

the area. Anyone who benefited from Shannon and who was able to pay the minimum subscription should do so. A vast amount of local tourist development work, beginning with the assessment of the the tourist potential of the area, was required.

The Regional Tourist Company's activities were absolutely essential to the success of the whole programme and provided those who were dependent on Shannon with the opportunity of proving their enthusiasm for the preservation of Shannon by investment of local funds. The general taxpayer all over Ireland had already contributed £12.7 million.

The Minister said that he would ask the Regional Company for a report on the response to his appeal for subscriptions. He would then know to what extent the people who publicised fears about the future of the Airport were capable of constructive action.

HOUSING PROGRESS

The Minister said that the concept of an industrial estate envisaged not alone the setting up of factory buildings but equally important the availability of dwellings in the area to house the workers employed in the factories. To meet this need, upwards of £2m. had been provided by the State for the provision of housing and community services at Shannon and 455 houses and flats had been constructed with the aid of this money. Further housing would be provided but the real test of the stability of the Shannon community lay not in the continued provision of rented housing by the Company but in the evidence of the community's own efforts to establish itself as a viable and healthy entity.

This evidence was forthcoming in the most practical way by investment in one's own home at Shannon. The construction, therefore, by Messrs. Murphy of this scheme of 66 houses for private purchase represented a most opportune "pilot" development, the outcome of which would prove of the greatest significance towards the stabilisation of the Shannon community. This development, brought about by the encouragement of the Development Company, which had provided the prepared site, offered the most practical opportunity for the people to demonstrate their confidence in the future of their community. As well as the housing being provided by the Development Company for rent or sale, they now had a choice of alternative houses at prices which in prevailing circumstances should prove attractive. When completed, this

So says the Peppard triplets, originally Limerick morning before sitting down to eat the

Brendan Bowyer mobbed in Limerick

POP star Brendan Bowyer was mobbed in O'Connell Street on Saturday afternoon as he arrived to officially declare open a new teen-beat fashion salon at Richards. Close on 400 screaming teenagers lunged forward as the car in which he was travelling came to a halt and in the melee two girls were knocked to the ground. It took a force of Gardai to extricate the worried-looking Bowyer from the crowd and as he emerged it was seen that buttons had been ripped from his coat. One admirer went so far as to try and cut a bit of the singer's hair.

The Mayor of Limerick, Cllr. Frank Leddin, was also caught in the rush and was buffeted about, but suffered little injury. Inside the salon was officially opened and a new Hucklebuck hairstyle was modelled by Miss Stella Woulfe, a native of Abbeyfeale, but who is a model in Dublin. As the opening ceremony took place, the pop star's latest recording, "Don't Lose Your Hucklebuck Shoes," blazed out as the hundreds chanted "We want Brendan."

As he emerged through a rear entrance he had to sprint some 500 yards as the mob raced after him before he sought refuge in a local hotel.

Later in the evening Brendan had to spend some considerable time signing autographs at a city dance.

HAPPY FOR THE

LEADER

JOHNSON, Anthony and Peppard quads, three years old to still cannot tell the

The Peppard quads were to 32-year-old Mrs. Norpeard, in St. Anthony's Home, Limerick, on Sep 20, 1982, between 7.40 a.m. and 12.15 p.m.

For nine weeks the mother's one chance paid off, as four babies were reported progressing well, then Donal died.

"They are just like children," said their mother when I spoke to him at the newsagent's shop to-day. "The mother knows them apart so do the other children. Thomas aged 7½, Cathleen and Judith, 4. But being a man it baffles me, especially when they are dressed as

THE LEADER

The three who are with grey/blue eyes and prisingly dark lashes are amazingly alike.

I learned that Anthony the leader in any mischief got up to, and "being children they get up to a amount of mischief," said mother wryly.

"They are really very children, and will probably to school in a year and said their mother. "The great excitement having birthdays on the same at least it means we need one birthday cake," she

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