

BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Price Of Gas

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VACANCIES ON THE MUNICIPAL STAFFS

The Mayor (Ald. D. Bourke, T.D.) presided at a meeting of the Limerick Corporation on Tuesday night. Other members present were—Ald. J. Reidy, T.D.; Ald. A. E. Goodwin. Councillors M. Hartney, P. Bourke, J. C. Hickey, M. Daly, J. Dalton, P. J. Donnellan.

Mr. J. J. Berkery, City Manager; Mr. C. Stenson, B.E., City Surveyor, and Dr. J. McPolin, S.M.O.H., were the officers in attendance.

The Manager said that it would be necessary to reconstitute certain committees.

Mr. Dalton—I propose that all the outgoing committees be re-elected. In those troubled times we need no elections.

Mr. Hartney—I second that proposition. Mayor—And it is passed unanimously. That is the proper course to adopt.

REFUSE IN UNCOVERED VEHICLES

Mr. Donnellan referred to the transport of refuse in uncovered vehicles through the streets. He had also observed carcasses transported through the streets in vehicles that were anything but hygienic.

Manager—I will make inquiries and report to the next meeting.

PRICE OF GAS.

Arising out of the financial statement, Mr. Hartney said that the Manager was to be complimented in having a credit balance at the Gas Works. In view of that position he presumed the consumers could look forward to a reduction.

Manager—I'm afraid not. Coal suitable for the manufacture of gas is now costing 51/- per ton.

Mr. Hartney—The consumers will be disappointed.

AUXILIARY FIRE-FIGHTING SERVICE.

Mr. Dalton said that the Manager should consider the question of appointing an auxiliary fire fighting service for the duration of the emergency. If anything serious did happen the existing Brigade would be totally inadequate.

Manager—I have a number of suitable men being specially trained in fire fighting. Exercises are going on night after night and, besides, the auxiliary staff are being coached as to the position of the hydrants. In the case of an emergency the auxiliary staff have been allocated to special depots.

Mr. Dalton—I'm very glad to hear that.

AS PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE.

Ald. Reidy suggested that the Red Cross should be painted on the roofs of the hospitals as a precautionary measure.

Manager—That is under consideration.

Mr. Hartney—While on this subject I think an appeal should go out to all the citizens, irrespective of class or creed, to come to the aid of the country in this grave hour. Every eligible man should be in the Defence Forces or in the Local Security Force. It may be that a certain class are under the impression that they are not wanted. Every Irish man and woman are wanted and all can help in one or other of the services. Thank God, there are now no party politics in the country and I sincerely hope that they will never arise again.

Mr. Hickey supported Mr. Hartney's appeal and said that time was both pressing and urgent.

Mayor—I endorse the appeal and I exhort every citizen to come forward now. This is the time to act—delay might be fatal. All are welcome; all Irishmen and women are needed, now.

OBITUARY

MR. JAMES RYAN.

The death of Mr. James Ryan, 1, Shannon Terrace, Limerick, which occurred in St. John's Hospital on Friday 5th inst., has occasioned feelings of the deepest regret, not alone in Limerick, but throughout the country generally, where, in his capacity of District Manager of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, he was widely known and deservedly popular.

Mr. Ryan, who retired from business only a few months ago, was held in the highest esteem by his employers, colleagues, and all with whom he came in contact. His kindly and gentle disposition, his sincerity of character, his charming manner, his lovable and saintly nature, endeared him to all. To know him was to love him. His friends were legion, his enemies non-existent. He was never known to utter an unkind word. A model husband and father, his home was his palace. Deeply religious in an unobtrusive manner, his life was one long continuous prayer. He was ever ready to do a kind turn, and his charity was boundless.

He bore a long and painful illness with the highest patience and fortitude, and although not entirely unexpected, his death came as a great shock to all who knew him. He will be sadly missed by his wife, daughter and son, to whom the sincerest sympathy is extended in their great loss, but they have the consolation of knowing that he now reaps the reward of a life of devotion and goodness.

The remains, accompanied by a huge concourse of people, were removed on Friday evening from St. John's Hospital to St. Michael's Church, where Mass was offered for the repose of his soul on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

The funeral cortege on Sunday to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery was of immense proportions, bearing ample testimony, if such were needed, of the esteem and respect in which the late Mr. Ryan was held.

Rev. W. J. Carroll, Adm., St. Michael's, officiated at the obsequies, and the Clergy in attendance included—Rev. R. O'Sullivan, C.C.; Rev. J. White, C.C.; Rev. T. J. Lyons, C.C.; Rev. P. J. Lynch, C.C.; Rev. Father Ephrem, O.F.M.; Rev. Father Adrian, O.F.M.; Rev. Father Aloysius, O.F.M.; Rev. J. O'Shea, C.S.S.R.

The chief mourners were:—Mrs. Anastasia Ryan (widow); Miss Maisie Ryan, A.T.C.L. (daughter); Mr. Patrick Ryan (son); Mrs. Brennan, Dublin (sister); Mrs. Patrick Ryan (daughter-in-law); Misses Annette and Miriam Ryan and Master James Ryan (grandchildren); Mr. and Mrs. H. Lynch and Miss A. Lynch, Pittown; Mr. and Mrs. M. Ryan and Misses M. and K. Ryan, Kilkenny; Messrs. Michael and Milne Horgan, Dublin; Mr. J. Malone, Kilkenny, etc., etc. (relatives).

The general public included—Mr. M. J. Keyes, T.D.; Mr. A. McGann, Mr. J. Gould (O'Mara Ltd.); Mr. J. Hayes (Customs); Mr. and Mrs. J. McQuane, Mr. and Mrs. J. Quinn and Miss K. Quinn, Ennis; Mr. and Mrs. O'Rourke, Athy; Messrs. J. and P. Dawson, Carlow; Messrs. O'Carroll, Quin, Toomey and Tuite (L.M.S. and G. W. Railways); Messrs D. Griffin, L. Fawl, J. McCarthy (G.S. Railways); members of the Franciscan Choir, Mrs. A. Breen, Dublin, etc.

More than seventy Mass Cards were sent, and Wreaths were received from the following—Mr. H. Burchill, The Staffs of the Singer Company, Dublin and Limerick; the Franciscan Church Choir, Limerick; Mrs. O'Rourke and Miss Fawl, Annette, Miriam and Jimmie Ryan.

The Singer Sewing Machine Company was represented by—Mr. H. Burchill, General Manager for Eire (Dublin); Mr. R. Walsh, Supervisor (Dublin); Mr. F. J. Breen, Auditor (Dublin); Mr. H. Weatherford, Manager (Limerick); Mr. W. H. Taylor, Manager (Athlone); Mr. B. Murphy, Manager (Waterford); Mr. T. O'Reilly, Manager (Cork); Mr. Murphy, Tipperary; Misses Walker, O'Sullivan and Fortsythe, and Messrs. Conway and Bindon, (Limerick Staff), etc., etc.



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