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with PENSMAN

DIPHTHERIA MENACE AGAIN

Readers of this week's issue, as I am sure they have already done for the last two weeks, a striking notice warning parents against the danger of diphtheria infecting their children and appealing to all to avail of the free immunisation service. The notice issued by the Department of Health and the Waterford County Council and I wondered what caused the reason for this fresh appeal to the public to beware of this dread disease which is allowed to become rampant and can cause such great loss of life amongst children.

My curiosity was allayed when I came across the following bulletin from the Department of Health dated 27th March. It is a recent topical talk on the matter from Radio Eireann and as I found it interesting and of such importance I think my readers should also have the benefit of it.

The bulletin states: After a period of comparative freedom from diphtheria a recent recurrence of this dangerous disease in Dublin has caused grave concern among local and national health authorities. The gravity of the anticipated danger was reflected in a Topical Talk delivered from Radio Eireann on Friday March 12th. The talk is reproduced below.

The Dublin health authorities are afraid that there will be an epidemic of diphtheria. In the past three weeks six children have died. All of the three were under five years of age. None of them had been immunised against diphtheria. The Department of Health authorities and the Dublin Medical Officer if they were so busy watching out for symptoms of the disease and report other cases coming in, would feel inclined to shout out to the nation "We told you so!"

Nobody can say they have not been warned. Diphtheria is deadly—immunise your child. It has appeared on buses, trains and walls long ago. Diphtheria is a disease which closes the throat. It has got its grip on doctors cannot guarantee to save a life. Even children who do not get the disease themselves may become carriers of it when that virus enters their throat. Thus an epidemic can be started.

Discovered 70 Years Ago
The virus of diphtheria was discovered about seventy years ago. It took the medical profession about another forty years to find out how it was spread. They found it they had to spend more years trying to persuade officials and citizens that their immunisation method would beat the disease. They have tried to get over their fears by saying that immunisation injections are practically painless and that they are given free and that it is inexcusable not to protect young children from this practically certain death.

From Five A Week To Five A Year
Look at the record. In the ten years from 1936 to 1945 over 30,000 persons in Ireland caught diphtheria. 2,600 died. These are not mere numbers. They are children who never got a chance. Now regard 1950. Instead of 3,000 deaths in the year there were only 136. Instead of the five deaths a week of the previous period the reckoning was now only five deaths a year. How does it come then that three deaths occurred in the last three weeks? The only explanation seems to be that the people have been careless. So successful had the immunisation drive become that the people were forgetting about the danger of diphtheria.

The Department of Health reports that of the 60,000 children who should be immunised each year only about half of that number receive this protection. The others are left to take the risk of a quite unnecessary risk, but a risk of death. Those parents who have become careless might as well be back in the bad old days when there was no protection at all. The bad old days when diphtheria epidemics crowded the fever hospitals, when the schools all closed down and opened again with less than half the number of their pupils.

protected by immunisation will be subject to very grave risks. It is a medical fact that children who have been fully immunised and whose parents see to it that they get the necessary repeat injections at the requisite five-yearly intervals virtually never contract the disease—even under epidemic conditions. If they do contract it they rarely die of it.

Now teachers and parents are being asked to get their children protected. Parents are asked to get in touch with their doctors now. The thing will only take a few minutes away from the day's household work. The injection will cause the child hardly any discomfort. A month later there will be a second injection and the child is safe for five years.

And there is what they call a family doctor who can bring a child to any of the public health clinics or the board of assistance dispensaries. Forms are being distributed in the schools which the teachers can get filled up by the parents. This outbreak is so serious that special attention should be given to all these arrangements.

Recently there has been a complaint that the school forms have gone out to the homes all right but only half of them have come back filled up which seems to be another example of carelessness in the home. And there is one case in which parents have not filled up the forms. Only three hundred children are being immunised in Dublin each week in spite of all the urging and arranging. The authorities want to see that they get up to at least a thousand each week.

The six cases, three still seriously ill in hospital, three dead have come from different districts in Dublin. It is not a question of fabricating the health authorities in their scheme of a question of saving your child.

SHOWROOM ON WHEELS
A novel feature has been introduced into the country by Spicers (Ireland) Ltd the well-known Paper and Stationery firm of Dublin, in the form of a Showroom on wheels. This mobile unit is specially built for caravan towing by 30 hp Estate Car, attracted much attention when it drew into the Square, Dungarvan, on Thursday last and during its stay in the town it has attracted many firms' courteous representative Mr Kilfoyle. The furniture in the Showroom is comprised of show-cases and storage drawers which contain samples of all the goods in the firm's stationery catalogue.

It is a progressive move by this firm with world-wide connections who have realised that a car and a suit case are not enough for displaying the extensive range of their products to their clients in the wholesale trade. Here at a glance the prospective buyer can see the full display under most general conditions. I congratulate the firm on their progressiveness.

FOOTBALLERS OF OTHER COUNTRIES
My paragraph in last week's column concerning the match played in Clashmore between Dungarvan and Aglish on Sunday July 18th 1949 was read with interest by many of the most genial of the footballers. The team representing the Old Boro' on the occasion were the County Champions having defeated Dunhill in the final of the 1948 championship, but in 1949 they again were defeated by Rathgormac.

In those days positions on the field were somewhat different to those which we now normally accept. There was one full-back two half-backs and three three-quarter backs. In the 1909 game the Dungarvan backs were—P. Morrissey, J. O'Connell and T. McCarthy (halves) and N. Loughlin, J. McGrath, and J. Cashin (three-quarters). In the list of players given last week there was one or two errors. I am informed Bill Stokes did not play in that game although a regular member of the Dungarvan Club and the name of P. Morrissey should have read P. Carroll who was not a member of the department of Scanlan's in Dungarvan at the time. Two brothers Mickey and Johnny Connors were members of the team, and always rendered a good account of themselves.

By the way I am told that former footballers of other areas were trying out their skill again last week also and my friend James proved that he could still take down a high ball and floor the opposition at the same time. This encounter was refereed by a man who prefers to remain just plain Tom but it is said that he kept the game well under control.

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Give me the Flag of Ireland boys let Irish breezes blow Around its folds where'er it flies defiance to the foe Let me weep where true men fought to make their country free, The flag that Padraig Pearse has loved is good enough for me

Give me the Flag of Dublin boys it flings its sword of light, Of fearless sons who smiled at death when buckled to the fight I mean brave James Connolly there—how goes the north— says he— I told him Padraig Pearse's flag was good enough for me

Give me the Flag of Munster boys to victory lead us On Rebel Cork and Kerry boys of Clare and Garryowen Tell them in Tipperary, boys the North will yet be free The flag that Munster heroes loved is good enough for me

Give me the Flag of Connaught boys and westward let it go To meet the Flying Column that from Longford swept the foe God keep you, ancient Galway let her sons still faithful be The flag their Volunteers have loved is good enough for me

Give me the Flag of Ulster boys it's Ireland's flag also We love them yet, and won't forget Red Hugh and Owen Roe For still there breathes on Irish soil the soul of liberty The flag that Ireland's martyrs loved is good enough for me

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WATERFORD COUNTY COUNCIL
RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION CALL FOR SUBSTANTIAL RATE REDUCTION

DEPUTATION FORECASTS SERIOUS CRISIS

Striking Of Rate Adjournd To Next Monday

When Waterford County Council decided to adjourn their meeting at Dungarvan at 5.30 p.m. on last Monday evening, the main item for which the meeting had been convened, the striking of the rate for the coming year, had not been dealt with and consideration of the Co. Manager's Estimate was adjourned to a further special meeting to be held on next Monday.

The morning session of the meeting was entirely devoted to hearing the case of a deputation from the recently formed County Ratepayers Association during which the several members of the deputation called on the Council to reduce the current rate substantially for the coming year alleging that the farmers' income was on the downgrade and that a serious crisis was facing the agricultural community.

Mr M. Morrissey Chairman presided at the meeting and also present were Messrs T. Kyne, T. D. W. Fitzgerald, D. Leahy, J. O'Malley, T. N. Kelly, Seamus J. Butler, N. Walsh, J. Kirwan, M. McGrath, D. Heskin, L. Morrissey, M. Harty, J. Mansfield, R. Barron, T. Power, E. Power, J. Fahey, F. Roche, W. Kennedy, M. D. and P. Butler.

Mr O'Malley, Co. Manager, J. G. Dowling (Secretary), D. Sheedy Co. Surveyor, and T. B. Boyle Accountant, were in attendance.

Request to Receive Deputation
At the outset the deputation read a letter from the Co. Ratepayers Association requesting that a deputation be received by the Council.

Mr Dowling stated that he had replied to the Association that the request would be placed on the agenda and that the matter would be one for the Council to decide.

Mr Leahy proposed that the Council receive the deputation stating that they would have the blessing of the Council if they could help to reduce the rates.

(The Co. Manager's estimate for the coming year shows an increase of £10,000 over the current rate of 30/6d in the £.)

Deputy Kyne seconded Mr Leahy's proposal which was accepted and it was agreed that when the deputation had made their case they should be invited to draw without taking part in any discussion with the Council on the matter.

Mr N. Walsh stated that as he had replied to the deputation after lunch to attend a general he would like to have answers to the following questions: (1) What the present financial position of the Council was (2) What the cost of the present year was (3) What the surplus of the Council was (4) What the ratepayers were outstanding.

The Secretary said that replies to these questions would be given by the Co. Accountant who was present at that stage of the meeting.

The deputation was then introduced by Mr L. Morrissey and consisted of the following: Mr N. Parkes, Chairman, Dungarvan, Mr D. J. Coughlan, Kilmacomas, Mr P. M. Galley, Ballymacarbry, Mr R. O'Keefe, Aglish, Mr T. Flynn, Grange, Mr A. Murphy, Tallow, Lord William Beresford, Stradbally, Mr M. Ryan, Cappagh and Mr James Power, Dungarvan.

The Chairman welcomed the deputation, and asked them to be as brief as possible and said that all the members of the Council would be pleased if they could show how the rates could be reduced without the coming year.

Mr Parkes thanked the Council for receiving them and said that there should not be a substantial reduction in the rates as the members of the deputation proposed to point out.

Falling Prices
Mr D. J. Coughlan said that there was no doubt but that something would have to be done to reduce the rates. The situation as it was had changed and to meet that the attitude of the Council should now be that the ratepayers can pay just so much and the various schemes and services framed within that amount. He said that while the farmers' incomes had been rising there had been no complaint about the increasing rates, but now that income was decreasing while the rates were still going up. The prices of pigs cattle oats and barley were going down, he said, and the only three things that they could rely on were wheat, beet and milk. He added with reference to the latter that prices here would also drop if the Council continued to rise the rates the position would be that the farmers could not pay the rates and he pointed out that while ratepayers had a duty to pay

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the case of the County Council they were going to pay £5,000 interest beyond that of last year. £13,000 was a colossal sum to have to pay on money borrowed from the residents of County Waterford he said.

If we can't live within our means he continued there is no use in living at all and we should try and get rid of this overdraft as no one should want to make a presentation of £13,000 to anyone at the end of a financial year. It is not right or just to burden the County in this respect.

Too Late Tomorrow
Mr P. O'Keefe called on the Council to stand together for the man in dealing with the estimates. Farm prices were on the down grade he said and a serious crisis was facing them and whatever was to be done should be done today as it would be too late tomorrow. He wanted to see the continuance of peaceful times and did not want to have seizures, bailiffs, trouble or revolution.

Mr Parkes said that high rates could be paid no longer and added that only that morning it had been announced that canning factories had cut the price of canning apple by 2s per pound. They were facing a bad harvest and if the milk powder factory in Dungarvan had to close down he asked how many would be unemployed. Cottages should not be subsidised he said and that more than agricultural labourers and he asked the Council to substantially reduce the rates.

The Chairman of the County Council had the courtesy to refer to the deputation as the members were all big ratepayers themselves and they were striving as much as they could to reduce them. With reference to the letting of cottages he said that the deputation of a qualified tenant—a person working for hire in the locality as a rural worker—was very wide.

Mr Galley said that he could not see how a man with £40 a month and who could pay £1,500 for gear could qualify for a cottage.

Mr Leahy pointed out that the Council had nothing to do with the letting of cottages which was purely a Managerial function.

The Chairman said that the Council could reduce the rates but it would cause unemployment.

Mr Parkes—But if the rate payers can't pay—what then? Chairman—They'll have to take the rap, I suppose.

Officials Responsible To Council Only
Mr Walsh called on the Chairman to let the Council Officials answer the deputation as he held that their job having prepared the estimates. The Chairman ruled that the officials were responsible only to the Council.

Mr Walsh—in justice to everyone you should ask the officials to answer the points made by the deputation instead of trying to do it yourself.

The Manager said that he was only responsible to the County Council and he felt no obligation to answer any questions by the deputation.

Mr Walsh—in fairness, I think now is the time to answer the questions.
Manager—I don't see why I should be asked to answer any question by the deputation.
Deputy Kennedy said that while it was the officials who prepared the figures it was a question for the Council to accept or reject them.

Mr Coughlan (deputation)—And if you reject them you will probably be abolished.
Deputy Kennedy—Oh, no. The Chairman then assured the deputation that the Council had worked hard to get the rates down.

Mr Parkes—If they rise this year the full impact of the slump won't be felt until they fall due and the rate collectors will have to have a lot of bailiffs with them.
Mr Ryan (deputation) said

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A Combined Injection against Diphtheria and Whooping Cough is recommended.

(Issued by the Health Department of the Waterford County Council)

being carried out at the Boat-house. The west wall of the Main Hall has been cut away and a special stage for the band

Death Of Mr J. Grady.—It is with deep regret we record this week the death of one who was well known and respected in the everyday activity of Lismore

Rowing Club News—Easter Sunday Programme.—The Committee of the Rowing Club are now engaged in completing the arrangements for their Easter Sunday programme. Highlight of the day will be the christening and launching of the new four which is to be named 'The Willie Sargent'

Whist Drive—The Whist Drive will be held in the Town Hall here in aid of the Lismore Parochial Fund. Prizes will be given to the value of £25 which will include cash

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Fr. Peyton to Address Rallies in County Waterford

His Lordship, Most Rev Dr Connel, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore

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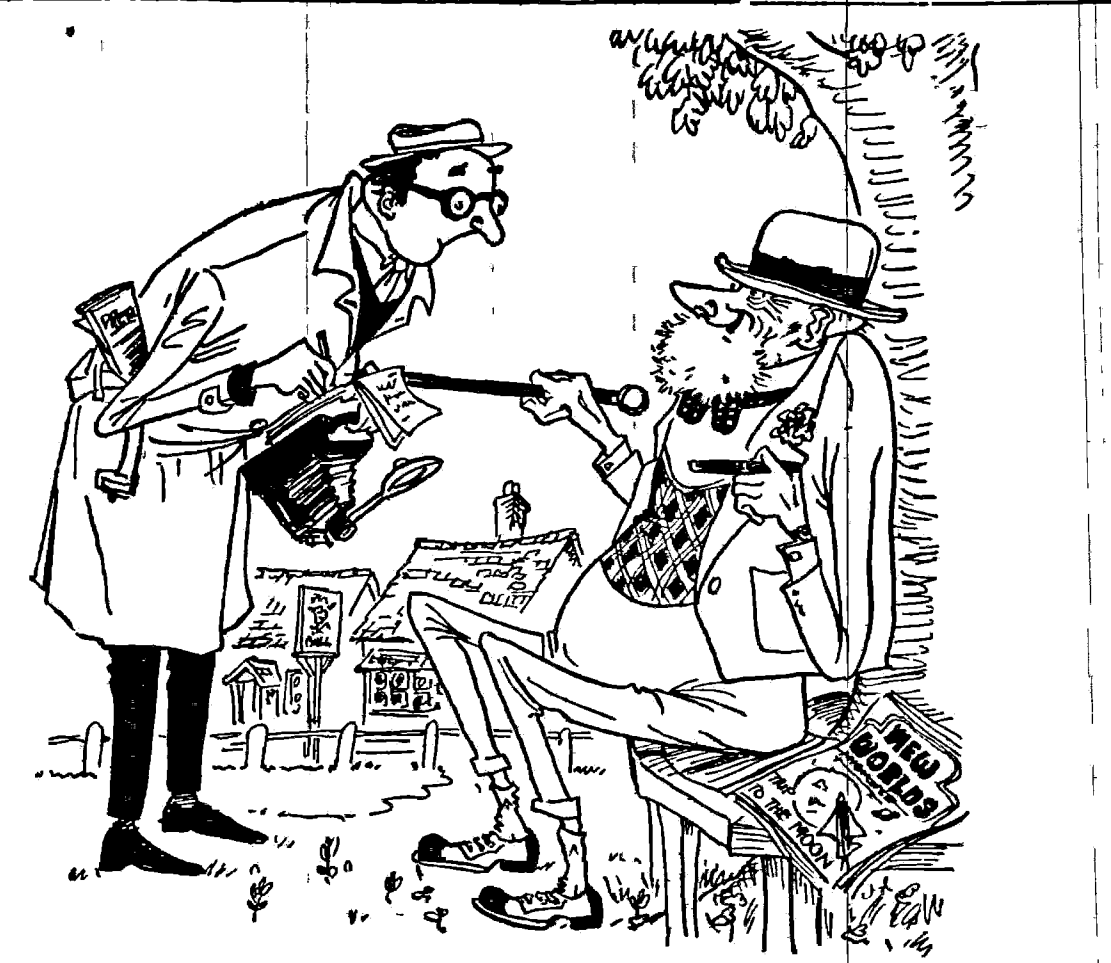
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PASSION SUNDAY A Day of Intercession For Persecuted Catholics

Irish Countrywomen's Association The Waterford Federation of the ICA held their usual quarterly meeting

BALLYDUFF NEWS Adieu - To Mr Larry Flynn son of Mr and Mrs Eugene Flynn

THE WATERFORD HUNT POINT-TO-POINT RACES WILL BE HELD OVER THE WELL-KNOWN COURSE AT LISNAKILL

DAY OLD CHICKS AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY R.I.R., L.S., W.W., W.L., DUNGARVAN HATCHERIES,

Prayer and other poems by Miss Eileen M Egan who now lives in Dorchester Mass USA

Tallow and Round About

Proposed Marian Year Memorial—On Sunday, March 28th, the second Mass, Very Rev. Canon Flynn, P.P., drew the attention of the congregation to the special efforts being made throughout the country, to mark in a special way the Marian Year Canon Flynn then read some items with relation to Grottos and Statues, erected at various places. I had he said visualised a large statue of Our Lady on some hill near the town. This is in the diocese consecrated to the Immaculate Conception, so he continued. Our Blessed Mother has a special claim on this parish and a special honor. I approached me on this matter and various suggestions had been made, some suggested a Grotto of the Apparition at Lourdes others were in favour of a large statue of the Immaculate Conception. Canon Flynn then announced that a public meeting would be held immediately after second Mass on Sunday, April 4th in the Church Grounds, to form a Committee in connection with the Memorial.

Successful Whist Drive—On Wednesday night March 24th, Tallow Hurling Club held a very successful Whist Drive at the Regal Cinema, Tallow. Parties were present from many districts including Killeagh, Fermoy, Inch, Conna, Lismore etc. A general air of amiable good fellowship prevailed during the proceedings. Mr. Collins, of the Tallow Club, was a very efficient MC. Members of the club also acted as stewards. Mr. P. O'Keefe, Ballynoe, was the winner of the top score prize and the best memory prize. As Paddy is well known in hurling circles and has helped the Ballynoe team on many occasions. Results—Gents 1st, Mr. P. O'Keefe, Ballynoe 2nd, Mr. F. O'Neil, Killeagh 3rd, Mr. M. McCarthy, Tallow Ladies—1st, Mrs. B. Lynch, Mount Fat Tallow, 2nd, Miss Costello, Fermoy 3rd, Mrs. Walsh, Springfield, Tallow. Half-time score—Gents, 4-2, Ladies, 2-1. Mr. O'Keefe, Ballynoe, was the winner of the top score prize and the best memory prize. As Paddy is well known in hurling circles and has helped the Ballynoe team on many occasions. Results—Gents 1st, Mr. P. O'Keefe, Ballynoe 2nd, Mr. F. O'Neil, Killeagh 3rd, Mr. M. McCarthy, Tallow Ladies—1st, Mrs. B. Lynch, Mount Fat Tallow, 2nd, Miss Costello, Fermoy 3rd, Mrs. Walsh, Springfield, Tallow.

Lady Day—The Feast of the Annunciation was marked by a Missa Cantata at the Convent Chapel here. During the evening devotion the beautiful illuminated panel which has been erected over the entrance of the Church of The Immaculate Conception was a blaze of coloured lights. Many Catholics can tell many tales of Lady Day, most of those tales are of the hardships endured by the farm labourers who changed their places of abode on March 25th in the days long gone by. It was the custom for the farm workers to hire out for a year. Labourer's cottages were not as plentiful as they are today and most farmers provided houses for their workers. The beautiful so-called "good old days" when the less furniture you had the easier it was to travel. A very old friend of mine told me that he had lived in 47 different houses during his lifetime. He was around yet he had never gone outside a 20-mile circle. It was indeed a day of misery for children as they were often treated in a very bad weather conditions in a horse-drawn cart seated on the families bedroll which was later dumped on an earthen floor, in a half soaked condition, to act as a temporary bed. For the weary little ones, the parents deeded the parents celebrated the occasion by drinking more than was good for their welfare. Like all such customs and goings on, they are old customs and old superstitions. The mother would be last to leave the Old House and first to enter the new. The youngest child would carry the kettle. The cattle would be lifted by the father on arrival at the new house. The door of the new house would be closed but never locked or bolted on the night of arrival. Should the door be blown open by the wind during the night, it was an omen that the family would never be content during their stay. Romantic and all that. Yes but it certainly was the cause of many unhappiness, unsettled childhood, and more unsettled manhood. Rolling stones gather no moss.

Schools Closed—All schools in the Conna parish have been closed due to the outbreak of mumps amongst the pupils. Tallow Monthly Fair—The monthly cattle and sheep fair, was held on Friday, March 26th. A record amount of stock and a good number of buyers attended. Bidding, while on the slow side at first, was fairly keen in the later stages. Brighter Outlook in Chapel Street—On the evening of Friday, March 26th, E.S.B. workers erected an extra lamp at Chapel Street. This was much needed as during the darker evenings people coming of going to the Parish Church were in a good deal of darkness as the position of the lights was such as not to give lighting to the full street.

Notably—Your humble Scribe, recently received a gift of a very interesting little book on the "Road to Black's Guide to the Gateway and Connemara." Printed at Edinburgh, in 1884, it gives some very interesting little tales (many of which were not doubt

AT STUD W'AR HERO

SIRE OF GOOD WINNERS One of the best looking thorough-bred horses in the country. Come and see this horse. 3 horses by the Sire sold at Ballsbridge for total of 950 gns. FEE—15 Sovs. Thoroughbred Mares NOMINATED MARES ACCEPTED FOR TICKET HOLDING OF WILLIAM HENLEY, Tallow Bridge, Tallow.

Notice to Farmers I AM NOW PREPARED TO REPAIR ALL ELECTRIC WELDING MACHINERY, GATES, ETC. T. McSweeney, Blacksmith, West St., Tallow.

Good News For Farmers—As will be seen by the advertisement in this issue, Mr. T. McSweeney, Blacksmith West St., Tallow, has installed an electric welding machine in his shop which formerly had to be treated as irreparable may now be made to give useful service again.

Opening Round of League—On Sunday next the junior hurling league will open at Ballinaha grounds, when Shamrocks (Killeenagh) will be home to Ballysagart in the first round. Both teams are making their debut in the current year's championship, hence the clash between them should produce a fast and exciting game. This match should prove a good try out for both teams, who play their opening ties in the current year's championship against St. Bennetts and Tallow respectively. The Shamrock Club, under the able guidance of their esteemed Chairman Rev. J. F. Morrissey, is delighted to have the pitch as perfect as possible, and granted favourable weather a good attendance is anticipated. The match is scheduled to begin at 2.30 p.m. with Mr. J. O'Kelly-Lynch in the whistle. The hurling league should prove a big attraction for clubs, and in view of the many fixtures during the coming months, it will be a good idea to play further games on week evenings during the months of May, June and July. It would, at least, be worth a trial and would eliminate the long wait for the league dragging on into the winter months.

Death of Mr. Maurice Dooley—We regret to announce the death of Mr. Maurice Dooley, who died on Sunday, March 27th, at his home, 10, St. Mary's Street, Tallow. Mr. Dooley was a gentleman, yet pleasant and witty. He was highly esteemed and respected by a wide circle of friends. Our sympathy is extended to his many relatives and friends. Mr. Dooley was a member of the G.A.A. and was a very large number of mourners and friends.

AGLISH AND CLASHMORE NOTES Clashmore Parochial Fund—The Clashmore Parochial Fund 45 Drive will be held on Sunday, March 28th. The sum of £10 will be awarded in prizes. On Wednesday night next the Lismore Dramatic Society will present a variety concert at Clashmore. First-class fare is assured.

General Election—So far there has been very little activity in this area in connection with the forthcoming General Election. It is hoped that the campaign will be entirely devoid of bitterness. On more than one occasion in the past individuals have indulged in personal abuse and this has resulted in bitterness. It should be borne in mind that each individual is entitled to hold any political views he or she wishes. This right is guaranteed by the Constitution of 1937. G.A.A. Activities—Geraldine is favourites for the 1954 J.F. Championship. Clashmore severely handicapped due to the inability of some prominent players to turn out were defeated by the Mre on Sunday last. The game was played in a clean and sporting manner. The winners of the Clashmore G.A.A. Sweepstakes—Miss Margaret M. Dee, Clashmore, 2nd, Patrick Curran do 3rd, Richard Morrisson, Castle-marty.

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WATERFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

(Continued from Page One) statutory obligation on the Council. He said for a trained man to audit the accounts of the Council and how then could the public representatives be expected in a couple of hours to pin-point where any saving could be made. The sum total of the case made by the deputation was not to overburden the ratepayers beyond their capacity to pay.

It was due to the political competition that was on that the rates had gone up in the last few years he said and in making that point he said that he was not casting aspersions on any party, but they had ten elections in eleven years and no one had stated that the promises which had been made at the cross-roads would not cost money. They stood idly by and listened but now those in power called the tune and the ratepayers had to pay the piper.

Local representation he said had also stooped to a very low level when the cost of steam-trains to get roads and boreens repaired in order to get the votes of the people.

Political Forum Deputy Ormond said that the matter was not developing into a forum for political discussion and he felt sure that the deputation did not want that. They had the sympathy of every member of the Council and he assured the deputation that the members of the Council had their best to reduce the rates as much as possible. When the deputation came before the Council they should be prepared to make some concrete proposals where reductions and retrenchments might be made in the current estimates but beyond what Mr. Power had suggested he would not go.

Mr. Ryan (deputation) asked if there was any official to see how the cottages were being kept by the tenants. Mr. Ryan said that he had written to the County Manager and he would be glad to see the County Manager's report on the matter. Mr. Ryan said that he had written to the County Manager and he would be glad to see the County Manager's report on the matter.

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SPECIAL DAY EXCURSIONS AT SINGLE FARE

WATERFORD TO CORK EVERY SATURDAY 1st Class 23/4 3rd Class 15/9 Waterford dep 7.30 am 9.15 am Cork arr 10.30 am 12.55 pm Train returns at 5.40 pm

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ing the main for half a mile would cost about £1,000. It was stated that 11 houses and 42 people were affected by the decision. The Council agreed that plans to sink a pump there be stopped and that the Engineer submit an estimate for the extension of the pipe-line.

Revised Water Charges The Council provisionally approved of the above which ranged from 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. for various schemes to 2s. 6d. a year for Non-Municipal houses. The latter was an increase from 5/- a year.

At this stage a number of members drew attention to the time (5.25 pm) and called for an adjournment. The Chairman was the next item on the agenda and after a short discussion it was decided to adjourn further consideration of this and a number of other items to a special meeting to be held on Monday next.

ARDMORE GOSSIP Incredible Though It May Seem the very recently commenced Rural Electrification Scheme in the Ardmore area is already taking a practical form. In most of the mapped locality and from a privileged interview which I had with Supervisor Corrigan I learned with entire satisfaction that Ardmore Villages will be switched on early in the summer. During this interview I learned that whilst a fair number of the householders and others in the area are most anxious to take the benefits of the scheme, the Supervisor explained that it should be a great pity that such a large number of the area should be left in the dark. Electricity cannot be overestimated not only for domestic use, but also for farm work. There was one very important feature he stressed and which he said the many non-takers of the supply would not only regret now but in future years of a modern world and that was that once he and his staff will have completed this area in wiring it may be years if ever the E.S.B. will again carry out wiring in the area.

The Late Mrs. Elizabeth Lynch (nee O'Neill) who died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Michael Troy in England last week was relict of the late Mr. Patrick Lynch CP Officer British Naval Service and who predeceased her by some years. The Lynch family lived at Monaster, Youghal (Kinsalebeg). Besides her daughter Mrs. M. Troy there are two other married daughters of deceased domiciled in the USA. The remains were brought across from England on Tuesday for burial in the Round Tower cemetery Ardmore.

Amongst the very large attendance were many of her friends from Monaster, Ardmore and the Curragh area. Amongst the chief mourners were—Mrs. M. Troy (daughter), Miss M. Hartly (sister-in-law), Miss B. Hartly (niece), Michael Troy (son-in-law), Messrs. T. and M. Hartly (nephews). F.

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DUNGARVAN U.D.C. TREE PLANTING SCHEMES

54 New Trees For Murphy Place Mr. T. Lanmen Chairman, presided at the usual meeting of the Dungarvan Urban District Council held on last Friday night. Also present were Messrs. M. J. Keane, T. McCarthy, N. Kelly, T. Lee, P. Casey and T. Kyne, P.D. Messrs. P. Walsh, Borough Surveyor and E. Deery, Town Clerk were in attendance.

Grant Schemes Approved The Town Clerk informed the members that the following schemes already approved by the Council had been sanctioned by the Department under the Emergency and Employment Schemes Grants—Footpath at St. Augustine's Street, Ballycally at the Ball Alley and footpath at Old Chapel Lane.

Mr. Casey challenged the spending of ratepayers' money on the footpath at Friary Street which there was in good order. At his suggestion the entire Council with the exception of Mr. Lee left the Council room and went out into Friary Street returning after some five minutes.

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