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## **CNI Media Review - February 26 at 1.00 pm**

**DUP spent £282,000 on Brexit ad that did not run in Northern Ireland**

Guardian

Advert in Metro newspaper included in party's £425,000 spend on EU referendum campaign that dwarfed its election outlay

[https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2017/feb/24/eu-referendum-spending-official-campaigns-investigation-opens-electoral-commission?](https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2017/feb/24/eu-referendum-spending-official-campaigns-investigation-opens-electoral-commission?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other)

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**DUP tells rivals: Now it's your turn to reveal your major donors**

Belfast Telegraph

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/dup-tells-rivals-now-its-your-turn-to-reveal-your-major-donors-35481213.html>

## **Sinn Féin says the money it got from Martin Sheen and others 'is not a secret'**

The Journal

Sinn Féin has defended itself after revelations that the party has received some \$12 million in donations from the US over the last 20 years. Celebrities like Martin Sheen and Anjelica Huston are among those who have been revealed as having contributed to the party's US fundraising arm – Friends of Sinn Féin. The Irish Times has a major report today on the party's fundraising efforts in the United States over the last 20 years with philanthropist Chuck Feeney emerging as the party's biggest donor, contributing some \$780,000 down the years.  
<http://www.thejournal.ie/sinn-fein-martin-sheen-us-donations-1975063-Mar2015/>

## **New poll shows that support for Sinn Féin is at its highest level in a year**

The Journal

Fianna Fáil's support has dipped, albeit slightly.  
<http://www.thejournal.ie/red-c-poll-sinn-fein-3259268-Feb2017/>

## **A third of FG TDs up for grabs in race for leadership**

Irish Independent

<http://www.independent.ie/irish-news/politics/a-third-of-fg-tds-up-for-grabs-in-race-for-leadership-35481488.html>

## **What can Fine Gael learn from previous heaves against long-serving party leaders?**

The Journal

Fine Gael's succession looks all very amicable at the moment but there are lessons in the past from the likes of Bertie Ahern.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/fine-fail-leaders-3249549-Feb2017/>

## **Unemployed and low-paid resistant to immigration**

Irish Independent

<http://www.independent.ie/irish-news/unemployed-and-lowpaid-resistant-to-immigration-35482822.html>

## **Brexiteers' decision was 'quixotic', bishop says**

Church Times

<https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2017/24-february/news/uk/brexiteers-decision-was-quixotic-bishop-says>

## **Brexit: Heseltine vows to rebel in Lords bill debate**

BBC News

Senior Tory Lord Heseltine says he will rebel against ministers when peers debate the Brexit bill.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-39094090>

## **Hundreds of clergy sign up for long-term Ministry study**

Church Times

<https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2017/24-february/news/uk/hundreds-sign-up-for-ministry-study>

## **Pope Francis says it's better to be an atheist than a 'hypocritical Catholic'**

The Journal.ie

The pontiff said it is not good enough to merely go to Mass.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/pope-francis-atheist-3256158-Feb2017/>

Irish Independent

[http://www.independent.ie/world-news/europe/better-to-be-an-atheist-than-a-catholic-hypocrite-pope-35478309.html?utm\\_source=dlvr.it&utm\\_medium=twitter](http://www.independent.ie/world-news/europe/better-to-be-an-atheist-than-a-catholic-hypocrite-pope-35478309.html?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter)

## **What next for Labour and Corbyn after the byelections?**

Guardian

Four journalists give their opinions

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2017/feb/24/what-next-labour-jeremy-corbyn-stoke-copeland-byelections>

## **White House bans certain news media from briefing**

BBC News

The White House has barred several major broadcasters and newspapers from attending an informal press briefing. The BBC, CNN, the New York Times and others were excluded from an audience with Press Secretary Sean Spicer, with no reason given.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-us-canada-39085235>

## **S Times**

Report on government plans to open Christian and other free schools in the heart of Muslim-dominated communities in areas such as Oldham, Birmingham and Derby. The “integrated” schools, some of which could be run by the Church of England, would enrol pupils from Christian, Muslim and other faiths, alleviating the risks of children growing up in

segregated “parallel” communities. Article notes that the plans, being drawn up by the Department for Communities and Local Government and the Department for Education (DfE), follow the publication of a report into opportunity and integration by Dame Louise Casey.

<http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/christian-schools-planned-for-muslim-areas-to-help-fight-segregation-2qbpxl0v5>

## **BBC**

Feature on the child migration programme which is the subject of IICSA's (Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse) first public hearing which begins tomorrow. Article focuses on abuse suffered by survivors, from the last wave of migration (post-war), who have told their stories through the Child Migrant Trust. It notes that the children were recruited by religious institutions from both the Anglican and Catholic churches and charities including Barnardo's and the Fairbridge Society.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-39078652>

## **S Times**

Report that a CofE ordinand at Wycliffe Hall has accused Oxford University of discrimination and bias after he says he was told he could not ask a

lecturer critical questions about Islam. The student, an Iranian-born convert from Islam, has filed a formal complaint to the university's proctors' office. A university spokesperson said all complaints were treated with the utmost seriousness

<http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/christian-accuses-oxford-of-bias-g8mss9w02>