

Kemmy to set aside part of salary for Famine memorial

THE erection of a memorial stone to the Famine victims buried at Watch House Cross is to be one of Mayor Kemmy's projects during the next year.

After his election, Mayor Kemmy revealed that he intends using part of his mayoral salary to ensure that such a stone is erected.

He also intends to publish a special edition of the Old Limerick Journal on the

subject.

In a wide ranging address in which he renewed his call for a boundary extension, he revealed that his party intends to propose that John and Gertrude Hunt are honoured "in a more tangible way in the year ahead".

"My party and I intend to initiate such a move at an early date," he said.

The Mayor, in reply to calls from Cllr

Joe Harrington, promised his support for the Southill action plan.

He disclosed that Ald Sean Griffin, current chairman of the housing committee, will stand aside in favour of Cllr Harrington when the implementation of the plan comes up for discussion.

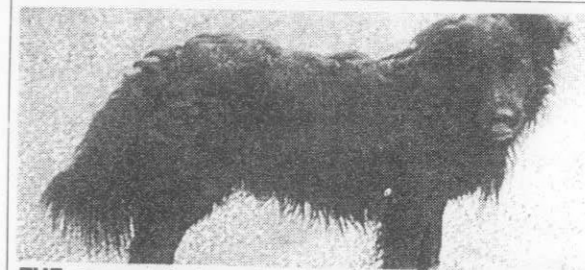
"We will do that gladly. We will do everything we can to support Southill," he

said.

On the boundary extension, Mayor Kemmy claimed that the main factor hindering the development of the city and its finances is the "failure by successive Governments to grant a boundary extension".

Despite the fact that the city has grown rapidly over the past four decades, it has, he said, been denied a boundary extension.

"There is no just nor logical reason for this denial," he claimed.



THE owner of sheepdog, Midge, appealed this week for the dog's safe return home at Inch St Lawrence, Ballyneety. Midge has been missing since June 22. There is a reward for his return. Any one with information on Midge's whereabouts can phone 061-351284

All sides praise Mayor Sadlier

MEMBERS of City Council from all sides of the House paid tribute to outgoing Mayor, Cllr Dick Sadlier.

His party colleague, Cllr Kieran O'Hanlon, said it amazed him the number of deputations, receptions, and education and sporting events Cllr Sadlier attended during the year.

And, he said, Cllr Sadlier had invited all members of Council to act as deputy mayors, a tradition, he claimed was not adhered to in the past.

Cllr Sadlier, he said, also had his difficulties during the year which

included taking no less a person than a Minister for Education to the High Court.

"I'm delighted you won that case for your own sake and for the sake of democracy," he said.

One of Cllr Sadlier's traits, he said, is his "meticulous research," which, he claimed, is very obvious in his

speeches.

"That was a hallmark of your success," he stated.

Ald Jim Kemmy referred to the three newly-appointed Freemen of the City, who, he claimed, received the support of his party even though they are not supporters.

Although the Labour Party is the largest party on the Council, with six

members, Ald Kemmy said: "We do not do a dog in the manger. We were pleased to recognise the contribution of the three men, and would not be bitter or petty towards any of the three."

"When we nominate people in the future I hope there will be the same spirit of goodwill," he added.

Cllr Gus O'Driscoll

said his party endorsed the contribution made during the past year by Cllr Sadlier, even though the party were not present at his election "for obvious reasons".

He described Cllr Sadlier as a "great ambassador" for the city, and one who worked with enthusiasm for its future development.

He also described Cllr Sadlier "as very fair" to everybody at meetings, and looked forward to him holding the office in the future.

Cllr Jack Bourke said he was not as surprised as others than Cllr Sadlier has been such a successful Mayor.

"I remember him as a hard working member of Fianna Fail, where he got a good grounding," he declared.

There was no doubt, he added, but Cllr Sadlier had represented the city with dignity, panache and no little style.

Cllr John Ryan, on behalf of the Independent members, in his tribute said the words "fair" and "courtesy" best described Cllr Sadlier.



Carmel Kemmy, Rosbrien, Michael Mulcahy, St Laurence Park, Margaret O'Donoghue, O'Malley Park, and Bob Kelly, Moyross, at the election. (LL)

Mid West doctors bottom of GMS earners

THE Mid Western is bottom of the league when it comes to doctors making money treating medical card patients, a report revealed this week.

Only seven GPs in the region earned more than £100,000 last year on the GMS scheme.

In contrast, 24 doctors in the North West region earned over £100,000.

The report, compiled by the GMS Board, which pays out the fees, show that doctors in the scheme earned an average of £54,000 each.

The breakdown of figures shows that six doctors in this region earned between £90,001 and £100,000, while two doctors earned between £100,001 and £110,000. Two doctors earned between £110,001 and £120,000, and three earned between £120,001 and £130,000, while none earned higher.

Unlike solicitors on the free legal aid scheme, doctors on the GMS scheme are not named in the annual report.

The income to doctors from the scheme covers a range of payments. Apart from direct fees for treating patients, they are entitled to reimbursement for annual leave, study leave, the employment of nurses and secretaries, as well as developing their surgeries.

The overall cost of the GMS, which also includes payments to pharmacists, the cost of drugs, and the long-term illness scheme.

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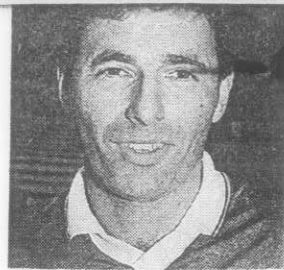
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Mike Nash

Vertigo strikes Limerick hurler

By JOHN O'SHAUGHNESSY

THE Limerick hurling management are concerned about full-back Mike Nash for Sunday's Munster championship showdown against Clare.

The South Liberties man is suffering from vertigo and was unable to participate in Tuesday's training session.

Said county board treasurer Michael Fitzgerald: "It is a 50-50 situation with Mike at the moment. He is unable to keep his balance but, hopefully, the problem will be corrected before the match."

There has been a late rush on tickets in both Limerick and Clare where, according to sources, it had been difficult to whip up interest earlier in the week.

All stand tickets have been sold, but there is still a generous supply of terrace tickets available.

"We are now in an age when people want to be guaranteed stand seats—when we told potential customers that they could have terrace tickets instead, they

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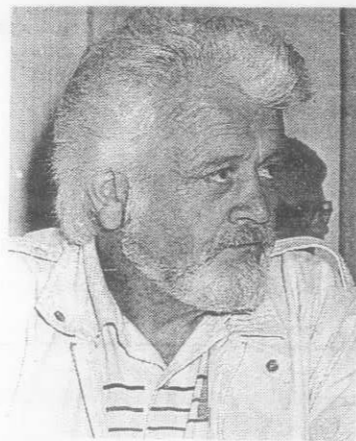
Mayoral mystery deepens

DYMPHNA BRACKEN

THE MYSTERY surrounding Alderman Sean Griffin's shock decision to decline the Labour Party's nomination for the Mayoralty of Limerick deepened this week with his disappearance from public view.

He was not available for interview at his home at Hyde Road, Prospect, where he lives with his wife, Margaret, and daughter, Marie.

The Limerick Leader was told on three occasions that he was



Whereabouts unknown: Ald Griffin. (LL)

not at home. It was stated that he was "away" and would "be back at the weekend."

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It is understood that he is not away on City Council business.

Meanwhile, his party colleagues maintained a tight-lipped silence.

They refused to comment on the position apart from saying that Ald Griffin, 55, declined the nomination "for his own personal reasons" and that there was no pressure put on him to do so by the party.

Ald Griffin, nominated by his party colleagues on the Council over a month ago to contest the Mayoral election, dramatically withdrew his name one hour before the vote on Monday night, following a meeting of the Labour members of the Council.

The nomination was later



Finola Penny, daughter of Catherine and Sean Penny, Glenview Gardens, Farranshone, Limerick and Roger Lee, son of Lillian and Signey Lee, Mt. Merrion, Dublin, who married in Adare. Finola is an Aer Lingus hostess and Roger is a pilot with the airline.

We like our Drs and nurses

By EUGENE PHELAN

PATIENTS questioned in a survey have passed a massive vote of confidence in doctors and nurses at Limerick hospitals.

And the same survey shows that, whatever about problems with their health, half of the patients at Limerick Regional Hospital certainly have no problems with their appetites.

Half felt that portions of food were too small. And about 40% disagreed or strongly disagreed that the food was tasty.

And problems with cold lunches—not getting what patients ordered, presentation and taste of food and its variety—were also highlighted in the 72-page report compiled by the Mid-Western Health Board in an effort to improve quality of service in hospitals in the region.

In the Regional Maternity, catering also came in for criticism, with 63% agreeing that portions were too small.

But Ian Carter, general manager, general hospitals programme, says that he is delighted with the overall results which show very high satisfaction ratings particularly with the nursing staff, doctors and most importantly of all the treatment being given.

Overall, 58% of respondents declared themselves

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Comfortable in hospital

A MOTOR-cyclist suffered minor injuries after an accident in Southill on Thursday morning.

He came off his motorcycle on the Kileely Road at 6.40am. When an ambulance arrived, the man was conscious and uninjured, but in shock, which aggravated an asthma condition. He was taken to Limerick Regional Hospital, where he is in "comfortable" condition.

Handbag incident

Kathy finds gem

The bishop's ring

By EUGENE PHELAN

IT was confirmed this Friday that another major valuable find has been unearthed in King John's Castle—a 12th century bishop's gold ring.

Dating from 1235 to 1250, the ring was found by 19-year-old Kathy Canavan of Highfield, Ennis Road, who is one of a team of FAS trainees working on the archaeological excava-



Classified as a "stirrup" ring—because of the shape of its hoop—the expansion in the hoop, the bezel, is set with a small uncut sapphire.

This type of ring was made from the late 12th century up to the early 14th century. It is considered to be an ecclesiastical ring, usually associated with bishops.

It is very possible that this one was worn by a bishop, but less expensive versions of the stirrup ring, in bronze and pewter with imitation gemstones, were

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