

From left: D. O'Dwyer, mace bearer; P. Forest, City High Constable; Mrs. Stenson, J. Casey, Mayor of Limerick; Mrs. Molloy, Mr. P. Malloy, t. The scheme of almost 400 houses was completed by August 19, 1935 when the a number of slums in Lady's Lane, Parnell Street, and in Island Field prior to the houses being built.

AUGUST 19, 1935

GREET NEW TENANTS

in Island Field

cluding many Irish dances, which were the outstanding features of the evening's amusement.

The function was organised by Messrs. Madigan, O'Callaghan, Hurley and McKeown, to whom the tenants expressed their heartfelt thanks for a most enjoyable evening's entertainment.

During an interval the Mayor, who

tainment. The Mayor, a most enthusiastic, said that it assured him with the tenants. It was such a happy occasion of the tenants that connect-like to say that the Scheme was

a matter in which they could all take a just pride in (applause).

FOUR HUNDRED FAMILIES

It made him feel very happy to know that that scheme was the means of rescuing close on four hundred families from slum districts, from insanitary houses and unhealthy surroundings.

The slums of Limerick, which were nothing short of a disgrace would, with God's help, soon disappear from their midst. The Government were doing all that was possible to promote housing schemes, and he could say that the City Manager and Council had now under consideration schemes for the building of one thousand additional houses.

THE WORK OF PROVIDENCE

"Providence has been very good to you," the Mayor proceeded, "in providing for you those lovely new houses, so beautifully planned and laid out, so beautifully situated amidst charming and healthy surroundings. Here you can enjoy life and bring up your families as they should be brought up, worthy citizens, physically and morally fit (hear hear, the crowd cried). For years past you have been forced to live in slums, in one-roomed houses. Now you have been taken out of them and given possession of houses that are modern and up-to-date in every detail. Surely, you are entitled to given expression to your great joy on such an auspicious occasion.

Proceeding, he appealed to all the tenants to show to the citizens as a whole that when they got the chance to live in decent houses that they know how to respect them by keeping them clean, neat and tidy.

SCHEME OF PRIZES

As an incentive to that end the Manager, the Mayor declared, intended to offer prizes for the best kept gardens and houses. He (Mayor) had every confidence in the tenants, and he was sure that the Island Field Scheme would continue to be a credit to the city.

Concluding, the Mayor said that he had given a special invitation to the delegates to the Municipal Authorities' Congress, which would be held in the city next month, to visit the scheme. He again wished to avail of that opportunity to extend to them all his very best wishes for their peace, happiness and prosperity for the future.

THOUGHTFUL ACT

Later, the Mayor and Mayoress paid a visit to Mrs. Hurley, the mother of the first child to be born in the Island Field. The Mayor has consented to act as Godfather for the infant.

World cross-country, Limerick, 1979



Treacy's triumph Limerick was packed to capacity for the World Cross Country Championships in Greenpark in 1978 and a year later in 1979. These pictures are from the "Leader" archives at the time and show John Treacy cross the line to take the title. Middle picture are local scouts leading the Irish team out while the bottom shot shows a local Knights of Malta medic give a helping hand



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