

Thomas L. Woods, will be ordained at 10 o'clock to-morrow, February 12, at the Church, Limerick, on February 12, at 12 o'clock. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Woods, Upper William St., Limerick, brother of Sister N. Woods, Presentation Convent, Limerick. We join with his family in wishing him many blessings and happiness in his ministry.

PARISH COUNCIL.

The C.C. presided at the meeting above in St. Ita's Church, Abbeyfeale. There were present: Messrs. Joseph J. Honan, Secretary; Michael Moloney, D. O'Sullivan, etc. A number of persons seeking plots and 20 applicants were present. Other matters concerning local arrangements, etc., were discussed.

DOMESTIC SERVANTS.

During the hearing of a case at Court yesterday, it was stated that he had had 12 domestic servants in 1943, when his wife met with an accident. Judge Farra stated that amidst laughing and joking the domestics would be long as that.

POPULAR M.O.

Mr. J. J. Barnett, Abbeyfeale, was elected to the No. 1 Ward Area. The appointment of Mr. Barnett as popular Medical Officer for Abbeyfeale on the occasion for the election amongst his constituents in West Limerick and

DOWEN RYAN

The funeral of the late Mr. J. J. Ryan, Limerick, is unavoidable. It will appear in the next issue.

JUDGMENT.

The Court of St. Vincent de Paul has acknowledged donations of £100, per R. T. Ryan, (1)

Rev. Father Punch, P.P., Chairman, presided at a meeting of the Limerick County G.A.A. Board on Saturday. Other officials present were:—Messrs. S. Connail, Secretary, and Michael Fitzgibbon, Treasurer.

Affiliations were received from the following senior clubs:—Hurling—Ahane, Young Irelands, St. Patricks, Rathkeale, Kilmallock, Cement, Ltd. Football—Ahane, St. Patricks, Sarsfields, Thomond and Tournafulla.

It was stated that five clubs, which had affiliated last year, had not done so on this occasion. The Board decided to extend the latest date for receiving affiliations to March 3rd.

It was decided to nominate one delegate from each of the sub-boards to Congress, together with the Secretary, County Board.

It was decided to send a team to Cork on the 18th March to play a game against Cork in aid of the Green Cross Fund.

A deputation consisting of Rev. Father O'Flynn, O.S.A., and Mr. J. Kiely was received from the Handball Board.

A donation of £5 was voted to the Handball Board and it was decided to ask the City Board to endeavour to help the Handball Board increase its membership.

DEATH OF MR. J. O'DEA

With deep regret we announce the death of Mr. Joseph O'Dea, eldest son of Mr. John O'Dea, N.T., "St. Tola's," North Circular Road, Limerick. The deceased, who passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, was only in his twentieth year. A young man of excellent parts and fine promise, he was a great favourite with a large circle of companions and friends. He collapsed and died in his parents' home on Wednesday afternoon as he was leaving for work after luncheon. The deepest sympathy, in which we fully join, is felt for Mr. O'Dea, a popular member of the teaching staff of Leamy's School, and Mrs. O'Dea.

The remains were removed last evening to St. Munchin's Church, where Requiem Mass was offered up this morning. The funeral took place this afternoon to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. The attendances, both at the removal of the remains and at the funeral were very large and representative, bearing ample testimony of the respect enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. O'Dea and family and of the widespread sympathy felt for them on their very sad bereavement.

home of amusement in the city for over 80 years. Built in 1841 by the Fogerty family, it remained in their possession almost to the end of its career as a playhouse. According to extant records it cost £1,300 to build, was 110 feet long, and 66 feet in width. It could accommodate 1,300 persons, and contemporary papers described it as "the best building of its kind in Ireland, with the exception of the Theatre Royal, Dublin."

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AFTER THIRTY YEARS.

His many friends will extend the best of good wishes to Mr. Joseph Honan, Senior Tax Officer, Inland Revenue, Limerick, on his retirement on pension after thirty years service. Mr. Honan, who hails from West Clare, has been in Limerick during the past thirteen years and was well known in golf and bridge circles. His former colleagues in the Inland Revenue presented a gold wristlet watch to Mr. Honan and at the presentation ceremony tributes were paid him for his many fine qualities. It is understood that Mr. Honan will continue to make his home in Limerick.

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NEW FIRE CHIEF.

An Army officer, Captain Patrick Deskin, B.E., attached to the Corps of Engineers at the Curragh, has been selected by the Local Appointments Commissioners for the position of Superintendent of the City Fire Brigade. Captain Deskin, a native of Galway, graduated at U.C.G. He has travelled extensively and has wide experience in the manipulation of all kinds of fire-fighting appliances. It is not yet known when he will be in a position to take over his new position, which carries with it an initial salary of £400 per year, rising by annual increments of £10 until a maximum of £500 is reached. He will also be provided with apartments and other perquisites.

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BIG AWARDS MADE.

A sum totalling in round figures £11,356 has been paid out by the Corporation to three contractors in respect of awards made to them by arbitration proceedings in respect of claims arising out of the Prospect housing scheme. One contractor received £4,489; a second, £3,394, and a third, £3,473. The legal costs and expenses of witnesses have yet to be paid. The contractors lodged claims for extra work done on the scheme for extra outlay in consequence of increase in prices of materials. What effect, if any, the awards will have on the rents of the houses or on the rates is not yet clear.