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CHRISTMAS DANCING



C.S.M. BALLROOM, CLONEA St. Stephen's Night, Thursday Dec. 28th music by the MERRIEMEN SHOWBAND

PENSMAN takes you Behind the Spotlight

A NEW SCHOOL

This issue of the "Leader" carries an official announcement of the opening of a new school in Dungarvan early in the new year. It marks the first break through by a group of dedicated men and women throughout Mid and West Waterford who have been working with devoted loyalty for a number of years to help the backward children in the region.

The Association's original aim was the establishment of a 5-day residential school for these children under the Nuns of the Mercy Order at St. Michael's in Cappoquin.

Following this great disappointment the Association became dormant for a period but then a new possibility of a day school in Dungarvan presented itself through the efforts of Dr. M. E. O'Neill, the Assistant Chief Medical Officer for the County who with a team of hardworking nurses carried through a Herculean task of assessing a big number of children throughout the region during the past twelve months.

A special committee of management with Rev. D. O'Byrne, C.C., Dungarvan, as Manager, was set up to handle the many arrangements necessary for getting the school started and I understand that this very hard-working committee has almost completed everything required to ensure the opening of the school on January 7.

The entire funds that were raised in the beginning when Cappoquin was the target had remained unutilised since that proposal was turned down and this money will now be devoted to get the new school in Dungarvan under way.

Mr. Fives, Chairman of the Dungarvan Coursing Club said that they were celebrating a special centenary in 1969. Mr. Walsh said that they had made representations to the Department of Posts and Telegraphs also with a view to having a special postage stamp issued in commemoration of the centenary.

DUNGARVAN AND ABBEYSIDE SOCCER PITCHES

New Agreements With U.C.

Dungarvan Urban Council who own land at Springmount and Abbeyside, which is all presently used by the Dungarvan and Abbeyside Soccer Clubs as playing pitches are in respect of these areas.

The Town Clerk, Mr. J. P. Robinson, said the land in question was originally reserved as an industrial site but it was possible that it would be devoted to housing at a future date.

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COUNTY COUNCIL CALL FOR FOUR SEATER CONSTITUENCY

At a special meeting of Waterford County Council held in Dungarvan on Thursday, a resolution proposed by Mr. P. Coffey (P.C.) and seconded by Mr. A. Deasy (P.C.), called on the Minister for Local Government to amend the proposed legislation on constituency boundaries so that part of West Waterford now in the South Tipperary Constituency be included in the Constituency of Waterford.

Mr. Deasy, in seconding the motion, said that it was one of the common sense of all members and he asked the Minister to use his influence with the Minister to alter his decision in favour of Waterford.

Mr. J. Fahey, T.D. (P.P.), said that when his party fought the Referendum in Waterford, they had in mind the return of the constituency to a single seat.

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CHILDREN'S HOUR

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SCOUT NOTES

11th WATERFORD C.B.S.I. (St. Mary's, Dungarvan) Scout Law. A Scout is loyal. He is loyal to his scout principles, his fellow scouts and all others to whom loyalty is due.

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ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL DUNGARVAN

St. John's Association of Parents and Friends of Handicapped Children was inaugurated in Cappoquin on the 9th February, 1965. The objective was a residential and day school for retarded children to be situated in Cappoquin.

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