ireand to stay part of the United Kingdom. Almost 20% opted for a united Ireland and 12% preferred joint authority.

A surprising proportion — 13% — went for a separate Northern Ireland state.
On North-South relations, the preferred

option was no special relationship, which



attracted 42% of those polled. But the establishment of joint crossborder institutions gained almost 30% support and was the most popular option among Catholics.

One proposal which the Northern Ireland public does not like is separate institutions of government for the two main communities in Northern Ireland.

This model, tried in some European countries, received little support. The most popular option is for devolved responsibility sharing in the province.

The poll was commissioned by the Belfast Telegraph through a team of experts from Queen's University.

The questions were drawn up with the cooperation of members of the 10 leading parties in Northern Ireland and asked at the end of March to almost 1,000 people, forming a representative sample of the province's population.

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facing bills of up to £20,000 to stricter food stricter food rules.

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butchers closing down over this, they will stop His report urged that selling cooked meats alresult of the inquiry into raw and unwrapped together" he said.

By Julie O'Connor NORTHERN Ireland day.

is set to bask in glorious sunshine for the next few days.

#### today that temperatures but they will be few and were going to stay fairly far between."

high until next Wednes-"There is a high degrees — which is not pressure belt at the unusual for this time of

moment very close to year but is a little higher The outlook for the Northern Ireland and than normal. next week is looking this will bring long bright as spring has sunny spells to the finally sprung.

province for at least a week," he said.

Press Association "There will be one or certain to weather service said two sprinkled showers weekend.

"There will be one or certain to stay over the

There is also good news as the bright and sunny weather is almost

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**Greater Beliast Area:** This evening will linger with only a few bright spells. Tonight, however, cloud will soon thin and break LETTERS P12 up to leave a mainly clear and rather cold night. Temperatures will vary from 4C to 6C. SEE BACK PAGE CROSSWORD P15