Limerick may have a Cheshire home

A LIMERICK Committee of the Irish Cheshire Homes has recently been formed, and it is hoped that a home will be opened in this district as soon as possible.

In common with the other Cheshire Homes all over the world, it will care for the irreparable homeless sick of either sex, those for whom hospitals can do nothing further and who have nowhere else to go.

They are run as homes, rather than hospitals, and it is their aim and scope to give freedom of expression to the differences in personality, background and capabilities, thus helping the patients to make their contribution to society.

Cheshire Homes had their origin in 1848 when Gertrude, Countess of Cheshire, and her husband, the 6th Earl of Cheshire, established the Cheshire Home for Children, now known as the Cheshire Home for the Blind, in Chester. The Cheshire Home for the Blind is one of the oldest and largest in the world, and its facilities extend to include rehabilitation for the physically disabled.

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Apart from the staff necessary to run the Homes, it is purely voluntary. Recently, when the Chairmanship of the Limerick Committee, Miss Winifred Harrington, visited Ardeen, she found that the farmers of the Sloughbock had helped the Home by providing "the boy's" and "the girl's" food and vegetables.

When the houses are purchased, the residents are given the opportunity to choose their own homes, according to their capabilities.

MEMORIES OF ROGER CASEMENT

THERE are many in Limerick who have personal recollections of Roger Casement. The great patriot came here in late 1913 to initiate the Volunteer Movement. One of these was Councillor Frank Glasgow, a small boy 11 at the time, but even now, after a lapse of over half a century, he has a clear memory of Casement's impressive figure and powerful personality.

Carmen, among the prominent workers in the language movement at that time was Sarah Mcmahon, N.T.: Sarsenagh, Colm Dunne, Liomán O'Sullivan, and E. B. Duggan, and after them came Seamus Óg Connolly, Broneev Clancy and many others.

Frank won the Geistlach scholarship to study in the Bellegraye Irish College and, a number of years later, was elected to the national parliament, the Dáil Eireann.

In 1955, a record number of Irish speakers were elected to the Council, and with Frank Glasgow, Jack Danaher, Padraic Mulcahy and Christy Ryan.

FRANK GLASGOW

Frank Glasgow became a member of Fianna Éireann in 1913 and over the past half century the language movement has been ardently advocated by Sean Hennessy, who, incidentally, was a close friend of Roger Casement's. He, along with many others, was invited to Limerick for Casement's visit in 1913.