

ould have more experience than any new Council.

Mr. Casey—I propose that it be deferred to the new Council.

Mr. Hartney seconded this proposition.

Ald. O'Malley—I propose that steps be taken to have the office filled at an initial salary of £1,300 rising by annual increments of £25 until a maximum of £1,250 is reached.

Ald. Bourke seconded this proposition.

On a poll the following voted for the adjournment—The Mayor, Ald. Carew, Councillors Casey, Donnellan, O'Malley, McQuane, Hartney, Hickey and Keyes—9.

For Ald. O'Malley's proposition—Ald. Bourke, Ald. O'Malley and Mr. Russell—3.

Mr. Keyes then proposed and **Mr. McQuane** seconded that the position be filled at the salary suggested by the Department.

This proposition was taken as a further amendment to the motion moved by Mr. Casey—that the filling of the post be deferred to the new Council.

The following voted for Mr. Keyes's proposition—Ald. Carew, Ald. O'Malley, Councillors Keyes, McQuane and O'Malley—5.

For the adjournment—The Mayor, Ald. Bourke, Councillors Casey, Donnellan, Hartney and Hickey—6.

Mr. Russell did not vote. The Mayor then declared the proposition, that the matter be deferred to the new Council, passed.

TRADES COUNCIL

AND ELECTION POSTS

At a meeting of Limerick Trades and Labour Council, Mr. C. O'Kelly, N.T., presiding, the following resolution was passed unanimously:—

That Council strongly protest against the unfair practice of giving such positions as Presiding Officers, Polling Clerks and counting staff to fully employed people, while there are in our midst unemployed people who are fairly capable of filling and discharging the duties attached to such posts.

Therefore, the Council is satisfied that the time is opportune to take this matter up with the Returning Officers with a view to having this long outstanding grievance redressed and thus prevent a repetition of the glaring injustices which have occurred in other elections."

FOUND SHOT DEAD IN BED

Mr. Montiford Westropp, Mellon, Kildimo, County Limerick, was found shot dead in his home yesterday morning. Deceased, a well-known Co. Limerick landowner, was in his early thirties, and was well known in tennis circles. He competed regularly for several years in Limerick Championships. Deceased was found shot in his bed.

An inquest was held yesterday evening by **Mr. M. E. Cussen, solr.,** Coroner for the area, sitting with a jury. A verdict was returned that the deceased died from a gunshot wound self-inflicted during mental derangement.

consideration the fact that a plea of guilty had been entered and hence he would impose a sentence of 9 months with hard labour, to date from the date of arrest.

MAYOR'S TRIBUTE

LAST MEETING OF PRESENT CORPORATION

The Mayor (Ald. James Reidy, T.D.), presiding at the meeting of the City Council last night, paid a high tribute to the members for the great interest they had displayed in municipal affairs during the past three years.

The Mayor said—As this will be the last Council meeting of the present Corporation I wish to avail of this opportunity to thank my colleagues for the great co-operation you have given me during the past eleven months of my Mayoralty. I have received the loyal co-operation of all the members, and not only co-operation but forbearance. This Council has given great attention to municipal affairs and I believe I can say without exaggeration that it was an exceptionally good Council and thoroughly representative of the citizens. I understand that some of the members are not seeking re-election. I regret that, because those who are about to retire from active public life were Corporators who had given signal services to the city (hear, hear). The big majority of the old members are seeking a renewal of confidence and I sincerely hope that all will be returned, for a better team the city could not have.

Several members—Thank you, Mayor.

DROMCOLLOGHER NEEDS

On the occasion of the visit of the County Manager to Dromcollogher some months ago (writes our correspondent there) two of the points stressed by the local delegates were the necessity for the improvement of the water supply and the repair to the footpaths in many parts of the town. So far nothing practical seems to have been done in either case.

If action is not taken shortly there will be an acute water shortage in the summer months, whilst the condition of the footpaths in many places must rank as being the worst in the county. The majority of the paths, composed of old flagstones, are now broken in many places and irregular, constituting a menace for the old and infirm. Concrete footpaths should be provided as has been done already in most provincial towns.

STATIONMASTER PROMOTED

The occasion of the promotion of **Mr. John Murphy,** railway stationmaster, Abbeyfeale, to Castlebar, was availed of by railway employees and a number of friends to present him with a wallet of notes and fountain pen while he was being entertained to dinner at the Railway House. **Mr. M. Twomey, Swinford,** replaces **Mr. Murphy.**

COAT LARCENY

PRISON SENTENCE

At Limerick Circuit Court to-day, before Judge Barra O Briain, S.C., **Timothy Walshe, Friarstown, Fedamore,** was charged with the larceny of a coat, the property of a farm labourer named **John McMahon.**

Accused pleaded guilty. **Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.L.** (instructed by **Mr. J. J. Power, State Solicitor,** prosecuted, and **Mr. George Kenny, B.L.** (instructed by Messrs. **M. Tynan and Co., solicitors,** appeared for the accused.

Mr. Donovan, outlining the case, said that accused had been convicted on several occasions previously for larcenies and had served two terms of imprisonment. The coat mentioned in the present case was the property of a farm labourer who attended a dance at Kildimo in April. After the dance he missed the coat and reported the matter to the Guards, who discovered the coat on the defendant's land thrown behind a wall. In his statement accused stated that he took the coat by mistake.

Mr. Kenny, pleading for leniency, asked his Lordship to take into consideration the fact that accused had been in custody since the end of April, the date of his arrest.

His Lordship said that accused had a rather bad record and he must impose a sentence of three months hard labour from the date of conviction.

MINISTER ON IRISH OUTLOOK

We had passed through a very dangerous period with considerable increase of national self-respect, said **Mr. Little, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs,** in a lecture on **Thomas Davis** at a recent Fianna Fail meeting in the Mansion House, Dublin. Without being subservient we had been circumspect, and had indicated our goodwill and desire to do all in our power to help suffering humanity. He hoped he was not over-optimistic in saying that we may now look forward to a period when we can witness the full fruition of the ideals of **Thomas Davis.**

JUSTICE AND UNLICENSED DOGS

At Croom and Adare Courts on Tuesday, **Mr. C. S. Kenny, B.L., D.J.,** disposed of long lists of summonses against people who had failed to renew their dog licences.

A fine of 10/- was imposed in each case.

Stating that in the past week he had had some 500 cases of unlicensed dogs before him, the Justice remarked that he was getting tired of them and in future he would impose a fine of £2.

MAY VISIT ROSCREA.

Mr. Bob Wallace, of Barn, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary, is a first cousin of **Mrs. Truman,** America's first lady. It is stated that **Mrs. Truman** may visit Tipperary when her husband comes to London at an early date.

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LIMERICK FEIS

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