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## A USEFUL ACT

### To Operate Shortly Again

#### WELCOME NEWS FOR LIMERICK

The Small Dwellings Acquisition Act, a very useful measure, will be in operation again in Limerick City on 1st of April next and anyone who wished to avail of its provisions can go ahead with the preliminary work of building, because the loans—90 per cent. of the approved building costs if necessary—can be given retrospectively.

This was stated by the City Manager (Mr. M. Macken) at a meeting of the Corporation held on Monday night, the Mayor (Mr. M. B. O'Malley, solr.) presiding.

#### POSITION EXPLAINED.

Mr. G. E. Russell asked the Manager what was the present position with regard to the Act in the city.

The Manager replied that, although the Act would not be in operation in Limerick again until April 1st next, anybody who wished to avail of its provisions could go ahead immediately with the preliminary work of building, because the loans could be given retrospectively.

"Even though we could not give formal approval," he said, "to any building under the Act at the moment, we could approve of plans, the people could go ahead with the work, and they would get their loans retrospectively."

Ald. Bourke said that the public should be made aware of that position.

Mr. Russell—That was my reason for raising the matter.

#### LOANS UP TO 90 PER CENT.

In reply to further questions, the Manager said applicants under the Act would get loans up to ninety per cent. of the approved building costs. Although they had no power to spend any money under the Act until April 1st next, he would not stop anybody from going ahead now with building plans.

The Council expressed satisfaction with this position, and the discussion closed.

in this section went to Mr. E. Glen Browne, Hermitage, Glanmire, Co. Cork, with a chestnut gelding, "Crackers," by Automatic. The runner-up was Mrs. J. Alexander, Milford, Carlow, with another chest-

## MISSING MAN

### Found In Shannon

#### BODY BOUND WITH ROPES

The body of a middle-aged man, which was washed ashore at Burrenane, on the banks of the River Shannon, about two miles from Knock and four miles from Kilrush, yesterday evening, was today identified as that of Peter McDonagh (36), unmarried, of Beigh Castle, Askeaton, brother of Mr. John McDonagh, who is well known in G.A.A. circles in West Limerick, and was son of the late John McDonagh, of Beigh Castle.

#### MISSING SINCE 4th INST.

The late Mr. McDonagh had been missing from his home since 4th August. He was last seen alive on the 4th August when, it was stated, he was in poor health. He got out of bed at about 4.30 a.m. on the date mentioned, left his home a few minutes later, and his bicycle was later found at Beigh Castle Pier, which is near the house in which he lived.

The body, when found yesterday, was dressed fully and was bound with ropes. The hands were tied behind the back and the knees were also bound with ropes which were running from the knees to the neck.

#### FACE BADLY MARKED.

It was stated that the body appeared to have been in the water for five days and that the face was badly marked.

There was a pioneer badge on the lapel of the brown coat which deceased was wearing.

Inquiries at Kilrush to-day revealed that intense Garda activity has followed the finding of the body, as foul play is strongly suspected.

An inquest will be formally opened late this evening in Kilrush.

The body was removed to the morgue at Kilrush last night.

#### STATE PATHOLOGIST ARRIVES.

To-day, Dr. John McGrath, the State Pathologist, flew from Dublin to Shannon Airport to carry out a post-mortem examination. With him in the plane were Detective Sergeants Wall and Donovan, and Mr. Lawler, of the Garda Photographic Department from Headquarters.

## DIED ON STREET

### EX-POSTMAN'S TRAGIC END

## PLANS MUST

### Minister And Hospitals

#### URGENT WORKS IN COUNTIES

Dr. Noel Browne, Minister of Health, wrote to a member of the Limerick City Council Monday night, the Mayor (Mr. E. O'Malley, solr.) presiding, that after having given careful consideration to the position in Limerick Borough, he had decided to request the City Council to request the City Council to their hospital development programme at the moment improvement of certain buildings, and to the erection of a new 60-bed maternity hospital.

The Minister's letter stated in view of all the circumstances existing in the building at the moment, he had examined carefully Limerick's requirements in new hospital accommodation.

#### "FOR THE PRESENT"

Having regard to the existing hospital facilities in the area, the volume of acute hospital works of hospital construction requested the Council to hospital construction projects to the following works, for the present:—

1. The re-construction of the Children's Home in the City to provide accommodation for mothers and the same for children.

2. Provision of a fire escape for the Tuberculosis Hospital and Fever Hospital.

3. The provision of sanitary conveniences and bathing accommodation in the female section of the Home.

4. The erection of a new maternity hospital.

#### WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT.

The letter added that the erection of a new Fever Hospital to serve the City and County of Limerick should be postponed until the proposed conversion of the City Home and Hospital to accommodate a hundred acute T.B. patients. The Minister, however, wished to assure the Council that when circumstances time appeared to warrant carrying out of the latter works, he would not hinder their execution.