

brought to bear on them to do so. Manifestly, there is no necessity for pressure, as it is the interest of the Company to re-open the traffic and thus convenience their clients—the traders of the city and the districts served by the canal. No doubt, the Company will be happy to be represented on to-morrow's deputation and clearly explain their position, as, indeed, they have already done. After all, a deputation is the most practical means of discussing the whole question, and thanks are due to Senator W. Barrington and the local Deputies for their activities in that direction. Limerick traders, who have suffered heavy loss by the interruption of the canal traffic, cannot afford to allow the existing state of things to continue further, and it can only be hoped that the result of the interview with the representative deputation that has been appointed to proceed to Dublin will be productive of assurances that the navigation will be opened at the earliest possible date. Meanwhile it is encouraging to find that the preliminary stages with regard to the rebuilding of Park bridge are progressing apace. This is evidenced from the statement made at the Borough Council meeting last Thursday by Mr Quigley, Chief Roads Engineering Inspector, who said that the work would be undertaken "at the earliest possible moment." As it will, according to the City Surveyor, take approximately twelve months to build the bridge, there should be no further delay in making a start, and meantime the removal of the impediments in the Abbey river should be proceeded with at once, and so enable the navigation to be restored.

LIMERICK AND THEATRE PROJECT.

Letter from Mr. Shanley.

Citizens Asked to Support It.

The theatre project is again revived by a letter just received by Mr O'Hagan, a friend of his residing in the city, from Mr M. W. Shanley, owner of the site of the old Theatre Royal in Henry-street, in which he sets out his views regarding the proposed building of a theatre on up-to-date lines. It will be read with interest by the citizens.

The letter which is dated 35 King Henry's Road, South Hampstead, London, April 5th, is as follows:

"Dear Mr. O'Hagan,—Many thanks for your letters. I can assure you that I wish to enter into the development of my property as a theatre, cinema, dance hall, skating rink, etc, provided the Limerick people will take an interest in the project.

"I can raise a company at any moment, but Limerick must take an interest in it themselves. I cannot do it all.

"Local cooperation is the key to success.

"Yours faithfully,
"M. W. SHANLEY."

"SUMMER TIME"

Official Summer Time begins at 2 a.m. on Sunday, April 13. Before you retire on Saturday, April 12, put your timepieces forward one hour.

DEATH OF MR J. P. MULLANE.

Limerick Rugby International.

The untimely and unexpected death of Mr Jerome P. Mullane at the South Infirmary, Cork, yesterday was received with feelings of deep regret in Limerick, and especially in Rugby football circles. His death, at the early age of 24 years, brings a bright future to an end, and a loveable personality. Popularly known as "Jerry," after finishing his education at the University College, Cork, he was appointed assistant manager of Brurea Camery. He then joined the Bohemian Football Club, and was a member of the team that won the Munster Senior Cup in the season 1926-27. The following year he was capped against Wales, and in the subsequent season the Irish Selection Committee justified their confidence in him in giving him a cap against France. He was a fine type of forward with a great knowledge of the game, a sterling sportsman, and genial and cheerful companion. In his death Munster football is deprived of an exponent of the code who played the game for the enjoyment it afforded.

order as to the means of Whelan and Hagan was adjourned, pending a settlement.

FUNERAL OF MRS. C. WATERS.

The remains of the late Mrs Marion (Babe) Waters, wife of Dr Christopher Waters, Alexandra House, Highfield Road, Salthay, Birmingham, arrived in Limerick last Friday morning, and were conveyed to St. Michael's Parochial Church, where Requiem Mass was celebrated, and the funeral left immediately afterwards for the family burial place at Mount St. Laurence Cemetery. The cortege was of very large dimensions, and testified to the respect and esteem in which the deceased lady was held, and the sympathy which is expressed with her family in their sorrow. She was elder daughter of Mrs McDonnell and the late Ald. P. McDonnell of this city. The business houses had their blinds drawn as the funeral was passing.

The clergy present were—Revs. Father Thornhill, Adm., St. Michael's; Father Harty, C.C. do.; Dr. Cowper, C.C. do.; Father Carroll, C.C. do.; Father Moriarty, C.C. do.; Father Fitzpatrick, C.C. do.; Father Hannon, P.P. St. Mary's; Father McNamara, Adm., St. John's; Father T. Connolly, P.P. Banogue; Father W. Keogh, P.P. Solohead; Father J. Meany, C.C.; Father J. Foley, C.C.

The chief mourners were—Dr C. Waters, husband; Patrick and Christopher, sons; Rita and Olive, daughters; Dr C. McDonnell and M. J. McDonnell, L.D.S. brothers; Mrs Fitzgerald and Mrs P. J. Hessian, sisters; Dr Leo McDonnell, nephew; Messrs. J. Waters (Kingstown), D. Waters, T. Waters, R. Waters, L.D.S., Dr Mortimer Waters, T. O'Dwyer, and P. J. Hessian, brothers-in-law; M. McMahon, uncle; Dr O'Brien, Rev. Fr. Jas. Kennedy (Warwick), Dr T. Mulcahy (Portsmouth), M. McMahon, A. McMahon, E. McMahon, J. McCarthy, M. McCarthy, T. O'Dwyer, and T. Quinlan, relatives.

The following accompanied the remains from Dublin—Senator M. Fanning, Senator C. Kennedy, Patrick Conway, Joseph Fagan, Patrick Hedigan, Michael Humphreys, James Humphreys, Edward Lloyd, P. McGovern (Chairman Licensed Grocers' and Vintners' Association), Martin O'Byrne (Secretary), Denis Ryan, L. Ryan, Rev James J. Kennedy (Atherstone, Warwick), Dr T. Mulcahy (Portsmouth).

The general public included—Dr M. Graham, P. Graham, Dr Humphreys, P. McDonagh, A. McDonagh, S. McDonagh, Dr P. Lane, Dr G. Enright, Dr J. Moran, M. Egan, J. McDonogh, B. McDonogh, G. McDonogh, P. Crowe, Dr J. Roberts, P. Coyle, P. Barry, F. O'Mahony, J. McDonogh, junr, P. Quinlan, Broderick, A. Woodhouse, J. Keane, W. G. Peacocke, J. J. McMahon, T. Keane, S. Tubridy, J. J. O'Toole, G. O'Brien, M. Henihan, J. Hanahan, A. Gleeson, T. Joyce, J. Broderick, P. Egan, M. Guerin, B. Dennehy, T. Hartigan, J. Hartigan, John Corboy, T. Corboy, Dr D. Corboy, Dr M. S. Honan, Dr O'Connor, Dr J. Holmes, Dr M. S. McGrath, Dr W. J. O'Sullivan, W. J. Fitzgerald, J. Owens, F. Beale, J. Barker, J. McCormack, Chairman Co. C.; Alderman D. Bourke, T. D.; J. O'Connell, M. Lynch, Phil O'Donovan, L. O'Donnell, C. Holmes, Kennedy O'Brien, J. Bartley, L. Nestor, D. Quaid, J. Morrissey, J. Gleeson, and J. Quilligan.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—"In affectionate remembrance, from your loving husband and children"; "In affectionate remembrance, from your loving mother"; "In loving memory, from Eide"; "In loving remembrance of dear Babe, from Maggie, Paddy, and children"; "In loving memory of dear Babe, from Charlie, Loo, Leo and Doris"; "In loving memory, Joe and Kathleen"; "Deepest sympathy, Mort, Gerry, and children"; "Deepest sympathy, Jack and Mollie"; "With deepest sympathy, from Mrs Slattery"; "In loving remembrance, Dr O'Brien"; "Fondest remembrance, Dr and Mrs Breen"; "Sincerest sympathy, Mr and Mrs Maguire"; "With deepest sympathy, the Misses Pinchbeck"; "With deepest sympathy, Dr and Mrs Montgomery"; "With deepest sympathy, Dr J. Purcell"; "In fond memory, Roger O'Sullivan (Birmingham)"; "With deepest sympathy, Mr and Mrs Wheelock"; "Sincerest sympathy, Joseph Connolly"; "With deepest sympathy, Dr and Mrs Savage"; "Deepest sympathy, Mrs Cooke"; "Deepest sympathy, Southall Bros and Barclay"; "Deepest sympathy, Mr and Mrs Sharp"; "With deepest sympathy, F. M. S. Sharp."

CHEAP TRAVEL—EASTER FACILITIES

Attention is directed to the Great Southern Railways Easter cheap travel facilities, which will be found in our advertising columns this evening.

P. Hartigan, G. Broderick, B. A. M. Guerin, T. J. Loughrey, the Mayor, E. Dundon, M. Joyce, E. Corbett, Bunratty; J. Carroll, V.S.; J. Maguire, J. Ray, L. O'B. Kelly, B.L.; D. Broderick, D. Enright, J. Cahill, Ald. Burke, T. D.; J. O'Toole, W. Frost, J. A. Doyle, solr.; P. M. Colbert, P. Bourke, B.C.; J. Morrissey, City Treasurer; P. O'Malley; M. Griffin, Patrick street; J. McDonagh, Clino; E. Harrold, M. Reynolds, J. Hassett, J. Egan, L. O'B. Kelly, B.L.; R. Ryan, M. F. Kelly, V.S.; T. McNamara (Coonagh), P. Graham, M. Graham, M. McNamara, W. Do Courcy, S. Tubridy, George Gleeson, J. Byrne.

There was a long line of motor cars and other vehicles.

INSUFFICIENTLY STAMPED LETTER.

Interesting Post Office Case.

Decree for 2d.

At the Limerick City Civil Bill Court yesterday, before Mr J. G. O'Sullivan, B.L., Acting District Justice, an interesting case was heard, in which the Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs were the complainants, and the defendant Joseph C. Good.

Mr J. J. Power, State Solicitor, for the plaintiffs, said that although the sum was small it was rather an important case, because the defendant had been in the habit of sending out letters without putting any stamps on them. In this particular case the letter was addressed to a person unknown in the district to which it was addressed. The letter was opened, and Good was asked to pay double the fee. He refused to do so. This was not the first time the defendant did this, said Mr Power, and this was one of the reasons why the Justice was asked to deal with the case.

Mr Thomas Daly, overseer in the Limerick Post Office, stated that the letter in question, on which there was a penny stamp, was addressed to Miss Mary O'Shaughnessy, Corbally, who could not be located. The letter was liable to a twopenny stamp.

The Justice—Can you prove that Good wrote that letter?

Mr Power—Did you interview Mr Good at all yourself?

Witness—No. I communicated with him several times, but got no reply.

The Justice—I suppose you are entitled to a decree for twopenny. Has this man, Good, been in the habit of doing this, or is this an isolated case?

Witness—I am not in a position to tender evidence in that respect.

The Justice—I have no evidence that he has been in the habit of doing it. I won't give any expenses. If you could prove that he is always doing it it would be different.

Mr Power—I cannot.
A decree for 2d was given.

DEATH OF MR C. E. GERAGHTY.

The death occurred yesterday morning at St. John's Hospital, of Mr Charles E. Geraghty, Belmont, Ennis Road, son of the late Mr Michael Geraghty, of the firm of Messrs John Quin and Co, Patrick Street, who was well-known in the commercial life of Limerick. The deceased was secretary and a director of the firm for several years, since his father's demise, and his excellent business capacity, coupled with a genial and kindly and charitable manner, won for him the high esteem and regard of a wide circle of friends in Limerick and elsewhere. He had not been enjoying robust health for some time past. The cutting short of an active career in the prime of life is deeply regretted, and sincere sympathy is extended to his widow and family in their bereavement.

DEATH OF MR GERARD HARE.

Numerous friends have heard with regret of the death of Mr Gerard Hare, eldest son of the late Mr George Hare, of Ballinacurra Terrace, Limerick. He had been in failing health for some time past, and his demise is deeply regretted, and has occasioned widespread sympathy with his widow and young family. He was a member of the staff of Messrs Quin & Co., and was very popular. The funeral took place this afternoon from St. Michael's Parish Church to Mount St. Laurence Cemetery, and was largely attended.

MR LEMASS CHALLENGES

General Election.

An attack on the Irish Labour Party and a challenge to the Government Party to test the opinion of the people at a general election, were features of a speech delivered by Mr Sean Lemass, T.D., at a Fianna Fail meeting in Loughrea.

Mr Johnson said that, since last meeting large batches of "slats" passed Killaloe, as fishermen had to leave fishing the river. That showed that the "slats" had got down, as previous to last meeting none had passed.

Mr McKibbin proposed the following resolution—"That this Board wishes to call the special and immediate attention of the Ministry of Fisheries to the very serious injury that is certain to be caused to the Shannon salmon fisheries by the fact that there are no fry guards on the intake can at Parteen, and there was nothing there to prevent the salmon-fry coming down the river from being destroyed. As the date for the run of the fry was known the Board considered that these guards ought to have been fitted before this, and considered the failure to do so showed unaccountable neglect of the fisheries."

The resolution was passed unanimously.

"THE SIGN OF THE CROSS.

The production of "The Sign of the Cross" by the Institute Players at the Lyr Theatre last night was highly creditable, the caste entering fully into the spirit of the scenes laid in Rome during the reign of the Emperor Nero. The audience followed the incidents of the drama with that impressive silence due to the theme, which was beautifully enacted throughout. Mr S. Kelly was quite effective in the role of Marcus Superbus (Prefect of Rome), while Mr J. Daly as Tigellinus (Consul of Rome); Mr T. Daly as Favius (a Christian Patrician), and J. Roche as Stephanus (a Christian boy), gave faultless rendering of their parts. The Emperor's wife was cleverly personated by Miss Christie, while Miss Whelan and Miss O'Driscoll portrayed the roles of a wealthy Christian lady and a noble Christian girl with consummate skill.

A notable feature was the excellent rendering by the Institute Choral Union "Popule Meus" (Palestrina), "Oh, Con and Mourn" (C. Kendal Irwin), and "The Martyrs of the Arena" (Laurent de Rille under the conductorship of Mr J. Scalla while the orchestral music was full and admirably balanced.

NAVAL CONFERENCE.

No Agreement Reached.

Franco-Italian Difficulty.

Despite many meetings between delegates and exchanges of opinion, the general belief expressed in Italian and French circles that a Five-Power Agreement on naval strengths is now impossible.

The difficulty of finding a solution to the Franco-Italian parity dispute remains a barrier to a full treaty, and yesterday Sign Grandi, the Italian delegate, said his Government could reach no agreement with France at the London Conference.

The French Ministerial Council yesterday unanimously approved the attitude taken by the French Delegation at the Conference. M. Briand returns to London to-day, and is expected a final plenary session of the Conference will take place at an early date.

Besides a meeting of the British Cabinet there was a meeting of the British Commonwealth delegation yesterday. It is stated both conferences discussed the Franco-Italian deadlock with the view to endeavouring to find a solution.

The terms of the treaty regarding maritime warfare, which is due to be sanctioned by the five negotiating Powers are published to-day.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE ON ENTOMOLOGY.

The opening of the third Imperial Entomological Conference has been fixed Tuesday, 17th June, 1930. Tentative arrangements have been made with a view to holding the Conference in the new Courtyard of the Entomological Society at Queen's Gate, South Kensington, London, which, it is expected, will be completed that date.

It is anticipated that the Conference will continue until the 27th June, and that, as from the days devoted to the discussion of scientific papers, time will be found for visits to Universities and other institutions, including a visit to the parasitic laboratory of the Imperial Bureau of Entomology, Farnham Royal.

The Managing Committee do not propose to issue invitations to non-official bodies or private individuals interested in entomological questions, but they will welcome attendance of visitors at the public sessions of the Conference. Persons desiring to attend should communicate as soon as possible with the Director of the Bureau, the Hon. Mr. Mearns (Naturalists Club, South Kensington, London, S.W.7).