

STERN WARNING

Defective Brakes

LORRY THAT WAS A "DEATH-TRAP"

A motor lorry which Justice D. F. Gleeson, in the City District Court to-day, described as a death-trap, was the subject of a prosecution brought under the Road Traffic Act against the owner-driver, Daniel Doyle, Feakle, Co. Clare.

The defendant, who was not professionally represented, was charged with having defective brakes and other defects in the vehicle.

Sergt. P. Connolly said that he examined the lorry in the city on the 18th November and the defendant had driven it into the city on that date. Witness found that the footbrake was totally defective on the two front wheels and practically ineffective on the rear wheels. The handbrake was also ineffective, the silencer was damaged and there was no wiper. There were six to seven inches of "play" on the circumference of the steering wheel. He considered that the general condition of the lorry was delapidated.

The defendant said that he intended to have it overhauled. He did actually bring the lorry to a garage on the previous Saturday but they told him that they would not be able to repair it on that particular day.

To the Justice, witness agreed that the brakes were bad.

Justice—What would have happened if a child ran across the road?

Defendant—It would be pulled up all right...

Justice—Yes, at four times its own length.

The Justice at this stage stated that there had been an accident last week near Ennis and a man lost his life. The accident was caused by faulty brakes.

To the Justice—Supt. Collieran said that the defendant was never before the court previously on a similar charge.

IT WAS A "DEATH-TRAP."

In the course of giving his decision, the Justice said that he was disposed to taking drastic steps to put an end to the driving of vehicles in the condition as stated in the case before him. The vehicle in question was not a lorry but a death-trap, and the court could not tolerate people going around driving in that way. He would impose a fine of £10, allow two months to pay, and, in default, two months in jail. He would also disqualify the defendant from holding a driving licence for three months.

The Justice, in conclusion, issued a warning that if defendants in similar charges were brought before the court in future, and if the charges were proved, they would go to prison. It was the duty of the courts to put them off the road, and they would be put off the road, said the Justice.

A VISION

Dark was the way. How dark,
how drear,
So short a while ago,
As I walked by this placid lake,
With silent steps and slow.

Now, all at once from out the
clouds
There beams a mystic light;
It took the form of a bird
With outspread wings in flight.

It poises o'er the sleeping lake
That now a mirror seems,
Reflecting all the loveliness and
light
That o'er it beams.

No-Mid-day sun—or moon, or star

DIED IN AMERICA

Co. Limerick Born Priest

REV. JAMES HAYES PASSES AWAY

Death has removed a brilliant Co. Limerick-born priest in the person of Rev. James Hayes, of the Maynooth Mission to China, who passed away on Wednesday, 8th of December, in the Holy Ghost Hospital, Massachusetts, U.S.A.

The deceased, who was a charming personality as well as a most zealous churchman, was born at Rathkeale in 1884, being a member of a singularly talented family in that town. His father, the late Richard Hayes, was a prominent and successful National Teacher and four brothers of the deceased priest followed the same profession. One of them, the late Garret Hayes, was Mr. de Valera's first teacher in Bruree National School. Another brother is Dr. Richard Hayes, the present Film Censor, who fought in the Easter Week Rising of 1916 and subsequently became T.D. for East Limerick.

EDUCATION AND CAREER

Father Hayes was educated in Limerick Diocesan Seminary and in Maynooth, where his ordination took place in 1908. He spent a brief period on the mission in England and was recalled in 1909 to the staff of the Diocesan Seminary, where he served under the Presidency of the late Dr. Keane, subsequently Bishop of Limerick.

Owing to his illness Father Hayes withdrew from the College and during his illness he stayed at the Palace, Corbally, as the guest of the then Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, who held him in the highest regard. This period included the time of the Easter Week Rising of 1916.

Subsequently Father Hayes was appointed curate in St. John's Parish and later served in a similar

REPUBLIC BILL

Debate In Senate

NEW DEPUTY TAKES SEAT IN DAIL

When the debate in the Senate on the Republic of Ireland Bill was resumed in the Senate to-day, Mrs. Concannon said that it would be a poor Irish Party whose pulse would not beat faster in consequence of the Bill. But it was a misnomer to describe the country as the Republic of Ireland, since they had only jurisdiction over 26 counties.

She was afraid that the British Premier would not have been so benign over the Bill if he did not believe that it would have the effect of lengthening Partition. They should have no formal rejoicing until they had a Republic for 32 counties.

Mr. M. Hayes said that the Bill would have the effect of doing away with pretence.

The debate is proceeding.

IN THE DAIL.

In the Dail this afternoon the new Deputy for East Donegal, Mr. E. B'ayney, took his seat amidst applause from the Fianna Fail benches.

Mr. P. Smith (pointing at the Government Benches), remarked: Displaced persons.

Mr. Doanellan (Parliamentary Sec. to the Minister for Finance), replied—God save the King.

CHURCHILL AND PARTITION.

Mr. Churchill, speaking in the

CARS COLLIDE

Dangerous Crossing

TWO DRIVERS CHARGED IN CITY COURT

The dangerous nature of Mary Street crossing was stressed by Justice D. F. Gleeson in the City District Court to-day, when he had before him two charges of dangerous driving arising out of a collision between a motor car and a motor van at the junction in question, on the night of 1st November.

The defendants were:—Thomas Dilloughery, 6, St. Christopher Rd., Montenotte Park, Cork, and Robert Fitzmaurice, Main Street, Croom.

Supt. P. Collieran prosecuted; Mr. M. B. O'Malley, so'r, was for Dilloughery, driver of the van, while Mr. D. J. O'Malley, solicitor, appeared for Fitzmaurice.

Joseph Walsh said that he was standing at Mary Street junction at 10.8 p.m. It was a dark evening and he remembered seeing a van coming up Mary Street and the car coming from the Athlunkard Street direction. Witness did not hear any horn sounded, and the speed of the vehicles was not fast. Both were travelling at equal speed when a collision took place at the crossing. The van had been travelling on the centre of the road, while the other vehicle was on its own side.

To the Justice, witness said that both vehicles were not going fast. He could not say why the impact occurred.

Cross-examined by Mr. D. J. O'Malley, witness said that the horn of the motor car may have been sounded, but he did not hear it. It was the left front portion of the car which hit into the right front of the van.

To Mr. M. B. O'Malley, witness said that after the impact the van was facing down Bridge Street. He would accept the evidence of the van driver if he said he blew his horn.

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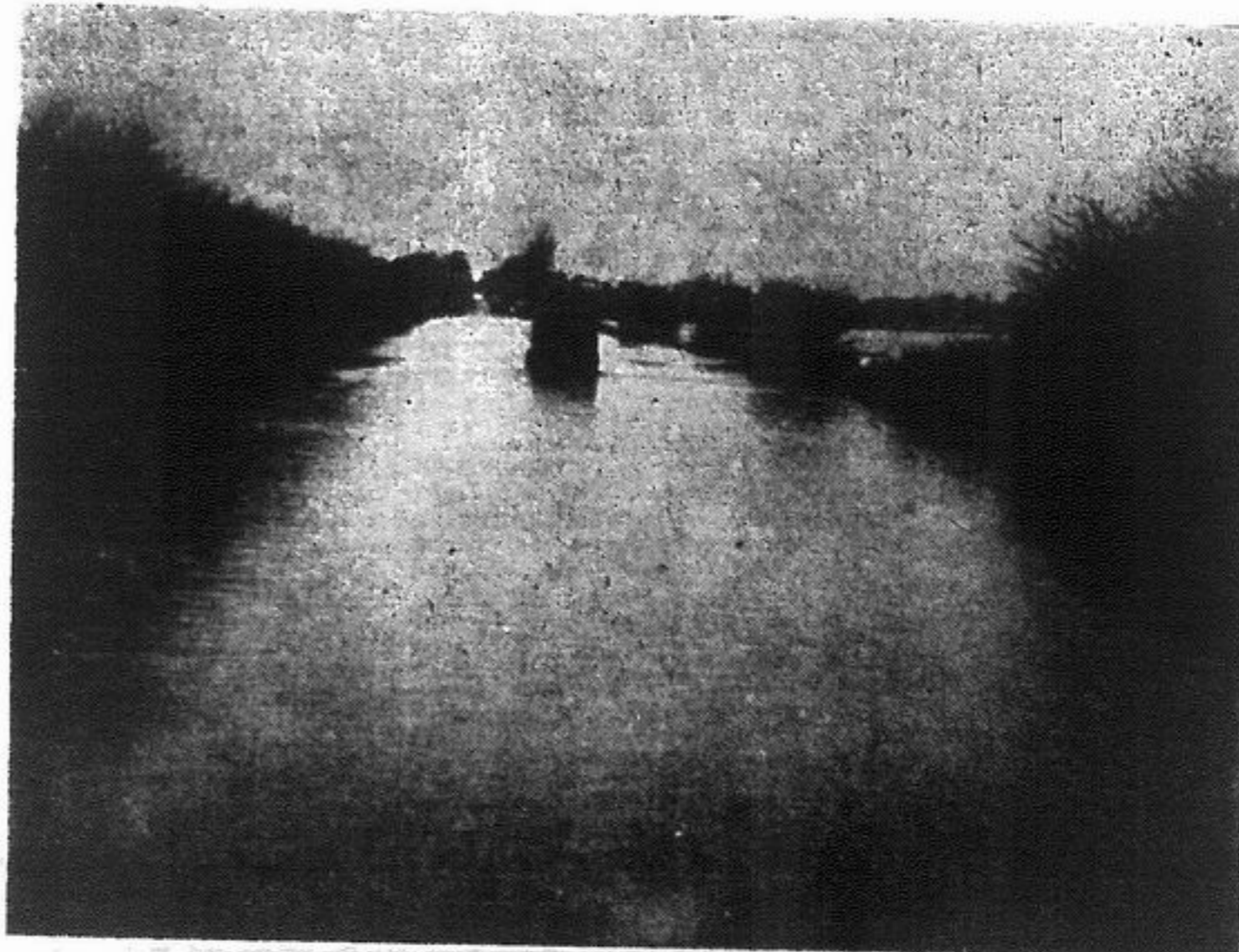
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LIMERICK FLOOD DAMAGE



When the flood swollen Mague burst its banks this week thousands of acres of Co. Limerick land went under water. This picture shows a Cork motorist in the middle of the floods at Creggane, Charleville. He had to wait five hours before he managed to cross on his journey to Limerick. Lands to the right and left of the picture are constantly flooded, and the local landowners have asked that something be done to stop it.

capacity in St. Michael's. In 1921 British House of Commons to-day, approaching the corner in question he joined the Missionary Fathers made reference to Partition. He and did not hear any horn being of St. Columbanus—the Maynooth said that though it required an