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The "Mayor" will be named in the Coach Inn on December 6th. Some of the proceeds from the event will go to a charity chosen by the successful candidate.

"She has more than an even chance... and has a lot of the men worried", declared one of the organisers of the election, Mr. John Lyons, who is treasurer of the local soccer club.

Publican

The only female candidate is publican, Mrs. Peg Slattery.

The five contestants get votes by selling lines, and already it is estimated that £3,000 has been collected.

The soccer club hope to raise over £5,000 from the event with the majority proceeds hopefully going towards the purchase of a new grounds for the club.

The four men in the competition are also understood to be receiving plenty of support as they are well known in the area.

One of these is Mr. Michael O'Rourke, shopkeeper and postmaster, who used to be a noted horseman.

Also taking part are Mr. David Quilty and Mr. John O'Mahoney, founder members of the soccer club. A second publican seeking the title is Mr. Bob Green, owner of the Dromore Inn, (formerly "The Beer Garden").

Sympathy

Limerick County Council last week passed a vote of sympathy with Mr. Cormac Liddy, Sports Editor, Limerick Leader, on the death of his wife, Mrs. Garry Liddy.

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Society pays tribute to Hunt

BY A SPECIAL
CORRESPONDENT

THOMOND Archaeological Society this week paid tribute to the late John Hunt when a memorial Journal "Studia in Memoriam John Hunt", was presented to his widow, Mrs. Gertrude Hunt at NIHE where the Hunt Collection is on display. Mrs. Mary Geary, President of the Society said the Journal gave them an opportunity to acknowledge the Thomond region's debt to John Hunt.

She added: "On behalf of the members, I would like to thank the Editor and the contributors. Thanks to-day are also due to Mrs. Marie Condon and the organising committee and to Mr. Christopher Lynch and Dr. Ed. Walsh for this pleasant evening. I know that for us all it is a great privilege to make this evening an occasion to honour Mrs. Hunt and her late husband.

"The achievements of John Hunt have been outlined by Etienne Rynne and Paddy Doran in the Journal and so I will speak briefly on John Hunt's association with this Society. He was a committee member of the Society from 1943 and vice-president from 1965. Shortly after I first joined the Society, I was taken by John Hunt and Monsignor Moloney to visit Bunratty. As we made our way over the high grass, nettles and briars to the castle, they talked of the plan to restore and furnish it. As early as 1958, he talked of furnishing the nineteenth century house at

Bunratty and that dream is being fulfilled this year. I recall many other happy outings to Peccaun, to Tuamgraney, and to other sites, and it was these early expeditions which developed my understanding of the great heritage of this region.

With Lough Gur, Kilmallock, Askeaton and Adare, to name a few on the south bank, and the Burren, Inis Cealtra, Killaloe, Quin, Bunratty and Craggaunowen on the north, the list of important sites is endless. And in between, the great focal point is Limerick itself, with examples of nearly every century since the city's foundation—from Old Church, and the mediaeval city with its walls of the Sieges, right up to the Georgian Newtown and the red brick Victorian and Edwardian houses. Through his eyes we became aware that this is an extraordinary region which could become one of the major tourist centres of Europe.

"John Hunt last spoke to the Society ten years ago when he talked on the O'Dea Mitre and Crozier, for whose restoration he had been responsible. On that occasion, he also visited the Watergate site. How excited he would have been to see the excavation there just completed last week.

"He has lasting memorials in this region in the Craggaunowen development and in the Hunt Collection here in Plassey. This Memorial Journal will take its place with these to ensure that his contribution will not be forgotten.

"It gives me great pleasure to present to Mrs. Hunt on your behalf this specially bound copy of "Studia in Memoriam John Hunt".



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ONLY 41 EXPORTERS OUT OF 340 FIRMS

BY DYMPHNA BRACKEN

A RECENT survey of 340 manufacturing companies in the Mid-West region revealed that only 41 of them were exporters, said Mr. Eddie Collins, Minister of State at the Department of Industry and Energy.

But he added: "Irish manufacturers have reacted very positively to purchasing Irish-made industrial components as can be seen in the fact that in the three years to 1980 the Irish Goods Council obtained new industrial business worth

The formation of the institute was undoubtedly a very important step forward in the development of professional purchasing in Ireland.

"I know that the institute, formed ten years this year, is very much concerned with training and educating for management and this indeed is an excellent example of positive action which cannot but benefit Irish Industry," stated the Minister.

"The importance of the role of purchasing personnel cannot be too strongly emphasised.

"We recognise that the purchasing manager has a major share of responsibility for his company's

