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CO. LIMERICK T.D. Bereaved By Father's Death

MR. DAVID O'BRIEN PASSES AWAY

WITH very much regret we announce the death, which occurred on Saturday last, of Mr. David O'Brien, Clouncagh, father of Mr. D. O'Brien, one of the Fianna Fail Deputies for West Limerick. The deceased, who had reached an advanced age and was in poor health for a considerable time past, was manager of Clouncagh Co-operative Creamery, West Limerick, for half a century. A native of Ardfield, West Cork, Mr. O'Brien, a man of many fine parts and admirable characteristics, came to West Limerick in the pioneering days of the dairy co-operative movement and through his enterprise, ability and devotion to duty, the creamery of which he became manager attained a leading place in the South. The late Mr. O'Brien was a staunch Nationalist and during the years of the wars of independence, his home was always open night or day to the men of the I.R.A. Many of the leading men in the independence movement received welcome and shelter there, although the house was raided several times by British forces.

Mr. O'Brien was a relative of Michael Collins. He was, as stated, father of Mr. Donnchadha O'Brien, T.D., West Limerick, and also of Dr. James O'Brien, Newcastle West, and Mrs. P. Wall, Tiernahilla.

To the bereaved widow and family we extend our sincere sympathy on the death of one who was a model husband and father and a very estimable man in every respect.

THE OBSEQUIES.

There was a huge assemblage present when the remains were removed to Clouncagh Church on Sunday evening and the funeral to Ballingarry on Monday was one of Ballingarry Cemetery on Monday was one of the largest and most representative ever seen in the county.

The widow and family received huge numbers of letters and telegrams of sympathy and Mass cards from all over the country.

SYMPATHY FROM CITY COUNCIL.

On the motion of Ald. D. Bourke, T.D., Limerick City Council, at a meeting on Monday night last, unanimously passed a vote of sympathy with Mr. Donnchada O'Brien, T.D., and the bereaved widow and other members and relatives of the O'Brien family.

LIMERICK I.C.A. FEDERATION MEETING

ORTHOPAEDIC Will Limerick Be RECENT CONFERENCE

AFTER a conference in Cork on the 28th of this month, it will be known whether Limerick is to be the centre of a North Munster Orthopaedic Region. And at a meeting on Saturday, Limerick Co. Council was very hopeful that it would.

Mr. J. W. Canty, Chairman, presided at Saturday's meeting.

The Deputy Co. Manager (Mr. T. F. Broe) told the Council about a conference held in Limerick on Friday week last at which the question of the provision of an orthopaedic service for Munster was discussed on the suggestion of the Department of Health. He said that Mr. Canty presided at the meeting and there was a particularly big delegation from Cork City and County.

WHAT CORK DELEGATION WANTED.

The Cork delegation, said the Deputy Manager, wanted one Orthopaedic Surgeon, stationed in Cork, to service the whole of Munster, including Clare and Limerick. Limerick made a great case for the appointment of a second surgeon for the North Munster Region and most of the other counties present, particularly Clare and Tipperary (North Riding) agreed that it was necessary to have Limerick the centre for a North Munster Region.

"The whole conference, in fact, with the exception of Cork, was in favour of the second Orthopaedic Surgeon," Mr. Broe said. "It was eventually decided that each delegation present would report back to its Council and that a further conference be held in Cork on October 28th, when the matter may be finally decided."

Mr. T. O'Connell asked how the proposed new orthopaedic services would be financed.

The Deputy Manager replied that the salary of the surgeon would, in the first instance, be paid by the various health authorities in the Region. This money would later be fully recouped by the Department, subject to the limitations of the Health Grant. "There is 100 per cent. recoupment under the Consolidated Health Grant," he added.

HAD CONFERENCE NEARLY SWAYED.

Chairman—We thrashed that out very fully. There was a very strong deputation from Cork City and County, including four deputies. At one time they nearly had the conference swayed in favour of the one appointment but, I think, we changed their minds for them. They pointed out that Cork City and County had nearly half the population of the whole area, but we very reasonably convinced them that one surgeon could not possibly

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