

A Patriot Dead

Passing of Mr. Cornelius Collins

The death occurred in a Dublin hospital of Mr. Cornelius Collins, Superintendent, Limerick G P O. for the past eight years.

Mr. Collins joined the Volunteers at the inception of the movement.

At the time of the landing of Sir Roger Casement on the Kerry coast, Mr. Collins, with Austin Stack and other leaders, assembled at Tralee to meet him. Mr. Collins was arrested and interned. He took part in a hunger strike, and his health, as a result, was impaired. He was released following the amnesty.

In 1918 he was elected Sinn Féin M.P. for West Limerick. He took part in the Treaty debates and voted against it.

During the Civil war he acted as a Quartermaster of the I.R.A. At its termination he resumed his connection with the G.P.O.

Mr Collins was an intimate friend of President de Valera. He leaves a widow and four young children.

Funeral at Limerick

The funeral of Mr Cornelius Collins took place after Solemn Requiem Mass in St. Michael's Church. The cortege to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery was of huge proportions. It was representative of many who took part in the National movement during the past 80 years.

The coffin was borne from the church by officials of the Limerick Post Office staff, preceded by Mr. T. A. Daly, Postmaster.
