







KILMACTHOMAS NOTES.

The Rainbow Cinema.—Particulars of the splendid pictures procured for the coming week are given in the posters which are now distributed throughout the town and surrounding districts. Dairy Farmers will please note that unsalted butter will be bought on Thursday of each week during the season at top current prices by D. C. Canny and Co., Kilmacthomas. Stradbally Social Club held their annual dance at Spring Valley Hall, Bonmahon, on Sunday night last. The function was largely patronised and proved most enjoyable. Dancing was begun at 9 o'clock and continued with unabated zest up to 3 a.m., when the playing of the National Anthem terminated the gala affair. The music was faultlessly supplied by the Harmony Sextet Band, and the catering and general arrangements left absolutely nothing to be desired. Sympathy.—The members of the Kilmacthomas Postal Workers' Union, at a specially convened meeting, voted sympathy to their colleague, Mr. Ben Beatty, St. Anne's Terrace, in his recent sad bereavement occasioned by the death of his father (the late Mr. B. Beatty, of Abbeyside, Dungarvan, whose passing was chronicled in the previous issue of the "Observer"). Death of Mr. M. Scanlon.—Deep sorrow has been occasioned by the death of Mr. Michael Scanlon, Ballylancean, Kilmacthomas, which took place on Wednesday evening of last week, following an illness of some few months and in the fullness of his years. Deceased, who was an esteemed member of the community, belonged to a highly respected local family. His refined and gentle nature, coupled with a generous and charitable disposition, endeared him to all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. A large gathering of relatives, friends and sympathisers accompanied the removal of the remains on Thursday evening to St. Anne's Church, Ballylancean, where they were received by the Rev. P. F. Walsh, C.C., Ballylancean, who recited the prayers for the deceased in requiem Mass on Friday morning, interment was made in the adjoining cemetery amid every manifestation of profound sorrow. Father Walsh pronounced the final absolution at the graveside. The light of heaven to the gentle soul departed. Mr. Patrick O'Reilly, undertaker, Kilmacthomas, had charge of the funeral arrangements. (American and Australian papers will please copy.) Condolence.—At the recent weekly parade of the Kilmacthomas L.D.F., a vote of condolence was passed with S/L Ben Beatty on the death of his father. Fianna Fall.—At a meeting of the Ballylancean Cumann a vote of thanks was passed to Mr. M. Morrissey, T.D., for getting an inspection of the lands offered for afforestation purposes in the area. Collectors were appointed to take up the annual collection. Gaelic Garnerings.—The Kilmacthomas v. Eire Og (Dungarvan) J.H. match in the first round of this year's Western divisional championship, billed for the Stradbally venue on Sunday last, did not materialise. The Kilmac team fielded out at the appointed hour, and when their opponents failed to put in an appearance, the referee (Mr. Declan O'Sullivan, Dungarvan, H. & P. Club) had no option but to award a walk-over to the Mahon-side side, who then sportingly played a "mixed mix" for the large crowd present. The green-and-gold jersey combination are going great guns for the major county title of the current year in the big ball code. More power to friends "Plus" and company! Considerable interest is centred in the S.F. county championship clash between the 3rd Batt. (Army) and Dungarvan, coming off at Stradbally on to-morrow (Sunday), with Mr. P. Donnelly (Ballyduff-Kilmeaden H. & F. Club) in charge of the whistle. The sides are equally keen on and confident of victory, and as both are reported to be as fit as the proverbial fiddle, speed, strength, style and skill will surely be outstanding features of the fray. The fifteen will be played on to the line-out by the Bonmahon File and Drum Band (under the baton of the veteran versatile Genl. Mr. Lar Weiden), and the attendance is expected to prove a record for the Stradbally arena. Kilrossanty Club voted condolence with the widow and family of the late Mr. Patrick Lalor, Main Street, Carrick-on-Suir. The Final of the billiards handicap was played in the Temperance Hall, Kilmacthomas, on Thursday night of last week, in the presence of a very large gathering, the contestants being Geoff Flynn (125) and Willie Downey (75). After one of the best games ever seen in the hall, Downey won by a narrow margin. Both players at the conclusion of the game received a great ovation. J. McCarthy, as in the previous handicap, again won the prize for the highest break. Kilmacthomas L.D.F. District Staff Band, taking place at Spring Valley Hall, Bonmahon, on to-morrow (Sunday) night week, bids fair to pan out one of the most brilliant and successful social functions ever organised in the mid-Waterford area. The capable committee in charge of the arrangements are leaving nothing undone to ensure for the comfort of their guests on this eagerly awaited occasion. The Waterford Swing Aces Band (conducted by Martin "Busty" Griffin) will render the music. For fuller details see the advertisement elsewhere in this issue, and resolve to be there with the rest.

LISMORE NOTES

Last Sunday's Games.—Before a fairly good attendance and under ideal weather conditions two games in the opening rounds of the junior county championships were decided at the local Gaelic Field on Sunday last—the first, a clash in hurling between Camphire and Tallow, and the second, in football, between Knockanore and Aragen. Both games were rather dull and, except for a few bright patches, play was well below championship standard. The hurling contest was a dour struggle, both sides putting up a good defence and as a result scoring was low. Although Tallow were definitely the faster team, the Camphire boys had the advantage of weight and it was this factor which finally decided the issue. Tallow opened the scoring with a point and Camphire responded with a major score. Play continued fairly even to the interval whistle without any further scores being obtained on either side, leaving the position Camphire, 1-0; Tallow, 0-1. On resumption of play the Tallow forwards made very determined efforts to raise the green flag but the Camphire lines withstood the assaults and the attackers had to be content with a minor score. Camphire then went over to the offensive and soon had a goal which they followed shortly afterwards with a point. These scores clinched matters and, although Tallow continued to press hard they were unable to score more than another point and Camphire ran out easy winners on the score 2-1 to 0-3. Outstanding for the winners were Lanning and assistance given to me during the course of my duties, and I wish to congratulate them on the manner in which they carried out their duties. I also wish to thank Mr. Dromey, C.T.I., for his able guidance and advice to me during the year, which I very much appreciate. A special word of praise is due to Mr. O'Donoghue, manager, Millvale Co-op Creamery, for supplying acid and alcohol for testing purposes. By Gracious Permission of the Marchioness of Waterford a dance (10 to 4) in aid of the Waterford Hunt Club will be held at the Riding School, Curraghmore, on Wednesday night next, and indications are not lacking that the event will be a red-letter one. Waterford Swing Aces' Band will provide the music. Also Fixed for to-morrow (Sunday) is the county S.F. championship first round tie between Portlaoise and Erin's Hope (Kilmeaneve). It is to be played at the local ground, with Mr. P. J. O'Sullivan, N.T., do, as to act as referee. The Tannery team will not hear of defeat; neither will the Hopes, and so intending onlookers are assured of a stern tussle for supremacy between these honourable rivals. Mid-Deise Funters had their "bit" each way on St. Donavint in his race at the Punchestown meeting last week. This gallant animal—trained by universally esteemed Mr. Roger Shanahan, Ashdown, Kilmacthomas—finished second in a big field at the handsome odds of 20 to 1 against. A Number of enthusiasts from Stradbally and Ballylancean attended and thoroughly enjoyed the monster "30" card drive (in aid of the funds of the local troop of Catholic Boy Scouts) decided at the Atlantic Dance Hall, Tramore, on Sunday evening last. Messrs. McHinch & Co., Scotland, who have purchased all the timber suitable for commercial purposes on the Fairholme estate, Comeragh, Kilmacthomas, are now giving employment to a large number of hands at felling operations there. It is stated that the work will not be completed for at least two years. His Troops of Friends and well-wishers up and down the Decies will be delighted to learn that Mr. Richard Roche, of Ballinahilla, Bonmahon, is now completely recovered from his recent indisposition.

LISMORE NOTES

TRAGIC ACCIDENT AT LISMORE SAD DEATH OF PROMINENT TOWNSMAN The shocking fatal tragedy which occurred in Lismore on Tuesday evening and which resulted in the death of Mr. Thomas Crotty, one of the leading and most popular citizens and Chairman of the Town Commissioners has cast a gloom over the entire district. From information to hand it would appear that Mr. Crotty was in the habit of going for a walk every evening after closing his premises. On Tuesday evening, as usual, about 6.30 he left home for his favourite stroll down Lady Louise's Walk, opposite the castle, where a narrow path runs high above the River Blackwater. Along the walk a jagged rock-bound cliff slopes down to the river. Nothing more was heard of Mr. Crotty until his body was found lying amongst the rocks, about an hour later, by a son of Guard Boyle, Lismore. Dr. D. Healy, Lismore, was promptly on the scene, and found that deceased's neck was broken, while severe injuries were found about the head. It is surmised that he had slipped on the narrow path above and had fallen with great force against the rocks below, and death must have been instantaneous. The deceased gentleman was brother of Very Rev. M. Canon Crotty, P.P. Cahir, for whom the deepest sympathy is felt at this tragic occurrence. The remains were interred in Lismore on Thursday after the celebration of Requiem Office and High Mass. An inquest will be held to-day (Friday).

CLASHMORE DRAW WITH OLD PARISH.

At the popular Ardmore venue on Sunday week last the old rivals, Old Parish and Clashmore met in the initial round of the junior football championship and a great game resulted in a draw—surely, a remarkable outcome when it is considered that when the same teams met in the championship last season there were two draws before the issue was decided in favour of Old Parish at the third attempt. On Sunday last both sides fielded strong teams, each with a quota of newcomers. Old Parish were strong favourites but the young Clashmore side fielded in enthusiastic mood and surprised everybody by giving a sparkling display against their stronger opponents who also played a fine robust game. Clashmore, playing with the wind, pressed hard in the initial stages and a series of wides before sending over the bar for the opening score. From a free Clashmore again sent over the bar to be disallowed. Old Parish continued to put up a fine defence against a fast opposition. The Old Parish post had an escape when Baker, for Clashmore, struck the upright. On the turn-over Old Parish pressed home attack after attack and soon had a goal and a point and with a strong wind in their favour looked as if they had a secure hold of the game. The Hourigan brothers and Curran were playing exceptionally well for Old Parish. The Clashmore backs, led by B. Tobin, hero of many a game, were putting up a splendid defence against persistent attacks. McGrath, at centre-field, was playing a great game for Clashmore, who rallied to reduce the lead by a point. Keeping on the pressure they got a point off a free (J. Tobin) and scored still another point to equalise amidst scenes of the greatest excitement. The full-time whistle fell the position: Clashmore, 0-4; Old Parish, 1-1. Mr. P. Moloney, Aglish, was a capable and impartial referee and the local Club had all arrangements in good order. The day was fairly fine and there was a good attendance despite counter attractions.

DUNGARVAN URBAN COUNCIL

It was decided that it would be to the benefit of everyone if they could keep the rates down. If they had put 6d. on the Meals rate, it would mean that the poor people would have to pay 1d. or 2d. in their rates. That would mean a lot to them. The people of the town have always responded very well to the appeals for money of the school meals. They have been very generous and, he was sure, would not hesitate to give again. The rate originally was 3d. and that was increased to 6d. in the £ and still there was a big deficit. Mr. Dahill said that if they increased the rate by 6d. or 7d. in the £ the very people for whose benefit they would do it would have to pay as well as the rich people. Chairman—Not as much. Mr. Dahill—A shilling is worth as much to them as a £1 to the others. Mr. Veale agreed that the full cost of the scheme should be borne by the rate. Mr. Kyne contended that as this was one of the social services to be maintained by rate and not a specific charity the full amount should be realised by rate. Public Lavatories.—Mr. Veale referred to the proposal to erect public lavatories on the Square and asked if anything was being done in the matter. Mr. Ormonde said that the Borough Surveyor did not think that the site on the Square would be suitable. Mr. Veale said that it was the unanimous wish of the Council to have it on the Square. Deelish Waterworks.—Mr. Kyne asked if any report had been received on the dam at Deelish. Acting Clerk—The Department have written for a report also. Mr. Kyne—I am glad to see that the Department and myself are of the one mind on this matter. Messrs. Delap and Waller for a report. A resolution proposed by Mr. Kyne and seconded by Mr. Veale that a definite and final report be made to the Council on the Deelish dam with a view to seeing who is at fault and of securing a refund of the money lost was passed. Council Tenant's Grievance.—A tenant of the Council came before the meeting and stated that because he had worked in the Co. arrears of rent in respect of a house in Loughmore he had been brought to court where a decree for possession had been given against him. He stated that he was prepared to pay off the arrears each week. The Council, following a short discussion on the matter decided to ask the Manager to re-instate him as tenant on condition that he pay off the arrears. Houses.—Mr. Veale proposed the following resolution: That the Manager be asked in accordance with Section 26 of the Co. Management Act to prepare and submit to the Council plans and specifications for the erection of ten 5-roomed houses together with an estimate of cost of erecting same. Mr. Ormonde said that plans for the erection of 400 houses in the town had been submitted to the Department for approval. They had not got them back yet. Mr. Veale said that his reason for asking for these houses was that there was a number of young married people in the town who had no houses and were banded from post to pillar. Something should be done to provide them with suitable houses. Mr. Dahill said that last year he asked that 40 houses be built but nothing was done about it. If houses could be built for 7/6 or 8/- a week there would be a lot of people who would take them. Mr. Kyne seconded the resolution which was passed.



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CORRESPONDENCE.

The Editor, "Dungarvan Observer." A Chair. Permit me through the columns of your widely read newspaper to voice my approval of the belated publicity recently given to the deplorably neglected and unhygienic environment of the Tallow Carnegie Library. As has been stated the grounds present a most unkempt appearance and no effort is being made to check the profusion of weeds that are growing up now to adorn the base of the walls of the very building itself. I am certainly amazed at the negligence of the Libraries Committee in allowing this state of affairs to prevail year after year. Contrary to our Co. Librarian's opinion the services of a permanent gardener would not be required here, as all who are acquainted with the ground will readily agree. As pointed out by your correspondent a casual labourer employed, say for a day or two each quarter could easily keep the place in a respectable condition and thereby give some little pleasure to all who frequent the Library. As regards the footpath, surely the cost of cementing this, or at least putting some gravel on it, should not be beyond the resources of the Libraries Committee, and even if such were the case, an approach to our Co. Manager, who is very interested in Town Planning, may be of some benefit. I trust the authorities concerned will be good enough to attend to this immediately and not allow the matter to rest and eventually fade away into oblivion as so often happens.—Yours, "INCOGNITO."