

without any mandate set out deliberately to make war on the mass of the people. If the Government wanted the maximum measure of unity they would withdraw the Trade Union Bill. In a time of grave national concern it was criminal to create disunity and discord by legislation that struck at the very foundations of trade unionism.

### IN GRAVE JEOPARDY.

The Chairman said that the workers of Limerick should harken to the appeals made to them by the speakers. The future of the Trade Union Movement was in grave jeopardy and if the unions up and down the country failed to grasp the seriousness of the situation they could only blame themselves when they discovered in a comparatively short time that they had been shorn of the rights and privileges bestowed on them by law.

## THE 'BUS RATES

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Dear Sir,—I beg to ask, through your popular journal, can the Bus Company lower the bus charge so that the worker can use it more often than heretofore? It is too bad that the worker has to suffer as well as those who can afford to pay better than he can. Why not give us the bus to McBirney's Corner for 1d. from Hassett's Cross or any other point.

CITIZEN

## IRISH JESUITS IN HONG KONG

At the outbreak of hostilities in the Pacific there were 22 Irish Jesuit missionary priests and 5 scholastics in Hong Kong. It was stated at Gardiner Street, Dublin, last night that no news had been received from them for some time.

## CHEAPER SUGAR IN NORTH

The retail price of all varieties of sugar for domestic consumption in Britain and Northern Ireland will be reduced on December 29 by 1d. per lb., the British Food Ministry announces.

this which was a lead to other boards throughout the country. He was happy to say that in Clare they had 314 registered athletes and 12 registered clubs, which was a sufficient answer to any other athletic body.

Mr. S. Hennessy, on behalf of

in accordance with the medical evidence, and added that no blame attached to anyone.

## CIRCUIT COURT

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### JUDGE THANKED

At the conclusion of the Michaelmas sittings of the Limerick Circuit Court on Friday evening, Mr. W. Binchy, B.L., on behalf of his colleagues of the Bar, said that he wished to thank his Lordship, Judge D. Fawsitt, S.C., for the facilities he had given and the courtesy he had shown them during the sitting. He also wished his Lordship a very happy Christmas.

Mr. J. J. Power, State Solicitor, associated himself on behalf of the legal profession in the tribute of appreciation to the Judge.

Mr. H. O'B. Moran, Co. Registrar, also joined in the seasonable greetings to his Lordship, which were further endorsed by Inspector Garvey on behalf of the Gardai.

His Lordship said that he appreciated very much what had been said about him. When he came to Limerick at the beginning of the sitting he was not in the best of health but he had since fully recovered. He tendered to counsel, solicitors and Gardai his best wishes for a happy Christmas.

## DEATH OF MISS MAY PALMER

The death of Miss May Palmer, which occurred at her residence, 23 Sexton Street, Limerick, on yesterday, is deeply regretted. During her illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude, she received the loving care of her sisters, and her passing away in middle life has left a void in the family circle. The deceased was employed in the grocery department of Messrs. Looney and Co., where she was held in the highest esteem by all with whom she came in contact. The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock to-morrow (Tuesday) from St. Michael's Church to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. To her sisters and relatives we extend our deep sympathy in their loss.

## LIMERICK RED CROSS

The annual meeting of the Co. Limerick Committee of the Red Cross Society was held in the Town Hall on Saturday. Mrs. W. Place, President, presided, and reports were furnished by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. F. G. O'Reilly), the Hon. Treasurer (Mr. J. J. Hannafin) and

in such a vitally important

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## A LIMERICK "SOVIET."

Mr. Cathal O'Shannon, a in the Labour Movement the course of his speech meeting in the Mechanics' yesterday, reported in another of this issue, recalled the Limerick had a "Soviet" in 1919. Virtual control was taken over by the local Unions as a protest against action of the British Military commander issuing a ukase workers should carry pennants or leave the city. At paper money was issued by the Trades Council and Mr. O'Shannon mentioned that a special shilling note had been prepared by Mr. James M. Cahill. By the way, denomination of the Trades Council currency seen in the City Museum.

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## PETROL SUPPLIES.

It is learned that work on the Prospect housing scheme proceeding normally since petrol supplies were available. Some time ago it was feared that operations would be suspended, but following presentations made to the Government of Supplies the problem was solved. The petrol supplies are now, through the Manager (Mr. J. J. Gahan) obtaining four hundred gallons a month over and above the regular quota. The responsible manager, Mr. Lemass, who was a victim of much undeserved criticism and abuse, is to be commended for the prompt manner in which he acceded to the representations made on behalf of the committee.

## MUNICIPAL DINNER

The Hon. Treasurer acknowledges with most grateful thanks the following subscriptions received from the Glow Workers: Rev. Dr. R. W. Jackson, 17s. 3d.; S. F. Nicholas, 10s.; Mrs. Gubbins (Kilfrush), 10s.; Geary, Esq., £1; Mrs. Doherty, 10s.

DEATH.