

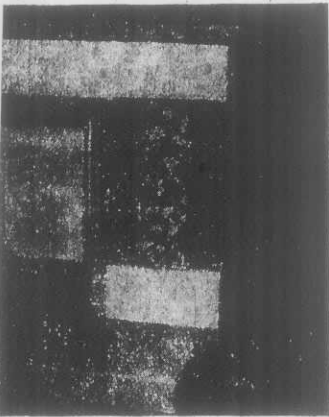
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dled-sized cheques, which was a  
generous interpretation of my  
means, since I had only a grand  
total of seventeen pounds in the  
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I was in a pub one night when  
a party of boys and girls en-  
tered. The girls were good-  
looking and there was one to  
spare. You can't whack gravity  
and because of this I soon found  
myself sitting beside her. When  
my turn to buy came round I  
asked the proprietor if he  
would mind cashing a cheque as

book of yours?" he asked.

"Twenty-five," I answered.  
He told me I was a fool to write  
small cheques for only a pound,  
that all my cheques would be  
gone in no time unless I  
changed my ways at once. The  
thing to do, he told me, was to  
write cheques for a thousand  
pounds at a time. If I did this  
I would have twenty-five thou-  
sand pounds to spend instead of  
twenty-five.

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# LIMERICK BIDS FOR ORE SMELTER

THE Parliamentary Sec-  
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West Limerick, Dail Depu-  
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encies as well as those  
from Clare, North Tip-  
perary and Kerry, and  
representatives of Limerick  
Harbour Commissioners  
are to go on a deputation  
to the Minister for Industry  
and Commerce in an effort  
to have the proposed £15  
million ore smelting plant  
situated in the Limerick  
region.

This follows publication in  
certain newspapers that the  
plant is likely to be situated near  
Dunkettle, about three miles  
from Cork City.

Sites in various part of the  
Shannon Estuary and in the  
Western Counties have been in-  
spected as probable sites by the  
Directors of Smelter Corpora-  
tion of Ireland Ltd., a subsidi-  
ary of Northgate Explorations  
Ltd. The proposed smelter is  
expected to employ in the region  
of 700 men when fully operative.

The matter was raised by the  
Mayor of Limerick, Ald. Steve  
Coughlan, T.D., who said that  
he was dismayed and disheart-  
ened to read that the smelter  
which he had advocated was re-  
ported to be going to an area  
which is already over-employed.  
"We here have the manpower  
and all the other necessary in-  
gredients to secure this indus-  
try which will be the biggest

thing to hit the Western Con-  
tinent," he said.

## Proposed

Ald. Coughlan proposed that  
the two Parliamentary Secretar-  
ies for East and West Limerick,  
Dail Deputies for the Constitu-  
encies as well as those from  
North Tipperary, Clare and  
North Kerry, go on a deputa-  
tion to the Minister to impress  
on him Limerick's claim for the  
smelter.

The Chairman of the Harbour  
Board, Ald. G. E. Russell, said  
he, too, was amazed to read that  
a site had apparently been se-  
lected which was contiguous to  
Cork City. He had subsequently  
contacted the Chairman of the  
Irish Smelting Company, Mr. M.  
O'Brien, who told him that he  
was not prepared to go beyond  
stating that the published ar-  
ticles were "a mixture of facts  
already well-known and news-  
paper speculation."

"From that," said Mr. Rus-  
sell, "I gather that no finality  
has been reached as regards a  
site." He added that a deputa-  
tion from the Board had satis-  
fied the smelting company of  
the availability of manpower  
and of the other attractions of  
Limerick, such as proximity to  
rail and road terminals, deep  
water, etc.

Clr. Frank Leddin said that  
no time should be lost to clear  
the air. "We have become  
known as a city which accepts  
false promises," he said.

Ald. Russell—There is always  
the danger that public opinion  
might sway a decision for Cork  
on the matter.

Senator Pat Ryan said that  
Limerick always seemed to be

on the verge of getting some-  
thing big but it never material-  
ised. No effort should be spared  
in trying to get this industry.

Ald. Russell said they should  
ask the smelting company if  
they in Limerick had fallen  
short in any of the requirements  
and if they had then they could  
go about remedying them.

The Chairman said he would  
take steps to have a deputation  
received by the Minister as  
quickly as possible.

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