

in the city for dramatic productions. A number of interested parties had been discussing the future of the Athenaeum Hall, but the rent and rates attaching to this building proved too onerous for a Voluntary Cultural Committee. In that connection he would like to know if the hall attached to the Technical Institute would be available for dramatic productions.

The Mayor said that the hall attached to the Technical Institute appeared to be under the control of the Chairman of the City Vocational Education Committee.

Mr. Donnellan (chairman of the Vocational Committee) said that he would not discuss the matter at that meeting. Mr. O'Malley would get all the information he wanted concerning the hall at the next meeting of the Vocational Committee.

Mr. O'Malley said that if the Vocational Committee was not prepared to act reasonably the Corporation could stop its contributions to the Committee. The Vocational Committee could get out of its difficulties with regard to the letting of the hall by appointing a Cultural Committee to consider applications for the use of the hall.

Mayor—I suggest that you raise the matter at the next meeting of the Vocational Committee, but you will require to be far more persuasive than I proved to be.

Mr. O'Malley—I will act as you suggest and if necessary I will ventilate the matter here again.

HORTICULTURE

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SUGGESTED INSTRUCTOR FOR CITY

At a meeting of Limerick Corporation last night, the Mayor presiding,

Mr. Russell suggested that the question of appointing a horticultural instructor for the city should be considered. The production of food was a matter of vital importance and anything that could be done in that direction should be done. Mr. J. J. O'Carroll was giving excellent lectures at the Technical Institute, but something more was needed—visitations to gardens by the instructor.

Mayor—What you suggest is very important and I think the Manager might take up that matter with the County Vocational Committee, to see if an accommodation could be reached for the services of Mr. O'Carroll on the lines suggested by Mr. Russell.

Manager—I will do that and report to the next meeting.

profession.

Volunteer T. Costelloe was charged by Supt. Dunning with causing malicious damage to the premises of Mrs. Keane, Commercial Hotel, Castleconnell.

Supt. Dunning said that on December 16th the defendant was in Mrs. Keane's Hotel with some companions. They were eventually ordered to leave. Costelloe left his cap, cane and gloves behind him. When he got outside he discovered his loss and returned for them. While he was waiting he smashed the windows.

The defendant did not appear.

Private Lynch stated that he was with Costelloe on the occasion. The defendant was under the influence of drink and staggered against the window. He did not do the damage deliberately.

Supt. Dunning—I put it to you that he deliberately smashed this window?

Witness—I would not say so.

Supt. Dunning said that Mrs. Keane was unable to be present in Court. The damage to the window amounted to 20/-.

The Justice said the defendant would have to pay for the damage. He would impose a fine of 1/- and order that Mrs. Keane be compensated within one month.

Supt. Dunning—I understand that the defendant has been discharged from the Army.

Justice—Well, the collection of the money is a matter for the Garda authorities then.

DEATH.

Bruce—On January 12th, 1943, Alexander, son of the late Alexander Bruce and of Mrs. Bruce, 13 Villers Square, Limerick. Funeral (Private) to-morrow (Thursday) at 3 p.m. to St. Munchin's Burial Ground.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

Irish Vehicle and General Woodworkers' Trade Union—At a meeting of members of the above Union, a vote of condolence was passed to Mrs. A. Lucid on the death of her husband, Mr. E. Lucid.—C. Murphy, Secretary. (13p)

Limerick District Management Association Football Committee—At the usual weekly meeting, a vote of condolence was passed with Messrs. S. and G. Mitchell, members of Park Rangers A.F.C., on the death of their father. (c)

Young Munster R.F.C.—At their meeting held on Monday night, a vote of sympathy was tendered to Mr. George Mitchell, an esteemed member, on the sad demise of his father. (c)