

understood, is putting up a big number of candidates, but nothing has so far been heard of the intentions of one of the political groups. It may, however, be accepted that it will utilise all its machinery with a view to having adequate representation on the Council. It is an axiom of good administration that all interests should be fairly represented on local Boards and Councils, and that none should suffer extinction at the polls. By a suitable distribution of seats—and this is the intention of Proportional Representation—no party would be so strong as to become dictatorial or aggressive, and in that way work of a permanent and useful character could be done for the community. In Limerick the next Council should concentrate on three things—more houses for the workers, a continuation of the excellent work of concreting the streets, and a reduction of the rates. These can be achieved if the new Council tackles them in the proper spirit, and with the will and determination to see them through.

SUDDEN DEATH.

James Kelly, aged 65 years, an ex-postman, on pension, died suddenly on Sunday in his home at Ellen street. He was after attending last Mass at St. Michael's Church, and on the way to his house he became ill, and was assisted to his home, where he lived with an unmarried brother. He gradually became worse, and having received the ministrations of a priest passed away. As the deceased had been under medical treatment for some time past, an inquest was not considered necessary.

CLARE HOUSE BURNED.

Corofin, Monday.—A large house, the property of Mr Thos. Keating, Kilnaboy, Corofin, was destroyed by fire. The outbreak, which was caused by the chimney taking fire, was discovered about 12 o'clock, and Mr Keating and his daughter, who were the only occupants of the house at the time, did all in their power to save the building. There was a strong south-westerly wind, which helped to spread the flames, and in a short time the entire building was destroyed. Most of the furniture, however, was saved.

CO. COUNCIL ACCOUNTANT.

Mr McCormack enquired at Saturday's meeting of the Co. Council the cause of the delay by the Appointments Commissioners in making a recommendation to the Council relative to the vacant position of accountant to the Council.

The Secretary replied that he had written the Commissioners on the matter and had received a communication to the effect that the Commissioners would meet on the 5th proximo to interview, and would then forward the name of a candidate for election by the Council.

GRAND CENTRAL.

Large houses enjoyed a very attractive programme at the Grand Central last night at the 7 and 9 Houses. The principal picture was "Knock-out Reilly," featuring Richard Dix in a Punch-packed comedy melodrama. It will be repeated to-night and Wednesday, and should not be missed.

For the remainder of the week, "A Daughter of the Hills," in which mystery and wonderful romance are intermingled, will be filmed. It features Raquel Meller and an all-star caste.

THE COUNTY INFIRMARY.

At the meeting of the County Council on Saturday, the Sec. stated that as a result of the audit, the auditor had certified for payment by the Council of £1,540 10s to the County Infirmary.

The Chairman—This is a very useful institution for the people of the county, and the money spent on it is well deserved.

The Secretary—They find it difficult to carry on, and could not do so only for the assistance they get from the city, through the holding of entertainments in its behalf.

It was agreed to have a paying order issued for the amount in the auditor's certificate.

HOUSING LOANS.

At the monthly meeting of the Clare Co. Council, a resolution was adopted requesting the Government to make provision in the new Housing Act, for extension of the reconstruction clause to rural areas, as this would enable small farmers to make improvements without building from the foundation, as at present required to qualify for a grant in aid.

NEW NATIONAL ORGANISATION IN THE NORTH.