

Red Cross Objective

STRIKING NEW YEAR

MESSAGE

Mr. Basil O'Connor, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the League of Red Cross Societies, has issued the following New Year message:—

Once again a year has drawn to close — 1948 — a year full of anxieties, unfulfilled hopes, but so marked with certain achievements. As chairman of the Board of Governors of the League of Red Cross Societies, I extend to each member society greetings and good wishes for the New Year. I do so, mindful of the countless human problems still unsolved, yet with unflinching optimism that we of the Red Cross shall, also in 1949, continue to work towards a better world.

Repeatedly the national societies have addressed urgent appeals to men, women and children everywhere, to work together for the maintenance of peace. There has been ready, even enthusiastic response to these appeals, response not only in approving words but also in active deeds. Yet in the face of events of the past year, questions have been raised here and there as to the preservation, or, better still, the creation of what all our thinking people so ardently desire, a real and durable peace. It is not surprising that such questions should be raised. Three and a half years after the end of World War II great masses of people are still suffering from the effects of the conflict—new hostilities have created new victims, and poisonous clouds of misunderstanding still darken the international horizon. What can we as Red Cross people say? What can we do that is hopeful and helpful in this uneasy situation?

AIMS OF RED CROSS.

At all times, and particularly in times like the present, it is well to remember that the idea of the Red Cross was not born in the so-called "good old days" when all was peaceful and lovely, as one would like to think. It sprang from the soul of a man, who—when faced with human agony—said to himself: I must help, and set about to do so. It is not to be sure the founding of the Red Cross has not prevented the wars that have been waged since the time of Solferino, but one should

The engagement has been announced of Mr. Kevin McNulty, only son of Mr. John McNulty, New York, and Mrs. Elizabeth McNulty, Lord Edward St., Limerick, to Miss Patricia (Pat) Walsh, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Walsh, Griffith Row, Catherine Street, Limerick.

DEATHS.

BARRY (Limerick)—Dec. 30th, 1948, at his residence, 23 Lower Hartstone St., Limerick, Liam Barry. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife, children, brothers, sisters and a large circle of friends. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to St. Michael's Church this (Friday) evening, at 7.45 o'clock. Funeral to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery to-morrow (Saturday), at 3 p.m.

DILLON—December 28th, 1948, at 52 Lenihan Avenue, Prospect, Mary Dillon (relict of late Bartholomew Dillon). Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Remains were interred at Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery on Wednesday, December 29th.

FITZGERALD — On December 27th, 1948 (peacefully), David Fitzgerald; faithful old friend and helper of Isabel de Vere, and the last member of a family who gave loyal service to the de Veres, of Curraghchase, Adare, for three generations. Greatly missed.

IN MEMORIAM.

BOLAND (Fifth Anniversary) — In sad and loving memory of our dear daughter, Hannah Boland (late of 1 O'Dwyer Villas, Thomondgate), who died on December 30th, 1943. On whose soul, Sweet Jesus, have mercy. R.I.P. — Inserted by her loving parents, brother and sisters. Mass offered.

BOLAND (Fifth Anniversary) — In fond remembrance of Hannah Boland, 16 Dwyer Villas, Thomondgate, who died on 30th December, 1943. For her remembrance in your kind prayers.

BYRNE (12th Anniversary) — In loving memory of Thomas Byrne, 19 Bowman Street, who died on the 23rd December, 1936. On whose soul, Sweet Jesus, have mercy. Masses offered.—Always remembered by Kathleen and Joseph.

COLLINS (Seventh Anniversary) — In loving memory of Thomas Collins (late of People's Bakery), who died on 28th December, 1941. Masses offered. Never forgotten.—Inserted by his loving son, daughter and grandchildren.

COUGHLAN (Fifth Anniversary) — In loving memory of my dear husband, Frank Coughlan (late of Mungret), who died on December 27th, 1943. R.I.P. On whose soul, Sweet Jesus, have mercy. Masses offered. —Inserted

SHEEHAN (Fourth Anniversary) — In fond and loving memory of dear Kathleen (Kitty), who died on January 1st, 1945 (late of 23 years. Also her dear Teresa, who died on April 1st, 1948, also aged 23 years. Jesus, have mercy on their souls. Masses offered.

Just when their life was brightening. In the prime of womanhood. Their time on earth was shortened.

By fate's mysterious ways. God gave me strength to bear the blow. Courage to fight the blow. But what it meant to lose them. No one will ever know.

Will those who think of me to-day,

A little prayer to Jesus say — Fondly remembered by parents, sister and brothers.

SHEEHY (16th Anniversary) — In loving memory of Joe Sheehy who died on December 25th, 1948. Masses offered.

Deep in our hearts you are remembered.

Fond, loving memories will surround your name; True hearts that loved you with deepest affection.

Always will love you in death the same.

—Inserted by his loving wife and family.

TAYLOR (Fifth Anniversary) — In cherished memory of my brother, Patrick (Paddy) Taylor (late of 9 Bedford Row), who died on December 29th, 1943. On whose soul, Sweet Jesus, have mercy. Mass offered.

Love's greatest gift — Remembrance.

—Never forgotten by his wife, Angela; Eddie and children and his sister, Eileen (in U.S.A.)

QUIN (Ninth Anniversary) — In loving memory of our dear mother, who died at her home, Adare, on 29th December, 1939. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on her soul. Our Lady of Tears, pray for her.

All who think of her to-day.

A little prayer to Jesus say — Inserted by her uncle, F. J. Quin.

QUIN — Ninth Anniversary — In loving memory of our darling May, who died at her home, Adare, on 29th December, 1939. Infant Jesus, have mercy on her soul. Masses offered this day. —Inserted by her loving parents and sister.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

DILLON — The relatives of late Mary Dillon, 52 Lenihan Avenue, Prospect, wish to thank sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement.