

London statement. It is claimed that one of the land batteries was silenced.

The vessels engaged were the battleships Rodney and Nelson, the cruiser, Orion and a destroyer.

President Roosevelt has announced that the appointment of General Marshall as U.S. Army Chief of Staff, was being continued for another four years, because of his outstanding service. It was the first time in history that a Chief of Staff in wartime had served more than one four-year term.

## FATAL ACCIDENT

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### LABOURER'S SAD END

A fatal accident took place in the Herbertstown district during last week-end, when Michael Kennedy, a workman, aged about 60 years, an employee of Mr. Michael McCarthy, farmer, Cahercorney, met his death under distressing circumstances. He was drawing home hay for his employer from Kilcullane on Saturday and was entering the boreen which led to the meadows for the last wynd, when his horse shied from some turf which was clamped at the side of the boreen. The side of the cart on which Kennedy was sitting mounted the fence, and then toppled right over, the deceased man being pinned beneath the shaft. The upper portion of his spine was injured and he also received severe abdominal injuries.

Spiritual and medical aid were quickly procured, after which the injured man was removed to the Co. Hospital, Croom, where he died on the following day.

A native of Eyon, deceased was a quiet, inoffensive man, and a faithful and industrious worker. His tragic death was deeply regretted in the locality, and much sympathy was felt with his relatives and also with Mr. McCarthy.

His remains were removed to Boher Church on last Monday evening, the interment taking place on Tuesday in Ludden Cemetery.

### CLARE L.D.F. CHAMPION

Mr. John O'Byrne, Main Street, Killaloe, one of the four Claremen who contested at the Curragh L.D.F. shooting competition returned on Monday evening, writes our Killaloe correspondent. He brought with him the bronze figure of a volunteer presented him by the Minister for Defence, for winning the Clare Area Competition, which took place some time ago. He paid a very high tribute to the military at the Curragh, who facilitated in every possible way the L.D.F. competitors.

### THRASHING CHARGES

green. Ticket No. C.S.30252.

County Tipperary cash winners included:—Looby's Office, Gaelic Grounds, Cahir, No. C.W.40457. "Here's Hoping," c/o. seller, A. Buckley, 6 Mitchel St., Clonmel, No. E.W.23193.

## ONLY A MENACE

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### KILKEE LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader")

Sir—On Sunday, August 29th, a young man got into serious difficulty when swimming at Newfoundout, Kilkee. He was caught in a very heavy sea and was unable to get back. Some brave young Limerick men volunteered to go out for him. In the meantime I went for the lifebuoy which was hanging on a hook at Newfoundout. When I lifted it from the hook it broke into three pieces. I then, with some help, got out the life-line, only to find that the floats were doped. These facts require no comment. The swimmer, by this time, had been swept towards the rocks under West Cliff, so that rescue from Newfoundout was out of the question. A further party of young men very bravely descended the cliff, and, under terrible difficulties, succeeded in reaching the swimmer. Fortunately, the life-line, which had been transferred to West Cliff, proved to be sound and by its aid the whole party was able to ascend the cliff.

I think it is a disgraceful thing to allow life-saving equipment to deteriorate to such an extent that it becomes a menace, and it is high time that visitors to Kilkee should have some assurance from those responsible that this equipment is something more than a dangerous ornament. It is also time to put up direction notices to swimmers at Newfoundout and at the Pier.—  
Yours sincerely,

"GEM."

## "MY FAILURE"

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### CANDID ADMISSION BY DOCTOR

A doctor said at a Warrington inquest on five-years-old Ronald Swift, of Oak Avenue, Newton Le Willows, Lancs., who died following a compound fracture of his arm: "The cause of death was tetanus infection, and a contributory factor was undoubtedly my own failure to give the child anti-tetanus serum at the time of the accident. This was a sin of omission, and the whole tragic busi-