

Absence Of G.A.A. Board Chairman Regretted At Soccer Club Function

THE Limerick A.F.C. celebrated the winning of its first major prize—the League of Ireland shield competition—by holding a banquet in Cruise's Hotel, Limerick, last night. Representatives of all the city's sporting bodies, with the exception of the G.A.A., were present at the function, which was presided over by Justice E. O. Riain, Chairman of the Limerick Club. The officials of the Football League of Ireland and Munster F.A. were also present.

ONE ABSENTEE FROM FUNCTION.

"I am glad to say," continued Mr. O. Riain, "that we have here the representatives of all our sporting bodies in Limerick. There is one absentee whom I very much regret. My directors were very anxious that this function should be fully representative of all sections of sport in Limerick. With that end in view I sent, personally, a letter in Irish to the Chairman of the Limerick County Board of the G.A.A. asking him to attend this function, and in the course of that letter I set out reasons why he should do so. I posted the letter myself and it should have been posted last Monday. As I did not receive it back then I assumed that it must have been delivered. I regret that I did not receive a reply thereto. I regret very much the absence of the Chairman of the Limerick County Board of the G.A.A. at this function, because I feel that it would mar this function fully representative of all sporting bodies if he had attended. As I have said, I regret his absence, but I don't think we could have done any more. We invited him, but we are sorry he did not attend."

PUTTING LIMERICK ON THE MAP.

The Mayor next spoke, and at the outset thanked the Directors of the Limerick Club for their very kind invitation to him to be present that night. "I am very pleased to be here, and as you have very kindly invited me I feel that it was my duty to be here—a duty to be here because you, the members of the Limerick A.F.C., have put Limerick on the map. I don't mind what sporting body in Limerick comes together to promote any particular game. We are proud of our Limerick men in whatever game they choose. We are glad when we hear Garryowen and Young Munster represented in the rugby field, and we are principally glad when we see the names of Garryowen and Young Munster players figuring on the Irish team, playing in international matches and touring the world and showing to the world that Limerick is still on the map. As I have said, we are proud of Limerick and we can show how proud we are by coming here. I come here as Mayor to show that the citizens are really proud of you and behind you and your efforts to put Limerick on the map in Association football. Every Monday morning when we open up our papers we are very naturally glad to see what way Limerick fared. We are naturally proud when we see that they won. I follow all games, and I check up on all games in which Limerick takes part, and I am proud when I see the names of Limerick men mentioned."

Having congratulated the Limerick Club on their Shield success, the Mayor went on to say: "We see Limerick names figuring in international matches and we are proud of that. As Mayor I wish to

convey to those who made possible the Limerick team, my sincere thanks and those of the citizens on the honours they have brought to Limerick."

SPORT AND THE YOUTH.

"I understand," continued the Mayor, "that you have much difficulty in securing premises for training purposes, and I feel that provision should be made for playing grounds, not alone for Association football but every other game as well. There is no better recreation for the youth than outdoor games. If we had more playing fields in Limerick we would have less juvenile crime. It is sad to see young lads getting into difficulty in minor offences, if we had more games, more sport and more clubs with people, so to speak, fathering the youth, in these clubs, it would lead to a life that would make them better citizens and better Irishmen."

The Mayor, continuing, said he thought the move about the provision of playing fields should come from the sporting bodies. It was up to the sporting bodies to make the recommendation. "There is no better way to direct the youth of the city than directing them into some sporting club. I know that if it is pursued it will get favourable consideration from, I am sure, the City Manager and the City Council."

MOST SPORTING CITY.

Mr. J. Devlin, President of the Football League of Ireland, and Mr. P. J. Casey also a member of the body, and both Dundalk men, joined in extending congratulations to Limerick. The latter said it was a grand thing to see another provincial club coming into the picture, as it was not often they did so. In that remark he was not including Cork City, "Limerick," he went on, "is both ancient and historic. It has always looked upon itself as the most sporting city in the south of Ireland. They can take it and give it and they have taken it for the past 16 years and I think they will give it for the next 16 years."

Mr. William Keane, Limerick team manager, said he was proud to be the only Limerick-born manager of the football team to have the honour of his team bringing the Shield to Limerick. The Board of Directors of the Club gave him full powers to do what he liked, to pick and choose; he was the full boss. They had done him that honour. In the team they had a good lot of boys, and all were particularly proud of winning the Shield. It was not easy to do so; it was a hard task; however, it proved successful; and it was a great honour to see them fighting out with Dundalk. They knew Dundalk would give them a good fight.

SCHOOLBOYS DELIGHTED.

Rev. M. B. Maguire, O.P., Chairman of the Limerick Schoolboys' League, in the course of replying on behalf of the guests and congratulating the team on its success, said that the schoolboys always looked up to senior teams for example and with the desire of learning something about the game. They would agree that the senior team in Limerick had shown a wonderful example in their unity and never-say-die spirit. Therefore, the schoolboys would learn from the senior team, and the schoolboys were naturally delighted with the success of Limerick.

Father Maguire added that it was particularly gratifying to hear the Mayor's remarks concerning the youth and the importance of sport with regard to what was good to know the youth, and it were making representations with regard to facilities for schoolboys, they would get a good hearing. Mr. J. Horan, Limerick representative of the F.A.I. Junior Council, also associated himself with the congratulations and he, too, was also glad to hear the expressions of the Mayor with regard to the provision of football pitches. Their progress was retarded because they had not sufficient playing fields. They had no minor football in Limerick for the last two years because of the lack of playing fields.

A beautiful clock was presented to Mr. P. Lawlor, trainer, by the Directors of the Club. A victory dance followed the function.

WAS SALMON UNLAWFULLY CAPTURED? Estate Canor

THAT it looked as if the water keeper had a grudge against him, was an observation made at Abbeyleafe Court on Wednesday, 11th inst., by a man who was charged at the suit of the Limerick Fishery Board for an alleged breach of the fishery laws, Defendant was Bartholomew Harnett, Knockbrack, and he was charged with possession of an unlawfully captured salmon on 30th June.

Mr. J. O'Reilly (Messrs. Marshall and McAuley, solrs.) prosecuted and defendant was represented by Mr. Maurice O'Sullivan, solr.

The case had been adjourned from the previous sitting, when evidence was given by Water Keeper McElligott and Inspector Cavanagh, of the Limerick Fishery Board, that after seeing defendant behave suspiciously on the Feale on the date in question they subsequently found him in possession of a salmon.

DEFENDANT'S EVIDENCE.

Giving evidence at the resumed hearing, defendant said that he fished with a minnow on the Feale after about half an hour he lawfully caught a salmon. He remained on the river bank for about two hours and on his way home met Water Keeper McElligott, who shouted after him. The water keeper then took the salmon off him and put it in a bag. When witness objected the water keeper said himself and the inspector had been watching him for about two hours and didn't see him fishing. Actually he could have been fishing without the water keeper or inspector seeing him. He asked the keeper to bring the salmon back to him again when the inspector had seen the fish, but the keeper did not do so.

Continuing, the defendant said that when the inspector later came on the scene he told him he had caught the fish fairly. The keeper then told him that even if he had sold the salmon in Abbeyleafe before they met him they would have charged him.

QUESTION OF GRUDGE.

Mr. O'Sullivan, who you think he has a grudge against you?—It looks very much like it. If I had seen when he sees me going to the river for him to hop out from behind bushes and search me, but, of course, he used to do that to every one.

Defendant added that he caught the salmon fairly, in the ordinary way of fishing with a minnow.

Answering Mr. O'Reilly, the defendant said he actually fished for about three-quarters of an hour and then spent about an hour sitting on the bank talking to two men. After catching the fish he lost the minnow in the furze bushes and told the inspector and keeper of this. He admitted making a statement to the inspector in which he said he hooked the salmon with the minnow and that it got caught in the gaff when he was about to land it. He did not ask the keeper not to seize the fish and he "badly wanted the few bob."

TOOK MINNOW OFF THE CASE.

Replying to the Justice, defendant said that after catching the fish he took the minnow off the cast and it fell into the briars and furze and could not be found. "Inspector Gaffney" added the defendant, "put a lot of his own words into my statement. The Justice then why did you sign it?—He told me to sign it. The Justice said he would like to see the two men with whom defendant said he sat on the bank. The onus is on the defendant. Mr. O'Sullivan—But they weren't present when he caught the salmon. Defendant swears he caught the fish fairly and it looks as if he can't go fishing in future unless he takes witnesses with him to prove he catches fish by fair means. The Justice said he would look into the evidence and give his decision at the next sitting.

Requirements For Dance Hall Licence

When at Newcastle West Court on Friday last week Mr. R. J. Cussen, solr., applied on behalf of the Glenagragra Dance Band for an occasional licence for a number of dances at Hugh's Hall, Ardagh. Supt. McKenna told Justice C. S. Kenny that there was an objection to the application on the grounds that there were no panic bolts in the hall, no fire extinguishers and that the doors were opening inwards.

IN the High Court made an order in the application in the estate of the late Humphreys, P.P.,

Mr. M. Danaher, B.L., the applicant, to have approved, stated that it dated December 23rd, 1928. Carton Humphreys left applied to the benefit of the parish in which he was ministering at the death. He appointed Rev. John Humphreys, and gave the residue to be applied by him for charitable purposes in the Diocese of Cashel and should think fit and provide.

Rev. John Humphreys died in 1926. Humphreys died in 1926. And on the death of Humphreys the residue of his will died. After the death of Very Humphreys grant of administration was taken out by two executors, Aloysius and later took proceedings in Court asking the Court whether or not the bequest, charitable bequest, Court's decision was the order and a scheme submitted for the application of the bequest.

THE BEQUEST.

The scheme provided should be paid to J. Foley, P.P., Knockaney by him for the benefit of the Parish and should be paid to Mr. Kinane, Archbishop of Dublin, by him in the manner of £1,500 to the Diocesan Hall for the debt incurred for £1,000 of the Cathedral for reducing the debt renovating the Parish of the United Fishes of Kilmavoy, £1,000 to the fund for reducing incurred in renovating age and domestic ecclesiology to the Sisters of the Convent at Dunderm. the repair of the Priory of the Presentation of Ballygarry, Co. Tipperary, towards the erecting primary school at Union Convent, Thurles the erection of a school at the Ursull Thuries; £500 to the J. O'Connell parish at Cashel and the balance of £1,000 to the Archbishop of charitable purposes a tion in the diocese.

TWENTY FIVE LOST IN COLLISION

Following a collision to-day 20 Italian sailors feared to have been their ship, the "Claudia," sank about Dunegness, in the Irish Sea. The "Claudia" was with the French vessel was believed that the sank almost immediately crash, which occurred this morning of the crew of 25. Later, however, five were picked up by a pilot were removed to hospital.

SUICIDE ON FOILE

Watched by police cars, three policemen stopped Virginia, a native of Porto Rico, nearly 5700 feet from the George Bridge which crosses Hudson, New York, let him speak to his phone.

GRANT FOR REPAIR

The City Manager has granted...

NOTES OF SYMPATHY

- Anacott Co-Operative Creamery, Ltd.—At the monthly meeting of the Committee held on the 11th inst., Very Rev. Dr. Cowper, P. President, the following notes of sympathy were proposed by Mr. R. Slattery, and passed unanimously. That, the Committee of the above named society express their deepest sympathy to Mr. Michael Murphy, Monaleen, Mr. Thomas Collins, Newmarket, and Mr. James Doyle, employee of the Society, on their recent sad bereavements. (c) Ardagh Branch, Irish Red Cross Society—At a meeting of the above society a vote of condolence was passed to Mr. James O'Donnell, Killothane, on the death of his father. (c) Cappamore Comhairle Ceannair, F.F.—At a meeting of the above society a vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs. Grace and family, Garryowen, Limerick, on the death of Daniel Grace, formerly Brigade Adjutant, Limerick Brigade, Old IRA, M. Kennedy, Hon. Secretary. (c) Cappamore Co-Op. Dairy Society, Ltd.—At the monthly meeting, held on the 11th inst., the Committee of the above society on the proposition of the Chairman, Mr. C. J. Ryan, P.C., who presided, a vote of sympathy was passed to the family and on the recent death of his mother, the late Mrs. Johanna Crowe, "The Rock," Cappamore. (c) Cooleanna Muintir na Tira Guild—At a specially convened meeting of the Parish Guild, a sincere vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. James Walsh, seconded by Mr. Patrick O'Connell, C.C., Guild Chairman, in the recent bereavement, occasioned by the death of his mother—John Magner, Secretary. (c) Cooleanna District Smallholders and Cottiers Association—At a meeting of the above society a vote of sympathy was passed with Rev. Father O'Connell, C.C., Cooleanna, on his recent bereavement. The meeting adjourned as a mark of respect.—K. Quiln, Hon. Sec. (c) Efinn and Garienderk Muintir na Tira—At a recent meeting of the above society a vote of sympathy was passed to their esteemed Hon. Secretary, Mr. B. Prendergast, on the death of his mother. (c) Knockaderry Gaelic League—At a meeting of above, held at the Hall, Knockaderry, on Saturday night, Mr. M. Burke, M.P., proposed: That we beg to convey to the Muintir na Tira family our sincere condolence in the recent bereavement, occasioned by the death of Mr. James Lisbon, N.T. Mr. P. Murphy, N.T., seconded the motion, which was passed, all present standing in respectful silence. (c) Labour Club, Roxboro—At a meeting of the above society proposed to pass a vote of sympathy to the family of James Greensmith and family, on the recent death of his wife. Signed: James O'Neill, Secretary. (c) L.A.F.C. Supporters' Club—At a meeting of the above Club last night (Thursday) a vote of sympathy was passed to the wife and family of the late Bill Shute, and the meeting adjourned as a mark of respect. (c) Limerick Fine Gael Ladies' Branch—At a meeting of the above society (c) votes of sympathy were unanimously extended to Dr. Mrs. N. Higgins and family on the death of the late Dr. F. O'Higgins, T.D., and to Mrs. Griffin on the death of her brother.

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