



reet, third class with teacher Sr Redempta, who is living in Presentation Convent, Roxboro Rd now having spent years in California.  
: Maureen Power, Maureen x, Mary Cleary, Lenore Coffee, Dympna Moynihan, Chrissie Coonerty, Mary Guiry, Sheila Hannon, Geraldine Maso, Lillian Kirby,  
ne Enright, Deirdre Ryan, Clare Finnerty, Evelyn Hogan, Catherine O'Reilly, x Prendergast?, Phyllis, Helen  
awford, Mary Rowley, Marie Heslim, Carmel McGovern, Margaret Kirby and Eleanor O'Mahony

rn to Dept. of Justice officials,  
et with representatives in Lim-  
ast week.  
in't see the point in displac-  
e in Limerick to make way for  
ees. You are making a problem  
or locals," he said.  
Butler explained that he had  
told by officials that Limerick  
be getting 400 refugees in the  
ig weeks.  
m told that the first will be arriv-  
the next week to 10 days," he  
ined.

# **RIFF'S CHAIN SCARE DS TO CITY HALL NEW**

LL REVIEW of the use of cere-  
al chains is being carried out at  
Hall in the wake of the latest  
e involving the Sheriff's Chain,  
h dates back to 1820.  
hile Mayor Jack Bourke was on  
official visit to the US, the Corpo-  
n issued a statement saying the  
n, valued at more than £60,000,  
missing. It had been worn by the  
or at a circus on the previous  
rsday night.  
ie statement said the Mayor indi-  
d on Friday, before leaving for the  
that the chain was missing.  
ardai were alerted and a major  
wide search ensued.  
n Wednesday last, City hall  
ealed: "We are calling on the pub-  
to help in the recovery of the  
in."  
ack in Limerick today from his US  
t, Mayor Bourke spoke of his sur-  
e at the search as he had never  
l the chain was missing. It was at

his house at all times in a camera  
pouch.  
"This is a molehill becoming a  
mountain," declared Mayor Bourke.  
His son Declan had noticed the  
chain on a PC at the family home on  
Friday and put it into safe keeping.  
Mayor Bourke said his son notified  
the gardai and the corporation.

## **20 YEARS AGO**

### **ST JOHN'S NURSING SCHOOL SHUTS**

ST JOHN'S Hospital Nursing School  
will close in October.  
Its 1990 fifth-girl intake will move to  
the Regional Hospital for instruction  
and for most practical training. The  
change will mean the assimilation of  
the school by the larger teaching unit  
at the Regional.  
Instruction will be the responsibil-  
ity of the matron at Dooradoyle.  
Technically, the change is a merger.  
An Bord Altranais, the nursing board,  
and the department of Health have  
each recommended that there be a  
single nursing school in the Mid-West  
region. More importantly, the depart-  
ment is prepared to fund just one.  
There will be about 150 trainee  
nurses at the Regional, who will be  
joined by those from St John's giving  
the new joint school a 200 enrolment.  
"The students at St John's have  
always done some of their training  
with us, because there are certain dis-  
ciplines which are not catered for at  
St John's," explained Mr Paul Robin-  
son, programme manager at the  
Health Board.

"They joined our students for  
maternity, psychiatric and other spe-  
cialities. To that extent, the merger  
will be a logical extension of that. The  
new school will be jointly run by us  
and by St John's, and negotiations are  
ongoing as to how the students will be  
able to get to and from St John's,  
because many will still be allocated to  
wards there. We are also negotiating  
to protect St John's interests as part  
operators of the joint school."

## **40 YEARS AGO**

### **CLASS DISTINCTION IS ALLEGED**

A COUNCILLOR objected at this  
week's meeting of Limerick County  
Council to swimming pools being  
opened only to "organised groups"  
and claimed it was "class distinction".  
The council was considering an  
application from the Salesian College,  
Pallaskenry, for assistance towards  
the cost of development of a proposed  
swimming pool in the college.  
Mr D. Q. Dudley, county manager,  
said the Minister for Local Govern-  
ment had stated that the Government  
was anxious to encourage schools to  
provide swimming pools and would  
give financial assistance.  
He pointed out that in relation to  
the pool in question, the Past Pupils  
Union had undertaken the project and  
raised in the region of £6,000.  
Cllr Ned Lane referred to a letter  
sent by the Rector, Very Rev. Henry  
Mullaney, S.D.B., in which it was  
stated that the pool would be open to

"organised groups in the area of the  
countryside", as well as the students  
of the college.  
He said that this pool would be  
restricted to a certain section of the  
community - "in short, class distinc-  
tion".  
Cllr Ned O'Dwyer said that the pool  
should be made public.  
Cllr Michael Noonan, T.D., said that  
the Minister was going to give prior-  
ity to groups who made a local contri-  
bution. He refuted the suggestion that  
there was class distinction and  
pointed out that the Salesian Fathers  
had at all times made facilities avail-  
able such as the playing field and com-  
munity hall to the people in the vil-  
lage.  
And the pool would also be avail-  
able to the people.  
The council decided to defer to the  
application to get clarification regard-  
ing organised groups and the total  
cost.

## **NEW STYLE GAS FOR LIMERICK**

BECAUSE of the 'astronomical' price  
of coal, Limerick Corporation is to  
introduce a new method of gas pro-  
duction at a cost of £70,000, and the  
City Manager, Mr TF McDermott, is to  
bring firm proposals for the  
changeover before the City Council in  
a short time.  
The gas will be produced by  
propane/butane air, which according  
to the experts, is far cheaper and  
guarantees a far better supply for  
Limerick's householder - many of  
whom have expressed dissatisfaction  
in the past.