

that the delay in the delivery of oil and petrol to Germany, which was the subject of a strong protest by the German Government, was the result of transport difficulties. An acute shortage of oil barges and trains has caused the hold-up of all supplies.

The North American Aviation Company announced to-day that 400 planes had been ordered by Great Britain, at a cost of a quarter million pounds.

ITALIAN STATEMENT.

The Italian Government, according to an official statement from the Rome Radio, has decided to oppose in the strongest possible manner any attempt to introduce Communism in the Baltic. They would, says the report, take action as emphatic as was taken in the case of Spain.

LABOURER'S DEATH

Reported for Work

A city labourer named James Byrne (46) collapsed and died suddenly when he arrived for work at the Sarsfield Barracks, Limerick, this morning. The deceased had been engaged on reconstructional work.

Death was attributed to heart failure.

DUBLIN STRIKE

Milk Supplies Stopped

It was learned to-day that the Milk Producers in Dublin had gone on strike, and had refused to supply milk to the city.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

According to an official return the city had practically a clean bill of health

gate, by striking him on the head with hurley on Sunday, 5th November.

Supt. Murray said that though Burke was physically out of danger, the authorities looked upon this case as a very serious one, and he had communicated with the Attorney-General with a view to prefer a more serious charge than the one now on the chargesheet. The charge he intended to prefer was attempted murder, but before doing so he wanted to lay the facts before the Attorney-General.

BIG EXPENDITURE

Co. Vocational Scheme

Rev. T. Wall, P.P., Ballingarry, presided at the monthly meeting of the Limerick County Vocational Education Committee, when the financial scheme for 1940-41 was adopted.

The C.E.O. presented the financial scheme for the year 1940-41. He estimated receipts at £27,000 and expenditure £25,000, leaving a credit of £1,500. He anticipated that the grant from the Department would be the same as last year, i.e., £7,039, while the contribution from local rates was estimated at £7,624. Provision was made in the estimate for the erection of two new schools at Abbeyfeale and Dromcollogher.

LIMERICK INQUIRY.

Resumption Date Fixed by the L.G.D.

The Department of Local Government has fixed Tuesday, 28th inst., for the resumption of the sworn inquiry into certain transactions that took place at the Mental Hospital some time ago regarding the sale of livestock. The matter was referred to in the Auditor's report, and the Committee of Management requested that a sworn inquiry be held. Owing to a bereavement in the family of Dr. R. F. McDonnell, the Inspector, the original date fixed for the hearing was put forward until next week. There is a possibility that the inquiry may have to be