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and these grounds of complaint
had been substantiated by evidence
produced by him and on his be-
half.

Taking everything into account,
including the age of the engine, he
had come to the conclusion that
the award of the Circuit Court
Judge was somewhat excessive,
and he would reduce the decree
granted by him to the sum of £100.
He, therefore, awarded Capt. Sin-
nett the sum of £100 against Hayes
Bros., Ltd., on his counter-claim,
with costs and expenses above and
below in both Courts.

DIED IN ENGLAND

LIMERICK NURSE PASSES AWAY

With very much regret we an-
nounce the death of Miss Mary
Frances Fenton, daughter of Mr.
Maurice and Mrs. Claire Fenton,
Ern Villa, Farranshane, Limerick.
The deceased, who was only about
20 years of age, passed away on
the 18th inst. at Romsley Hill, Bir-
mingham, where she had been
engaged in the nursing profession.
Naturally gentle and refined, she
was the possessor of a kindly,
genial disposition, and had many
other admirable qualities that won
her the respect, confidence and
esteem of all who knew her. At
home she was a great favourite
with her many friends and
acquaintances, and she had secured
an even wider measure of popu-
larity and regard during her time
in England. An evidence of this
is furnished by the fact that the
staffs of the Hospital in which she
was employed made special arrange-
ments for a costly wreath to be
placed on her bier. During her
illness she had the most kindly
attentions and had the happiness
of being frequently visited by her
two aunts (sisters of her father),
who are Reverend Mothers in Con-
vents not far from the Hospital in
which she worked. An exemplary
Catholic, she had a most peaceful
and happy end. Arrangements for
the transfer of the remains from
England to Limerick were made
by Rev. Mother Frances Fenton
and Rev. Mother Anastasia Fen-
ton (aunts), Sister M. Ambrose
Nunan and Mr. Denis C. Drake,
V.S. (cousins). The late Miss Fen-
ton, it may be mentioned, was niece
of Mr. S. J. Moynihan, Co. Manager
for Waterford and Kilkenny, and
of Mr. J. J. Moynihan, Customs
and Excise Supervisor, Belturbet,
brothers of her mother. To the
bereaved parents and numerous
other relatives and friends we ex-
tend our very sincere sympathy on
the death of a very charming girl
who gave every promise of a great
career in the nursing profession.

LIVED TO BE 96

Mr. Wm. Quirke, an old, and for
many years, a very popular trader
amongst the residents of Mount-
collins, died after a few weeks ill-
ness at the exceptional age of 96.
A licensed and general trader until
a few years ago, he was a man of
more than ordinary ability who
commanded the esteem and re-
spect of many friends and the
general public. He was father of
Colonel Quirke, U.S. Army, who
had visited him some months ago
before returning to the occupied
zone in Germany in his charge.
There was a very large attendance
at the removal of the remains to
the parish church, and at the in-
terment next day, when the prayers
at the graveside were read by the
Rev. Mother Moriarty, P.P.; Rev.
Dermot McCarthy, C.C., and Rev.
Richard Fitzgerald, S.M.A.

ONE FINED; ONE ACQUITTED

At Hospital Court, before Mr. H.
L. Connor, D.J.,
James O'Brien and John Hayes,
both of Ballyfruta, Ballylanders,
were charged by the Attorney-
General, at the prosecution of In-
spector P. Pender, under Section
165 of the Road Traffic Act. Sec-
tion 33, with unlawfully taking a
bicycle, the property of John Car-
roll.
Mr. L. Walsh, solicitor, appeared
for the defence.

After hearing evidence, the Jus-
tice imposed a fine of £2 in the
case of O'Brien and dismissed on
the merits the summons against
Hayes.

Answering Mr. O'Malley, witness
said that the military lorry could
be pushed about two feet when the
impact took place. There was
nothing to prevent Hayes from going
to the right.

CAPTAIN'S EVIDENCE.

Capt. Lyons, replying to Mr.
O'Malley, who was in the military
lorry on the occasion, said that
Sergeant Earls changed into low
gear, and he took all possible care
in negotiating the bend. When he
came to the cross he did not see the
lorry, but it was apparently behind
the bus. When he heard the crash
his lorry had straightened out
towards Limerick City, and it was
parallel to the bus queue. He was
perfectly satisfied that his driver
did everything he could do, and
complied with all the regulations in
coming on to the main road.

Cross-examined by Mr. Tynan,
witness said his lorry "crawled"
round the corner, and the bus was
50 yards away on the Ennis side.
It would take a matter of seconds
for his lorry to negotiate the bend.
If they had accelerated faster there
would have been no accident. His
lorry was struck over the right re-
wheel, but no damage was done to
the woodwork. Both vehicles were
practically parallel after the impact.
He did agree that this position bore
out the statement of Hayes, that he
had to swerve to avoid crashing in-
to the military lorry.

John Hayes, replying to Mr.
Tynan, said he was travelling at 16
or 17 miles per hour. He did not
blow the horn coming to the cross,
as it was not working. He slowed
down on coming to the cross. If he
could have pulled to the right the
accident would have been avoided.
He did not push the military truck
at all.

Cross-examined by Mr. O'Malley,
witness said he was about 5 or 6
feet from the left-hand kerb.

Why weren't you travelling in the
centre of the road?—Well my out-
side wheels were practically in the
middle of the road.

Lieut. Barry, a passenger in the
military lorry, said that he did not
see the other lorry until it was on
top of them.

The Justice said he was very
much impressed by Capt. Lyons's
evidence, and the bad feature about
Hayes was that he sounded no horn,
but he had right of way. The bus
did not give the military lorry a
proper view, and in all the cir-
cumstances he would dismiss the
summons.

INSURANCE INSTITUTE

ANNUAL MEETING

The third annual general meet-
ing of the Limerick Centre of the
Insurance Institute was held in the
Chamber of Commerce, on Mon-
day night. Mr. J. C. Duggan (Sun
Life of Canada) was elected Chair-
man for the 1946-'47 session; Mr. J.
P. O'Mahony (Irish Assurance Co.)
was elected Deputy Chairman.

The following other officers were
elected:—Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C.
P. Ryan; Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. E.
Boin. Committee—Messrs. F. W.
Browning, J. G. V. Drought, P. T.
Fitzgerald and J. H. R. Kelly.

The Hon. Secretary and Hon.
Treasurer submitted their reports
for the 1945-'46 session, which were
approved by the meeting.

Mr. J. C. Duggan, thanked the
Centre for the great honour they
had conferred on him in electing
him to be their chairman for the
ensuing year.

Mr. J. D. Keane proposed, and
Mr. F. W. Browning seconded, a
resolution to place on record the
valuable services rendered to the
Centre by Mr. P. T. Fitzgerald dur-
ing the first two years of its exist-
ence.

TRIBUTES TO GARDA SERGEANT

Very Rev. Canon Wallace, P.P.,
Kildimo, presided at a pleasant
function at Pallaskenry when Sergt.
T. Murphy, G.S., was entertained
prior to his departure to Shinrone.
The members of the Red Cross and
others associated themselves with
the function.

Canon Wallace, Rev. W. McDon-
nell, C.C.; Rev. Fr. O'Donovan, S.C.;
Dr. O'Callaghan and Mr. T. Jen-
kins (on behalf of Adare Red Cross)
paid high tributes to the Sergeant,
as did Garda T. Hurley.

Canon Wallace then made the
presentation, which took the form
of a valuable silver tray and

...the show by the auctioneers and Mr.
P. J. Liston, hon. secretary, were
excellent.

LINK WITH LIMERICK GONE

Numerous Limerick friends will
be sorry to learn of the death, at
her home in Belgium, of Mrs.
Clementine Bellens. The deceased
lady was wife of the late Joseph
P. Bellens, who was for over 20
years organist at the Redemptorist
Church, Limerick. Through his
connections with the old Limerick
Operatic and Orchestral Society,
and also activities of the Gaelic
League and Feis Tuad Mumhan,
she was known to a large circle,
who will remember her as a
most unassuming and unobtrusive,
though very cultured lady, who
had, like her husband, a love for
Limerick which persisted up to her
death. To her son, Father August
Bellens, and three daughters (all
of whom were born in Limerick),
and other relatives we tender our
deepest sympathy.

SENSATIONAL PARIS TRIAL

Dr. Marcel Petiot, on trial for
the murder of 27 people during the
German occupation, provided fur-
ther sensations in the Seine Court
on Wednesday.

During the proceedings, Petiot
described how he assisted his
organisation in executing "Joe the
Boxer" and "Francis the Corsican"
and their wives, who, he said,
were Gestapo informers.

Petiot's counsel stated that a
book written by him during im-
prisonment was being published. It
is entitled "How to Beat the Odds."

PRIZE WINNERS CONCERT

It is probably true that never in
the history of entertainment has
such a galaxy of local talent been
got together as that for the con-
cert to be held under the auspices
of Feile Luimnighe in the Savoy on
Sunday evening next.

As the booking for the occasion
is rather heavy, intending patrons
are advised to secure their tickets
without delay.

Owing to the anticipated enor-
mous length of the programme it
has been decided to commence at
8.15 sharp, at which time it is to
be hoped that the entire audience
will be in their seats.

CONGRESS WARNED

The United States Congress was
asked yesterday by General Eisen-
hower to extend the army call-
up indefinitely and to limit the
term of compulsory service to 18
months. This was necessary, he
said, so that the Army might not
fall short of its estimated needed
strength of 1,070,000 by some 165,000
on July 1st, 1947. Mr. Robert
Patterson, U.S. Secretary for War,
declared that the military position
of the United States depended
upon the recruiting programme to
produce and sustain an army of
the necessary size.

DEATH OF CANON BREEN, KILKEE

The death has occurred of Very
Rev. Michael Canon Breen, P.P.,
Kilkee, at the age of 86 years. He
was ordained in Maynooth in 1882,
and ministered in Roscrea, Doonbeg,
Bodyke and Quin, and was ap-
pointed Parish Priest of Ruan in
the year 1911. He was appointed
Parish Priest of Kilkee in 1923, and
the following year was made a
Canon. He was in the same class
in Maynooth as Most Rev. Dr.
Fogarty, Bishop of Killaloe; the late
Cardinal MacRory, and the late
Most Rev. Dr. O'Sullivan, Bishop of
Kerry. He is survived by four
sisters, who are in the Order of the
Cross and Passion in Bolton,
England, and three brothers.

WARSHIPS FOR ATOM BOMB TESTS

The Japanese battleship, "Nag-
ato," flagship of the Japanese
Fleet at the time of the Japanese
surrender, has sailed from Yoko-
hama for Bikini Ato! in the Mar-
shall Islands, where she is to be a
target for the first U.S. atomic test
early in May. Manned by a skele-
ton U.S. crew of 10 officers and 140
ratings, she was badly battered,
but has been repaired sufficiently
for her "death" voyage. In all, 97
vessels are to be used in this test.
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