

Manoeuvres.

The manoeuvres held by the local L.S.F. branches on Sunday last were very well carried out. The whole proceedings went through without a hitch, which speaks well for the co-operation and efficiency with which the several units did their parts. Road blocks and communications were very well carried out. The members of the Red Cross Sub-Branch took an active part. In the afternoon the military proceeded to Tipperary.

Church Devotions.

Sunday last, the Feast of Christ the King, was a day of special devotion in the parish. On Sunday and Friday evenings devotions are now held at 6 o'clock since the evenings have become much shorter. The Christmas Stations have been going on for the past two weeks and conclude on Saturday.

Beet Campaign.

The beet campaign has started and the work of pulling the beet is now in progress. The crop is up to the average and many more farmers than usual have succeeded in growing very fine crops.

Winter Ploughing.

Winter ploughing is in full swing. Farmers are taking advantage of the present dry spell to get ahead with the winter ploughing. The work is in many instances made much easier by the use of the tractor plough, which is becoming more and more popular.

COUNTY LIMERICK COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

FRUIT TREE PLANTING SCHEME, 1940/41. £100.

The County Limerick Committee of Agriculture have allocated the sum of £100 to assist persons to purchase Fruit Trees.

The Fruit Trees will be supplied at half the original price to Labourers and to Farmers whose total area does not exceed 100 Irish Acres.

SHELTER BELT SCHEME, 1940/41. £100.

The Committee have set aside the sum of £100 to assist persons to purchase Forest Trees for planting.

The Forest Trees will be supplied at half the original price to Farmers resident in the County.

Application Forms for Trees under the above Schemes may be had from the undersigned.

Application before 1st January, 1941, for both Fruit and Forest Trees is advisable.

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to the County Council the sum of £74 annually.

A Good Case.

They have undoubtedly put forward a good case, and perhaps their plea may be listened to with sympathy. The roadway is, of course, concreted, and for a considerable time will not require repairs of any sort, but the cleaning of it is, it is understood, one of the main problems with which they are at present concerned, and one which should undoubtedly receive urgent attention. The Commissioners are also concerned with the supply of water to the town, and more particularly with the arrangement whereby water is not available at an earlier hour than 11 a.m.

The Water Supply.

They may not, perhaps, have taken into account the fact that the water supply in the country has scarcely yet recovered from the effects of the long period of drought, and from enquiries made it would appear that the wells at Kilcoleman are no exception. It has, therefore, it appears, been necessary to nurse them along, and it is only by means of skilful attendance that the supply is kept going without any breakdown in machinery.

A Serious Situation.

It has been known only to those immediately concerned that the springs were recently so low that the pumps were working at full capacity; they would have run them dry in approximately three hours, and if they continued to work with no water in the well endless mechanical trouble would ensue. In the circumstances, therefore, the Commissioners must be prepared to accept the smaller inconvenience, so as to avoid the greater one.

Recent Death.

The death has occurred in Wexford of Mr. Ted Scanlan, a native of Bishop Street, Newcastle West. The deceased was a brother to Mr. Michael Scanlan and Mr. Jeremiah Scanlan and had been for many years engaged in Wexford, where he had settled down. The deepest sympathy will be extended to the family on their bereavement.

Gaelic Contests.

Two very interesting matches were decided at the Gaelic Field here on Sunday last before a very large crowd, who followed with keen interest the course of the games, particularly the junior football final between Athea and Mountcollins. Both matches were for the finals of the divisions and as such were generally regarded as of a good standard. In the minor football game Abbeyfeale proved much too able for Castlemahon and won out by the rather large score of 2 goals 12 points to 1 goal 1 point.

Neck or Nothing Game.

The Athea v. Mountcollins game was a