

...a silver shield. In the course of the proceedings touching references were made to the death of T. A. Leahy and glowing tributes paid to that great athlete generally in general. Reference was made to the successes on the athletic field of Michael Moloney, another local athlete who has been winning a great name for himself.

ALL SENTENCES

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AT LIMERICK CIRCUIT COURT

At the Limerick Circuit Court yesterday Judge Fawsitt sentenced James Daniels and Robert Mallard to six months imprisonment, with hard labour, each for offences under the Criminal Law Amendment Act.

A suspensory sentence of three months was passed on Martin Patrick, and, in the case of James King the Judge deferred sentence until next November.

In the direction of the Judge, the Judge acquitted Thomas Foley of the charges preferred against him. Leo Mullane, who pleaded guilty of issuing counterfeit coins, was sentenced to six months imprisonment.

IRISH LABOUR PARTY

A meeting under Irish Labour Party auspices was held in Tournahanna Schoolhouse on Sunday last. After an address from Mr. P. F. Stello, Secretary of Dromcollogher Branch, it was unanimously decided to affiliate a branch for Dromcollogher and the following officers of the committee were elected:—Chairman, Mr. W. Gorman; Secretary, Mr. M. Aherne; Treasurer, Mr. C. Gorman. Committee—Messrs. P. Doody, J. Kiely, D. Keating, P. Leahy, J. Doody and J. Aherne. A resolution was passed unanimously demanding 7/- per day for workers and 11/- per day for workers on peat scheme, for 1942, together with shelters and transport accommodation.

THE ARCH-CONFRATERNITY

Rev. John Gorey, C.S.S.R., Spiritual Director of the Arch-Confraternity of the Holy Family for the past four years, has been transferred to Dundalk and will leave Limerick shortly.

The new Director of the Confraternity is Rev. Peter Byrne, C.S.S.R., Belfast, who was formerly Spiritual Director of the Confraternity.

A mild sensation has been occasioned in soccer circles by the news that the Limerick Club has lodged an objection with the Football Association of Ireland alleging that Bohemians contravened the F.A. Cup Cup rules by including an illegal player in their team last Sunday. If such an allegation is proved, Limerick would be awarded the match.

LIMERICK PRIEST

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DIES IN ENGLAND

The death, which we announce with deep regret, took place in a Birmingham Nursing Home on Sunday last of the Rev. Thomas Hobbins, P.P., of Darlston. He had been in impaired health since the beginning of last month, and was 45 years of age. Father Hobbins was the youngest son of the late Mr. Thomas Hobbins, District Inspector, R.I.C., Caherciveen, and Mrs. Hobbins, Crescent Avenue, Limerick. He was educated at Mount St. Joseph College, Roscrea, and All Hallows, Dublin, and ordained twenty years ago for the Metropolitan Archdiocese. He was a curate at Halston St., and St. Columba's, Drumcondra. In 1932 he obtained a transfer to the Archdiocese of Birmingham, in the Parish of Nuneaton, after which he was appointed P.P. of Darlston. Father Hobbins was a very zealous and exemplary priest, and most exacting in the discharge of his sacred duties. He was beloved by the people amongst whom he laboured, and by all who knew him. His death at such an early age deprives his parishioners of a wise and gracious pastor, and deep sympathy will be felt in Limerick for his sisters, Mrs. Adams and Miss Hobbins, and his brothers, Mr. Alphonsus Hobbins and Mr. J. J. Hobbins, in their sorrow.

'T WAS 2d. THEN!

When tradesmen were executing repairs recently in an office in Thomas St., Rathkeale, formerly a private residence, they found under the floor boards one full bottle of stout with the cork intact. A Guinness label affixed to the bottle was dated 1897. At that time, 45 years ago, stout was retailed at 2d. per bottle.

FREAKS

ground be provided for children. Athlunkard Street. I think should adjourn this matter until we get the memorial.

Mayor—As a result of development work on the playground ground has been suspended there is unemployment.

Mr. Keyes—How long will we have to wait for a housing scheme?

City Surveyor—Probably ten years.

Mr. O'Malley—I can say that the present playground is at Athlunkard Street and I'm amazed to hear that the householders object to the playground.

MAYOR'S QUERY.

Mayor—I wonder what was the real objection to the playground. I recollect reading in the "Limerick Leader" where Ald. Reidy had urged the provision of a playground in Athlunkard Street.

Ald. Reidy—That is so. I was in this old tannery site developed. I advocated the provision of a playground. Now the people of the Parish, whose servant I am, commend that the site be utilized for housing. I now support the contention and I think I'm entitled to do that.

Mr. Hartney—I thought we had agreed to leave this question until we got the memorial. I propose that the question be adjourned.

This proposition was decided and passed unanimously.

FIRE BRIGADE UNIFORMS

The Mayor said that at a recent function he made a statement to the effect that the uniforms for members of the Fire Brigade were not made in Limerick. He has since learned that that statement was not correct, inasmuch as the uniforms were made in Limerick. When he made the statement he had in mind that the clothing for the inmates of the City Home was to be procured outside through the agency of the Combined Purchasing Scheme.

Ald. Reidy said that all the contracts could be placed locally if the prices were competitive with those on the Combined Purchasing list.

Ald. Bourke—I agree with Ald. Reidy on that point.

Mayor—The Manager seems to have some doubts about that. He has addressed a query to the Law Agent and the matter will come before us again.

DEPARTMENT THANKS OFFICIAL.

The Department of Agriculture wrote thanking Mr. J. J. Durkin, Chief Veterinary Officer for the city, for the competent and efficient services rendered by him during the foot and mouth outbreak.