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IN MEMORIAM

MacSWEENEY (Twenty-n versary)—In proud remem John MacSweeney (John Comdt. of Mid-Limerick I.R.A., late of 33 Mungret S died April 10, 1923. R.I.P. offered.

At the Republican Plot no We laid him twenty-nine to-day.
Beside the few of Irelan tried and true.
May they rest in peace. —Still missed by his wife sisters and brother.

MANIFOLD—Cherished m my dear father, William Man died Easter Sunday, 1938; dear brother, Thomas, who d 19, 1944, late of Garryowen offered.

Your memory is as fresh As in the hour you passe You live with us in memo Not just to-day, but alwa Sunshine passes, shadow But loving memories outli —Inserted by his loving Chriss; Fred and family.

McNAMARA (Eleventh An —In loving memory of J Namara, who died April 7, his soul, Sweet Jesus, ha Masses offered.—Inserted by ing wife and family.

MOLONEY (Fourth Anni In loving memory of our de ter, Enda, late of 3 Fitzgerald Prospect, who died April R.I.P. Mass offered.

Sad and lonely hours of t Thoughts of you are al We never have and neve Forget you, Enda, dear —Inserted by her loving pa thers and sisters.

MORAN (Eleventh Anniv sad and loving memory of M late of 43 Athlunkard St died April 15, 1941. Mass

Will those who think of Jesus A little prayer to Jesus —Inserted by husband and

MULQUEEN (Seventh An —In affectionate remembra dear mother, Mrs. Elizabeth who died at her residence Ave., April 11, 1945. R.I.P.

O'BRIEN—The sons, daug relatives of the late John Ballinahla, Ballingarry, wish all those who sympathised in in their recent sad bereaven who sent Mass cards, telegr ters of sympathy and espe kind neighbours and friends such unfiring and generou would be impossible to reply ally to the many messages token of deep gratitude a will be offered for their inte

O'CONNOR (Newcastle W affectionate remembrance darling little Mary O'Conn Quay, Newcastle West, wh April 11, 1949.

One lonely night Jesus ca And walked amongst hi He softly touched them hand.
The one He plucked was —Always remembered by h Mammy and Nana.

O'NEILL (Second Anniver loving memory of Robert Clondrina, Limerick, who 13, 1950. R.I.P. Sacred Hear have mercy on his soul. Ma —Always remembered by h sister.

PIGOTT (Third Anniversa remembrance of John Pigot shone, who died Easter Satur On whose soul, Sweet Je mercy. Masses offered.—E Gerard.

PIGOTT (Third Anniversa loving memory of John (Jac late of 8 Glenview Terrace shone, who died Easter Satur 16, 1949. On whose soul, Sw have mercy.

Will those who think of h A little prayer to Jesus sa —Ever remembered by Ma Joe.

PORTLEY (First Anniversa loving memory of Bridget P Courtbrack Terrace, who die 1951. May she rest in peac offered.—Nellie and family.

RUSSELL (Third Anniver ever-loving remembrance of ling little daughter, Gerald died April 12, 1949, late of Richard Street.

God took her hand, we had With one we loved with heart.
—Inserted by mam and dad.

RYAN (Seventh Anniversar loving memory of James Rya Corcamore, Clarina, who d 11, 1943, also our mother, El who died January 10, 1947. souls, Sweet Jesus, have Masses offered.—Inserted by mr family.

RYAN (Third Anniversary loving memory of our dear Mary Ryan, who died at her 25 Upper Cecil Street, Lim Holy Thursday (April 14), 19 Jesus, have mercy on her sou of Perpetual Succour, inte her. Masses offered.—Insert loving sons and daughters.

RYAN (nee Hedigan) (Ni versary)—In loving memory Ryan, late of Ballyfuddy, Pa who died April 11, 1943. soul, Sweet Jesus, have merc offered. — Inserted by he family.

SHEEHAN (First Anniver loving remembrance of M Sheehan, 14 Athlunkard St died April 11, 1951. R.I.P. Heart of Jesus, have merc soul. Masses offered.—Insert family.

SHEEHAN (First Anniver loving memory of my dear Mary Sheehan, late of 14 Ath Street, Limerick, who died 1951. On her soul, Sweet Je mercy. Masses offered.

May you rest in peace, dea In that heavenly home With the Sacred Heart of J In His own eternal love. —Inserted by her loving s daughter-in-law, Nancy, an children, Marie, Pacelli and

SHEEHAN (First Anniver cherished memory of my dea Mary Sheehan, who died April late of 14 Athlunkard Stre offered.

When nights are long an are few,
I sit, dear mother, and thi With a lonely heartache an tear.
And always wishing you —Inserted by her fond violet; son-in-law, Paddy, a children.

WOODS (Third Anniversa loving memory of Mrs. Woods, 37 Patrick Street, April 9, 1949. On whose s Jesus, have mercy.—Insert husband, son, sisters and b

ACKNOWLEDGME

BENSON—The family of Jane Benson, 44 Hyde Road wish to return sincere tha those who sympathised wit their recent sad bereave those who sent Mass cards and letters of sympathy an who attended the funeral. this will be accepted by all ful acknowledgments.

COLLINS—The wife and the late Maurice Collins, 9 Park, Phibsboro', Dublin, thank all those who sympa them in their recent bereav many friends who came lon to be present at removal and funeral and those who cards, telegrams and flora They will always hold in remembrance the kindness pathy shown them and h accept this expression o gratitude.

McCORMACK—The sons and relatives of the late M Cormack, 3 Court House Pl Street, Limerick, wish to cere thanks to those who s with them in their recen avement; all who sent telegrams and letters of also those who attended t Trusting this will be acce in grateful acknowledgme

NOLAN—The wife, daug and sister of the late Wil 3 Taylor's Row, Limerick thank very sincerely all sympathised with them in sad bereavement; those wh cards, telegrams, letters o those who called personall attended the Mass and f the kind neighbours. T will be accepted by all acknowledgment.

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Limerick Says Farewell To A Beloved Deputy

WITH striking manifestations of public regret and sorrow, the ...s of Ald. Dan Bourke, T.D., ...laid to rest yesterday in ...St. Lawrence Cemetery. It became known on Sunday that he had passed away. ...eds of citizens called at his ...ence to pay their respects to ...dead, and to sympathise with ...widow and relatives in their ...avement.

...oughout Monday, until the ...ins were removed to St. ...el's Church, the house was ...ed with sympathisers. Some ...ands marched in the cortege ...e Church, hundreds being un...to gain admission. When the ...had been placed on a cata...e in front of the High Altar, ...ilbor Frank Glasgow recited ...issary in Irish.

THE FUNERAL.

...funeral yesterday, following ...elebration of Requiem Mass by ...R. O'Sullivan, C.C., who had ...nistered the last rites of the ...ch to Ald. Bourke on his death ...was the most remarkable ...nstration of public regret and ...w seen in Limerick for many ...s.

...t from the widow and the ...Alderman's two sisters—Mrs. ...fe and Miss Bourke—the ...al figure was An Taoiseach, ...e Valera. He was accom...d by Mr. G. Boland, T.D., ...ter for Justice, and Mr. D. ...riain, T.D., Parliamentary ...ary to Mr. de Valera, and ...E. Bartley, T.D., Parliament...Secretary, Minister of Agri...re.

As the immense ...ge, followed by numerous ...r cars, wended its way to the ...ery thousands lined the foot...k, blinds were drawn in shops ...rivate houses and, as a matter ...act, there was a complete ...tary suspension of business for ...me being.

SECTIONS REPRESENTED.

...e funeral was representative of ...y section of the community. It ...an outpouring of the people's ...and genuine regret at the ...ing of one who, for thirty years, ...commanded the confidence and ...ect of all his fellows, irrespec...of political affiliations.

...d by members of the Old I.R.A., ...ing mourning arm bands, who ...ed a double guard of honour, ...members of Fianna Fail Party ...ing the hearse — the coffin ...draped with the national flag ...funeral took almost half an ...to pass a given point. It was ...largest demonstration of its ...seen in Limerick for well ...a quarter of a century.

AN TAOISEACH.

...mediately behind the relatives ...led An Taoiseach, Mr. E. de ...a; Mr. G. Boland, Minister for ...ice, and Mr. Donnchada ...hain, T.D., Parliamentary Sec...ry to An Taoiseach. Behind ...came Senator M. O'Dwyer, Mr. ...Breen, T.D.; Senator Sean ...ney and Comdt. Brennan, Aide-...mp to An Taoiseach.

...led by the Mayor (Mr. S. ...hian) the Corporation walked ...t body, accompanied by the City ...nager, Mr. M. Macken, and City ...ials.

...Prominent in the cortege were ...members of Cumann na mBan, ...ding Mrs. M. Clancy, widow of ...or Seoirse Clancy, and whose ...ege it has been to nominate ...Bourke for the Dail at success...general elections since 1927.

FROM ALL PARTS OF MUNSTER.

...t would be utterly impossible to ...a list of the general attend...s, as mourners came from ...y parts of Munster to take ...in the obsequies. Those pre...included J. J. Collins, T.D., ...rman, Limerick County ...ncil; M. J. Keyes, T.D., ex-...ister for Local Government; ...J. Reidy, T.D.; T. Crowley, ...; D. J. Madden, T.D.; Sean Mc...dy, T.D. (Cork); Dan Breen, ...; Senator Liam Hayes; M. W. ...Quire, Chairman, Limerick ...bour Board; R. G. O'Sullivan, ...Solicitor; P. J. Sheahan, ...I.A.I., Co. Architect; C. ...son, B.E., City Engineer; ...K. Thomas, Gas Engineer; ...Browne, representing the ...& G.W.U.; D. J. O'Malley, ..., City Coroner; P. E. O'Malley, ...nch Vice-Consul; A. E. Good...; Ald. G. E. Russell; J. McCor...ck, Chairman Limerick Horse ...w Society; C. C. Cregan, ...tor, "Limerick Leader"; P. J. ...ghibbon, Editor, "Limerick ...ronicle"; Lieut-Col. Murphy, ...Limerick; Chief Supt. ...reen and Supt. Colleran, repre...ting the Garda; Geo. Bennett, ...T.D.; Morgan Costelloe, City ...trict Court Registrar; P. J. ...ken, Co. Manager; T. F. Broe, ...ty Co. Manager; First Officer ...Kelly and Lieut Gough, Lime...k Fire Brigade; L. de Courcy, ...-President Limerick Chamber ...Commerce; Rev. C. P. Grey, ...D.D. representing Very Rev. R. ...Scriggott, S.D.B., Pallaskenry; J. ...Donnell, B.A., City Accountant; ...E. O'Malley, B.E.; D. G. O'Don...ue, solr.; P. G. Collins solr.; N. ...hes Co. Registrar; T. E. ...Donnell, solr.; Col. Hanrahan, ...C. Southern Command; Col. S. ...Sullivan, Aide-de-camp to the ...President; Jas. O'Keeffe, Manager, ...Limerick Steamship Co.; D. ...Brien, Manager, Harbour Board; ...F. O'Sullivan, B.E., Harbour ...gineer; Capt. C. J. Hanrahan, ...Harbour Master; Alf. O'Dwyer; J. ...Doggan; Fred Lawlor; J. J. ...dson; W. Wall.

The officiating clergy at the grave...e were—Very Rev. J. White, ...P., St. Michael's; Rev. R. O'Sul...n, C.C., Rev. M. Minihan, C.C.; ...Rev. Ed. O'Dea, C.C.; Rev. Father ...O'Sullivan, OP.; Rev. Father ...Fitzgerald, O.P., and Rev. Father ...McGuire, O.P.

THE FINAL TRIBUTES.

When the grave had been closed ...Mrs. Clancy, by whose side stood ...e widow (Mrs. Minnie Bourke) ...d the late Alderman's two sisters ...Mrs. O'Keeffe and Miss Bourke) ...d Mr. de Valera, recited, in Irish, ...decade of the Rosary.

Then, a firing party of the Old ...R.A. fired a volley over the grave ...d, the Colours were dipped in ...al salute.

Deputy Dan Breen, in a brief ...ech, recalled the record of the ...ate Deputy in the fight for Irish ...edom, and paying tribute to his ...record of service to his God and ...untry, Ald. Bourke had, he said, ...llowed in the footsteps of John ...Daly and Edward Daly, valiant ...Limerick men, whom he would now ...ain in the Great Beyond.

MARSHALLS AND PALL BEARERS

Chief marshalls of the funeral ...ere Mr. Michael Hartney and Mr. ...J. Mackey. The pall bearrs were ...Lieut Ford, Capt. T. Murphy ...d P. Sheehan and Capt. Joe ...Brien, Old I.R.A.

Mr. Frank Thompson supervised ...e funeral arrangements.

SKETCH OF HIS CAREER.

Out of the 66 years of his allotted span of life, the late Alderman Bourke had given close on 40 years in the national life of the country.

Joining the Volunteers on their ...formation in 1913, he was one of those who welcomed Padraig Pearse, Tom Clarke, Willie Pearse, the present Taoiseach, Mr. de Valera and other leaders to Limerick in 1915.

Later, during the Anglo-Irish War, as a member of the Mid-Limerick Brigade and in the ranks of Sinn Fein, he played a worthy part in the national struggle.

He remained on the Republican side during the Civil War and took part in the fighting in the South. He was arrested in 1922 and imprisoned in Kilmainham and Mountjoy. The following year he was transferred to Tintown No. 1 Internment camp at the Curragh, from which he escaped through a tunnel in April, 1923. He was later recaptured and held prisoner for a considerable time.

In 1920 he was elected a member of the Limerick Corporation in the Republican interest and was later to become one of the founder-members of Fianna Fail.

In 1927 he unsuccessfully contested the June Dail election, but three months later he was successful, receiving 5,688 first preference votes. Since then he has represented Limerick in the Dail, and, except on two occasions, headed the poll.

In June, 1936, he was elected Mayor of Limerick, and had the distinction of being the only person within a century to hold that exalted position for a period of five years.

There is scarcely a local body on which Ald. Bourke did not serve at one period or another. At the time of his death he was a member of the Harbour Board, and had in the past served on the City Vocational Education Committee and the Limerick Mental Hospital Committee.

Air Force's Touching Gesture

As the ceremonies at the graveside were drawing to a close an Army 'plane made two circuits of the cemetery. Flying over the grave it dipped its wings as a parting salute to the mortal remains of one who had played a noble part in the fight for national independence.

CITY COUNCIL'S WARM TRIBUTES

Limerick City Council held a special meeting at 10.30 o'clock yesterday morning to express regret at the death of Ald. Bourke, and to vote sympathy with his widow and relatives.

The feeling of all the members was very well expressed by **Mr. John Connery**, who said: "A man like Deputy Bourke will never again be known in Limerick. All rich or poor in the city ever had to do was to go up to Dominick Street and ask Dan Bourke to do a turn. It was done immediately, if it were in Dan's power. He is the greatest loss this city ever had or ever will have."

The vote of sympathy and the motion of the Corporation's regret were proposed by the **Mayor** (Mr. Stephen Coughlan), who presided.

"This meeting," he said, "was called urgently last night and I am delighted at the response. We didn't all agree with Dan Bourke politically, but there is one thing every member of this Council must admit: Whatever he ever did was in the best interests of Limerick City."

Ald. J. Reidy, T.D., seconding, said he was one of those who had been associated with the late Dan Bourke since the early days. "I always had the greatest respect for him," **Ald. Reidy** said. "His passing has caused widespread regret and sympathy among all sections of the community. The least we could do is to express our regret and sympathy at the passing of a man who was so long a member of this Council and who gave such excellent service."

Mr. G. E. Russell—I associate myself with the Mayor's motions. I think Dan Bourke will be remembered always as a friend of the ordinary people of Limerick, whom he served kindly and courteously and to the best of his ability for over a quarter of a century. His passing has left a gap in the public life of this city that will not be filled again. Whether we agreed or disagreed with his politics, we always found him kindly, courteous, and a good friend to all the citizens.

Mr. John Finnan—He certainly was a great friend of the citizens of Limerick.

Mr. Connery associated himself with the Council's sympathy in the terms already quoted.

Mr. Connery added: "I have been associated with Dan Bourke for the past 25 years and I haven't yet met any man anywhere worthy of replacing him."

Mr. P. J. Donnellan said he and **Ald. Reidy** were the two members longest associated in the Council with the late Ald. Bourke. "I always found him a kindly friend, always ready and willing to oblige everyone," Mr. Donnellan said. "His loss will be deplored sadly."

Mr. C. P. Keyes, N.T.—On my own behalf, and on behalf of the Labour Party, I wish to associate myself with the Corporation's sympathy with the relatives of Ald. Bourke and with the Fianna Fail Party.

Mr. Kevin O'Sullivan—Limerick has lost a wonderful character and a great friend.

Mr. P. O'Connell—Everybody respected the man, Ald. Bourke—no matter what his politics were. We in his Party feel that we have lost a leader. Not alone that but he was a leader who set a headline along which we should all wish to carve our lives. May the good earth lie lightly on him.

Mr. Sean Walsh, N.T., also associated himself with the vote of sympathy. The country generally, he said, would have cause to mourn Ald. Bourke's death. He apologised for the unavoidable absence of Ald. J. Carew.

The City Manager (Mr. M. Macken), on his own behalf and on behalf of the Corporation officials, associated himself with the vote of sympathy. All the Corporation officials always held the late Ald. Bourke in the very highest esteem.

The Mayor's motions were then passed unanimously, all the members standing.

HARBOUR BOARD TRIBUTES

More tributes were paid to the late Ald. D. Bourke, T.D., at a special meeting of the Harbour Board to-day, and which adjourned as a mark of respect.

The **Chairman** (Mr. M. W. McGuire) said:—

We are assembled with a feeling of deep regret to express our sympathy on the death of our respected colleague, Alderman Deputy Daniel Bourke, whose passing left a void in our midst which will not be readily filled.

We knew Dan Bourke as a courageous, kindly man with a genuine love for his native city, his county and his country, and who devoted his life to uplifting and advancing in so far as was in his power his fellow-citizens.

Limerick has lost a sincere champion, endowed by nature with the distinctive qualities which made him the gentleman which indeed he was.

Mr. P. Whelan said he was associated with the late Ald. Bourke in the National Movement since 1911. He was a noble-hearted gentleman, a sterling nationalist, who loved his country truly and sincerely.

Ald. J. Carew said that by the death of Ald. Dan Bourke Limerick had lost a very worthy citizen and a stout champion. He never lost an opportunity to advance the cause of Limerick, and by his passing the city is very much the poorer.

Mr. James O'Keeffe said that Ald. Bourke was every man's friend, but he was in a special way the friend of those who needed a helping hand. He was a splendid citizen, ever anxious to help his native city. His kindness of heart was proverbial, and it was a well known fact that his good qualities would not allow him say "no" to any request made to him. By his death Limerick had suffered a grevious loss.

Mr. P. E. O'Malley said that he desired to be associated with the tributes paid to the memory of Ald. Bourke, who had endeared himself to all by his many fine traits of character.

Mr. M. J. Keyes, T.D., said that Ald. Bourke was a man who could not fail to command respect because of his transparent honesty and devotion to the cause he had espoused.

Senator Martin O'Dwyer said that it was his privilege to have worked in close contact with Ald. Bourke for many years and having regard to their intimate association he was in a position to know of Ald. Bourke's many fine qualities of head and heart.

Mr. D. O'Brien, General Manager, on behalf of himself and the other officials, joined in the tributes, and said the late Alderman took a deep and practical interest in the development and expansion of the Port.

The meeting then adjourned as a mark of respect, all present standing, in silence, for two minutes.

LICENSED TRADE

At a meeting of the licensed trade in Limerick to-day a vote of sympathy was passed on the death of Ald. D. Bourke, T.D., on the proposition of the Chairman, Mr. J. Kirby, who said that the deceased had been a staunch member of the Branch.

The vote was seconded by the Mayor and passed in silence.

FINE RECORD OF CHARITABLE WORK FOR POOR

THE annual general meeting of the Ladies' Association of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul was held in St. John's Cathedral on Wednesday, April 2nd. His Lordship the Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. O'Neill, presided.

The report of the year's work and the balance sheet were read and passed.

Most of the funds of the Association were devoted to the purchase of shawls and materials, and to the distribution of weekly food tickets. During 1951 over 300 tickets for clothing issued by the St. Vincent de Paul Society were attended to by the Association.

FOOD AND GARMENTS

Over 60 food tickets varying in value from 2/- to 5/- weekly were distributed, and at Christmas 140 parcels of food were given out. Many of the garments needed to cope with the tickets for clothing are made by the members at the weekly meetings. Unfortunately, the membership of the Association is insufficient to supply all these garments and an urgent appeal was made for more active members who would be willing to assist in this very charitable work. Widows and spinsters are visited, by the members, and help is also required in this connection. An appeal was also made for cast-off clothing, which may be sent to Ozanam House.

BISHOP THANKED

His Lordship the Bishop was thanked for presiding at the meeting and for his generous subscription.

The thanks of the Association were offered to all who helped at the annual gift and jumble sale, card drive and flag day; also to all who subscribed to the funds during the year.

THE WEEKLY MEETINGS

The weekly meetings of the Association are held on Mondays at 4 p.m., at Ozanam House. These meetings will be resumed on Monday, April 28th.

Question Of Greater Commercial Relationship With The Continent

THE Irish Commercial Travellers' Federation held their annual Convention in Limerick during the Easter week-end. Delegates attended from all parts of Ireland and at the annual reunion dinner in Cruise's Hotel on Saturday night covers were laid for one hundred.

In his Presidential address to the Convention, Mr. T. P. Murray (Dublin) referred to the progress of the organisation, which in their three principal branches, Dublin, Cork and Limerick, had been fully maintained in an extremely difficult year. The new Sligo Branch was doing very nicely, and the increasing number of applications from travellers in the Six Counties gave every reason to hope that one day their activities might extend to the North.

In regard to car insurance he spoke of the extraordinary position of the commercial traveller, who not only had to pay 50 per cent. more than the private motorist but was now called upon to face an increase of 25 per cent. on the existing rates. The case they had presented to the Prices Advisory Board showed clearly that the inclusion of the commercial traveller under class 3 was an unnecessary and iniquitous practice; they would resist to the utmost any further imposition.

Dealing with the present economic position, the President said:—"We must not lose sight of the important part our agricultural exports play in helping to improve the balance of payments position. In a world that is hungry for food of all kinds we have an unlimited market. With the flight from the land, and with the increasing population all over the world, food will be underproduced for many years to come.

POTENTIAL FOR IMMENSE FOOD PRODUCTION.

"We in this country have the potential for immense food production, and our exportable surplus would give us an excellent bargaining lever. Over-industialisation at the expense of agriculture is not good business. The picture of our national finances," continued the President, "as presented from public platforms is one of gloom. It is not unlike one of those modernistic paintings in which the painter is daubed on in a bewilderment of lines and figures, and of which we are told that it contains a representation or reality of something or other.

"The fact that emerges from all this welter of talk, reports and abstractions is that when the button was pressed on the war effort, following the threat in Korea, the business men of this country were told to stockpile at a time when they were more concerned with getting rid of the substantial stocks that were lying around. But the war clouds remained stationary over the far East and in a short time we found ourselves loaded with an enormous amount of goods. The freely-circulating money of the time went to the purchase of these goods and of course the banks are short of the money. If we can put the goods into circulation the problem solves itself, because the money will flow back to the banks, who in turn will begin to lend it out to other fields of industry and commerce where it is badly needed.

"How can we do this? Not, we suggest, by the employment of another imported efficiency and statistical bureau, as has been mooted. There are too many well-intentioned people telling others how to run their business. One such organisation has taken to itself the task of predicting every detail of the estimated agricultural production of the European countries for the year 1956. We have been told that the survey has been worked out with consummate skill; that it is a masterpiece of the architecture of analysis. And yet, what can we say of a work that proposes to read the mind of God?

"Is it a cause for panic that we should be carrying an abundance of good stocks, when so many other countries are crying out for goods of all kinds at any price?

QUESTION OF TRADE WITH THE CONTINENT.

"If we could develop a closer commercial relationship between this country and the continent there would follow a much more effective interchange of views and decisions on any accumulations of stocks that might arise from time to time, and indeed on other matters. For it is a job for the business man. He is the man best qualified to deal with the situation as he finds it.

"In this organisation we have a number of extremely competent young men who would welcome the chance of carrying the story of Irish goods and Irish products beyond the confines of the home market. We should depend more on our own effort, our own initiative and enterprise and less upon the whims and fancies of intermediate agencies and jobbing houses who, while appointed to act for us, very often find it an advantage to sell against us.

"It would help, too, if the excellent idea of the extra rural, social and economic studies promoted by our universities, in which we have enrolled a number of our members, could be extended to include a grind in languages sufficient to equip the young Irish traveller in his commercial campaign on the continent. Could we not borrow something from the missionary zeal of other gifted young Irishmen who have preferred to labour for the things of the spirit?"

All the outgoing officers were re-elected unanimously.

ANNUAL DINNER

Mr. C. D. Murphy, Chairman, Limerick Branch, presided, and proposed the toast of the Republic of Ireland.

In the course of his speech, he extended a cordial welcome to the guests, delegates and their friends, and said that the continued progress of the organisation was a tribute to their officers and executive acommittee.

The toast of the Federation was proposed by Mr. J. Colivet (Limerick), who spoke of the many problems affecting commercial travellers that had been dealt with by the Federation. Without their organisation they would find themselves at a great disadvantage in a variety of ways.

Mr. W. Noonan (Cork), Vice-President, responding, said that the Federation had now extended to the thirty-two counties.

Mr. P. J. Traynor, Vice-Chairman, Limerick Branch, proposed the toast of the guests, and Mr. P. Bradley, Hon. Secretary, responded.

Mr. Seamus Gubbins (Limerick) proposed the toast of the Press, and Mr. J. J. Mulqueen responded.

A very pleasant evening followed. The entertainment included a film show as well as a number of vocal items.

INCREASED ENTRIES IN ALL SECTIONS OF FEILE LUIMNIGHE

FROM Tullamore to Cobh are scattered the dramatic groups who are entered for this year's drama section of Feile Luimnighe.

Twenty-six groups altogether have entered, and if the standard of their performances is anything like that of the first group to compete on Sunday night last—The Limerick Poetry Circle in a Christopher Fry play—the judge, Dr. Lennox Robinson, will have a hard task when the fortnight's programme is over.

The seventh Feile was opened officially on Sunday night by Mr. P. J. Meghan, Co. Manager, who is Chairman of the Feile Executive.

Also on the platform with him were Dr. Robinson, Mrs. K. O'Callaghan and Co. Librarian D. Doyle.

GROWN WITH AGE.

Mr. Meghen said he was delighted to be able to tell those present that the Feile had grown with age. "We are now getting more and more support in our efforts," he said. "We are glad to be able to say that every section of the Feile shows increased entries this year. For the past few years we have been getting along so well that it didn't seem likely we could do any better; actually we can say that this year we have far more interest in every section than we have ever had before."

He said that in the drama section they had a full and varied fortnight's programme which would provide fare for all tastes. Companies as far away as Tullamore, Tramore, Cobh, Ballybunion, Thurles had entered.

"And I am very glad to see so many groups from Limerick entered," Mr. Meghen went on. "I am particularly pleased myself to see the interest displayed in the Faile by groups from Co. Limerick—from Abbeyfeale to Cappamore."

The Co. Manager said the Feile had always tried to maintain a high standard in all the competitions. With that end in view they consistently had secured the services of first-class adjudicators. This year they could feel very safe in the drama section, having been fortunate enough to have secured the services of Dr. Robinson.

PLEASANT RECOLLECTIONS

Dr. Robinson said he was not quite a stranger to the City of Limerick. Of course, he knew West Limerick very well, having lived and worked there for many years. He had always had very pleasant recollections of Limerick and hoped this would continue even after he had done the fortnight's work of judging.

"I shall certainly make five friends—those to whom I award the five cups," he said amid laughter. "But I'll probably make hundreds of enemies. I don't know why I do these festivals at all because it is quite a task. One has to be very careful."

The Co. Manager then formally declared the Feile open.

The Poetry Circle started the ball rolling with an excellent performance of Christopher Fry's "The Lady is not for Burning." Outstanding in a good cast was Kitty Bredin in the title role.

CASE DISMISSED WITH COSTS

Justice C. S. Kenny, at Abbeyfeale Court on Wednesday, 9th inst., gave his decision in the adjourned case in which Mrs. Bridget Broderick, Upper Athea, brought a summons for maintenance against her husband, Patrick Broderick, whose address was given as Lacka East, Kilmorna, Co. Kerry.

Evidence had been heard at the previous sitting, when plaintiff alleged that defendant had left herself and her two children, and that he was not contributing to their support.

Defendant had contended that he had to leave the house because of the attitude of his father-in-law, and that his wife refused to come to another home which he had offered to provide.

The Justice, in giving his decision dismissed the proceedings with costs.

NEWCASTLE WEST SCHEMES

Operations are now nearing completion on the Newcastle West water and sewerage extension scheme, which has been in progress for the past two years. The scheme, which is a very extensive one, provides for the extension of the town services to Knockane Cottages, Cullinagh, the Old Pike and Rathina, as well as a number of intermediate centres. Considerable rock obstruction was encountered in South Quay and Cullinagh, where the contractors, Messrs. Paul, of Dublin, were obliged to carry out extensive blasting operations. The scheme is being carried out under the supervision of Mr. William O'Gorman, B.E., resident engineer.

NEVER MISSED DAY IN FOUR YEARS

Nine years old Carmel McNally, daughter of Mrs. Bridget McNally, Glin, started going to school four years ago and has never missed a day since.

DRINK SALES IN LIMERICK DOWN BY A FOURTH

ONE hundred and fifty publicans from Dublin, Cork, Waterford, Galway, Kerry, Clare, Tipperary and Limerick met in Cruise's Hotel, Limerick, this afternoon to protest against Budget impositions on spirits and other liquors.

Mr. John Kirby, Chairman, Limerick Branch, presided. He said that in the past week sales in Limerick had fallen by 25 per cent., while, at the same time, valuations on properties had been increased, inflicting a crippling burden on the licensees.

The Mayor of Limerick (Mr. S. Coughlan) repeated the call he made at the Cork meeting last week—"Close down your premises for a day and decorate your doors with crepe in mourning for a mournful Budget." They would have to take strong action to protect themselves from harsh and injurious tax impositions.

Mr. E. Cassidy (Dublin) expressed the hope that every Branch of the Association would be represented at the national meeting fixed for Dublin on the 1st May. "Politics have torn us asunder in our trade," he said. "Let us get together and fight collectively for our rights."

Mr. M. Cassidy (Cork) said that the Budget had ruined one of the country's oldest industries. In Cork a big number of barmen were under notice. What the general effect on all branches of the trade would be could easily be imagined.

Mr. C. E. Reddan (Dublin) said that Limerick would be one of the centres to be hit most seriously by the Budget, as 95 per cent. of the stout sold was draught, the profit on which was much less than for bottled stout. The traders were concerned solely with economic factors and not with political issues.

(Proceeding).

Limerick's Easter Week Parade

Limerick paid its fitting tribute to the memory of Ireland's patriotic dead who had zealously served her in the darkest days of her existence, when on Sunday last one of the largest—if not the largest Easter Week Commemoration Processions took place to the Republican Plot in Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. Veterans of the 1916 Rising and of the War of Independence, wearing their service medals, led the procession, while members of the Fianna Eireann, the Limerick Corporation, ex-Servicemen, the voluntary organisations, the Catholic Boy Scouts and the general public also marched.

The procession was made impressive by the attendance of five city bands, which played solemn dead marches as they approached the cemetery.

At the graveside Rev. Dr. Fitzgerald, St. Munchin's College, delivered a stirring oration in Irish and he also recited a decade of the Rosary.

Laurel wreaths were laid on a firing party of the Old I.R.A. provided military honours, and the Last Post was sounded.

The procession started from Henry Street and the smooth manner in which it moved off on the arranged route was evidence of good organisation.

"IKE" HAS IMPRESSIVE VICTORY

General Eisenhower secured an impressive victory over Senator Taft to-day in the New Jersey Primary (says I.N.A.). With more than four-fifths of the districts reporting, he got more than 60 per cent. of the top ballots.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF LIMERICK

The raffle was held in the Club Rooms last Saturday night (winning ticket number published in advertising section). It was a complete success and the Club benefited handsomely from the proceeds. The committee wish to thank all those who purchased and sold the tickets. Grateful thanks is also due to Messrs. Zeiss, Kodak, Ilford for presenting the prizes.

An outing is planned for next Sunday from the usual venue at 2.30 (S.T.). Those intending going on the outing please communicate with the Hon. Sec., so as to arrange seating. A competition will be held on pictures taken on this outing.

Rev. J. Hobson, Fermoy, will give the Society a lantern lecture entitled "Ireland In Pictures" some Wednesday night in the near future. Rev. Hobson is a very advanced photographer from the Cork Camera Club and specialises in bromoil processing. It will be a very interesting lecture.

HAD NO MERCHANDISE LICENCE.

At Kilrush Court yesterday, Kevin Downes, motor lorry owner, Blackweir, Kilkee, was fined £10 for unlawful carriage of horses and donkeys for reward at Kilmihill, Co. Clare, on the 22nd February, without being the holder of a merchandise licence.

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