

# Leinster Leader

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## CURRAGH ENTERTAINMENT

### DUBLIN ARTISTES DELIGHT

The Gymnasium, Curragh Camp, held a capacity audience on Sunday night, when the Portobello Concert Party presented a show which was accorded a most enthusiastic reception. Well-known and popular Dublin artistes figured on the bill of fare, as well as that talented group of soldier artistes whose "Barrack Variety" show recently packed the Theatre Royal, Dublin, for a week. Several of the items presented have recently been heard as features of Irish radio programmes.

Popular contributors to Sunday night's excellent programme were Miss Patricia Black (Ireland's leading operatic singer). Miss Peggy Dell, Dan Byrne (dame comedian). Master Tommy Byrne (boy soprano). Five Bros. Goode (in "hill-billy" songs). The "Tuneful Three" (broadcast successes), Sergt Dilly Flinters (comedian). Private Jock McClean (Scotch comedian and expert whistler), Cpl. "O.K." Kiely (comedian), Pte. Chas. Duffy (comedian), Pte. J. Crosby. Pte. M. Pearse, Cpl. Sheriff (equilibrist), Albert Healy (pianist), John Jackson (violinist).



The "Portobello Awkward Squad" in comedy military sketches made direct appeal to the audience and caused endless amusement.

The show was compered by Niall Boden in the inimitable fashion which has made him such a favourite with radio listeners and theatre audiences.

