

WORLD NEWS

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the Faith—The... Propagation... at the... Sunday last...

Local Council—A... Parish... on Saturday... requested to attend...

Libraries—The... of grain... considering the... that prevent...

are now making... long winter... here. If your... economically, or...

Good Day's Sport—Aglish... on Wednesday... a big field turned out...

Don't miss the Coursing Dance... in the Town Hall on Sunday night...

YOUR NIGHT-CAP... VELVET CAP... No. 1,626

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WATERFORD LEADS IN AGRICULTURE... By winning the John Leane Perpetual Challenge Cup...

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THE RESUMPTION... going into the attack, an over resulting. Clones had an over...

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DUNGARVAN COURSING CLUB WILL HOLD A GRAND DANCE THE TOWN HALL, DUNGARVAN, SUNDAY, 5th NOVEMBER, 1944.

JUNIOR HURLING FINAL. Cappoquin, 4-4; Clones (Power), 3-3. Cappoquin secured the junior hurling championship...

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You cannot beat "POWER'S" Stout because it's "GUINNESS AT ITS BEST." THOMAS POWER & CO., ST. BRIGID'S WELL BREWERY, DUNGARVAN.

MOUNT MELLERAY SEMINARY, CAPPOQUIN. Examination Results, 1944. LEAVING CERTIFICATE 26 PASSED, 14 WITH HONOURS.

STRIKE FUND A.T. & G.W. Union. (DUNGARVAN BRANCH). THE Committee desire to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of...

Entertainment—The present show in Cappoquin—the Grand Show of attraction. The Boathouse is well filled each night...

GAELIC NOTES: SENIOR CLUBS. By "TAOBHLINÉ." Congratulations to our senior hurlers who on Sunday last confounded the critics...

WATERFORD HURLERS STAGE A COMEBACK. Waterford, 7-8; Cork, 8-5. At the Gaelic Field, Dungarvan, on Sunday last, before 6,000 spectators...

CONGRATULATIONS TO CAPPOQUIN ON Sunday's great victory over Clones in the junior hurling county final...

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AUTUMN MACHINERY NOW in stock. PLOUGHS, SPRING HARROWS, ETC. and fittings for all makes. Michl. Moloney AND CO., Bridge St. & Square, DUNGARVAN.

DUNGARVAN URBAN COUNCIL

Mr. T. McCarthy (Chairman) presided at the quarterly meeting of the Dungarvan Urban Council on Friday night last.

Damage to Council's Property. I wish to report further damage to the Council's property, namely, the railing at Loughmore housing estate...

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KILMATHOMAS NOTES

Late Mrs. M. A. Power, Adramone, Kilmassary.—Mass cards were received from: Paddy, Midge and Nora; Thomas and Mrs. Cotter and family; Fitzgerald family, Georgetown; Kieley family, Ballynabanogue; Pat and Lizzie Power, Castlequartern; an old friend, Josie Kieley, Dungarvan; the Portal family, Ballysean; Bridie Cowman, all in Furrleigh; Marcella and Eddie Cunningham, Ballydurn; Tom and Margaret, Leamybrien; Mrs. Hallahan, Dungarvan; Mary Harney and May; Mrs. B. Flynn and family; Durrrow; C. J. Bergin; Nora & Mickey; T. P. Kennedy and family; the Connors family, Fahá; Bill Hanrahan and Jimmy, Gurtivacory; Hannah Lynch and family; Mrs. Fitzgerald, Tom and Babe; Josie Fleming, John Kieley and family, Ballygowan; Mrs. O'Gorman, Lismore; Mrs. Walsh, Ballingown; Julia Colbert, do.; P. Kieley, do. Wreaths laid on the grave were from: Her heartbroken son, Billy; Midge, Midge and Nora; Margaret; Bridie Flynn and family; Mrs. Power and family; Julia, John and Mary Colbert.

The Fair.—The monthly fair at Kilmathomas on Tuesday last was of large dimensions, with a very quiet trade in all departments. Average quotations: Cattle, yearlings, £2 to £3 10s.; 2 years, £2 to £2 10s.; 3 years, £16 to £23; springers, £22 to £29; old cows unnoticed. Sheep, fat hoggets, 70/- to 85/-; stores, 45/- to 65/-; Store pigs, 100/- to 135/-.

Widespread Sympathy is extended to Mr. Maurice Hurley, Fahá, Kilmathomas, in his bereavement, occasioned by the death of a nephew of his, which sad event occurred in Belgium on an recent date.

Our Mahoe-visited File was visited the other afternoon by a depressed-looking man hugging a home-made fiddle under his chin and scraping out a faint thread of sound that might have been "Dancing with tears in my eyes."

R.I.P.—Fortified by the rites of Holy Church, to which he was ever devotedly attached, Mr. John Higgins, Carrigahilla, Stradbally, died in the fullness of his years on Monday week (3rd ult.). Possessed of an unusual amount of unusual charm, the deceased was always cheery and good-natured; his conversations were ever animated and his a contagious sense of humour that withered pessimism, and his generous actions at all times marked him as a favourite with everybody. His death is very sincerely regretted, and many sincere expressions of condolence have been tendered to his equally well esteemed son and daughter, James Higgins, Misses Nora and Ellie Higgins, and Mrs. M. Mason, Curraheen, Stradbally. Subsequent to the celebration of Requiem Mass in the Parish Church, Stradbally, on Wednesday morning week, all that was mortal of the late Mr. Higgins was reverently laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery, in the presence of innumerable relatives, friends and sympathisers. Very Rev. E. English, P.P., Stradbally, officiated at the graveside.

Death of Mr. M. Kavanagh.—The death of a comparatively early age, of Mr. Michael Kavanagh, farmer, Ballysean, Kill, which sad event took place at St. Anne's Private Nursing Home, Clonmel, is regretted throughout these parts, where he and his family have many wide connections, and are extremely popular. Deceased, who had not been well for some time, bore his affliction with exemplary christian fortitude, and he passed away with sentiments of the liveliest faith. Mr. Kavanagh was a man of straightforward and upright convictions and was very highly respected by everyone who knew him. He was a very practical agriculturalist, and a keen judge of cattle and horses, and a highly successful breeder and exhibitor of thoroughbred livestock. In his younger days the late Mr. Kavanagh was a great athlete and one of the best Gaelic footballers in the Decies. He was the champion ploughman of Co. Waterford for several years, and was also a very successful ploughman in Munster and in Leinster over recent years. His demise has removed one of the good and true sports of the past. His worthily esteemed family and relatives are the recipients of numerous messages of sympathy. The remains were taken to the Parish Church, Dunhill, on Monday evening last, and were accompanied by a huge concourse of people. In the cortege were several members of the public bodies, and the professional, business and farming people, from various parts of the county. It was a most impressive manifestation of popular respect by all classes and creeds to his memory, and of regret and sympathy to his nearest and dearest. Office and High Mass for his soul were held in the sacred edifice on Tuesday morning, and the burial took place afterwards in the adjoining cemetery amid every evidence of profound sorrow. A number of beautiful floral wreaths were laid on the grave, and shoals of Mass cards and messages of condolence were received. At dusk De go raibh a nám.

L.D.F.—Every unit in the district had a team entered in the inter-platoon "Question Time" held at the Courthouse, Kilmathomas, on Thursday night of this week. The answering on the whole was exceptionally good, and the members of the winning team were presented with useful prizes by the senior officer present, who warmly congratulated them on their success.

Baldwin's Hall, Kill.—The usual cellidhe and old-time waltzes held here on Sunday night last attracted another bumper house. Dancing was from 8 o'clock to the mid-night hour and the music was right pleasingly rendered by the Premier Dance Band, Waterford (conducted by Dick Walsh). The fine assembly thoroughly enjoyed the function and the cloakroom and cycle park services were also to the complete satisfaction of all.

The Pending Departure, on transfer from the Garda Síochána Station, Kill, of Garda Patrick Faherty and Michael McGrath is regretted by the people of the village and district. Courteous and efficient guardians of the peace, both had served in the Leamybrien district from whence they were changed to Kill some few years since. Their transfer is set for the 9th inst. Garda Faherty is going to Kilmaganny, Co. Kilkenny, and Garda McGrath, a station in Co. Cork.

Death of Mrs. A. O'Connell.—Mrs. Alice O'Connell, who answered the Great Call, on Sunday last, was an octogenarian. The deceased lady had been in failing health for some months and to her last earthly hour displayed a truly wonderful example of patient resignation to Divine Providence. Of a quiet and most unassuming disposition, she had won the universal esteem of all who had the privilege of knowing her, and much sympathy goes out to her respected family and relatives. A vast concourse of neighbours accompanied the removal of the remains from the residence on Monday evening to the Church of Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel, Kill, where they were received by her family. After Requiem Mass for the repose of her soul on Tuesday morning, interment for herself took place in the adjoining cemetery, and sympathisers were again present in large numbers to pay their last respects. Father John O'Connell pronounced the final absolution at the graveside.—R.I.P.

Newtown Ploughing Association.—At a specially convened meeting, the above passed a vote of condolence with Mr. Frank Kavanagh, Ballysean, Kill, on the death of his father, Kilmassary Amateur Dramatic Society voted sympathy to Miss Midge Power (a valued member) in her recent bereavement, occasioned by the death of her mother, the late Mrs. Mary Anne Power, Adramone, Kilmassary.

Gaelic Gatherings.—Our senior hurling inter-county string's sparkling show of superiority over Cork last Sunday was the who of a whack at those of the powers that be who deemed the standard of hurling in the Decies, and in Tipperary insufficiently high to allow of those strongholds of the purely Celtic code being represented in the original Brother Rice Memorial tournament programme, Portlaurage Abad.

Right cordially do we congratulate the capital ashen-blade wielding company of Cappoquin, who, from Fraher field, on Sunday last, brought home the bacon with the "Old Corner Stone" brand upon it! Of a verity, no other hurling team in the Emerald Isle is peopled by purer sportsmen than Cappoquin's population.

Kilmassary Football Club voted sympathy to Mr. James (Jimmy) Higgins, Carrigahilla, on the death of his father.

Dunhill Hurling and Football Club passed a vote of condolence with the family of the late Mr. Michael Kavanagh, Ballysean, Kill, on the death of his father.

NEWS FROM BALLYDUFF, KNOCKANORE AND MOOREHILL

Feast of Christ the King.—On Sunday last the feast of Christ the King was celebrated with the usual ceremonies in the various churches of the district. After last Mass evening began and during the period of the Exposition the Churches were thronged with devout worshippers. The ceremonies concluded with the reading of the Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart and with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. During the ceremonies the High Altar in each Church was artistically decorated with flowers and candles in honour of the feast day.

Branch of All-Ireland Hurling.—We have been informed that a meeting will be held in Ballyduff in the near future. Some weeks ago a meeting in connection with same was held when it was decided to form a branch of the organisation at next meeting. Unfortunately, owing to the inclemency of the weather, the organiser was unable to attend this meeting, with the result that formation of same was postponed.

On the Farm.—Down Ballyduff all three threshing operations have drawn to a close and during the period farmers and labourers worked early and late to have this work completed. In spite of the unfavourable weather conditions which prevailed during the spring and summer months, the yield of wheat, oats and barley is well up to the average of former years. For a time it was feared the wheat crop would be a failure owing to weather conditions, but the pulling and crowding of the beet crop is now taking place on many farms and the yield in most districts is considered fairly satisfactory. It is to be hoped that weather conditions will brighten for this laborious work. So work on the farm goes on and it can truly be said a farmers work is never done.

Cellidhe Mor.—A grand cellidhe mor will be held at Ballyduff Hall in the near future. For date, see next week's issue.

Hallowe'en.—Many of the old customs in connection with Hallowe'en are still carried out down Knockanore way, and many a colleen and young man as well try to peep into the future to know what Dame Fortune has in store for them. In bygone years Hallowe'en was looked forward to by young and old but unfortunately like many another of our good old customs, Hallowe'en seems to be passing into the limbo of forgetfulness, which, I suppose only goes to show that the old order changeth and gives place to the new.

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CO. WATERFORD LIBRARIES

ANNUAL REPORT ON YEAR'S WORKING.

Mr. Ferguson, Murmahda, in his annual report on the year's working of the above, says:—

I have the honour of submitting to you hereunder the 13th annual report on the progress and working of the Co. Waterford Libraries.

General Report.—The cumulative effect of five years of work in the Co. Waterford Library Service has now become very apparent. Increasing supply difficulties, soaring prices, transport restrictions, have all contributed their unhappily quotas of the deterioration of the library position. There are, however, certain other factors, irrespective of war conditions which must be taken into account when assessing the situation as a whole. It is now some eight years since the necessity for broadening the basis of the library service has been emphasised. The constant reiteration of the basic causes of the unsatisfactory condition of the libraries and the larger library centres is certainly no novel feature in our annual reports. Were it not absolutely essential to proclaim the necessity for the immediate financial provision inevitably produces an inferior library service, we would consider that an apology would be made to the committees and the reading public. What the reading public require, however, is not an apology but a really efficient library service equipped to meet their immediate needs. This can only be attained by putting into operation a scheme based on rational planning which will provide for the reconstruction of the service on lines capable of exploiting the potentialities of the county library according to a minimum standard of competence. Last year a comprehensive plan for post-war reconstruction of the county library service was drawn up and presented to the County Manager for the Council's consideration.

We hope that in the general planning for the development of primary and vocational education after the war, the important role which a fully expanded library service may play will not be lost sight of. It appears that something in the nature of a national plan for such local autonomy would be still conserved, is requisite to meet present needs and future contingencies. The public library is an integral factor in the educational and cultural life of every progressive community. After a long struggle against repression, the library has won its freedom and its autonomy which has won the ready praise of those who take a genuine interest in our national culture, and at least a grudging approval of those whose outlook is somewhat more utilitarian. That it should be necessary to clamour continually for the library in this country indicates rather early-Victorian attitudes towards the whole subject or, perhaps what is worse, an obstinate refusal to acknowledge the position which public libraries should hold in the hierarchy of education. Millions a year are expended on primary and secondary education, and the extremely modest sums which would make public libraries really effective organs of adult education are considered as entirely withheld, and that without any logical reason whatever. For the role which the public library has to play in the raising of the standard of development depends the general level of culture of the ordinary citizen once he has left school. It has been truly said that education continues as long as life. Now the library is, so to speak, the public treasury of knowledge which provides for all the needs of the individual and the community and may justly lay claim to that most dignified title so often bestowed upon it, the poor man's university. It would therefore seem that by discriminating adversely as between public libraries and the other branches of education, central and local authorities are adopting a policy of inert tolerance towards this important branch of popular education and cultural life.

It cannot be argued that the present state of Irish public libraries is the logical outcome of the apathy of general public opinion. The steadily increasing demand for books and better library provision is scarcely synonymous with indifference. In this regard public appreciation of the importance of libraries is actually ahead of official and governmental recognition. Of their very essence the fruits of literature and the well-financed library service are of such a nature as to elude any attempt to compute them in the ordinary terms of commercial argon and profit and loss. For who can translate the worth of knowledge and culture in pounds and shillings; the enrichment of the human personality, the broadening of the mental horizon are not susceptible to purely arithmetical calculations. Yet even for those obscure spirits who are inaccessibly to such arguments, who demand the practical, the immediately tangible and the concrete we can provide proof of the importance of public libraries according to such purely utilitarian criteria. All branches of what are termed the useful arts are well represented on our library shelves. The farmer, the builder, the carpenter, the electrician, the garage owner, the radio dealer, the small plot owner, the shopkeeper, the housewife, etc., can all find informative and up-to-date books dealing with their various callings.

Summary of the Year's Progress.—Taking actual statistical returns for the whole county, as a basis of comparison it might appear that of 548 issues is indicative of some progress, however slight, and at least suggests that we are maintaining our status quo. Yet when we analyse the returns for individual centres, we may readily perceive that in certain cases a noticeable decline has set in. Once more Dungarvan centre, the largest in the county, assumes the guise of the "beta minus" issue for Dungarvan have fallen by a further 2,964 since last year. In 1941-42 Dungarvan reached its peak year with a total of 37,462 issues. Since then issues have declined by 7,743, that is to say, by over 20 per cent. Issues for Tramore have fallen by 2,916. An instructive comparison may be drawn between such centres as Dungarvan and Tramore, where little more than a skeleton service exists, i.e., totally insufficient to meet the needs of the special library building, and Tallow and Lismore, where special buildings exist and the hours of opening are adequate.

DON'T TRUST TO LUCK

CHOOSE SHOES BY LOTUS FOR COUNTRY WEAR.

MULCAHYS, DUNGARVAN

1943-44. — Branch, Dungarvan Urban; population served, 4,977; issues, 29,859. Branch, Lismore population served, 1,383; issues, 18,130. Branch, Tallow Town and District; population served, 1,141; issues, 19,948. Branch, Tramore Town and District; population served, 2,413; issues, 13,163.

The above figures are informative and conclusive. They reveal the great discrepancy which exists between the state of library development in towns which are adequately provided for, and that in those towns which have an extremely inadequate service. Tramore, more town and district, with over three times the population of Lismore, has 6,601 less than double the number of issues for Lismore. The conclusion to be drawn is obviously, the remedy to be applied equally so.

Books and Readers.—Interest in books dealing with the war in all its aspects and phases continues unabated. Demand exceeds supply. Amongst the most popular were all Douglas Reed's, Caseloid's "Moscow and Hitler," "The Last Train from Berlin," R. Gramm Swing's "How War Came," and Fr. Ryan's "Issues Under Fire." By a kind of mutual attraction, books on the 1914-18 war have come into their own again in public favour, particularly "The War and the World" by the late Sir John Galsworthy, and "The World as I See it" by Aldous Huxley.

The world is looking ahead with a somewhat cynical disillusionment to what further disasters may emerge from the crucible of war. Here and there a bright perky voice, like G. B. Shaw's, is raised to offer us the magic nostrum to cure our evils; in other directions heavy, academic, portentous experts weave their complicated web of social reforms. In this writer of proposals for a better world there is a maximum of mere wishful speculation with a minimum of sound philosophy. The main-stream of the world's thought as long as pre-war wishes of Communism and Socialism liberally besprinkled with a "saucy quantity" of religion, are more palatable. As a necessary antidote to such more than dubious Utopias we would recommend the following works to our readers: "The Pope's New Order," by Fr. Philip Hughes; "Re-Organisation of Social Economy," by Von-Nell Breuning; "The Church's Social Policy," by Fr. C. J. C. "The Spirit of Catholic Action," by Charles Murphy, and, lastly, a series of pamphlets which are specially bound in book form, entitled "Towards a New Ireland," edited by the Irish People Co-operative Society. These are undoubtedly of a provocative nature and will engender endless discussion, which is just what we need to clear the air.

Book Stock.—A total of 2,460 new books and replacements were added to stock during the year, and 1,166 worn books withdrawn from circulation, giving a net increase of 1,294, and bringing the total book stock up to 29,859.

Analysis of Stock.—Fiction, 12,543; general, 11,688; juvenile, 4,458; total, 28,689.

Borrowers.—There was a decrease of 131 borrowers during the year. The number of adult borrowers increased by 517, and the number of juvenile borrowers decreased by 646.

Analysis of Issues.—1942-43: Fiction, 32,706; total, 169,545. 1943-44: Fiction, 106,498; general, 30,494; juvenile, 33,103; total, 170,093.

Book Theft.—For some years past the question of the theft of books from libraries has been a matter of grave concern to Irish librarians. In Lismore we succeeded in proving a conviction. The judge promised jail to offenders in future cases. We trust that this will act as a deterrent to the very small minority of borrowers who engage in such despicable activities.

Honorary Librarians.—Our hon. librarians throughout the county, the majority of whom are teachers, continue to maintain their tradition of unselfish and disinterested service by keeping our local centres going. We wish to thank all our hon. librarians for their magnificent work during the past year.

Libraries Committee.—By their keen awareness of the present difficulties with which the library administration has to contend, and their appreciation of the necessity of co-ordination planning for the future, the County Libraries Committee have given the county librarian and staff every encouragement and assistance during the past year. We wish to assure them of our deepest gratitude.

Appreciation of the courteous manner in which the County Manager, Mr. S. J. Moynihan, has received our representations relative to library matters, and the greatest importance to the people of the locality was discussed and suitable action taken.

Clashmore Parish Council.—A special meeting of the Clashmore Parish Council was held on Saturday night last when a matter of the greatest importance to the people of the locality was discussed and suitable action taken.

To be continued next issue.

FURNITURE WE ARE OFFERING VERY CONSIDERABLE REDUCTIONS IN FURNITURE, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT THE QUALITY IS OF THE HIGHEST STANDARD. SPECIAL REDUCTIONS IN WOOD BEDS, SPRING MATTRESSES AND O'DEARST MATTRESSES. HARPUR BROS. 468, QUAY, WATERFORD.

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