

# RICK FARMS

Change  
THE LAND

is all very amusing, but another war would take the comedy out of it in two weeks.

### SPEED IT.

Limerick has a number of small towns which are being badly treated. Its bigger villages are being still more indifferently penalised. A good example of the latter is Ballyhahill, with its delightful landscape and its active and progressive people, which has yet neither electric light nor power nor gas, nor a communal service of any kind. Based upon a very well developed dairying industry, which, in turn, is preserving against opposition a very good nucleus of dairy animals and dairy blood, it is exasperating to see its fine shops and residences denied amenities that they should have enjoyed a generation ago. The progressive creamery with its unending stream of farmers' carts delivering milk is one of the best examples in Ireland of the national dependence on agriculture but the creamery system is having an uphill fight against the official drift towards laissez faire. It used to be said that workers made a job last as long as possible because there might not be another when it was completed; but it seems now as if this tendency is more pronounced in official bodies like the E.S.B. The creamery system itself is suffering from lack of vision at the top, and the tremendous waste of man and horse-power in bringing the milk to the processing factories is scarcely resented by our economists.

### CHANCE ANYTHING.

Where land has been drained recently, it should be tilled in some fashion even if one were only to scratch the surface and put in a scattering of white or green turnip seeds and eat them off in the autumn. Rape, grass seed, mustard are crops that could be used effectively as pioneers for tillage or for real grass. In actual drainage, pipes are an over-rated business; mole drainage under-rated. A good stone and slate drain is as efficient as the tile and where the land is on the clayey side, mole drains are cheap and will do their work for very many years. Getting rid of drained-land weeds rather a matter of liming the soil, but when these are replaced by ragwort and thistle, the remedy is regular cutting. Cut in July.

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## DEATH OF CO.C.

### Mr. J. Quaid Passes Away

### MENTAL HOSPITAL BOARD ADJOURNS

IT was with the feelings of the deepest regret that the people of Dromcollogher and the surrounding district learned of the death of Mr. John Quaid, Co.C., Clonlara, Feenagh, which took place in a Dublin Hospital last week (writes our Dromcollogher correspondent). Having taken a prominent part in the national struggle, he was one of the first judges in the Sinn Fein Courts of the 1920-21 period, and following the Dromcollogher ambush in May, 1921, his home was burned as an official reprisal by Crown Forces.

### IN PUBLIC LIFE.

He was a member of the Limerick Co. Council for over 25 years, first as a farmers' representative and for many years as a member of the Fianna Fail Party. Previously he was a member of Newcastle West Board of Guardians and District Council. With a clean and manly outlook in all matters pertaining to public life, he was as highly respected by his political opponents as by the members of his own party. The people of Dromcollogher have need to be grateful to him and on the Council he was one of the strongest advocates for the carrying through of the many public amenities that have come the way for the past twenty years.

A gentleman, indeed, has passed away, and the entire community will be much the poorer by his passing.

### FEARLESS ADVOCATE OF FARMERS' CAUSE.

Our Staff reporter at Newcastle West writes:—

Returning to public life under a native parliament, the late Mr. Quaid was consistently elected as one of the Co. Council representatives in the Newcastle West district. He served for a great many years on the late Board of Health and was successively Chairman of the Limerick Co. Committee of Agriculture and Co. Vocational Education Committee. In the latter capacity he played a leading part in the building up of the now extensive and very successful system of technical education at present in operation in the county. A most enlightened and fearless advocate of the cause of the farming community, he never missed an opportunity of seeking to promote the interests of the agricultural industry in the county. He was himself an extensive and most successful farmer, and for many years acted as part-time Inspector of bulls under the Department of Agriculture Livestock schemes.

In private as in public life the late Mr. Quaid was a gentleman of the highest honour and integrity. Of a quiet and unassuming disposition, he could, nevertheless, when occasion demanded, express his views and convictions with a frankness and sincerity that won the esteem and respect of colleagues as well as members of opposing parties. It was not surprising, therefore, to find all joining in the last tribute to an old veteran of the independence movement and a lifelong public representative who might be aptly described, in every sense of the word, as father of the county parliament.

### THE FUNERAL.

Limerick Co. Council and other public bodies were represented at the funeral by Mr. P. J. Meghan, B.E., Co. Manager; Mr. T. F. Broe, Co. Secretary; Mr. R. G. O'Sullivan, Co. Solicitor; M. G. Ahern, B.E., Co. Engineer; P. J. Sheehan, M.R.I.A.L. Co. Architect; Mr. J. J. King, Chief Public Health Officer; Dr. J. McPolin, Co. M.O.H.; A. McMahon, Co. Accountant; P. Meade, Staff Officer; M. Moran, C.E.O.; Martin Gleeson, C.A.O.; F. Goodwin, Staff Officer; D. O'Brien, T.D.; J. J. Collins, T.D.; D. J. Madden, T.D.; D. McAniff, M.C.C.; P. T. McCarthy, M.C.C.; T. O'Connell, M.C.C.; Senator M. O'Dwyer, M.C.C.; P. Mungure, M.C.C.; P. Langan, M.C.C.; R. M. Clery, M.C.C.; J. J. McNamara, M.C.C.; Trough Crowley, T. Honnemy, M.C.C.; P. M. O'Connor, M.C.C.; J. C. Barrett, M.C.C.; J. J. Phelan, Chairman, Newcastle West Town Traders' Association, etc., etc.

Mr. Quaid's death, it may be mentioned, creates a vacancy on the Co. Council in the Newcastle West District, and the co-option of a new member is likely to be discussed at the next meeting of the Council to be held on Saturday (tomorrow).

### ADJOURNMENT OF BOARD MEETING

Limerick District Mental Hospital Board adjourned its monthly meet-

# NEWCASTLE WEST

# TRADERS

## Matters Of Local Discussed

### QUESTION OF FAIRS MARKETS

MANY matters of local interest and importance were discussed at the monthly meeting of the Newcastle West Town Traders' and Ratepayers' Association, held on Tuesday night, Mr. J. J. Phelan, Chairman, presiding. The members in attendance were—Messrs. J. J. Culhane and R. Nash, Joint Hon. Secretaries; David Nash, Treasurer; J. J. Hough, M. Lyons, P. O'Carroll, P. Murphy, P.C.; M. J. Clifford, M. Geary, Owen O'Neill, P. Condon, Wm. O'Connor, M. J. Leonard, H. Knight, M.P.S.I.; D. McCoy, M. O'Halloran, M. Bourke, T. Leslie, M. F. Cregan.

### MARKED "READ."

Arising out of the minutes of the previous meeting, a letter was read from the R.G.D.A.T.A. in connection with the early closing order for shops.

The Chairman said the question was one on which the Association, he was sure, were not anxious to take action. He suggested that as no useful purpose would be served by further discussion the correspondence might be marked "read." This course was adopted.

### TRAFFIC CONGESTION.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. R. Nash) reported that as directed at the previous meeting he had written to the Irish Commercial Travellers' Association asking their help in the efforts being made to avoid traffic congestion in Bridge Street by parking cars when convenient in The Square, which was just as central and more spacious. In reply the Federation had written promising every co-operation in the matter by members of the Federation doing business in the town.

Chairman—That is very satisfactory.

### POSTAL SLOT MACHINE.

Mr. Culhane stated that at the last meeting a resolution was adopted asking the postal authorities to provide slot machines for the sale of stamps in order to facilitate the public on half-holidays and during the mid-day closing hour. Since then he had discussed the matter with Mr. Moylan, sub-Postmaster, who, having got in touch with his authorities, now hoped that at least one slot machine would be provided in the near future in the vicinity of the pillar box at the Post Office.

### "DRIVE SLOWLY" NOTICES.

Mr. Culhane further informed the meeting that as a result of representations made by the Association to the Co. Council, steps were being taken by the local Deputy Surveyor (Mr. J. F. Ambrose) to secure the early erection of "Drive Slowly" warning notices on the main road approaches to the town. Sergt. J. Daly, G.S., would also assist in the selection of locations for the erection of the signs.

### FAIRS AND MARKETS.

A long discussion took place on a letter received from Mr. J. J. King, Acting Town Clerk, in connection with the recommendation of the Association that two new horse fairs be established in the town, on the last Monday in May and the last Monday in October; that the new cattle fairs inaugurated some years ago be discontinued, and that the new pig markets be continued and advertised as heretofore.

The Chairman said the intention of the Association was that all the old cattle fairs as well as the new pig markets be continued as usual, but that the new cattle fairs, which had not been a success would be abandoned, as from 1st January next. Mr. King also wanted to know if the three old horse fairs were to be continued, in addition to the suggested two new horse fairs, and that was a matter for the meeting to decide.

It was decided, after much discussion, to continue the old cattle fairs and new pig markets on the dates already established and to abandon the new cattle fairs as from 1st January next. The meeting also approved of the recommendation for the establishment of two new horse fairs in May and October.

### THE DEMESNE AS PUBLIC PARK.

The Acting Town Clerk (Mr. J. J. King) also wrote inviting the Association's views on the question of keeping a bull in the Demesne. "For several years past," his letter stated, "a stock bull has been purchased

frency by local frequent inter- tion. He un- authorities ha- owners of elect- equipment to c- with suppress- ments in orde- interference.

Mr. Culhane that legislation deal with this case he found radio suffered even up to mid-

Mr. R. Nash in his opinion ference was electric motors sibly be rectified ice cream mac- were working cause any inte-

Mr. P. O'Ca- matter was Department of special vans causes of inte- compel the ov- machines to eli-

Mr. Culhane- suit of a comp- Department ha- representatives investigate th- apparently not- his visit so far-

Mr. Leslie sa- paying wireles- entitled to pr- interference, w- even on Sunday-

It was decid- with the Depar- a view to hav- eliminated.

### FIN

Reporting on Association, th- (Mr. D. Nash- members had- subscriptions a- still being car- eriment of a- thought the p- very satisfacto- short time the- existence.

The Chairma- should be the- secure one b- membership of- payers of the t-

### PUBLIC

Mr. Leslie su- sentations shou- Co. Council, ac- missioners, wit- the town public- proved. Addit- badly needed- including Upper- that respect be- castle, for its- was one of the- in Ireland.

Mr. Culhane- least four or fiv- needed, includ- Street and Nort-

The Chairma- additional lamp- must be remem- would have to b- rate.

Mr. Murphy, P- ascertain what- present lighting-

Chairman W- 1000 of over 2- know how much- lighting.

Mr. R. Nash- best all the t- charges for pub-

Mr. D. Nash- it could be and- very badly fact-

Mr. Leslie 14- lot of town in t- and I think this- lighted of them-

On the sugg- McCoy it was o- obtain an estim- each additional-

### TOLL CHARGE

Mr. R. Nash s- Manager had p- from the Assoc- advice of the C- as to whether or- could be charg- goods who visit- days to the d- traders, who w- rates and over- proposed that- again reminded- a request that b- date attention