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BRITISH FILM INDUSTRY

Mr. J. A. Rank, the British film magnate, at the annual general meeting of his Company in London to-day, announced a loss of £3,350,000 on the Company's British film production for the past year. Mr. Rank said that as a result of the loss, there would be drastic cuts in the output from his concern in the ensuing 12 months. At the moment the only British plans were for the production of ten films up to June, 1950. After that, Mr. Rank said, the entire position would have to be reconsidered. He envisaged a drastic cutting down in production in all departments.

THE GOULD FAMILY

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Dear Editor—Would you kindly permit me to inform your readers that the Gould family of whom mention is made in your issue dated 29/10/'49 were Catholics who sought refuge in Limerick from the persecution of Henry VIII. I have this on the authority of Miss Jean Goulding, a Streatham resident, whose parents were married in the Redemptorist Church, Limerick. She attended at the canonization of St. Thomas More in Rome in that part of the church set aside for saints' relatives, she being a descendant of St. Thomas More's daughter, Elizabeth Dauncey. I am, sir, yours truly,
MICHAEL DALY.
59 Sunnyhill Road, Streatham,
London, S.W. 16.

HAT CAUSED HIS DEATH

In trying to keep his hat from blowing away, Cornelius McGillicuddy (50), Rosanagartan, Beaufort, Killarney, fell from his horse-drawn cart and was killed.

CATS HAVE THEIR "BEAUTY" SHOW

In Paris, 312 cats from seven nations are competing for the title of the most beautiful cat in the world.

TERRIBLE TOLL

FROM SIX-DAY TO SEVEN

A six-day licence for a public-house was promoted to the status of a seven-day licence at Ennis Court on Friday by Justice Gordon Hurley (writes our Ennis correspondent). The circumstances under which an application for this change was made were explained by Mr. I. M. Houlihan, solicitor, for Mr. Peter O'Keeffe, who is the owner of a six-day licensed premises in High Street, Ennis. Mr. O'Keeffe recently purchased a publichouse in Parnell Street, to which a seven-day licence attached. He proposed, under the provisions of the Intoxicating Liquor Acts, to extinguish the Parnell Street premises as a publichouse and to transfer its seven-day licence to High Street premises. There was no objection by the Garda Síochana and the application was granted.

IRISH SUCCESS IN U.S.

Captain Turbridy, on Bruree, succeeded in taking the first honours for Ireland at the New York Show to-day when he completed a tricky 12 barrier course in 64.4 seconds in the Special Event. Out of 35 entries, only 5 completed the course. The prize carries with it an award of £100.

DOCTOR'S WILL

Dr. Denis Keane, of Glencree, Ennistymon, who died on 18th March last, left estate in England and the Republic of Ireland valued at £9,445 3s. 8d. He left £20 for Masses and the residue to his sons Denis and Anthony. Probate has been granted to the Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., South Mall, Cork.

LIMERICK'S LOW DEATH RATES

The death rates in Limerick for last week and the past four weeks, respectively, were 6.1 and 6.7 per 1,000 of the population. The respective rates in Dublin were 10.3 and 10.1; those in Cork, 13.8 and 11.4, and in Waterford, 9.2 and 12.0.

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