



CENTRE FOR CONTEMPORARY IRISH HISTORY

Symposium on the ‘Irish Regiments’

1. On 11th. March 1922 British Army Order No. 78 was implemented. This was to effect the disbandment of six of the British Army’s Irish Regiments. These were:

Royal Irish Regiment [1684]
Connaught Rangers
Leinster Regiment [Prince of Wales (Royal Canadians)]
Royal Munster Fusiliers
Royal Dublin Fusiliers
South Irish Horse

2. A day-long symposium will be held in Trinity College Dublin [TCD] In The Long Room Hub beginning at 09:30 a.m. on Saturday 11th. November 2017 to consider the history of the disbanded regiments.
3. In addition, it is proposed that two currently serving Irish regiments be included in the presentation list. These are: Irish Guards and Royal Irish Regiment [1992]
4. The primary focus of the event will be on the effect the regiment’s disbandment had on the British Army in general; particularly in the context of the effect on the continuance of recruitment from Ireland. The effect on recruitment from Ireland for Ulster regiments, for the Royal Navy, and the Royal Air Force, will also be considered.

Speakers will include historians, and representatives of the regimental associations of the disbanded regiments.

5. The target audience is the Military History Society of Ireland, and the Royal British Legion. Also the associations of the regiments referred to above. The symposium will also be advertised through the normal history event channels in TCD and the Irish universities.
6. Currently a panel of speakers is being organised. When this is finalised a circular and booking form will be issued in early-September.

A registration and admission charge of €15 will apply.

7. The symposium will be organised by the TCD Centre for Contemporary Irish History. Contact:

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