

RECENT CONFERRINGS

The Senate of the National University has awarded the degree of D. (Doctor of Philosophy) to v. Donal F. Cregan, M.A., C.M., Vincent's College, Castleknock, Dublin. Father Cregan is son of s. L. and the late John D. Cregan, Bishop Street, Newcastle East, and cousin of the late Canon Cregan, St. Munchin's, Limerick. At the conferring of degrees in University College, Cork, during the week the degree of B.A. was conferred (in absentia) on Rev. Father Philip Murphy, O.F.M., who graduated in 1912, but was then transferred to Rome. Father Philip spent many years in Limerick, where his loveable personality and wonderful activities as a social worker were highly appreciated. After a long absence on the Australian Mission he visited this city last year and was cordially welcomed by many old friends. Recently he was appointed Rector of Franciscan College at Robertstown, New South Wales.

TRAPPING SALMON ILLEGALLY

At Abbeyfeale Court, District Justice Kenny adjudicating, B. Hartney was fined £2 and £2 2s. for using a strokehaul in the lake for taking salmon, and John Burke was fined £2 1s. and costs for taking a salmon with a gaff from under some bushes at Kilconlea. Thomas O'Keeffe was charged with using a strokehaul and John O'Rourke with using a gaff in taking a salmon illegally. The former was fined £2 1s. and £2 2s. costs, and the latter 10/- and 30/- costs. Mr. J. S. O'Reilly, solr. (Messrs. Marshall and MacAulay), appeared for the Fishery Board, and Mr. M. K. Dore, solr., defended in most cases, some of which were adjourned to next Court.

CALL TO AID PAROCHIAL FUNDS

A demonstration on cutting out clothes for the jumble sale to be held by the Guild was given at the monthly meeting of the Bruff Guild and the Irish Countrywomen's Association by Mrs. Dunworth and Mrs. O'haughnessy.

The members were given a full lecture on the cutting out of the clothes which are being made for the jumble sale to be held by the Guild in September in aid of Bruff

CLARE AND OUTSIDE

DEPUTIES

At a meeting of the Clare County Council on Wednesday, Mr. T. Lillis proposed a resolution, which was adopted, protesting against outside Deputies asking questions in the Dail about Clare affairs. He instanced two recent occasions, the latest of which was the appointment of a water rent collector in Kilkee, in connection with which outside Deputies thought fit to make inquiries about the position. The Clare County Council, he said, were quite capable of attending to their own business without outside interference. If the Council wanted any assistance at any time in the rectifying of grievances they might apply to outside Deputies for assistance, but until such an occasion arose interference in Clare affairs by such Deputies should cease.

DEATH OF MR. BRIAN CROWE

The death of Mr. Brian Crowe, second son of the late Mr. Timothy Crowe, victualler, Sarsfield Street, Limerick, which occurred unexpectedly yesterday, will be learned of with very deep regret over a wide area. For some time after his father's death, the late Mr. Crowe continued in the victualling business, but in consequence of indifferent health he retired and went to reside in Shannon House, Parteen. A very popular young man, he was held in very high regard and esteem and his untimely death will, as already stated, occasion profound regret and sorrow.

ORDAINED A DOMINICAN PRIEST

The ordination took place on Sunday, July 11th, at Cloniffe College, by Most Rev. Dr. McQuaid, of Rev. Gregory Butler, O.P., elder son of Patrick and Agnes Mary Butler, 9 Casement Avenue, Janesboro', Limerick. Father Butler received his early education at C.B.S. Schools, thence proceeding to Mungret College. He entered the Order in 1940. He celebrated his first Mass in the Dominican Church, where he gave his blessing to a large congregation. Father Butler is a nephew of Mother Mary

case. Justice—It is a hopeless case, you care for your children as a defendant?

Defendant—I love my children. Justice—If you do, you have a very peculiar way of showing it. Why didn't you heed the warnings of the Inspector and the Guard when they did everything they could for you?

The defendant said that she would do her best for her children.

SENT TO PRISON

Giving his decision, the Judge said that the defendant's husband sent her money every week to provide for her children but she apparently spent most of it on herself for drink. She got numerous warnings from the Inspector and the Guard as to her conduct, and it was obvious that her place was kept in a very filthy condition. These warnings did no good and it was also quite obvious that the children would have to be taken away from her and the appropriate steps would be taken in that regard. As far as herself was concerned, he was satisfied that she deserved to do a period of imprisonment. He felt that he had no other option but to impose a sentence of two months imprisonment on the defendant.

NEWCASTLE BURIAL GROUND

As the result of a comprehensive scheme introduced by the Conference of the St. Vincent Paul Society (writes our Newcastle West correspondent) an elaborate scheme of improvements has been carried out in Newcastle Burial Ground at Churchtown. The unsightly trees and fences have been removed and the general appearance and layout of the cemetery have been made more attractive and regular. Accommodation has been provided for a number of additional graves in view of the problem of overcrowding. Generally speaking, the condition of the graveyard is now regarded as very satisfactory.

ABBAYFEALE BRANCH

At the monthly meeting of the branch above, the Rev. J. Halpin, C.C. presided at the drawing of tickets. The following were the winners:—Thomas Moran, of Clash, A. £5; Mr. Michael O'Callaghan, of Anafulla, £3; Mrs. Mary Eggleston, of Abbeyfeale, £1. Arrangements were made for the first annual outing of the Guild. Mrs. D. Aherne, of Newcastle, was appointed delegate to the