



From Bray Golf Club

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The Committee for Ruin

The Committee for Ruin met today. They have decided that I am an uninvention of the most middle order. Unintentionally, I existed prior to my beginning. To remedy this I am to be reinvented next Thursday at 2 p.m. on the steps of the courthouse.

Various officials will be assembled for the occasion. The Lord Mayor will take his seat conspicuously among us; others less immense will be seated in a special area to the side. Myriad latinized words will be applied to their titles.

A carefully screened group of intellectuals who are not intellectually competitive will examine me. The plausibility of my personality and appearance will be considered. Psychic and plastic surgery may be advised.

After my remaking I will take my place among those deemed fit. I will join the Committee for Ruin.

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