

Coughlan, T.D. The men, all porters, are looking for a five-day week and have served strike notice to take effect as and from next Saturday night.

A further conference is being held this afternoon.

The women within the union have a duty to themselves and to the community to accept their responsibilities, so that our generation can help to make life more tolerable and more happy for all the children of the nation."

Limerickman's son killed in Vietnam

THE 29-year-old son of a Limerick man was killed in fighting in Vietnam last week, because he volunteered to stay with his soldiers when he could have been appointed to a desk job.

Captain Christopher J. O'Sullivan was the only son of Mr. Willie O'Sullivan, who was well-known in St. Mary's Parish before he emigrated to America 30 years ago.

A short time before Capt. O'Sullivan died he wrote to his two sons, Michael (4) and Stephen (3): "I cannot protect you from all the hurts of the world, but I can try to protect you from one of its major dangers

"And that, my sons, is why, though we are thousands of miles apart, yet you are still before my eyes, and I must try to protect you from this war."

He was killed in fighting 65 miles south of Da Nang air base.

The Captain was sent to South Vietnam last September. He had completed his six-month tour of duty in the front lines, and was to have been assigned a staff position in the rear last April.

"He had been scheduled to go on desk duty, but he volunteered to stay at his post," said his wife, Eleanor O'Sullivan.

"Chris wrote to me that he felt his place was with the 'little soldiers,' as he called the Vietnamese. He was 6 ft., 2 ins., and the soldiers he fought beside were quite short."

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She said that several weeks ago, Capt. O'Sullivan, weakened by dysentery and malaria, dropped from 180 to 156 pounds.

"But Chris thought he could accomplish more than a new man, so he stayed on."

His father said: "He was over there to help the Vietnamese, and that was what he wanted to do."

Capt. O'Sullivan was a 1958 graduate of Fordham, where he earned a Regular Army commission in the Reserve Officers Training Corps. Before leaving

for Vietnam as a volunteer last September, he headed the non-commissioned officers school at Fort Dix, N.J.

Earlier, he received airborne and Ranger training in the crack Special Forces troops.

Captain O'Sullivan was due back to the States next month.

He is survived by his mother and two sisters in New York.

The dead man's father, Mr. Willie O'Sullivan, aged 56, has retired from the police force and is now employed as an insurance inspector in an Atomic Energy plant.

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He was associated with many activities of St. Mary's Parish, when he lived in Nicholas St., and has only been back to Limerick once, seven years ago, since he went to America.

Captain O'Sullivan has four uncles and two aunts in New York — Messrs. Gerard, John, Joseph and Christy O'Sullivan, Mrs. Dineen and Mrs. Mary Sheehan.

He is also survived by an uncle and aunt in Limerick. They are Mr. George O'Sullivan, newsagent, Nichols Street, and Mrs. Delia Sheehan, Nicholas Street.

Mr. George O'Sullivan told a "Limerick Leader" reporter that the news had come as a terrible shock. "He was my brother's only son and they were looking forward to his homecoming. It is tragic that such a young life and such a brilliant career should be ended."

Capt. Christopher O'Sullivan will be buried in Arlington Cemetery.