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KILLALOE NOTES

(From Our Correspondent).

Plots For Landless.

Some of the farmers in this area, unable to comply with the increased tillage order, have met the situation by giving plots of land to the landless who are anxious to cultivate. This very commendable method of production could easily be emulated by other members of the farming community who, by reason of a shortage of help, are unable to increase their tillage quota.

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Regretted Deaths.

The deaths took place last week of two highly esteemed members of this community. Mrs. McKeogh, wife of Mr. James McKeogh, Balyvalley, Killaloe, passed away on Wednesday at an early age. A daughter of the late Mr. Pat Scanlan, Gortmagee, and sister of Rev. E. J. Scanlan, U.S.A., she was the mother of a young family to whom, and also to her sorrowing husband, mother and brothers sympathy is extended in their great bereavement.

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Two Funerals.

It is rarely we see two coffins in the church at the same time, two funerals leaving the church on the same day, in rural districts, but on Thursday of last week that sad experience was ours when the funerals of Mrs. McKeogh and Mrs. Moloney, Main Street, Killaloe, followed each other to Ballyva, where interment took place. Mrs. Moloney, relict of the late Mr. Martin Moloney, victualler, had been only a short time ill. Both deaths are deeply regretted.

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Dramatic Entertainment.

The Killaloe Irish Class Dramatic Troupe staged "When a Man Marries," a most enjoyable play, by B. McCarthy, to a crowded hall at Bridgetown on Sunday last. Several local artistes contributed to a most entertaining concert, including troupes of dancers, singers, eipucationists, etc. The O'Brien's Bridge and Bridgetown children were greatly admired in their native dances, songs and recitations. In fact the whole entertainment was voted the most enjoyable held in the hall for a very long time.

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Cargo of Turf.

A boat-load of turf brought into Killaloe by Mr. McGrath during the week proved a God-send to the people of the town, many of whom were feeling the fuel shortage acutely. Armed with wheel-barrows, trucks, sacks, etc. the poor swar-

PALLAS AND DISTRICT

(From Our Correspondent).

Relief Fund.

In connection with the Relief Fund recently started in the parish a very successful whist drive was held at the Brook Hall on Sunday night, 23rd March. The committee in charge was very satisfied with the response to the appeal for support and for every help to make the initial venture a success.

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Prize-Winners.

The following were the prize-winners:—Half time score—Miss K. O'Dwyer, Dromaneen, 10/-; Messrs. L. O'Dwyer and J. J. Barry scored full-time score:—J. J. Barry, £1 10s.; Miss D. Hayes, Garrymore, £1; Anthony English, Clon, £1; Messrs. McGrath and Glee, 10/- each.

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Good Work Begun.

With the funds realised the committee have taken about two and a half acres of the best tillage land in the locality. Voluntary contributions of seed potatoes are being given by everyone who has some spare. The seed potatoes are selected and as the Fund is only in its infancy any help towards lessening outlay is very welcome. Father Kinane and an active capable committee have begun good work.

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Tillage Operations.

The spring work has been going ahead within the past few weeks and despite the vagaries of weather a vast amount of tillage has been done. The main crop is in most cases almost finished. It appears to be a scarcity of potatoes owing, no doubt, to the extra tillage and also to the fact that the scarcity of feeding stuffs compelled farmers to feed potatoes to their pigs and poultry.

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Diocesan Examination.

Rev. M. J. Lee, Diocesan Examiner, visited the parish school during the week for the purpose of examining the children in the Catechism and Christian Doctrine.

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Teacher Retires.

Mr. J. Noonan, Principal Teacher in Garrydoolis National School for many years, has retired on pension having reached the number of years before retirement. Mr. Noonan is succeeded by Mr. Coleman, Garrydoolis. Mr. Noonan's retirement was marked by regret at the going of one of the ablest of the profession in the district. His teaching