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Dear Sir—Your letter appeared in your columns recently complaining of the "elaborateness" of the new E.S.B. Offices in O'Connell St. Would the writers prefer to see "looty" offices put up in our main thoroughfare rather than ones likely to add to its beauty and impressiveness? If they would they can hardly claim to have any real sense of good citizenship. The reason they give for their complaint appears to be that the cost of electricity is too high. While we are being shockingly treated in the charges for current, that has nothing to do with the question of the new offices. Surely the difference between the cost of good offices and poor ones, even if saved, would not afford any reduction to Limerick. The cost of the new offices comes out of the funds of a great national undertaking and is being paid by the entire country. That being so, it is the last word in narrow-mindedness to complain about the new offices being too elaborate. Limerick has good cause to be indignant at the way it is being mulcted in electricity charges and should fight that grievance with all its strength. At the same time it should praise rather than blame the E.S.B. for giving us new offices that are an adornment to the city and worthy of the fine thoroughfare that is O'Connell St. We would have a real grievance if, in addition to charging us too much for current, the E.S.B. added insult to injury by putting up offices that would show a contempt for Limerick.

Yours faithfully,
"ELECTRON."

THE E.S.B. STAFF.

The strength of the regular staff of the E.S.B. on the 31st of March last was 5,271. In addition there was a casual staff of 3,000. These facts are given in the annual report just issued.

A FINE YIELD

From one potato stalk in his garden, Group-Captain Tindal of Ballyloughan, Co. Donegal, obtained 19 potatoes weighing 6 lbs. 9 ozs.

work of providing the out-offices was that it would interfere with their woodwork classes.
Mr. D. McAuliffe, Co.C.—How well it didn't interfere with the Cappamore lads. This is a shame.
The Committee eventually decided to seek Departmental sanction to advertise for tenders for the work.

SUCCESSFUL BROADCAST

The broadcast on Monday, 17th inst., by Mr. Seamus Kelleher, M.A., N.T., Caherea, Co. Clare, was very successful and was widely appreciated by lovers of Irish poetry.

Mr. Kelleher's next programme on Monday, 31st inst., from 6.10 to 6.30—will consist of a recital of some poems written by Sean E. O'Suilleabhain and Domhnall O'Mullain, together with an account of how the poems came to be written. Sean E. O'Suilleabhain and Domhnall O'Mullain are members of the Bardic School at Coolea and have won several prizes at the Oireachtas.

URANIUM FOR RUSSIA

Two men and two women, caught trying to smuggle uranium into the Russian Zone of Germany, have been arrested by West German police, who say the party had about seven million marks worth of the ore.

Mr. T. J. Colbert, 74 O'Connell St., Limerick, is away until August 2.

Mr. G. M. Fitzgerald will not be visiting 15 Upper Mallow Street, in August. (c)

DEATH.

SCANLAN. On July 26, 1950, at his residence, 73 Fair Green, Limerick, William (Bill) Scanlan, husband of the late Catherine Scanlan; deeply regretted by his daughters and grandchildren. Remains will be removed to St. Patrick's Church at 7.30 o'clock to-morrow (Thursday) evening. Requiem Mass on Friday at 8 a.m. Funeral same day at 3 o'clock to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.