

... of the incident was British, the "Post" said.

## MEMBERS CALL FOR DRAINAGE SCHEME

... in County Longford the subject of a public meeting of Longford farmers yesterday when they called on the local Council to formulate a scheme of drainage to relieve the farming community's plight in the face of the rivers Camlin, Ballyvaughan and Fallon to the Shannon. One farmer told of how 20 acres of his 49-acre farm were completely submerged and useless.

## GLIN GAEL BEREAVED

... death took place some days ago in Glin at the age of 79, of a late Mr. Mothy Barry, father of Mr. Barry, a prominent Glin farmer. The deceased was a member of an old Athea family who had settled in Glin. The funeral service in the Kilfergus churchyard was held on Monday and representative.

## ANOTHER 'QUAKE IN WEST INDIES

... another earthquake has taken place in the West Indies, the third in the week. There are reports of considerable damage having been done in the Dominion Republic. The casualties are not yet assessed, but are believed to be heavy.

## FIRE FIGHTER FALLS FROM WALL

... fighting an outbreak of fire in the town for six hours on Tuesday, a fireman, P. Mulligan, of the Sligo Fire Brigade, fell from a wall and had to be moved to hospital, suffering from severe injuries.

## ARRIVAL OF LINER

... United States steamer, the "Glen", arrived at Cobh on Monday from Le Havre and Southampton and embarked 138 passengers and 154 sacks of mail for New York. Twenty-five of the passengers were from Northern Ireland.

## DEAD SUDDENLY IN BED

... playing bowls and then looking at the pictures, Mr. James (35), labourer, Cork Road, died suddenly in bed on Monday.

## BOUND FOR PARIS

... Ernest Bevin, the British Foreign Minister, is expected to depart for Paris this evening to take the chairmanship of the British delegation at the Paris conference.

## DEGREE OF A.L.C.M.

... result of a recent examination by the London College of Education, Miss Nancy Haugh, Bridge Street, has secured the degree of Associate Lecturer.

Michael's.

Rev. John Burke to be Religious Instructor for City Vocational Schools.

## LATE MR. DAVID FOLEY, CARHUE

By request of the Ballyhea Old I.R.A. Company (writes our Charleville correspondent) the 8 o'clock Mass on Monday morning last was offered for the repose of the soul of the late Mr. David (Bob) Foley, Carhue, Croom, who was killed recently by a bull. Mr. Foley was a section leader in the old company in pre-truce days and a large number of his old colleagues were present at the Mass.

## GERMAN TIMBER FOR BRITAIN

It was officially announced in Hamburg yesterday that enough timber to construct 100,000 new homes in Britain—160,000 tons—will be sent to the United Kingdom in the next twelve months from the British zone of Germany. The timber will be cut by Baltic displaced persons, working under U.N.R.R.A.

## GRANTS FOR CO. KERRY.

The County Commissioner for Kerry, Mr. A. S. Moylan, has accepted a grant of £18,000 from the Department of Local Government, under the Unemployment and Emergency Schemes Vote. The grant is subject to a local contribution of £3,300, making a total expenditure on works under the Vote of £21,000. The Commissioner has also accepted a grant of £103,638 for road maintenance work.

## TO END BANK STRIKE.

The Acting Lord Mayor of Belfast has invited the Bank Officials' Association and the Northern Ireland Bank authorities to resume discussions with a view to bringing the strike of officials to an end. The Association has accepted the invitation, saying "they were prepared to meet the banks at any time."

## BRITISH RAILWAY FATALITIES

The report for 1945 of the British Railways Chief Inspecting Officer shows that 45 passengers and 17 rail workers were killed during the year in train accidents. Liability to casualty among passengers was one killed in some 43 millions carried. Total fatalities were lowest for six years.

## AFTER SEVEN YEARS.

After waiting seven years, Miss Fanny McMullen (72), former postmistress at Lifford, has now arrived in America by air. In 1939 she sold her shop and booked passage to the U.S. by liner but, following the sinking of the Athenia when all reservations were stopped, she was unable to get passage.

pected, who are gone to the 'Great Beyond, but there is nothing to mark their passing away. Trusting this epistle will be a reminder to those who are responsible for keeping our monuments a credit to the citizens of the Violated Treaty to make a start with the Tait memorial.—Yours sincerely,  
JOHN REDDAN,  
23, O'Curry Place, Limerick.

## STRIKE AVOIDED

## AMICABLE SETTLEMENT REACHED

(To the Editor; "Limerick Leader.")

Dear Sir—My committee desire to thank, through the medium of your popular journal, the Mayor (Mr. J. C. Hickey), Ald. D. Bourke, T.D., and Councillor P. Whelan, who, through their good citizenship, were responsible for bringing about the conference which was held in the Boardroom of Ranks (Ireland), Ltd., on Saturday last in connection with the dispute re extra week's holidays with pay for the maintenance staff employed by that firm. The conference was presided over by his Worship the Mayor and attended by Ald. D. Bourke, T.D., and Councillor P. Whelan, all of whom proved very helpful in concluding an amicable settlement. The firm was represented by Mr. T. R. W. Deakin and Mr. G. M. Goodbody, and the maintenance staff by Mr. J. A. McDonnell, Mr. M. Heslin, Mr. J. Deegan and Mr. M. J. Sexton. My committee further wish to appreciate the manner in which Mr. Deakin and Mr. Goodbody conducted the firm's side of the case, and trust that the spirit of good-fellowship which featured the conference will always prevail between the management and the employees of the firm. Thanking you in anticipation of publication of this appreciation.—I remain, yours faithfully,

M. J. SEXTON, hon. sec., Joint Committee, Mechanics' Institute, Limerick.

## RATHKEALE BOY'S DEATH

Master Dinny Ward, whose death occurred after a few days illness at the County Infirmary, Limerick, on August 1st, was a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ward, The Square, Rathkeale, and a nephew of the late Dinny Ward and Michael J. Ward, both well-known jockeys (writes our Rathkeale correspondent). Only five years of age, rarely has the death of one so young caused such general regret. But little Dinny was such an unusually bright child and so full of life and the spirit of innocent humour and merriment that he won the affection of adults as quickly as he did of those of his little playmates, a fact which was evidenced by the exceptionally large funeral that followed the tiny coffin when the remains arrived from Limerick on Friday evening for interment in the New Cemetery at Rathkeale.

public counter, and said he had received complaints of conditions in the G.P.O., which, he added, was grossly understaffed. Mr. McGuire compared the telephone service, marking that the conditions in the department did not justify the staff, but it was "quite possible that the entire post office would be worked."

## SERIOUS COMMENTS

These are very serious comments and the most serious of them is that they are justified by the facts. The office is notably understaffed, this is surely a grave matter only to the present extent to the general public. The staff are subject to the greatest inconvenience by the delays in the office, and the matter demands immediate attention from the authorities. The case is very strong, indeed, for a substantial increase in the staff but for an entire overhaul of the G.P.O. being used in the office.

## STAFF'S ATTITUDE.

We are glad to notice that the Limerick (indoor) staff has taken this matter into consideration and the official organisation of the staff. Under the heading of the following appears in the Limerick branch notes in the number of "The Postal Worker" "Pressure at the public counter now so persistent that we feel it is being accepted as a state of affairs. We do not wish to let this matter remain in its present background, and a sub-committee has been set up to enquire into the staffing position. We would like to see how the proposal has become of the proposal to increase the counter with a view to giving more space both inside and outside. We feel that in view of the increase in traffic due to the proposed Shannon Airport, this should be treated as urgent. It is our hope that a better service may be provided to the public." To these pertinent comments the staff should add a fervent "hear, hear."