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Then Stole Revolver TWO YOUTHS SENT TO JAIL

SEVENTEEN years-old John Reeves, 7 O'Callaghan Avenue, Kileely, wanted a revolver for a long time because of seeing them in the pictures. He got one recently but by unlawful means. He appeared in the City District Court to-day, charged with receiving the gun knowing it to have been stolen and with possessing it without a firearms certificate. Also charged were Matthew Hennessy (20), 22 Talbot Avenue, Prospect, and John C. Collins (19), 11 Hall's Range, Prospect. They were charged with breaking into Messrs. Nestor's shop in O'Connell Street, with maliciously breaking a £12 plate glass window, and with stealing a .14 revolver. Both were also charged with being in unlawful possession of the gun. Collins was also charged with the theft from Sean Carey's Ballinacorra Stores of eight lbs. of butter, 800 Gold Flake cigarettes and a box of cacaoites.

All three defendants pleaded guilty.

Reeves was defended by Mr. E. J. O'Malley, solicitor.

STATEMENT TAKEN.

Inspector P. Pender said that in the course of his investigations in the case he took a statement from Reeves, who said he had known Hennessy for a couple of years. On one occasion he told Hennessy he'd love to own a revolver. Hennessy promised he'd break into Nestor's and steal a gun for him if Reeves paid him enough for the job. Reeves said he'd give him £5 in instalments for the revolver. Eventually he got the gun from Hennessy and paid Hennessy the money.

"And there," said Reeves to the Inspector, "is the revolver I selected in Nestor's window. I liked revolvers because of seeing them in the pictures."

DID NOT MISS MONEY

The Inspector read a statement taken from Thomas Brazil who said Reeves, his nephew, lived with him in his shop at O'Callaghan Avenue. He kept money in a box but didn't notice any of it missing until Reeves admitted to him that he had taken £5 to pay for a revolver.

Brazil gave evidence along these lines. He said Reeves frequently got money from America with which he bought saving certificates. He kept these in the cash box.

Mr. O'Malley said Reeves was an apprentice painter with a well-known contractor. He had never before been in trouble.

"But he seems to have inspired these other serious offences," said the Justice.

Mr. O'Malley—It was all through bravado, I'm afraid.

BROKE THE WINDOW.

Recalled, Inspector Pender said that when Hennessy and Collins broke in Nestor's plate glass window a Guard on duty was only a couple of hundred yards away. He ran to the shop but by then the two defendants had got away. Both defendants admitted the offences when approached later.

Collins, the Inspector added, had taken the goods from Mr. Carey's shop while employed in the Ballinacorra Stores as a messenger boy. Hennessy had just come out of prison when he broke Nestor's window.

Hennessy told the Justice that Reeves had not inspired him to steal the gun. "I inspired both of the others," he said.

"But why did you steal the gun," the Justice asked.

Hennessy—I wanted the dough. It was all my fault.

The Justice sent Hennessy to jail for six months. He sentenced Collins to two months imprisonment and discharged Reeves on his own bond of £50 with two £5 sureties.

STOLE WALLET IT CONTAINED £3

At the Limerick District Court to-day, Alphonous Murphy (18), 25 Carey's Road, Limerick, was charged with the larceny of a wallet containing £23, the property of James Sadler.

He pleaded guilty.

Sergt. Griffin said that James Sadler was referee at the Gaelic Grounds, Limerick, in a match played on October 9th between Ennis and Limerick teams. Before the match he addressed in the nearby dressing-room, leaving his wallet, with £23 in cash, in his coat pocket. Murphy, who had been in the field with lunch to some workmen, got into the dressing-room and stole the wallet. He bought a bicycle and watch with the money and burned some papers that had been in the wallet.

Witness said that Murphy had recently been in two good jobs in the city but had left them.

The Justice bound Murphy over for two years in his own bond of £50 and one surety of the same amount.

FAMOUS CHRISTIAN BROTHER



Portrait of a man, likely the subject of the article.

FATAL SCALDS

Creamery Explosion Notes, New

STORY AT INQUEST

SITTING with a jury at Crossin Co. Hospital on Wednesday evening, Dr. M. J. O'Connor, M.O. Kilmallock, Deputy Coroner for East Limerick, held an inquest into the death of Daniel Harold (64), Kilmecody, Newcastle West, who died in the Institution on 9th September from extensive burns received on 10th August, at Belville Co-operative Creamery, where he had been employed as boiler attendant. Sergt. J. Murphy, Kilmecody, conducted the inquiry on behalf of the Garda.

Mr. R. J. Cussen, solicitor, Newcastle West, appeared for the widow and family of deceased.

Mr. P. Linton (Messrs. Linton and Co. solicitors, Rathkeale) represented the Belville Creamery Society.

Mr. R. Fox, solicitor, Kilmallock, held a watching brief on behalf of the insurance company interested.

CREAMERY MANAGER'S EVIDENCE.

John Sheehan, Manager, Belville Co-operative Creamery, said the deceased was one of the oldest employees of the Creamery since its establishment in 1907. He was in charge of the boiler since 1924. About 9 a.m. on the day of the accident witness was passing through the dairy when he met Con Murphy, of Feohanagh, with deceased. When witness asked what happened, deceased replied: "Do you see, I am after being scalded." Witness immediately made arrangements to get a doctor and to have deceased taken home. Afterwards a Department of Industry and Commerce Inspector reported that the boiler was not defective in any way.

Answering Mr. Cussen, witness said he was not an expert on boilers. He could not say if the Inspector of the Department who examined the boiler was present at the inquest.

Sergt. Murphy intervened to say that he had received a phone message that day to the effect that the Inspector was not coming to the inquest.

Mr. Cussen said he thought it would be advisable to have the Inspector present to assist the jury. Deputy Coroner—I agree with you, Mr. Cussen. I think it would be only reasonable and proper to have the Inspector here to-day.

HEARD AN EXPLOSION.

Thomas Ahern, Feohanagh, an employee of the creamery, deposed that on the morning of the accident he was on the stand beside the boiler-house giving out skim milk, when he heard an explosion in the boiler house. Witness then saw steam, smoke and water coming out under the door of the boiler house. When he came down off the stand he saw Con Murphy holding deceased, who told witness to go into the boiler house and shut off the oil. At this time deceased's right hand was black with oil and his right side was wet. He was trembling, but showed no outward signs of pain or injury. He wanted to go home. Witness added that he had nothing to do with the boiler house or engine.

Con Murphy, farmer, Feohanagh, a supplier to the creamery, said that on the morning of the accident he was on the stand when he saw gusts of steam and dirty water coming out under the boiler house door. Then the door opened and deceased came out. He called witness to take off his clothes and said he was scalded. Witness supported deceased with his arms, as he was inclined to fall. When asked what happened deceased said he got scalded. Witness helped him out of the creamery. On taking off his clothes witness saw that deceased was badly burned.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE.

Dr. J. Mullins, M.O., Broadford, said he was called to deceased on the date of the accident. He was shivering and trembling and appeared to be suffering from severe shock. His right hand and arms were scalded, as were also his chest, upper abdomen, right shoulder, neck and left hand. He complained of severe abdominal pain and, after administering morphin and making deceased comfortable, witness advised his immediate removal to hospital. Dr. Mary O'Callaghan, House Surgeon, Crossin, said that when deceased was admitted to hospital on the day of the accident he was suffering from extensive burns on the back, right side of the trunk, shoulder and arms. Deceased's condition became progressively worse until he died on 9th September. Death was due to toxemia following burns.

JURY'S RIDER.

The jury, after a brief absence, returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence. They added a rider unanimously expressing the opinion that a convenient valve should be fixed near the door of the boiler room and a drain or pipe to take the waste off the side of it.

Mr. Fox said that as far as the insurance company he represented were concerned, they were quite prepared to pay compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act, but there was a complete denial of liability under any other Act.

Mr. Fox expressed deep sympathy with deceased's family.

The Deputy Coroner, Mr. Linton on behalf of the Society, Sergeant Murphy on behalf of the Garda and Mr. Sheehan, Manager of Creamery, joined in this expression of sympathy.

ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED LADY

O. Mary, assumed into Heaven above,
With loving hearts we greet thee,
Rejoicing to see thee raised on high,
While Heaven descends to meet thee!

Angelic host thy guard, beyond
The highest choirs of Heaven,
Reader, remind me

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A GOOD TEST.

The meeting of Limerick in the National Hibernian Gaelic Grounds, Sunday next, should be a useful test for the championships. Limerick has been shaping very well in the past, but keep in mind, are of the excellent material. A team chosen for Cork is a strong contender, selected with the best of the selectors realize the outcome of Sunday's match will have a far-reaching effect on the championships. The Cork match is, the most unusual in the history of the game.

REFLECTORS.

The statue of the Crescent is to have lamps. This was the decision of the City Council at its meeting on Monday night. An outlay of £21 each for reflectors was considered too much for the economy, reflectors meant luminous bodies embedded in the pavement. How parsimonious the City Council! Reflectors of the O'Connell are not either to the dignity of the City or to the credit of the City ever, when the "City" is in a frame of mind to spenditure and, considering the rate, it would be a thing that might be considered. intentions.

MORE HOUSES.

The City Manager (Mr. Macken, B.A.) hopes to appoint a committee to appoint tenants for between 100 and 200 additional houses for Christmas box—what will be for those who are not fortunate enough to have a house in which they can live. Despite all the building progress there is still a big shortage in Limerick, only big families and wretched conditions are to be seen in the new houses. In the meantime we have to remain where we are in the course of the year, their degradation will be evident. By that time Limerick's housing problem will have become a national one.

MASS RADIOGRAPHY

As was indicated in a recent issue of the "Limerick Leader," the Department of Health has decided to abandon the use of radiography by means of a central X-ray centre with such little chance of its continuance, cost justified. Instead of the Department preferring to set up a radiography clinic in Limerick, a more available position in the city of a first-class clinic, the credit of all concerned is made for this radiography which can be obtained in comparative privacy of a room in the other hand, a room at all times under the control of the patient.

UNIQUE EXPERIENCE

Four members of the Limerick O.G.E., who have just returned from the Continent, will be able to give you experiences in special places. Carnegie Library to-morrow night at 8.15 o'clock. Boys, travelling separately to Rome, Oberammergau, and other places of interest. They got to their various places by hitch-hiking, cycling, and other means. Of course, they earned much in the process, but they are now on their own story in their own words. What they have to say is of absorbing interest. A book is assured.

CULLANE LAKE

Appropos recent reference to the column to Cullane Lake, it should be developed for trout fishing. Reader, remind me