

## ERATION OF 66 NATIONS

The League represents the Federation of 66 separate nations who signed the Treaty of the Treaty. Eire is one of the signatories since 1939. Mr. Colton is at present touring Eire, outlining a plan for fund raising in Eire. He is giving his services free to the Irish Red Cross Society.

Interviewed during his visit here, he spoke highly of Irish hospitality and said that one of the things that impressed him most was that he smiled here on buses and in the streets—"they smile no more in England," he said. This was his first visit to Ireland.

Mr. Colton addressed a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Irish Red Cross Society in Limerick during his visit.

Mr. T. Hurley, S.J. (in the chair) welcomed Mr. Colton and Mr. J. O'Mara, General Secretary of the Irish Red Cross Society in Ireland, and Mr. J. J. O'Sullivan, Publicity Manager, Irish Red Cross Society, who accompanied Mr. Colton.

## WHAT IS ENVISAGED IN PLAN

Mr. Colton, in his address, indicated the meeting that a campaign for funds was being launched by the Irish Red Cross Society during the first week of the year. Briefly summarising his plan envisaged:

Appointment of a National Fund Raising Committee with a prominent business man as Chairman.

Radio and Press publicity, and work and programme of the Irish Red Cross Society.

Organisation of each county on a vocational basis for the purpose of collecting subscriptions.

Only one appeal in the year to be made and that in the month of December each year.

During the year a "reporting publicity" will be carried on with a view to informing the public how much money is being spent.

## CROSS UNVEILED

## CEREMONY AT MEELICK

A very impressive ceremony took place at Meelick yesterday, when a Celtic Memorial Cross, dedicated to the memory of three members of the East Clare Brigade of the I.R.A., who died for their country in 1921, was unveiled by Rev. Dr. McCarthy, C.S.Sp., Bishop of Zanzibar, who cele-

brated the purchase of Mr. Guiney's interest at a reasonable price in order to safeguard themselves and prevent this old-established business falling into the hands of aliens.

Our Dublin correspondent says that the staff have given no indication as to how the money would be raised to buy the premises. It was gathered, however, that they were not seeking the backing of their Union to raise the necessary capital.

It was also learned to-day that some Deputies have been approached for the purpose of having the proposed sale of Clery's raised in the Dail.

The premises were to-day picketed as usual.

## SHANNON TRAGEDY

### LIMERICK MAN FOUND DROWNED

The sight of a man's cap floating in the Shannon near Clancy Strand on Saturday night, at about 10.30 o'clock, aroused the curiosity of some passers-by, who, on investigating, discovered the dead body of a man lying in a few feet of water. The deceased was John Conway (50), 10 Kileely Road, Thomondgate. The body was removed to Barrington's Hospital, where an inquest will be held.

It appears that the deceased left home about 3.30 p.m. that day and did not return. He had been receiving medical attention for some time past, and was suffering from nervous disorders and rheumatic pains.

The deceased, who was unmarried, was an unemployed labourer and lived with his two sisters.

## CITY STRIKE

### NUMBER OF GARAGES AFFECTED

The strike threat made last week by members of the United Stationary Engine Drivers, Firemen, Crane Men, Motor Men and Machine Men's Trade Union, who are employed in some city garages, took effect this morning.

The strike is as a result of the employers concerned refusing the Union's application for an increase

(now Parnell Street). In 1850 the Band won first prize, a stipend of 5 valved euphonium, Dublin, and then were called the No. 1 Boherbuoy National Brass Band. The succeeding years' contests were for brass and reed bands. Now there may be no bands in Ireland, but I claim from the date 1850, in which some of my past relatives were at the formation of the Boherbuoy Band, no matter what locality they were stationed in they never changed their name. Some years ago the "Limerick Leader" published for me a history of The No. 1 Boherbuoy National Brass and Reed Band, signed "Boherbwee." The places and dates of prizes won by the band are as follows:—Limerick, 1885, 1886, 1909; Cork, 1919, 1931, 1947 (twice); Dublin, 1924, 1928; Cashel, 1930; Carrigrohane Suir, 1926. Now not making a boast for an amateur band, I think the Boherbuoy Band has a good record as to its musical abilities, but I regret to say that the stability and sincerity of bandsmen to-day are not equal to those of the past, since the inception of jazz bands and the radio. That is a matter that cannot be denied and I fear these have come to supplant and are detrimental to amateur bands. Now to my friends from Grealishtown, Co. Galway, I think I have proved to you your band is not the oldest in Ireland, but in time to come I venture to say you will be able to boast much if you continue to educate the youth in the way you are doing to-day in music, and my sincere wish is that other bands would do the same.

Yours sincerely,

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Limerick.

Ex Honorary Secretary.

## STORES BROKEN INTO

### ATTEMPT TO ROB 'PHONE BOOTH

On Saturday night the Lansdown Stores, Ennis Road, Limerick, was broken into and the sum of 5/- was taken. The owner of the premises discovered on yesterday morning that an unlawful entry had been effected by thieves, but, strangely enough, goods in the shop were not tampered with.

Members of the Gardai investigating the matter also found