

Sergeant J. Mahony said he searched O'Brien's house, where he found four cotton flour bags, a child's under garment which had been made from a flour bag, four pieces of cotton flour bags, six jute flour bags, 5 lbs. 10 ounces of high grade flour and 2 ounces of semolina. The bags bore Ranks' brand. In the house of Higgins witness found four small bags full and one small bag partly filled with high grade flour, weighing 61 lbs. The bags bore Ranks' brand. In Carroll's house witness found six empty jute bags, one empty small bag and one small bag of high grade flour, weighing 22 lbs. These bags bore Ranks' brand.

Mr. O'Malley said that in the case of Fleming the bags were taken prior to 1941, when there were no restrictions on bags. The men used take old bags home with them, wearing them on their shoulders, when it was raining. The same applied to Carroll. Higgins had no empty bags in his possession. Coughlan took the bags home on wet evenings and threw them aside. As far as the flour was concerned he understood it fell from a machine during the milling and the men picked it up off the floor. Instead of putting it somewhere else they took it home in little bags. All the accused had good characters and had no previous convictions.

Mr. O'Donovan said that O'Brien also took the bags home on wet evenings. The flour found in his house was purchased by him.

Inspector Griffin said that none of the men had previous convictions.

The Justice said if it was a case of a carter being found in possession of one or two bags, he could accept the defence of they being used on wet days, but he could not accept it in the cases before him. The men must have known that they were not entitled to be in possession of the articles mentioned.

A suspensory sentence of three months imprisonment, not to take effect if the men were of good behaviour for 12 months, was imposed.

The Justice paid a glowing compliment to Sergeant Mahony and Garda Campbell for their work in the case. It was, he said, a case which required very thorough and exhaustive investigation, but it had been completed in a most efficient manner by the Garda officers concerned.

Inspector Griffin said he would convey the Justice's remarks to the proper quarter.

## MONTH'S MIND FOR LATE BISHOP

The Month's Mind for the late Bishop of Limerick, Most Rev. Dr. Keane, will be observed in St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday next, 17th inst., at 12 o'clock (summer time). The ceremonies will consist of Office for the Dead and Solemn Requiem Mass. The celebrant of the Mass will be his Grace, Most Rev. Dr. Kinane, Coadjutor Archbishop of Cashel. Other members of the Hierarchy will also be present.

## RECAPTURED IN HAYBARN

Thomas Kelly, aged 18 years, of St. Patrick's Terrace, Kilkee, who escaped from custody when on his way to Kilkee Barracks with two Guards, on Monday night, was on Wednesday recaptured in a haybarn about half a mile from Kilkee. At a special court held on Wednesday evening he was remanded in custody to the next District Court on a charge of breaking into the West End Stores, Kilkee, and stealing £18 in notes and silver.

## TO BUY MORE SHIPS

The Russian wireless states that practically all opposition has been overcome in Vienna, save from snipers.

The German Overseas Agency states that the Russians have made new breaches in the German defences in Austria.

## SIX MONTHS

### LARCENY OF LEAD PIPING

Before Mr. J. M. Flood, B.L., D.J., at Limerick City Court to-day, Pte. William Hanley, with an address at the Island Field, was charged with the larceny of lead piping value £7 15s., and with causing malicious damage to Corporation houses to the extent of £23 5s.

Inspector Griffin said defendant cut a number of lead pipes from houses in the Island Field. The pipes were outside the houses and were used to take waste water from sinks and gulleys. Accused was an absentee from the Army at the time.

An Army officer said Hanley had a bad record in the service.

Accused was sentenced to six months imprisonment.

### BOG RENTS RESTRICTED

A new Emergency Powers Order, which has been recently compiled, entitled "Bog Rents Restrictions Order," restricts bog rents and makes it illegal for landlords and landowners to charge more than a 20 per cent. increase on 1941 bog rent prices. This was made known to members of the Ennis Parish Council when they were addressed by Mr. M. J. Coote, Inspector of the Turf Development Board. In the speaker's own experience bog rents had increased during the emergency by anything from 50 per cent. to 500 per cent. By means of the new Order a landlord can now be taken to Court for redress if guilty of excessive charging. The Order becomes effective in the present (1945) season, but no redress can be obtained in respect of rents already paid, which may have been 20 per cent. in excess of the 1941 price.

### "BIG NEWS" SOON?

Among British M.P.s. late last night, according to the Press Association, there was a suddenly developing impression that Mr. Churchill would decide to hold the British General Election early in the summer instead of waiting till the autumn. For days the election barometer has been fluctuating between early June and October, but the emphasis now seems to be on June. This change of opinion is partly due to a feeling that when he makes his statement next Thursday, Mr. Churchill will have big news to tell of such a character that it will be possible almost immediately afterwards to go ahead with election preparations. Some even think that on Thursday, Mr. Churchill may announce his election intentions.

### LIMERICK RED CROSS SOCIETY

Rev. Father Hurley, S.J., Chairman of the County Committee of the Irish Red Cross, presided at a meeting of the Limerick Red Cross Standing Committee held on Wednesday, 11th April, when formal approval was granted for the amalgamation of St. Joseph's and St. Munchin's Branches to form the new Branch to be called the Limerick City Branch.

Others in attendance were:—Rev. Father Fee, C.C.; Mr. J. J. Johnson, Mr. W. Costelloe, Mrs. W. J. O'Sullivan, Mrs. N. Geary and Miss G. Moroney.

a loss to the world, for I believe his whole career had shown that he could ultimately be depended upon when this war had ended to throw his great influence behind, and devote his great energies to, the establishment of a world organization which would be just and would justify the hope to save humanity from recurring calamities like the present war.

I would like also to express my deep sympathy with the President's family, to whom he was so deeply attached.

General Mulcahy associated himself with Mr. de Valera's tribute and said that the sympathy of all the people went out to the people of the United States in their great loss. There was no one in Ireland who would not extend sympathy, not only to the people of the United States, but also to those military leaders who had been associated with the late President in the discharge of enormous responsibilities.

Mr. Norton and Mr. Donnellan having spoken, the Dail adjourned. The new President of the United States—Mr. Truman—made a declaration to-day (1) that he would try to carry on as he believed Mr. Roosevelt would have done; (2) the San Francisco Conference would be carried on as arranged; (3) he hoped the members of Mr. Roosevelt's Cabinet would remain in office; (4) he would pledge himself to wage the war in the East and West to a successful conclusion.

### DOUBLE LOSS

### TWO NUNS DIE AT SAME HOUR

The Community of the Sisters of Mercy, Limerick, have sustained a double bereavement by the deaths of two members of the Order, both taking place at precisely the same time this morning—4.5 o'clock. The deceased nuns are Sister Mary Albeus (Heelan) and Sister Mary Joachim (Moroney).

Sister Albeus, a member of an esteemed East Limerick family, was sister of Rev. John Heelan, C.S.Sp. She was aged 64 years and entered the Order over 40 years ago. She had been indisposed for some time and recently underwent a serious operation.

Sister Joachim, a member of a highly respected Clare family, was only in her 23rd year. She entered the Community four years ago, but her health began to fail latterly and despite every possible care and attention she passed away, as stated, early this morning.

The double interment will take place to-morrow morning (Saturday) following Requiem High Mass at 11.30 o'clock in the Convent Chapel.

### MURDER CHARGE

### A FURTHER REMAND

At Limerick District Court to-day, before Mr. J. M. Flood, B.L., D.J., Mary Margaret Harvey, Querrin, Kilkee, appeared on remand charged with the murder of Michael Harvey, aged 2 years and 7 months, whose body was found in a lake near Limerick on April 1st.

Supt. J. Colleran applied for a further remand in custody for a week, stating that he had not yet completed his enquiries in the case. Justice—Have you any idea when you will be able to go on with the case?

Superintendent—Mr. Kirk, the solicitor for the defence, is anxious to have the case taken next Tuesday week, but I do not think the State will be ready by then. It will be necessary to fix a special day for it.

order was made for the c of the sugar.

Patrick Ryan, 12 Fitzgates, Rosbrien, was sum being unlawfully in pos 2½ lbs. of sugar and a pair boots.

Mr. J. S. McNeice, solr for the defendant, and position was the same last case as far as the concerned.

Defendant said he bought Army boots from a soldier said they were an old pair that he was entitled to. Witness saw from newspaper advertisements that Army boots bought in Dublin.

The Justice said he believed defendant acted honestly. 5/- was imposed.

Paul Kiely, 46 William Limerick, was charged with larceny of goods to the value of the property of Messrs. J. and Co., chemists, O'Connell Limerick, where he was as a porter.

Accused pleaded guilty. Robert O'Donoghue, was charged with receiving goods, knowing them to be stolen.

Mr. D. J. O'Malley, solicitor for the defendant.

Detective-Sergeant M. said that Kiely had admitted some of the goods.

Kiely, in evidence, said O'Donoghue came to his shop last September. He had lipstick and witness said it was available. O'Donoghue told him to get it and a hair-brush and get caught. He subsequently brought lipstick to O'Donoghue who told him to bring other small stuff he could take. O'Donoghue then gave him water, polishes, paints, etc. half the value of them.

Mr. O'Malley—You are cornered and prepared to say anybody?—I am telling the truth.

Cross-examined, accused said he sold five tins of paint brushes to O'Donoghue. A tin of paint went to O'Donoghue and he kept nothing for himself.

Mr. O'Malley—O'Donoghue came up here and swore he got only the paints and brushes. I swear that he got everything else.

O'Donoghue, in evidence, said he went into Laird's shop to buy film cement, but it was not available. About a month ago he turned to the shop and asked whom he asked for enamel. He had not got it. A witness came to witness with a tin of paint and two brushes charged 13/6 for them. O'Donoghue thought he was selling to the firm. He did not get any articles from Kiely.

Inspector Griffin said he had no previous conviction against Kiely.

The Justice said that he decided to convict both men.

Inspector Griffin said that O'Donoghue had previously been convicted of receiving whiskey and other goods.

The Justice sentenced O'Donoghue to three months imprisonment.

Mr. O'Malley gave notice of appeal in O'Donoghue's case.

Mr. A. McCloskey, manager of Messrs. Laird, paid a warm tribute to Detective-Sergeant M. for his work in the case.

Justice—I am glad to hear of it. He is a very efficient officer.

Michael Ringrose, Limerick, was prosecuted for breach of the licensing law on 18th March, when five gallons of spirits were found on the premises.

Mr. D. J. O'Malley, solicitor for the defendant, admitted the offence. He said the house had a good reputation. The men were admitted as lodgers but were not given a licence by the licensee.

A fine of £1 was imposed on Harry Hodgkinson, licensee of the Lower Gerald Griffin Street, Limerick, for a breach of the licensing law.

Lower Gerald Griffin Street, Limerick, was summoned for a breach of the licensing law.