TRAGIC STORY OF NINETY SECONDS OF SILENCE

THE CREW THAT CHANGED PLANES

(By "Limerick Leader" Reporters)

The tragic story of what happened during ninety seconds of radio silence at Shannon Airport in the early hours of last Sunday morning was told at an inquest in the Airport building today.

And in another building at the other end of the airfield, 71 bodies were in silence to be taken home . . . as their funeral flight.

They are the victims of the Shannon Airport disaster. They are the victims of the tragic accident that occurred at Shannon Airport last Sunday morning. A Douglas DC-3, on a flight to London, crashed into a building at Shannon Airport, and all 71 people on board were killed.

But the crew of the plane might have been killed, too, if it had not been for the quick thinking of the airport staff.

They had changed the plane's route to London, and it was flying in a straight line over Shannon Airport. But the plane suddenly began to descend, and the pilots were forced to make an emergency landing.

The pilots then realized that they were in trouble, and they called for help on the radio. But the radio was out of service.

The airport staff quickly jumped into action. They sent a team of doctors and nurses to the crash site, and they began to treat the wounded.

Three of the passengers died on the spot. The others were taken to hospital, where they died later.

The inquest was held today, and the jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

Death of outstanding personality in Irish Freedom movement

Limerick man fined 5£ for assault

Irish road fatality

U.N. TROOPS IN HEAVY FIGHTING IN THE CONGO

Irish are not involved

Heavy fighting broke out today in the Katanga Province of the Congolese Republic between United Nations troops, made up of Indian and Swedish companies, and the Katanga secessionists. Thirtysix soldiers are reported killed, and several injured. The Irish troops are not involved in the fighting.