

Francis Macari, accordionist-manager for the Vic Loving show, which is currently playing to good business in Arklow. Francis is well known and liked here.

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Savoy personalities seen within twenty-four hours in Kilkee: "Cliff" Marston outside the Victoria Hotel making a sketch of the bay for a future painting; former Savoy manager Jimmy Shiel (taking a brief few hours on land during his yachting tour around the coast of Ireland); Stanley Bowyer, Savoy organist, and his wife and family on their first holiday there; Michael McNamara, popular tenor of Savoy fame, with his wife (also a nice singer), and family.

EXCLUSIVE SNAPSHOTS.

Oecil Be De Mille's next Paramount production will be "The Greatest Show On Earth," in which the combined Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus will form a gigantic background for one of the most ambitious undertakings in De Mille's long career.

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Readers have been asking me to say something about Jane Wyman and her wonderful performance as the deaf and dumb country girl in Warner's "Johnny Belinda." Miss Wyman says this about her role:—"I completely altered the timing of my acting to where I was always one beat late; never reacting squarely on the line or cue." When she was given the Academy Award last March for the best performance of the year in this film, she was one of the most surprised actresses in Hollywood. She could not believe that she had won the coveted statuette for a role in which she did not speak one word of dialogue. I've heard that she studied the part for over a year under a teacher of the deaf, and spent countless hours watching the reactions of a young Mexican girl who was born deaf. Congratulations, Royal, on something which was a unique cinema experience.

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The Royal Kiltie Juniors, the world's greatest variety act and a complete show in themselves, have been booked to play at the Lyric next month. This announcement follows the recent news from this cinema of a complete shake-up in pictures and shows.

LIFE SAVING

SHANNON WIN MUNSTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Held at Victoria Baths, Cork, yesterday, the provincial championship of the Red Cross Water Safety Corps was an outstanding success. Limerick was represented by Shannon Swimming Club, who, dressed in white flannels and singlet with the Club emblem, made a most favourable impression.

DEEPLY REGRETTED

DEATH OF HIGHLY POPULAR CITIZEN

Deep and widespread regret was caused by the announcement of the death in St. John's Hospital, Limerick, on Friday of Mr. Thomas A. Spencer, Rosbrien. The deceased, although ailing somewhat for a considerable time, became seriously ill only some days ago, and his demise, therefore, came as a particular shock not only to his immediate relatives but to a host of friends who deservedly held him in the highest regard. The late Mr. Spencer, who came of highly respected stock, was brother of Rev. Joseph Spencer, C.S.S.R., Chapham, London; of Mr. John Spencer, City Technical Institute Teaching Staff; Mr. Gerard Spencer, M.A.; Mrs. Tom Condon and Mrs. James, Rosbrien. Highly cultured and talented, and possessing great charms of manner and fine social qualities, he enjoyed esteem, respect and popularity among all sections of the community. A member of the Redemptorist Choir since a boy, he had a most pleasing tenor voice and was for many years one of the most prominent and appreciated members of the Old Limerick Operatic Society. A good singer and excellent actor, he very creditably filled many leading roles in his time in the Gilbert and Sullivan operas. Indeed, he always played a useful part in everything concerning the musical and dramatic life of his native city. For many years up to the time of his death, he was also a member of the Limerick Catholic Institute and of the Shannon Rowing Club, being a great favourite with the members of these bodies. Of splendid principles of honour, uprightness and integrity, he was in all respects a very loveable character and few had ever so many sincere friends and well-wishers or deserved their appreciation so fully. To the members of the bereaved family and their relatives we extend our very sincere sympathy on their sorrow.

The remains of the deceased were removed to St. Michael's Church on Saturday evening and the funeral took place yesterday to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. On both occasions the attendances of mourners and the general public were very large and representative, testifying in an eloquent degree to the popularity enjoyed by the late Mr. Spencer, the widespread regret caused by his death and the deep sympathy felt for his highly respected relatives.

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