

per, especially at Zarpolazhe, south-east of Kiev, and at Gomel. All these attacks were smashed and the Russians lost 137 tanks.

## A VOLTE FACE?

It was announced on the American Wireless this afternoon that the Italian Government had officially declared war on Germany as from 3 p.m. to-day.

## MOTHER OF THREE PRIESTS

The death took place in the Mater Hospital, Dublin, on Monday, of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hand, wife of Mr. Edward Hand, manager, Saxone Shoe Company, Limerick. The deceased was mother of three priests—Rev. Father Michael Hand, O.P.; Rev. Father Thomas Hand, O.S.A., and Rev. Father Tarsicius Hand, O.S.M.—and was herself a lady of great piety, and the possessor of many other admirable qualities. To her highly respected husband and family we extend our very sincere sympathy on their bereavement. The remains arrived in Limerick this afternoon by rail. Requiem Mass will be offered up in St. Munchin's Church to-morrow (Thursday) at 10.30 a.m., and the funeral will take place immediately afterwards to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.

## FEIS CEOIL FOR LIMERICK MOOTED

At a meeting of Limerick Corporation held last night, the Mayor (Mr. James McQuane) presiding,

A letter, signed by Mr. Frank Lyddy, hon. sec., City Guild, Muin-tir na Tire, and Mr. A. O'Riordan, hon. sec., Brislane Choral Society, was read, stating that at a meeting of the Provisional Committee set up to investigate the possibility of establishing a Feis Ceoil in Limerick, it was decided to invite the Council to appoint a representative on the Committee.

On the proposition of Ald. Reidy, the Mayor was appointed to represent the Corporation on the Committee.

## BROKE INTO HIS MOTHER'S HOUSE

At Ennis District Court, Thomas Considine, Cratloe district, admitted that he had broken into his mother's house by drawing the staple from the door and took away £5 which he found in a purse in-

receive benefit every worker earning 50/- per week would be entitled to benefit.

### ABNORMAL TIMES.

Mr. Hartney—It should not be forgotten that we are living in abnormal times. What about the case mentioned by the Mayor at the last meeting?

The Mayor said he had been informed that home assistance could not be given to parties in receipt of unemployment assistance.

The Manager said that in such cases the Auditor would have to be satisfied that payments from home assistance were justified. He could, of course, reduce rents for those people.

Ald. Reidy, T.D., said that the city ratepayers were contributing £8,500 per year to the Unemployment Assistance Fund, and he thought that the Government should be asked to increase the contributions to recipients, having regard to the abnormal conditions obtaining.

Mr. Donnellan asked if a special scale was observed in respect of home help allowances.

### HAD INCREASED THE OLD SCALE.

The Manager said that an old scale had been prepared years ago, but he had increased that scale on two occasions. He was paying a widow with 10 children 25/- per week. Altogether, between £9,000 and £10,000 was being paid annually in home assistance.

Ald. Reidy—And in addition, the rates are contributing £8,500 to the Unemployment Assistance Fund.

Mr. Keyes said that the allowances in respect of home assistance were too low. The ratepayers should face up to their responsibilities in this matter by having the allowances increased.

Mr. Casey—I recollect the Chamber of Commerce two years ago expressing a desire to have home assistance increased.

Mr. Hartney said that the one big objection he had to the Managerial system was based on the fact that the administration of home assistance had been removed from public representatives—the very people who were in close touch with the destitute. In saying that he was not referring to any one Manager, but to the system as a whole.

Ald. Reidy—What proportion of the rate is devoted to home assistance?

Manager—About 7/- in the £.

### THE ALLOWANCE IN DUBLIN.

Ald. Bourke, T.D., remarked that in Dublin, the home assistance allowance per head was double the allowance in Limerick.

Mr. Russell thought that the system in operation with regard to home help distribution should be revised in the light of the economic conditions now obtaining. He thought that an allowance of 2/6 per week for destitute people was too little.

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