

It was learned to-day that one of the fifteen men on strike in the G.R. Omnibus Department, Limerick, has resumed work. The other employees affected are still out. The dispute arose when mechanics refused to take out driving licences. These men held that they should not be required to drive vehicles needed to transport them to carry out repairs to damaged 'buses, etc. The regular 'bus service is not affected by the dispute.

REV. JOHN MURRAY, C.S.S.R.

Rev. John Murray, C.S.S.R., former Spiritual Director of the Arch-Confraternity of the Holy Family attached to the Redemptorist Church, Limerick, will address the members of that body to-night and to-morrow and Wednesday nights. Yesterday he spoke at Mount St. Alphonsus in aid of the Redemptorist Missions in India and the Philippines. His very many friends in Limerick are delighted to see him amongst them again, even for a brief visit.

SEQUEL TO CAPPAMORE SWOOP

It is learned that two arrests have been made following the swoop made by Gardai on certain houses in Cappamore last week. It is alleged that the Gardai found quantities of goods believed to have been stolen from premises in the city. The accused have been remanded in custody to the City Court on Friday next.

BAG-SNATCHING

While proceeding home from the city along the Ennis Road on Saturday night, about 10.30, a lady had her handbag snatched out of her arm by two scamps, who immediately made off. The Guards were notified and they immediately began investigations into the matter. The bag contained a sum of money, the owner's spectacles, and some odds and ends of personal belongings.

CLARE COUNTY RATES

On 31st December, 1942, a sum of £79,549 of the county rates had been collected in Clare, there being £76,991 outstanding as compared with £100,829 at the corresponding period the previous year.

Dr. Sarah O'Malley will be absent from 4 Pery Square for one week.

County Manager.

Very Rev. Dr. Clune said that all the points raised by Mr. O'Keeffe should be distributed in leaflet form with explanatory comment to the officials of the various Parish Councils. Everything might seem all right in the rural districts to-day but what would happen when, after the war, thousands of the people were kicked out of the North or sent home from England to swell the ranks of the unemployed? Even to prepare for that serious problem of post-war employment, it was imperative that the parish organisations be kept alive.

SITE PURCHASED

—oo— PUBLIC BUILDINGS SCHEME

It is learned that the Limerick County Manager (Mr. P. J. Meghen, B.E.), acting for the County Council, has completed the purchase of three and a half acres of the lands of Strand House from Mr. S. M. O'Mara, the proprietor, for £3,000. The Limerick Corporation has agreed to pay half the purchase price.

These grounds will be used as a site for a new County Courthouse, Town Hall and other public buildings, but it is understood that operations on a big scale will not be initiated until the war ends.

FAMOUS SURGEON DEAD

Sir William Arbuthnot Lane, "the grand old man of surgery," died in London yesterday at the age of 86. At 80 he declared: "There is no earthy reason why every human being should not reach his century." He urged people to keep slim.

PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY

Numerous letters and telegrams of congratulation were received by the President, Dr. Douglas Hyde, at Arus an Uachtarain yesterday, on the occasion of his 83rd birthday. He spent the day quietly with his sister. An Taoiseach was received during the day.

DEATH.

Bindon—On January 18th, 1943, at her residence, 2 Lower Mallow St., Limerick, Miss Mary Bindon, R.I.P. Remains will be removed to St. Michael's Church this (Monday) evening at 7 o'clock. Funeral on to-morrow (Tuesday) to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery at 1 o'clock.