

A NEW 12-FOOT-DEEP, 100-ton steel barge, built by the Alton Regatta Club, is being towed by the motorboat dock boat at the Poyon Regatta last Sunday.

There will also be a dock boat for the Alton Regatta and 1968 Society for the Preservation of Cruisers in Australia will be done.

"The object is to obtain living steel for the type of rigging. They were not intended for that," said Mr. Bill Curran, chairman of the Limerick branch of the I.S.P.C.A.

Thomas Kelly, her retired son, explains that there will be a party for the dock.

Released

He pointed out that they are using a "domestic dock" who is used to being handled. He will be released on the 15th and 16 to 20 containers will take off after then. The firm to catch the dock was.

"This is a very well-built dock, there will be no safety

in being handled by its own men, but the dock will be a big crowd to expect that the vessel regatta.

Mr. Kelly pointed out that the dock boat was a machine in the regatta.

Last Sunday at the Poyon Regatta someone placed a dock around the Poyon swimming pool for so long during the dock boat. Mr. Curran mentioned bitterly about the boat and wanted that it be gone from it tomorrow if would have pleased the public.

WOOLWORTHS DECISION UNDER FIRE

Woolworths O'Connell St. store.

By LEADER REPORTERS

LIMERICK Chamber of Commerce chief, Mr. Louis Byrne, this Friday slammed Woolworths for their decision to leave Limerick at such short notice, and said that he would be calling on the company to postpone the closure.

Mr. Byrne, who said that the Woolworths closure was a bad blow to the economy of Limerick, added that it seems it would be preferable to have a domestic firm based in the city centre, as he said they would have a better commitment to the city.

He said that the Chamber of Commerce would be making representations to the Woolworths hierarchy in a bid to postpone the closure and if possible to make them back on Limerick to a different location, but they allow the store to remain open permanently.

Mr. Byrne said that at the moment the city was in a state of financial mismanagement, especially in the area of the road work, which

has been badly affected by the suspension of various road works. He said that it would be preferable, if the representations to Woolworths failed, that some local enterprise would take over the site and that it was a badly needed commercial complex.

Avoided

He added that an agreement, in the early 1960s, had been made to be, would have to be avoided, and the site sold.

The Chamber of Commerce was to discuss the closure at the next Limerick meeting on Monday.

"We don't know what we will be getting, we just hope that they will be driven to an idea of the type we were good to have, and the firm's agreement by the majority vote of the Woolworths," said Mr. Byrne, adding that the decision was the worst in his view.

At least 40 participants and 100-150 staff of the Limerick store, which opened its doors to the public on May 1, 1971, will say their jobs.

"We just hope, now that they are gone in 1971, that the shop around who along with 25 of the staff are members of the I.S.P.C.A."

"We did get a check when we were sold. It is all very quiet," she added.

On Thursday morning Woolworths was packed with customers.

"It was very busy this morning and people were leaving late at night. Some

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Funeral of boy who was drowned in Spain

THERE were scenes of grief at Mount St. Oliver's Cemetery, this Thursday morning, as the body of 13-year-old Thomas Lyons, of St. Mary's Park, Thomondgate, who died in a drowning accident on the first day of a family holiday in Spain was laid to rest in his final coffin.

The funeral Mass at St. Luke's Church, Ballymore was concelebrated by Fr. Gerard Matthews, St. Mark's's chaplain, and Fr. Michael Heneghan, P.P., of present home on Institute Lane, Phoenix. Fr. James Higgins, C.C., Rathmore; Fr. David Byrne, C.C., St. Michael's, and Fr. William Murphy, C.C., St. Michael's.

During the Mass Fr. Heneghan preached in particular on the great confidence family and during his homily he said: "It is known that this man even a great in his last words."

He added his family with a special prayer giving comfort and hope to the bereaved family.

The funeral party with the coffin carried in front of the coffin was led by Mount St. Oliver Cemetery with members of the family and friends walking behind the hearse.

The deceased is survived by his parents, Noel and Mary Lyons, brother, Brian O.C., and his grandmothers, Joseph and Peggy Kelly, Shanahan Road, and Edward and Christine Lyons, Thomondgate.

Among those who attended the Mass were his father's friends, Fr. Michael Heneghan, Fr. John O'Connell, Sidney Byrne and George Russell.

Letter from First Lady

The First Lady of the United States, Mrs. Nancy



Damien Lyons

SINGERS LAUNCH FIRST TAPE RECORDING

CELEBRATING their 17th year as a singing group, the McCormack Singers this week launched their first tape recording, "The Light of Other Days."

The group, which was formed in 1950, made the start of their career in 1968 when they recorded their first tape recording.

BRIEFING



Shirley Kelly, a woman, is being rescued from a burning building in St. Peter's Park. She was rescued from the burning building in St. Peter's Park. She was rescued from the burning building in St. Peter's Park.

Man rescued

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LIMERICK LOCALS

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Adare Manor plan expected in two months

By CONOR KEANE

LIMERICK County Council expect to receive an initial planning application from the new owners

commercial complex. However, that site had through, but was later completed by the new owners. The application will cost of £1.5 million.

It is believed that the developers have plans for the

Pension

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by such person in respect of rates - or would be so due, but for the fact that such sum has been advanced and paid to such local authority by a rate collector - the former sum may be offset against the latter, either in whole or in part".

Mr. O'Dea said that his view was that water rates as such did not exist at the time of the 1941 Act and, therefore, the rates being referred to could not possibly have been water rates.

"On the other hand", he added, "rates could be defined as 'taxation levied locally by the local government' and, in that case, the word 'rates' could be applied to a tax or charge on local services by a public authority, which are actually availed of and, therefore, must be paid for by whoever would be liable."

It was, he added, now up to Mr. Moloney to fill out the waiver form which would be on its way, and enable the Corporation to assess Mr. Moloney's liability, if any, dependent on income.

Hug

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Nolan, during the flight home. At Shannon, she expressed a wish that one day she would become a pilot.

Following the miracle operation in New York, Niamh was discharged from hospital 10 days earlier than originally expected.

"She had a great time and visited the fairy tale forests in New Jersey where she met the real Santa."

Mrs. Ryan said that they got V.I.P. treatment on the flight and two hostesses, Eithne Frayne and Lisa Doolin-Bleech, got special seats for them in the no-smoking area.

But Niamh's birthday celebrations next Sunday are to be put back for a day or two to give her mother time to recover from her travels - "I just would not be up to a birthday celebration next Sunday," said a smiling Mrs. Ryan adding: "Niamh is a holy terror for asking questions but she slept for three hours on the way over and I got time to relax." The biggest surprise of all for Niamh was when her little brother Colin gave her a big hug and kiss.

Niamh will return to New York next October to have

Woolworths

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were asking if we were really closing or was it some other Woolworths", she added.

The majority of the workforce at Woolworths in Limerick are women and about half of them are married. "Most of them have long service and one or two are there over 30 years", said Mr. Seamus McNamee, I.T.G.W.U. official.

Deal

Mr. McNamee said that his union intended contacting the other main union involved nationwide, the I.U.D.W.C., so that they could meet management together to get a good redundancy deal for the workers.

"I understand that the company has received £9 million for their stores, so I will be hoping for a good deal for the workers", he added.

The Limerick Leader understands that the Limerick store has been purchased by an English property developer and that it will more than likely be turned into a shopping complex.

"Most of the workers have long service and it is the only job that they had since they left school. It is a major tragedy to them and the loss of an institution here", said Mr. McNamee.

Mr. John Kennedy, Regional Manager, Ireland, for Woolworths in a statement stated that for some time the stores - 18 in the Republic - have failed to provide an adequate return for investment.

"Sales in the Republic of Ireland have clearly been affected by the depressed economy and the high level of V.A.T. (currently 23 per cent or 35 per cent for the majority of merchandise) he stated.

Woolworths will close on October 6 next after 63 years in the city.

Meanwhile, Ald. Tommy Allen, said that he would be making personal representations to Woolworths to keep their Limerick store open. He said that Woolworths was a part of Limerick, and as such should be allowed to remain in the city, and not create unnecessary unemployment.

John Raleigh concert

Friends of the late John Raleigh will hold a special commemorative concert at the

TOM BROWN

Fine Gael are stunned

FINE Gael supporters in the town were somewhat stunned and indeed very angry at the weekend when a notice appeared in the Shannon Social Diary, advising that a new branch of the party would be set up at a meeting to take place in Kincora Hall this Thursday.

The same issue of the Diary carried the following notice: "I, Mr. Eddie Ryan, am no longer a member of the Shannon Fine Gael Branch as I resigned last April for my own personal reasons."

During an interview with Mr. Ryan this week he adamantly denied that he inserted the notice in the Diary. He was not aware of any moves to set up a second branch in the town.

He stated that any connection that might be implied that he was involved in establishing a second branch was "totally erroneous."

Mr. Ryan, who is the party's co-executive PRO, admitted that there had been disagreements with a "certain individual" and he felt that this "thing" could have been done to "discredit me."

He agreed that he had resigned from the branch last April.

However, on Monday, Mr. Ryan confirmed that he had rejoined the branch at the weekend and would be seeking a full investigation into the whole affair.

a failure known to have caused Garrett FitzGerald serious concern.

The Social Diary notice read: "A meeting will take place in the Kincora Hall on Thursday, July 26, at 9 p.m. sharp in order to get a second constructive branch off the ground."

"New members are very welcome or members who have resigned from the branch down the years. Strategy for the new branch will be discussed and the name of the new branch will be put to the members. Present members of the branch are not eligible for the new branch." - Brian O'Dea.

Commenting on this notice, Mr. Joe Powell, long standing Fine Gael supporter and chairman of the Shannon branch assured me that there would be no second branch in the town.

"I'll be present at that meeting and nobody has any authority to



Clare Licensed Vintners Golfing Christy Normoyle, captain, C Crawford, sponsors of the out president of the C.L.V. Golfing

sonal vote of 833 which gave her party the highest percentage vote of 35.77%. Fianna Fail's percentage was 34.27% and Sinn Fein had 6.81%.

Horse shoe pitching

The Clare team to compete in the All-Ireland Horse Shoe Pitching Championships at the RDS during Horse Shoe Week will be selected following a competition the Wolfe Tones GAA Pitch this Thursday evening.

All lovers of this ancient sport, played mainly by military men in the dim and distant past, have been invited by Roscommon-born

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