

friends of his brother-in-law and witness didn't know some of them. Replied to Supt. Collieran, the defendant said his brother-in-law had left for England.

LET OFF WITH A CAUTION.

The Justice said he felt the dance was a bona fide occasion and he would allow the defendant off with a caution. However, he would like to point out that it was necessary to keep a check on dances of this kind.

"RINEANNA PERSONNEL"

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Dear Sir—I have been reading with interest the letters by "Fair Play" and "Sarsfield" and thought it time to state my case.

I have the misfortune to work in this town, and apart from the expensive and comfortless digs I am now in, have twice been told to "find somewhere else." After a lot of trouble I am now in my third "digs" and paying at such a high rate that I have barely enough left to keep myself in the odds and ends every girl requires. Digs are very expensive, and then one must also take into account the "extras" such as hot water, use of electric iron, etc.

I have said "thrown out of my digs." This is almost true as the longest notice I got was one week, and if anyone who reads this paper has ever had to go through the same ordeal they will appreciate my trouble.

I dare say some people may wonder why I have been "thrown out" but I am sure some of your readers have heard the term "Rineanna Personnel," which to me and many other unfortunate working girls in this town has become a sort of bugbear.

I have hopes, in the near future, of getting out of this town, but it will remain always in my mind as a place where the landladies are mean, overbearing and uncharitable, and in whom the "milk of human kindness" seems to have dried up.

"ORPHAN."

3rd December, 1946.

DIED IN CHICAGO

News has been received of the death, which took place recently in Chicago, of Edward Kelly, son of the late John and Bridget Kelly, 3, Garryowen, Limerick; brother of Mrs. P. McNamara, New York; of Mrs. Susan Horan, Chicago, and of Mrs. J. Kinnane, Janesboro', Limerick. He held the position of Superintendent of Equipment in the City Department of Streets, was brother-in-law of Albert J. Horan, Chief Municipal Court. In private life, the deceased was held in affectionate regard by all who knew him. His friendships were intimate and sincere. His funeral to Mount Carmel Cemetery was fully representative of all sections of the community, testifying to the high regard and esteem in which the deceased was held.

Deep and heartfelt sympathy is extended to his widow, children and family from all his friends in Limerick.

BIG PROPERTY SALE

Mr. L. de Courcy, Auctioneer, has sold by private treaty an extensive property at Charleville, for Mr. Owen Binchy, merchant, for £10,000.

being well satisfied with the attitude of the Managers, who gave them a very sympathetic hearing and promised to put forward their claims to the Department of Local Government and Public Health.

The Managers were evidently impressed by the fact that on this occasion the deputations were representative of every section of the Local Government Service and comprised both senior and junior officials, irrespective of whether they belonged to an organised Trade Union or not.

It is expected that the matter will be discussed at the next meetings of the City and County Councils and Mental Hospital Committee and the local officials are confident that they will receive the support of these Bodies.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

THE LIMERICK PROPOSAL

A meeting of the Executive Committee set up in connection with the proposed Constituent College for Limerick was held in the Town Hall on Tuesday last, 3rd inst. The Mayor (Mr. J. C. Hickey) presided. Letters of apology for inability to attend were received from the Chairman, Co. Council; the City Manager, Mr. D. Doyle, County Librarian, and Mr. W. M. Cleary.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. J. G. O'Donnell) submitted a letter from Professor A. O'Rahilly, intimating that he would be prepared to meet the members of the Executive Committee on Wednesday, the 11th December, 1946.

The question of amending the existing Charter so as to strengthen the claim of Limerick having a separate Constituent College was considered, as well as the possibility of arranging, if practicable, courses in Art, Commerce, Engineering and Science to meet the requirements of potential graduates for the first and second years.

In compliance with his wishes, it was arranged that Professor O'Rahilly would meet the Executive Committee at the Limerick County Council Chamber on Wednesday, the 11th December, at 7.30 p.m., as the Professor suggested in his communication that he would prefer to discuss the matter with the Executive Committee rather than address a public meeting.

As regards procedure, it was agreed that any proposals and observations that the Professor might submit should be considered very carefully and analysed later by the Executive Committee, with a view to making any implementations in this respect, and that a public meeting of citizens could be arranged at a later date to be addressed by Professor O'Rahilly.

COUNTY HOUNDS MEET AT CROOM

For the first time since the hunting season opened this year (writes our Croom correspondent) the County Limerick hounds meet at Croom on Monday last. The fact that the meet was held in Croom probably added to the large numbers of followers who enjoyed a splendid day's hunting despite inclement weather conditions and the sodden nature of the ground. At 11.30 hounds and followers

Unkard Street was not reckless.

JUSTICE'S REMARKS.

The Justice said the case was a very difficult one. Witnesses in the case were all in agreement that the cross at Athlunkard Street, where the accident occurred, was one of the most dangerous in Limerick. It had been brought out clearly that, owing to a ledge on the road at Bridge Street, visibility was very bad in front and thus it would be very hard to distinguish an object, particularly a small object like the child who had been killed. One witness, Joseph Sheehan, had said that Manifold could have sounded the horn of his car on the occasion; another witness, Michael Cusack, swore that he had definitely heard a horn sounded, and a third witness, Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, had said that she did not hear any horn sounded. There was an element of doubt on the question of whether or not the defendant had sounded his horn on the occasion, and in law the defendant was always entitled to the benefit of a reasonable doubt.

It could also be reasonably assumed from the evidence that the child ran out on the road before the car. Really, it was God's mercy which saved children from destruction; it was tragic to see the way children, and sometimes even adults, ran out on roads before motor cars, without any apparent attention or care. It had been established in the Circuit Court that the child who had been killed on the occasion of this accident had run across the road. In the case for the prosecution, there was no allegation that the defendant had been travelling at an excessive speed. He (Justice) felt that it would have been impossible for Manifold, in view of the restricted visibility obtaining at the point of the tragedy, to have seen the child and to have avoided striking her.

STEADY, CAREFUL DRIVER.

Another factor he had to consider was his personal experience of Manifold as a driver. Manifold had been driving him in his car for some years, and he had always found him a very steady, careful driver. He had always known the defendant to exercise strict care and attention. Personal experience, said the Justice, was the greatest character any man could be given.

From the point of view of the law the accident, which was the subject of the charge against the defendant, would have to be regarded as an ordinary one; the fact that a life had been lost need not be considered in the present charge. In view of all these circumstances, he could not find one single factor which would empower him to convict, and he would accordingly find Manifold not guilty and discharge him.

BIG CONTRACT

LIMERICK DOG TRACK

The Limerick Greyhound Racing Track Co., Ltd., has accepted the tender of a Cork firm at £14,684 for the carrying out of extensive improvements to the Markets Field enclosure.

The improvements will include the re-laying and raising of the track, the building of a grand stand, provision of kennels, shelters for bookmakers, a concrete

to come to a sudden end. Only one more week of the manufacturing campaign season remains to run.

GENIAL FIGURE GONE

DEATH OF MR. P. J. SKEHAN

With the very deepest regret we announce the death of Mr. P. J. Skehan, who passed away this morning as a result of a severe attack of bronchial pneumonia. The deceased, who had been living in Dun Laoghaire for some years back, was son of the late Cornelius Skehan, Clare Street, Limerick, and brother of Rev. C. Skehan, of the Diocese of Dublin. In his native city, as in many other parts of the country where he was well known, he was held in the highest respect and esteem by all classes, and deservedly so. A genial, kindly, sociable figure, he enjoyed the widest measure of popularity, being a great favourite with all who had come to know him for his big-hearted and jovial disposition and his many other loveable characteristics. For many years prior to the removal of himself and his family to Dun Laoghaire he was prominently connected with the oil business and in his commercial relations he enjoyed the fullest confidence of all with whom he came in contact. In his business capacity he was well known all over the country, and wherever he went he made friends who entertained for him the warmest feelings of affection and regard. His passing at a comparatively early age removes one of the most upright and likeable of men, and to his bereaved wife and daughter and the numerous other relatives and friends we extend our very sincere sympathy on their sad bereavement.

BIG EXPLOSION

STATE OF SIEGE IN JERUSALEM

A message received from Jerusalem to-day states that the biggest explosion yet heard in Palestine took place last night when six lorry loads of explosive material, captured from Jews, was blown up by British sappers.

The explosives were seized in Jerusalem following attacks on barracks. In these attacks five soldiers were injured, one seriously.

The attackers took up positions in houses opposite the barracks and from those vantage points opened fire at point blank range.

Military and police returned the fire, and for some hours a state of siege obtained. It is believed that many of the attackers were injured.

RECENT MARRIAGE

The marriage took place in the Parish Church, Raheen, Co. Limerick, of Mr. James Casey, eldest son of Mr. Patrick Casey and the late Mrs. Catherine Casey, of Rinneen, Corofin, Co. Clare and Miss May