

Under or near the other 96 were the yellow bundles of eggs of the Ichneumon fly, the gardener's friend.

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TRIBUTES TO LATE GENERAL SECRETARY

At a meeting of the Limerick Branch of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, held on Thursday, 18th inst., the Chairman (Mr. J. J. Cleary), on opening the proceedings, referred in feeling terms to the death, which occurred that morning, of the General Secretary of the Union, Senator Thomas Kennedy. He (the Chairman) had very close contact with him during his period of membership of the National Executive Council, and stated that the Union had sustained an irreparable loss in the passing of a highly competent and hard working general officer, whose wise counsel and prudence had steered the Organisation successfully through many a serious crisis in the past. He felt he was but interpreting the feelings of every member of the Branch in extending their profound sympathy to his widow and family, as well as to his colleagues at Head Office.

Several members associated themselves with the Chairman's graceful tribute, stating that the late General Secretary had been a tireless worker in the Union interests, and the high position it occupies to-day was a fitting testimony to his life's work.

Mr. E. Browne (Branch Secretary), on behalf of the officials and himself, associated himself with the remarks of the previous speakers, and said that the late Senator Kennedy was an outstanding personality in the Trade Union Movement, having filled many positions with honour and dignity. His loss would be keenly felt by them all, and they in Limerick would always remember with gratitude his many visits here to encourage them by his prudent advice and inspiring addresses delivered at their annual meetings.

The meeting adjourned without transacting any business as a mark of respect to Senator Kennedy's memory.

FOYNES SHIPPING

On Monday last the s.s. "Empire Shetland" arrived at Foynes with 700 tons of kerosine for the Irish Shell Company, Ltd.

The information emanated from a member of the Gas Works staff. The only members of the staff who would be competent to hold authoritative views on such a matter are either the foreman or myself, and I am quite satisfied that neither of us imparted the information quoted by the Councillor in question. Consequently it must have come from someone who had neither the requisite knowledge nor training to know the cause (or remedy) of the trouble. In these circumstances it is a pity that the Councillor in question did not verify the accuracy of his information before using same in public. Apart altogether from the fact that such utterances are a reflection upon the ability and veracity of my foreman and myself the assistance of every member of the City Council is vital in helping to maintain public confidence in the efforts that are being made to improve the gas supply to the city.

"The cause of the breakdown is as stated by me, i.e., the breakdown of Nos. 5 and 6 retorts, following close on the scurfing of No. 7 retort, and was not influenced by the wrong mixing of coal. To minimise and overcome the trouble, however, it was necessary to use a special mixture of the best coking coals in stock, but this course could only be adopted for a few days when it was necessary to again revert to the original mixture, which is now in use.

FUNERAL OF MR. T. P. GEARY

The funeral of the late Mr. Thomas P. Geary, a Director of Messrs. Geary, Ltd., Limerick, from St. Michael's Church to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery, was of immense proportions. It was fully representative of all sections of the community, being a striking tribute of respect to a gentleman who commanded the confidence of his fellow-citizens by his gentleness of manner, kindness of heart and unassuming disposition.

The chief mourners were:—Mrs. E. Geary (widow), Garry, Gould, Jack and Jim (sons), Nina, Ria and Verette (daughters), Frank, Joe and Jack (brothers), Mrs. McGann and Mrs. O'Donnell (sisters), James and William Gould (brothers-in-law), Misses K. and V. Gould, Mrs. Gerry Geary, Mrs. Frank Geary, Mrs. Joe Geary, Mrs. Jack Geary, and Mrs. Gus Geary (sisters-in-law), Gerry, Joseph, Jim, Tom, Brian, Ronan, Gerard and Dom. Geary (nephews), Misses B. and M. Geary (nieces), Mr. and Mrs. D. Foley, and Rev. J. Foley, S.J. (relatives).

The officiating clergy were:—Rev.

plant at the Gas Works was in a deplorably bad state and that, as a result, the Engineer was carrying a very heavy responsibility.

SHOULD GET SUPPORT OF COUNCIL.

Ald. Bourke said that the Engineer had a wreck of a Gas Works to contend with. He had also a wretched coal to contend with. In these circumstances, the Engineer should get the moral support of the Council.

Mr. Whelan—We are all prepared to do that, but I think it is most unfair that a particular employee should be charged by the Engineer. I think an apology is due to this man.

Engineer—I made no charge against any man. I asked him a question.

Manager—It would be rather difficult to get an apology for every man who is asked a question.

Mayor—We have heard enough on this question now.

Ald. Reidy said that the Engineer in his report had referred to a very important matter—the receipt of inferior coal. It appeared to him that people at the top had not exercised sufficient care in the selection of coal.

The Manager said that as a result of representations he had made to the Department on the quality of the coal, he anticipated an improvement in the supply.

The discussion then ended.

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