

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Dear Editor—Recently I had a complaint that my daughter (aged 15½ years) had gone to a dance at one of our local halls. I immediately went to the particular hall and found that she had been allowed admission with two girl companions, also under 16 years. I remonstrated with the Management, and was told that it is the parents' duty to prevent them patronising these dances, as they can't say what age they are. Is not this a rather flimsy excuse? Besides, the three girls informed me that when applying for admission they were never questioned as regards their ages. When applying at the District Court for a licence, one very important condition is laid down that only persons of 18 years of age and over are to gain admission. As a parent I demand that this condition be enforced. I admit it is the duty of parents to prevent the children who are under age from frequenting these Dance Halls, but I must say that it is also the duty of the Management of the different Halls to genuinely co-operate with them and refuse them admission. Several parents with whom I have discussed this matter are with me in my demand. We parents have a lot to contend with at the present time.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor,
Yours faithfully,
"A PARENT."

KERRY ORCHARD TRAGEDY

While two boys were engaged in shooting sparrows in an orchard at Meengvane, Co. Kerry, on Sunday morning, a cartridge got jammed, and while one of the boys tried to free it, the gun went off full into the face of the second boy, who died shortly afterwards. The deceased boy, Patrick Markey, was the 13-years-old son of Garda Markey, Brosna. An inquest into the boy's death was adjourned on Monday, on the application of Supt. Mulcahy.

DEATH.

McMAHON—October 23rd, 1946, at Barrington's Hospital, Limerick, Breda McMahon (aged 10 years), 40, Nicholas St., Limerick. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Remains will be removed this (Wednesday) evening at 7 o'clock to St. Mary's Church. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), at 3 o'clock to Killeely.

respect of the temporary agricultural instructor.

Mr. McAuliffe proposed, and **Mr. McCarthy** seconded, that this appointment be made permanent.

Chairman—This proposition is passed unanimously, but it is also subject to the approval of the Co. Council.

HEREFORD BULLS.

Mr. McNamara said that in connection with the livestock scheme, he thought that more premiums should be offered for Hereford bulls. The progeny of these bulls were drawing higher prices than Shorthorns.

Mr. Fitzsimons agreed and said that the introduction of Hereford bulls would help the dairying industry. There was no demand at present for Shorthorn calves.

The C.A.O. said that nine Shorthorn premiums were given to one for Hereford bulls.

Chairman—This is not the day for the framing of the schemes. To-day we are providing the money, but another day will come for the allocation of the premiums.

Senator Madden said that he was impressed by the case made by **Mr. Fitzsimons** for the introduction of the Hereford bull. Dairy herds were being cleared over very wide areas, and it was essential that something should be done to remedy that appalling state of affairs. A greater diffusion of Hereford bulls might have a beneficial effect.

Mr. Connolly (Inspector) said that he would place the views of the Committee before the responsible officers of the Department. The livestock schemes would not be framed until next July, and about two months earlier all the County Committees would be asked for their views. It was very surprising how few County Committees availed of the opportunity given them to make recommendations.

The matter was not further discussed.

LETTERS TO THE PRESS

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader")

Dear Sir—Allow me congratulate you on your observations on anonymous letters to the Press. You have put the case so that you have left nothing worth saying unsaid. May I add, however, that the question is bound up with that of the liberty of the Press, without which freedom is not a reality.

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ACCIDENT AT RAILWAY STATION

Michael O'Gorman, a young married man, residing at Dominick St., Limerick, and a popular member of St. John Ambulance Brigade, was the victim of a shocking accident at the Limerick Railway Station on Monday night, shortly after eleven o'clock.

While engaged in official duties at shunting in the Goods Department, it is understood that he fell on the line, and a moving train passed over his right arm, severely mangling it. He was promptly removed in the Limerick Corporation Ambulance to Barrington's Hospital, where it was found necessary to amputate the arm.

On enquiry at Barrington's Hospital, this morning, it was learned that he had a comfortable night, and was as well as could be expected.

MANY CASUALTIES

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BRITISH DESTROYERS STRIKE MINES

While passing through the channel between the Albanian and Adriatic coasts, two British destroyers struck mines off Corfu to-day, inflicting 45 casualties—dead and wounded. The destroyers were after taking part in Mediterranean exercises.

DIED DURING ROSARY

On returning home on Sunday evening, **Mr. Michael Joy**, of Dunderum, Co. Tipperary, said he felt unwell and went to bed. Later, when the family Rosary was being recited in the room next the bedroom, he joined in for a time. Then the group in the next room heard him moan, and when his wife reached his bedside he was dead. Deceased, who was aged about sixty years, was an extensive farmer. He was brother of the late **Rev. Denis Joy**, C.S.Sp., of the African Missions and of the late **Colonel Joy**, of the National Army.

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