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WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

MEETING - 11th FEBRUARY, 1935.

M I N U T E S

County Hall,  
WEXFORD.

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

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The monthly meeting of Wexford County Council was held in Co. Council Chamber, Co. Hall, Wexford, on 11th February, 1935.

Present:- Mr. D. Allen, Chairman (presiding) also Messrs. J.J. Bowe, P. Colfer, John Connors, R. Corish, W. Cullimore, C. Culleton, J. Cummins, M. Doyle, J. Day, Col. C.M. Gibbon, W.P. Keegan, J.P. Kelly, W. Kinsella, J. Lawlor, T. McCarthy, P. Murphy, S. O'Byrne, Miss N.O'Ryan, Col. R.P. Wemyss Quin, P. Ronan, Michael Redmond, M. Smyth, and Malachi Sweetman.

The Secretary, the Co. Surveyor, Co. Solicitor and five Assistant Surveyors were also in attendance.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

#### PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Note for £6720:13:7d was examined and signed.

#### CONFIRMATION MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

MEETING 18th JANUARY, 1935:- The Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 18th January, 1935, were submitted as follows:-



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The fortnightly meeting of Finance Committee was held in County Council Chamber, Co. Hall, Wexford, on 18th January, 1935.

Present:- Messrs. D. Allen, (Chairman Co. Council), presiding, also Messrs. P. Colfer, R. Corish, W.P. Keegan, J.P. Kelly, W. Kinsella, Sean O'Byrne and Miss O'Ryan.

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

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

#### PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Note for £2,309:19:5d was examined and signed.

#### RATE COLLECTION.

STATE OF: The following gives the state of Rate Collection to date on gross Warrant 1934/35:-

<u>Name of Rate Collector.</u>	<u>1934/35 Rate Percentage on gross Warrant.</u>
J. Curtis	54.1
E.J. Murphy	53.1
S. Gannon (No. 6)	51.8
M. Kehoe	49.3
D. Kenny	49.1
J.J. O'Reilly	48.7
J. Cummins	47.8
M. McCarthy	47.6
A. Dunne	47.4
P. Carty	47.4
J. Deegan	46.8
J. Flood	46.7
P. Nolan	45.6
S. Gannon (No. 10)	45.5
P. Doyle	45.3
W. Cummins	42.6
J.J. Sinnott	41.1
J. Quirke	39.9
M. Murphy	38.0
W. Doyle	36.7

The Collection showed an improvement of 2% on the corresponding period last year. Only two Collectors, Messrs. Curtis and E.J. Murphy lodged a sum equivalent to first moiety and arrears and were eligible for payment of poundage.

Under date 10th January, 1935, the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (G.175942/34 Loch Garman (Fa)



that the revised poundage rates sanctioned in the Department's letters of 24th September and 9th September, 1934, represented special concessions in respect of warrant for last financial year and the Minister was not prepared to re-open the question of poundage for that year.

Under date 11th January, 1935, (No.G.175943/34 Loch Garman) the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote that Poundage on the portion of the Agricultural Grant given by way of Credit Notes was not payable in any county, and the Minister was not aware of any circumstances distinguishing the position of rate collectors in Co.Wexford, from that of collectors in other counties in which relief from rates is allowed by means of credit notes. The position of rate collectors whose warrants had been substantially reduced by reason of increased agricultural Grant could be considered at the close of the current financial year, and any reasonable proposal regarding compensation in such cases would receive the Minister's favourable consideration.

Under date 17th January, 1935, the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (G.3692/35 Loch Garman)(Fa) that payment of interim poundage fees would not be sanctioned to any collector who had not lodged an amount equivalent to first moiety and arrears of his warrant. Collectors should be warned that the rate of poundage which would be sanctioned would be conditional on the date by which such lodgment was made.

It was decided that copy of this letter be furnished Rate Collectors for their information.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr.O'Byrne, seconded by Mr.Kelly:- "That our Chairman be requested to approach the Local Government Department with a view to putting before them the recommendations of the Council that Rate Collectors be paid poundage fees on their lodgments to the 31st December, 1934, as a number of these officials



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"have no other means of livelihood and could not possibly carry on unless an interim payment in respect of Poundage fees was made to them"

ARREARS OF RATE:- The Chairman said it was impossible for him <sup>not</sup> to regard the position of outstanding arrears as unsatisfactory. A sum of £4,138 only had been collected out of £17,000 outstanding and the financial year would close in three months. He then examined in each individual case the amount of arrears outstanding and the amount which had been collected to date and pointed out that in several instances, particularly those in which a large amount of arrears was outstanding, a sum less than 25% had been obtained.

INTERVIEW WITH COLLECTORS:- The following Collectors who had less than 17% of arrears collected at the last Finance Committee meeting attended the present meeting on summons:-  
Collectors W. Doyle (No.2 District); Art Dunne (No.15)  
Sean Gannon (Nos. 6 & 10); M. Murphy (No.12) and P.Nolan (No.5)

Mr. Doyle, Collector, submitted a list setting out the steps he had taken in a number of cases. He explained to the meeting that he had served all ratepayers concerned with Six Day Notices and handed them to his Solicitor for collection. Other Ratepayers had asked for time to pay and he would also hand these cases, if outstanding at the end of January, to his Solicitor.

Miss O'Ryan pointed out there were some very large amounts outstanding in Mr. Doyle's district.

The latter said he had no hope of collecting all the arrears and the same applied to a number of cases regarding current rate. He would proceed in all cases in which he had served Six Day Notices and in which he had any hope of collecting the money.

Mr. Art Dunne, Collector, stated he had obtained decrees in a number of cases for arrears of rates, three others had



been adjourned, and four lodged with the sheriff. With the exception of completely derelict farms and a couple of cases of extreme poverty, all others were in the hands of his Solicitor for collection.

Mr. Gannon, Rate Collector, submitted particulars of the action taken by him as regards a number of cases of arrears. He also referred to farm at Brookhill, Ballyhogue, on which there were arrears of £150. He submitted letter from Messrs. Sinnott & Co. Solicitors, Enniscorthy, stating if the County Council gave an undertaking that the stock of persons taking these lands were not seized for arrears of rates, they would on their part, give an undertaking that the money received from the letting would not be used for any purpose other than the payment of outgoings due in respect of lands. The estate was being administered in the High Court which had given Messrs. Sinnott & Co., the permission required. The Court had stipulated that provision was to be made as far as possible for the payment of a sum of 5/- a week to Mrs. Mernagh, widow of the deceased, so long as she caretakes the house on the lands.

Miss O'Ryan said if Messrs. Sinnott & Co., would let the place for tillage the Co. Council would consider their offer. As they would probably never get the full amount of rates this was a splendid place for the Land Commission to take up and divide.

After further discussion it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the Rate Collector.

Mr. Matthew Murphy, Rate Collector, submitted abstract with particulars of cases in which he had taken legal action. As in the case of the four other Collectors he did not submit particulars in respect of the entire amount of arrears outstanding.

Mr. Nolan, Rate Collector, submitted a lengthy statement without list. He had obtained decrees for the sum of £755 odd, of which £385 was in the hands of the sheriff for collection. He had obtained Examination Orders in four cases, the amount involved being £124 odd. Relative to the amounts for which he had



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obtained no decrees he was sure that by the end of the financial year he would have cleared up all the small amounts, a year's rate or so, at least. In other cases it was not easy to know what to do. There were three places especially, Sinnots, Bunarge, Byrnes, Maytown, and Boggans of Milltown, in which there was nearly £100 due. There was no stock on the lands except an old cow or so, which if seized and sold would not meet the costs. In respect of ~~three~~ of the Examination Orders it was hopeless to expect ~~any~~ payment of even the costs in two cases. He would get decrees against all defaulters in a very short time. At present he was giving them a chance to pay, as most of them claimed they had not got any "Beet" money, and when it came to hand they would clear off the rates. He wished to know if rent had first preference over rates as Rate Collectors were very much affected in some cases where Auctioneers set lands and applied practically all the money of the letting for rent.

The Chairman mentioned that Mr. Nolan's difficulties would be avoided if he seized on his own warrant.

Mr. Gannon said this was not possible as the stock seized could not be sold as there would be no buyers.

The Chairman pointed out that the Council had already decided that before the end of the financial year, collectors, if they wished to retain their positions should be able to give satisfactory explanations as to what steps had been taken in reference to the collection of arrears and why each individual item was not collected. The information furnished by the five collectors who had appeared dealt only with the action taken by them and the amount of decrees in Solicitor's hands in certain cases but the Finance Committee would like to have a list of the names of all ratepayers who were in arrear and against whom no steps had been taken. Active steps should be taken to collect outstanding amounts except against those who were in great poverty, and he (Chairman) felt that the Collectors who put arrears of rates for collection into the sheriff's hands in one



case and ignored others in which the same action might have been taken would get themselves into serious trouble.

Mr. Gannon, Rate Collector, said that the Collectors had done all that was humanly possible to get in the rates but they had been shabbily treated by the Council. They did not exonerate the Council because the Collectors had not been paid their Poundage.

The Chairman said he would not take such a statement made on behalf of the Collectors. The Finance Committee would not accept any dictation as to what should be done in regard to the Rate Collection. The Council were elected to keep the public services in an efficient manner and this could not be done unless the rates were collected. He asked Mr. Gannon how the Council had treated them shabbily.

Mr. Gannon said the Council had passed very drastic resolutions and orders and this did not take place during the life of the old Council.

The Chairman said that remark proved conclusively how the very large amount of arrears of rate had accumulated. Some Collectors did not seem to realise that they were responsible for the collection of the rates, and if they were not satisfied with having to perform their duties they always had a way out. He (Chairman) had gone a half dozen times to the Department of Local Government endeavouring to obtain sanction of the Minister to the payment of as much poundage as possible to the Collectors.

Miss O'Ryan pointed out that for the last financial year they had been saddled with an amount of arrears considerably in advance of any in existence in any previous year. They came in as a new Council and promised that the public services would be maintained. They intended to do that and if the Rate Collectors were not satisfied to carry out their duties, their places would be taken by others who would have a full sense of their responsibilities.



The Chairman said that last year there was a period of from three to four months when the rate collectors took no steps whatever to collect the rates; in fact they did nothing. If Mr. Gannon voiced the attitude which the Rate Collectors would take, it seemed they would collect rates when they liked and as they liked and this would not be tolerated.

In the course of further discussion it was decided that in the case of the letting of lands the Land Commission should be informed that the County Council would expect to receive 50% of the amount realised by any letting.

It was also decided on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by the Chairman "That list of ratepayers owing three years rates and who hold farms <sup>of a Poor Law valuation of £30</sup> ~~valued at £30~~ and over be prepared and furnished to the Land Commission with a recommendation that if annuities in these cases are also in arrear for two or three years the Land Commission should consider the advisability of taking over these farms and handing them over to persons who are prepared to work them."

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Corish it was decided "That Rate Collectors be informed that according to the decision of the Co. Council they must have all arrears and current rate cleared by the 31st March next or furnish satisfactory explanation as regards each individual amount remaining uncollected."

A GOREY RATING:- Under date 16th January, 1935, letter was read from Messrs. M.J. O'Connor & Co., Solicitors, New Road, Gorey, stating that Mr. P.J. Redmond had asked them to ascertain if there was any possibility of his obtaining a reduction in the amount claimed for arrears of rate, on the premises, 25 Main Street, Gorey, which had been sold.

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Colfer it was decided to refer the communication to Mr. Art Dunne, Rate Collector, for his observations.



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### AGRICULTURAL GRANT

Under date 17th January, 1935, the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (Circ. 8/35) pointing out that no further instalments of the Agricultural Grant could be made until the beginning of March. The Minister understood that a considerable sum in respect of Annuities was still outstanding and unless there was prompt payment in this regard, it was possible the entire balance of the share of the County in the Grant for the present year would become attached to the fund to meet arrears. It was again suggested that the County Council should make it known through the Press that it was essential for the maintenance of the Co. Services that the Annuities be paid to the Irish Land Commission before the end of the present month as any failure to meet the amount due by that date would entail a deduction from the grant payable to the Council.

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Kelly it was decided:- "That advertisement be issued in the three local papers setting out the substance of the circular letter from the Department of Local Government and Public Health asking land holders to meet their annuities, as otherwise the County Services will be liable to suffer."

### ARTERIAL DRAINAGE SCHEME

It was decided that questionnaire as to chargeability of drainage schemes submitted by the General Council of County Councils be referred to next meeting of Co. Council.

On the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Miss O'Ryan it was decided to call the attention of the Rate Collectors concerned in collection of drainage rates for Sow and Kilmanock drainage areas to the fact that steps should be taken by them to secure payment of those rates, as at present their collection appeared to be in abeyance. Also to recommend the Council to ask the proposed local Committee for Kilmanock to help the Co. Council in securing prompt



"payment of drainage rate for their area."

#### SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS

Under date 17th January, 1935, (Circ. No. 7) the Local Government Department wrote that the new general order fixing at 5½% per annum, the rate of Interest to be charged by local bodies on advances made to them from the Local Loans Fund after 1st October, 1934, would not apply to advances which had been made subsequent to the 25th July, 1932, and prior to the 1st October last and for which the rate of Interest at 6% would still continue.

The Secretary stated that this referred to the first loan of £10,000 borrowed by the Council under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts. The Council had on a couple of occasions asked the Department to allow the reduced rate of Interest fixed recently, to apply to the old loan, but this appeared to be now definitely out of the question.

ENNISCORTHY DISTRICT:- Wm. Doolan, Railway Cottages, Enniscorthy wrote stating he appealed against the ruling of the Council excluding Urban dwellers from the benefit of the Small Dwellings Acts. He had purchased a plot in the rural area for which he paid £50 and had secured sanction for a State Grant of £45. Besides payment of £50 for plot he incurred further expenses of £8 and he considered under the circumstances the Council should accept his explanation.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish, seconded by Miss O'Ryan:- "That Wm. Doolan, Railway Cottage, Enniscorthy, be informed that the Co. Council never gave any guarantee that loans under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts would be available for people who reside in Urban Districts. The Urban District Council of Enniscorthy can adopt these Acts if they so desire and in the circumstances we suggest that Mr. Doolan should make his application to that body."



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The Secretary stated that the amount of the allocation for Enniscorthy District which had been decided on for January, 1935, was £625 and as the Committee had already allocated £720 for houses already in course of erection, no steps could be taken at present to deal with the 34 applicants in hand for this district.

GOREY DISTRICT:- Seventeen applications were received from this district.

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Keegan the following resolution was adopted:-

"That loans under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts be granted to the following:-

Thomas Dwyer, Mt. St. Benedict, Gorey.....	£200.
James Fitzsimons, Seamount, Riverchapel, Gorey.....	£100
John O'Connell, Coolateggart, Gorey.....	£100
Jas. J. Stafford & Margaret Stafford, 13, St. Michael's Place, Gorey.....	£225
Total.....	<u>£625.</u>

NEW ROSS DISTRICT:- On the motion of Mr. Colfer seconded by the Chairman it was decided to grant loan under the Small Dwellings Acts to Joseph Stafford, Boley, Ballycullane, Loan £200.

WEXFORD DISTRICT:- The following applications were submitted:-

Robert Cleary, Churchtown, Carne.....	£155
Robert J. Codd, Ferrycarrig, Wexford.....	£200
John Moran, Bulgan, Glynn.....	£170
John Loughlin, Ballykelsh, Tagoat.....	£180

The last named described himself as a labourer.

On the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Mr. Colfer, it was decided that applications of Messrs. Cleary, Codd and Moran be accepted, the latter on condition that he pays his outstanding rates, and John Loughlin to be informed that he should apply for a labourer's cottage under the Co. Health Board.

In connection with the old loan, an application for advance of £200 was received from Gerald Meagher, 8, St. Ibar's Terrace, Wexford.



The Secretary stated that John Hackett of Clonmines, Wellingtonbridge, who had applied for loan of £175 under the old scheme had dropped his application, and Mrs. Casey, Ballinamona, Foulks mills, wrote she had decided not to take up the balance of her loan, viz. £25. It was important that any money under the old loan should be allocated as soon as possible.

It was decided on the motion of Mr. Colfer seconded by the Chairman:- "That loan of £200 be advanced to Gerald Meagher, 8, St. Ibar's Terrace, Wexford, under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, in respect of house to be erected at Townparks, (Wexford Rural Electoral Division)."

In connection with loan of James Doyle, St. Michael's Place, Gorey, the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "That James Doyle, Gorey, be informed that the balance of his loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts will be cancelled, if he does not finish his house at once. That Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor for the district, be requested to convey this information to Mr. Doyle."

#### PRINTING RATE BOOKS

In connection with the statement of Mr. Corish at last meeting that Messrs. Redmond Bros., Printers, did not employ Trade Union Labour, Mr. Kelly stated as desired by the Council, he had made enquiries into the matter and ascertained that Mr. Redmond employed one man, who was a member of a Trade Union.

#### ROAD AT POLLMOUNTY BRIDGE

The Co. Surveyor reported that a further collapse had occurred at this bridge and for the safety of the public he had arranged with Mr. Punch, Co. Surveyor for Carlow County (as the bridge was on the borders of Wexford and Carlow) to close the road at the bridge. The last meeting of the Co. Council had given authority to the Finance Committee to deal with this matter. He (Co. Surveyor) suggested the road should be closed at



once until the 4th February, 1935, the alternative routes being via Curraun and Ballywilliam or via the Rower and Mountgarrett Bridge.

On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kinsella, the suggestions of the Co. Surveyor in the matter were approved.

#### OFFICE ACCOMMODATION CO. REGISTRAR.

At the meeting of the Co. Council on 14th January, 1935, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the Councillors for the Wexford District with the County Surveyor decide after consideration of Counsel's opinion if Co. Registrar is entitled to extra offices and if so what offices should be given him, the matter to be considered after meeting of Finance Committee on Friday, 18th January, 1935, after transaction of the ordinary business."

Mr. Elgee, Co. Solicitor, having submitted Counsel's opinion, the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Colfer, seconded by Mr. Kelly:- "That the Co. Solicitor be instructed to communicate with the Co. Registrar as regards his demand for office accommodation, and submit to him precis of Counsel's opinion in the matter."

#### INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Notification was received from the Inspector, N.S.P.C.C., that he intended to apply at the District Court, Wexford, on 23rd January, 1935, under Section 58 (1)(B) Childrens Act 1908 for the committal of Robert Connolly, no fixed abode to Industrial School, at Clonmel, and Josephine Connolly, his sister, no fixed abode, to St. Michael's Industrial School, Wexford. Both children were illegitimate. Their mother recently married James MacLoughlin an itinerant pedler, who had no home or fixed place of abode and was at present living with a married son at Ballybrennan, Bree.



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FORFEITURES & DISQUALIFICATIONS  
ON CERTAIN CONVICATIONS BY THE  
CONSTITUTION (SPECIAL POWERS) TRIBUNAL.

Under date 14th January, 1935, the Department of Agriculture (G.82/35) wrote that under Section 31 of Article 2A of the Constitution, an officer or employee paid out of money raised by local taxation, or a paid member of a Board or Body established by or under an Act of the Oireachtas and who was convicted by the Constitution (Special Powers) Tribunal of any offence mentioned in appendix of Article 2A, forfeits his office or employment, or if retired with superannuation, his pension or superannuation allowance ceases to be payable. The period of disqualification was seven years.

ADMINISTRATION WEIGHTS & MEASURES ACTS  
NEW ROSS

It was decided to request the Co. Surveyor to furnish report as to Inspector of Weights & Measures in New Ross, carrying out his duties in New Ross Courthouse, the same as the Inspectors for Gorey and Enniscorthy Districts, who carried out their duties in the Courthouses of these towns.

OFFICE FOR ASSISTANCE OFFICER

The Chairman said that an application had been made to the Health Board by the Assistance Officer in Enniscorthy, for an office. He (Chairman) had enquiries made and from the information he had obtained this official could be accommodated in the Courthouse, Enniscorthy. Mr. Cullen, Assistant Surveyor, had an office on the ground floor and if he removed upstairs, it would leave his present office available for the Assistance Officer in Enniscorthy. He proposed a resolution on these lines which was seconded by Miss O'Ryan and adopted.



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 18th January, 1935, be received and considered."

ARREARS OF RATE - INTERVIEW WITH COLLECTORS:- Mr. Doyle proposed and Mr. Kinsella seconded the following:- "That the Co. Council dissents from recommendation of the Finance Committee as regards furnishing the Land Commission with the names of ratepayers who are in arrear for two or three years in the payment of their annuities."

Mr. Kinsella said that he was of opinion the Finance Committee had not made any recommendation as to defaulting annuitants.

The Secretary challenged Mr. Kinsella's allegation that the Minutes had been "faked" or "cooked" to suit a particular party in the Council.

Miss O'Ryan pointed out that the resolution as appearing on the Minutes was correct and it had been proposed by her for several reasons, the principal being, that the good ratepayers were paying for defaulters and that it was evident people who owed several years' annuities and rates were incapable of working their farms which should be taken over by the Land Commission and handed to persons who would manage them properly. The Council were losing by those people on both hands, viz. in rates and in the stoppage of the State Grants.

A poll was taken on Mr. Doyle's motion with the following result:-

FOR:- Messrs. Bowe, Connors, Cummins, Day, Doyle, Gibbon, Kinsella, McCarthy, O'Byrne, Quin, Smyth. (11)

AGAINST:- Messrs. Colfer, Corish, Cullimore, Keegan, Kelly, Lawlor, O'Ryan, M. Redmond, Ronan, Sweetman and the Chairman. (11)

Messrs. Murphy and Culleton (2) were absent for the division.

The Chairman gave his casting vote against the motion which was declared lost.



The recommendation of the Finance Committee in the matter was then passed without dissent.

OFFICE FOR ASSISTANCE OFFICER:- Under date 8th February, 1935, the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, wrote that he had received letter from the Assistance Officer, Enniscorthy area, that the accommodation in the Courthouse, Enniscorthy, would be entirely unsuitable for him. In the circumstances he suggested that further action in the matter should be deferred until after the meeting of the Health Board on 18th January, 1935.

It was decided to fall in with the suggestion of the Secretary of the Board of Health.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Miss Kelly:-

"That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 18th January, 1935, be and are hereby confirmed."

MEETING 1st FEBRUARY, 1935:- The Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 1st February, 1935, were submitted as follows:-



The fortnightly meeting of the Finance Committee was held in Co. Council Chamber, Co. Hall, Wexford, on 1st February, 1935.

Present:- Messrs. P. Colfer, R. Corish, W.P. Keegan, John P. Kelly, Wm. Kinsella, Sean O'Byrne and Miss O'Ryan.

The Secretary, Assistant Secretary, County Surveyor, County Solicitor, Rate Inspector were also in attendance.

The Chair was taken by Miss O'Ryan on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kinsella.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

After the signing of the Minutes Mr. Allen, Chairman Co. Council, attended and presided for the rest of the meeting.

#### PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Note for £2685:11:1d was examined and signed.

#### RATE COLLECTION

STATE OF:- The following gives the percentage of Gross warrant collected to date:-

<u>Collector's Name.</u>	<u>Percentage Gross Warrant.</u>
S. Gannon (No. 6)	55.1
E.J. Murphy	54.8
J. Curtis	54.5
M. Kehoe	52.4
J.J. O'Reilly	51.0
J. Cummins	50.2
A. Dunne	50.0
D. Kenny	49.5
J. Deegan	49.4
M. McCarthy	49.0
S. Gannon (No. 10)	48.4
P. Carty	48.2
J. Flood	47.7
P. Nolan	46.0
P. Doyle	45.8
W. Cummins	45.4
J.J. Sinnott	42.5
M. Murphy	40.4
J. Quirke	40.3
W. Doyle	37.8
	<u>Average.... 47.5</u>

The following is the amount of arrears collected to date:-

J. Quirke £451:15:4d (21.2 per cent)  
 J.J. Sinnott £422:17:10d (31.8)  
 A. Dunne £401:18:10d (26.9)  
 J. Deegan £350: 3:11d (52.7)



P. Doyle	£329:12: 0	(33.0)
W. Cummins	£316:14: 1	(24.5)
J. Cummins	£279:12: 5	(28.4)
J. Flood	£277:15:11	(42.9)
M. McCarthy	£245:17: 8	(30.7)
W. Doyle	£229: 3: 2	(13.4)
P. Nolan	£187: 1: 7	(14.3)
M. Murphy	£181:11: 7	(20.9)
P. Carty	£174: 8: 2	(35.0)
J.J. O'Reilly	£135: 3: 0	(32.6)
S. Gannon		
(No.10)	£113:13:11	(17.2)
J.M. Curtis	£ 98: 8: 4	(25.3)
D. Kenny	£ 96:16:10	(25.6)
S. Gannon		
(No. 6)	£ 84:13: 5	(12.5)
M. Kehoe	£ 73:16:11	(20.8)
E.J. Murphy	£ 43:14:11	(22.0)

The amounts of arrears collected during the previous week by three of the collectors who had been before the last meeting of the Committee were:- Wm. Doyle £3:2:8d; P. Nolan £6:2:10d and S. Gannon £11:10:9d for No.6 district and £28:0:3d for No.10.

It was decided that these three collectors be notified that the Finance Committee are not satisfied with the progress they are making in the collection of the arrears.

The Secretary in reply to query said that £300 of arrears had been collected since last meeting of the Committee.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "As this Committee is aware that beet payments and subsidy for wheat crop are being issued, Collectors should call at once on persons who receive these payments and who have held over the payment of their rates in anticipation of receipt of these sums."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Miss O'Ryan:- "That Rate Collectors be again notified that they must close their warrants by 31st March next or be prepared to make a satisfactory explanation to this Committee to account for the non payment of each item outstanding."

POUNDAGE:- The Chairman explained that as a result of his interview with the officials of the Department of Local Government and Public Health, the poundage fees to Collectors on



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their lodgments to 31st January, 1935, on the following basis would be approved:- "Full Poundage in all cases in which Collectors have by 31st January, 1935, lodged a sum equivalent to the first moiety of the current year's rate along with a sum equivalent to the amount of the arrears carried forward to 1934/35 in respect of the 1933/34 assessment."

On the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. O'Byrne it was decided "That Minister's sanction to the payment of Poundage Fees on the above-mentioned basis be applied for."

It was also decided that lodgments in all Branches of the National Bank on 31st January, 1935, be credited to Collectors and that Collectors be given credit for Credit Notes on hands on 31st January, 1935.

#### INSURANCES

It was decided on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kinsella that the Co. Surveyor issue advertisements for quotations for Co. Council Insurances under Workmens Compensation Act etc.

#### INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL APPLICATION

Notification from District Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Enniscorthy, that he would make application for the committal of Kathleen Lambkin, Old Church, Enniscorthy, to St. Michael's Industrial School, Wexford, under the Children Act at Enniscorthy Court, was referred to Mr. Elgee, Co. Solicitor.

#### FOOD & DRUGS ACTS ADMINISTRATION

Under date 25th January, 1935, letter was read from Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Wexford, recommending the following as additional Ex-officio Inspectors under the above Acts:- Garda Henry Begley 5311 (Duncormack) Garda Jas. Martin (5536) (Ballycullane) Garda Timothy McCarthy (5571) (Blackwater) to be appointed for the administrative County of Wexford. These three would require to be supplied with standard Kit bags. The Superintendent stated he would arrange with the existing



Inspectors for transfer of a sufficient supply of the remaining articles to enable them carry on until the next requisitions were being furnished.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Keegan seconded by Mr. Corish:- "That we recommend the Co.Council to appoint Gardai Henry Begley, 5311, Duncormack; James Martin, 5336, Ballycullane, and Timothy McCarthy, 5571, Blackwater, as extra Ex-officio Inspectors under Food and Drugs Acts and that they be each supplied with standard Kit bags to enable them to carry out their duties."

#### SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS

It was decided on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. Corish that allocations for February for loans under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts be made at Finance Committee Meeting of 15th February, 1935, and that, in the meantime, the names and addresses of Applicants be furnished to the Members of the Committee.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Kinsella seconded by Mr. Corish:- "That the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be requested to reconsider his decision refusing to allow to the Assistant Secretary of the Co.Council a payment of 7/6d per £100 to cover extra work respecting loans under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts."

#### SECONDARY & VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME, 1935

The Committee considered that the Co.Council should not accept applications from the following in connection with award of Scholarships under above Scheme as in the opinion of the Committee the parents were in a position to afford a secondary education for their children without assistance from the Rates:-

- (1) John Gahan, Killagoley, Enniscorthy.
- (2) John Murphy, Haggard, Ramsgrange.



### CARETAKING LIBRARY PREMISES

Under date 29th January, 1935, Miss Connolly, Co. Librarian, wrote that the Library Committee had agreed, subject to sanction of the Co. Council, to a payment of 2/6d per week for extra work performed by the Caretaker of the premises.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "That we recommend the County Council to agree to the proposal of the Co. Library Committee to pay 2/6d per week to Caretaker of Co. Hall premises for extra work performed by him for this Committee."

### LOCAL TAXATION OFFICE.

Under date 26th January, 1935, letter was read from Local Taxation Officer that owing to the recent burglary in Local Taxation Office the work had been disorganised and the clerical work in respect of issue of Licences for Motor Taxation greatly hampered. It would be impossible to keep the work up to date within the time granted for the employment of the two temporary clerks whose engagement would terminate on 29th January, 1935. He asked that they be employed for a further week in order to bring the work up to date.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "That the engagement of two temporary clerks in Local Taxation Office be extended to 12 noon on 2nd February, 1935, amount of additional remuneration not to exceed £2:10s."

### WEIGHTS & MEASURES ACT & NEW ROSS COURTHOUSE

The following report was submitted by Mr. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor, under date 31st January, 1935:-

"I had an interview with Sergt. Connor, Inspector of Weights and Measures about accommodation in the New Ross Courthouse.

"He believes he could not carry on his work properly in the body of the Court, and there is no other room available. I understand from him that the room he already uses can be got at a reduced rent."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of the



Chairman seconded by Miss O'Ryan:- "That the Inspector under Weights and Measures Act be informed the Finance Committee can see no reason to prevent him carrying out his duties in the body of New Ross Courthouse."

#### STANDING ORDERS

It was decided that the Secretary should make a draft of new Standing Orders for the Council and submit draft to the Chairman for his consideration.

#### DRAWING OF MATERIAL

Mr. M. Browne, Quay, Wexford, came before the meeting and stated that he had contracted to haul 450 yards of debris remaining over from reconstruction of Co. Hall premises but found there was 700 cubic yards.

The Co. Surveyor said that even allowing for an outside/<sup>figure</sup>the total amount of material was 550 yards of which 40 yards went to make a roadway. Some clean stone in the debris had been disposed of by Mr. Browne without authority for a foundation for a building on the Redmond Road.

Mr. Browne said this had been done by his son and without his consent.

The Co. Surveyor said he had received four tenders. Mr. Browne had been shown the heap of stuff to be removed and should have satisfied himself of the amount. He (Co. Surveyor) when he knew that the amount exceeded 450 yards was prepared to pay something more but when he found the stone in the debris had been disposed of for building purposes he took no further action. He was satisfied that there was 550 cubic yards in the heap. Browne had tendered at £42:10s. and the estimate was £50.

It was decided on the motion of Mr. Colfer seconded by Mr. Keegan that Mr. Browne be paid £7:10s. in addition to his contract to cover the cost of the additional haulage from Co. Hall.



THE BANKING COMMISSION

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Miss O'Ryan:- "That the Secretary of the County Councils' General Council, be requested to arrange with his Chairman for the convening at the earliest date possible, of a special meeting of that Body or of its Executive Committee for the purpose of considering the question of tendering evidence to the Banking Commission, now sitting, as to the finances of Co. Councils and Subsidiary Bodies."



On the motion of Mr. Colfer seconded by Mr. Kelly the following resolution was adopted:- "That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 1st February, 1935, be received and considered."

RATE COLLECTION:- The Chairman said that ratepayers and Collectors should realise that with the large amount of arrears of rate outstanding, over £12,000, and 52% of the present warrant outstanding, it was necessary that the Collectors should, between this and the 31st March next, make a special drive to get in all the money they possibly could; otherwise the financial position of the Council would be very serious and the Council would be looking for an increased overdraft which might not be forthcoming.

BEET PAYMENTS ETC.:- The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Keegan seconded by Mr. Cummins:- "That as a very large number of ratepayers in Wexford County are waiting for sugar beet and wheat bounty payments we request the Department of Agriculture to expedite these payments."

FOOD & DRUGS ADMINISTRATION:- The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Cummins seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "That the recommendation of the Finance Committee at meeting held on 1st February, 1935, as to appointment of additional Ex-officio Inspectors under Food & Drugs Acts be approved and that the following be appointed as Ex-officio Inspectors for the Administrative area of the County Wexford, viz:-

Garda Timothy McCarthy,	(5571)	Blackwater.
Garda Henry Begley	(5311)	Duncormack
Garda James Martin	(5536)	Ballycullane.

and that as also recommended by the Finance Committee these Inspectors be supplied with standard Kit Bags."

SECONDARY & VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:- The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Colfer seconded by Mr. Kelly:- "That we dissent from the recommendation of the Finance Committee that in their opinion the parents of John Gahan, Killagoley, Enniscorthy, and John Murphy, Haggard, Ramsgrange, are in a position to afford Secondary education to their children."



The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Mr. Kelly:- "That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 1st February, 1935, be and are hereby confirmed except in so far as same have not been adopted by a resolution of the County Council."

#### ESTIMATES OF RATES

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Col. Quin seconded by Mr. Ml. Redmond:- "That the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be requested to extend the period for dealing with Estimates of Rates of Wexford Co. Council for financial year 1935/36 to the 11th March, 1935, date of next monthly meeting of the Co. Council."

Under date 17th January, 1935, letter (P.177521-34 Fa) was read from Department of Local Government & Public Health forwarding copy of letter to Co. Board of Health enabling the Board to adopt their annual Estimate and Demand on the Co. Council at their meeting on 21st January, 1935.

#### COURTOWN HARBOUR MEETING OF COMMITTEE.

The following report was presented by the Co. Surveyor:-

"The Committee appointed by the Co. Council met at Courtown at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, 15th January, 1935. There were present:- Mr. Allen, Chairman, Co. Council, Col. Quin, Messrs. Keegan, O'Byrne and Smith, M.C.C.'s, and also the Co. Surveyor, Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor, and the Harbour Master.

"The Co. Surveyor submitted copy of map on agreement between the old Harbour Commissioners, and the Co. Council defining the boundaries of the Harbour premises, and these were noted and verified on the spot. It appears that the Co. Council owns all the plot to the South of the entrance channel as far as a line parallel to the South Pier, and about 235 yards distant from the Pier, with exception of the roadway etc., to the South West which is reserved by the Earl of Courtown. On this reserved part is situate the Harbour Master's House, and Store, which are held from Lord Courtown under Lease dated 19th day of January, 1906, for a term of 31 years from the 1st day of March, 1905; subject to the yearly rent of £4. The condition of the house is bad and the Committee recommends that on the termination of the Lease the premises should be surrendered, and that, in the meanwhile, no money should be expended than is necessary to keep the premises in reasonable repair. A thorough overhaul and repair is estimated by the Co. Surveyor at £100, while probably £15 will serve to carry on till the termination of Lease.



"The angular plot between the Riverchapel Road and Stream is on the Council's premises, and at the corner of this is situate the weighbridge house which should be removed. It is recommended that on this plot there should be built a new dwelling house for the Harbour Master with necessary general Store, Committee Room and Weighbridge House, and that no building should be allowed on the corner which would obstruct the view. The County Surveyor estimates the cost of this building at £400.

"Regarding the plot to South of Pier it is recommended that this be cleaned up and levelled off. Adjoining the reserved roadway there should be constructed a proper dump for rubbish, bottles etc., and the Public should be prohibited dumping elsewhere. There should also be set off a suitable area parallel to the Pier as a dump for sand and gravel and indiscriminate dumping of such materials should be prevented. The expenditure on this work not to exceed £60. On the square near the footbridge there is a small structure or hut which appears to be on the Council's premises; also a strip of garden on right bank of river, and above the footbridge is on the Council's premises. A rental may be paid for these to the Courtown Estate, and it is recommended that the County Solicitor inquire into the matter."

Mr. Keegan proposed and Mr. O'Byrne seconded the following resolution:- "That report of Courtown Harbour Committee be received and adopted."

It was pointed out by Mr. Keegan that there appeared to be a right of way at the back of the plot on which it was proposed to erect new house for the Harbour Master.

The Co. Surveyor said there was, apparently, at the place referred to by Mr. Keegan, a "short cut" made by people, but Mr. Elgee, Co. Solicitor, would be able to say whether or no it was a right of way. If the Council closed the right of way it meant cutting off only ten yards or even less. He (Co. Surveyor) believed that if a right of way equally convenient was substituted people would not be able to sustain a legal grievance.

The resolution was adopted and it was also decided that Mr. Elgee, Co. Solicitor, look into the question of the right of way.



DREDGING COURTOWN HARBOUR BASIN

The following under date 7th February, 1935, was read from Mr. Murphy, Harbour Master, Courtown, on behalf of Courtown Harbour Committee:-

"We again wish to draw the attention of your Council to the great necessity of completing the dredging of the basin here. At present despite the good work done by the Steam Crane in clearing the harbour mouth and entrance channel, the harbour is still unavailable for shipping. Many of your Members, including the Co. Surveyor, are aware that a Welsh firm of contractors are prepared to ship large quantities of gravel and sand from here, as soon as it is possible to bring a ship in.

"Also Earl Fitzwilliam is ready at the first opportunity to start exporting slate dust and importing coal. Many other coal merchants have signified their intention of trading through this harbour. All this development is being held up through the lack of water for berthage in the basin. We would like to point out for the Council's information, that the Board of Works dredger is at present lying idle in Arklow Harbour and urge on them the importance of securing the dredger while it is so near here."

The Co. Surveyor said that it had been decided to wait until April or May to secure the dredger as it was considered that taking the craft any sooner might interfere with the fishing.

Mr. Keegan said that the herring fishing had finished and the flat fishing season would not open until May.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Keegan seconded by the Chairman:- "That as the dredger of the Commissioners of Public Works is now lying at Arklow we direct the Co. Surveyor to make application at once for her services to complete the dredging of Courtown Harbour Basin. As the present time is between the herring and flat fishing season the work of dredging, if begun immediately, will, in no way, interfere with the fishing industry."

ANCIENT MONUMENTS COMMITTEE

The following Minutes of meeting of Ancient Monuments Committee held on 16th January, 1935, were received and confirmed on the motion of Col. Gibbon seconded by Mr. Keegan:-



ANCIENT MONUMENTS COMMITTEE

A meeting of above Committee was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 16th January, 1935.

Present:- Rev. T. O'Byrne, P.P., presiding, and Mr. E.R. Orpen.

The Secretary to the Co.Council was also in attendance.

Very Rev. Canon Cloney, P.P., Templetown, wired regretting his inability to attend.

Miss Browne wrote she could not attend as she had to be present in the Senate. She considered the other Members of the Committee should complete the survey of the maps.

Mr. Seumas Doyle apologising for his absence asked the Committee to consider the preservation of one trench which is on Sliabh Buidhe. There was a possible danger that this might be interfered with in the course of planting operations now being carried out.

It was decided to ask the Co.Council to communicate in the matter with the Department of Forestry.

It was pointed out that the Church of Clonmines was in a bad state. An Ash tree was growing through the roof and this if allowed to remain would split the structure. It was the only building of the kind extant in Ireland and was absolutely unique. If the Office of Public Works are unable to schedule this as a National Monument the Committee suggest they should employ some of the funds voted for relief purposes for this and similar works.

The Committee are of opinion that in view of Clonmines Church being the only one of its kind in the country the Minister for Finance should see his way to regard this as a National Monument coming within the purview of section 8 (1) of the National Monuments Act 1930.

If this application be unsuccessful we recommend the Co.Council to endeavour to take over the structure as a



National Monument under Section 5 (1) (b) of this Statute.

The Committee expressed their appreciation of the work carried out at Dunbrody Abbey by the Office of Public Works.

The Committee suggested that the Co. Council should secure a report as to the little Church at Nook, Fethard, once the property of the Monks of Dunbrody Abbey. Trees were growing in the middle of it and the cost of repair would be small.

References to the following were received from Rev. P. Murphy, Superior of the Mission House, Enniscorthy:-

(1) Building on Vinegar Hill needs repairs on wall and erection of an iron gate and a suggestion to Co. Council to repair the lane leading to the Hill.

(2) Church of Bannow needs repairs to arch which is in danger of falling.

(3) The window in old Church at Tomhaggard in danger of falling.

(4) Foundations of Danes Castle need support on account of stones taken from the foundation to build labourers' cottages.

It was decided to refer these to the Co. Council and request them to secure reports for the information of Ancient Monuments Committee.

The Rev. Chairman pointed out that last Summer, stones had been removed from the old Church at St. Helens.

It was decided to ask the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Wexford, if it would be possible to obtain from the Gardai, prompt reports as to any damage to ancient monuments so that action could be taken to prevent vandalism.

The Committee also make an urgent appeal to the Gaelic League branches all over the County to supply all possible information as to ancient and historical monuments in their districts and their present condition. Any steps towards this end will be greatly appreciated by the Committee.

Any action on this point by private individuals to prevent injury to ancient monuments would be also gratefully appreciated by the Committee particularly if brought to the notice of the Committee.



VACANCY ON CO.COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE

The Secretary said that, by eleven votes to four, the Co.Committee of Agriculture, recommended Mr. Laurence M.Roche, Duncormack, for membership of the Committee in place of Mr. Mullally, who had resigned, but Mr. Roche had explained to him that he really had not the time to attend the meetings.

Mr. Sweetman proposed that the matter be referred back to the Committee for another recommendation.

Mr. Keegan seconded.

Col. Quin asked if he would be in order in proposing the appointment of Mr.Wm. Thorpe,Knockroe House.

The Chairman said he would be quite in order. The County Council would make the appointment in any event.

Mr. Day seconded the proposition for the appointment of Mr. Thorpe.

Mr. Sweetman said that if they were going to make the appointment he would propose the election of Mr.Wm. Whitty, Ballintubber,Ballywilliam.

Mr. M. Redmond seconded.

Mr. Cummins said he thought it only reasonable to refer the matter to the Co.Committee.

After further discussion a poll was taken as between Mr. Whitty and Mr. Thorpe with the following result:-

FOR MR. WHITTY:- Messrs. Colfer, Corish, Culleton, Cullimore, Cummins, Keegan, Kelly, Lawlor, O'Ryan, M. Redmond, Ronan, Sweetman and the Chairman. (13)

FOR MR. THORPE:- Messrs. Bowe, Connors, Day, Doyle, Gibbon, Kinsella, McCarthy, Murphy, O'Byrne, Quin and Smyth. (11)

The Chairman declared Mr. Whitty appointed.



NEW MEMBER OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Letter under date 29th January, 1935, was read from Co. Librarian that at the meeting of her Committee on the 26th January, 1935, a resolution was unanimously adopted recommending the appointment of Mr. Gerald Hurley, N.T., Lady's Island, Co. Wexford, as a member of the Committee vice Mr. J.P. Kelly, Co. Councillor, resigned. In the event of Mr. Hurley being unable to fill the vacancy, the Committee would like it filled by a nominee of the Teachers' Association.

Mr. Doyle proposed and Miss O'Ryan seconded the appointment of Mr. Hurley.

Mr. Kelly said that the meetings of the Committee were on Saturdays, and he could not attend on Saturdays. He proposed Mr. Myles Moore, Gurrawn Lower, Rathnure, to fill his place.

Mr. Colfer seconded.

After some discussion Mr. Kelly withdrew his motion and Mr. Hurley was elected unanimously.

Mr. Kelly - I would like to have the understanding that when a vacancy occurs in the future the Labour Party will get the vacancy.

Chairman - You should have that understanding at a Library Committee meeting.

TOWN & REGIONAL PLANNING ACT

In connection with proposed Conference re above Act correspondence was read as to the appointment of the following, <sup>4</sup>  
 Representing Wexford Corporation:- The Mayor (Mr. Corish, T.D.)  
 Ald. M. Flusk, and Mr. James Billington. New Ross Urban Council:-  
 Messrs. T. Redmond, M.C.C., J.E. Walsh, M.C.C., and A. Cullen.  
 Enniscorthy Urban Council:- Messrs. T. McCarthy, M.C.C.,  
 J.A. Rackard and Patrick Pender.

It was suggested by the Secretary that the urban representatives should meet before the appointment of Co. Council delegates and prepare recommendations for the Conference.



The Chairman proposed and Mr. Cummins seconded the following resolution which was adopted nem.con.:—"That the Wexford Corporation be requested to convene a meeting of Urban delegates relative to Regional and Town Planning Act with a view to drafting recommendations for the joint conference between Co. Council and Urban Council delegates. That the appointment of Co. Council delegates to Conference be considered at next meeting of the Council."

Under date 5th February, 1935, the Irish Tourist Association, O'Connell St., Dublin, C.8., wrote asking that in adopting the Town and Regional Planning Act the Council would give consideration to the following:-

1. The preservation of existing tourist amenities and their development as far as possible.
2. The preservation of monuments of historical and archaeological interest, and the maintenance of open spaces around such monuments.
3. The provision of maintenance, in an attractive manner, of parks in the vicinity of townships.
4. The removal of unsightly advertising hoardings and the demolition of old walls that shut out scenic views.

It was decided that copy of letter from the Association be furnished Wexford Corporation for the information of the Urban delegates at their forthcoming conference relative to Town and Regional Planning Act.

#### AGRICULTURAL GRANT

Under date 29th January, 1935, the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (S.10935/35 Loch Garman) referring the Council in connection with their application for an instalment of Agricultural Grant to the circular letter of the Department of the 17th January, 1935, that no further issues of agricultural grant could be made until the beginning of March and then only if Land Annuities were paid.



MOUNTGARRETT BRIDGE COMMITTEEAUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

Under date 15th January, 1935, (A.175402/34) the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote forwarding with attested abstracts, Auditor's Report on his Audit of the Accounts of Mountgarrett Bridge Joint Committee for the four half years ended 30th September, 1934. As the works were now completed the Committee's functions came to an end and the Account had been closed. The net cost of all works was £22366:0:3d defrayed as follows:-

Kilkenny County Council.....	£8388:0:2d
Wexford       "       "       .....	£8388:0:1d
State Contribution.....	£5590:0:0d

ANALYST'S REPORT.

Particulars of report of Co. Analyst in respect of quarter ended 31st December, 1934, were submitted. Samples of 168 foods 43 drugs, 7 waters, Total 218, were submitted for analyses. Three samples of new milk, one of buttermilk and one of separated milk were found to be adulterated. Three waters sent by the Co. Board of Health, viz. Butlerstown, Rathgarogue and Harristown were condemned.

ROAD GRANTS.

Under date 31st January, 1935, the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) (S.G.M./32) forwarded £4414 instalment of Road Improvement Grant.

Under date 9th February, 1935, the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) (R.G.M./32) forwarded £1652 instalment of Road Maintenance Grant.



SECONDARY & VOCATIONAL  
SCHEME, 1935, SCHOLARSHIPS.

The meeting considered the names of various applicants applying under the above Scheme for Scholarships and Bursaries. These had been supplied to the Councillors beforehand.

Miss O'Ryan proposed that applicants, the children of parents both of whom were teachers be debarred from competing for Scholarships under the Secondary & Vocational Scheme.

Mr. M. Redmond seconded.

Col. Quin and Mr. Doyle asked would Miss O'Ryan confine her resolution to children who had one of their parents only a teacher.

Mr. Corish said that teachers had to keep up a certain status and many of them had to keep motor-cars to get to and from their schools.

Miss O'Ryan said the reason why teachers were mentioned was because some of their children appeared as applicants on the list which had been furnished to the Council. Secondary education did not require a large sum and it would be incongruous to ask the ratepayers to allow a person with a couple of children and £400 a year of an income to gain the benefit of the Scholarship Scheme. She proposed that any child whose parents had a salary of £300 a year should be declared ineligible to compete for a Scholarship.

Mr. Corish held the Council were bound by the statement of means as set out in the scheme and Miss O'Ryan's motion if adopted would be ultra vires.

Miss O'Ryan said she would give notice of motion regarding people living in rural districts with an income of £300 per annum

Secretary - You may reject any of the applicants you like. That is my honest opinion. If you take my advice what you will do is consider each individual application.

On the suggestion of the Secretary, it was decided that the members representing each of the four districts should consider



the applications from their respective districts.

Following consideration of the applications the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "That the following candidates be deemed eligible to compete for Scholarships and Bursaries under Secondary and Vocational Scholarship Scheme:-

Gahan John, Killagoley, Enniscorthy. O'Leary John K., Ballyboro,  
Clonroche.

O'Leary Rchd., Blackwater, Enniscorthy.

McDonald Patrick, Irish Street, Buncloody.

Regan John, Davidstown, Enniscorthy.

Roche Mary Ellen, Ballygilliestown, Davidstown, Enniscorthy.

Greene Michael, Laburnum View, Bellefield, Enniscorthy.

Hanlon James J., Mary Street, Enniscorthy.

McConville Richd., Railway Station House, Enniscorthy.

Murphy Michael, 36, Wafer Street, Enniscorthy.

Tracey Matthew D., 2, Cathedral St., Enniscorthy.

Breen John, Cooleshal, Gorey.

O'Rafferty John V., Coolgreany, Inch.

Reid Michael, Tara Hill, Gorey.

Whitmore-Brennan Maureen B., "Quien Sabe", Tomsilla, Courtown.

Doran Elizabeth, 73, Main Street, Gorey.

Kelly Edward, 10, Grattan Tee., Gorey.

Carty Elizabeth, Donard, Clonroche.

Hart Kathleen A., Tinnock, Campile.

Jordan Laurence, Ballyvelig, Campile.

Murphy John, Ballysolough, Ramsgrange.

Power Kathleen, Raheenduff, Adamstown.

Wallace Simon, Coleman, Arthurstown.

Breen Margaret, Castlebridge, Wexford.

Carroll Mary A., Streamstown, Tagoat.

Collier Margt. J., Bridgetown, Wexford.

Connick Brigid E., Bridgetown, Wexford.

Cullen Patk. J., Polehore, Glynn.



Foley Thomas. Ballydoyle, Ballycogley.  
Fortune Nichols.J., Tenacre, Kilrane.  
Lyndon Sarah, Glenbough, Screen.  
Murphy Aidan, Ballinclay, Killurin.  
Murphy Brigid M., Broadway, Co. Wexford.  
O'Leary Margt. Lady's Island, Broadway.  
O'Neill Mary A., Bushville, Taghat.  
Sheil Patrick, Rosslare Harbour.  
Brennan Thomas, Green Street, Wexford.  
Browne Richard, Lower John Street, Wexford.  
Cadogan T.D., 61, South Main Street, Wexford.  
Carty Edward, 6, Upper Bride Street, Wexford.  
Curran Maud, 16, St. Ibar's Villas, Wexford.  
Donovan Margt., 18, High Street, Wexford.  
Dwyer James K., 5, Distillery Road, Wexford.  
Kavanagh Nichols.T., Paul Quay, Wexford.  
Leeson James C., 22, Parnell Street, Wexford.  
McGrath James, 10, John Street, Wexford.  
Merriman John A.V., 48, South Main Street, Wexford.  
Molloy Richard J., 157, The Faythe, Wexford.  
Murphy Mary Kate, Pearse Street, Wexford.  
Owens Christina B., Anne Street, Wexford.  
Roberts Brigid M., Airhill Cottage, Summerhill, Wexford.  
Rutledge Edward V., Parnell Street, Wexford.  
Vaughey Margaret, 6, Peter's Terrace, Wexford.  
White Thos. P., Abbey Street, Wexford.

"And that the following be declared ineligible to compete for the reasons given:-

Overage:- Sarah A.H. Rynhart, Killoggy Castle, Ferns.  
 Kathleen M. Doyle, Churchtown, Bridgetown.  
 Kathleen T. Golden, High Street, Wexford.  
 John P. Goodison, Thomas Clark Street, Wexford.  
 Patrick Kelly, Mountpleasant, Ballycogley.

Entry received late:- (11th February, 1935)

Maurice John Breen, Fethard-on-Sea.



Under date 2nd February, 1935, Gerald W. Fenelon, Church View, Tagoat, wrote that he was taking his Scholarship at Mount St. Joseph's Christian Brothers' Schools, Wexford,

#### LOAN - VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS

Under date 24th January, 1935, the Department of Education (Technical Instruction Branch) wrote (614-35):-

"Adverting to your letter of the 28th ultimo relative to the proposal of the Wexford County Council to raise a loan of £3,500 under Section 51 of the Vocational Education Act, 1930, for the purpose of enabling the Council to make a grant of that amount to the County Wexford Vocational Education Committee to be utilised towards the cost of the erection of Technical Schools in the Adamstown, Kilmuckridge and Shielbaggin districts, I have to inform you that the Minister for Finance has now intimated that, in the event of the Council raising a loan for the purpose in question with the approval of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, he will be prepared to consent to a refund being made to the Council out of State Funds under Section 51 (6) of the Act to the maximum extent permitted by the Section, viz., fifty per cent of the actual repayment charges."

#### LAND COMMISSION & DEFAULTING ANNUITANTS.

Under date 30th January, 1935, (Corr. No. 2261-33-Co. Wexford) the Land Commission wrote that a list of defaulting annuitants was in course of preparation and when completed a copy would be sent to the Council.

#### TURF ROAD KILTEALY

Under date 25th January, 1935, letter was read from Secretary, Turf Development Board (Ltd), 10, Hume Street, Dublin, that an Engineer was visiting Kiltaly district on 28th January 1935, to make a preliminary survey of the bogs in the Kiltaly district to ascertain whether circumstances would warrant the formation of a Co-operative Turf Society and the development of the bogs generally. The people of the district interested in the matter had been informed of the Engineer's visit. Mr. Bowe said that the Engineer had made a most exhaustive survey of the whole area.



CAMOLIN PARK ROAD

Rev. M. Wickham, C.C., and Mr. N. Fowler, attended as a deputation in connection with the question of the reconstruction and maintenance of the Camolin Park Road.

The Secretary said this matter was before the old Council on several occasions, and they also had it before them in considering the road works scheme. The road ran through the forestry demesne of the Department of Agriculture, and a great many ratepayers in the district were anxious that a proper road should be constructed. The Board of Works said that the Council should spend £1,000 on the reconstruction and agree to future maintenance. Of the £1,000, the Board of Works were to contribute £500. The Council thought that as they were to be responsible for the future maintenance the contribution from the Board of Works should be more than £500 - that, as the maintenance was to run on for all time, something more than a fifty-fifty basis should be expected from the Board of Works - and they asked the Government to contribute £750 on consideration of the Council's contributing £250 and maintaining the road in future.

Fr. Wickham said there was no doubt if the road was taken over it would be a great boon to the people of Camolin and Ballyduff. The tenants whose lands adjoined the road had to pay rent and rates the same as everyone else and they were entitled to a proper road like everyone else. For the past twenty years the road was absolutely impassible and parts of it actually dangerous. About three and a half years ago the road was in such a wretched condition - dangerous to man and beast - that the tenants got together and spent five weeks on its repair at a cost of £90 in addition to their own labour and the contribution they received from the Department of Agriculture, who were responsible for seven-eighths of the traffic was £10. They had sent Deputations to Dublin, met Engineers and Inspectors but it all appeared to be a waste of time. The people



concerned believed their only remedy was to get the Co.Council to take over the road.

Mr. Fowler corroborated the statement of Fr. Wickham and said the people were tired approaching the Department and the only course open was for the Co.Council to take over the road.

Mr. Corish, in view of the abnormal timber traffic passing over the road, suggested that if the Council agreed to take it over it should be laid down in concrete.

The Chairman held that the Council could not as regards such a road justify the expense of laying it in concrete.

Mr. Keegan supported the proposal of the deputation that the Council should take over the road.

Mr. Cummins proposed and Mr.Keegan seconded the following:-  
"That provided the Land Commission contribute a sum of £650 towards the reconstruction of Camolin Park Road this Council is prepared to contribute £350 and to become liable for the future maintenance of said road."

Mr. Doyle proposed and Col. Gibbon seconded the following:  
"That the County Council stand by their offer to contribute £250 towards the reconstruction and repair of Camolin Park Road and be responsible for its future maintenance provided the Land Commission agree to contribute £750 towards the project."

Mr. Sweetman said that if they passed a resolution they were going to burn their boats. The tenants had a very strong case. The Department had been breaking up their road with timber carts, etc., and it was certainly up to them to do a lot more than they had proposed to do. He thought the Department of Agriculture should be approached before the Council did anything definite.

Chairman - You may not be aware that several deputations waited on the Department with regard to the matter.

In reply to a query the Co.Surveyor stated he believed



the road could be properly reconstructed for £1000.

The Chairman said that of course the Forestry Department were not asking the Council to do the road. It was to facilitate the people that the Council wanted to do something with it. The people of the district and the county Council initiated the matter with the Department in the first instance.

Mr. O'Byrne said they were first given to understand that the Department were going to do the road fully if the Council would agree to take the road over. The Council passed a resolution agreeing to take the road over if it were put in repair.

Secretary - You passed two resolutions asking them to give £750 and they said that not in any circumstances would they agree to give more than £500.

The Chairman pointed out to Fr. Wickham that the County Council had no more responsibility for making a road through Camolin Park than for the reconstruction of any lane in the County.

Mr. Sweetman proposed that Mr. Corish and the Chairman see the Department of Agriculture this week, point out to them that they had done all the damage and ask them what they were prepared to do.

Mr. Ronan seconded.

Miss O'Ryan said that the Council had certainly been instrumental in spending big sums of money on lanes that were probably of far less importance than the road in question, and if the Department put it into passable repair they might get a grant.

Mr. Doyle said that he did not know that the Council were responsible for a big expenditure of money. They got grants for the lanes referred to by Miss O'Ryan.

Mr. Ronan suggested that Mr. Cummins and Mr. Doyle's motions be withdrawn, and that Mr. Corish and the Chairman be allowed to see the Department of Agriculture.



Mr. Cummins said he would not withdraw. They were tired going to the Department.

The Chairman thought the Council would be well advised to agree to Mr. Sweetman's motion. To have a poll on Mr. Cummins's motion, or to have a division at all, would injure the possibilities of the deputation to the Department.

Mr. Keegan suggested that Mr. Cummins adjourn his motion, and not withdraw it, but Mr. Cummins would not agree.

Mr. Corish said he thought it would be most unfair to the Chairman and himself to change the position until they had an opportunity of discussing it with the Department, because they might say, "You have gone up £100 and why not go up another £150?"

A poll on Mr. Sweetman's motion resulted as follows:-

**FOR:** Messrs. Bowe, Colfer, Connors, Corish, Culleton, Cullimore, Day, Doyle, Gibbon, Kelly, Kinsella, Lawlor, McCarthy, Murphy, O'Byrne, O'Ryan, M. Redmond, Ronan, Smyth, Sweetman, and the Chairman. (21).

**AGAINST:** Messrs. Cummins and Keegan. (2)

Col. Quin (1) was not present when poll was taken.

The Chairman declared the proposal carried.

On being put as the substantive motion it was adopted without dissent.

### ARTERIAL DRAINAGE SCHEMES

The following questionnaire was addressed to the County Council by the General Council of County Councils:-

1. Is the Council in favour of making Drainage Charges under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act 1928,
  - (a) a "county at large" charge?, or
  - (b) partly a "county at large" charge and partly a charge on the lands improved?
2. Is the Council in favour of having charges on Drainage Schemes carried out under other Arterial Drainage Acts made
  - (a) a "county at large" charge? or
  - (b) partly a "county at large" charge and partly



"a charge on the land improved?"

Col. Gibbon said he would oppose ~~the~~ drainage schemes being made County-at-large Charges. If such a proposal was adopted they would be flooded with all sorts of uneconomic schemes.

Mr. Doyle agreed and said the proper area of chargeability was the land which was improved by each drainage scheme.

The Chairman said it would be generally admitted that no drainage scheme was really economic. He considered that in order to develop drainage they should have the major portion of the cost contributed by the State.

Mr. O'Byrne proposed:- "That Rates for drainage development be levied on improved lands with a contribution from the State."

Mr. Kelly proposed and Mr. Colfer seconded the following motion:- "That rates for development of drainage areas be County-at-large charges."

This was, however, subsequently withdrawn.

The Chairman, as an amendment, proposed:- "That the expenditure for drainage Schemes under all general Drainage Acts be financed as follows:- State Contribution 60 per cent; Local area - improved lands - 30 per cent, County-at-Large 10 per cent."

Mr. Kelly seconded.

After further discussion a poll was taken on this proposal with the following result:-

**FOR:-** Messrs. Colfer, Corish, Culleton, Cullimore, Keegan, Kelly, O'Ryan, M. Redmond, Ronan, Sweetman and the Chairman. (11)

**AGAINST:-** Messrs. Bowe, Connors, Cummins, Doyle, Gibbon, Kinsella, Murphy, O'Byrne and Smyth. (9).

Mr. Lawlor (1) did not vote.

Messrs. Day, McCarthy and Quin (3) were not present when poll was taken.

The Chairman declared the motion carried.



Mr. Doyle gave notice of his intention to move at next meeting that the resolution of the Chairman be rescinded.

#### ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD

Under date 9th February, 1935, the Co. Surveyor submitted letter from District Engineer, Electricity Supply Board, Waterford Office, as to erection of Poles on the Waterford Road, Rosbercon, New Ross, to convey a supply of electricity to Messrs. Doyle's Mill, Rosbercon.

The Chairman proposed and Mr. Colfer seconded the following resolution which was adopted:- "That the Electricity Supply Board be requested to arrange for consultation between their Engineer and the Co. Surveyor in respect of erection of Electricity carrying poles to Doyle's Maize Mill, Rosbercon, New Ross."

#### BALLYHACK HARBOUR

Under date 5th February, 1935, (S.15586/35 Loch Garman) the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote that the communication from the Co. Council as to the necessity for improvement works at Ballyhack Harbour had been forwarded to the Office of Public Works.

The Chairman said he had, as requested, called to the Fisheries Department but they had not, up to then, received any communication from the Office of Public Works. He would call again.

Mr. Corish said that when next in Dublin he would call to the Fisheries Department.

#### GOREY COURTHOUSE

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Keegan:- "That the use of Gorey Courthouse for the night of Friday, 1st March, 1935, be granted to Gorey Technical School Committee for the purpose of holding a social re-union and ceillidhe under the auspices of the Student's Union, on the understanding that the Committee will



"be responsible for the safety of the building while in their possession and that they will deliver up the premises in a clean and tidy condition."

PROPOSED GRANT TO MR. R. MALONE, V.S.

The following under date 18th January, 1935, (L. 3554-34) was read from the Department of Agriculture:-

"With reference to your letter of the 31st ultimo relative to the proposal of your Local Authority to make to Mr. R. Malone, Veterinary Inspector, under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the Wexford District, an ex-gratia grant of £100 in the event of his agreeing to retire, I am directed by the Minister for Agriculture to state that there is no power, under the Diseases of Animals Acts to make an ex-gratia payment and that there are no funds at the disposal of the Minister out of which a grant of the kind could be made to Mr. Malone."

"It is open to your Local Authority to make representations on this subject to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Cummins seconded by Mr. Keegan:- "That the Co. Council provide from their own funds the proposed grant of £100 to Mr. R. Malone, V.S., if he agrees to retire from the position of Veterinary Inspector under the Council and that the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to payment of the grant be forthcoming."

HAULAGE OF ROAD MATERIAL

The following received on 9th February, 1935, was submitted:-

"At a meeting of Ballindaggin Fianna Fail Cumainn the following resolution was unanimously adopted:-

"That we urgently request the Wexford Co. Council to have all haulage on roads in future done by horse-power. We ask this particularly for Enniscorthy district, where there are a large number of small farmers who keep a horse or two, but have not work enough for same on farm, and who would be willing and eager to do this work. This class of farmer is unable to take part in larger schemes, that the Government advocate, such as Wheat growing, Beet, etc., owing to their restricted acreage, but are badly in need of something such as above to enable them to meet their annuities, rates, etc."

Mr. Keegan proposed the confirmation of the resolution which was seconded by Mr. Lawlor.



Mr. Doyle pointed out that on certain jobs in which a large amount of tonnage had to be hauled a long distance it would be uneconomic to employ horse labour. Many people employing lorries were large ratepayers. They should remember it was the ratepayers' money they were spending and they could not support an uneconomic proposal.

The Secretary read Section 61 (2) of the Local Government Act 1925 and pointed out that if the rates were to suffer by the employment of horse haulage instead of mechanical haulage the Councillors favoring and voting for the former ran the risk of surcharge.

It was decided to have the proposal from Ballindaggin Cumann submitted to the Tenders Committee which will consider all haulage tenders.

#### LANES - MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES

It was decided on the motion of Col. Gibbon seconded by Mr. O'Byrne that applications for repair of the following lanes etc. be scheduled for consideration under Minor Relief Schemes Vote when funds are available:-

Kilpierce Lane; Ballydawnmore Lane; Ballincash Lane (Oulart); Road Ballyhogue Cross to School House at Bellevue; Annagh Lane (Killena); Kilcorkey Lane, Ballycanew; Laggan Lane, Tinahely; Oldtown Lane, Clonamona, Craanford; Knockbrandon Lane; Davidstown Lane; Munfin - Castledockrell Lane; Posture Lane, Ramsgrange; Sheilbaggin Lane, Ramsgrange; Reahouse Lane, Duncormack; Owenstown Lane, Rathmacknee; Ratholm Lane, Killinick; Killowen Lane to Islandbridge, Gorey; Cleaning Mill River, Road Kilrush Church.

#### PLANTING SHRUBS GOREY '98 MONUMENT

Under date 31st January, 1935, application was read from a small Committee appointed to have ornamental shrubs planted around the '98 Monument in Gorey asking the permission of the Co. Council for the project.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Sweetman seconded by Mr. O'Byrne:- "That permission be granted for the planting of ornamental shrubs around 1798 monument in Gorey, work to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Co. Surveyor."



RECTORY ROAD, ENNISCORTHY.

Memorial extensively signed by the residents of the Rectory Road, Enniscorthy, asking the Co. Council to have repairs carried out to above road was received. There were 23 families living on the road and new houses were being built there. About 100 yards only of the road required attention.

Under date 11th February, 1935, Mr. T. Cullen, Assistant Surveyor for the district, reported that no further work than had been done could be carried out on this road for the money allocated. Further on towards Yorkville is in much worse condition and is subject to far heavier traffic. The Rectory Road required shaping and surfacing and a proper job could only be done through a Grant or by way of special proposal.

The following resolution was adopted on the Motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "That the question of complying with the wishes of the residents of Rectory Road, Enniscorthy, be referred to the Co. Surveyor for consideration when Improvement Grants for roads become available."

HOUSE ON QUAY, FETHARD.

On the motion of Mr. Cummins seconded by Mr. Colfer an application from Edward Butler, Quay, Fethard, to be allowed to occupy house on the Quay, Fethard, the property of the Council, was referred to the Co. Surveyor.

Butler stated that the owner of his present dwelling was putting him out and that he would require the house of the Council only until a labourer's cottage which was being built for him was ready for occupation.

ROSSLARE SEWERAGE SCHEME

Under date 9th February, 1935, the Co. Surveyor wrote enclosing copy letter which he had received from Mr. P. H. McCarthy, Engineer to the Co. Board of Health, as to above sewerage. He and Mr. McCarthy had decided that the most suitable method of dealing with the pipe line was to carry it



behind the roadway fence on the Western side and it had been suggested that if steps were taken by the Co.Council to widen the road it would probably save the duplication of any compensation that might be demanded for way-leave if sufficient land for the purpose was secured.

The Co.Surveyor said he had walked the entire length of the proposed scheme with Mr.McCarthy and they decided the best line for the pipes would be behind the fences. When the matter was under consideration by the Co.Board of Health, the County Council might with very little increased expenditure secure the right to widen the road at a future time, if way-leave was now obtained.

Mr. Doyle asked if the Health Board had decided to go on with the Scheme.

The Chairman said the Board had asked for an estimate of its cost.

Mr. Doyle said it had been stated that the scheme was to cost £9,000 and wished to know if this figure still held the field. Mr.Flood, Engineer to the Health Board told the latter that the figure would be reduced. He would like to know where they were with the Scheme.

Miss O'Ryan said the Council could ask the Health Board for the correct figures relative to Rosslare Sewerage Scheme.

Mr.Doyle said that £9,000 was an enormous amount to have placed on the Wexford district. He had opposed the scheme on that account though he was not in opposition to the scheme as such. He suggested the area of charge should be the County- at large as a great many visitors from outside Wexford District patronised Rosslare. The chargeability should not be confined to the one district.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr.Keegan:- "That in connection with laying sewer pipes in Rosslare the Co.Board of Health - should they proceed with the Scheme - be requested in



"procuring way-leave for pipes to have provision made for the widening of the road.

"That the Co.Board of Health be requested to furnish, for the information of the Co.Council, figures showing the cost of proposed sewerage scheme for Rosslare."

#### CENTRAL SAVINGS MOVEMENT.

During the month of October, 1934, the gross sales of Savings Certificates in the County represented an investment of £2:14:1d per head of the County population and during the month of November, 1934, an investment of £2:14:2d per head of the County population.

The number of Savings Associations working <sup>in</sup> the County is 109.

#### EVICTED TENANTS & RE-INSTATEMENT

The following resolution from Cork Co.Council was adopted on the motion of Mr.Cummins seconded by Mr.Bowe:-

"That as the claims to re-instatement of Evicted Tenants have not yet been dealt with by the Land Commission though ample powers have been given by the "33" Land Act to acquire lands to secure their re-instatement, we, in meeting assembled, deem it our duty to call the attention of the Minister of Lands and to request him to give instructions to Land Commission to take immediate steps so as to effect their re-instatement in Spring, which will give them an opportunity once again of being in the happy position of cultivating their long cherished holdings."

#### TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF COUNCILLORS

The following resolution from Cork Co.Council was adopted on the motion of Mr. M. Redmond seconded by Mr.Kelly:-

"That the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be requested to introduce legislation for the amendment of Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925, so as to permit payment of travelling expenses to members of Local Authorities who, consequent on the results of local elections held within a half year, are at present precluded from complying with the existing terms of the Section above referred to."



FREE MILK SCHEME

The following resolution from Dungarvan Urban District Council was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Culleton:-

"That this Council again request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to extend the Age Limit under the Free Milk Scheme to all School children of the necessitous poor, who are certified by any Medical Officer of Health to be suffering from any disease or from malnutrition, and who are in the opinion of the Doctor in need of extra nourishment during the Winter months."

*J. Allen*

*11th March 35-*

