

gathered by the special envoy of the "ale d'Italia" on the Western front. Unlikely this third battle of the Marne has in a respect the strategical equilibrium on the front. The enemy has absolutely lost the initiative which he had maintained at the beginning of the war, while now hardly stand up to the initiative of the Our success is gigantic.

## UISER AND DESTROYER SUNK.

Secretary of the Admiralty announces:—Majesty's armed merchant cruiser *Marror* (Walter E. Woodward, D.S.O., R.N.) was sunk and sunk by a German submarine on the 24th.

Of her crew, including seven specially-1 merchant ratings, are missing, presumed

he 24th inst one of his Majesty's torpedo destroyers ran ashore, and subsequently

teen of her crew are missing, presumed

ed. next-of-kin have been informed in both

## Germany's Awkward Fix.

### A Choice of Two Evils.

"Daily News" says:—If the Germans pour to hold their positions in the salient bulk of their supplies must come through

If they endeavour to withdraw, one of main lines of retreat must be through the

What the German plans are is still un-

The German High Command itself may

be hesitating between a retirement that

have grave moral effects in Germany, and

tenation of a position that has no military

and can only be held at disastrous cost.

never course is taken, it is hard to believe

the fighting will remain confined to the

Marne theatre.

## Japan and Russia.

Press Association is informed from a trusty source that Japan has decided to accept American proposals to assist the Czechoslovak Army, at present in Siberia.

## ROOM MURDER CHARGE.

### Trial at Cork Assizes.

Cork Assizes, Mr Justice Dodd and a city jury opened the hearing yesterday of the murder case, in which Charles Quaid, proprietor, was charged with the wilful murder of Bridget Morris, who had been in his house as manageress.

Mr R. M. Heiney, K.C.; W. S. Norwood, and J. M. Fitzgerald (instructed by Mr J. S. O'Connell, Crown Solicitor), prosecuted; and Mr J. H. Hearlen (instructed by Mr R. Fox, solicitor) defended.

Case for the Crown, as detailed by Mr Heiney, was that in the month of February the prisoner conducted a hotel in Croom, Cork. He had been for some years in Croom, from which he returned twelve years ago, and purchased this hotel. The deceased acted as manageress of the hotel, having been there for the past seven years. On the date of the murder there were races in Croom, and in evening there was a good deal of drinking going on. Between nine and ten the bar of the hotel was closed, and everyone had left, leaving the prisoner, the deceased woman, and

## ARMS IN ULSTER.

### Government to Get Them.

Mr Shortt, in reply to Mr Patrick Meehan, in the House of Commons, said the regulations in regard to the possession of arms applied to the Ulster Volunteers in the same way as to anyone else in Ireland. The regulation would be regarded in Ulster in the same way as in the rest of Ireland unless the arms were brought in and surrendered.

Mr Dillon asked if the right hon. gentleman had any information showing that these arms were specially manufactured by Krupps for the Ulster leaders and sold to them at half price.

Mr Shortt—I know nothing about the place of manufacture or the price.

Mr Devlin asked whether the Ulster Volunteers would be asked to give up their rifles?

Mr Shortt—Yes.

Sir James Craig—Wasn't the War Office glad to borrow some of their arms? (Laughter).

Mr Shortt—I don't know whether they have ever been lent to the Government, but the Government intend to get them.

## THE COMING WEATHER.

Mr J. G. Knight, nautical optician, writes this afternoon—"Barometric and other indications now favour a period of fine weather for the next 14 days, dating from the 27th July."

## DEATH OF MR JAMES LAWLOR, B.C.

We regret to record the death of Mr James Lawlor, B.C. Limerick, which took place this morning in the Meath Hospital, Dublin, after a short illness. The sad news will be heard of with sincere regret in the city by many friends, and deep sympathy will be expressed with the widow and family of the deceased. Mr Lawlor was for many years a representative of the Shannon Ward in the Corporation, and some time after the passing of the Local Government Act became a member of the Board of Guardians, which position he has since uninterruptedly held. He was a very courteous and active public man, and in the well-being of the poor took a keen interest.

The funeral will take place on Monday for Mount St. Lawrence on arrival of the 2.35 train from Dublin.

## DEATH OF MR EDWARD O'CONNELL

We regret to record the death, which occurred yesterday at his daughter's residence, in the North of Ireland, while on a visit, of Mr Edward O'Connell, grocer and spirit merchant, Wickham street. The deceased had passed middle life. He devoted close attention to business, and was held in high regard by all who knew him. Mr O'Connell was a director of the Limerick Race Company. The remains are to arrive in Limerick by train, but the funeral, it is understood, is to be private.

## THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK.

### Weekly Cattle and Sheep Market

Wednesday, 24th July—Store cattle continue a quiet trade; forward lots made market rates; small 2½ year old bullocks, £19 2s; yearling bullocks, £12 10s and £11 1s; heifers, £12 15s. In milk department good demand; fresh milch cows, £38; small £27 10s; springing heifers, £29 to £35. Sheep market well supplied; best fat, £5 18s to £5 7s 6d; hoggets, £5 11s; lambs, £2 7s 6d.

## LIMERICK ALLOTMENTS

We learn that the Department of Agriculture

trates have decided that attendance at registry office for the purpose of being the performance of a public duty, and therefore the contracting parties are entitled private cars for this purpose if there are means of conveyance reasonably and conveniently available, or hire cars irrespectively condition. As there has been no appeal these decisions, we are regarding the correct interpretation of the law, and enquiries on the point are made we may accordingly."

The magistrates, District Inspector O'Connell now deal with the case on the facts.

Mr Blood-Smyth—What they have to do is to dismiss it on the merits.

District Inspector Craig—Mr Quin O'Donnell who heard the case, can decide.

Mr Quin said he, with Mr O'Donnell other magistrates, who was not present, heard the case, and he was in favour of dismissing the case, and he believed Mr O'Donnell was.

The case was accordingly dismissed on the merits.

### CHARGED ON SUSPICION.

John O'Neill, a wild-looking person, residing at Ballycar, County Clontarf, was brought up by Sergeant Kelly, William Street, on suspicion. He was arrested in Sarfiev that morning, and when asked what he had in the bag, replied two geese, which he bought that morning. On taking O'Neill to the bar, a sum of £12 12s 10d was found in his pocket. The sum was made up of nine half-sovereigns and the rest mainly of silver, including at least half crowns. When charged with stealing the dead geese got in the bag, O'Neill replied he bought them.

The prisoner, who said he was kept by Sergeant McCarthy at Parteen, was remanded for inquiry.

The other cases before the Court were of an ordinary class.

## ENNIS UNION.

Mr John Consideine, Chairman, presiding, were also present.—Messrs P. J. Linnane, Connolly, B. C. Mescoff, J. Kerin, P. Lynch, Consideine, M. Quin, John Forde.

### CONDOLENCE.

On the motion of Mr Quin, seconded by Mescoff, a resolution of sympathy with the family of the deceased, a respected member of the Ennis Union, was adopted.

### TOONAGH DISPENSARY.

A letter was read from Mr J. B. Lynch, solicitor, in reference to proceedings in connection with the Toonagh dispensary. The property of the McGrath estate, having fallen through there being no power to sell the dispensary, the landlord had sued for £16, 10s rent to November, 1916, but Mr Lynch pointed out that under Section 51 of the Government Act only £4 up to November could be recovered, a decree was given accordingly. He asked for a paying order for £4 accordingly, payable to Mr M. J. M. solicitor. He requested that any further rent should be sent him, as a good amount of the rent since accrued was due under the same section.

### CARRIAGE ON TEA.

With reference to the tender for tea at a late meeting, the Local Government advised that the Guardians should advise the Food Control Committee as to who were obliged to pay carriage on tea for the sale being by retail.

It was decided to write to the Control Committee on the subject.

Other business was transacted, and adjourned.

## THE REPOSITORY, LIMERICK.