

LEABHARLAINN CHEARNAIGE CHONDAE GAILLIMHE
(County Galway Carnegie Libraries)

COUNTY BOOK REPOSITORY
BISHOP'S COURT,
GALWAY

The Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee was held on Saturday, 14th August, 1926, at the County Book Repository, Galway.

PRESENT.

Rev. J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., J.W. Ronaldson, J.M. Pringle, T. Kyne, J.S. Redington, E. Corbett, M. McNeill, E.J. O'Flaherty.

IN ATTENDANCE.

S.J. Maguire, Secretary and County Organising Librarian.

APOLOGY.

An apology for inability to attend was received from the Rev. J.F.M. Nash, M.A.

- No. 43. CHAIRMAN OF MEETING. RESOLVED - That Mr. M. McNeill be Chairman of the meeting.
- No. 44. BANK PASS BOOK. RESOLVED - That the Bank Pass Book submitted for inspection be approved.
- No. 45. CARNEGIE TRUST - CONFERENCE OF LIBRARIANS. RESOLVED - That the Secretary be granted leave to attend the Conference to be held in London in November by the Carnegie Trust.
- No. 46. RESOLVED - That the Carnegie Trust be requested to bear the Secretary's expenses to the Conference as no provision under that head had been made in the Committee's estimates.
- No. 47. HOME READING UNION. RESOLVED - That the Committee subscribe to the Home Reading Union for the periodical - The Reader.
- No. 48. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. NOTED - An acknowledgment of the receipt of the Committee's letter of the 17th July last.
- No. 49. LIBRARY ASSOCIATION. RESOLVED - That no action be taken with reference to the Annual Conference of the Library Association, there being no money available to bear the cost of sending a delegate.
- No. 50. BALLINASLOE SOCIAL CLUB. RESOLVED - That a supply of books be offered the Ballinasloe Social Club for an annual subscription of two guineas, payable half-yearly, the club to bear all costs of transport and any other charges.

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- No. 51. CARNEGIE TRUST - SUPPLEMENTARY GRANT. NOTED - Letter from the Secretary to the Trust intimating consideration of the Committee's application for a supplementary grant for juvenile works.
- No. 52. I.N.T.O. - GALWAY BRANCH. RESOLVED - That the I.N.T.O. - Galway Branch be allowed the use of the County Book Repository for their quarterly meetings.
- No. 53. CARNEGIE TRUST - LETTER AND RESOLUTION AS TO FUTURE OF SCHEME. RESOLVED - That the letter and Resolution, as set out in the Agenda, received from the Carnegie Trust be adopted, and the Secretary to report the fact to the Trust.
- No. 54. THE NEW REPOSITORY. RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to ask owners of the dogs wandering about the grounds and building of the possible danger to the public and the staff by not keeping their animals under proper control.
- No. 55. RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to ask the County Surveyor (Mr. Kennedy) to look into the matter of using the supply of beaver-board on the Committee's hands for the erection of a partition at the door of the Library.
- No. 56. RESOLVED - That the Secretary give public notice of the present address of the County Book Repository by an advertisement (one insertion) in The Connacht Tribune.
- No. 57. REPORT AND CATALOGUE. RESOLVED - That the Annual Report be considered at the October meeting, and that the Report and Catalogue be printed under the general printing contract of the County Council.
- No. 58. CLEANING OF THE REPOSITORY. RESOLVED - That Mrs. Nellie Griffin be paid £1 (one pound) per month for the cleaning, dusting, etc., of the Repository.
- No. 59. NOTICE OF MOTION. " I hold my Notice of Motion adjourned " pending legal opinion on the matter of the " validity of making the appointment of Miss " Ronaldson. Eamon Ua Corbain ".
- No. 60. NOTICE OF MOTION. " I hereby give notice that at the next " meeting of this Committee I shall propose " the following resolution: - That the salary of " Miss O'Neill be raised to 30/- per week. J. " M. Pringle ".
- No. 61. LEGAL OPINION. RESOLVED - That the Secretary obtain the opinion of the solicitor to the Council on the question of the appointment of Miss Ronaldson.

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No. 62. SANCTION OF STAFF BY THE MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH. READ - Copy of the letter from the Department of Local Government and Public Health to the Secretary to the County Council sanctioning the appointments of
S.J. Maguire as Organising Librarian,
H.W. Shee as Senior Assistant Librarian,
and
Misses Ronaldson and O'Neill as Assistant Librarians.

No. 63. FINANCE COMMITTEE. RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 24th July, 1926, and read by the Secretary, be signed as correct.

No. 64. SALE OF TABLE. RESOLVED - That, as the tender of the All Ireland Town Tenants' League (Galway Branch) for the purchase of the office table at the old Repository had been withdrawn, the sale of the table be left in the hands of the Secretary.

No. 65. REQUISITIONS. RESOLVED - That the Secretary be authorised to order the necessary stationery, cards, coal, etc., for use at the Repository.

This concluded the business.

*affirmed
J. M. Pringle
Sept. 4, 1926*

Galway Council Archives

28th August, 1926.

A Chara,

A meeting of the Finance Committee will be held on Saturday, 28th inst at 10.15 p.m. in the County Book Repository.

Is mise,

S. S. MacUidhir.

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(County Galway Carnegie Libraries).

S. J. MAGUIRE, Organising Librarian.
J. BRENNAN, Assistant.

COUNTY BOOK REPOSITORY,
BISHOP'S COURT,
GALWAY.

28th August, 1926.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. Financial statement, inspect on of Pass Book and Receipt and Expenditure Book.
3. Payments for authorization.
4. Correspondence.
5. Arrangements for lectures.
6. Application to French Consul for a donation of books in general subjects from the French Government.
7. Any other business.

The Monthly Meeting of the Finance Committee was held in the County Book Repository, Galway, on Saturday, 28th August, 1926.

PRESENT.

M.M. Egan, Chairman, Rev. J.F.M. Nash, M.A., J.M. Pringle.

APOLOGY.

An apology for inability to attend was read from Rev. J.O'Dea, S.A., B.C.L.

No. 66. FINANCIAL STATEMENT, ETC. EXAMINED - The Bank Pass Book, Expenditure and Receipts Book, and the Monthly Financial Statement.

No. 67. PAYMENTS. RESOLVED - That the following payments be authorised:-

83. P.J. Irwin, Myre Sq., Galway, for transport	3	5	2
84. Ocean Accdt. Assur. Co., Dublin for insr. on motor...	6	10	4
85. W.P. Higgins, Galway, payment on a/c for petrol, &c.	10		
86. Thos. McCullagh & Son, Galway, payment on a/c (books)	5		
87. O'Gorman and Co., Galway, do.	2		
88. Considine and Co. Galway do.	3		
89. Joolston Book Co., N'Ham, do.	3		
90. J. Behan, Galway, for transport	3	10	3
91. S.J. Maguire, Petty Cash for August	3		
<u>SALARIES:</u>			
92. S.J. Maguire, Salary for August	25		
93. H. Shee, do.	8	15	4
94. Miss B.O'Neill, do.	4	6	8
95. Miss K. Ronaldson, do.	6	10	

Total Payments 81 2 7

No. 68. RE MINUTE 56. READ - Correspondence from the Secretary to the County Council re Minute 56.

No. 69. CARNEGIE TRUST CONFERENCE. RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to ask the Minister for Local Government and Public Health for sanction for the payment of the Secretary's fare to London in connection with the Trust's Conference, and the amount, if sanctioned, allowed under this head.

No. 70. URBAN LIBRARY RATE. APPROVED - Secretary's letter to the Town Clerk, Galway, in relation to the quarterly instalments from the Urban Library rate, now overdue.

No. 71. COUNTY SOLICITOR. RESOLVED - That the letter from the County Solicitor, relative to Miss Ronaldson's

appointment, be submitted to the next meeting of the general committee.

No. 72. REV. HUGH CANON FORDE M.A. FORDEISH: LETTER RE NEW BOOK. RESOLVED - That the Secretary put Canon Forde's work - Sketches of Olden Days in Northern Ireland - on the next list of books for purchase.

No. 73. LECTURES. APPROVED - Secretary's circular letter to the clergy, teachers, Urban Council, Town Commissioners etc., in the county, asking for views on the possibility of arranging a course of lectures throughout the county during the coming winter.

No. 74. APPLICATION TO THE FRENCH CONSUL, GALWAY. APPROVED - Secretary's letter to the French Consul, Galway, requesting a further donation of works in the French language.

No. 75. TRANSFER OF RECORDS ROOM. RESOLVED - That the Secretary arrange with the Secretary to the County Council to have a room renovated and shelved in place of the Records Room taken over for the use of another committee of the Council.

No. 76. REQUISITIONS. RESOLVED - That the Secretary order the following (a) Forms, books, etc., required as set out in the Public Bodies Order, 1925; (b) locks and keys for book boxes; (c) repairs to duplicator and typewriter.

No. 77. GENERAL PRINTING CONTRACT. RESOLVED - That the Secretary arrange, if possible, with the Secretary to the County Council for the committee's printing to be done through the Council's general printing contract - the committee to be charged at a rate cheaper than the cost of giving out the work direct.

No. 78. REPORTS ON STAFF. NOTED - Medical Certificate from Miss O'Neill absent from duty through illness.
Noted - Report from Mr. H. Shee, Senior Assistant, on his attendance at the Library School, National University of Wales.

No. 79. MOTOR CAR TRANSFERRED FROM TRUST. RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to put the matter of the car, transferred from the Trust's Committee, on the Agenda of the next general meeting, for consideration.

No. 80. MR. CORBETT'S NOTICE OF MOTION. ACCEPTED - Secretary's explanation of the error in the wording of the notice.

*Approved
Sept 4, 20
P.M. P. R. P. R.*

LEABHARLAINN CHONNDAE GAILLIMHE.

County Book Repository,
Prospect Hill, Galway,
30th August, 1926.

Sir, (Madam),

The Monthly Meeting of the County Libraries Committee will be held in the County Book Repository, Prospect Hill, on Saturday next, 4th September, 1926, at the hour of one o'clock, p.m.

I am, Sir, (Madam),

Your obedient servant,

S. J. MAGUIRE,
Secretary.

To each Member of the Libraries Committee.

To the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

To the Secretary to the County Council.

To the Town Clerk, Galway.

To the Town Clerk, Ballinasloe.

To the Editors of all papers published in the County of Galway.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. Correspondence (General).
3. Correspondence with the Carnegie Trust.
4. Letter from the County Solicitor.
5. Proposed Course of Lectures.
6. Question of the motor car transferred from the Trust.
7. Minutes of the last Finance Meeting.
8. Mr. Corbett's Notice of Motion :- Error in the wording of the copy supplied to members.
9. Any other business.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of the County Galway Libraries Committee at a Monthly Meeting, held on Saturday, the 4th September, 1926.

PRESENT. T.Kyne, Co.C., B.Lydon, Co.C., J.M.Pringle, U.D.C./

IN ATTENDANCE. The Secretary and County Organising Librarian.

No.81. CHAIRMAN. RESOLVED - That J.M.Pringle be Chairman of the meeting.

No.82. ASSOCIATION OF SPECIAL LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION BUREAUX. RESOLVED - That the Secretary supply, as desired by the Association of Special Libraries and Information Bureaux, the information as to the nature, routine and contents of the County Libraries.

No.83. CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY. RESOLVED - That the Secretary assure the Catholic Truth Society, Dublin, of a share of the annual book orders.

No.84. OCEAN ACCIDENT ASSURANCE CO. NOTED - Acknowledgment of receipt of £6.13.4, payment of premium for time of risk in connection with the insurance of the committee's motor.

No.85. MINUTE NO.53: Correspondence from the Secretary to the County Council. Correspondence (5354.M68/85) was read from the Secretary to the County Council. RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to inform the Secretary to the County Council that the committee, in adopting the Resolution submitted by the Carnegie Trust, were acting within the committee's Constitution (MINUTE NO.3) submitted to the County Council and approved. The Secretary shall also point out that the committee now leaves the whole matter for discussion to the County Council and the Trust.

No.86. MINUTES OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE 21st AUGUST, 1926. READ - Minute No.3080 of the Proceedings of the County Council Meeting of the 21st August, 1926.

No.87. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CARNEGIE TRUST. READ - Correspondence H.P.414/12978(88) and 413/12974(88) from the Carnegie Trust. RESOLVED - That the Secretary furnish the Carnegie Trust with a copy of the reply to the Secretary of the County Council as set out in Minute 86.

No.88. COUNTY SOLICITOR. RESOLVED - That consideration of the letter from the County Solicitor, relative to the appointment of Miss Ronaldson, be adjourned until the next monthly meeting.

No.89. PROPOSED COURSE OF LECTURES. RESOLVED - That the arrangements for the proposed course of lectures to be given during the coming winter be left in the hands of the Secretary.

No.90. CAR TRANSFERRED FROM THE CARNEGIE TRUST. RESOLVED - That consideration of the question of the car transferred from the Carnegie Trust be adjourned until the next monthly meeting.

No.91. MINUTES OF THE AUGUST FINANCE MEETING. RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the August Finance Meeting be approved and signed.

No.92. MINUTES OF THE LAST MONTHLY MEETING. RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the last monthly meeting, having been circulated members, be approved and signed.

No.93. MR. CORBETT'S NOTICE OF MOTION. ACCEPTED - Secretary's explanation of the error in the wording of the copy of Mr. Corbett's Notice of Motion supplied to the members of the committee.

No.94. NOTICE OF MOTION. It was proposed by J.M.Pringle, seconded by Bartley Lydon and RESOLVED - That the Notice of Motion submitted by J.M.Pringle be adjourned until such times as Mr. Corbett's Notice of Motion has been disposed of, and it was further RESOLVED - That after the words "week", in the Notice of Motion submitted by J.M.Pringle, there be added "and that the increase be retrospective as from the 1st July, 1926."

No.95. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LIBRARY AND THE COUNTY LIBRARIES.

RESOLVED - That the Secretary draw up, for consideration at the next meeting of the committee a scheme of co-operation between the County Libraries and the University College (Galway) Authorities for the joint use of the respective libraries.

No.96. LIBRARY SUMMER SCHOOL. The Library Summer School held at the National Library and University of Wales being in the opinion of the committee of inestimable value to the Libraries' staff, it was
RESOLVED - That a copy of Mr. Shee's report on his attendance at the School be forwarded to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

No.97. FINANCIAL STATEMENT, ETC. EXAMINED - The Monthly Financial Statement, Receipts and Expenditure Book, and Bank Pass Book.

James O'Kea (Chairman)

COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES.

County Book Repository,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

24th September, 1926

Sir (Madam),

The Monthly General and Finance Meeting of the County Galway Libraries' Committee will be held on Saturday, 2nd October, 1926, in the County Book Repository, Prospect Hill, Galway, at the hour of one o'clock, p. m.

I am, Sir (Madam),

Your obedient servant,

S. J. Maguire.

Librarian & Secretary.

AGENDA.

- (1) Minutes of the last meeting.
- (2) Financial Statement, etc.,
- (3) Payments.
- (4) Correspondence :-
 - (a) General.
 - (b) County Solicitor.
 - (c) Lectures.
 - (d) Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
- (5) University College (Galway) Library and the County Library.
- (6) Notice of Motion - Councillor E. Corbett - Minute No. 26.
- (7) Notice of Motion - Urban Councillor J. H. Pringle - Minute Nos. 5 and 94.
- (8) Car transferred from the Trust.
- (9) Report and Statistics for year ended 30th June, 1926.
- (10) Requisitions.
- (11) Other Business.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS (Nos. 93 to 117 inclusive) of the Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee, held on Saturday, 2nd October, 1926, in the County Book Repository, Prospect Hill, Galway.

PRESENT: J.S. Redington, U.D.C., Rev. J.F. H. Nash, M.A., M. McNeill, Co.C., B. Lydon, Co.C., M. Curley, P.T., E. Corbett, Co.C., T. Ryne, Co.C., Rev. J.J. Dea, B.A., B.C.L.

APOLOGY. An apology for inability to attend was read from Mr. J. Pringle, U.D.C.

IN ATTENDANCE. S.J. Maguire, Secretary and Organising Librarian.

No. 98. CHAIRMAN. RESOLVED - That Rev. J.J. Dea be Chairman of the meeting.

No. 99. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING. RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the last meeting, circulated each member, be taken as read, and that they be signed.

No. 100. FINANCIAL STATEMENT, ETC. RESOLVED - That the Financial Statement for the month ended 30th September, 1926, as submitted and compared with the Bank Pass Book and receipts and Expenditure Book, be agreed to, and that the various books be signed as correct.

No. 101. ASSOCIATION OF SPECIAL LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION BUREAUX. RESOLVED - That no action be taken, in connection with membership of the Association of Special Libraries and Information Bureaux, for the present.

No. 102. WATERFORD NEWS LTD. - "TIGHEARNA NA CLAISE MOIRÉ". RESOLVED - That Sean O'Casey's Irish translation of Edmund Spenser's "Clashmore" (Waterford News, 2/5 net) be purchased.

No. 103. ECONOMIC HISTORY SOCIETY, LONDON. READ - An invitation from the Secretary, Economic History Society, London, to subscribe to membership of the society.

No. 104. COUNTY SOLICITOR. ACCEPTED - Advice of the County solicitor relative to Minute No. 26.

No. 105. CONTROLLER, STATIONERY OFFICE, DUBLIN. RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to ask the Controller of the Stationery Office, Dublin, to reconsider his decision relative to supplying gratis the various Government Publications to the County Libraries.

- No.106. DUNMORE - APPLICATION FOR A CENTRE. RESOLVED - That the application for a library centre received from Miss A. Charles, Dunmore, be approved.
- No.107. SCHOOL GOVERNMENT CHRONICLE, LONDON. RESOLVED - That the Secretary supply the information relative to the Libraries as requested by the School Government Chronicle, London.
- No.108. LECTURES. RESOLVED - That the Committee's best thanks be conveyed to those gentlemen who have so kindly placed themselves at the Committee's disposal as lecturers in connection with the Library Lectures Scheme.
- No.109. RESOLVED Further - That the Secretary be instructed to arrange for the first lecture to be delivered at Athenry on any date agreed to by the Athenry Committee.

LECTURES (contd.) that the following be the programs of lectures for the session throughout the county:-

TITLE.	LECTURER.
Electricity applied to industry, with special reference to the Shannon Scheme.	Thomas Dillon, F.Sc.
The Celts.	Rev. J. Hynes, M.A., B.D.
The Red Branch Sagas.	Thomas O'Maille, M.A., Ph.D.
The Science of Sound Argument.	John Howley, D.Litt., M.A.
What to Read.	L.J. Tighe, C.E., B.E.

- No.110. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LIBRARY AND THE COUNTY LIBRARY. RESOLVED - That the following scheme of co-operation between the University College Library, Galway, and the County Library, be approved, subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and the governing body of the University College:-

SUGGESTED SCHEME OF CO-OPERATION.

The County Library cannot pretend to satisfy both daily and exceptional wants unless it is able to call upon outside resources such as the Central Library for Irish students, and a highly specialised collection such as that housed at the University College Library, Galway. At present, all the resources of the Central Library are at the disposal of readers throughout the county, but students in the urban area of Galway and the staff and students of the University College cannot participate in these facilities. Similarly, none but registered borrowers (those who have paid a deposit of one pound) can avail themselves of the University College Library.

The necessity, therefore, of forming the County Library, the University College Library, and the Central Library for Irish Students, Dublin, into a group with mechanism for interchange by which any particular book not in stock in one library could be supplied from another, is obvious. By such means an efficient service equal to the pooled resources of the three systems could be obtained, and all waste and overlapping would be eliminated.

This scheme would not, of course, interfere with the separate or special working of the individual libraries. No alteration or encroaching on their respective constitutions

A similar grouping of resources is in operation in London and Edinburgh in connection with the Central Libraries in London and ~~Edin~~ Dunfermline, and the various university and private libraries in Great Britain. Germany and the United States also possess admirable systems of co-operation between the county and city public libraries and the university libraries.

111. LOCAL GOVERNMENT MINISTRY. NOTE - Sanction from the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to expenditure to be incurred in connection with the Trust's Conference in London, the Secretary to be instructed to apply for sanction also to subsistence expenses.
112. NOTICE OF MOTION - Mr. Corbett. NOTE - Mr. Corbett's withdrawal of his notice of motion.
113. NOTICE OF MOTION - Mr. Pringle. RESOLVED - That consideration of Mr. Pringle's notice of motion be postponed owing to the proposer's absence from the meeting.
114. CAR TRANSFERRED FROM THE TRUST. RESOLVED - That the Secretary

obtain from Messrs. J. P. Higgins, Galway, quotations and terms for the supply of one of the following makes of cars:- Ford, Citroen, Morris Cowley, Peugeot.

- No. 115. REPORT AND STATISTICS. RESOLVED - That Rev. J. F. H. Nash, M.A. Rev. J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., Councillors McNeill and Lydon, be appointed a sub-committee to meet on Saturday, 5th inst., for the purpose of considering quotations for the printing of the annual report and statistics - the Secretary in the meantime to secure quotations again from those firms who had already quoted.
- No. 116. HAULIBACOR CLUB AND BELLOUGH CENTRES. RESOLVED - That the Secretary point out that costs for transport of boxes are only paid in respect of the outward journeys and that the centres cannot possibly expect the committee with its limited resources to bear costs both ways.
- No. 117. REQUISITIONS. Requisitions as submitted by the Secretary were authorised.

COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES.

No. 118.	Payments authorised at the Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries' Committee held on 2nd October, 1926.	2 . 8 . 0
No. 96.	S. J. Maguire, County Library, Salary for Sep.	25 . 0 . 0
No. 97.	H. Shee. " " " " "	8 . 13 . 4
No. 98.	Miss. B. O'Neill " " " " "	4 . 6 . 8
No. 99.	Miss. K. Ronaldson " " " " "	6 . 10 . 0
No. 100.	Mrs. N. Griffin, Gate Lodge. Payment for cleaning of Repository Aug. 16th - Sep. 16th.	1 . 0 . 0
No. 101.	Mrs. N. Griffin, Gate Lodge. Payment for cleaning of Repository Sep. 16th - Oct. 16th.	1 . 0 . 0
No. 102.	S. J. Maguire, County Library Petty cash (Sept.)	1 . 18 .
No. 103.	Commercial Union Insur. Company premium due	1 . 10 .
No. 104.	T. McCullagh & Son, Galway, Payment for books	10 . 5 .
No. 105.	W. P. Higgins, Galway, Payment for petrol etc.,	10 . 0 .
No. 106.	J. Considine " " " books	3 . 2 .
No. 107.	P. O'Gorman " " " "	2 . 2 .
No. 108.	Alex Thom, Dublin. " " " "	1 . 7 .
No. 109.	The Library Association " " Syllabus	2 .
No. 110.	National Home Reading Union, London, Payment for Magazine	10 .
No. 111.	Thos. McDonagh, Galway. Payment for removal	17 . 0 .
	Total	<u>894 . 8</u>

COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES.

The proceedings of the Sub. Committee Meeting held on Saturday, 9th October, 1926, for consideration of Tenders for the printing of the Second Annual Report (Minute No. 115.)

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Rev. J. P. M. Nash, M.A.
Rev. J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L.
M. McNeill, Esq., Co. C.,
B. Lydon, Esq., Co. C.,

CHAIRMAN.

No. 119 Resolved - That Rev. J. O'Dea, be Chairman of the Meeting.

TENDERS.

Tenders were received from P. O'Gorman & Co., Galway, Alex Thom, Dublin, and Connacht Tribune, Galway.

No. 120 It was resolved that P. O'Gorman, get the contract his quotation being the lowest.

CAR TRANSFERRED FROM TRUST (MINUTE NO. 114.)

The following quotations were received from Mr. W. P. Higgins, Galway: -

Ford - 5 Seater	£154 . 0 . 0	delivered free at Galway.
Ford - 3 Seater	£114 . 0 . 0	
Morris Cowley 4 Seater	£208 . 0 . 0	plus £ 9 . 10 . 0 carriage
Citroen 4 Seater	£195 . 0 . 0	" 10 . 0 . 0 "
Peugot 4 Seater	£250 . 0 . 0	" 10 . 0 . 0 "

Dodge Coupe second hand, originally cost £120 . 0 . 0 recently overhauled and painted for the sum of £170 . 0 . 0. I would be willing to make an allowance on the old Ford of £20. in payment of a new Ford Model and I would be prepared to accept Pro Notes on my bank, becoming due monthly or quarterly as convenient to you plus the bank rate of interest.

The allowance on the old Ford will be also taken in part payment of Dodge Coupe".

No. 121

Resolved — That the Secretary, in forwarding a copy of the Minutes of the proceedings of this Sub - committee Meeting to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, asks for advice and guidance on the question of a car, according to the tender submitted by Messrs. W. P. Higgins, and set out in full in the Proceedings.

S. J. MAGUIRE, Organising Librarian.
J. BRENNAN, Assistant.

COUNTY BOOK REPOSITORY,
BISHOP'S COURT,
GALWAY.

30th October, 1926.

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A meeting of the Finance Committee will be held
on Saturday 30th October, at 10 o'clock p.m. in the
County Book Repository.

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S. S. MagUidhir.

COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Saturday, 30th October, 1926.

- T. Rev. J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L.
M. Curley Esq, M.P.
P. Rodlew, Esq., M.P.
P. J. Parker, Esq., M.P.
- In attendance — S. J. Maguire, Secretary and Organising Librarian
122. CHAIRMAN — Resolved — That Rev. J. O'Dea, be Chairman of the meeting.
123. RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURE BOOK, etc.
Examined receipts and expenditure book, formal Bank Passbook, and payment of salaries. All signed as correct.
124. SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE. — Resolved — That the Secretary be allowed, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health the total sum of 30/- (thirty shillings) as subsistence in connection with his attendance at the Trust's Conference in London, on 18th and 19th November. This sum being in addition to third class railway fare and saloon on tender.
125. NEW CAR. Resolved — That the question of new car be referred to the General Committee for consideration at the next meeting.
126. STATIONERY OFFICE PUBLICATIONS. Resolved — That the best thanks of the Committee be tendered to those M.P.'s who have interested themselves in the Committee's application to the Stationery Office for the supply of Government Public Prints.
- Resolved further — That the Secretary if possible interview to-day the Minister for Finance on the matter.
127. REQUEST OF BOOKS. Resolved — That the Committee's best thanks be tendered to Captain J. J. O'Donnell, Gordon's Castle, Khartoon, for his trouble in connection with the books requested to the Libraries, in the will of the late Major J. O'Donnell, D.M.
128. BALLINASLOE N. S. Resolved — That a supply of books be sent the Principal of the Ballinasloe N.S. at an annual charge of One Guinea per annum.
129. CARNEGIE TRUST. — Noted — Decisions relative to the Trust's Conference to be held in London on 18th and 19th inst.
130. APPLICATIONS FOR EXPENSES FOR CENTRES. — Resolved — That the Secretary's circular letter No. 118 be approved and that a copy of the Minute No. 118 be furnished all Non-Librarians.
131. ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY. Note Letter from the Registrar Royal Dublin Society relative to the Committee's scheme of lectures;

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November, 1926.

COUNTY GALWAY
LIBRARIESAnnual Report
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Statistics

Year ended 30th June, 1926

GALWAY
O'GORMAN PRINTINGHOUSE
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Libraries' Committee
at the County Book
at one o'clock p. m.

Sir (Madam),
Your obedient Servant
S. J. Maguire,
Secretary.

Book, Pass Book,

supplied to

to the printing

8. Car Transport
9. Notice of Motion — Urban Councillor — J. H. Pringle.
10. General.

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LIBRARIES



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COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES.

ANNUAL REPORT AND STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1926.

NOTE.—*The Statistics represent the returns from centres, received to the close of the year under review and do not include the returns due for the period and not received before 30th June, 1926.*

The great lesson learned from two years' working of the Library Scheme is that there is a general demand for books in the rural areas and to a less extent in the urban districts. The demand, cultivated in the schools by the use of library books as part of the curriculum, has influenced the adults to make use of the facilities provided for mental stimulation. It is pleasing to report that it has never been found necessary to exert special effort to persuade people to make use of the library; rather the demands have been heavier than the library has been able to meet.

LIBRARIES AND THE SCHOOLS.

It is not beside the point to quote the following extract from the C.O.P.E.C. Commission Report, vol. 2 :—“In all branches of our primary education the more the teacher can link his treatment to the life of the child, the more real the subject will be, and the more it will grip the mind. If this thought of reality is followed out in the whole scheme of the curriculum and in the method of handling it, there will be a fresher conception of education in the minds of parents and public, and a greater chance that the life of the school will become closely linked with the whole life of the locality, as it should be. Where this is being done it is found to have a most healthy and invigorating effort. One practical suggestion that will have the twofold effect of increasing individual interest and encouraging personal effect, and of bringing education right into the home, is that every school should stimulate the use of a library from which books may be borrowed. A love of books and a knowledge of how to use them is a lasting fruit and a lasting instrument of education. A home to which boys and girls bring literature may enjoy an educational conversion of heart. There should be a school lending library, but it is also very desirable that scholars,

particularly in the higher classes, should make full use of the public library of the district.”

This has been the aim of the County Library from its inception, but owing to the very large number of schools in the county it has been found impossible to cater for all, and an appeal has been made to the Ministry of Education for a solution of the problem of supplying this large number. The resources of the Library cannot possibly cope with the present demand for School Libraries, and it is satisfactory to report that the matter is receiving the attention of the Ministry.

TEACHERS' DEPARTMENT OF THE LIBRARY.

As pointed out in the First Annual Report special attention has been paid to the sectional library for the use of teachers. This attention has been fully justified by the great use made of the books by teachers attending the special education classes at the University College, and by others. It is, therefore, well worth while to again state that a catholic and fully representative collection of works on all branches of teaching, theory and practice, has been placed at the disposal of teachers.

STUDENTS' SECTION.

Owing to the demand for books on special subjects and for particular works of a specialised nature it was found necessary to establish a special section for the use of students. Here too the trouble taken has been very well worth while, and the demands made on this section have taxed the Library's resources to the utmost. In addition recourse has had to be made to

THE CENTRAL LIBRARY FOR STUDENTS, DUBLIN.

From which 35 readers in the County borrowed 67 books. The classification of the books borrowed appears in the appendix dealing with statistics.

AGRICULTURAL SECTION.

A little digression under this head may be allowed. From 1906 up to the commencement of the war there were growing indications of a revival in agriculture, based partly on some improvement in prices and partly on the new methods which had been adopted. But confidence had not been restored for the lesson of the earlier depression had been well learnt; arable land continued to be converted into pasture, and intensive methods of production to be neglected. Under the new conditions the industry began to revive, but it should be remembered that the prosperity of the farmer does not necessarily connote a corresponding degree of prosperity in agriculture, when viewed from

the national standpoint. The home output of food has steadily decreased since the "seventies," and although the farmer was beginning to make a better livelihood, it was by methods which did not promise to add to the national security in this respect. Modifying the statement of Sir Daniel Hall, K.C.B., in the preface to "Agriculture after the War":—"A man may be a first rate farmer as regards his own personal success and yet be pursuing a policy inimical to the ultimate welfare of the State. Before one attaches any blame to the current race of farmers one must consider the extraordinary crisis through which they have passed in the last thirty years without any attention or assistance from the State, then one will be more inclined to praise them for having contrived to remain in existence at all"; but it must also be remembered that still quite a measure of blame must rest on the farmer. There is his almost hide-bound conservatism and failure to grasp the many opportunities, scientific and educational, placed at his disposal by voluntary associations as well as by the State, the importance of which he never seems to estimate.

It is, therefore, part of the duties of the County Library to leave no excuse for ignorance. Among its many functions it helps to teach the farmers and small-holders something about agricultural machinery—to select, to use, to take care of and to repair their machines, and something about the mechanical principles involved. It also helps to teach him the value of accounts and how to keep them. The importance of this latter apparently small matter to Irish agriculture can hardly be over estimated. At present all that very many farmers know is whether they are making or losing money; they do not know whether any given agricultural operation is a profit or a loss to them; if they did know they would often be profoundly astonished. There is no need for this deplorable absence of business methods. The Library, in its Agricultural Section, contains a number of simply written manuals on agriculture in all its phases:—machinery, stock breeding and feeding, costing, farm book-keeping, machinery, dairying, etc. All these works can be had through the Local Library Centre or direct from the Library Headquarters. In addition, the Libraries Committee purchased 250 copies of the booklet "Ireland and Denmark" which were distributed free to centres. A number of copies of the work are still available and can be had, post free, on application to the County Organising Librarian.

LECTURES.

Arrangements are being made for a series of five lectures to be given at the towns, villages, parish clubs, etc., throughout the county, during the coming winter. All local arrangements are left in the hands of the local Library Committees, and the help and co-operation of all interested persons is invited by the County Libraries Committee. The lectures will be of a popular nature and deal with such subjects as

Public Health, Rural Life and Welfare, Education, Agriculture, etc. These lectures will be the first of their kind in connection with the recently established County Libraries in Ireland. Being of an experimental nature it is hoped that the people of the city and county of Galway will spare no effort to ensure their success.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

The Reference Department, consisting of a small collection of encyclopaedias, dictionaries, directories, and general reference works, has been highly appreciated by both urban and rural residents. During the year Chamber's New Encyclopaedia and Skeat's Etymological Dictionary were added to this section.

COUNTY COUNCIL AND LIBRARIES.

At the February meeting of the County Council a committee was elected to take over the scheme as from the 1st July last. This Committee held its inaugural meeting on the 15th May when the original Committee (which was nominated by the Carnegie Trust) ceased to act. To this Committee the County Council delegated its powers as the Library Authority for the county under the Public Libraries Acts (Ireland) 1855 to 1902, and the Local Government Act, 1925.

During the year the Committee sustained two great losses in the persons of the late Venerable Archdeacon Berry, M.A., who had been the Vice-Chairman of the original Committee; and by the resignation of Mr. W. G. Fogarty. The latter by his keen interest and co-operation was of immeasurable help in initiating the scheme.

COUNTY BOOK REPOSITORY.

Through the generosity of the County Council the Committee were offered the old County Hospital as a County Book Repository, and on acceptance the premises were prepared for that purpose, and all equipment, books, etc., were removed from the former headquarters at Bishop's Court to the new premises.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AND THE COUNTY LIBRARY.

A scheme, for submission to the University College authorities, the Libraries Committee, and the County Council, aiming at the co-operation in the joint use of the respective libraries is in course of preparation. If agreed to, the arrangement should prove of great use to those students throughout the county who otherwise could not avail themselves of the College Library.

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The County Libraries Committee has been elected to Institutional Membership of the Library Association, an honour which gives the Galway Library Scheme international recognition.

OUTBREAK OF FEVER IN LIBRARY DISTRICTS.

During the year out-breaks of diphtheria and measles were reported from the Gortaleam and Shanballymore centres respectively. In the former district seven volumes were destroyed by order of the Medical Officer of Health, and in the case of the latter, Dr. T. Walsh, Professor of Pathology at the University College, has kindly offered to disinfect the books.

URBAN COUNCILS.

The Galway Urban Council, having adopted the Public Libraries Acts for the urban area, delegated their powers to the County Council, and provision has been made to set aside a number of books annually at the County Book Repository for the use of the residents in the town of Galway. A Committee, elected by the Urban Council, administers the centre and books are issued by the County Libraries staff at the Repository.

It is to be regretted that the Urban Council of Ballinasloe in not following the example set by the Galway Urban Council deprives the town of Ballinasloe of all library facilities.

DONATIONS.

Donations of books, pamphlets, reports, newspapers, etc., were received from the following during the year :—Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, British Red Cross Society, Rev. A. J. Gailey, B.A., Galway, the Directors and Editor of the "Connacht Tribune" and "Sentinel" the proprietor of the "Galway Observer" the High Commissioner for Canada, the Editor of "An Stoc," Rev. R. W. Talbot, M.A., Loughrea, the Harbour Master, Galway, Dr. B. O'Bierne, Galway, and the Carnegie Trust.

It may be added that the Galway Chamber of Commerce has promised to hand over to the County Library its collection of books on general subjects, and its files of commercial and economic periodicals.

The Committee and the Organising County Librarian dare to hope that the public will realise that, limited as the resources of the County Library are, every effort (short of hampering the ordinary work of the library), is being made to build up a local collection of books, pamphlets and news-cuttings, dealing with the history and antiquities of the

city and county. They, therefore, appeal to the public to help by donations of works of this kind, so that everything bearing on the city and county can be catalogued and made available for the student and the historian.

APPENDIX.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Total population of the area for which the Act has been adopted, and in the area served..... 178,291

CENTRES.

Districts	47
No. of Schools	59
Total Centres	106

TRANSPORT.

No. of boxes	90
Books per box	60
Exchanges :—No. per centre	4
Cost per box per centre	5/3½
Method :—Motor, carrier, steamer and boat.	

READERS.

No. of registered readers.....	7,535
In the Urban area of Galway	527
Student borrowers	129
Total readers registered in county and city	8,191

BOOK STOCK.

Circulating	7,130
Reference Library	114
Total volumes in stock	7,244
Stock per head served	0.04
Stock per centre served	68

BOOK ISSUES.

Total issues	42,803
Total issues previous year	21,720
Issues per centre	404
Issues per head served24
Issues per book circulated	5.9

BOOKS BORROWED.

From the Central Library for Irish Students.....	67
Other Libraries	10

CLASS ANALYSIS OF ISSUES.

000 General Works	75
100 Philosophy	66
200 Religion (including mythology)	98
300 Sociology (including folk-lore)	749
400 Language	117
500 Natural Science	684
600 Useful Arts	795
700 Fine Arts	212
800 Literature	2078
900 History, geography, travel and biography.....	2944
F Fiction (including "Standard and Classical" Novels)	24,685
J Juvenile	8,300
Total Issues.....	<hr/> 42,803

CLASS ANALYSIS OF BOOKS BORROWED FROM CENTRAL
LIBRARY FOR STUDENTS, DUBLIN.

Philosophy	3
Religion	5
Sociology	15
Useful Arts	20
Literature	8
History and Biography	16
Total.....	<hr/> 67

MAINTENANCE CHARGES.

Rate equivalent in the £.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ d.
Cost per head of population served.....	1.8
Cost per centre served	9/7
Cost per head of total population of urban and rural areas	d. 1.6

COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES.

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Minutes of
held on Saturday

121. Rev. J. D.
M. Curley
P. Hefley,
P. J. P...

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In attendance -
122. CHAIRMAN - Res
meeting.

123. RECEIPTS & EXP
Examined receipt
and payment of

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124. ASSISTANCE ALLOWANCE. -
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125. NEW CAR. Resolv
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126. STATIONERY OFFI
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127. REQUEST OF BOOK
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128. BALLINASLOE N.
Principal of th
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129. CARNEGIE TRUST.
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130. APPLICATIONS FOR EXPENSE
Secretary's circular letter
copy of the Minute No. 118.
This must be approved and that a
Furnished all Hon. Librarians.

131. ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY. Note
Society relative to the c
Letter from the Registrar Royal Dubli
tee's scheme of lectures;

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8th November, 1926.

Sir (Madam),

The Monthly Meeting of the County Libraries' Committee
will be held on Saturday next, the 13th inst., in the County Book
Repository, Prospect Hill, Galway, at the hour of one o'clock p. m.

I am, Sir (Madam),
Your obedient Servant
S. J. Maguire,
Secretary.

To each member of the Committee.
To the Minister for Local Government.
To the Secretary to the County Council.
To the Town Clerk, Galway.
To the Editors of all newspapers published
in the County of Galway.

AGENDA.

- Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
- Minutes of the last Finance Committee Meeting.
- Examination of the Receipts and Expenditure Book, Pass Book,
Form 1, etc.
- Correspondence :-
A. Local Government Ministry.
B. Other Government Departments.
C. County Council.
D. Urban Council.
E. Carnegie Trust.
F. General.
- Consideration of the Annual Report (already supplied to
members).
- University College Library.
- Minutes of the Tenders Committee relative to the printing
of the Annual Report.
- Car Transferred from the Trust.
- Notice of Motion - Urban Councillor - J. M. Pringle.
- General.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of the County Galway Libraries' Committee at a Monthly Meeting, held on Saturday, 10th November, 1926.

SENT.

Rev. J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L.
 Rev. J.F.M. Nash, M.A.
 Miss. M. Fogarty, B.A., R.I.A.M.
 E. Corbett, Esq., Co. C.,
 B. Lydon, Esq., Co. C.,
 J. M. Pringle, Esq., U.D.C.

132. CHAIRMAN. RESOLVED - That Rev. J. O'Dea, be Chairman of the meeting.
133. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING. RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the last meeting circulated each member be taken as read and signed.
134. MINUTES OF THE LAST FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING. RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the Last Finance Committee Meeting, circulated each member, be taken as read, and signed.
135. EXAMINATION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE BOOK, ETC. EXAMINED - The Receipts and Expenditure Book, Bank Pass Book, Form 1. and RESOLVED - That the books be signed as correct.
136. MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH. - Allowance to Secretary of 15/- per day as subsistence allowance for each day of the Trust's Conference at London on 18th and 19th inst.
- RESOLVED - That Minute No. 124 be adhered to.
137. Government Stationery Office - NOTED - The definite refusal of the Controller, by instruction from the Ministry of Finance, to supply, gratis, to the Galway Libraries the official publications.
138. MINUTE 126. ACCEPTED - The Secretary's statement of his inability to obtain an interview with the Minister for Finance at Galway on the 29th ultimo.
139. COUNTY COUNCIL - Letter from the Secretary to the County Council relative to the Committee's requirements for inclusion in the Council's estimates for the coming year.
 RESOLVED - That the Secretary prepare, for consideration at the next meeting, the estimates for the coming year for dispatch to the County Council.
140. URBAN COUNCIL. - Payment of Instalment of Urban Library Rate. Noted - Lodgement of £ 30 by the Secretary with the Treasurer received from the Galway Urban Council being instalment of the Urban Library Rate.
141. CARNEGIE TRUST - Programme of the London Conference. NOTED - Programme of the London Conference received by the Secretary.

142. CARNEGIE TRUST - REQUEST FOR STATISTICS AND REPORT FOR YEAR. RESOLVED - That the Secretary supply the information desired by the Trust.
143. CARNEGIE TRUST - ADDITIONAL GRANT. RESOLVED - That the Secretary when in London interview the Secretary to the Trust and the Trustees present at the Conference as to an additional grant to the Galway Libraries.
144. ANNUAL REPORT AND STATISTICS. - RESOLVED - That the Annual Report and Statistics be adopted.
145. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LIBRARY. NOTED - Letter from the Secretary and Registrar of the University College stating that the suggested scheme of co-operation was referred to the Collige Library Committee for consideration.
146. TENDERS COMMITTEE AND THE PRINTING OF THE ANNUAL REPORT. RESOLVED - That the Minute No. 120 passed by the Tenders Committee be agreed to.
147. CAR TRANSFERRED FROM THE TRUST. The Minister for Local Government and Public Health not being in a position to advise the Committee on the question of the car and the tender of Messrs. Higgins, Galway, as set out in Minutes Nos. 124 and 125.
 RESOLVED - That the whole question be adjourned indefinitely.
148. NOTICE OF MOTION. - Urban Councillor J.M. Pringle, Minute Nos. 83 and 84.
 PROPOSED. J. M. Pringle, Esq.,
 SECONDED. Rev. J. F. M. Nash, M.A.
 That the salary of Miss. B. O'Neill be increased to 30/- weekly to be retrospective as from 1st July, subject to the sanction of the County Council and to the Minister for Local Government.
149. MINUTE NO. 127 - NOTICE OF EXPUNGE. RESOLVED - That Minute No. 127 be expunged from the Minute Book.
150. ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY. NOTED - Letter from the Royal Dublin Society with enclosure relative to lectures in connection with the Libraries.
151. APPLICATION FOR NEW CENTRES. RESOLVED - That the applications in respect of the following centres be approved :-
 Kilconieron, Kiltulla, Skehenagh, Garbally; Killeeneen.
152. EXPENSES OF SECRETARY TO THE TRUST'S CONFERENCE. RESOLVED - That the necessary Paying Order be made out and the Treasurer's Advice Note to the amount of £ 7 - 17 - 11 be authorised and signed in respect of the Secretary's expenses to the Trust's Conference at London.
153. DONATION OF BOOKS. RESOLVED - That the Committee's best thanks be conveyed to Mr. Sean Ford, D.J. for his donation of 13 Volumes to the Libraries.

154. LECTURES. - RESOLVED - That the Secretary get in touch with the Secretary to the Urban Council relative to the use of the Council Chamber for lectures proposed, but no cost to be incurred by the Libraries' Committee. The Secretary to report to the next meeting.
155. SALE OF CAR. - RESOLVED - That tenders be invited for the purchase of the Committee's Ford Car - one insertion to be inserted in each of the following: - Connacht Tribune, and the Galway Observer.

John J. Lusk

Decr. 4th 1926.

27th November, 1926.

Sir (Madam),

The Monthly Meeting of the County Libraries' Committee will be held in the County Book Repository, Galway, on Saturday, 4th December, 1926, at the hour of one o'clock P. M.

I am, Sir (Madam),

Your obedient Servant,

S. J. Maguire,

Secretary.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Financial Minutes, examination of Receipts and expenditure Book, Form 1, Payment of Accounts, etc.
3. County Council: Correspondence.
4. Ministry for Local Government: Correspondence.
5. Secretary's Report on London Conference.
6. Secretary's Report on interviews with Ministry of Finance relative to Stationery Office Publications and with the Ministry for Local Government.
7. University College Library and the County Libraries.
8. General.

MINUTES of the proceedings of the County Galway
Libraries' Committee Meeting, held on Saturday, 11th December,
1926.

MEMBERS PRESENT:- Rev. J. J. Walsh, Rev. J. Crowe, Esq., Co. C.,
B. Lydon, Esq., Co. C., T. Kyne, Esq., Co. C.,
J. H. Pringle, Esq., U.D.C.

IN ATTENDANCE - S. J. Quire, Secretary and Organising
Librarian.

156. CHAIRMAN:- RESOLVED - That Rev. J. J. Walsh, be Chairman of the
meeting.
157. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:- RESOLVED - That the minutes of the
last meeting, circulated all members, be taken as read,
and signed.
158. FINANCE MINUTES:- RESOLVED - That the minutes of the last Finance
Meeting, circulated all members, be taken as read, and
signed.
159. EXAMINATION OF BOOKS, ETC.:- RESOLVED - That the expenditure and
Receipts Book, Bank Pass Book, and Form 1. as produced
be signed as correct.
160. PAYMENTS:- RESOLVED:- That the payments as set out on the Paying
Orders and Treasurer's Advice note be authorised, and
that the Treasurer's Advice note be signed.
161. CO. COUNCIL - INCREASE OF SALARY: NOTED - Sanction of the County
Council to the increase of salary (10/- per. week
retrospective from 1st July last) granted to Miss B.
O'Neill, Library Assistant (G. S. No. 5155)!

162. MINISTRY FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT: SANCTION TO INCREASE OF SALARY:-
NOTED - Authorisation (G. 55836/1926) from the
Ministry for Local Government and Public Health to
make the increase of salary to Miss B. O'Neill (Minute
No. 148).
163. SECRETARY'S REPORT ON LONDON CONFERENCE:- APPROVED - The report
of the Secretary, copies supplied each member, on his
attendance at the London Conference of Librarians,
18th and 19th November, 1926.
164. SECRETARY'S INTERVIEWS WITH THE MINISTRIES OF FINANCE AND LOCAL
GOVERNMENT:- APPROVED - Reports, (copies supplied each member) of
the Secretary on his interviews with the Ministry of
Finance relative to the supply, gratis, of Government
publications to the Libraries; and with the Ministry
for Local Government on some general points in con-
nection with the work of the Libraries.
165. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AND THE LIBRARIES:- NOTED - The refusal of the
Standing Body of the Galway University College to adopt
the suggested scheme of co-operation between the Uni-
versity College Library and the County Libraries for
the joint use of the respective libraries.
166. ESTIMATES FOR 1927 - 1928:- RESOLVED - That the following estimate
be approved and forwarded to the County Council:-

LEABHARLAINN CHEARNAIGE CHONNDAE GAILLIMHE

(COUNTY GALWAY CARNEGIE LIBRARIES)

FROM RATES:-		£
(a) Co. Council.....	300	
(b) Galway Urban Council.....	120	
		1020
From other sources		10
Total Income		<u>1030</u>

EXPENDITURE:-

Books	275	
Office Expenses	50	
Other charges	135	
Salaries	560	
Total expenditure		1020

167. CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS:- RESOLVED - That the County Book Repository be closed for the issue of books from Thursday 23rd, December, 1926 until 3rd January, 1927.
168. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:- RESOLVED - That the next monthly meeting be held on Saturday, 8th January, 1927.
169. DONATIONS:- RESOLVED - That the Committee's best thanks be conveyed to Rev. R. V. Talbot, Loughrea, and to the University College Authorities for donations of books.
170. LECTURES. The Secretary having interviewed the Town Clerk of Galway and the lessee of the Town Hall, Galway - Mr. Hardiman - apropos the series of Library Lectures arranged for the present session - RESOLVED - That a lecture be arranged to be delivered by Prof. Dillon on the Shannon Scheme at the Town Hall, Galway, at a date in January to be arranged between the Secretary and Mr. Hardiman.
171. TENDER OF CAR:- A tender, dated 30th November, 1926, to purchase the car transferred from the trust, was received from Charles Walsh, Clarenbridge, for the sum of £ 15 (fifteen pounds), and it was RESOLVED - That the sale of the car be readvertised.
172. APPLICATION FOR CENTRE:- RESOLVED - That a centre be established at the Town Hall, Tuam, in accordance with the application form received from the local committee at Tuam.

LEABHARLAINN CHEARNAIGE CHONNDAE GAILLIMHE

(County Galway Carnegie Libraries).

S. J. MAGUIRE, Organising Librarian.
J. BRENNAN, Assistant.COUNTY BOOK-REPOSITORY,
BISHOP'S COURT,
GALWAY.

3rd January, 1927.

Sir (Madam),

The Monthly Meeting of the County Libraries' Committee will be held in the County Book Repository, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Saturday 8th January, 1927, at 1 o'clock P. M.

I am Sir (Madam),

Your obedient Servant,

S. J. Maguire.

Secretary.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of last meeting.
2. Examination of Receipts and Expenditure Book, Form 1, Bank Pass Book and payments.
3. Correspondence:- Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
4. Correspondence:- General.
5. Lectures.
6. University College Library.
7. Other business.

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LEABHARLAINN CHEARNAIGE CHONNDAE GAILLIMHE
(County Galway Carnegie Libraries).

S. J. MAGUIRE, Organising Librarian.
J. BRENNAN, Assistant.

COUNTY BOOK REPOSITORY,
Prospect Hill, BISHOP'S COURT,
GALWAY.

24th Jan. 1927

Sir (Madam),

A Meeting of the Finance Committee will be held
on *Saturday 29th Jan at 1 o'clock pm.* in the County
Book Repository.

I am Sir (Madam),

Your obedient Servant,

S. J. Maguire.

Secretary.

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COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES.

Prospect Hill,
Galway,
24th January, 1927.

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Finance Committee
of the County Galway Libraries, on Saturday, 24th January, 1927.

PRESENT:- Rev J. P. M. Cash, M.A., T. Lyne, Esq., Co. C., B. Lydon, Esq., Co. C., J. Redington, Esq., Co. D. C.,

IN ATTENDANCE:- S. J. Maguire, Secretary and County Organising Librarian.

No. 173. CHAIRMAN OF MEETING:- Resolved - That Rev J. P. M. Cash, M.A. be Chairman of the Meeting.

No. 174. EXAMINATION OF EXPENDITURE AND RECEIPT BOOK, Form 1, and Bank Pass Book. Resolved - That on examination of Expenditure and Receipts Book with Bank Pass Book and Form 1, the Chairman sign as correct.

No. 175. PAYMENTS:- Resolved that the payments as submitted amounting to £ 76 - 16 - 0 be authorised, and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed.

- No. 176. CREAGH N. S., BALLINASLOE - APPLICATION FOR CENTRE. Resolved - That a Centre be granted on condition that a payment of £1 - 1 - 0 per annum be made by the Committee of the Creagh National School - the centre being situated in the Urban District of Ballinasloe where the Public Libraries Acts are not in force.
- No. 177. MENTAL HOSPITAL BALLINASLOE - Application for centre made by Dr. Mills, R. M. S. Resolved - That the question of a centre at the Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe, be adjourned for consideration at the next monthly meeting.
- No. 178. ASSOCIATION OF SPECIAL LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION BUREAUX - PARTICULARS OF MEMBERSHIP: - Resolved - That Minute No. 101, be altered to.
- No. 179. MINISTRY FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH - STAFF AND HEALTH AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE: - Resolved - That the Secretary inform the local Health and Unemployment Insurance Authority of the provisions of section 42 (a) of the Local Government Act, 1925.
- No. 180. STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND PARTICULARS OF PUBLICATIONS: - Read - Particulars of the publications of the Student Christian Movement of Great Britain and Ireland.
- No. 181. PURCHASE OF TYPEWRITER: - Resolved - That the question of the purchase of a new typewriter be referred to at the next monthly meeting with the recommendation to purchase the rebuilt Underwood at £10 plus the old machine offer as set out in letter from Typewriter Stationers, Belfast, suppliers of the old machine.

12th February, 1927.

Sir (Madam),

The General Monthly Meeting of the County Libraries' Committee will be held on Saturday, 12th February, 1927, in the County Book Depository, Prospect Hill, Galway, at the hour of one o'clock P. M. sharp.

I am, Sir (Madam),

Your obedient Servant,

S. J. McGuire,

Secretary.

To each member of the Libraries' Committee.

To The Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

To The Secretary to the County Council.

To the Town Clerk, Galway.

To The Editors of Newspapers published in the County.

A G E N D A.

1. Minutes of last meeting.
2. Minutes of last Finance meeting.
3. Correspondence: - General.
4. University College Library.
5. Ballinasloe Mental Hospital - Application for centre from Dr. Mills, R. M. S. (Referred for consideration from Finance Committee, Minute No. 177.)
6. Typewriter: - Purchase of New Typewriter recommended by Finance Committee, Minute No. 181.
7. Library Association.
8. French Consul General: - Donation of copy of the Review of the 19th Exhibition of Aviation.
9. Offer of Town Hall for Library Lecture - Date 17th or 18th inst.
10. Finance.
11. New Books recommended for purchase.
12. Other business.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the County Galway Libraries' Committee Meeting held on Saturday, 12th February, 1927.

PRESENT:- Rev. J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., Miss M. Fogarty, B.A., R.I.A.M.,
T. Kyne, Esq., Co. C., E. Lydon, Esq., Co. C.,
E. A. Sweeney, Esq., Co. C., M. McNeill, Esq., Co. C.,
J. M. Pringle, Esq., U. D. C.,

IN ATTENDANCE:- S. J. Maguire, Secretary and Organising Librarian.

No. 182. CHAIRMAN OF MEETING:- RESOLVED:- That Rev. J. O'Dea be chairman of the meeting.

No. 183. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:- Resolved:- That the minutes of the last meeting, circularised each member, be taken as read, and signed.

No. 184. MINUTES OF THE FINANCE MEETING:- Resolved:- That the minutes of the last Finance Committee Meeting held on the 29th January, 1927, circularised each member be taken as read, and signed.

No. 185. TRANSPORT ON BOOKS TO WOODFORD:- Resolved:- That the Honorary Librarian at Woodford be informed of his liability to the carrier for transport charges in connection with the centre and that the Committee cannot be responsible for any charges incurred under this head.

No. 186. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LIBRARY: Noted:- Intimation from the Secretary and Registrar of the Galway University College, of the reconsideration of the question of co-ordination at the next meeting of the Standing Body of the College.

No. 187. BALLINASLOE MENTAL HOSPITAL - APPLICATION FOR LIBRARY CENTRE. Resolved:- That the Resident Medical Superintendent be informed; (a) of the terms under which centres are formed; (b) of the difficulty caused by the Ballinasloe Urban District Council in which area the Mental Hospital is situated in not adopting the Public Libraries Acts; (c) suggesting that formal application for a centre at the institution be made by the Mental Hospital Committee to the Libraries' Committee.

No. 188. TYPEWRITER- PURCHASE OF A REBUILT MACHINE IN PLACE OF OLD MACHINE:- Resolved:- That a rebuilt Underwood typewriter be purchased at a cost of 29 (nine pounds) plus old machine from the Lawson Supply Co., Dublin- this firm's being the lower of two quotations received.

No. 189. FRENCH CONSUL GENERAL, DUBLIN. Resolved:- That the Committee's best thanks be conveyed to the French Consul General for his donation of the "Review of the 10th Exhibition of Aviation Material."

No. 190. LECTURES:- Resolved:- That the Committee's best thanks be conveyed to Mr. F. Hardiman, Lessee of the Town Hall, for his kind offer of his building for Library lectures; and it was also

No. 191. Resolved:- That as the dates suggested (11th and 18th inst,) by Mr. Hardiman being unsuitable- there being no time to organise a lecture for either evening, the Secretary ask Mr. Hardiman to suggest a date in March.

No. 192. FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING. It was proposed by Councillor Sweeney seconded by Rev. J. O'Dea, and Resolved - That a meeting of the Finance Committee be held on Saturday, 26th inst.

183. BOOKS RECOMMENDED FOR PURCHASE. Resolved: - That copies of the list submitted be supplied each member of the Committee, the Archbishop of Tuam, and the Bishop of Galway, with an intimation that this meeting strongly objects to the purchase of the first two works on the list.
184. FRENCH CONSUL, GALWAY (Mr. W. G. Fogarty). Resolved:- That the Committee's best thanks be conveyed to Mr. W. G. Fogarty, French Consul, Galway, and through him to the French Consul General for Ireland, for the donation of a very representative collection of works in the French language from the French Government.
185. LIBRARY ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION. It was proposed by Councillor McNeill, seconded by Councillor Fringle, and Resolved: - That the Finance Committee pay the Committee's Annual Subscription of two guineas to the Library Association.
186. CATHOLIC ENCYCLOPAEDIA. Resolved - That the Secretary ask the Carnegie Trust to make a grant for the purchase of the Catholic Encyclopaedia and Supplement for the use of readers throughout the County.

19th February, 1927.

Sir (Madam),

A Meeting of the County Galway Libraries' Finance Committee will be held in the County Book Repository, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Saturday next 26th February, 1927 at the hour of one o'clock p. m.

I am, Sir (Madam),

Your obedient servant,

S. J. Maguire,

Secretary.