

bombers on Oro Bay, New Guinea, 25 were shot down.

OLD MAN'S DEATH

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COLLAPSED INTO FIRE

Luke McCormack (84), farmer, Skehanagh, Clarecastle, was found unconscious on Friday night, lying on the edge of a turf fire in the kitchen of his home and with the side of his face burned from the nose to the ear. He was removed to the Clare County Hospital, where he died on Saturday. Also lying near the fire was a candlestick, which had contained an unlighted candle earlier in the night.

It is assumed that when endeavouring to light the candle, McCormack collapsed and fell into the fire.

A verdict of death from shock, senility and heart disease was returned at an inquest conducted by Dr. J. H. Coughlin, Coroner, Ennis.

DEATH OF A NUN

The death took place yesterday at the Convent of Marie Reparatrice, Limerick, of Sister Mary St. Ebba McLoughlin in her seventieth year. The deceased was born in Newcastle-on-Tyne of Irish parents and was received into the Reparation Order 46 years ago. She laboured for many years in America and other countries in the cause of religion and for the past three years she was attached to the Limerick Community, with whom deep sympathy will be extended in their bereavement.

FIRE IN THE CITY

In the early hours of yesterday morning the City Fire Brigade (under Lieut. Gough) was summoned to an outbreak of fire in the bakehouse of the National Bakery Co., Broad Street, Limerick. The alarm was raised by Garda McDonagh, John Street. On arrival the Brigade found some timber work and turf on fire, with flames lapping the roof. In less than an hour the outbreak was subdued, the damage done not being extensive.

SPLENDID GROWTH

The membership of the Irish Civil Service Branch of the Young Priests Society has increased in ten years from 5,000 to 35,000 and the Branch is now supporting 75 students. This was stated by Mr. J. O'Neill, President of the Branch, at a meeting of Cork section yesterday.

FARM SEEDS FROM U.S.A.

A cargo of 200 tons of American

It was stated recently in a Swedish daily newspaper, in an article commemorative of the fact that it was 30 years since the Anti-Tuberculosis Association's congratulatory telegram forms had been introduced, that not less than about £705,000 had been received during this time from this source of revenue alone by the Association. About two millions of these attractive series of gaily and tastefully decorated congratulatory telegram forms, available for a small extra charge, are used every year for birthdays, weddings and other auspicious occasions.

£10,000 SCHEME FOR CLARE

The District of Fergus Drainage Bill, the text of which was issued on Friday, provides that a total sum of between £70,000 and £80,000 shall be available for the drainage of the river Fergus. Portion of the amount is to provide compensation for 272 acres of land to be acquired for the drainage works, and £6,000 is for legal expenses and debts due to the Land Commission. Most of the money needed for actual drainage works will be provided by the Department of Finance, and the balance by the Clare County Council and the owners of the lands benefiting from the scheme.

CO. LIMERICK TRAINER'S WILL

Captain Martin George Hartigan, M.C., 13th Hussars, of Bonita, Marlborough, Wilts, the well-known trainer, a former amateur rider, who died in September last, intestate, son of the late Dr. Hartigan, of Tarbrook Croom, County Limerick, left £5,935 gross, with net personalty £5,441. Letters of administration have been granted to his widow, Mrs. Norah V. M. Hartigan, of the above address, and George F. X. Hartigan, of Lavenden Grange, Olney, Bucks.

20 MILION CIGARETTES

Twenty million cigarettees have arrived in Dublin from the United States. They are on sale in that city to-day at the agreed price of 2s. 4d. for twenty—sixpence less than the previous normal price for American brands. The cigarettees are of pure Virginian blends. The cigarettees are to be distributed as widespread as possible among the retailers by Messrs. Tobacco Importers, Ltd.

INSTRUCTOR RESIGNS

Following the receipt by South Tipperary Agricultural Committee of a letter from the Department of Agriculture announcing the suspension of Mr. Timothy F. Leonard

RATES AND

Under the heading "Ratepayers," the comment appeared in the issue of "Irish

"In the 'Limerick' of February 6th called for a meeting of the Council at which a most and one which justified in venturing

"From his remarks that the Government exercising pressure on Councils to collect the greatest possible amount is to collect but the Government out its duties in the extent that it expects Councils to carry out regarding rates.

"The result is defaulting land considerable sums by the Government Councils—sums in any way would the rates. It is the Government County Councils own laxity in annuities.

"One could County Council it were the duty collect land and failed, to some out that duty the collection of the duty of the because the Government on its job the County the ratepayers of be penalised.

"And the worst conscientious citizens rates and annuities satisfactorily is absurd, archaic, is a perfect executive efficiency—one else for their Senator Madden useful public service attention to that and he should in public position as legislature to show and irresponsible government attitude in

"Other County also join in removing to their ratepayers. We imagine that county in Ireland

CIGAR RE

At an auction of charities one Churchill's cigars lemons made £7