

NEXT WEEK IN CITY CINEMAS

LYRIC—All the week, "If I had a Million."
 GRAND CENTRAL—Mon., Tues., Wed.,
 "After Office Hours" Remainder of week
 "Sherlock Holmes."
 COLISEUM—All next week, "Mr Robin-
 son Crusoe"
 ATHENAEUM—Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.,
 "Soldiers of Fortune." Friday and Sat.
 "McKenna of the Mounted."

THE HORSE SHOW.

The Limerick Horse Show, which this year comes off on the 23rd and 24th August, ranks as one of the most important of our provincial fixtures, both from an exhibit and a social point of view. Since the Show was revived some four years ago, and later on converted into a Society, it has made steady advance, and each year has seen some addition to, or expansion of, one department or another, making for increased progress and prosperity. This year further improvements and additional attractions will be found by visitors to the picturesque venue at Greenpark. As announced elsewhere in our columns, a new permanent Horticultural Hall of large dimensions will afford much additional room for the products of the garden and the conservatory. This very interesting section was introduced a few years ago, and, with the active co-operation of the Thomond Horticultural Society, has proved a marked success, so much so that the number of classes on this occasion has been considerably increased, and will, no doubt, make it one of the largest and most important Horticultural Shows in Ireland. Again, it may be observed, that the Dog Show, which was initiated with great success in 1931, continues to increase in favour with lovers of the canine tribe. These, certainly, include the young folk, to whom the dog is a special favourite and a true friend, and so it is interesting to note that at the coming Show there will be a special class for children's pet dogs. This, we feel assured, will be liberally supported. An important and leading feature of the Show is the exhibit of Irish industries, and here, again, we see that there will be further attractions in a Mannequin parade and Children's parade of Irish manufactures and material. Apart, therefore, from the other leading features of the Show—horses, cattle, pigs, butter, poultry, and the like—it will be seen that the Executive Committee are keeping fully up to date in their ideals and aspirations, and they have outlined a programme

FATAL AIR CRASH
 NEAR LIMERICK.

Pilot and Passenger Killed.

A painful sensation was caused in the city last evening shortly before six o'clock when it was reported that a crash had occurred in connection with the air display at Ballycumin, and that two lives were lost. It could hardly be credited at the moment, as some people who had just returned from the Aerodrome at Ballycumin knew nothing of the report, beyond the fact that at about a quarter to five o'clock a Moth plane, in which there were a pilot and three passengers, had lost a wheel while in the air but had made a safe descent to a corner of the field.

The news, however, proved to be too true. The accident occurred near the Dooradoyle road, a few miles from the Aerodrome, and so far as can be gathered the facts are that a Gipsy Moth belonging to the Irish Aero Club and a Fox Moth owned by Sir Alan Cobham collided in the air about twenty minutes to five o'clock. The Fox Moth made, as stated, a successful landing, but the Gipsy fell to the earth and became a total wreck. The pilot, W. R. Elliott, of the I.A.C., and Wm. Ower, Newcastle West, a passenger, were killed.

Interviewed, Sir Alan Cobham said that the Gipsy Moth belonged to the Irish Aero Club, and was touring the country with his squadron.

Having expressed his deep regret at the tragic occurrence, Sir Alan said that the Irish plane came into collision with his Fox Moth while both were engaged in a straight flight. That was the first accident to have been associated with his displays, which numbered close on 900.

How Accident Happened.

Asked for his theory as to how the accident occurred, Sir Alan said: "I don't know. I think it was quite possible that the Gipsy Moth was facing the sun at the time and came underneath the Fox Moth. The machines were travelling in opposite directions, and the collision was a head-on one. The Gipsy Moth passed underneath the Fox Moth, and I suppose the top plane of the Gipsy collided with the under-carriage of the Fox Moth, because this part of the machine was completely carried away. The Gipsy Moth then crashed to earth, the pilot and passenger being killed."

The Fox Moth, which had three passengers, completed its flight, and made, as already stated, a perfect landing at Ballycumin, though damaged by having the window carriage carried away in the collision.

The Irish Aero Club plane was very badly wrecked, pieces of the machine being scattered over a wide area.

Mr Geoffrey Thyson, the pilot of the Fox Moth aeroplane, in an interview, stated that he did not see the second plane at all, and did not know anything was the matter until he felt a jar, and, looking around, he saw pieces of an aeroplane. He was enabled to complete the ordinary circuit, and reported the occurrence on landing.

The remains were removed last night to Limerick City Home, pending an inquest.

ground. He was up about 600 feet time.

Supt. Crean—Prior to the jar hour or so see the other machine?

Witness—No, I did not.

Continuing, witness said he guessed the other machine had hit him, and I over the side of his own machine. Portions of the undercarriage flapping.

Supt. Crean—Did you succeed in a landing?

Witness—Yes, I went back to the drome and came down.

Mr Blood-Smyth—Was the other travelling in the opposite direction?

Witness—I should imagine so.

In reply to Mr Treacy, solicitor said that he was flying for about and never had an accident.

Mr Blood Smyth—The fact landed on one wheel shows that he skillful pilot.

John St. George, 41 Parnell Limerick, deposed to having been vicinity of Raheen Church at about last evening. He was cycling. He to his right and saw an aeroplane. He also saw something falling. The machine fell at the other side of a clump of trees, which obscured.

He ran across the fields to where it was lying on the ground. It was in bad condition. There was one man afterwards discovered to be Ower out of the machine and lying on the ground. He appeared to be dead.

He saw the hand of the other machine out from under the machine, and immediately removed the wreckage, on the chance that he would be alive. He saw the face, and also saw an eyelid flicker.

With the help of another man who came to the scene he got him out and laid him on the grass. He was practically dead at first and was strapped into the machine.

He died almost immediately afterwards.

Mr George Whitfield, Clonmel, stated he was a passenger with Mr the Fox Moth machine yesterday.

He was looking out a window in the plane, and he saw the top of the aeroplane a fraction of a second before the crash. It appeared to him that they were going in exactly the opposite direction. After that there was a crash. He thought if his pilot could have seen the machine he did. He only noticed it because he happened to look down.

Mr Blood-Smyth—Could you give an idea how fast your machine was going?

Witness—I could not.

Supt. Crean—How much distance between the other machine from yours?

Witness—About ten feet.

Roger Haines deposed to having seen the accident yesterday. He was travelling by bus and saw both machines colliding in the air. Before that they were travelling in opposite directions. The undercarriage of the plane coming from the Aerodrome struck the top wing of the one going to Limerick. He saw one falling to the ground.

Mr Blood-Smyth—How far from the aerodrome was it?

Witness—Less than a mile.

Dr. Louis Humphreys, R.M.S. Home and Hospital, gave evidence examining the bodies of the two men. He found that Mr Elliott's body had a lacerated wound on the forehead and had compound fractures of the skull. Death, in his opinion, was due to these injuries. Mr Ower's body