

TROUBLED TIMES OPEN FOR GUESTS

Recalled By I.R.A. Man's Death

STEPHEN MINOGUE OF
TULLA

All classes and sections, including Old I.R.A., Old and New L.D.F. and the G.A.A., were represented at the funeral of the late Stephen Minogue, of Tulla, one of the best known and most popular Old I.R.A. men in East Clare and an ex-Captain of the National Army (writes our Ennis correspondent). During troubled times he played more than a man's part in the East Clare Flying Column, of which General M. Brennan was then commandant, and was one of the guard of officers on protective duty at Knoppogue Castle, Quin, when the "rebel" Clare Co. Council, then "on the run," held the caretaker in custody while the annual meeting was held in the drawingroom of the Castle. While the meeting was in progress British military and Black and Tans were scouring the countryside in another area in a vain effort to capture the Council, every member of which was liable to imprisonment or death for "consorting with rebels." The military were thrown off the scent by a bogus agenda sent through the post and intercepted by their agents, as intended by General Brennan. At the conclusion of the meeting the Council adopted a resolution apologising to Lord Dunboyne, the owner of the Castle, for their "unceremonious entry" and stating that at the termination of hostilities he would be compensated by the Irish Government for any damage accidentally caused.

One instance of Captain Minogue's tolerance is worth recording. When on night patrol duty at Ennis with a squad of National Army men he discovered two former companions pasting illegal bills on a hoarding at O'Connell Square. The men dropped brush and paste when they saw him. Lieut. Minogue, as he then was, read the bill with interest and quietly remarked that if the Civic Guards found the two men at such work they would be in trouble. Without further comment he turned to his men and gave them the order to march, to the very great surprise and relief of the two amateur bill-posters.

Following the celebration of Requiem Mass, the coffin containing the remains, and enveloped in a Tricolour, was interred at Tulla Cemetery. The Last Post was sounded and three volleys fired over the grave by a party of Old I.R.A. men in charge of Capt. P. McCarthy.

The chief mourners were:—Mrs. Susan Minogue (widow); Miss Mary Minogue (daughter), and numerous other relatives.

THOUGHTS IN A GRAVEYARD

Each All Souls Night
I deem it right
To go where my loved ones lie—
And, pausing there,
To join in prayer
With those who pray for me on high.

O! dear dead friends

Foynes New Hotel

THE ACCOMMODATION

The recently completed hotel of the Department of Industry and Commerce, known officially as the Shannon Airport Hotel, Foynes, for the first time opened its doors to guests on Tuesday night when a party of P.A.A. passengers, including Commdt. T. A. Shelley, of the United States Navy, registered there for the night.

The hotel was not and will not be opened with any official procedure or fanfare, its Manager, Mr. P. Dornan, told a "Limerick Leader" representative who went through the building on Wednesday afternoon. On Tuesday morning, Rev. Fr. Cussen, C.C., Foynes, celebrated Mass in the hotel. The entire present staff of twenty, with the Manager, and representatives of the builders—Messrs. McCaffrey and O'Carroll—and of the fittings contractors attended the Mass.

FIRST PARTY OF GUESTS.

The first party of six guests arrived at the hotel from Rineanna late on Tuesday night and were welcomed by Mr. Dornan. They were all plane passengers and, said Mr. Dornan, they all seemed tired and made no comments on the facilities afforded.

The hotel has sleeping accommodation for seventy-five people; the bedrooms are small and neat. They are completely furnished—a number of them having three beds apiece—and there is evidence everywhere of careful colour blending in furnishing and decorating. The bedrooms do not contain one single superfluous piece of furniture but, on the other hand, a noticeable absence in each is the lack of washing facilities. A typed slip beneath the glass top of each bedside locker contains the information:—"The Management regrets that owing to unavoidable circumstances it has not been possible to instal wash-hand basins in every bedroom, for the present," and adds that guests would be able to avail of bathroom and shower facilities on bedroom floors.

Asked why a big number of the bedrooms contained three beds, the Manager explained that it was proposed to allot these rooms to aircraft crews.

THE DININGROOM.

The large 60' x 19' diningroom, already fully arranged for service, contains a number of small tables to accommodate four persons each, and a long table at which about a dozen could be served. Luxurious plush lounge chairs provide the seating accommodation at the tables.

The bar is small, is yet without furniture, and is unstocked. Another large room on the extreme west of the building, originally intended, it is understood, as a guests' restaurant, is still unfurnished. This apartment may be converted into an entertainments hall in which to show films, etc. to guests, Mr. Dornan said.

The hotel's fairly large kitchen, which on Wednesday evening was occupied by a number of girls engaged in cooking and by some workmen giving it the final touches,

MARKET PRICES

Breadstuffs—Flour (bakers), 64/6 per sack; retail, 64/6 per sack; wholemeal, 62/- per sack; oatmeal, 5/- per stone; flake oatmeal, 5/6 per stone.

LIMERICK MARKETS—Saturday.

Butter—2/4 per lb.
Hen Eggs—3/10 to 4/- per doz.
Duck Eggs—3/5 per doz.
Chickens—10/- to 15/- per pair.
Ducks—7/- to 10/- per pair.
Old Fowl—6/- to 10/- per pair.
Geese—9/- to 12/- each.
Eating Apples—3/- to 5/6 per basket.
Cooking Apples—2/- to 3/6 per basket.
Potatoes—9d. to 1/1 per stone.
Rye Hay—180/- per ton.
Upland Hay—150/- to 170/- per ton.
Corcass Hay—60/- to 70/- per ton.
Wheaten Straw—60/- per ton.
Weekly Cattle Market—There were 62 calves in market; they sold at from 10/- to 65/- each.

THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK.

WEEKLY DAIRY MARKET.

Tuesday, November 5th—Considerably larger supplies marketed this week, customers attending had the opportunity of purchasing cows and heifers of a choice description, as well as those of a useful and promising class; no really outstanding cows on sale. There was a particularly good and representative attendance ready and willing to invest; shipping interests also fully represented, resulting in an active demand for all choice and promising cows, anything with pretensions to class had plenty of buyers; the promise of milk is the qualification required, and where this featured with quality and colour exchange was easily effected, top prices being readily paid. There was brisk enquiry for promising cows and heifers, and a spirited and sustained demand throughout the day, promising and well-bred medium sized heifers in steady demand, and small heifers sold better than recent markets. Business in general wore a bright aspect, and to end of day moved in an active groove, recent values being fully maintained, and in the case of heifers showed an advance. The market was easily the best of the autumn season, winding up with a brisk clearance, and marked the biggest turnover and best trade of the year. Top price for carry cows went to Mr. C. McNamara, Singland, at £35, there being six runners-up at £34 each. Top price for incalf heifers was obtained by Mr. James Hogan, Clonmoney, at £27 5s., Mr. James Smith, Breska, Clarina, being the runner-up at £26. Dairy cows, choice, £29 to £35; promising, £25 to £28 10s.; ordinary, £22 10s. to £24 10s. Incalf and calved heifers, promising, £25 5s. to £27 5s.; ordinary, £21 15s. to £23 15s.; small, £19 to £20 10s.—Wm. B. Fitt & Co., Auctioneers.

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WEEKLY CATTLE AND SHEEP MARKET.

Wednesday, November 6th—Cattle—Substantially increased entries, a much better class; big ring of buyers; full supply of beef, which was in steady demand, especially medium weighted heifers, which met brisk competition and sale.