

LATE MR. W. F. LEE

Tribute From Reader In England

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.") Sir - It was with feelings of great regret that I read in the Limerick Leader, dated 5th November, of the passing of that great man, Mr. W. F. Lee.

Many years ago when I was employed in the Counting House of Messrs. W. Todd and Co., I was introduced to the late Mr. Lee by the late Mr. W. F. Lee's brother, Mr. W. F. Lee, who was then the manager of the Counting House. I was very glad to meet him and to be introduced to the late Mr. Lee. I was very glad to meet him and to be introduced to the late Mr. Lee.

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May worthy scribe our "Limerick Leader" be a "Limerick's" best.

Although Mr. Lee was not known to me personally, he always welcomed my personal contributions to "Thomond's" column, and added his note of appreciation to each one.

Communications passed between us which continued to the outbreak of war, when the hand of the censor fell heavily on correspondence with Ireland.

It was a great pleasure for me, as a Rathkalee man, to know that he had a very warm corner in his heart for the "Old Rathkalee Town" and especially for those sterling Gaelic sportsmen, Mr. Michael Madigan (Imperial Hotel) who constantly referred to the great hospitality he received from the local Gaelic on his periodic visits to the town.

To you, my dear friend, a conscientious colleague, to the Athlete's Club of which he was so proud to be a member, my warmest regards.

Stanley House, Wellington Road, Bitterne Park, Southampton.

A NOTABLE MUNSTER GAI

Under the above heading the following appears in the "Carroll News" column of "The Waterford Star": All over Munster there is much regret among supporters of Gaelic games at the death of Mr. W. F. Lee, ex-N.E. Athlete, County Limerick. For many years past he contributed a weekly G.A.A. column to the "Limerick Leader".

TRIBUTE FROM VOCATIONAL COMMITTEE

At the meeting of Limerick County Vocational Committee on Tuesday last, Mr. Sean Hartney, Chairman, who presided, said that he desired to propose a vote of sympathy with the widow and relatives of the late Mr. W. F. Lee, Castleconnell, a former member of the Committee. Mr. Lee was, he said, a most valued member of the Committee, but apart from his activities in the regard of the Vocational Committee, he had done valuable work on behalf of Irish-Ireland.

AT 70 HE STILL ENJOYS HIS FOOD

SINCE RENNIES RELIEVED HIS GASTRIC STOMACH

Even at three-score years and ten, it is not too late to do something about indigestion if you choose the right remedy. That was the experience of Mr. Baker, whose health improved when he was once more able to digest his food. Read his letter to the Editor of the "Limerick Leader": "I am a retired ship's steward and cook, and since giving up going to sea, after 25 years, I suffered after meals with gastric stomach. About twelve months ago I bought a packet of Rennie's and I took it after meals, and after a few days I bought some more and they continued to do me good and my health improved. I enjoy my food, but I always take two Rennie's after meals. I am 70 at the end of this month. H. L. Baker, in three ways. They contain antacids which neutralise acidity, absorbents which reduce stomach gas, and digestive ferments which actively aid digestion. Rennie's become active at once, because they reach the stomach full strength - not weakened with water. All chemists sell Rennie's. 7d. and 2/- box.

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RIVAL BODIES

In Charge Of Irish Athletics

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.") Sir - My attention has been directed to a statement issued by Mr. Cullen, President of the N.A.A.A. and C.A.A. in relation to the issue of the 3rd instant. As it contains very serious allegations against the members of the N.A.A.A., I would be glad if you would give the following statement equal prominence.

Mr. Cullen has been a member of the N.A.A.A. only since 1934, when he joined it with the C.R.E. which had been the internationally recognised association for the control of cycling in the 26 Counties for the previous few years. His statements may, therefore, be due to his lack of knowledge of the facts and not to a desire to mislead your readers.

The N.A.A.A. was formed in 1922 by an amalgamation of the several organisations controlling athletics and cycling in the country at that time, and was admitted to membership of the I.A.A.F. on the basis of the 1921-22 season. Even before the latter year, however, a group of athletes and cyclists in Northern Ireland had formed the N.A.A.A. and formed an association of their own. This association made a request for recognition to the English A.A.A. and the latter in turn applied to the N.A.A.A. to effect a settlement with them. All efforts in this direction were, however, unsuccessful and in 1929 the International Cyclists Union ruled in favour of the N.A.A.A. and the N.A.A.A. was recognised by the I.A.A.F. in 1931. The N.A.A.A. accepted this decision and abided by it until 1935, but continued to claim to control athletics in the Six Counties. In 1935 representatives of the N.A.A.A. led by the late General O'Duffy made an agreement with the Northern Ireland A.A.A. under which the latter's control of athletics in the Six Counties would be recognised and both associations would combine to hold All-Ireland events in international competitions. The failure of the N.A.A.A. to ratify this agreement closed all negotiations between the two bodies and the Northern Ireland Association joined with the English A.A.A. and the Scottish A.A.A. in forming a British Athlete Board.

The matter came before the Congress of the A.A.U. at Stockholm on 29-31 when on the motion of the President (a Swede) the ruling of Council that Great Britain and Northern Ireland were one unit for athletic administration was upheld. Of the 20 countries represented at the Congress only one, Ireland, did not support that ruling. Those who supported it included the U.S.A., Germany, Sweden, Belgium, Poland, etc.

At the annual General Congress of the N.A.A.A. in February, 1935, it was decided by 27 votes to 24 to reject the ruling and incur suspension from the I.A.A.F. There was suspended a single Ulster representative sent at that congress. The Ulster Provincial Council had disbanded and a letter was read from the former secretary stating that no clubs or athletes had affiliated.

Our representatives of the County Councils were present but did not vote. Afterwards when it was moved that to be consistent the N.A.A.A. should claim to control cycling as well as athletics in the Six Counties, the cyclists' representatives protested that they had been assured that the rejection of the I.A.A.F.'s ruling would not affect the position of the cyclists; otherwise they would have voted in favour of the motion to accept the ruling and it would have been carried. It is clear, therefore, that a majority of the athletes and cyclists in the Twenty-Six Counties were opposed to cutting themselves off not only from international competition but from competition with the athletes and cyclists of the Six Counties, which was the effect of the rejection of the ruling.

In 1937 when it became clear that the N.A.A.A. was going to continue its policy of isolation for 26 County athletes and cyclists, a number of athletes left it and formed a new branch of the I.A.A.F., the A.A.U.E., while the C.R.E., which comprised the majority of the cyclists in the 26 Counties and to which Mr. Cullen belonged, remained with the International Cyclists Union.

From its inception the A.A.U.E. has worked in the closest harmony with the Northern Ireland A.A.A. and both bodies organised in 1933 the triangular international control between Ireland, England and Scotland which had not been held since 1929. The contest was held in Dublin and marks a milestone in athletic history for the programme for the first time was printed in Irish. The National Flag floated over the stadium and the National Anthem was played when the last race was run. Athletic and cross-country championships are promoted annually and inter-association contests are held. The two Associations (A.A.U.E. and N.I.A.A.A.) have now combined to form the Irish Amateur Athletic Board with a view to putting All-Ireland teams on the field in international championships on field and track and in cross-country running.

The N.A.A.A.'s claim to be in the same position in relation to athletics as the I.A.A.F. is in regard to hurling and football except that it has no ban in its constitution on the intelligence of your readers. The G.A.A. controls all hurling and football not only in Ireland but in Britain as well. It is, in fact, the only organisation for those games and its terms apply to any country where the N.A.A.A. on the contrary, exercises only partial control over athletics in this country, and as it is under suspension by the world association its members may compete only against each other, and no indication of the extent of its control in the Six Counties it may be mentioned that there was not a single athlete from Ulster in its "All-Ireland Championships" this year.

If any Munster athlete feels that he is being slighted by the athletes of the North and of other counties he will advance the aims of Irish unity or of Irish athletics his place is with the N.A.A.A. If on the other hand he believes that there may be no border in sport and that the athletes of North and South should be allowed to meet freely in the field of competition under the laws of the I.A.A.F. and to combine to form one team to represent Ireland in international competitions, then he is at one with the A.A.U.E. and if he is not already done so he should apply for membership to either T. F. Smith, Gort Road, Ennis, or to Michael Shaffery Double Cottages, Corc Road, Limerick.

Yours faithfully, GEORGE V RYAN, 12 Margaret Road, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Hon. Secretary, Amateur Athletic Union, Eire.

GAELIC NOTES

(By "CRAOBH RUADH")

Nominations and motions for the Annual Convention were received at a meeting of the City Board held at the Mechanics Institute on Wednesday night, Mr. Seamus O'Connell presiding. Nominations were as follows: For Chairman - Seamus O'Connell (unopposed); Vice-Chairman - P. O'Shaughnessy (unopposed); Secretary - M. O'Connell (unopposed); Treasurer - P. Kelly (unopposed); Auditor - M. O'Connell (unopposed); Honorary Secretary and Registrar - M. O'Connell (unopposed); Honorary Treasurer - P. Kelly (unopposed); Honorary Auditor - M. O'Connell (unopposed); Honorary Secretary and Registrar - M. O'Connell (unopposed); Honorary Treasurer - P. Kelly (unopposed); Honorary Auditor - M. O'Connell (unopposed).

AWARDED GAMES

The Gleeson Cup Junior football final, which was abandoned on Sunday 20th minutes before full time, with the teams on level scores, was rescheduled for the following day. The match was played on Monday 21st at 7.30 p.m. at the City Ground, and was won by the home team, the City Ground, by 1-0.

BARCELONA'S INTENTIONS

Barcelona has announced its intention to play a friendly match against the City Ground on Saturday 24th at 7.30 p.m. The match will be played at the City Ground, and will be a friendly match between the two teams.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Championship of the Six Counties will be held at the City Ground on Saturday 24th at 7.30 p.m. The match will be played at the City Ground, and will be a friendly match between the two teams.

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RUGBY NOTES

(By N.M.)

The meeting of the New Zealand touring side and Leinster at Lansdowne Road on Saturday last provided one of the best, if not one of the most thrilling, encounters witnessed there for a long number of years. The game was a very close one, and the Leinster side, who were away from home, were able to secure a narrow victory over the Kiwis.

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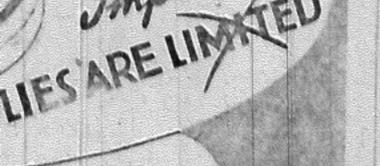
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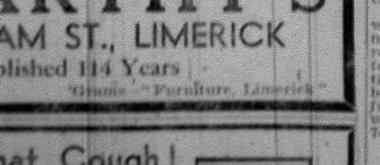
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