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ME AND FOREIGN COMMUNISTS.

rd to reconcile the attitude of bour towards the home Com- nd the Communists of Spain. k at Edinburgh the Labour holding its annual conference l deal of time has been devoted panish civil war. There has od deal of sob stuff over the the so-called Govern ent of try. It is alleged that the non- on pact has not been kept in so Patriot Army is concerned. s, ammunition and aircraft are plied to the Insurgents, while s are being denied help from The Russian Soviets, whose e responsible for the agony of a, it would appear, threatened its pledge of non-intervention The fact is that it has never pledge, so that the threat has icance whatever. Funds from are still pouring into Madrid, he present moment 700 tons of n the way from Russia to the murderers and the enemies of ity in Spain. The real object Bolshevik move is to get the Government to go to the aid of , the Spanish Premier, who is essed to meet the onslaught of iot troops, who have, it is good to many important battles recently. tish Government has now been by the Labour Conference to in- and for the purpose a deputation ig of Mr. Attlee and Mr. od waited on Mr. Neville rlain, Chancellor of the Ex- and asked him to take action. s after the conference had heard tion from Spain, who put up the ea that while the Insurgents were ell supplied with war material ermany and Portugal, the Com- Government had no such ad- . At the same time the con- while zealous for the Spanish could have nothing to do with Communism. By an over- ng vote it refused its affiliation e Labour Party, and showed by ction what a hollow sham the business has been. The position our in the Free State is, it is to say, on the side of Chris- —Spain. That has been made om the outset by the Trade and Unionist organisations, and by izens generally. The Christian movement meetings have given nt evidence of the country's detes- of Communism and what it stands n the course of a few weeks ck will be called upon to make a tion of Christian principles, and, mistake not, it will do so in no vocal manner. Ireland, it is well the British Labour Party know, ve no truck with the forces who urdered priests and nuns in Spain rned and desecrated churches. It too as if the British Government ot be dragged into war in order to ain the hideous Popular Front in

E MR J. O'SHAUGHNESSY

regret to announce the death of Mr. O'Shaughnessy, at his residence, 33 nkard Street, on Thursday. The de- d gentleman was a well-known and ar figure in the life of the com- y. He was held in the highest es- by all who had the privilege of his intance. He was a life-long suppor- f the Nationalist movement, and in days gave active encouragement and rt to the Republican cause.

O'Shaughnessy had been in failing h for some time past. He was r of Mr. Joseph O'Shaughnessy, eer, "Limerick Leader."

e funeral took place this afternoon St. Mary's Church to St. Patrick's tery, and was a fitting tribute to the m in which the deceased entleman his family are held by al It was ded by representatives of very sec- of the community, and was an ex- ion of sympathy felt fo the be- ed family.

e clergy present were—Very Rev.

COUNTY COUNCIL

Appointment of Veterinary Inspector.

Housing Scheme for Farmers

Mr. J. McCormack, Chairman, presided at a meeting of the Limerick County Council to-day. The other members present were—Messrs. M. Harnett, J. Quaid, J. Mackey, M. Hurley, P. T. McCarthy, J. Blackwell, P. O'Shaughnessy, D. Fahy, D. McAuliffe, M. J. Curtin, J. W. Gleeson, D. J. Madden, J. J. O'Malley, P. J. Fitzgerald J. Quin, P. Frawley, J. Bridgeman, T. O'Connell, P. Roche, M. Hickey, J. Hogan, T. Hannon, with Mr. L. O'Donnell, Co. Secretary.

VACANCY FILLED.

A letter was read from his lordship, Most Rev. Dr. Keane, nominating the Rev. J. Wall, P.P., Croom, to fill the vacancy on the County Vocational Education Committee in the room of the late Very Rev. Canon Curtin, P.P.

On the proposition of Mr. Quaid, seconded by Mr. Harnett, Rev. Father Wall was unanimously appointed.

On the proposition of Mr. Quaid, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Council's Seal of Office was affixed to the deed of conveyance of the Strand Barracks to the Limerick Corporation.

RATHKEALE VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Local Appointments Commission, recommending the appointment of Mr. J. Campbell, Canterbury, Kent, as Veterinary Inspector for Rathkeale.

Mr. Quaid said it was a terrible state of affairs that there was no one in Ireland who could get the job.

Secretary—Mr. Campbell is a native of Co. Mayo, and has practised in Charlestown.

Mr. Quaid—Adjourn it to the next meeting.

Secretary—What is the use of doing that. You have got to approve of the appointment.

The Chairman—He is an Irishman, anyway.

The Secretary said he wanted a proposal that Mr. Campbell be appointed.

There was no proposal forthcoming, and it was decided to adjourn the matter to the next meeting.

EXTENSIVE ROADS SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Department in connection with the proposal of the Council to carry out a road scheme at a cost of £57,000, £3,000 of which was to be utilised for footpaths. The letter stated that the Department noted that the Council proposed to borrow their proportion of the expenditure, which would amount to £22,000, and enclosed forms to be filled in and returned in connection with the matter.

FIVE YEAR PERIOD.

The Secretary said he had written to the Bank with a view to getting the loan for a period of between 7 and 10 years, but he had received a reply to the effect that the Bank was only prepared to give the loan repayment for 5 years.

The Chairman said that a five year period would be satisfactory, and it was decided to complete the negotiations.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES.

A letter was read from the Association of Municipal Authorities, stating that a meeting would be held in Dublin in December, and asking that the Council would forward for inclusion in the agenda any matters that they wished discussed.

The Chairman said the Council had now an opportunity of having the position of farmers with regard to the housing discussed at the meeting.

BIG HOUSING DRIVE.

At present there was a big housing drive all over the country, and the Press were devoting a lot of space to the matter Farmers were entitled to have the same facilities as any section of the community. They had very few facilities for erecting suitable houses, and it was time that something was done to bring the matter to the notice of the authorities. He thought that a national scheme for farmers throughout the country should be inaugurated.

WORSE OFF THAN LABOURERS.

Mr. McCarthy agreed with the remarks of the Chairman, and said that some of the small farmers were worse off in respect of housing grants than labourers. They should get more facilities for building houses.

Mr. Madden stressed the importance of grants for re-construction works on houses being inaugurated.

Mr. Power said the day would eventually come when everybody would have suitable houses but the farmer if some legislation was not introduced to enable them to build suitable houses by way of grants. He agreed with the Chairman that the matter should be taken up as a national scheme.

It was decided to put the matter on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

CONDOLENCE.

A vote of sympathy was proposed with Judge McElligott, K.C., on the recent death of his brother, Mr. P. McElligott, in Dublin.

Mulkear Drainage Scheme

Farmers' Protest Against Levies.

A public meeting was held in the Limerick County Council Chambers to-day of farmers who are to be assessed as a result of the Mulkear Drainage Scheme

SOLDIER'S DEATH

Tragedy in Sarsfield Barracks.

Inquest Story.

Corporal Patrick Coen, a native of Ballinasloe, was found shot dead in his quarters at the Sarsfield Barracks, Limerick, yesterday morning.

The deceased was on night duty and was relieved at 7.30 a.m. He then went to the detention room, and a little later the sound of a shot was heard. Soldiers proceeded to the spot from where the noise came, and were horrified to find deceased lying on the floor with a bullet wound through his forehead.

THE INQUEST.

Mr. J. S. McNeice, City Coroner, and a jury held an inquest at Barrington's Hospital yesterday afternoon into the circumstances of the death of the deceased.

Supt. Downey, C.G., conducted the enquiry, and the Military Authorities were represented by Commandant Crean, Limerick.

HEARD A SHOT.

Pte. Condon, Sarsfield Barracks, stated that he was on guard duty in the barrack on Thursday night in company with the deceased and Corporal Cunningham. He was sitting at the fire in the guard-room at about 7.30 a.m. yesterday when he thought he heard a shot, followed by a thud, from the direction of the detention room. He went to the spot, and on pushing open the door saw Corporal Coen lying on the floor with a revolver at his right hand side. He summoned help. Corporal Coen had been guard commander during the night, and appeared to be quite normal.

SENTRY'S EVIDENCE.

Private John Higgins stated that he was on guard duty at the Sarsfield Barracks on Thursday. His hours of duty were from 6 p.m. until 12 midnight. The guard was mounted at 7 o'clock, and was in charge of Corporal Coen. It was witness's duty to hand over his arms to the guard commander when he was relieved of sentry duty.

Supt.—Did you empty your revolver ?—Yes.

Was anybody watching you ?—Yes; Corporal Aherne.

Are you positive that you emptied the chambers completely ?—Yes; it could not have been possible for any bullet to remain in it.

LOCKED IN BOX.

Continuing, witness said the practice was to place the revolver in a locked box in the detention room. He obtained the key from Corporal Coen, and locked the revolver in the box. He then handed Coen back the key. Up to the time witness left off duty at 12 p.m., he did not notice anything unusual about Corporal Coen, who was in his usual good spirits. He only knew Coen about three weeks.

RESULT OF DOCTOR'S EXAMINATION

Captain Anthony McNamara, Medical Officer, Sarsfield Barracks, stated he was called to see the deceased at about 7.30 on Friday morning. He found Corporal Coen lying on the floor of the detention room. There was a large pool of blood on the floor, and on examination witness found that deceased was unconscious, and had a wound on the centre of his forehead. Witness dressed the wound, and the deceased died within a few minutes. There was discolouration of the skin around the wound, which would show that the revolver was fired at close range. In conjunction with Dr. S. McDonagh, Barrington's Hospital, he held a post mortem examination. There was a puncture about the size of a halfpenny in the deceased's forehead, accompanied by fracture of the skull. Part of the bullet was found at the entrance of the wound. Death, in his opinion, was due to a bullet wound, causing laceration and haemorrhage of the brain.

Coroner—Do you believe the wound was self-inflicted ?—It could be.

You would not go beyond that ?—No.

Dr. Stephen McDonagh, Barrington's Hospital, gave corroborative evidence to that of Captain McNamara.

ONLY THREE WEEKS IN LIMERICK.

Captain J. McNamara said he last saw Corporal Coen at 11.30 p.m. on Thursday, when he was speaking to deceased, who was then quite normal and cheerful. At 7.30 a.m. that morning he was called to the detention room, and found Coen lying on the ground with a revolver nearby. Witness took charge of the revolver. Deceased was about 24 years of age, and had only been in Limerick for three weeks. He came from Ballinasloe, Co. Galway, and as far as witness knew, was unmarried. The deceased man had complete control of the box in which the revolver was locked.

John Cunningham stated that Corporal Coen was in the guard room with him most of the night, and was reading a book. Witness fell asleep at about 7 a.m., and was called shortly afterwards. He then saw Coen lying on the ground in the detention room. Witness did not hear a shot fired.

Supt. Downey said he had no evidence as to the previous history of the deceased.

INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE.

Coroner—There is nothing to show the wound was self-inflicted. It could have been accidental, and before any stigma could be put on the dead man's name more evidence would have to be forthcoming.

The foreman of the jury said that it was very probable, from the evidence, that the man's death was accidental.

The jury returned a verdict that death was due to laceration of the brain, caused by a bullet wound accidentally received.

Commandant Crean, on behalf of the military authorities, expressed sympathy with the relatives of the deceased, in which the Coroner and jury joined.

LIMERICK CO. BOARD

Feenagh Suspension Ratified

Football in Limerick.

Mr. T. Humphries, Vice-Chairman, presided at a meeting of the Limerick Co. Board G.A.A., held this afternoon.

A letter was read from Ballylanders F.C., entering an emphatic protest against the letter sent to the Limerick County Board by Shanballymore H.C., Cork, stating that five players from Fermoy played in the semi-final of the South Limerick Football Championships with Ballylanders at Knocklong, on August 23rd. The Ballylanders Club also demanded an enquiry into the matter. The Club were in a position to prove that the statement was unjust, and altogether a fabrication.

The Chairman said that a letter had been sent to Shanballymore asking that the statement in question be substantiated As far as he was aware the letter did not state that the five players fielded for Ballylanders, but that they took part in the match. The matter was being investigated at present, and when a reply was received from the Secretary of the North Cork Board further action could be taken.

A letter was read from the West Limeric Board, stating that at a recent meeting Feenagh H.C. had been suspended for twelve months for refusing to withdraw a letter threatening to withdraw their grade A. and B. teams from the current year's championship, as a protest against the West Board's ruling on the objection Tournafulla v. Feenagh.

The letter from the West Board added that Feenagh were appealed to several times to withdraw the letter, and refused.

The Chairman proposed the ratification of the action of the West Board.

Mr. Purtill seconded the Chairman's proposition, which was passed unanimously.

Arising out of the report of the referee on the Ahane v. Abbeyfeale County Senior Football Final at Rathkeale,

The Chairman said he desired to heartily congratulate Ahane on their victory in the football final. It was the first time, as far as he was aware, that a team had won a hurling and football final in the same year. It was a great achievement for Ahane, whose victory would undoubtedly be an incentive to other hurling clubs to take up football.

Mr. Purtill joined in congratulating the Ahane team on their success. He said Ahane showed what could be done by perfect combination, team spirit, and determination.

Mr. Cummins, on behalf of Ahane team thanked the Chairman and Mr. Purtill for their remarks. Ahane had achieved their ambition to win the County Senior Football final, and proved to themselves that it was possible to field as good a fifteen in Limerick County as any other team in Ireland. They wanted to make Limerick as prominent in the football field as they were in hurling, and he believed that with co-operation they would succeed in having one of the best football teams in the country.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sale of Work Opened.

The Methodist Church Annual Sale of Work in aid of the Missionary and Church Work, was formally declared open by the Rev. W. M. Cargin, M.A., at the Protestant Young Men's Hall Thursday afternoon, in the presence of a large gathering.

Prior to declaring the Sale open, the Rev. Mr. Cargin said he was very pleased to be present, and to witness the results of the efforts of the Committee in making the annual sale such a success. As Minister of the Presbyterian Church he regarded it as a great compliment and a nice gesture of friendship to have been invited to perform the opening ceremony, and he felt sure that his congregation regarded it in a similar light. They belonged to a sect that believe that the Churches should be united in the worship of God. They were aware of the difficulties to be surmounted before that unity could be achieved. The basis of all religions, however, was the worship of God, and despite all the differences, they held to the one essential, which was unity. Consequently, he was delighted to be present to open the Sale in aid of the Methodist Church work, and believed that a considerable amount of good would eventuate from co-operation and friendship, such as had been shown to him.

In conclusion, Mr. Cargin paid a tribute to the work of the Committee, and on behalf of his congregation and himself wished the Sale every success.

The Rev. A. E. Nelson, Methodist Minister, thanked Mr. Cargin for his kind remarks, and for his message expressing good-will and success. He also paid a warm tribute to the untiring work of preparation performed by the ladies, and said the stalls were the best he had ever seen. On behalf of the Methodist congregation he thanked the House Committee of the L.P.Y.M.A. for placing the Hall at their disposal.

In conclusion, Mr. Nelson expressed the sympathy of the assembly with Mrs. J. Cowpar, Upper William Street, who had learned that morning that her mother and sister had been killed in a motoring accident in Ballina.

The various stalls around the hall presented an attractive appearance. There was a very fine display of needlework and home crafts, which attracted a good deal of attention, and were very creditable to the contributors. Another magnet was the home preserves stall, where jams, pickles, and cream were displayed in pro-

CITY DISTRICT COURT.

At the City District Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. M. Flood, B.L., District Justice,

Harry Pond, Lisnagry, was summoned for attempting to ride a motor bicycle while under the influence of drink.

Supt. Downey prosecuted, and Mr. A. M Killeen, solr., defended.

Guard O'Donoghue stated that on the 3rd inst. he observed the defendant attempt to mount a bicycle in William St. His attention was attracted by the behaviour of defendant, and it was obvious that he was drunk. Witness spoke to Pond, and in consequence of what transpired the defendant was taken into custody. When in the cell Pond became violent, and decided to be examined by a doctor. Dr. Holmes was sent for, and he examined the defendant, and certified him as being drunk.

The defendant stated that he had a "few drinks" too many, but was not incapable.

Justice—What are you ?

Defendant—A plasterer, sir.

Justice—You have given your evidence very fairly, and I will take that fact into consideration. The charge against you is a serious one, but having regard to all the facts I will impose a fine of £2, but I must suspend your licence for twelve months.

Four young men name Pat McMahon, Peter McMahon, Martin Luby, and Geo. Keane, were summoned for causing a disturbance at night.

Supt. Downey said that the conduct of the defendants was very bad. At one o'c. on the morning of September 21st, the defendants came along Pery Square singing, shouting, kicking dust bins, and behaving as disorderly as they possibly could. The uproar they created was simply appalling. No one would object to young men expressing their soul in song at a reasonable hour if they felt like doing so, but in the present case what had taken place was sheer blackguardism.

Guard Brosnan stated that along with Guard Maxwell he chased the defendants, and eventually caught them in Vizes' Field.

Supt.—Was their behaviour bad ?—It was real rowdyism.

The defendants stated that they were going home when the Guards chased them. They denied kicking any dust bins.

Justice—I take a serious view of the case, but as the defendants are in poor circumstances, I do not want to put a heavy fine on them. I will fine each of them 2s. 6d.

Supt. Downey—Would your worship bind them to the peace ?

Justice—Well, as this is the first time they have appeared before me I do not want to take such a drastic course, but in future cases of this kind I will order bail bonds.

Wm. Lloyd, 32 Edward Street, summoned Bridget O'Donnell, publican, Boherbuoy, for using language likely to lead to a breach of tthe peace.

Mr. Nial Gaffney, solr., appeared for the defendant.

The complainant stated that he was passing the defendant's public house when she called after him, and said that he had spied on her to the Guards—that he was the cause of having her house raided. In consequence of that allegation he was regarded as a police spy in the Boherbuoy district.

Answering Mr. O'Malley, the complainant said he was in the Civic Guards, and had left the force of his own free will.

Mr. O'Malley—Did you leave the Guards to become unemployed ?—I left of my own free will.

The defendant, in evidence, denied she used the words complained of. She did say to the defendant that she was told that he had reported her house to the Guards.

Mr. Gaffney—Will you apologise to the complainant ?—Yes, if I said anything to offend him.

Justice—That ends the case. I will not allow costs to either side.

A young man named Martin Carroll was charged with breaking into the premises of Charles Barry, Coolraine, Ennis Road, with the object of committing a robbery.

Supt. Downey said that Carroll, who was caught red-handed, had an extremely bad record. He was several times in jail on charges of larceny.

Justice—It appears to be useless to send this fellow to jail, but I cannot do anything else with him. On the present charge he will go to jail for two months.

Four fish vendors, named Rainbow, Organ, O'Brien, and O'Sullivan, were summoned at the instance of the Corporation for exposing for sale fish that was not fit for human consumption.

Inspector Forrest, in reply to Mr. J. J. Dundon, solr., who appeared for the Corporation, stated that each defendant had exposed for sale bad mackerel. In all cases he had the fish destroyed.

The defendants stated that they were supplied with the fish that morning.

The Justice said that the charge was a serious one, as bad fish might cause ptomaine poisoning. As the defendants were not in good financial circumstances he would not impose fines in keeping with the seriousnses of the offence. Rainbow, Organ, and O'Brien would be fined £1 each, and O'Sullivan £2.

REGIONAL HOSPITAL.

Proposed Deputation to the Minister.

Limerick's Need.

At a meeting of the Limerick County Health Board yesterday

TO-DAY'S SPOR

Curragh Meetin

2 30—KILDARE PLA
Veneagle (2 to 1, fav.) J
Ombee (20 to 1) J
Lady Mystery (4 to 1)
Also ran—Parting Glass, Turf Scheme, Lucky Prin Bird, Sweet Home, South Polish Polly, Alwin.
Won by 1½l. ; 2l.

3.0—THE ROYAL W
Harvest Star (2 to 1 on) F
Foxie (9 to 4 agst)
Fair Karl (7 to 1) T
Won by 4l. ; 6l.

3.30—IRISH CESARE
COROFIN W
FLAXLEY TOM
UP SABRE Jar
Also ran—Ca Ca-Ce, Kildonan's Hope, Yellow I Wood, Speakeasy II., Caher Fire, Epi Normand, Golde miah, Corrib Lady, Rattle Tribute, Penelophon, Joye Ballyjamesduff. Delay, Eastern Ford, Gorgis, Phylactery, Wily Greek, Li lea Dunderry.
Trained by Parkin
Betting—8 to 1 agst Cor Cabin Fire, Rattle Up, and to 1 Ballyjamesduff, Up Sal Yellow Furze, Caherpeek, Tom, 20 to 1 Epi Normand and Corrib Lady, 50 to 1 e
Won by a short head ; ¾

4.0—STAND PL
Guest (10 to 1)
Lime Tree (4 to 1)
Young Soldier (20 to 1)
Also ran—Li moira, Dry wizzy, Knight's Stream, On.

4.30—NATIONAL P
Burdock (2 to 1 on)
Beffni (16 to 1)
Armagh (4 to 1)
Also ran—Solver Eag Diamond, Bachelor's B Spider, Tonarigit, Adara,

5.0—LOUGHBROW
Cross Guns (4 to 1)
Yukon Gold (3 to 1 jt. fav)
Greek Jim (4 to 1)
Also ran—Old George. Ultar, Wild Maid, Ellen' Won by a neck ; same.

Haydock Park

2 10—LOWTON
Ro sall (100 to 7)
Tur ur (20 to 1)
Flying Admiral (10 to 1)
Also ran—Prick, Kon Court of Appeal (fav.), Maloja, Wardley, Zinder. bolted and did not cor starter's orders.

2.40—SATURDAY
Epic (20 to 1)
Celtic Rover (10 to 1)
Solvent (6 to 1)
Also ran—Tereson, Golden Bow, April Ethylwynn, Little Mis Ways, Putupon (fav.), T Alma Joan. Won by ¾

3.10—AUTUMN
Cordilleras (G Vergette) (W Nevett). 7 to 4 o

3.40—CARRINGTO
Poinsetta (3 to 1)
Dibylus (5 to 4 on)
Helmina (6 to 1)
Also ran—Crusade. G

4.10—ALVASTO
Bango (7 to 1)
Welsh Horse (10 to 1)
Sloug (20 to 1)
Also ran—Guiding Q Arden, Kedgeree, Fore Avon.

4.35—PAKK P
Rydal (6 to 4 on)
Incendiaire (4 to 1)
Bay Laurel (3 to 1)

Chepstow M

2.0—CLEARWEL
L'Eldorado (8 to 1)
Man of Property (6 to 1
Wild Meadow (100 to 8)
Also ran—L atharie, I Jane, Monk's Heath, S blest, Buchil, Joie de-Vi Won by 1½ lengths.

2.30—BULWAR
Royal Iris (6 to 1)
Dick Tapper (4 to 1 jt fa
Peter's Gem (5 to 1)
Also ran—Isis, Fria Love Song, Busvine, M Applecross, Mill Pool, Llanfairfechan Won

3.0—GLANEL
Galadale (8 to 1)
Flam (3 to 1)
Hopetoun (100 to 8)
Also ran—Mr Char Krassawin (fav) W