

IMMUNISATION

Although the incidence of diphtheria has been declining steadily in the Twenty-Six Counties since the peak year, 1944, when there were no fewer than 5,086 cases, 193 of them fatal, the disease still causes anxiety among public health authorities. The medical advisers of the Department of Health believe that it can be removed from the category of epidemic diseases if the people co-operate fully with the public health services by ensuring the early immunisation of children.

Diphtheria mainly attacks children, and most cases occur between the ages of 2 and 5. The younger the child, the less its chance of recovery. Country children are as frequently infected and always as vulnerable as town children. One-third of the 750 deaths from the disease which occurred in the last five years were of children under the age of 2.

The Department is issuing advertisements exhorting parents to get their babies immunised as soon as they are 9 months old. Immunisation is a free service provided by local health authorities. If all babies are immunised at the age of 9 months the conquest of the disease will be ensured.

DEATH OF AGED NUN

The death took place in the Convent of Mercy, Charleville, on Thursday morning of last week, of Mother M. Camillus Dennehy. The deceased, who had attained the ripe age of 87 years, was attached to the local community for upwards of half a century and during her term as Rev. Mother she was responsible for the carrying out of many improvements in the Con-

In the Dail, Deputy D. J. Madden (F.G., West Limerick) asked the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs if he will state the present position in regard to the survey of postmen's routes and the revision of postal arrangements in West Limerick.

Minister for Posts and Telegraphs (Mr. Everett)—Arrangements have already been made for increasing the frequency of delivery by one day in West Limerick. It is intended to make further improvements, but it is not possible to say at this stage when the necessary survey of the district can be undertaken.

WEST LIMERICK LADY'S DEATH

The death took place, at an advanced age, of Mrs. Katherine Hayes, Ballygoughlan, Glin. The deceased lady was well known to the I.R.A. and the Flying Column during the period of the national struggle. Because of the activities of her sons, her home had the constant attention of the R.I.C. and Auxiliary Forces. She was predeceased by her son, Maurice, whose death in U.S.A. was announced in these columns only a few weeks ago. The funeral to Kilfergus Cemetery, Glin, was representative of every section of the community. Rev. Fr. Ryan, P.P., assisted by Rev. Fr. O'Connor, C.C., officiated at the graveside.

A native of Cork City, she was a Diamond Jubilarian and had possession of her faculties up to the time of her death. The obsequies took place on Saturday after Solemn Requiem Mass.



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