



LOVE/HATE SPECIALS



Sunday evenings are about to get a whole lot better as Love/Hate returns to our screens to give Irish TV viewers some drama that doesn't involve bed hopping on Fair City.

As you might have guessed we couldn't let such an event pass by without putting our own spin on it and we've started taking bets on a number of specials relating to the hit series.

With cats, swans and budgies all feeling the wrath of the show's producers in recent years Paddy Power are taking bets on what will be the first member of the animal kingdom to be killed off in this series.

We make a dog our favourite to be the first creature to croak at 5/2 followed by a bird and a cat which are at 11/4 and 9/2 to succumb to the same fate as Aido's budgie respectively.

Paddy Power are also taking bets on dead characters to make an appearance this series. Here, John Boy Power is the overwhelming favourite at 1/3 with the infamous Love/Hate cat well back in the betting at 100/1.



Elsewhere, the bookie is also taking bets on how many viewers will tune into the first episode on Sunday night making between 900,001 and 1,000,000 its favourite at 7/4.

So there you have it, if the previous episodes are anything to go by it won't be just the humans who'll be looking over their shoulder for series 5 of Love/Hate and if our odds are anything to go by the writing could be on the wall for one of man's best friends.

ROY NOT TO KEANE ON RAZORS



The story goes that Roy Keane initially didn't like his beard but that it eventually grew on him and with him now looking like a fully-fledged Captain

Birdseye we thought we'd start taking bets on when the Manchester United legend will reach for the shaving foam.

Fans of clean shaven Keano won't be glad to hear that he's 5/1 to return to his boyish good looks for Ireland's game against Gibraltar on the 11th while it's 12/1 for him to dig out the Gillettes in time for the game against Germany 3 days later.

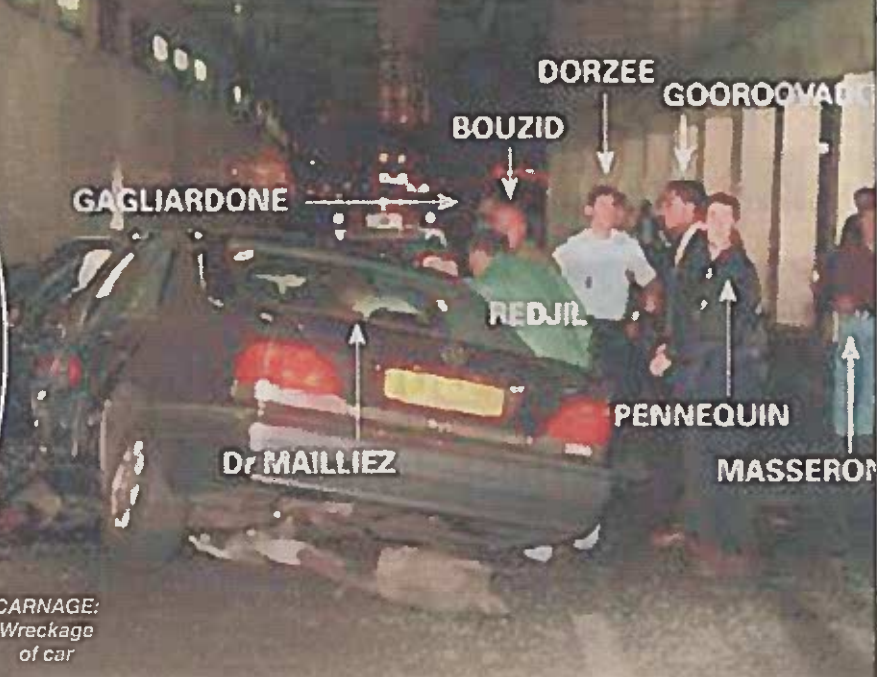
Futher down the line it's 3/1 that he'll ditch the rugged handsomeness look for the boys in green's crucial qualifier away to Scotland.

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ANOTHER SUNDAY WORLD EXCLUSIVE



KILLED?: Princess Diana



CARNAGE: Wreckage of car

PRINCESS DIANA WAS KILLED BY SPECIAL FORCES

MOST OF us will confess to a morbid fascination with the deaths of Princess Diana and Pope John Paul I.

The conspiracy theories have all the ingredients of a good thriller: glamour, esoteric rituals, a whiff of the occult, secret societies, special forces, violence and heartbreaking loss of life.

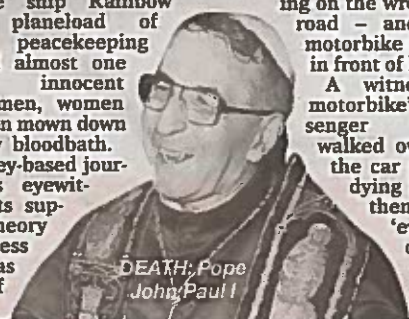
We've all wondered what really happened in the Alma Tunnel that caused the tragic death of the 'People's Princess' in 1997, and whether the reign of the charismatic 'Smiling Pope' was brought to a sudden end by murder.

Mysteries

Now a top journalist has delved into these and other unsolved mysteries.

Award-winning investigative journalist Damien Comerford examines the deaths of Princess Di, Pope John Paul I, United States Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown, the crew of the Greenpeace ship Rainbow Warrior, a planeload of American peacekeeping troops and almost one million innocent Rwandan men, women and children mown down in a 100-day bloodbath.

The Sydney-based journalist says eyewitness reports support the theory that Princess Di was bumped off



DEATH: Pope John Paul I

Conspiracy theories dug up again as book delves into infamous deaths

By GERALDINE COMISKEY

by special forces - and that her death was covered up by the establishment who blamed the driver, Henri Paul.

"It was far too easy and convenient for everyone to blame a dead man," he writes, pointing out that there is "no credible evidence" the driver was over the blood-alcohol limit.

The book recounts the testimony of witnesses who reported having seen "a bright light, much brighter than a camera flash, shortly before the collision with the concrete pillar", a white Fiat Uno that collided with Di's car - minutes after it was seen speeding on the wrong side of the road - and a powerful motorbike that cut across in front of her car.

A witness said the motorbike's pillion passenger walked over to gaze at the car containing the dying Princess, "and then gestured as if 'everything was over'." It also includes evi-

equally suspect - especially as there was no post mortem.

"The Vatican itself admits his death was unexpected so why would they not want a proper investigation? When a Pope dies in office after only 33 days there should be a thorough investigation, if only to eliminate any suspicion of foul play," the author points out.

"The Vatican acted as if he never existed. No official biography has ever been published on his brief time as Pope and his tomb makes reference to his name and nothing else.

Drug

"What's worse, Pope Paul I was in all probability buried without receiving the last rites or absolution. In a Vatican full of priests, Archbishops and Cardinals, no one had the presence of mind, or the inclination to bestow a sacrament that all Catholics can expect to receive when they die."

He quotes conspiracy theorists, including author David Yallop, who suggests senior Vatican clerics murdered the pope with a powerful drug - just hours after he learned that senior officials in the Vatican Bank were involved in organised crime and Freemasonry.

The book also quotes Professor Mario Fontana, head of the Vatican Medical Service, who said: "If I had to certify, under the same circumstances, the death of an ordinary, unimportant citizen, I would quite simply have refused to allow him to be buried."

Cover Up, by Damien Comerford is available in bookshops and online now.

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EXPLOSIVE: Revelations in book denounce former MI6 agent and whistleblower Richard Tomlinson that the SAS had a strobe light capable of blinding helicopter pilots and causing them to crash. The Fiat belonged to a well-known paparazzo, who was later found dead in suspicious circumstances. Pope John Paul I's death was