stitutes over the summer period rather than the non-filling of vacancies as outlined by the Department was the less objectionable option.

Other measures being proposed by the board include the designation of some surgical beds for day surgery, and a revised protocol for use of operation theatres to ensure that there is no expenditure in respect of

Meanwhile, Supt John Murphy, Edward Street, has confirmed that "the stolen car problem has virtually disappeared from this area".

Although he revealed that for the first three months of this year crime in his area was down 19 per cent on last year, the work of the community gardai and the fact that many criminals were behind bars

ing week.

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In welcoming the bilingual eight-inch by two-foot long signs with a white background and green lettering, local councillors have appealed to end house-holders to allow permission to have the signs erected on the houses rather than on garden walls, where they would be defaced very quickly.

The areas for these new signs include Linehan Avenue, Garryglass, Griffith, Greenmount and Beechwood Avenues, and Hyde Road and Carey's Road, Upper and Lower.

20 YEARS AGO

JURY SERVICE PADDY Powell, the prominent trade unionist,



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has called for the proper payment of people called for jury service.

He told the Limerick Council of Trade Unions, this week, that people who were called at present were not paid adequately.

And on top of that, they often lost a day's wages, he pointed out.

"At the present moment, anyone who owns a house is called for jury service," he declared.

"If you are called, you are not paid enough for it," he said, "I know of a colleague, and he lost a day's wages — he lost £7 or £8, which is a lot for a married man with three or four children.

"We should call on the Minister for Justice to pay a man his day's wages."

Council chairman Tom Joyce suggested that they could do something through Congress.

Mr Powell added that they could also try to do something about it as a council.

Mr Joe Naughton said that there were hundreds at these jury gatherings, but only thirty or forty were called.

Mr Pat Collins said

that there was a man out in the corridor of the courtroom, because the courtroom was so overcrowded, but he did not hear his name called, and was later up on a fine for non-attendance.

RE-ELECTED

MR J P Liddy, of Ballinacurra, has been re-elected as the Limerick Corporation representative on the board of Shannonside (the Mid-Western Regional Tourism Organisation).

30 YEARS AGO

BUDGET DAY

THIS is Budget Day, and throughout the country people are anxiously awaiting the outcome. It will be the biggest in the history of the nation, reaching the record figure of £320 million and indications are that it will be one of the most hard-hitting.

The newly-appointed Minister for Finance, Mr Jack Lynch, will open his first budget bag, and there is a strong possibility of some pleasant surprises for many.

It will be an interesting budget, and one that