

HOUSING

Labour's Election Programme

Following is copy of a letter of congratulation, dated 20th inst., to Mr. M. J. Keyes, T.D., Minister for Local Government, by Sean Hogan, Smithstown, Buncannon, Hon. Secretary of Ennis Area Emergency Housing Association.

Minister—The Ennis Area Branch of the Emergency Housing Association, in meeting, assembled on the 18th instant, unanimously decided to tender to you our warmest congratulations on your appointment as Minister for L.G., and to pledge you our entire support and co-operation in your efforts to carry out to the full the 1948 G.E. Programme relative to housing, viz.:

Labour's task for social security is directed to the task of providing every family with a decent dwelling at a rent within their means.—Mr. Wm. Norton, "Irish Independent," Jan. 27th, 1948.

We have pleasure in recalling how far back as the 6th September, 1941, you, in referring to housing and kindred problems said:

"The (Labour Party) are prepared to offer our services in any form or form in joining with the Government in solving the problem (Housing, etc.), but we feel it our duty to shock the Government into a sense of the irresponsibility they have shown up to now with a matter that is so vital to the people."

"I feel you are now in a position to realize, at least, one of your aims—the total abolition of slums. In that good work we trust God to crown your efforts with success."

Yours sincerely,
SEAN HOGAN, Hon. Sec.,
Area Branch, Emergency Housing Association.

ATRICKSWELL FIRE

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MOTHER OF TWO NUNS

Death of Mrs. Geaney, Enniscouch

Mrs. Mary Geaney (nee Dillane), Enniscouch, Rathkeale, who had been in failing health for some time, passed peacefully to her reward on the 19th inst. She was the widow of the late Mr. Tim Geaney; both herself and her late husband were held in very high esteem by the general public in Rathkeale. Two of her daughters are in religion with the Order of St. Joseph of Cluny and it was a well deserved privilege and consolation that deceased, who was an exemplary Catholic mother, should have one of these — Sister Bernardine — with her in her last moments. The other nun, Sister Patrick, is doing splendid work in the missionary field in Sierra Leone, West Africa, where she has been for a number of years.

A very fine attendance was present at the removal of the remains to St. Mary's Church, Rathkeale, on Friday evening, 20th inst., and there was an extremely long cortege of cars, including many from Templeglantine, where the Dillane family have been always very popular, when the funeral took place to Clounagh Cemetery on Saturday. The officiating clergy were—Very Rev. Canon Carroll, P.P., V.F.; Rev. M. Quinn, P.P.; Rev. P. Lynch, P.P., and Rev. G. Enright, C.C.

MUINTIR NA TIRE

ELECTIONS TO GLIN COUNCIL

Glin Guild of Muintir na Tire held a meeting on Sunday night for the election of officers and members of the Council. Very Rev. M. Ryan, P.P., presided, and was elected President. Mr. Seamus Duggan, N.T., and Mr. James Dore, Secondary Teacher, were elected Secretaries.

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Mr. Egan is author of "and a fuller Life, a book of from him about the end of & Son.

A second article from our columns in a week or interesting and graphic account of O'Brien of blindness at Barmahon, when he was a child

Mr. Egan's first article

THE founder of the Catholic Young Men's Society, Richard O'Brien, the future Dean of Limerick, was born on the 20th September, 1809, in Carrick-on-Suir, where his father carried on a grocery business at the West Gate. On the death of the father some two years later Mrs. O'Brien sold the business and removed with her son, Richard—her only child—to Limerick, where she made her home in the parish of St. Mary.