

WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL.

MEETING 12th SEPTEMBER, 1932.

M I N U T E S.

COUNTY HALL,
WEXFORD.

N.J. FRIZELLE,
Secretary.

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A meeting of Wexford County Council was held in Co. Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 12th September, 1932.

Present:- Mr. M. Doyle (Chairman) presiding, also Messrs. James Armstrong, John Brennan, James Cline, Patrick Colfer, Thomas Cooney, Richard Corish, John Culleton, John Cummins, Timothy F. D'Arcy, James Gaul, Col. C.M. Gibbon, James Hall, Patrick Hayes, William P. Keegan, Thomas McCarthy, John Murphy, Sean O'Byrne, Miss N. O'Ryan, Col. R.P. Wemyss Quin, M.M. Roche, James Shannon, Myles Smyth and James E. Walsh.

The Secretary, Assistant Secretary, County Surveyor, County Solicitor and Rates Inspector were also present.

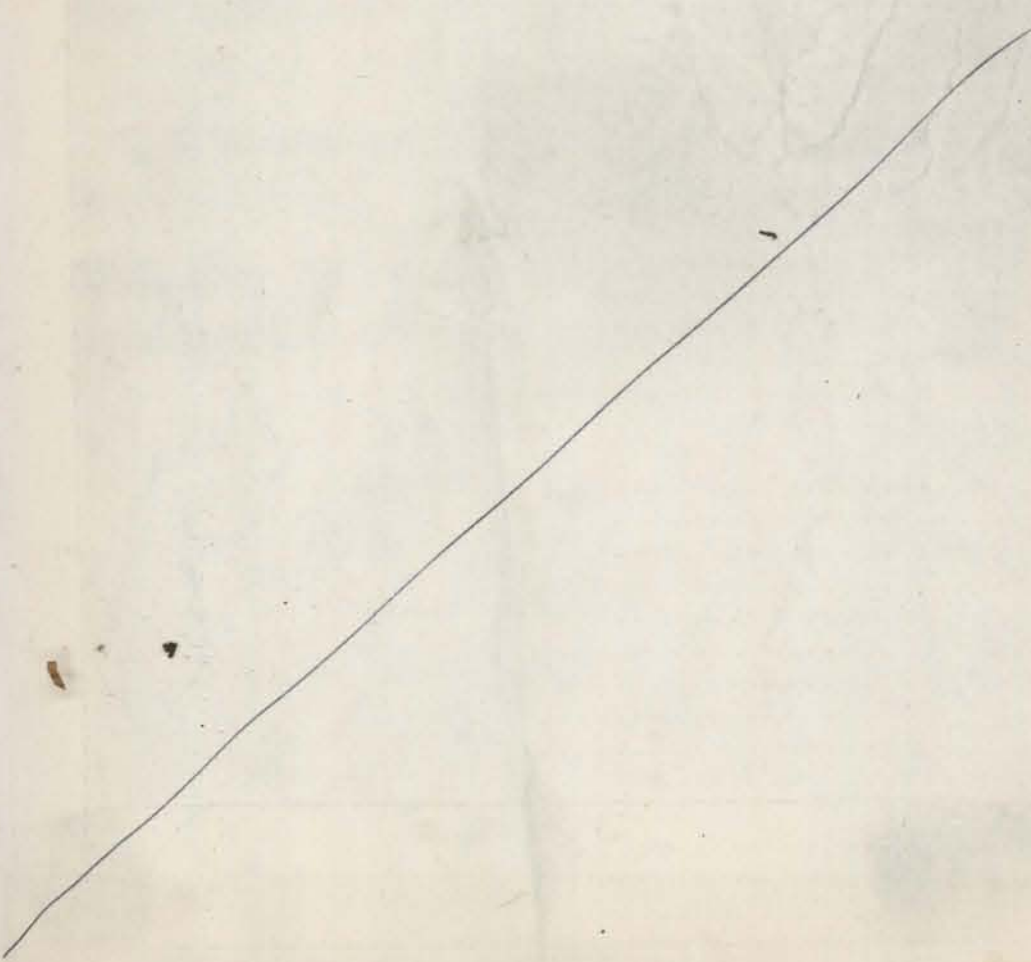
The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

PAYMENTS.

Treasurer's Advice Note for £41.4s.0d. was examined and signed.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 11th August, 1932 were submitted as follows:-



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The fortnightly meeting of the Finance Committee of Wexford County Council was held in the County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 11th August, 1932.

Present: Messrs. James Hall, Thomas McCarthy, Sean O'Byrne, and James Shannon.

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

On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Shannon the chair was taken by Mr. McCarthy.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

REPLY TO VOTE OF CONDOLENCE.

On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Shannon the following letter from Mr. J. Cummins, Rate Collector, in acknowledgement of vote of condolence on his father's death was directed to be inserted upon the Minutes of the day:-

"Will you please convey to your Finance Committee, my sincere thanks for their very kind vote of condolence to me. I wish especially to thank yourself for your very kind letter and also your staff."

PAYMENTS.

Treasurer's Advice Note for £4555 was examined and signed.

RATE COLLECTION.

STATE OF:- The state of Rate Collection up to the date of meeting was submitted as follows:-

1.	S. Cannon (6)	13.3
2.	J. Quirke	12.5
3.	P. Bolan	11.9
4.	E.J. Murphy	11.7
5.	E. Cummins	11.3
6.	J. Curtis	11.0
7.	S. Cannon (10)	11.0
8.	M. Murphy	10.6
9.	M. McCarthy	10.5
10.	T. Rowe	10.2
11.	A. Dunne	9.9
12.	T. Bolger	8.4
13.	J. Cummins	8.3
14.	P. O'Byrne	7.7
15.	J.J. O'Reilly	7.7
16.	J. Deegan	7.3
17.	W. Doyle	6.4
18.	J.J. Sinnott	6.3
19.	P. Carty	6.1
20.	P. Doyle	6.0

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It was stated that the Collection showed a reduction of 3% as compared with the corresponding period last year.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS

Under date 6th August, 1932, the following was read from Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor:-

"I have received Notices of Application for Compensation for alleged Malicious Injuries for hearing at the Sitting of the Circuit Court in November next, as follows:-

1. Application by Michael Henahan of Kilmannock, for £20:0:0d in respect of the alleged poisoning of 5 pigs on the 6th May, 1932.
2. Application by the same man for £60 for the alleged poisoning of a Horse on the 15th April, 1932.
3. Application by the Great Southern Railways for £20 for the alleged damage of a Cottage at St. John's Enniscorthy.

In none of the above cases have I received any Reports from the Gardai which they usually send.

With regard to Nos. 1 & 2 - I raised the point before the Circuit Court Judge that the Notices of Application were served late (The Notices should have been served within 7 days from the date of the alleged injury subject to the right of the Judge to extend such time if he deems it necessary) In No. 1 above Notice was not served until the 6th of June, that is, one month from the date of the occurrence, and in the case of No. 2 the Notice was not served until the 15th day of July, 1932 that is, three months after the occurrence.

In both these cases it appeared to me, that owing to the facts, it was essential that immediate Notice should have been given in order to enable the Council to have an independent Analysis made; while owing to the long delay in these cases such was impossible as the Carcasses had long since been destroyed. The Judge adjourned both these cases to the

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November Sessions, without prejudice to my right to then raise the point as to the delay in serving the Notices.

I believe that it is suggested that traces of strichine were found in parts of the Animals on Analysis.

With regard to No. 3 - This claim for £20 is in respect of damage to a Cottage on the Railway Line near St. John's Enniscorthy, on the 23rd July last. There was a previous Claim lodged in respect of Damage to this Cottage on the 22nd March 1932 which Claim was heard on the 8th day of June 1932 when a Decree was given for £17. The entire inside fittings of the Cottage had been removed on that occasion. I have written to the Solicitors for the Railway Company asking them to have the Key of the Cottage available so that an inspection of same can be made."

A detailed report of an examination by the Gardai in Enniscorthy was furnished by District Superintendent Garberry.

On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Shannon the following resolution was adopted:- "That the Finance Committee appreciate the manner in which report as to alleged criminal injury at Railway cottage near Enniscorthy, was submitted in such detail by District Superintendent Garberry, Garda Siochana, Enniscorthy."

It was also decided that Mr. Elgee request the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana to furnish to him, reports in connection with criminal injury applications by Mr. Henahan, respecting the alleged poisoning of animals on his premises.

LECTURE ON TOBACCO GROWING.

Under date 9th August, 1932, the following was read from Mr. Thomas Funge, 63, Main Street, Gorey:-

"I wish to apply for use of Court House, Gorey, for Lecture on Tobacco Growing by Rev. Dom. Sweetman on Friday,

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"August 19th at 8.30 p.m. (Summer Time).

As the lecture will be of an educational nature and much help to the farming community of Gorey Area, I would suggest it be advertised in Local Press by the County Committee of Agriculture. It would be very much appreciated if Mr. Hall, Chairman of the Committee would kindly preside."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Shannon seconded by Mr. O'Byrne:- "That Mr. Funge be informed Gorey Courthouse will be available for lecture on Tobacco Growing, on Friday, 19th August, 1932. It is not, however, feasible to arrange for the County Committee of Agriculture to advertise the lecture, as the contract with the local papers covers only advertisements relative to matters dealt with directly by the said County Committee."

FERRYCARRIG BRIDGE COMMITTEE.

Under date 9th August, 1932, Mr. C.J. Morris, Hon. Sec. Wexford Development Association, wrote that he was instructed by the Committee of the Association to ask that they be allowed representation on Conference re proposal to have a fixed span on Ferrycarrig Bridge.

Mr. O'Byrne proposed and Mr. Shannon seconded the following resolution which was adopted:- "That the Wexford Development Association be informed that the personnel of the Ferrycarrig Bridge Committee has been confined to Representatives of Statutory Bodies. As Wexford is represented by the Corporation and the Harbour Commissioners the Finance Committee feel that its interests will be well looked after.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL APPLICATIONS.

Application was received from Sergeant Kelly, Garda Siochana, New Ross, forwarding notice of application to New Ross District Court for the committal of John Murphy, Barrack Street, New Ross, aged 11½ years to Artane Industrial

School under Section 58 (b) Children's Act 1908.

Referred to Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

Mr. Elgee, said he had received from the Garda Síochána at Gorey, Certificate of a Sample taken from milk of Mr. Denis Allen, Raheenagurren, Gorey, which showed the fats as 2.63 instead of 3

After discussion the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Hall seconded by Mr. O'Byrne:- "That no action be taken as regards sample of milk taken from Mr. D. Allen, as the deficiency in fats was very small, and no water had been added to the milk."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Clince:-

"That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 11th August, 1932, and as submitted to this meeting be and are hereby confirmed."

The Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 25th August, 1932, were submitted as follows:-

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The fortnightly meeting of the Finance Committee was held on the 25th August, 1932, in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford.

Present: Messrs. John Culleton, James Hall, Sean O'Byrne and James Shannon.

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

On the motion of Mr. Shannon seconded by Mr. O'Byrne the chair was taken by Mr. Culleton.

PAYMENTS.

Treasurer's Advice Note for £5605. 3. 6d. was examined and signed.

STATE OF RATE COLLECTION.

The state of the Rate Collection to date was submitted as follows:-

		Percentage of Warrant.
1.	S. Gannon (6)	17.5
2.	E.J. Murphy	16.0
3.	W. Cummins	14.7
4.	J. Quirke	14.0
5.	P. Nolan	14.0
6.	J. Curtis	14.0
7.	A. Dunne	13.2
8.	T. Rowe	13.1
9.	S. Gannon (10)	13.0
10.	M. McCarthy	12.8
11.	J. Cummins	11.5
12.	M. Murphy	11.3
13.	P. Carty	9.6
14.	P. O'Byrne	9.6
15.	T. Bolger	9.4
16.	J. Deegan	8.9
17.	J.J. O'Reilly	7.8
18.	J.J. Sinnott	7.7
19.	W. Doyle	7.7
20.	P. Doyle	7.0

The Secretary stated that as compared with last year the Collection was 5.8% behind.

AMOUNTS DUE BY URBAN COUNCILS.

Proposed by Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Hall and adopted:-
 "That the three Urban Councils of the County be requested to pay without delay amount due on foot of their Demands up to 31st March, 1932.

ADDITIONAL RELIEF - RATES ON AGRICULTURAL LAND.

Under date 23rd August, 1932, letter (C.L.48 (4) 32) from Local Government Department, as to issue of Credit Notes in respect of Additional Relief of Rates on Agricultural Land was read for the meeting.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Shannon and adopted:- "That the additional Relief for Rates on Agricultural Land be applied to all land in the County Council area."

Mr. O'Byrne proposed and Mr. Shannon seconded the following:- "That with reference to paragraph 8 in letter from Local Government Department under date 23rd August, 1932, the Finance Committee are of opinion that refunds representing the amounts of credit to which Ratepayers are entitled should be made only in cases in which the full amount of rates for current financial year have been paid."

The Chairman and Mr. Hall were not in favour of the motion which, after further discussion, was dropped.

COMPENSATION, WEXFORD OLD COURTHOUSE.

Under date 17th August, 1932, Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor, wrote forwarding Pay Order for £422.10.5d. from the Department of Finance being the balance of the compensation award in respect of Wexford Old Courthouse.

FOOD & DRUGS ACT.

Under date 16th August, 1932, the District Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Enniscorthy, wrote that a sample of new milk

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taken from Mr. Peter Murphy, Ferns, was found not genuine by the County Analyst, 5.33% of fats having been abstracted. No certificate for prosecution had, however, been issued, as the Analyst stated the adulteration was so slight as not to warrant prosecution.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL CASES.

Intimation was received from the District Court Clerk, New Ross, as to the committal of Anastasia Cosgrave, Ballynabola, an illegitimate child aged 11½ years, to an Industrial School. The Mother was recently before the Court on a charge of concealment of birth, and was being detained for a period of 12 months in the Good Shepherd Convent, New Ross, by order of the District Justice.

Garda Morrissey, Killurin, wrote as to application to be made on 31st August, 1932, for the committal of James Keegan, aged 6½ years, also an illegitimate child, to Rathdrum Industrial School. The Mother died on the 23rd July, 1932, since which date the child was destitute.

Referred to Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME.

Under date 19th August, 1932, Mr. Michael F. O'Keefe, 61, The Faythe, Wexford, a University Scholar of the County Council wrote as follows:-

"In reply to yours of the 13th inst., I regret that I have not fulfilled the conditions required in the University Scholarship Scheme of your County Council.

"To explain my failure in the Second Arts examination, I state with sincerity that I did not attempt all the questions set out in the examination papers, but overestimated the quality of my answers to those which I did attempt. The result was, my failure to reach the required pass standard.

"However, to make good this failure I intend to sit for, and pass, the Second Arts examination next year.

"At the same time, with the consent of your Council I

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"shall pursue my studies for the third and final Arts examination. To this, I am sure both your Council and the Authorities at University College, Dublin, will be agreeable.

Thanking you in anticipation of your kind consideration in this matter."

Mr. O'Byrne proposed and the chairman seconded the following resolution, which was adopted:-

"The Finance Committee are not prepared to accept explanation offered by Mr. Michael F. O'Keefe as to his failure to pass his second Arts Examination, as satisfactory.

"That the University Authorities be communicated with and asked their opinion as to whether they would recommend the Council to renew Scholarship in this case."

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On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Armstrong the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the Minutes of Finance Committee of 25th August, 1932, as submitted to this meeting be and are hereby confirmed."

The Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 8th September, 1932, were submitted as follows:-

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The fortnightly meeting of the Finance Committee was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 8th September, 1932.

Present: Messrs. John Culleton, James Hall, Thomas McCarthy, Sean O'Byrne and James Shannon.

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

On the motion of Mr. Hall seconded by Mr. O'Byrne the chair was taken by Mr. McCarthy.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

PAYMENTS.

Treasurer's Advice Note for £6370. 9. 7d. was examined and signed.

R A T E C O L L E C T I O N .

STATE OF:- The state of the Rate Collection to 7th September, 1932, was submitted as follows:-

		<u>Percentage of Warrant collected.</u>
1.	S. Gannon (6)	23.3
2.	J. Curtis	17.6
3.	E.J. Murphy	17.6
4.	A. Dunne	16.4
5.	W. Cummins	15.4
6.	J. Quirke	15.1
7.	M. McCarthy	15.1
8.	P. Carty	15.0
9.	P. Nolan	14.7
10.	T. Rowe	14.5
11.	S. Gannon (10)	13.7
12.	J. Cummins	13.3
13.	M. Murphy	13.2
14.	J.J. O'Reilly	12.6
15.	T. Bolger	11.7
16.	J. Deegan	10.8
17.	P. O'Byrne	9.9
18.	J.J. Sinnott	9.2
19.	Wm. Doyle	8.5
20.	P. Doyle	14.7

The Secretary stated that as compared with the same period last year the collection showed a reduction of 9.3%. The Rates Inspector had reported to him that he was of opinion Collectors were not making the necessary effort to secure the prompt payment of rates from persons who were in a position to pay.

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The Chairman said there had been a rumour in some districts that farmers were about to combine not to pay. It was probable that some people who were not dependent upon farming but who farmed as a hobby only, would be in a position to pay, and the Rate Collectors should take steps to recover the rates from them.

After further discussion it was decided to take no further action until the Finance Committee are in a position to ascertain how their direction that 50% of collection warrant should be lodged by the 30th September, 1932, had been complied with.

PERSONAL SURETIES - RATE COLLECTOR Wm. DOYLE:- Mr. Elgee mentioned that some time ago the County Council had accepted as sureties under Personal Bond of Collector Wm. Doyle, (No. 2 District) Messrs. Michael Furlong, Raheenakennedy, Raheen and James Furlong, Scullabogue, Newbawn.

He wrote Mr. Doyle to bring in his sureties for his Personal Bond, but as a matter of fact, Mr. Doyle brought in, his father, Thomas D. Doyle and his uncle James L. Doyle, Scullabogue. When Mr. Elgee called attention to the fact that these men had not been selected as Personal Sureties by the Co. Council, Mr. Doyle said he made a mistake and thought that Messrs. Furlong had been selected only as collateral sureties for him with the Insurance Company.

Under date 7th September, 1932, Mr. William Doyle, wrote that the names of the sureties now proposed for his Personal Bond Messrs. James L. Doyle and Thomas D. Doyle, Scullabogue, were the same as heretofore for No. 19 District. They had been sureties under Personal Bond for his late brother until his death, and for himself since the death of his brother. He asked the Finance Committee to approve of them.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Hall seconded by Mr. Shannon:-

"That Messrs. James L. Doyle and Thomas D. Doyle be

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"be accepted as Personal Sureties for Mr. Wm. Doyle, Rate Collector (No. 2 District) provided they are in a position to supply Bankers' references. If they cannot submit these it will be necessary for Mr. Doyle to procure sureties who are in such a position as it is provided by the regulations of the Department of Local Government that Bankers' references must be submitted in all such cases.

COLLECTORS BOLGER AND CARTY:- It was decided to ask Rate Collector T. Bolger (No. 14 district) for an explanation as to why he did not lodge until the 8th September 1932 amount (£28.8.3) which had been found by Rates Inspector on the 3rd September, 1932 as having been omitted from his accounts on checking.

A similar resolution was adopted in connection with Rate Collector P. Carty (No. 20 district) in respect of his neglect to lodge £10.8.3d in respect of checking on 1st September, 1932 until 6th September, 1932.

CREDIT NOTES - RELIEF OF RATES ON AGRICULTURAL LAND.

Under date 6th September, 1932 (G.70252/1932 Loch Garman) the following was read from the Department of Local Government:-

"I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, regarding the allocation of the above grant and to state that in cases where the first moiety of the rates has been paid, the credit notes should be issued to the ratepayers to be used by them in part payment of their second moities. In any case where the amount of the credit note exceeds the amount of the second moiety due, a credit note for the amount of the second moiety should be issued to the ratepayer who can thus liquidate his liability for rates by handing it to the Rate Collector; the balance of the credit note being paid to the ratepayer by Paying Order as set out in Paragraph 8 of this Department's circular letter of the 23rd ultimo."

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Three tenders were received for the printing of 150 books of Credit Notes, viz. The "People" Newspaper £9.5. "The Echo" Newspaper £9. and Messrs. John English & Co. Wexford £7.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Culleton:- "That the tender of Messrs. John English & Co., Wexford, for supply of 150 books of Rate Credit Notes at £7. be accepted.

POSITION OF COUNTY COUNCIL MESSENGER.

The Secretary pointed out that on the 13th June, 1932, the following resolution had been adopted by the Co. Council:-

"That the Co. Council retain for County Council Offices, Nicholas Roche, at present temporary messenger for a further three months as from the 14th June, 1932."

It was now necessary to review the position.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Culleton seconded by Mr. Hall:-

"We recommend the Co. Council to appoint Nicholas Roche, as permanent messenger to Co. Council Offices at a wage of £1 per week, ^{and} that he be allowed to reside free in the apartments he has at present."

EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Shannon seconded by Mr. O'Byrne:-

"That application be made to the Local Government Department for extension of period of overdraft accommodation from the 30th September, 1932 to 31st December, 1932 and on receipt of sanction that the matter be brought to the attention of the Directors of the National Bank with a view to obtaining their consent to said extension."

SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEMES.

UNIVERSITY:- On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by the Chairman the following resolution was adopted:-

"That County Council be recommended to approve of the

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"renewal of University Scholarships to the following students for Academic Year 1933"-

1. John Dunphy, 21, Convent Hill, New Ross.
2. Michael Tobin, Bohreen Hill, Enniscorthy.
3. Barbara Lowe, Maudlintown, Wexford.
4. Mary E. Kelly, 18, North Main Street, Wexford.

In connection with University Scholarship of Michael F. O'Keefe 61, The Faythe, Wexford, the following is extract from letter of Secretary, University College, Dublin, under date 7th September, 1932:- "The case of Mr. Michael F. O'Keefe, who failed at the Second year College Examination in Arts, and your query in reference thereto, will be submitted to the first meeting of the Academic Council in October."

It was decided that resolution of Finance Committee of August 25th 1932 declining to accept Mr. O'Keefe's explanation for his failure at University Examination as satisfactory and also the reference to his case in the letter from University College, be furnished to him for his information.

Under date 7th September, 1932, the Secretary, University College, Dublin, wrote stating that the Academic Council approved of the University Scholarship Scheme 1933/34.

The Secretary stated that Miss Eileen Cadogan, who had obtained second place at the recent University Scholarship Exam. had called upon him and stated she was not availing of the Scholarship. The next on list in order of merit was William Meyler, Blackhall, Glynn.

On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Shannon the following resolution was adopted:-

"That vacant University Scholarship ~~should~~ be awarded to William Meyler, Blackhall, Glynn."

Under date 6th September, 1932, Mr. Arthur J. Nix, 48, South Street, New Ross, applied for an extension of his

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Scholarship to enable him to proceed for the LL.B. degree. He was taking his examination for B.A. degree in a fortnight.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Hall:-

"That Mr. Nix be informed as regards his application for extension of University Scholarship, the Finance Committee consider they have no power under the University Scholarship Scheme to agree to his request."

PRIMARY SCHEME:- The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Hall seconded by Mr. Culleton:-

"That our Secretary communicate with the schools at which Primary Scholarships of the Wexford Co. Council are being held and ask for the names of any Scholars of the Council who occupy the position of Pupil Teachers."

SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS MACHINERY-YARD ENNISCORTHY.

In connection with provision of sanitary accommodation for machinery yard at Enniscorthy, County Surveyor submitted quotation from Mr. Matthew Holbrook, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, at £28. He (Co. Surveyor) regarded the quotation as reasonable in view of the fact that the water main at the Urban Council was 180 yards away from the place at which connection would be made at the machinery yard.

Mr. O'Byrne proposed and Mr. Hall seconded the following resolution which was adopted:-

"That tender of Mr. Matthew Holbrook, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, to provide the necessary sanitary arrangements at the machinery yard, Enniscorthy, to the satisfaction of the Co. Surveyor, for the sum of £28. be recommended to the Council for acceptance."

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The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Armstrong:-

"That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 8th September, 1932, be received and considered."

RATE COLLECTION:- Miss O'Ryan mentioned it was stated that in some districts a combined attempt was to be made to refuse to pay annuities or rates.

The Secretary stated that since the meeting of the Finance Committee about £300 had been received up to date. A circular was issued to the Rate Collectors under date 29th August, 1932, pointing out that it had been noted at the previous meeting of the Finance Committee that the first moiety had not been collected from a number of ratepayers who could without difficulty pay the amount, and that it was essential that all possible outstanding rates should be collected in order that the County services might be maintained.

The Chairman said he had not heard of any combined attempts being made to prevent rates being paid. He considered the Rate Collectors should lose no opportunity in endeavouring to secure payment from those who were able to pay. A great many people did not want to pay twice over if they could help it, because since the tariff was established they were paying on the double.

Miss O'Ryan said that at the last meeting of the Council a certain man had been singled out for not paying his annuities. She went to the trouble in this particular instance to ascertain the truth and found that the holding was being vested and the amount was not carried forward as arrears. Another matter to which she wished to call attention was the statement of Col. Gibbon at the last meeting when he said that the Co-operative Society owing to the slackness of trade had been obliged to dispense with two of their employees. This was not the case. The two men concerned had been engaged on a temporary job painting sheds and their services were dispensed with when the work was completed.

The Chairman said no one would dispute that the country was

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in a worse position this year than last.

Col. Quin said as regards the particular man referred to by Miss O'Ryan, in connection with the non-payment of his annuities, he had been returned as a defaulter in the lists which had been supplied by the Land Commission. He had every confidence that these lists were accurately prepared and a man such as the person referred to, should not have allowed his annuities to remain outstanding.

Mr. O'Byrne pointed out that the Finance Committee had already instructed Rate Collectors to take proceedings against those who were able to pay and who did not.

Mr. Murphy pointed out that there were certainly to his knowledge a number of men who were able to pay but they did not know when they would see money again, and were they to pay their rates and dismiss their workmen thus creating further unemployment?

Col. Gibbon mentioned that in the official returns of the Dublin Market last week, the average price for cattle was 18% below pre-war and the average price for sheep was 35% below pre-war. Some people said that prices were falling in sympathy with the prices in England, but the price of cattle in England was 10% above pre-war, so it was manifest there was a difference in price between the two countries of 28% for cattle. The cost of living owing to tariffs etc. was 58% above pre-war. A cool examination of these figures proved how very difficult it was for people to meet their liabilities.

Mr. Cummins said that the instruction of the Finance Committee to the Rate Collectors to lodge 50% of the current rate by the 30th September asked for an impossibility.

Mr. Keegan said that a number of people were using the present situation not to pay their rates although they were well able to do so. He considered the Council should take some steps in connection with the dishonesty which was being

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practised against the consumers of bacon who had to pay an exorbitant price to retailers.

Mr. D'Arcy said that the same remark would apply to beef and mutton. Good commercial cattle had been sold in the Dublin market last week at 25/- and 26/- per cwt.

Mr. Murphy considered it was time the Government did something to stabilise prices.

Col. Gibbon said that from that day's paper the price of pigs was 37/- dead weight and 28/- live weight per cwt, while there was cut for pigs over a certain weight bringing live weight prices down to 21/- per cwt. Farmers could not possibly produce at these prices, bacon, at a profit.

The Chairman said that even with these prices people were paying 1/- per lb. for bacon rashers.

After further discussion it was decided to make no order in the matter but to await the report of the Finance Committee as to the position of the collection at the end of September, 1932

SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES:- The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Brennan:-

"That Scholarship awarded Miss Mary A. Ronan be renewed for 1932/33, subject to sanction of Department of Education. That in the case of Mary E. Doyle, Duncannon, who failed in Intermediate Certificate Examination we accept as satisfactory the letters of explanation as to illness of this Scholarship Holder submitted by Rev. Mother, Loreto Convent, and we hereby approve of renewal of Mary E. Doyle's Scholarship. That Department of Education be requested to sanction its renewal as Co. Council consider its non-renewal would inflict great hardship on Miss Doyle and her family who are not in a position to meet school fees for the final year of Scholarship."

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The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Armstrong:-

"That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 8th September, 1932 be and are hereby confirmed!"

HOUSING ACTS.

The following notice of motion by Mr. Doyle, Chairman, had been postponed from meeting of the County Council on 13th June, last, until the new Grants under the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1932, had been ascertained:-

"That the resolution of the County Council agreeing to provide for Grants of £20 from Rates under the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1931 be rescinded."

Circular letter (No. 14/1932 Ilgh - Pc) under date 30th August, 1932, and letter relative to reconstruction of houses was read from the Department of Local Government.

The Secretary explained in detail the provisions of the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1932 and pointed out that the Grants under the Act of 1931 were now no longer in force.

The Chairman moved his notice of motion which was seconded by Mr. O'Byrne and adopted nem. con.

The following notice of motion was handed by Mr. Gaul:-

"I hereby give notice of my intention to move at the meeting of the Wexford County Council to be held on 26th September, 1932, that the Council agree to adopt the provisions of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act 1899 (62 and 63 Vic c44) to enable advances being made to persons who desire to build houses."

FERRYCARRIG BRIDGE.

In connection with the decision of the County Council not to provide temporary bridge during the period the

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permanent bridge at Ferrycarrig had to remain closed for the purpose of repairing the abutment, the following deputation came before the Council to urge on them that, owing to the great public inconvenience caused to the people who resided in the neighbourhood of the bridge, the Council should reverse their decision and provide a temporary bridge:-

Captain Harvey (Kyle) Richard Doyle, Killowen, John Lambert, Newcastle and Harry Carty, Galbally.

Captain Harvey, who acted as spokesman, handed in a memorial signed by over 100 Ratepayers protesting against the closing of the bridge unless a temporary bridge be erected. Unless a temporary bridge was provided some of the farmers in the district would have to ^{go} out of business. He lived on the concrete road and was familiar with the heavy lorry traffic which passed over it. If this traffic was turned on to side roads they would be cut to bits. He was certain that the cost of the temporary bridge would not exceed the amount the County Council would have to spend in repairing the damage done to these side roads. When the main road from Wexford to Enniscorthy was under reconstruction the roads forming the alternate route had suffered heavy damage; in fact so extensive was this that the roads in question had not yet recovered.

The County Surveyor said that the amount spent on a temporary bridge would be dead money while the work carried out in repairing the roads of the alternate route would allow of a foundation for their improvement.

In reply to a query the Co. Surveyor said a temporary bridge that would carry foot passengers and cyclists would not cost a great deal as it would be only an extension of the staging which the Contractor would have to put up; a temporary bridge that would carry horse traffic might cost £500 as it would have to be erected on independent piles; a temporary bridge to carry all sorts of traffic might cost £1000.

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Mr. R. Doyle, one of the deputation pointed out that the closing of the bridge and the non-provision of a temporary bridge would cause serious loss and inconvenience to people who were delivering milk twice daily in Wexford and vegetables every day nearly.

The Co. Surveyor suggested the Council should advertise for tenders for both kinds of bridges and when these were received the Council would know where they were.

Miss O'Ryan considered it would be inadvisable to expend £500 for a bridge which would carry very limited traffic while they could for £1000 erect a bridge which would carry all sorts of traffic.

Col. Quin said he would give notice of motion for next meeting to have the decision of the Council not to provide a temporary bridge rescinded, and that tenders be invited for the erection of a temporary bridge for light traffic and a temporary bridge to carry all traffic, these tenders to be considered after the Council had decided on the motion to rescind their former ruling in this matter.

Mr. Corish seconded.

Mr. Cooney proposed and Mr. D'Arcy seconded the following amendment:- "That the Council make no change in the recommendations of Ferrycarrig Bridge Committee as adopted at last meeting."

A poll was taken on the amendment with the following result:-

FOR: Messrs. Brennan, Cooney, Cummins, D'Arcy, Gibbon, Hall, Smith and Walsh. 8

AGAINST: Messrs. Armstrong, Cline, Colfer, Corish, Culleton, Gaul, Hayes, Keegan, McCarthy, Murphy, O'Byrne, O'Ryan, Quin, Roche, Shannon and the Chairman. 16.

The Chairman declared the amendment lost.

After further discussion Col. Quin withdrew his motion

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and Mr. Corish in substitution gave the following notice of motion:- "I will move at the meeting of the County Council to be held on 26th September, 1932 that the decision of the Council not to provide a temporary bridge at Ferrycarrig during the period the permanent structure is under repair be rescinded."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Col. Quin:- "That consideration of amended plans and specification for repairs to Ferrycarrig Bridge be deferred to the meeting of the Co. Council on 26th September, 1932."

Col. Gibbon said there should be a paragraph in the specification that preference would be given to the tenderer who kept the bridge closed for the shortest possible time other things being equal.

Col. Quin considered this would not be feasible. They might have a man saying he would do the work in a month, when he could not do it and applied for an extension of time what could they do.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Clince:- "That in view of the fact that owing to the closing of Ferrycarrig Bridge for repair it will be necessary to utilise as one alternate route the direct road between Killuren and Enniscorthy via Ballyhogue, and as this is a County road of indifferent quality, entirely incapable of bearing heavy traffic, we request the Minister for Local Government to issue an order under the Heavy Motor Car (Ir) Order 1905 - Article 5 (3) reducing the maximum registered axle weight of heavy motor cars so that this thoroughfare shall not be used by vehicles above four tons laden weight, and that the Co. Surveyor furnish report to the said Minister pointing out that this request of the Council is reasonable and that the road is unsuitable for any traffic above the weight (laden) mentioned in this resolution."

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SEALED ORDERS WATER SUPPLIES.

Under date 25th August, 1932, the Department of Local Government forwarded Sealed Order (P.H.55101/1932) fixing the Crossabeg Dispensary District as the area of charge for supplying and maintaining water supply at Artramon.

Under date 25th August, 1932, the Department of Local Government forwarded Sealed Order (P.H.55101/1932) fixing the Crossabeg Dispensary District as the area of charge for Ballytramon No. 2 water supply.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT 1925.

The following under date 8th September, 1932 (B.70826/32 Loch Garman (M.)) was read from Local Government Department:-

"With reference to your letter of the 2nd instant and previous correspondence in regard to the decision of the Wexford County Council to defer payment of the amount assessed on the County in pursuance of Section 10 of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to point out that there is a statutory obligation on the County Council to meet this charge. The costs of administration assessed on the various Local Bodies are computed strictly in accordance with the statutory provisions. It is accordingly recommended that payment of the amount may be made as soon as possible."

Proposed by Col. Quin seconded by Mr. D'Arcy and adopted:-

"That payment under Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act 1925 be postponed for the present."

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (OFFICERS & EMPLOYEES) ACT 1926.

Under date 8th September, 1932, the Department of Local Government wrote (B.70826/32 Loch Garman (M.)):-

"With reference to your letter of the 2nd instant in regard

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"to the amounts payable by Wexford County Council in pursuance of Section 12 of the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that the Minister trusts that on reconsideration of the matter by the County Council the amount will be forwarded without delay."

On the motion of Col. Quin seconded by Mr. D'Arcy it was decided that payment of amount under Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926 assessed on Wexford County Council, be deferred for the present.

SOW DRAINAGE AREA IMPROVEMENTS

In connection with the proposal of Office of Public Works to provide a State Grant of £5,000 for the improvement of Sow Drainage System and which was before the Council on two occasions, Messrs. John Mernagh, Oulartleigh, Kilcotty and John Doyle, Ballynamuddagh, Glenbrien, as Representatives of the Drainage Ratepayers came before the meeting and submitted the following resolution which had been adopted by these Ratepayers at a meeting on the 10th September, 1932:-

"That we now offer to pay back to the Board of Works the loan expended on the Restoration Works 1925/1926, without any interest or charge outside the actual loan of £2378. on account of depreciation of land, and trade of all kinds having gone so low. We cannot with the present prospect of the country see our way to do any more. Payment of the said loan to be extended for a period of 30 years by yearly or half yearly instalments. First instalment to be paid when the Restoration Works now proposed are completed."

Col. Gibbon proposed and Mr. Murphy seconded the following resolution which was adopted nem. con.:— "That the resolution from the Sow Drainage Ratepayers be submitted to the Office of Public Works for their favourable consideration and that our

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"Secretary point out that from the statements made by the Representatives of these Ratepayers at this meeting the Council consider that the present offer is fair and one which should be accepted by the Commissioners of Public Works."

PROPOSED TECHNICAL SCHOOL GOREY.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Cummins seconded by Col. Quin:-

"That the Corporate Seal of the Wexford County Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the Repayment of the sum of Two Thousand, two Hundred Pounds proposed to be advanced to them by us under the Vocational Education Act &c."

On the motion of Mr. Cummins seconded by Col. Quin, the following resolution was also adopted:-

"That inasmuch as this Council does not immediately require from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland the total sum mentioned in the Deed of Mortgage to them this day executed by this Council, but prefer to receive the same by Instalments as occasion may require, It is resolved that the requisition for each advance shall be intimated to said Commissioners by the Chairman of this Council for the time being Countersigned by County Surveyor for the time being and that each such requisition shall be forwarded to the Accountant of the said Commissioners and that all such advances shall be lodged to Credit of our Account in the Wexford Branch of the National Bank Ltd."

COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL - DEFAULTING
ANNUITANTS UNDER LAND PURCHASE ACTS.

On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Shannon, the following resolution was adopted:- "That we endorse the

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"resolutions furnished to us by the General Council of County Councils in connection with loss to the rates by Defaulting Land Commission Annuitants as follows":-

- (1) "That the County Councils' General Council calls upon the Government to repeal the law, making the Local Taxation Account liable for uncollected land purchase annuities."
- (2) "That we the County Councils' General Council, call upon the Ministry to make good to County Councils losses incurred by them consequent upon the postponement of the collection of arrears of land purchase annuities accrued up to 31st December, 1931."

The proposals embodied in these resolutions have been adopted at more than one meeting of this County Council.

COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL - DRAINAGE ACTS.

Proposed by Mr. O'Byrne and seconded by Mr. Shannon and passed:-

"That the following resolutions submitted by the General Council of County Councils in connection with the working of the Drainage Acts be confirmed by this Council as they contain proposals which have been already adopted by this Council":-

- (1) "That in order to minimise the difficulties arising out of wrong applotments in connection with restoration works under the Drainage Maintenance Act, 1924, we request the Commissioners of Public Works to lodge in the County Council Offices and local Garda Barracks a provisional applotment of the Drainage Assessments and to specify a date upon which objections may be made to wrong assessments through the County Council. A representative of the Commissioners to investigate the objections locally - That this procedure should be applied also in the case of existing Restoration Assessments."
- (2) "That the County Councils' General Council desire to

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"impress upon the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance the necessity for amending the existing Drainage Acts procedure by providing that before a County Council takes over a completed scheme, the County Surveyor or some competent authority, other than an Engineer of the Board of Works should be required to certify whether or not the scheme has been properly finished."

- (3) "That the limit of £1000 under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act 1928 should be extended.

That in any amendment of the Act increasing the limit under which County Councils may undertake Drainage Schemes, provision shall be made that the Schemes carry with them the same percentage of free grant which the work would carry if operated by the Commissioners of Public Works."

COURTOWN HARBOUR.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report from Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor for the District:-

"As result of sluicing during past week most of accumulated sand and gravel at Bar Mouth has been removed. On 10th instant I made special inspection after sluice of about $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet head and found same had given good results. It was expected that after another sluice, for which water was being stored up at time of my inspection that boats would be able to get out."

The Co. Surveyor pointed out that the sluicing had taken place on Neap tides and he expected that with the Spring tides the heavy flush of water would clear the bar. Of course from the present position of Courtown it was not possible to have the most effective sluicing as the inner basin required dredging and until this had been done it would be impossible to pond back the very large volume of water necessary for the most effective sluicing. The County Council had already voted a sum of £600 (half cost of dredging the basin) on condition that the Department of

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Fisheries would put up a similar amount. Now that the sluice gates were finished he recommended the Council to apply at once to the Department and endeavour to arrange for the dredging of the basin. He had written to Mr. McNeill, Engineer to the Board of Works as to what was known as "spoon and bag" dredging, because he believed that the inner harbour should be cleaned up by local labour. He had not yet received a reply from Mr. McNeill.

In reply to Col. Quin the Co. Surveyor said in his opinion the work on the sluice gates had been properly carried out and was a good job. There was a certain amount of leakage in the head of water but where there was a movable paddle against other timber, it was absolutely necessary that some small clearance should be provided and at Courtown this clearance was only about one-eighth of an inch.

Mr. Keegan said that the gates were a complete failure and did not provide the amount of flush as was obtained by the old gates.

The County Surveyor denied Mr. Keegan's statement in its entirety and explained that the only difference between the old and new gates was that three paddles were provided instead of two and from the new gates a more powerful flush could be secured along the ground which was really the most effective way to clear the channel.

Mr. Keegan again contended the gates were an absolute frost and only one boat could fish from Courtown at the moment.

Mr. O'Byrne proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Col. Quin and adopted:- "That Department of Lands and Fisheries be requested to arrange at once for a State Grant of £600 to provide for the dredging of the inner basin at Courtown Harbour, the County Council being prepared to put up a similar sum. We would remind the Department that this proposal has been the subject of correspondence with them for some years past and that the work should in the interests of the fishing industry be carried out without delay."

ROAD GRANT - RELIEF OF UNEMPLOYMENT.

The Co. Surveyor submitted the following letter under date 30th August, 1932, (R.F.U./32) which he had received from the Department of Local Government (Roads):-

"We are now about to notify your Council of a further grant amounting to £7,200. This may be taken as the final allocation in respect of the period ending 31st March 1933 and brings the total sum allocated to the County Council since the 8th June last to £13,200. It is desired that there will be no substantial unexpended balance of the £1,000,000 grant at the 31st March next and I have been asked to obtain from each County Surveyor as well as from the Surveyors of County Boroughs and other Urban Districts a schedule setting out the rate of expenditure per month up to the 31st March next. It is particularly desired that the money will be available ~~when~~ unemployment is severest and accordingly in order to give effect to the desire of the Government in this matter, you will be so good as to frame your programme in that direction. Will you kindly send me a programme showing how you propose to expend such ~~monies~~ as with the additional grant above-mentioned you will have available for the period between this and the 31st March.

You might also be so good as to send us a scheme for the expenditure of the new grant and in doing so perhaps you would be good enough to connect up the new works where applicable to any preliminary work undertaken with the ~~two~~ grants previously notified. It is more than likely grants will be made later to or on behalf of Urban Districts in your County so that for the present they might be excluded from your scheme."

Mr. Murphy proposed and Mr. D'Arcy seconded the following resolution which was adopted unanimously:-

"That the State Grant of £7,200 to be expended on roads in relief of unemployment be apportioned equally between the four

"County Electoral areas of the County, viz £1,800 each."

Suggestions were made as to the necessity of improving roads in Oylegate district; from Knockeen to Taghmon Village, including the streets; Gorey - Carnew Road etc., but it was finally decided that consideration of the details of the allocation of the £1800 for each district should be adjourned until meeting of the County Council on 26th September, 1932, when it is expected that the Councillors will be in a position to make detailed recommendations dealing with the amount.

ST. HELEN'S HARBOUR.

The Co. Surveyor submitted the following letter from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, under date 10th September, 1932, (D/2/14/5):-

"With reference to your communication of the 22nd July, last, I am directed by the Minister for Lands and Fisheries to state that the Assistant Engineer to the Commissioners of Public Works reports as follows, viz.

"Before erecting a storm wall or breakwater on the rubble mound of the old pier we should know definitely if the mound is on a rock foundation or built on sand. Also if it is proposed subsequently to clear out the basin we should know beforehand what depth of water will be available in it at the times of low water.

"All this information could be obtained by excavating at several places in the basin and in 3 or 4 places along the centre line of the mound, the excavation being made to rock level and the depth given relative to the level of low water springs.

"It would be useless to construct a breakwater to shelter a basin that had no water in it at the times of low water."

The Department would be glad to have your observations on the matters referred to."

In connection with this matter the Co. Surveyor stated the

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following was the letter which he had written to the Department on 22nd July, 1932:-

"I have been directed by the Wexford County Council to reply to your letter of 27th May last.

In regard to the depth at which a solid foundation can be obtained, I beg to note that the whole of the area is covered with a rubble mound ~~some~~ 4 to 6 feet in depth. I have had holes opened here and there in the mound, but without opening a continuous trench along the line of proposed wall it ~~will~~ not be possible to definitely give depths. From the configuration of the surface rock along the shore to north and south, it is quite obvious that rock exists here also; this is confirmed by local history. The exposed rock surface is very irregular, and any excavations to rock bottom must certainly vary considerably. It is not proposed to remove the rubble mound on the sea face of the wall, so the foundation will be well protected, and, in any case, it is quite usual to erect a solid superstructure on a rubble mound. In this case the mound has been so long in situ that in my view it is a perfectly secure foundation if the bottom of the wall be carried down some five feet or so. If it be desired by the Department I could have one or two excavations made to the ~~actual~~ rock. These will give little useful information as the rock - a few feet away on either side - will certainly be at a greater or lesser depth."

Continuing the Co. Surveyor stated as St. Helen's was not a scheduled harbour it would not be advisable for the County Council to expend any large sum of money in its improvement. In his opinion the work mentioned in the letter of the Department of Lands and Fisheries of the 10th September, 1932 would not be worth the expense. He then explained the position of the harbour and why in his opinion there was no necessity for putting into operation the recommendations of the Department.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of the

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Chairman seconded by Mr. O'Byrne:-

"That the Co. Surveyor be instructed to again communicate with the Department of Lands and Fisheries as to proposed improvements at St. Helen's Harbour and explain in all possible detail to them the work which he considered should be carried out in order to afford protection for the fishing boats at this harbour at a minimum cost."

PROPOSED WALL AND ROAD - BURROW, ROSSLARE.

The County Surveyor submitted the following letter from the Irish Land Commission, under date 8th September, 1932 (36947/32):-

"With reference to your letter of the 2nd instant, and previous communication relative to the above matter, I am desired by the Land Commission to inform you that the matter has been referred to the Secretary, Office of Public Works, the Department entrusted with the administration of the funds provided for the relief of unemployment."

MAINTENANCE OF MAIN ROADS - NEW ROSS

URBAN DISTRICT.

Under date 1st September, 1932, the following was read from Town Clerk, New Ross Urban District Council:-

"I am directed by my Council to draw your attention to the condition of the main roads within the Urban area and to say the Council desire:-

1. That the old rotten wooden stumps in the kerbing - referred to in previous communications to the County Surveyor - be removed as they are a danger to the Public.
2. That gritting be placed on the roads leading into the town on the eve of the fairs of New Ross to obviate the slipping of horses etc., (the roads are referred to in two previous communications to the County Surveyor),
3. That your Council would favourably consider the reconstruction in concrete of the main roads within the Urban District. In

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"this connection I am to state my Council consider the present surface inadequate to the traffic and is constantly in need of repair. The adjoining County Council has already had the main roads even in villages concreted and has devoted moneys ex Grants in relief of Unemployment to that purpose.

I am also to request that you will be good enough to state the amount of money allocated towards the maintenance of the main roads within the Urban Area and how much was expended last year."

The Co. Surveyor said that £482 had been expended last year plus £71 from Railway Company for Chilcomb Bridge. This amount did not include what was spent on New Ross Bridge.

Mr. Walsh appealed to the Council to finish the concreting of the streets, the most important of which were already laid down in cement. He referred to the fact that the Kilkenny County Council had concreted the streets of Thomastown, a much smaller town than New Ross. In his opinion, owing to the very large amount which would be saved in maintenance, the concreting of the streets would be an economic proposition.

Mr. Cooney questioned how the expenditure of £482 had been made up and asked for details.

After further discussion it was decided on the motion of Col. Quin seconded by the Chairman that the Co. Surveyor submit all particulars as to employment of men and expenditure for maintenance of the main roads in New Ross Urban Area to the meeting of County Council on 26th September, 1932.

The Co. Surveyor stated that the main roads in New Ross Urban Area had been well maintained.

CAMPILE STREET.

Mr. John Cheevers, Secretary, Horeswood Branch Irish Labour Party, forwarded the following:-

"Owing to serious complaints of the People of the village of Campile with regard to fairs held on the street and the

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"unnecessary trouble of cleaning and sweeping after each fair we call on the County Council to have one of their road men on duty at each fair until there is a fair green provided.

"It was also pointed out that there is a strong complaint from the ratepayers and merchants of the district of the deplorable condition of the roadway of the village and that one half or one mile of it should be steamrolled owing to heavy increase of traffic in the village."

Mr. Murphy said that some of the State Grant of £1,800 might be employed to improve the street of Campile which was without doubt in a very bad condition.

Mr. Cooney proposed the following resolution:-

"That a Road Worker be employed to clean the streets of all villages of the County after live stock fairs."

Mr. Corish seconded this proposal, which was adopted, Col. Quin dissenting.

DANGEROUS BATHING PLACES.

Under date 12th September, 1932, the following was read from the General Manager, Irish Tourist Association, O'Connell Street, Dublin:-

"I have your letter of 2nd instant re the erection of warning notices at bathing resorts. I shall be glad to bring the matter before my Board at their meeting within the next fortnight, after which I shall write you further.

Meanwhile, I may say that one of the activities on which we are engaged at present is the formation of Committees in all resorts big and small, and where such Committees are in existence, we are suggesting immediate attention to matters of this kind. There are of course, a number of undeveloped resorts with no nucleus of a local organisation to be found. In these cases, some alternative method of dealing with the matter should be sought. I think the I.T.A. can provide this but I prefer not to anticipate the considered opinion of my Board at this stage."

Mr. Quin
26 Sept 1932

WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL.

MEETING, 26th SEPTEMBER, 1932.

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COUNTY HALL,
WEXFORD.

N.J. FRIZELLE,
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A meeting of Wexford County Council was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 26th September, 1932.

Present: Messrs. James Armstrong, John Brennan, James Cline, Patrick Colfer, Thomas Cooney, Richard Corish, John Culleton, John Cummins, Timothy F. D'Arcy, James Gaul, Col. C.M. Gibbon, James Hall, Patrick Hayes, William P. Keegan, Thomas McCarthy, John Murphy, Sean O'Byrne, Miss Nellie O'Ryan, James Shannon, Myles Smyth and James E. Walsh.

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

The Chairman, (Mr. Doyle) wrote regretting his inability to be present at the meeting owing to an important engagement and offered his apologies to the Members for his absence.

On the motion of Mr. Culleton seconded by Mr. Brennan the chair was taken by Col. Gibbon.

Subsequently Mr. J.E. Walsh, Vice Chairman, attended and presided to the end of the meeting.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed

PAYMENTS.

Treasurer's Advice Note for £1414. 6. 2d was examined and signed.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

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

"I beg to report that during the past week there was an unfortunate accident caused by our County Machinery, and notification has been sent to the Insurance Company. It appears that the engine and stonebreaker were coming down the Clonhaston Road into the Town of Enniscorthy, and below the Railway turn the Engine Driver had to steer out wide in order to avoid a Van which was parked opposite the Railway Hotel. The surface of the concrete was very slippery, and at this place there is a steep side fall, with the result that the engine wheels skidded with the weight of

"the breaker behind, and turned the engine completely around. The breaker itself swung in on the footpath, and damaged a rain water down pipe. The serious part of the accident is that a man was attending a horse and cart at the place, and he was badly injured, and is now in Hospital. It is claimed that the horse also was injured to the extent of £35.

"Notice has been served by Miss Palmer in regard to damage done by blasting in Gorey Hill Quarry, and it is stated that an injunction will be sought to prevent blasting there in the future. If this injunction be obtained, it will be absolutely necessary to close down the quarry, which is really essential for work in the locality. I submit copy of letter from Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor, in regard to this matter.

"Mr. Cullen, Assistant Surveyor, reports to me that it will be necessary to extend the ~~Area~~ under Kiltrea Quarry, and he has had an interview with the owner in regard to this. I submit copy of his report which states that the owner is asking a most exorbitant price for the necessary extension.

"I have now received from the Electricity Supply Board notification that their Engineer will meet me during the week to discuss the damage to the painting caused in carrying out the recent work by the Board, and I shall arrange an appointment.

"On the 17th instant, by appointment, I met Mr. Lee, Contractor for the work at Courtown Harbour. His men were at the time of my visit running in cement grout below sill, and I arranged with him in regard to reducing the leakage at the Gate Paddles. There has been very little chance of getting full sluicing owing to lack of water in the river and low tides, but clearing already done is enabling boats to go out at high water. I have arranged with Mr. Lee to carry out some necessary repairs to the South Pier, and the work of completing repairs to the North Pier which can only be carried out when the drift sand has gone away from the base.

"The Road Improvement Grants are well advanced. On the New Ross Road the slab is completed to **Rabeenvarren** Cross, and I am, now making arrangements to lay slab through the Street of Ballinaboola. This I purpose putting in, in Rapid-Hardening Cement, so as not to delay opening of the road. The slab on the Enniscorthy Buncloody Road should be completed on the 26th (to-day), and was somewhat delayed by failure in receiving proper cement. The laying of the tarred stones on the Rosslare Harbour Road is completed, and I am now arranging about putting on a sealing coat so as to finish off the job.

"The Relief Grants authorised on the 10th August are in progress with the exception of the Bridge at Monamolin. This work was held up awaiting the preparation of Quarry material, which is now commenced. In regard to the allocation of £7,200 I have particulars for the meeting.

"Mr. Cullen, Assistant Surveyor, asks for transfer of £150 from Main Road No. 41 to Main Road No. 30, and I ask for sanction to this."

On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Hall the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the Report of Co. Surveyor as presented to this meeting be received and considered."

INJURY BY CO. COUNCIL MACHINERY:- In connection with this matter letters were read from Mr. H.J. Frizelle, Solicitor, Slaney Place, Enniscorthy, claiming £49 compensation for injury to horse and cart, the property of John Behan, Ballymotey; and also stating that claim would be made on behalf of Patrick Jennings, Ballymotey, the driver of Mr. Behan's cart, and who was at present in hospital in Enniscorthy.

On the motion of Col. Gibbon seconded by Mr. O'Byrne the following resolution was adopted:-

"That we approve of the action of our Co. Surveyor in

"placing the circumstances of the injuries caused by Co. Council stonebreaker before the Insurance Company."

BLASTING AT GOREY HILL QUARRY:- Under date 21st September, 1932, Messrs. Huggard, Brennan & Godfrey wrote that in the course of the last few months two claims arising out of damage caused to the property of their client, Miss H.J. Palmer, Gorey Hill, by the blasting operations of the Council at the adjacent quarry had been settled. The damage was done to meadowing, fencing and the surface of the land.

Miss Palmer's property had been permanently damaged, the structure of her dwelling house suffering from shocks of explosions. This damage could not be satisfied by payment of lump sums and the only protection their client could seek was to apply for an injunction to restrain blasting in the quarry. Before taking any steps towards this, they wished to know whether the Council intended to continue blasting and if so how often and at what intervals.

The Co. Surveyor, (to whom copy of this letter had been supplied) obtained from Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor, for Gorey District, a report under date 23rd September, 1932, in which it was pointed out that in Mr. Treanor's opinion, the dwelling house did not suffer injury from shocks as the result of blasting operations. This matter could be easily decided by an independent inspection of the house before and after a blast. With reference to the future, blasting operations of this character would be only necessary if the quarry was to be kept working and the number of blasts would depend on the nature of the work to be done. For ordinary maintenance and machine breaking one blast after Compressor or steam drill per year would be sufficient, but where Relief Work was being carried out and hand drilling adopted so as to give more employment, small shots might be necessary about three times per week. But these would require less than half a lb. of explosives to each hole of four feet."

On the motion of Col. Gibbon seconded by Mr. Brennan it was decided that this matter should be considered in Committee.

The Co. Surveyor stated that the quarry was absolutely essential for the use of the Council. If Miss Palmer sought an injunction against the Council it would be necessary to enter an appearance against same.

On the motion of Mr. Brennan seconded by Mr. Clince the following resolution was adopted:-

"That Mr. Elgee, Co. Solicitor, be instructed to take the necessary steps to defend any proceedings, whether by way of injunction or otherwise which may be taken to secure an injunction to prevent the use of Gorey Hill Quarry by the County Council."

KILTREA QUARRY:- Mr. Cullen, Assistant Surveyor, for the district, wrote that under the Relief Grant for Killanne - Caim Road, material was required from Kiltrea Quarry. The good material had been now worked back almost to old fence between quarry and owner's land and it was necessary to secure an extension of the quarry. On the 21st September, 1932, he had seen Mrs. Roche, Newtown, owner, and she referred him to her son, Michael. The latter was not satisfied that the quarry be worked into his field at the rate of 3d per cubic yard, but was prepared to sell out portion of the field, a plot approximating one rood in area for the sum of £220. The usual quarry lease agreement signed by Mrs. Roche would run to the 31st March, 1934.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Clince:-

"That the Co. Surveyor arrange for an interview with Mrs. Roche, as to an extension of Kiltrea Quarry and report to the next meeting of the Finance Committee the conditions upon which she is satisfied this extension should be given. If the amount of compensation claimed by Mrs. Roche be found unreasonable we direct the County Surveyor to apply to the Court for the necessary order to extend the Quarry."

COURTOWN HARBOUR:- Mr. Keegan complained that the sluice gates at Courtown were not water tight, at the bottom.

The Co. Surveyor pointed out that the work at the gates had not yet been finished by the Contractor, and when it was the gates would be found to work efficiently.

Mr. Keegan mentioned he had been informed by expert opinion that the gates were not a success and the paddles were three feet deeper than before, which for flushing purposes, would be of little use. If the gates were three feet ~~above~~ and below it was impossible to keep the water ponded back. He denied that the work had been well done and stated that a boat from the harbour which went to Dublin with sand and returned with 12 or 13 tons of coal had to return to Arklow for shelter as she had not sufficient depth of water to enter Courtown.

The Co. Surveyor said the new paddles were exactly on the same level as the old ones. It was impossible to expect a great flush of water with the recent Neap tides.

The Chairman suggested it would be advisable to wait at least three months and see what ~~the~~ effect the Spring tides would have in keeping the harbour clear.

The Co. Surveyor pointed out that for over twelve months the outer channel had been packed with an accumulation of sand and the very small amount of freshet sluicing from the ponded water had cleared a great deal of this accumulation. The amount of leakage at the gates between high and low water was only four inches and if it were necessary this could be reduced. The work would be carried out by the Contractor.

Mr. Keegan said it had been stated at a Co. Council meeting that it was owing to representations from the fishermen that the Contractor had held over the work from the Autumn. The fishermen denied this. If leaks were still at the top and bottom of the gates the County Surveyor was not correct in describing the ~~job~~ as a good one.

The Co. Surveyor said that in his report he had suggested the employment of bag and spoon dredging in order to clear the outer channel quickly. The rise and fall of the tide at Courtown was only about three feet and this was not sufficient for efficient flushing at the present.

In reply to the Chairman (Col. Gibbon) Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor, said the width of the accumulation was 38 feet and the length thirteen. One flushing which was carried out nearly cleared the harbour but the prevailing North-East wind was depositing sand and gravel in the bar mouth again. If there was a plentiful fall of rain they would, in his opinion, make a proper clearance at the outer harbour, as they had been almost able to do this with only $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet of water.

The Co. Surveyor in reply to Mr. Keegan denied that the job was a failure, but he was not prepared to give any guarantee in connection with the matter. No one would give a guarantee for sea work.

Mr. O'Byrne said in his opinion the gates were a success. At one time owing to the hard packed accumulation of sand the County Council had under consideration the employment of a dredger. Now by the flushing from the gates nearly all the sand had been cleared from the bar mouth, and he was sure the whole of it would have gone were it not for the North-East wind depositing a fresh amount of sand. As for the boat Mr. Keegan referred to she had always lightened outside the bar. The one thing Courtown wanted at the moment was the dredging of the inner basin. If these were done a most effective height of water would be ponded back, and the flushing would keep the bar mouth practically always clear.

In connection with the dredging of the basin the Secretary stated that he had had an acknowledgment from the Department of Lands and Fisheries under date 19th September, (D/5/2) acknowledging the resolution of the Council which asked for a moiety of the

expenditure in connection with this work.

Mr. O'Byrne proposed and Mr. Brennan seconded the following resolution which passed:-

"That we request the Department of Lands and Fisheries to take into favourable consideration at as early a date as possible the resolution of this Council dealing with the dredging of the inner basin of Courtown Harbour. That Mr. Corish, T.D., be requested to interview the responsible officers of the Department in this matter and point out how, owing to several unforeseen circumstances, the fishing industry at this harbour has been greatly hampered for some considerable time past."

ROAD RELIEF GRANTS:- Under date 30th August, 1932, the Local Government Department wrote to the Co. Surveyor (RFU/32) as to £7200 further road grant in relief of unemployment bringing the total sum allocated since 8th June, 1932, to £13,200. It was desired that the money should be available when unemployment is severest and the road programme should be framed in that direction .

Under date 7th September, 1932, the Co. Surveyor read letter (RFU/32) from the Department of Local Government, that no objection would be raised to the expenditure of a portion of this grant on the improvement of main roads. The selection of the works should, however, follow the incidence of unemployment as far as possible.

The Co. Surveyor said that at last meeting it was decided to allocate the grant to the four areas of the County in equal shares giving £1,800 each. He had sent a circular letter to the Councillors asking for suggestions as to the works upon which the money should be spent and had also obtained recommendations from the Assistant Surveyors. If however, all these were adopted the expenditure would run to £50,000. The only thing ^{that} could be done was to go through the suggestions and recommendations seriatim and make a selection. Several works were then suggested but during their consideration Mr. McCarthy moved and Mr. O'Byrne seconded the following resolution:-

"That the £1800 for each area in the County be allocated in accordance with the old Rural District Councils' bounds bearing in mind the incidence of unemployment in each case.

A poll was taken with the following result.

FOR: Messrs. Cline, Colfer, Cooney, Culleton, Cummins, D'Arcy, Gibbon, Hall, Keegan, McCarthy, Murphy, O'Byrne, Smyth and the Chairman (Mr. Walsh) (14)

AGAINST: Messrs. Armstrong, Brennan, O'Ryan and Shannon. (4)

DECLINED VOTING: Messrs. Corish, Gaul and Hayes. (3)

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Shannon protested and held that the resolution was out of order. The Council had already agreed to distribute the amount per County Electoral area.

The Chairman held the resolution to be in order. The only provision to be observed in the allocation of the money was to see that it went to districts with the largest amount of unemployment.

Considerable discussion took place as to the selection of roads and works. Finally the following were agreed to:-

ENNISCORTHY DISTRICT: Road 482, Clonroche to Killegney £700; No. 531, Oylegate to Kilmallock £600; No's 23 and 219 Bunclody streets £500. Total £1800

GOREY DISTRICT: Road 73 and 74. Annagh Gap £200; No 94 Cloneranny Cross Roads to Killowen £115; No. 120 Hollyfort Road £400; No. 140 and 141 Gorey Town - Back streets £350; No. 168 and 169 Ballyellis Road (extra material) £80; No. 320 Monamolin £100; No. 213 Riverchapel to Courtown £100; No. 215 Ballycanew Road £325; Roads in Kilmuckridge area maintained by sea gravel £130. Total £1800.

NEW ROSS DISTRICT: No's. 682 and 789 Campile streets £800; No. 816 Ballycullane streets £400; Nos. 859 and 860 Hook to Porters' Gate £200; No. 565 Maudlin's Road £400; Total £1800.

WEXFORD DISTRICT: No. 72 Knockeen - Taghmon (streets) £700;

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Nos. 639 and 640 - Curracloe Road £400; No. 962 - Kate's Cross - Baldwinstown £400; No. 35 - Kilmore - Wexford Road £200 and No. 1007 St. Ivors to Lady's Island £100; Total £1800.

Mr. Cooney said the stones for this relief work should be broken by hand. It was unfair when so many unfortunate people were idle that material should be brought three or four miles away.

Mr. Gaul - That is being done on the Curracloe road.

Co. Surveyor - Where you are doing patch work it cannot be done. The practice will be observed as far as possible.

Mr. Cooney referred to the fact that the names of married men only were being furnished as workers under Relief Grants. This was unfair to single men with dependents. He was of opinion that the number of dependents should be the determining factor for employment. He then proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Mr. Hall and adopted:-

"That our Secretary communicate with the Manager of the Unemployment Exchange, Waterford, and request him to point out to the Branch Manger, New Ross, that in future the names of single men with dependents should be furnished to Assistant Surveyors with those of married men in order that they will secure a fair amount of employment"

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Mr. Gaul:- "That we **urge** on the Local Government Department to advance portion of their Relief Grant of £7,200 to this Council for works agreed to at this meeting in districts in which acute distress prevails.

TRANSFER OF ROAD MONEY:- The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. D'Arcy:- "That a sum of £150 be transferred from main road No. 41 to main road No 30."

The following resolution was then adopted on the motion of Mr. D'Arcy seconded by Mr. O'Byrne:- "That the report of County Surveyor presented to this meeting be and is hereby adopted."

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O.A.P. SUB COMMITTEE NO. 5.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Shannon seconded by Mr. Corish:-

"That as recommended by Sub Committee No. 5 (Old Age Pensions) Rev. J. Wadding, C.C. Enniscorthy be appointed a Member of this Sub Committee vice Rev. R. Talbot resigned.

HOUSING ACTS.

The following motion of which he had given previous notice was moved by Mr. Gaul:-

"That the Co. Council agree to adopt the provisions of the Small Dwellings Requisition Acts 1899 to 1919 to enable advances being made to persons who desire to build houses."

Mr. O'Byrne seconded the resolution which was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Gaul seconded by Mr. Corish:- "That advances under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts from 1899 to 1919 by this Council be confined to houses the cost of the erection of which shall not exceed £400."

In connection with amount of loan to be raised for this purpose the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Mr. D'Arcy:- "That the amount of loan to be raised by Co. Council under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts be governed by the number of applications for loans agreed to by the Council."

FERRYCARRIG BRIDGE.

The following motion of which he had given previous notice was moved by Mr. Corish:- "That the decision of the Council not to provide a temporary bridge at Ferrycarrig during the period the permanent structure is under repair, be rescinded and that the question of providing a temporary bridge be considered."

Mr. Corish said everybody should have been influenced by the case which had been made by the deputation asking for a temporary

bridge at the last Co. Council meeting. They had proved conclusively it would be inconvenient to a very great extent. It was the desire of every Co. Councillor to afford all the facilities they could to the ratepayers and in this instance there could be no question but substantial hardship would be inflicted upon a number of people, unless the decision of the County Council not to provide a temporary bridge, was reversed. If his motion was carried the Council could then decide whether the temporary structure should be one to bear horse traffic only or one to carry all traffic.

Mr. Culleton seconded the motion.

Mr. Hall opposed the erection of a temporary bridge in these very hard times when they could not get in the rates. Mr. Corish had referred to the hardships on the ratepayers in the vicinity of the bridge but he said nothing about the hardships on the ratepayers, who would have to provide nearly one penny in the pound for the purpose. It was really "drowning" the £1000 which was estimated to be the cost of the temporary bridge. And as regards inconvenience there was no doubt that thousands of the ratepayers had permanent inconvenience of a much worse character than was the case in the present instance.

Miss O'Ryan said she was not impressed by the views of the deputation. She admitted there was a certain amount of hardship to a limited number of people but nothing that would justify the expenditure of £1000 for the provision of a temporary bridge.

Mr. Cummins held as there was only a few people concerned the expenditure on a temporary structure would be wasted.

Mr. Culleton contended that diverting all the traffic on roads which had never been built to carry lorries would do enormous damage. In fact it would take three times the cost of erecting a temporary bridge to repair the roads which would form the alternative routes.

The Co. Surveyor stated there were only seven or eight people in the vicinity of the bridge who would be very much inconvenienced.

After further discussion a poll was taken on the motion and which resulted as follows:-

FOR: Messrs. Cline, Colfer, Corish, Culleton, Gaul, Hayes, McCarthy, and Shannon. (8)

AGAINST: Messrs. Brennan, Armstrong, Cooney, D'Arcy, Cummins, Gibbon, Hall, Keegan, Murphy, O'Byrne, O'Ryan, Smyth and the Chairman. (13)

The Chairman declared the motion lost.

On the motion of Col. Gibbon seconded by Mr. D'Arcy it was decided that tenders for the repair of Ferrycarrig Bridge be considered at a meeting of the Council to be held on 7th November, 1932, and in consequence that the ordinary meeting of the County Council fixed for 14th November, 1932, be dropped."

COUNTY COUNCIL - HOUR OF MEETING.

Mr. Armstrong moved the following of which he had given previous notice:- "That the time fixed for meetings of the Co. Council in future be at 1.30 p.m. instead of 10.30. a.m. as at present."

Mr. Hall seconded.

In the course of the discussion it was ascertained that Councillors residing in New Ross Area would not be able to travel by train at a convenient hour to attend a meeting at 1.30 p.m. and, in consequence, Mr. Armstrong with-drew his motion.

Mr. Murphy gave the following notice of motion:- "I hereby give notice of my intention to move at next meeting to be held on 10th October, 1932, that the meetings of this Co. Council be held once a month at 10.30 a.m. in future."

NEW ROSS URBAN MAIN ROADS.

Letter from New.Ross Urban Council under date 1st September, 1932, as to maintenance of Main Roads of the district and which

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appeared on last Co. Council Minutes, was read.

Under date 20th September, 1932, the Town Clerk, New Ross, wrote that his Council had decided to ask the Co. Council to consider the advisability of reconstructing the main roads in New Ross Urban area in concrete. In the opinion of the Urban Council Interest on a loan could not exceed the amount expended last year on maintenance. The work would be permanent and was necessary and should result in a saving to the Ratepayers.

The Co. Surveyor said there had been a proposal for £482 last year with £52.17.6d. from the Post Office Authorities - cost of damage by them in restoring road-ways - and £71.2s. from the Railway Co. for Chilcomb bridge. Total £605.19.6d. The amount expended was £604.10.1d. of which the principal items were:- Wages £234.4.11d; Carters £56.17.6d; Materials £158.3.0d; tar and bitumen £99.5.2d. and hire of roller £31.10.0d.

The Chairman (Mr. Walsh) held that as there were a number of New Ross streets concreted the balance could be done for the amount of the proposal by way of loan. It was a sound proposition financially and it was not necessary to point to the advantage it would be from the point of view of transport and maintenance to have concrete thoroughfares.

The Co. Surveyor said that the mile of streets undone in New Ross would cost about £5000 to lay in concrete. The latter was he was absolutely convinced a great saving in maintenance. The Wexford Enniscorthy road formerly cost £20,000 a year to maintain in a very indifferent manner; the present concrete road cost £80 - less than £8 per mile. There was no sign of any deterioration and he was convinced that in 20 years it would give a big capital return.

After further discussion it was decided that the Co. Surveyor would obtain and submit to a meeting of the Council at an early date, definite figures as to the cost of concreting the remainder of the main roads in New Ross Urban Area.

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SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES.

The following extracts from Minutes of meeting of Finance Committee, held on 22nd September, 1932, were submitted:-

UNIVERSITY:- Under date 19th September, 1932, the following was read from William Meyler, Blackhall, Glynn, recently awarded a University Scholarship:-

"I received your letter today informing me that I have been awarded a University Scholarship. I thank the Council for their kindness in awarding me this Scholarship, and I would be greatly indebted to them if they would hold over my Scholarship for two years as I have been called to De La Salle Training College. I understand there is a precedent for such cases."

After a long discussion the following resolution was proposed by Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Hall:- "The Finance Committee cannot see its way to recommend the Co. Council to agree to Mr. Meyler's application to hold over for him for two years his University Scholarship. In the event of Mr. Meyler being unable to avail of same it should be awarded to Joseph Byrne, Bayview, St. John's Road, Wexford, who is next in order of merit on the list of successful candidates."

The following is result of poll on this resolution:-

FOR: Messrs. Hall, O'Byrne and the Chairman (3)

AGAINST: Messrs. Culleton and Shannon (2)

SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:- Under date 21st September, 1932, the following was read from the Department of Education (Secondary Education Branch) 1, Hume Street, Dublin:-

"With reference to previous correspondence I have to inform you that the Department approves of the renewal for the school year 1932-33, of the Scholarship held by Mary A. Ronan, Loreto Convent, Wexford.

"With regard to the pupil, Mary E. Doyle, I have to point out

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"that according to the School Attendance Book, only one class day was missed by her during the school year. Furthermore, it is not the practice of the Department to attach any importance to pleas of illness unless supported by a medical certificate.

" In the circumstances, the Department considers that the pupil's progress in the past three years is not sufficient to warrant the renewal of the Scholarship for another year. If the Council, however, who are primarily responsible in this matter, adhere to their previous decision with this expression of opinion before them, the Department will raise no further objection to the proposal."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Hall seconded by Mr. O'Byrne:-

"That the question of agreeing to Scholarship of Mary E. Doyle, Quay Road, Duncannon, be referred to the Council, for decision."

The following resolution was moved by Mr. Gaul seconded by Mr. Colfer:- "That we confirm the recommendation of the Finance Committee refusing application of William Meyler to hold over his University Scholarship for two years be confirmed."

As an amendment Miss O'Ryan moved and Mr. Culleton seconded the following:- "That we dissent from the recommendation of the Finance Committee refusing to ~~allow~~ University Scholarship awarded William Meyler being held over until he has completed his training as a teacher in De La Salle College, Waterford."

A poll on the amendment resulted as follows:-
FOR: Messrs. Culleton, O'Ryan, Shannon, Smyth and the Chairman (5)
AGAINST: Messrs. Armstrong, Brennan, Colfer, Cooney, Corish, Cummins, D'Arcy, Gaul, Gibbon, Hall, Hayes, Keegan, McCarthy and O'Byrne. (14)

Messrs. Clince and Murphy (2) were not present when poll was taken.

The Chairman declared the amendment lost.

The resolution was then put and passed.

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In connection with Secondary Scholarship Scheme, Mother M.J. Raphael, Superior, Loreto Convent, Wexford, wrote that Mary E. Doyle, had missed quite a lot of time devoted to study last year when she had colds and had to retire early. It was on this account her lessons suffered. She attended the classes during the day even when weakly but that was all she could often accomplish.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Miss O'Ryan:- "That we confirm renewal of Secondary Scholarship of Mary E. Doyle, Quay Road, Duncannon, for year, 1932-33."

PETROL PUMP LICENCE.

In connection with application from Messrs. John Bolger & Co. Ltd (David J. Bolger) Ferns, for petrol pump licence, Mr. R.J. Ennis, Assistant Surveyor, reported that he saw no objection to granting this licence as the petrol pump would be on a line with the existing pumps at the premises

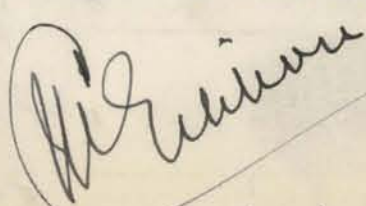
The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Gaul seconded by Mr. Hall:- "That petrol pump licence issue to Mr. David J. Bolger (John Bolger & Co.) Ferns."

CASTROL LUBRICATING OIL PUMP.

Application was received from Messrs. Bates & Sons, Gorey, for permission to erect a Castrol Lubricating oil Pump on kerb side at their garage, St. Michael's Road.

The Co. Surveyor said the erection of the pump would not cause any obstruction

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Gaul seconded by Mr. D'Arcy:- "That this Co. Council will not offer objection to the erection ^{of} a Castrol Lubricating Oil Pump at Messrs. Bates & Sons' garage, St. Michael's Road, Gorey, on condition that same will be removed at any time on a month's notice in writing from the Council."



10 October 1932