

RAY SCRAPS**Explanations**

(RAMBLING THADY).

nection with my concluding part of my article published in last week's *Limerick Leader*, relating to the marvellous crop of grass planted in the Coot estate, Kilmallock, the property of Mrs. Lillingston, a well-known figure on our hunting and shooting fields. Mr. Lee, solicitor, who is Mrs. Lillingston's agent, came on Sunday afternoon to put a number of inaccuracies in my statements.

In view to capture the eye of the ordinary reader, my article was written in the dialect of a countryman whose down-to-earth sense more than compensated for his loss of general or expert knowledge of rural subjects. I gave my impression as an ordinary observer as a statistician, and it is evident my figures regarding the number of sheep in the flock and actual acreage of the field were very rough estimations.

It is to be an ordinary four or five acre field. Mr. Lee assured me that the field is far in excess of my approximation. It is a well-known fact that a flat surface from a low level (and are exactly five feet from end) is very deceptive and much smaller than it appears.

It corresponds in many cases to the difficulty of estimating across the water at the shore on a large lake.

ENTIFIC METHODS.

er, I was less interested in statistics than in the quality of grass and my paragraph was with the direct intention of giving a concrete example how production could be stimulated by scientific methods. It was when Mr. Lee told me that he became aware that the field had been down to permanent pasture by his own personal supervision that the preparation of seed, the cleansing of the soil of weeds, and the selection of mixture were done under strict instructions. However, the work was, as he asserts, been fully compensated for and he deserves to be rewarded. The suggestion that Minister for Agriculture should be asked to see it was a direct result.

Throughout the country first-class grass is always referred to as "the best," for the obvious reason that farmers have not yet taken advantage of using a selected seed mixture. Mr. Lee is afraid that the readers of the paper may consider he was making a similar error. Persons are aware that in addition to ryegrass and perennial ryegrass other well-known grasses were included. Inadvertently I omitted this fact. I regret the omission and trust this correction will satisfy any who may have misinterpreted my words.

Referring to the triple crop in Jersey, early grass in January, in June, and aftergrass in August, I intended the reader to understand that not in Jersey alone but at home in Ireland it is possible to produce more than one crop each season.

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LIMERICK I.C.A.**Federation Meeting****NOW 26 GUILDS IN THE COUNTY**

A meeting of the Limerick Federation of the Irish Country-women's Association was held at 8, The Crescent, Limerick. Dr. Mary Roche-Kelly presided, and the following Guilds were represented—Abbeyfeale, Askeaton, Ballingarry, Ballylanders, Ballyneety, Ballysimon, Bohermore, Bruff, Castleconnell, Croom, Dromkeen, Fedamore, Gathally, Kilmallock, Killinane, Limerick Liberties, Rathkeale, Shanagolden and Sixmilebridge.

Finance—All Guilds that had not paid their federation fee for 1948 were asked to do so as soon as possible.

County Organiser—Mrs. Frawley gave her report of the Guilds visited since the last meeting and one new Guild was welcomed, Ballynahill. There are now 26 Guilds in County Limerick.

Annual General Meeting of the Association—Mrs. Colman represented Limerick Federation and read their report. The meeting was held at the Four Provinces Hotel, Dublin.

Killinane Show, June 29th. Mrs. Hogan told the Federation that there would be two classes confined to I.C.A. members—1, Rush-work; 2, leatherwork.

Adare Feis, July 11th. I.C.A. will have a special display stall and ask all Guilds to send goods. There will be one confined class for I.C.A. members.

Needlework, Castleconnell Feis—The Federation have been asked to arrange their own stalls. Date and details of competitions will appear later.

Market Stalls—It was agreed that all Guilds interested should visit Fethard Market Stall on June the 11th. Will those who intend travelling please write to the Federation Secretary, Mrs. Walsh, Skehard House, Cahercorish, not later than May 26th. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs. Costello, President of Adare Guild, on her recent bereavement.

Next Federation Meeting—Saturday, June 26th.

THE MODERN WOMAN**AND THE GREATEST HEROINE**

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Dear Sir—It seems to me that the heads of our Irish girls are being lately turned by the visits of some American artistes in their search for beauty. The glamour of Hollywood appears to have hypnotised them; beauty specialists are doing a roaring trade, and what between painted lips, painted nails, powdered noses, dyed hair and false teeth, we soon won't know the real from the artificial. Now, if we give a little thought to the matter we will see this modern type of beauty contest is very old and pagan in its origin. In the olden slave markets women were paraded and bought and sold for their beauty. They still parade and sell their beauty to the world through the films. Add to this the fact that we are being deluged by the B.B.C. with a plethora of modern plays written by pagan authors, in which the leading heroines are ladies who proved unfaithful to their husbands. Our modern film heroines are not drawn from that gallant band of young wives whose hearts are centred in their homes and families. We seldom see in the films those noble women, the Sisters of Mercy, who spend their time visiting the destitute and the dying.

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GREAT LOSS**To Salesian Order****DEATH OF REV. MICHAEL MCGINTY**

Rev. Father Michael McGinty, S.D.B., Salesian Missionary College, Pallaskenry, whose death occurred on Sunday, April 18th, at the Mater Private Nursing Home, Dublin, was born in Coalisland, Co. Tyrone, in 1910. He began his studies for the priesthood at Warrenstown, Co. Meath, in 1925, and continued them at Cowley, Oxford, where he entered the Salesian Society in 1930. For a number of years he taught at the Salesian Colleges of Pallaskenry, Co. Limerick, and Chertsey, Surrey. He did his theological studies at the Salesian Theologate, Blasdon, Gloucester, where in July, 1939, he was raised to the priesthood by Most Rev. Dr. Lee, Bishop of Clifton.

Shortly after his ordination Father McGinty was appointed once more to the staff of Pallaskenry, where he remained until his death. During the nine years of his priestly life, Father McGinty devoted his entire energy to the spread of devotion to Our Lady Help of Christians and St. John Bosco, and was indefatigable in his work of keeping in touch with Salesian co-operators throughout the whole country. The large circle of friends and a flourishing Union of Co-operators are eloquent testimony to the success of his apostolate.

THE OBSEQUIES.

The interment took place on Wednesday, April 21st, after Solemn Office and High Mass, at Pallaskenry. Very Rev. Canon Wallace, P.P., presided. Celebrant was Revd. M. Brennan, S.D.B., deacon, Very Revd. P. Molloy, S.D.B., Rector of the Salesian College, Ballinakill; sub-deacon, Revd. P. Hanna, S.D.B. (all fellow-students of the deceased).

The chief mourners—Misses Genevieve and Ann McGinty and Mrs. Carolan (sisters), James, John, Peter and Malachy McGinty (brothers), Mr. D. Carolan (brother-in-law), Mr. Joseph Stewart, M.P., Dungannon (uncle).

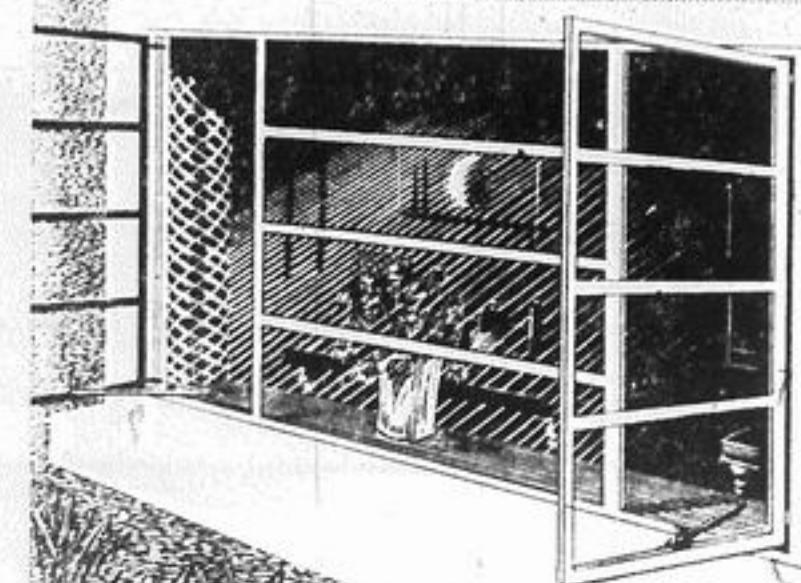
Clergy present were—Very Rev. R. McElligott, S.D.B., Rector, Salesian College, Pallaskenry; Very Rev. T. P. O'Connor, S.D.B., Rector, Salesian College, Warrenstown; Very Rev. P. Molloy, S.D.B., Rector, Salesian College, Ballinakill; Very Rev. T. O'Brien, S.D.B., Rector, Salesian College, Bolton, Lancs.; Very Rev. Canon Wallace, P.P., Kildimo; Very Rev. J. Cowper, P.P., St. Patrick's; Rev. W. O'Grady, C.C., St. John's; Very Rev. Father P. Lynch, P.P., Kilcornan; Rev. D. Rea, C.C., Askeaton; Revd. Father W. McDonnell, C.C., Pallaskenry; Rev. Father J. Fullen, C.S.Sp.; Rev. Father M. Curran, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Father O'Boyle, C.S.S.R.; Very Rev. Father O'Shea, O.F.M.; Rev. L. Clifford, O.F.M.; Rev. Father J. Murphy, C.C., Clonore, Co. Tyrone; Rev. J. Regan, C.C., do; Rev. C. Grey, S.D.B.; Rev. M. Swan, S.D.B.; Rev. D. O'Sullivan, S.D.B.; Rev. C. Walsh, S.D.B.; Rev. J. Kinsley, S.D.B.; Rev. P. Breen, S.D.B.; Rev. H. McGuire, S.D.B.; Rev. D. Lyons, S.D.B.; Rev. J. Cummins, S.D.B.; Rev. W. Fahy, S.D.B.

Attendance also included—Mr. P. J. Sheahan, M.R.I.A.I., Consulting Architect and Engineer; Mr. E. O'Kelly, Manager, Provincial Bank, Limerick; Colonel and Mrs. Devlin, Dublin; Dr. J. B. Byrnes, Pallaskenry; Miss Alice Smith, Dublin; Miss Caire O'Reilly, Dublin; Miss Una Twohig, Dublin; Miss Monica McDonagh, Dublin.

KILLALOE BOAT CLUB

The Killaloe Regatta, to be held under the auspices of I.A.R.U., is fixed for the 17th June next. At a large meeting called by the Killaloe

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