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The men are objecting to the appointment of a new supervisor. The workers feel that one of them should have got the position and point out that one of them was able to fill the post over the past 18 months but was passed over in favour of an "outsider" when it came to the full time appointment.

The position was advertised and three men applied for the job. They went before an interview board.

Cllr Jim Kemmy, secretary of the Limerick Building Trades Group, which represents all the Corporation craftsmen, commented: "We are anxious that the dispute should not spread and we are seeking a meeting with Michael MacCurtain and the Corporation officials to discuss the matter and also to discuss industrial relations generally within the Corporation."

40 Years Ago

BINGO TO GO ON

THE Stella Ballroom is to re-open for dancing in November. This well-known Limerick entertainment landmark has been purchased for an undisclosed figure by Mr William Bird and family from the proprietors, Messrs McDonagh and Co, after a complete renovation has been carried out, the venue will again cater for dancing as well as bingo patrons.

Mr Bird told our reporter today that every modern amenity will be installed to bring the Stella back to its former glory as a dancing centre in addition to maintaining its regular attraction for bingo patrons.

Just 30 years ago the

Stella first opened its doors as a dancing centre and prior to its ceasing to exist as such a couple of years ago it rated as one of the best-known ballrooms in the country. For many, the Stella was the headquarters of the dancing world and for hundreds a dance at the Stella was something not to be missed. The Stella had an atmosphere all its own and some of the leading bands and orchestras in the country worked there.

A new dance floor is to be laid and this and a new lighting system will be second to none.

Bingo patrons, of course will continue to enjoy their regular sessions at the Stella. These gatherings have become one of the leading social attractions in the city and the new proprietors will see to it that it remains as such.

NEW CASH AND CARRY STORE FOR LIMERICK

THE many changes in the grocery trade since the advent of major self-service super market concerns was referred to yesterday by the Mayor of Limerick Cllr Vincent Feeney, when he officially declared open a new cash and carry store at Watch House Lane for the well-known local wholesale grocery firm of Messers G and JF Bourke Ltd.

The new cash and carry store is one of the most spacious in the country and an

additional benefit is that there is ample room for parking.

Up to 100 vehicles could park at the one time within 100 feet of the main door of the new premises and this is an attraction which could bring many additional customers to Messers Bourke's who will, of course, continue with their traditional style, wholesale grocery business at their present headquarters in Henry Street.

50 Years Ago

SINN FEIN COUNCILLOR OBJECTS TO MEMORIAL PROJECT

MR P Mulcahy stated at last night's meeting of the Corporation that he would not be a party to any memorial that excluded the men of 1922 and '23 when the question of a site for a memorial to the murdered Mayors of Limerick in 1921 and Comdt Sean Wall, came up for consideration.

The Memorial Committee proposes a site at Strand House, but the City Manager (Mr M Macken) told the meeting that before agreement to the suggestion, the more advice they got the better. It was most important that a suitable site be chosen for the memorial and there would have to be consultations between the Town Planner and the architect. They had to ensure that somebody would not go

ahead and erect a memorial without consultations.

The Mayor said that on Tuesday last he attended a representative meeting of the Memorial Committee, which included Mr John Sheeha, Chairman of the Limerick Men's Association in New York former Mayors of the City, the Chairman of the County Council, Mr J.J. Collins TD, and Mrs M Clancy and Mrs K O'Callaghan. The meeting was unanimous that no more worthy cause could be inaugurated and it was decided to set up a Provisional Committee, of which he was elected Chairman and Mr Collins Vice Chairman. The memorial would be to commemorate the East, West and Mid-Limerick Brigades, and appeals towards the costs would be made throughout the city and county, which he felt would get substantial support. He did not think that three names were held more dear in Limerick than George Clancy, Michael O'Callaghan and Sean Wall and it would be a monument to all those who gave their lives for the cause of Irish freedom.

Mr JP Liddy asked if the name of Joseph O'Donoghue, who was murdered on the same night as George Clancy and Michael O'Callaghan, would also be commemorated.

Mayor: Yes. This is a monument to commemorate all.

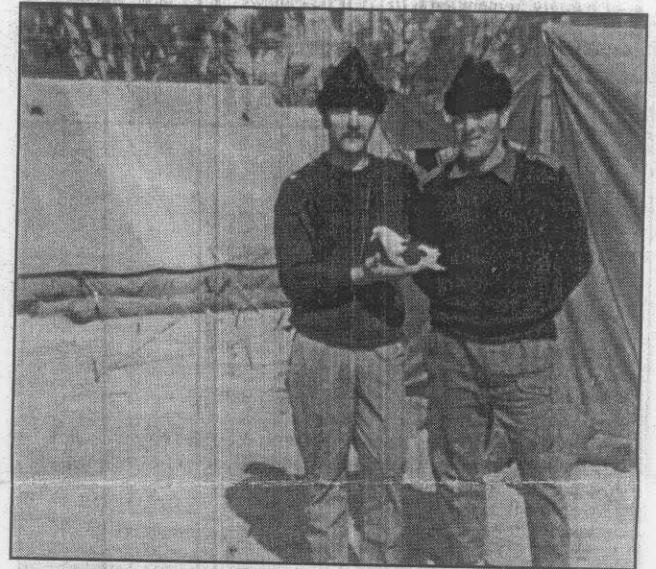
full support to the project, but our only function here is to grant a site or not.

It was unanimously agreed to grant a site for the memorial.

ALDERMAN DESCRIBES ESB ANTICIPATION AS HIGH-HANDED

WITH the present restrictions on credit, there were many industries varelly surviving, said Ald S Coughlan at last night's meeting of the City Council when he moved a notice of motion protesting against the newly increased ESB charges.

The Mayor, Ald GE Russell, said he could not accept the notice since it was delivered too late and did not comply with Statutory requirements. He was, however, prepared to allow a discussion.



At Camp Rabat in 1973 on overseas army duty were Sean Griffin and Tommy Naughton