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## PENSMAN takes you Behind the Spotlight

**THE NEW YEAR**

With a little sadness we bid goodbye to the Old Year on Monday night and welcomed in the New Year. The change-over took place quietly and without much fanfare. The weather of course had a big say in causing the abandonment of all outdoor welcomes but even at that I doubt very much whether any would have taken place.

The old tradition of ringing out the old and ringing in the new seems to be dying out and the passing of the year is now mainly indicated by the replacement of the old calendars in homes and offices by the new ones.

The year just gone was not a bad one and the country is a whole prospered. The weather, as usual, proved a difficult one for harvesting the summer we hoped for never materialised, the autumn proved a difficult one for harvesting and the winter, so far has been as tough, if not tougher than most.

Main topic of conversation throughout the year in all circles was the Common Market. The term crept into practically every conversation and discussion. People referred to it in a knowing kind of way without having one iota of what it means or what the consequences will be as far as each of us is concerned. On the home front the ever-lasting battle of the rates went on at County Council and Urban Council meetings; a battle which can apparently never be won by those who have to draw the burden on those who have to foot the bill.

Towards the end of the year came the announcement that the New Younghal Bridge had been completed and that the old bridge would take place of the old one in the month of January.

The forecast proves correct. It has been twenty-three years have elapsed since the old bridge was condemned. It was in 1939, just before the outbreak of World War II that the then County Surveyor Waterford, John K. Bowen, E.E., pronounced the bridge unfit and unsafe. The intention of the war, which was followed by inquiries, objections, public meetings and protests, meant that a generation passed before the new bridge could be built. Its opening comes none too soon because I know that very little could cause a major collapse of the old iron structure and standards become. It seems apparent too, though, that we have not yet heard the last about the Younghal Bridge. The contract price was £216,000 but members of Waterford County Council have publicly

stated that the final cost would be as much as £100,000 more than that. There could be another enquiry before the file on the bridge is finally closed.

On the industrial side the main issue which 1962 will recall was the unofficial strike at the Dungarvan Leather Factory. As I stated on that point at the time strike action should only be taken as a last resort for it means a loss all round—to the worker, to the employer, and most important of all, to the industry itself. Following a Labour Court sitting and further negotiations a working solution was hammered out and the men returned to work. Let us hope that there will be no work stoppages or reasons for such stoppages in 1963.

The year just past saw the passing of a big number of well-known personalities. Each week during the year this paper carried obituary columns announcing the deaths of people of all walks of life underlining for us that in this life we have no lasting city.

The dead year has brought tears and joy and let memories pleasant and bitter in its wake. The new year just born will undoubtedly bring the same pattern but in the knowledge that hope springs eternal we welcome the year forward to peace, prosperity and happiness for all.

**THE GREAT SNOW**

It is marvelous how quickly all the great inventions of man are set at naught by one touch of nature's hand. Did that thought strike you at all after the week-end snowfall. Mechanical vehicles, flying machines, electricity, everything fell before the onslaught of the snow.

One might say the blizzard was the plight of the wild birds who were frozen and hungry. It was a cruel and a cruel one, each other under conditions of distress and the humour in adversity shown by so many. There were of course other points too—the tough boys who placed stones in the snowdrifts and the irresponsible who cock-shotted at unfortunate drivers trying to negotiate slippery streets and dangerous corners.

**WERE UNFAIRLY CRITICISED**

It has come to my notice that the telephonists at the telephone exchange at Dungarvan Post Office have come in for a great deal of criticism because of the chaotic position created in telephone communications by a great deal of this was unfairly

**ARCH TALLOW**

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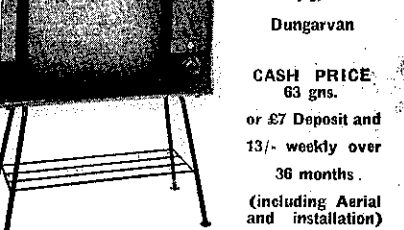
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NATIONAL FARMERS' ASSOCIATION DAIRY CONFERENCE LIMERICK: All farmers are invited to attend and participate in a National Conference...

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: The husband, family and relatives of the late Alice O'Grady... VOTES OF SYMPATHY: At a specially convened Committee meeting...

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AT THE PIKE: County Council workers assisted by the Garda Síochána cleared the snowdrifts at the Pike on Tuesday and had cleared a track over the hill...

OLD PARISH: The old parish was very badly hit too and a bread van from Dungarvan which ventured out got stuck in the snow...

WATER SHORTAGE: There were water shortages in Dungarvan and other places on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday...

DANCE POSTPONED: The original date for the dance was postponed until next Monday and Tuesday, January 7 and 8...

STILL ISOLATED: Another area which has been isolated since Sunday is Kilmacomas where eight foot snowdrifts are reported...

ANSWER FIRE CALL: A fire broke out at 10 o'clock on Wednesday evening in the Dungarvan Fire Brigade...

SUNDAY NIGHT AND MONDAY MORNING: A C.I.E. spokesman in Waterford told a bus which was en route for Cork on Sunday and Monday...

GARDA SERGEANT'S TRANSFER: The people of Rih learned with regret of the impending transfer of Sgt. McLoughlin from Rih to Ballymacarbery...

PRIZE WINNERS: Would Mr. Tommy O'Brien, who is the proprietor of the ticket No. 100 please contact the Friary, Dungarvan...

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DUNGARVAN COURSING CLUB ANNUAL DANCE C.S.M. BALLROOM, CLONEA SUNDAY NIGHT JANUARY 6th

WEDDING: RIORAN-FLYNN—St. Mary's Parish Church, Dungarvan, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday, 26th December...

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OBITUARIES

Mr. Thomas Connolly, Aglish

The death occurred during the early hours of Saturday morning December 15th, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan of Thomas Connolly, Aglish. He was a most charming man who won the respect of all who had the pleasure of knowing him. He was the last surviving member of a very old family, and his passing is mourned by all and all in his native parish.

Mr. Michael Heaney, Ballyconroy

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Mr. Thomas Condon, Knockmeal

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the brothers, nephews and nieces of the late Thomas Condon, whose death occurred as a result of an accident at the home of the late Mrs. Condon, on Sunday night, December 16th. A most likable man, he was a member of a very highly respected family.

Mrs. Hanora Coffey, Skeheens

It is our duty to chronicle the death of Mrs. Hanora Coffey (nee Foley) Skeheens, Ballyconroy, whose death at a comparatively early age took place at Ardkeen General Hospital, Waterford, on Wednesday, December 18th. Deceased was a most charming lady and was loved by all who knew her.

Mrs. Alice Organ, Abbeyside

Deep and sincere sympathy is extended to the husband and family of Mrs. Alice Organ, whose death occurred at her residence, Abbeyside, on Sunday morning, December 22nd, after an illness of some duration.

Mrs. Mary Morrissey, Stradbally

The sad event of the death of Mrs. Mary Morrissey, Stradbally, occurred on the early morning of Thursday, December 19th, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan. Her illness of rather short duration, her passing has cast a gloom over her relatives and friends.

Mr. David Condon, Dungarvan

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Mr. David Condon, Dungarvan, which occurred on Christmas Eve at the District Hospital, Dungarvan. Although he had been unwell for some time his death came rather unexpectedly.

Late Miss Catherine Purcell, Affane, Cappoquin

Mass cards in connection with the recent death of Miss Catherine Purcell, Affane, Cappoquin, were received from loving sisters Nellie and Bridie. Her husband, Mr. James Purcell, died in 1958.

Mr. Michael Kiely, Ballinamult

Deep regret was occasioned by the news of the death of Mr. Michael Kiely, Ballinamult, who died on Wednesday, December 18th, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Kiely, in the town of Dungarvan. He was a most cultured and respected gentleman.

Mr. Patrick Kiely, Knock

The death took place on Christmas Day, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan, of Mr. Patrick Kiely, late of Abbeyside and Knock, Gloun. He had reached an advanced age and was a most respected member of the farming community.

Mrs. B. Morrissey, Cappoquin

We announce with deep regret the death of Mrs. B. Morrissey, Cappoquin, which took place in the Hospital of the Sacred Missionaries, Mary, Clonmel, on December 17th. She was a lady of many estimable qualities and held in much regard. Large numbers followed the remains from Clonmel to Affane Church where they were received by Very Rev. M. Holly, and Rev. C. Daly, C.C.

Miss Mary Olive O'Halloran, Glashmore

Deep sympathy goes to Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Halloran and family, Lismore, in the death of their only daughter, Miss Mary Olive O'Halloran, Glashmore, who died on Friday, December 13th, at the age of 38 years.

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Monthly Holy Hour - The monthly Holy Hour devotion will be held at 7.30 o'clock, on Friday, January 11th, at the Lismore Castle.

Death of Mr. J. O'Donnell - At a deep and sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Mr. James O'Donnell, Chapin St., who died on Saturday, December 28th, at the age of 82 years.

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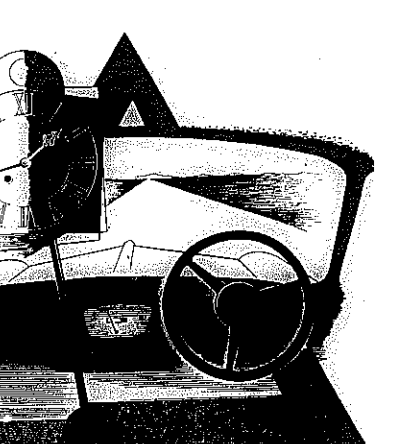
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