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WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

1934.

MEETING 13th AUGUST, 1934

M I N U T E S

County Hall,
WEXFORD.

N.J. FRIZELLE,
Secretary, Wexford County Council.

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The monthly meeting of Wexford County Council was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 13th August, 1934.

Present:- Mr. D. Allen, Chairman, (presiding), also Messrs. James J. Bowe, Patrick Colfer, John Connors, R. Corish, Christopher Culleton, William Cullimore, John Cummins, John Day, Michael Doyle, Col. C.M. Gibbon, W.P. Keegan, John P. Kelly, William Kinsella, James Lawlor, T.J. Maylor, Thomas McCarthy, Philip Murphy, Sean O'Byrne, Col. R.P. Wemyss Quin, Michael Redmond, Thomas Redmond, Patrick Ronan, Myles Smyth, Malachi Sweetman and James E. Walsh.

The Secretary, Assistant Secretary, County Surveyor, County Solicitor, Assistant Surveyors R.J. Ennis, J.F. Birthistle and P. O'Neill, were also in attendance.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Note for £6255:3:7d was examined and signed.

DEATH OF MR. PHILIP LENNON

Mr. Cummins said it was his sad duty for him to announce the death of a Republican soldier, Phil Lennon. When the call to arms was given, Phil Lennon joined the Volunteers and proved himself a true soldier of the Republic. For doing so he was arrested and imprisoned in an English dungeon. While there he, with the other loyal men, went on hunger strike. On his release he stood to the Oath against enemies of the country from without and false ^{friends} ~~enemies~~ within the country. He stood firm to the oath to the end of his life. His interment would take place that day with all the military honours that the I.R.A. could confer on him. He left behind him sisters and brothers and a multitude of friends to mourn his loss. Concluding, Mr. Cummins proposed that a vote of sympathy be tendered to the members of his family and relatives and that the meeting stand adjourned

when business which could not be postponed had been transacted.

Mr. M. Redmond, seconding, said that he was a colleague of the late Mr. Lennon on the Co. Council in 1920. He believed that Mr. Lennon's death was due to his sacrifices in the cause of Irish freedom.

Mr. O'Byrne, associating himself with the resolution, said he also was a colleague of Mr. Lennon on the Council and knew the work which he did against ~~the~~ foreign enemies of the country.

Mr. Corish, on behalf of the Labour Party, associated himself with the vote, and said that those who were in the fight for freedom knew what Mr. Lennon had gone through. He thoroughly agreed with Mr. Redmond when he said that Mr. Lennon's young life was shortened by the hardships which he endured in the Black and Tan regime.

Mr. T. Redmond said he knew Phil Lennon since his boyhood days. When he came to New Ross first he threw himself into the work of the Gaelic League. Later on he joined the Volunteers and organised the New Ross area of South Wexford. Everyone who knew him, even those who did not join the movement and did not agree with his activities, believed Mr. Lennon was a man of honest and fearless character. It was one of the saddest duties of his (Mr. Redmond's) life to have to associate himself with the resolution.

Mr. Keegan said that Phil Lennon was as well known in North Wexford as in South Wexford, which was saying a great deal.

Mr. Doyle said he had the pleasure of being associated with Mr. Lennon on the Council. He knew him before there was any political split and he did a man's part and did it extremely well.

The Secretary said that Mr. Lennon, when a member of the Council, always took a very sane impartial view on all matters

relating to the affairs of the Council, and he was extremely sorry to hear of his death which would also be regretted by the entire staff.

The motion for adjournment after necessary business had been transacted was then put and passed.

VOTES OF CONDOLENCE

The following replies in connection with the lamented death of Mrs. Sean T. O'Kelly were, on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Keegan directed to be inserted on the Minutes of Meeting:-

"Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly, desires to convey to the Members of the Wexford County Council the expression of his sincere thanks for the sympathy extended to him by them on the occasion of his recent bereavement."

Miss O'Ryan, Co. Councillor, wrote:-

"Will you please convey to the Members of County Council and your Co. Committee our sincere thanks for their kind vote of sympathy passed with us in our recent bereavement. I am so grateful to proposer and seconder, Mr. Cummins, Mr. Doyle and all those who paid such tribute to my dear sister's memory, R.I.P.

"I am particularly grateful to you, Mr. Friselle, for your very touching references to her memory. Also thank the members of your staff for me."

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:- The following Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 10th August, 1934, were submitted:-

The fortnightly meeting of Finance Committee was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 10th August, 1934.

Present:- Messrs. Patrick Colfer, W.P. Keegan, John P. Kelly and Sean O'Byrne.

The Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Co. Surveyor and Co. Solicitor were in attendance.

On the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Keegan, the chair was taken by Mr. O'Byrne.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Note for £3724:0:4d was examined and signed.

ELECTORS' LISTS

It was stated that 25 or 26 names had been omitted from current Local Government Electors' Register in the town of Gorey and it was decided that Rate Collector Art Dunne be summoned to the meeting of County Council on 13th August, 1934.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 10th August, 1934, as submitted to this meeting be and are hereby confirmed."

"That the Question of complaints as to preparation of Electors' Lists for Gorey Town be referred to meeting of Finance Committee on 24th August, 1934, and that Collector Dunne be directed to attend."

DRAINAGE COMMITTEE

The following report of Drainage Committee was approved on the motion of Col. Gibbon seconded by Mr. Corish:-

"A meeting of the Drainage Committee was held in Co. Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 11th August, 1934.

"Present, Messrs R. Corish, presiding, Mr. William Kinsella and Col. Gibbon.

"The Co. Secretary, Co. Surveyor, Co. Solicitor, Mr. Birthistle Assistant Surveyor, with Mr. N. White, Secretary to 1855 Drainage Board and Mr. P. White, Secretary to 1885 Drainage Board, were also present.

"Letter from Office of Public Works under date 7th July, 1934, (11761/34) as to both drainage districts was read.

"This pointed out that no funds were available out of relief grants for existing drainage districts and therefore the resolution of the Co. Council of 14th May, 1934, could not take effect as regards their request for a State Grant for the deepening of the Section of the Drainage District between Ballybyrne Bridge and Kilmore (1885 Section). If the Council and the Drainage Ratepayers desired to have a Scheme carried out it was open to them to proceed by petition under the Arterial Drainage Act 1925 for the constitution of a new drainage district.

"The following is a brief sketch of the districts:-

"Previous to 1855 the upper portion was flooded every tide

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"and in that year drainage works were adopted and a drainage Board formed. The works were completed in 1857 and were found fairly effective for 18 or 20 years, in fact until the channel outside Gull Bank began to silt up. This silting grew worse and worse each year with the result that the ponding back of the water counteracted the flow from the upper reaches of the system. A canal was dug in 1885 to replace the old sluices. A second drainage board (1885) formed and the ratepayers affected by it have up to a short time back contributed drainage rates to both boards.

"The works carried out in 1885 maintained the drainage until about ten years ago when the drain was found to be again filling up. Since then very little has been done for the maintenance of the system.

"About two years ago the place was inspected by an Engineer from the Office of Public Works and it was ascertained from his report that in the work of 1885 humps of rock were not taken out to the depths shown on the plans resulting of course in obtaining a level of water much less than that considered necessary by the Engineers who drafted these plans. It is obvious that so long as the portions of rock referred to remain in the channel the drainage cannot be really effective. It is estimated that this work and the cleaning up of the drain would cost about £2000 and the drainage ratepayers are not able to provide that sum. About 1800 acres of suitable tillage land is embraced in the area and approximately 200 ratepayers are concerned, of whom 90 per cent are very small holders.

"The position is somewhat complicated by the fact that when the Solicitors who acted for the drainage tenants of 1885 (and who were heretofore paying to both schemes) in regard to the purchase of their holdings, approached either the Land Commission or the Office of Public Works as to whether the

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"tenants could be compelled to pay to both Boards they received the calculations for the Rates under the 1885 Scheme only and consequently the tenants refused to pay Rates to the older Board as they believed they were not liable.

"The Office of Public Works were asked by the 1855 Board to send an official to go into the existing situation but took no steps in that direction probably on the ground that they were not the Department concerned.

"The result is that the tenants for both boards have not made any contribution to the older one for two years.

"The Co. Surveyor stated that the present proposal was to grade the rock between cross section No. 8 and between cross section No.12, and taking low water mark and existing Cill level of the sluice Chamber as points for the grading. To have the remainder of the drain between cross section No.12 to cross Section No.1 and Ballybyrne Bridge cleaned out to even grade. The total length to be dealt with is approximately two statute miles. He believed this work could be carried out for the £2000 mentioned.

"The following recommendations were agreed to:-

1. That the Commissioners of Works be requested to take the necessary steps for the amalgamation of the two districts of Ballyteigue and Kilmore.

2. That the Co. Council press for a State Grant of £2000 to save the area from becoming derelict. We would point out that in the Parish of Kilmore practically 75% of the land is under tillage and it is a serious handicap to the drainage ratepayers to have about 1800 acres, which in the past yielded good crops, flooded for five or six months of an ordinary year. The application of the Council for £2000 will not be sufficient to have drain deepened to the extent contemplated by the original plans. In other districts in which drainage ratepayers were not satisfied with the work carried out, the Board

"of Works came to their assistance in a generous manner and we would request similar treatment for Kilmore - a district of small holders who have always adopted the policy of "National Self Sufficiency".

3. We request Mr. Corish, T.D., to bring to the special attention of the Office of Public Works these recommendations and also to endeavour to arrange for a visit from one of their Engineers to inspect the drainage systems in conjunction with the County Surveyor and to have a copy of his report transmitted to the Council.

4. That a copy of this report be furnished to the T.D.s., for Wexford County and they be requested to lend their assistance to the County Council in having the requests embodied therein carried out.

"In conclusion we would point out that unemployment is acute in the district and that any State Grant which is furnished for the renovation of the drainage district would be spent in labour."

Col. Gibbon said that a meeting of the Drainage ratepayers was held on Kilmore Quay after the meeting of the Drainage Committee when the matter was fully discussed and it was decided to ask the County Council to treat the matter as one of urgency.

It was also decided that copies of report be forwarded to the Department of Local Government and Public Health and to the Office of Public Works.

Messrs. James Monaghan and Patrick Roche, two of the drainage ratepayers came before the meeting and having read the report stated that it would have the support of the ratepayers concerned.

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APPOINTMENT JUNIOR CLERK

CO. SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT

The following applied for above position:-

1. Forde Wm. P., 2, Slaney Street, Wexford.
2. Larkin John J., 7, Lower Church Street, Enniscorthy.
3. Meyler George F., B.A., Dodona, Ballycanew.
4. Murphy Nicholas F., 4, Abbey Street, Wexford.
5. O'Brien John F., Allenstown, Broadway.
6. O'Kennedy John, Co. Surveyor's Office, Wexford.
7. O'Leary M.J., 3, St. Endas Terrace, Wexford.
8. O'Shea James, Rosbercon, New Ross.
9. Sedwards Walter, 4, Riverview Terrace, Carcur Rd., Wexford.

Mr. Corish proposed the following resolution:- "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, John O'Kennedy, 2, Lambert Terrace, Wexford, be appointed Junior Clerk in Co. Surveyor's Department, salary £156 per annum rising by annual increments of £7:10s. to £234 (subject to satisfactory service)."

Mr. O'Byrne seconded the motion which was adopted nem con.

The following is the application of the successful candidate:-

"I beg to apply for the position of Clerk in the County Surveyor's Office.

"As most of the Members of the Council are aware I passed an Examination in Accountancy. For some months past I have been employed in the office of the County Surveyor and have gained practical experience of the clerical work including costing in that office.

"I would refer you to the Co. Secretary and Co. Surveyor as to my character and ability.

"If appointed I will do my best to discharge the duties with general satisfaction."

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MEN EXECUTED IN 1923

The following motion of which previous notice was given stood in the name of Mr. Ronan:-

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health a railing be erected around the plot at County Hall, Wexford, where men were executed in 1923, and that a slab be inserted in the wall denoting the place, this slab to contain the names of the executed men and the date of their execution."

Mr. Ronan proposing the motion said that at the rear of the Council buildings three men, James Parle, Clover Valley, Taghmon, John Creane, Clonerane, Taghmon, and Patrick Hogan, Wexford, walked out in the grey dawn from their dreary cells and bravely stood with their backs to the wall before a firing squad and offered up their young lives on the altar of sacrifice for the country which they loved above all earthly things. They gave their lives in a noble cause, which could claim countless heroes all down through the centuries and in which men at all times were found to come forward to do and dare and make, if necessary the supreme sacrifice.

"Those three men followed in the footsteps of many who went before and they did not hesitate to die in the same old cause," proceeded Mr. Ronan. "It is sad to think that the place where they stood, that the very ground on which they fell, and into which their hearts' blood flowed, the blood of three of the noblest and bravest of Wexford's soldier sons - yes 'tis hard to think that this hallowed spot could be the property of the premier body of the Model county for some years and be treated in such a way as it has been. It has been said that we are an ungrateful people to those who fought and died for us and I think there is a large amount of truth in it as such a place would not get the same treatment in any other country."

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Instead those men would be regarded as national martyrs, and the spot where they fell would be honoured and held almost sacred. But how different here! It is our duty now to see that this place is properly protected and in order that posterity may see and know the place where those three men, whose names will be recorded on the golden pages of Irish history as martyrs in their country's cause, poured out the last drop of their hearts' blood in order that the last strong link of that galling chain which has bound us for seven long centuries might be smashed and Ireland might be free. It is surely not too much to ask the people of their native County to have a railing erected around the spot where they fell and a slab be placed on the wall recording in simple language, their names, the date of their deaths and the cause for which they died. I would also propose that the cells where they spent the last night of their earthly existence when they prepared to meet their God, and out of which they walked on that last fateful journey, should be preserved as a monument to their memory, and that the names of each be placed over the doors of the cell which contained their deathbed. It is surely not too much to ask of their fellow-countrymen that they at least preserve the memory of those three gallant men of whom we feel proud. Future generations will also be proud to belong to the same County that gave birth to such men as they.

Mr. Colfer seconded the motion which passed nem. con.

SECONDARY & VOCATIONAL
SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

The following motion of which he had given previous notice stood in the name of Mr. Doyle:- "That the decision of the Council, giving (under Secondary and Vocational Scholarship Scheme) three additional Bursaries, be rescinded, and that the Scholarship, which would have been given a third girl if qualified, be granted to Gerald Fenelon, Church View, Tagoat, being the next qualified boy on the list that passed the Examination for Scholarships."

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It was stated that Mr. W.E. Godfrey, Solicitor, (Huggard, Brennan & Godfrey) was appearing for Mr. Fenelon and Mr. Fintan M. O'Connor, Solicitor, (Messrs. M.J. O'Connor & Co.) Wexford, for Messrs. Kelly, Swords and Sheil, to whom three Bursaries had been awarded.

The Chairman said he was inclined to rule that the two Solicitors be not heard. The Council had their own Solicitor and they were well able to deal with the matter. It was creating a precedent at Council meetings to have Solicitors appearing on opposite sides.

Mr. Ronan proposed and Mr. Keegan seconded the following resolution:- "That the Council decline to hear Messrs. Godfrey and O'Connor, Solicitors, appearing in connection with vacant scholarship under Secondary and Vocational Scholarship Scheme."

A show of hands was taken with the result that 13 voted in favour of the resolution and 12 against.

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The following letter was read from Mr. Wm. Fenelon, (father of Gerald Wm. Fenelon):-

"I observe that your Council has awarded five Scholarships and six Burses. The Scheme provides for Six Scholarships and three Burses and in the circumstances as my boy has passed the examination and has qualified for sixth place, I would respectfully request the County Council to award him a Scholarship, thereby complying with the provisions of the Scheme, so far as the number of Scholarships are concerned.

"Trusting the matter will receive your immediate attention."

The following under date 4th August, 1934, was read from Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor:-

"Referring to our interview as to this, I have now looked further into the matter. The position is, the County Council were in a position to grant three Scholarships to Boys and three to Girls, and also three Bursaries. There is no sex distinction

"as to Bursaries.

"Three Boys qualified for Scholarships, and they were granted to the first three Boys who were qualified under the Scheme, and as a result of the Examination.

"Only two Girls qualified at the Examination, and they were granted the Scholarships. This left one Scholarship vacant.

"Paragraph two of the Scholarship Scheme is as follows:-

"In the event of lack of competition for Scholarships or Bursaries by Boys or Girls, the Council shall have power, should they so desire, to award their Scholarships and Bursaries to the best Candidates, irrespective of sex."

"The County Council were of opinion, that as there was a vacant Scholarship for Girls, they were entitled to deal with the fund so rendered available for the Provision of extra Bursaries and accordingly, they awarded the three Bursaries as provided by the Scheme and three additional Bursaries, that is, six in all, to the best qualified Boys who had qualified for the examination.

"In my opinion, the County Council were quite correct in acting as they did as the effect of Paragraph two of the Scheme is, that when there is an unallotted Scholarship as has happened in this case, the sum available for same falls into a common Account, and as such, the County Council can deal with same under the Powers contained in that paragraph by awarding same as Bursaries in the manner they have done to the best qualified Candidates all of whom had high marks, and they are in no way bound to apply the funds available from lack of qualified Girl Candidates for Scholarships to Scholarships for a different sex.

"I would point out, there is no sex restriction in dealing with Bursaries contained in the Scheme and the County Council can grant Bursaries to any one sex or to divide them between the sexes as they may wish (as in Paragraph two, Bursaries are mentioned) - The Council are at liberty to deal with the money available for want of competition for either Scholarships or Bursaries to the best qualified Candidates.

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"Under the last Clause of the Scheme it is provided:-

"That in the event of any dispute or difference arising in connection with the Scholarships or Bursaries, or with the Holders thereof, or Candidates therefor, the decision of the County Council shall be final and binding, subject to the approval of the Minister for Education".

In moving his motion Mr. Doyle said that the Scheme provided for the award of six Scholarships and five only were awarded. He contended that in accordance with the Scheme six Scholarships should be given.

Col. Gibbon seconded.

The Chairman pointed out that the Scheme provided for three Scholarships for boys which had been awarded and three for girls. The three Scholarships for boys had been awarded but there were only two girls available for the three scholarships as a result of which the Council awarded the vacant Scholarship in accordance with paragraph 2 of the Scheme to the best candidates who happened to be candidates to whom, on account of their residences, Bursaries only could be awarded.

After a long discussion Col. Quin proposed and Mr. Cummins seconded the following resolution which was adopted:- "That a vote be taken on resolution of Mr. Doyle as to allotment of vacant girl's scholarship under Secondary and Vocational Scholarship Scheme."

The following is the result of the vote:-

FOR THE RESOLUTION:- Messrs. Bowe, Connors, Culleton, Day, Doyle, Gibbon, Kinsella, Meyler, Murphy, Smyth and Walsh. (11)

AGAINST:- Messrs. Colfer, Cullimore, Cummins, Keegan, Kelly, Lawlor, McCarthy, O'Byrne, Quin, M. Redmond, Thos. Redmond, Ronan, Sweetman and the Chairman. (14).

Mr. Corish did not vote.

The Chairman declared the motion lost.

The Secretary stated that the Scholarship and Bursary Holders already agreed to proposed taking them as follows:-

SCHOLARSHIPS: Edwin F. Todd, Christian Brothers, Wexford.

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P. Cousins and Edward Kavanagh, St. Peter's College, Wexford.

Bridget T. Doyle and Mary T. Mulligan, Loreto Convent, Wexford.

BURSARIES:- James P. Brennan, P.J. Byrne, Joseph Finn, E. Kelly, George Swords and Hubert Sheil at Christian Brothers Schools, Gorey.

RATE COLLECTION DISTRICT No.7.

The following under date 11th August, 1934, (G.102903/34 - Loch Garman Fa) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health:-

"I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant regarding the appointment of a Rate Collector for District No.7, and to state that he is not prepared to agree to the terms of the draft advertisement and conditions of appointment approved in the Department's letter of the 21st April last being varied by relieving existing officers of more than 12 months' service who become candidates, from the obligation of presenting themselves for the examination which the Council propose to hold."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Keegan:- "That the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be requested to reconsider his decision conveyed in letter of 11th August, 1934 (G.102903/34 - Loch Garman Fa) refusing to relieve officers of more than twelve months' service who become candidates for Rate Collectors for No.7 District from the obligation of presenting themselves for examination. This Co. Council have no doubt as to the fitness of Mr. John Deegan for the position the duties of which he has efficiently discharged for several years past."

TEMPORARY RATES INSPECTOR

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by the Chairman:- "That Mr. J.J. O'Reilly, be continued in office as Temporary Rates Inspector as from this date and until his successor is appointed. Salary £3 per week with

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"Vouched travelling expenses not exceeding £2:17:10d per week."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Ronan:- "That we request the Local Appointments Commission to notify to the Council previous to meeting of 10th September, 1934, the name of the selected applicant for the position of Rates Inspector. The new Rate is about to be put into collection and it is essential that the new Rates Inspector take up duty as soon as possible."

SEIZURE FOR RATES

The following under date 8th August, 1934, (46/37) was read from the Department of Justice:-

"With reference to your letter of the 6th instant and enclosures regarding the abortive sales of cattle seized by the County Registrar for County Wexford on foot of Execution Orders in respect of rates, I am directed by the Minister for Justice to state that the matter has been referred to the County Registrar with a suggestion that a further attempt should be made without delay to execute in these cases. It is hoped that in the event of any seizures being made successful sales will follow."

The Secretary stated that the Rate Collectors concerned had been directed to re-lodge the decrees.

FOOD & DRUGS ACTS

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kelly:- "That Garda James Duffy, 7580, Gorey, be appointed Ex-officio Inspector under Food and Drugs Acts for the administrative Area of Wexford Co. Council."

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS

Under date 9th August, 1934, the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote that advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts had been agreed to in the following cases for houses being erected at Killoggy, Ferns, amount in each case being £175:10s., viz:- Mrs. Mary Fortune, Edward Moran, Andrew Holden,

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Michael Colfer, John Bailey, Peter O'Brien, Michael O'Brien and Nicholas Breen.

The following under date 10th August, 1934, was read from Department of Local Government & Public Health:-

"I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that the Rate of Interest on loans advanced out of the Local Loans Fund to Local Bodies for Housing Schemes (including advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts), public health works, arterial drainage schemes, and other approved works has been under review, and the Minister for Finance has now determined that Interest on all issues made from the Fund on or after the 1st October, 1934, will be charged at the rate of $4\frac{3}{4}\%$."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Ml. Redmond:- "That the Government be requested to make retrospective the new rate of Interest for advances to Public Bodies from Local Loans Fund including all advances to County Councils under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts."

ROAD MAINTENANCE GRANT

Under date 4th August, 1934, the Department of Local Government & Public Health wrote (R.G.M.32) that a payment under above Grant of £2672 had been made to the County Treasurer on 3rd August, 1934.

Co.MEDICAL OFFICER - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The following under date 7th August, 1934, was read from Secretary, Co. Board of Health, Wexford:-

"At the meeting of the Wexford Board of Health and Public Assistance on July 27th last a letter was received from the County Medical Officer of Health, Dr. C. Bastible, intimating that he found it impossible to take up duty, and requested the Board to arrange with the County Council for the granting of the balance of his annual leave of four weeks. He nominated

"Dr. M.J. Bastible, D.P.H. to act as locum. I would be glad if you brought this matter before the County Council. I will have query form completed in respect of Dr. Michael Bastible and forwarded."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Keegan seconded by Mr. Ml. Redmond:- "That the County Medical Officer of Health (Dr. Chris. Bastible) be allowed to take the balance of his annual leave of four weeks and that Dr. Michael Bastible, D.P.H., be appointed to act as locum tenens for the period."

ILLNESS OF MR. R. MALONE, M.R.C.V.S.

Under date 2nd August, 1934, the Department of Agriculture wrote (L.2287-34) asking to be informed as to the date when Mr. R. Malone was likely to resume duty.

The Secretary said he had asked for the information.

ANALYST'S REPORT

Report of Analyst for the quarter ended 30th June, 1934, was submitted and from which it appeared that 140 foods, 46 drugs and 6 waters were analysed. The following were adulterated:-

2 milks, 3 whiskies; 1 separated milk, Five samples of water, two for Board of Health and three for Wexford Urban Council were condemned.

POISONS & PHARMACY ACT LICENCES

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kelly:- "That new licences under Poisons & Pharmacy Act 1908 issue to Wm. Armstrong, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy; Patrick Healy, North Main St., Wexford; D.J. Kelleher, (Wexford Timber Co.) Wexford; and renewal of licence to Gerald Murphy, Tacumshane, provided no objection be made by Garda Siochana."

D. Kelly

10th Sept-34

SCREEN BALL-ALLEY

Under date 3rd August, 1934, Mr. Patrick Hearne, Hon. Sec., Screen Ball-alley Committee, wrote on behalf of the Committee asking the permission of the County Council to erect ball-alley just inside road fence at Screen Village.

Referred to County Surveyor for report.

MILL OF RAGS, DUNCORMACK

The Chairman said he had been interviewed by a deputation from Duncormack District as to a very bad corner at the Mill of Rags. It was an obstacle to the farmers carting beet and the deputation wanted the Council to have an improvement effected at the place.

Referred to County Surveyor for report.

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