

DEATHS

POWER (nee O'Flanagan) — Limerick, on July 2nd, 2006, peacefully at Caherass Nursing Home, Mary, Curraghower House, Ennis Road. Beloved wife of the late John and friend of the late Jim Daly. Deeply regretted by her loving family Anita (Markham), Johnny, Bernadette and Billy, brother, Michael, sisters, Penelope, Dolores and Della; sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, sisters-in-law, brother-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends. R.I.P. Removal from Griffin's Funeral Home, Davis Street to Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Ennis Road, this Tuesday evening at 7 pm. Funeral tomorrow, Wednesday after 11am Mass to Mount St Laurence Extension. (t4/c)

WHELAN — Limerick, 2nd July, 2006, at The Regional Hospital, John, 213 Valley View, O'Malley Park. Very deeply regretted by his loving sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends. May he Rest In Peace. Removal from Cross's Funeral Home to The Holy Family Parish Church this Tuesday evening at 7.30pm. Requiem Mass Wednesday at 11am. Funeral afterwards to Mount St. Laurence Cemetery (Ext). (t4c)

Tuesday Weather

THE showery weather will clear by the afternoon, with sunny intervals expected, but there will be a risk of thundery showers throughout the day. Temperatures will reach 21 to 24 degrees. The pollen count is high today, as is the Solar UV index. Tonight will be mild, with temperatures dropping to between 12 and 13 degrees.

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Mannix Joyce passes away

By DONAL O'REGAN

DR Mainchín Seoighe (Mannix Joyce), author and columnist with the Limerick Leader passed away in the Regional Hospital after a short illness on Monday morning at the age of 85.

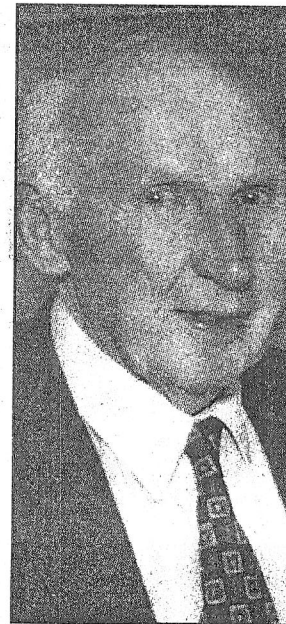
Along with Eamon de Valera, Dr Seoighe is regarded as one of Bruree's most famous sons. Indeed, the two men struck up a friendship when Dr Seoighe was a young man.

Dr Seoighe wrote 10 books in Irish and English and wrote for the Limerick Leader from 1944 until recently.

His column, Odds and Ends, was one of the longest running in the country.

His interests were history, the Irish language, folklore, politics and travel, and his columns and books reflected these subjects.

Due to the volume and quality of his work, Dr



Dr Mainchín Seoighe

Seoighe was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the National University of Ireland in Galway in 1990.

As well as writing books and an estimated 3,000 columns for the Limerick Leader he worked full time as Information

Officer for most of his 44 years with Limerick County Council.

The current Director of Services in the Housing Department of Limerick County Council Jimmy Feane worked alongside Dr Seoighe for eight years.

"I never heard a bad word said about him. He was a mild mannered gentleman," said Mr Feane.

Limerick West TD Michael Collins said he was a great Irishman who loved the language and

was highly regarded and respected by all.

Dr Seoighe is survived by his wife Francis and his sisters Mary and Nelly. The removal will take place on Tuesday night from his sister Mary Herlihy's house in Bruree before the body is taken to St Peter and Paul's church in Kilmallock. Funeral mass will be held on Wednesday at 12 noon and burial will take place at the Old Cemetery in Bruree.

Australian inquest

AN Australian inquest into a hostel fire that killed 24-year-old Limerickwoman Julie O'Keefe and 14 other backpackers in 2000, heard yesterday that police found the windows of the Queensland hostel had been barred and the fire alarm was turned off. Fruit Picker Robert Long was found guilty of starting the blaze, and was sentenced to life in prison in 2002.

Fire service

LIMERICK fire service were called to a rubbish fire in Craeval Park at 8.40pm last night, one unit attended and returned to the station. And this morning, they were called to the scene of a car fire near St Enda's school at 4am, one unit quenched the blaze and returned to the station at 5.40am.

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