

LEABHARLANNA CHONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE  
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Minutes of Meeting of County Libraries Committee  
held on Saturday 13th May, 1961.

PRESENT: Very Rev. M. Canon McDonagh; Clr. M. Carty T.D.;  
T. Clarke Esq.; Clr. J. Donnellan; Clr. J. Dowd; Clr. P.  
Galvin; Clr. J. Geoghegan T.D.; Clr. S. Glynn; Clr. A. Hynes;  
M. Higgins Esq.; R. Joyce Esq.; Clr. T. King; Clr. N. Kitt T.D.  
S. Layng Esq.; Clr. M. Mannion; Clr. F. Mullin; S. Moroney Esq.  
T. Murphy Esq.; Clr. J.J. Ruane; Ald. M. Walsh.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. T. O'Connor, Assistant County Manager;  
Mr. S. Bohan, County Librarian;  
Mr. T. Sharkey, Assistant Librarian.

In the absence of the Chairman, Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn,  
the Vice-Chairman Clr. M. Kitt T.D. took the chair.

16/60 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting as  
circulated to each member be taken as read and that they be  
signed.

17/60 BRANCHES AND MOBILE

The figures for books issued at Branches and from Mobile as  
circulated were discussed. It was agreed that the Mobile  
Library which had been almost a full year in operation was very  
successful, and that the provision of a similar service for  
Connemara be further discussed, in the event of Financial Aid  
being made available from Central Funds.

18/60 OVERDUE BOOKS AND UNAUTHORISED REMOVAL  
OF LIBRARY BOOKS.

The Librarian reported on the number of books lost through  
non-return and the large number lost each year through  
unauthorised removal of books from the Library. The Assistant  
County Manager stated that he was prepared to take more drastic

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action in the matter of books long overdue for return.  
With reference to books being removed from Reference Library  
it was suggested that users of the Reference Room be obliged  
to fill up forms in respect of all books consulted there.  
After a long discussion on the subject it was finally agreed  
that an "Open Week" be held in an effort to secure the  
return of the many books missing from stock.

19/60 DELEGATES TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

On the proposal of Clr. King seconded by Clr. Glynn, Clrs.  
M. Carty T.D. and J.J. Ruane were nominated by the Committee  
to attend the Annual Conference of the Library Association  
of Ireland at Tramore, from 29th May to 2nd June.

20/60 RESIGNATION OF MRS. HAYES

On the proposal of Clr. Glynn the Committee congratulated  
Mrs. C. Hayes, Assistant Librarian on her promotion to the  
position as County Librarian, Co. Mayo.

21/60 INFORMATION CENTRES

The Assistant Co. Manager referred to the use of certain  
Branch Libraries as Local Information Centres, and that  
applications had been received for help in this venture from  
Tuam and Loughrea. It was agreed that Branch Libraries would  
be pleased to display any material relative to places of  
interest, facilities for fishing etc. which would be of interest  
to the local population and tourists; the material for display  
to be prepared locally and supplemented by Bord Failte leaflets.

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*Patrick Glynn*

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COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES  
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Library Headquarters,  
Courthouse,  
Galway.

8th May, 1961.

A Chara:

A Quarterly Meeting of the Galway County  
Libraries Committee will be held in the Bar Room of the  
Courthouse on Saturday next 13th May at 12.30 p.m.

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A G E N D A

1. Minutes of last meeting (herewith)
2. Statistics for year ended 31st March, 1961
3. Overdue Books at Branches
4. Nomination of Delegate to attend Annual Conference  
of Library Association of Ireland.
5. Notices of Motion for Annual Conference.
6. Any other business.

To each member of the Committee  
To Assistant Co. Manager  
To County Secretary  
To Editors of local newspapers

Minutes of meeting of Library Committee held on Friday  
27th January, 1961.

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PRESENT: Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn, Chairman; Very Rev. M. Canon McDonagh; Clr. M. Carty T.D.; T. Clarke Esq.; Clr. J. Dowd; Clr. P. Galvin; Clr. J. Geoghegan T.D.; Clr. Sean Glynn; R. Joyce Esq.; Clr. A. Hynes; Clr. T. King; Clr. M. Kitt T.D.; Clr. M. Mannion; Clr. F. Mullin; S. Moroney Esq.; T. Murphy Esq.; Clr. J. Ruane; T. O Seaghda Esq.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. T. O'Connor, Assistant Co. Manager; S. Bohan Esq., Co. Library; T. Sharkey Esq., Assistant Librarian.

10/60 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting as circulated to each member be taken as read and that they be signed.

11/60 CO. LIBRARY ESTIMATE 1961/62

The estimated expenditure on the County Library Service for the year 1961/62 as submitted was considered. After some discussion on the figures shown it was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan seconded by Deputy Kitt and resolved that the estimate be adopted for submission to the Co. Council at it's Annual Estimates Meeting.

12/60 SCHEME OF IMPROVEMENT FOR LIBRARY SERVICE

A draft scheme of improvement for the County Library Service, the adoption of which had been adjourned from previous meeting was further considered. The scheme envisaged improvements in Headquarters and City Branch premises, Higher book fund, extra staff, better Branch Library premises, the provision of a School Library Service, and Mobile Service for Connemara.

The Assistant Co. Manager referred to the proposed reconstruction of Courthouse and the improvement which this would mean in Library accommodation. He also spoke on the necessity of providing a Museum and Art Gallery for Galway City and the problems which this would involve the two principal ones being premises and a guarantee of continuity. He referred to the educational and tourist value involved and the success of such a venture in Sligo. Deputy Carty referred to the effort being made by U.C.G. to set up a Museum in the Grammar School. After further discussion it was agreed to recommend to the Co. Council that the provision of a Museum and Art Gallery for Galway City be considered as a long-term policy of development for the County Library Service. After further discussion on the draft scheme a number of amendments were made in the items requiring immediate attention and it was finally agreed on the proposal of Deputy Kitt seconded by Clr. Galvin that the amended scheme be submitted to the County Council for approval at its meeting on 28th January, before being submitted to the Library Council.

13/60

LIBRARY CENTRE FOR CASHEL

A notice of motion by Clr. P. Joyce referred by County Council to Library Committee, requesting Branch Library for Cashel was considered. It was agreed on the proposal of Deputy Geoghegan seconded by Mr. T. Clarke that a Press Centre similar to others in Connemara be provided at Cashel and Camus.

14/60

BRANCH LIBRARY AT BALLINASLOE

The County Librarian reported on the position regarding new Branch Library at Ballinasloe which was to be built as part of the Town's Civic Centre. After discussion on the subject it was agreed on the proposal of Clr. A. Hynes seconded by Clr. Galvin that further consideration of the matter be postponed until next year.

15/60

RESOLUTION FROM LONGFORD RE 'PROTEST IN ARMS'

A resolution from Longford Co. Council re book by Edger Holt "Protest in Arms" on the period 1916 - 1922, asking that the book be not allowed to circulate in the County Library was considered. After discussion of the matter it was agreed on the proposal of Deputy Carty seconded by Clr. Dowd that the letter be noted.

The meeting then ended.

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Number of books issued to Readers at Galway City and Branches for year ended 31st March, 1961. (Figures for year 1959/60 in brackets.)

Galway City	168,374	(173,188)
Mobile Library	19,480	(--)
Abbeyknockmoy	8,191	(8,253)
Ahascragh	9,063	(7,873)
Athenry	11,415	(10,035)
Ballygar	14,492	(13,464)
Ballinasloe	30,545	(26,663)
Carna	2,793	(3,715)
Carraroe	8,525	(9,861)
Clifden	10,588	(10,869)
Craughwell	4,575	(4,668)
Creggs	5,444	(5,145)
Dunmore	11,904	(11,563)
Eyrecourt	6,320	(1,724)
Glenamaddy	4,038	(3,240)
Gort	23,553	(25,209)
Headford	8,146	(6,595)
Kilconnell	6,397	(7,174)
Killimor	4,507	(4,584)
Kilronan	4,970	(3,600)
Kinvara	7,426	(8,555)
Loughrea	26,505	(25,199)
Moylough	4,184	(3,188)
Oughterard	7,837	(8,389)
Portumna	16,027	(16,073)
Roundstone	5,504	(5,138)
Spiddal	8,262	(7,971)
Tuam	23,397	(21,365)
Williamsstown	7,592	(1,922)
Woodford	<u>10,151</u>	<u>(9,877)</u>
	480,205	(445,100)

Increase: 35,105

Books Issued at Mobile Library Stop-points  
for year ends 1960/61 1959/60.

	FICTION	NON-FICTION	TOTAL
Number of books sent to Branches & Centres	46,058		30,226
Number of books returned from Branches & Centres	46,308		25,281
Number sent for rebinding	2,575		5,975
Number returned from Bindery.	4,575		3,975
Number of books withdrawn from Stock .	7,632		7,050
Number of books added to stock.	4,253 F		4,069 F
	3,117 J		4,115 J
	<u>2,589</u> NF		<u>2,942</u> NF
	9,959		11,126
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			128
			17
			84
			38
			97
			15
			4
			1
			150
			34
			30
			16
			31
			19
			38

Books issued at Mobile Library Stop-points  
for year ended 31/3/1961

	<u>STOP-POINT</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>N-FICTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
R o u t e  1	MILLTOWN	147	293	155	595
	KILCONLY	171	153	40	364
	BELCLARE	140	539	13	692
	CURRANDULLA	42	245	20	307
	CLAREGALWAY	146	218	23	387
R o u t e  2	KILKERRIN	197	240	24	461
	CLONBERN	144	148	86	378
	BARNADERG	256	412	21	689
	COROFIN	363	166	92	621
	TURLOUGHMORE	287	109	25	421
R o u t e  3	MOUNTBELLEW	507	387	95	989
	CALTRA	325	368	62	755
	CASLEBLAKENEY	367	446	32	845
	MENLOUGH	289	232	80	601
	NONIVEA	235	407	128	770
	GARBALLY	36	89	17	142
R O U T E  4	NEW INN	273	604	54	931
	BALLYMACWARD	314	191	32	537
	GURTEEN	263	202	97	562
	ATTYMON	148	257	15	420
	KILTULLAGH	182	92	4	278
R o u t e  5	PETERSWELL (now closed)	25	3	1	29
	KILEENEEN N.S.	-	150	-	150
	KILTIERNAN N.S.	45	158	34	237
	ARDRAHAN & LABANE	363	228	39	630
	KILCOLGAN	106	42	16	164
	BALLINDEREEN	609	474	31	1114
	CLARINBRIDGE	371	485	19	875
ORANMORE	102	270	33	405	



	<u>STOP-POINT</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>N-FICTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
R o u t e  6	LAWRENCETOWN	319	360	21	700
	KILTORMER	415	343	74	832
	AUGHRIM	33	212	3	248
	KILRICKLE	204	152	22	378
	BULLAUN	136	201	23	360
	GORTAVOHER	70	8	-	78
R o u t e  7	DERRYBRIEN	234	300	37	571
	DUNIRY	66	252	15	333
	TYNAGH	117	171	4	292
	KILCHREEST	<u>193</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>339</u>
		8240	9738	1502	19480

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Galway County Council Archives

## LEABHARLANNA CHONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Minutes of Annual General Meeting of County Libraries Committee held on Friday, 15th September, 1961.

PRESENT: Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn; Clr. J. Donnellan; Clr. J. Dowd; Clr. P. Galvin; Clr. J. Geoghegan T.D.; Clr. S. Glynn; Clr. T. King; Clr. M. Kitt T.D.; Clr. F. Mullin; Mr. P. Talty; Mr. T. O Seaghdha; Mr. T. Clarke; Mr. S. Moroney; Mr. T. Murphy; Mr. R. Joyce; Ald. M. Walsh; Clr. T. Tierney; Clr. A. Hynes.

IN ATTENDANCE: T. O'Connor Esq., Assistant Co. Manager; & S. Bohan Esq., County Librarian.

1/61 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting, as circulated to each member, be taken as read and that they be signed.

2/61 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN & VICE-CHAIRMAN:

On the proposal of Deputy Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. S. Moroney, Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn was re-elected as Chairman for the year 1961/62. On the proposal of Mr. F. Mullin, seconded by Clr. A. Hynes, Deputy M. Kitt was re-elected as Vice-Chairman.

3/61 ANNUAL REPORT 1960/1961:

The Annual Statistical Report on the working of the County Library Service during the year ended 31st March, 1961 which had been circulated to each member was adopted by the Committee on the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt.

4/61 MINUTE NO. 2563 of COUNTY COUNCIL:

At a Meeting of the County Council, Clr. P. O Ceallaigh asked that the Libraries Committee consider withdrawing the

4/61 book "PROTEST IN ARMS" by Holt from the County Library.<sup>2.</sup>

After some discussion on Clr. Kelly's request, it was decided on the proposal of Clr. Galvin, seconded by Clr. A. Hynes, not to withdraw the book.

5/61 "OPEN WEEK":

The Librarian reported on the "open week" which was held during the month of May in an effort to induce the public to return County Library books which were outstanding for a long period. He reported that the venture had not met with the success expected, 75 books only having been returned to the Galway City Branch.

6/61 DAMAGE TO BOOKS:

The Librarian also reported on the destruction of valuable books in the Reference Section and showed the Committee a copy of Burke's "Landed Gentry" valued at £7. 7. 0. from which several sections had been removed. A long discussion followed during which members of the Committee made several suggestions to meet this problem. It was agreed that greater supervision of the Reference Room was necessary, which would involve extra staff, but it was doubtful if the losses involved would justify additional expenditure on salaries.

7/61 MANUSCRIPTS by PADRAIG O CONAIRE:

The Committee agreed to recommend the purchase at £4. 4. 0. each, two unpublished manuscripts, one of short stories and one a play for children, written by sean Phadraig O Conaire.

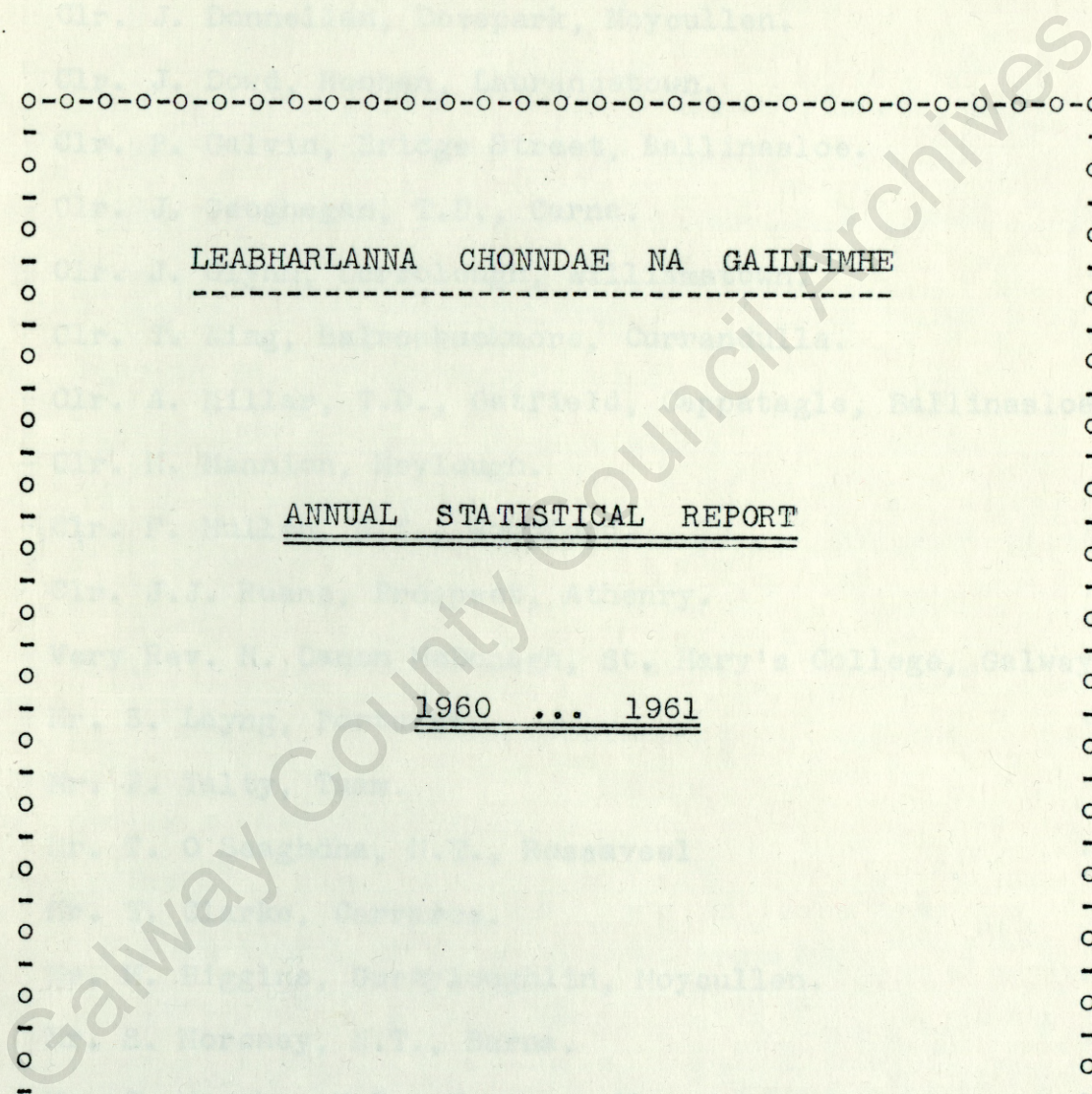
The Meeting then ended.

19. 5. 1962 Patrick Glynn P.P.

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ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

1960 ... 1961



COUNTY LIBRARIES COMMITTEE 1960/61

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Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn, St. Joseph's, Galway. (Chairman)  
Clr. M. Kitt, T.D., Lehanagh, Castleblakeney. (Vice-Chairman)  
Clr. M. Carty, T.D., Abbey Street, Loughrea.  
Clr. J. Donnellan, Dovepark, Moycullen.  
Clr. J. Dowd, Roohan, Laurencetown.  
Clr. P. Galvin, Bridge Street, Ballinasloe.  
Clr. J. Geoghegan, T.D., Carna.  
Clr. J. Glynn, Corrolough, Williamstown.  
Clr. T. King, Balroe buckmore, Currandulla.  
Clr. A. Millar, T.D., Oatfield, Cappatagle, Ballinasloe.  
Clr. M. Mannion, Moylough.  
Clr. F. Mullen, N.T., Woodford.  
Clr. J.J. Ruane, Prospect, Athenry.  
Very Rev. M. Canon McDonagh, St. Mary's College, Galway.  
Mr. S. Layng, Portumna.  
Mr. P. Talty, Tuam.  
Mr. T. O Seaghdha, N.T., Rossaveel  
Mr. T. Clarke, Carraroe.  
Mr. M. Higgins, Gurtyloughlin, Moycullen.  
Mr. S. Moroney, N.T., Barna.  
Mr. T. Murphy, N.T., Corgary, Mountbellew.  
Mr. R. Joyce, Clifden.  
Ald. P. Ryan, Shop Street, Galway.  
Ald. M. Walsh, Newcastle Upper, Galway.  
Clr. T. Tierney, Bowling Green, Galway.  
Clr. A. Hynes, Portnick, Ballinasloe.

The following tables and figures give a summary of the organisation and working of the County Library service during the year ended 31st March, 1961. (Figures for the year 1959/60, where shown, are in brackets.)

T A B L E I

1. Population to be served (1956 Census)	155,553	
2. Total expenditure on Co. Library Service.	£19,270	(17,515)
3. Receipts from Registration Fees, Fines, & special Urban Contributions	£ 1,156	(1,006)
4. Rate in £1. for Library Service	9 $\frac{1}{4}$ d.	
5. Expenditure per head of population	29 $\frac{5}{4}$ d.	
6. Number of books issued to the Public:		
Fiction:	270,828	(254,105)
Non-Fiction:	61,098	(58,188)
Juvenile:	<u>156,070</u>	<u>(150,254)</u>
TOTALS:	487,996	(462,547)
7. Number of Service Points.		

BRANCHES

Full-time	..	45 hrs. per week	..	1
Part-time	..	24 " " "	..	3
"	..	20 " " "	..	1
"	..	15 " " "	..	1
"	..	10 " " "	..	<u>23</u>
TOTAL:				29

7. CENTRES

With paid Honorary Librarians ..	9
Served from Headquarters with books ..	15
Served from Branches (rural Schools)..	40

MOBILE LIBRARY

Number of stop-points on 7 Routes ..	<u>39</u>
TOTAL:	132

8. BOOK STOCK

(a) Books added to stock	9,959	(11,126)
(b) Books withdrawn from stock	7,632	(7,050)
(c) Books lost & paid for.	57	( 62)
(d) Total stock at 31/3/1961	108,289	(106,019)

9. Number of books in stock per 100 of population. 70

10. Number of books issued per 100 of population. 314

11. Number of Registered readers at Branch Libraries, Press Centres, and Mobile Library. \*  
Adult 5,821 (5,216)  
Junior 7,191 (5,957)  
13,012 (11,173)

12. No. of Registered Readers per 100 of population 8.3

\* Tickets are valid for one year from date of issue and Registered Readers are those who renew their application for membership and are issued with new tickets.

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T A B L E II

Number of books issued to readers at Branches, Press Centres, and from Mobile Unit for year ended 31st March, 1961. (Figures for 1959/60 in brackets.)

<u>BRANCH</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>NON-FICTION</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1959/60</u>
Galway City	98,742	34,838	34,794	168,374	(173,188)
Abbeyknockmoy	4,695	376	3,120	8,191	( 8,423)
Ahascragh	6,501	71	2,512	9,084	( 7,873)
Athenry	6,120	752	3,523	10,395	(10,025)
Ballygar	7,452	466	6,574	14,492	(13,390)
Ballinasloe	16,823	2,637	11,283	30,743	(27,159)
Carna	1,498	300	995	2,793	( 3,770)
Carraroe	3,564	2,269	2,692	8,525	( 9,861)
Clifden	6,384	927	3,420	10,731	(10,975)
Craughwell	2,577	41	1,991	4,609	( 4,671)
Creggs	2,833	157	2,454	5,444	( 6,042)
Dunmore	6,452	1,203	4,249	11,904	(11,563)
Eyrecourt	2,595	412	3,313	6,320	( 1,724)
Glenamaddy	1,387	686	1,704	3,777	( 3,240)
Gort	13,953	2,106	7,374	23,433	(25,209)
Headford	4,747	133	3,266	8,146	( 6,595)
Kilconnell	3,392	87	2,918	6,397	( 7,184)
Killimor	2,670	76	1,773	4,519	( 4,580)
Kilronan	2,802	260	1,955	5,017	( 3,959)
Kinvara	4,420	312	2,694	7,426	( 8,556)
Loughrea	13,250	2,283	10,971	26,504	(25,396)
Moylough	2,073	184	1,927	4,184	( 3,461)
Oughterard	4,943	1,268	1,606	7,817	( 8,679)

<u>BRANCH</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>NON-FICTION</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1959/60</u>
Portumna	6,818	1,878	7,321	16,017	(17,211)
Roundstone	3,759	345	1,400	5,504	( 5,337)
Spiddal	4,304	1,272	2,686	8,262	( 7,971)
Tuam	14,154	2,719	6,544	23,417	(21,399)
Williamstown	4,017	373	3,232	7,622	( 1,922)
Woodford	<u>4,397</u>	<u>460</u>	<u>5,288</u>	<u>10,145</u>	<u>( 9,877)</u>
TOTAL:	257,322	58,891	143,579	459,792	(449,340)

PRESS CENTRES

Clonbur	1,609	307	526	2,442	(4,062)
Cornamona	943	34	256	1,233	(2,700)
Ballyconneely	340	100	185	625	( 354)
Lettermore	No returns received				
Kilkerrin	1,298	132	1603	3,033	(2,566)
Moycullen	No returns received				
Tully-Renvyle	1,076	132	183	1,391	(2,388)
Leenane	No returns received				
Rosmuc	No returns received				(1,137)
	262,588	59,596	146,332	468,516	(462,547)
Mobile Library	<u>8,240</u>	<u>1,502</u>	<u>9,738</u>	<u>19,480</u>	--
	270,828	61,098	156,070	487,996	(462,547)
Percentages:	55.5%	12.5%	32%		
Increase over 1959/1960	=	25,449.	=	5.5%	

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DETAILS OF BOOKS ISSUED AT MOBILE LIBRARY STOP -POINTS  
FOR YEAR ENDED 31/3/1961

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<u>STOP-POINT</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>N-FICTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Milltown <u>Route I</u>	147	293	155	595
Kilconly	171	153	40	364
Belclare	140	539	13	692
Currandulla	42	245	20	307
Claregalway	146	218	23	387
Kilkerrin <u>Route II</u>	197	240	24	461
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Corofin	363	166	92	621
Turloughmore	287	109	25	421
Mountbellew <u>Route 3</u>	507	387	95	989
Caltra	325	368	62	755
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Monivea	235	407	128	770
Garbally	36	89	17	142
New Inn <u>Route 4</u>	273	604	54	931
Ballymacward	314	191	32	537
Gurteen	263	202	97	562
Attymon	148	257	15	420
Kiltullagh	182	92	4	278
Peterswell <u>Route 5</u> (now closed)	25	3	1	29
Kileeneen N.S.	-	150	-	150
Kiltiernan N.S.	45	158	34	237

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Gortavoher	70	8	-	78
Derrybrien <u>Route 7</u>	234	300	37	571
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Tynagh	117	171	4	292
Kilchreest	<u>193</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>339</u>
	8240	9738	1502	19480

Comparative figures for books issued over 5-years period  
1st April, 1956, to 31st March, 1961.

<u>YEAR ENDED</u>	<u>Fiction</u>	<u>N-Fiction</u>	<u>Juv.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Increase</u>
31st March, 1957	176,495	40,737	73,635	290,867	
do 1958	199,611	45,227	121,100	365,938	75,071
do 1959	232,469	52,636	149,351	434,456	68,518
do 1960	254,105	58,188	150,254	462,547	28,091
do 1961	270,828	61,098	156,070	487,996	<u>25,449</u>
	5 years cumulative increase:-				<u>197,129</u>
	Percentage increase:-				67.7%

T A B L E III

REGISTERED READERS AT BRANCHES AND PRESS CENTRES

<u>Branch</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Total</u>
Galway City	2,176	1,186	3,362
Mobile Library	534	1,568	2,102
Abbeyknockmoy	82	183	265
Ahascragh	100	55	155
Athenry	93	121	214
Ballinasloe	310	360	670
Ballygar	45	249	294
Carna	32	53	85
Carraroe	65	80	145
Clifden	137	105	242
Craughwell	76	65	141
Creggs	59	120	179
Dunmore	91	223	314
Eyrecourt	62	158	220
Gort	260	221	481
Glenamaddy	71	130	201
Headford	66	76	142
Kilconnell	107	136	243
Killimor	45	61	106
Kilronan	56	112	168
Kinvara	70	133	203
Loughrea	241	260	501
Moylough	54	95	149
Oughterard	123	115	238

<u>Branch</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Total</u>
Portumna	114	278	392
Roundstone	56	58	114
Spiddal	66	250	316
Tuam	300	265	565
Williamstown	100	130	230
Woodford	<u>93</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>224</u>
	5,684	6,977	12,661
<u>PRESS CENTRES</u>			
Lettermore	-	36	36
Clonbur	21	28	49
Tully	33	29	62
Kilkerrin	18	31	49
Cornamona	18	39	57
Ballyconneely	10	20	30
Leenane	37	31	68
Moycullen	No returns		
Rosmuc	<u>No returns</u>		<u>      </u>
TOTAL:	5,821	7,191	<u>13,012</u>
			(11,173)

Number of books sent to Library

returned from readers

Number of books in hands

at Stocktaking in March, 1961.

(Includes Branches & Mobile, but  
excluding all Centres)

T A B L E IV

	<u>Books added to Stock 1960/61</u>	<u>Books withdrawn from Stock 1960/61</u>	<u>Bookstock 31/3/1961</u>
000 General Works	37	28	1812
100 Philosophy	24	55	503
200 Religion	202	394	2108
300 Social Sciences	246	198	2761
400 Languages	49	9	686
500 Natural Science	73	140	1121
600 Useful Arts	418	248	4347
700 Fine Arts & Entertainment	264	227	4332
800 Literature	249	612	10982
900 History, Travel & Biography	1027	2748	13828
F Fiction	4253	1738	42571
J Juvenile (F. & N-F)	<u>3117</u>	<u>1292</u>	<u>23238</u>
	9,959	7,689	108289

OTHER DETAILS

Number of books sent to Branches & Centres during the year.	46,058	(30,226)
Number of books returned from Branches & Centres during year	46,308	(25,281)
Number of books sent to Bindery	2,575	( 5,975)
"    returned from Bindery	4,575	( 3,975)
Number of books in hands of readers at Stocktaking in March, 1961. (Includes Branches & Mobile, but excluding all Centres)	11,198	Fiction
	3,539	Non-Fiction
	7,081	Juvenile
	<u>278</u>	Irish Books
TOTAL:-	22,096	= 20.4% of stock

T A B L E V  
INCOME & EXPENDITURE 1960/61

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
From Rates	£18,115	<u>Books</u>	£5,704
From Registration fees, fines, etc.	875	<u>Binding</u>	1,167
Special Contributions.		<u>Periodicals</u>	43
Galway Corporation	200	<u>Salaries &amp; Wages.</u>	£6,914
Ballinasloe U.C.	80	<u>HEADQUARTERS;</u>	
		<u>BRANCHES:</u>	5,589
			3,165
			£8,754
		<u>Maintenance</u>	
		1. Rent on Branches.	
			1,033
		2. Heat, Light, & cleaning.	
		(a) Galway City	245
		(b) Branches	176
		3. Renovations & Fittings.	
			371
			£1,825
		<u>Other Charges</u>	
		1. Printing, Stationery etc.	112
		2. Postage & Petty Cash	108
		3. Telephone	30
		4. Transport	359
		5. Travelling Exp.	431
		6. Library Council	320
		7. Loan charges	361
		8. Miscellaneous	56
			£1,777
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TOTALS:-	<u>£19,270</u>		<u>£19,270</u>

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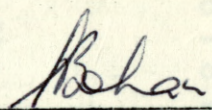
Library Headquarters,  
Courthouse,  
Galway.

11th September, 1961.

A Chara:

The Annual General Meeting of the Galway County Libraries Committee will be held in the Bar Room of the Courthouse on Friday next 15th September, at 4.30 p.m.

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A G E N D A

1. Minutes of previous meeting (Herewith)
2. Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman
3. Annual Report 1960/1961
4. Matters referred from County Council
5. Overdue and Lost Books
6. Correspondence
7. Any other business.

To each member of the Committee  
To Assistant Co. Manager  
To County Secretary.  
To Editors of Local Newspaper.

Mr. J. J. O'Connell, St. Joseph's, Galway. (Chairman)  
Mr. J. Egan, R.P., Leenacra, Castlerea. (Vice-Chairman)  
Mr. J. Egan, R.P., Abbey Street, Leenacra.  
Mr. J. O'Connell, Borepark, Moycullen.  
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ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

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COUNTY LIBRARIES COMMITTEE 1960/61

----- of the County

Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn, St. Joseph's, Galway. (Chairman)

Clr. M. Kitt, T.D., Lehanagh, Castleblakeney. (Vice-Chairman)

Clr. M. Carty, T.D., Abbey Street, Loughrea.

Clr. J. Donnellan, Dovepark, Moycullen.

Clr. J. Dowd, Roohan, Laurencetown.

Clr. P. Galvin, Bridge Street, Ballinasloe.

Clr. J. Geoghegan T.D., Carna.

Clr. J. Glynn, Corrolough, Williamstown.

Clr. T. King, Balroe buckmore, Currandulla.

Clr. A. Millar, T.D., Oatfield, Cappatagle, Ballinasloe.

Clr. M. Mannion, Moylough.

Clr. F. Mullen, N.T., Woodford.

Clr. J.J. Ruane, Prospect, Athenry.

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Mr. S. Layng, Portumna.

P. Talty, Esq., Tuam.

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T. Clarke, Esq., Carraroe.

M. Higgins, Esq., Gurtyloughlin, Moycullen.

S. Moroney Esq., N.T., Barna.

T. Murphy Esq., N.T., Corgary, Mountbellew.

R. Joyce, Esq., Clifden.

Ald. P. Ryan, Shop Street, Galway.

Ald. M. Walsh, Newcastle Upper, Galway.

Clr. T. Tierney, Bowling Green, Galway.

Clr. A. Hynes, Portnick, Ballinasloe.

To the County Manager, Chairman and Members of the County  
Libraries' Committee:

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The following tables and figures give a summary of the  
organisation and working of the County Library service during  
the year ended 31st March, 1961.

(Figures for the year 1960/61 where shown are in brackets).

T A B L E I (General)

1.	Population to be served in Library area (1956 Census)	155,553	
2.	Total expenditure on Co. Library Service for year:	£19,776	(19270)
3.	Receipts from Registration Fees, Fines etc. & special Urban Contr.	1,118	(1154)
4.	Rate in £l. for Library Service:	9½d.	(9¼)
5.	Expenditure per head of pop.:	30.14d.	(29¾d.)
6.	Number of books issued to Public:		
	Fiction:	287,503	(270,828)
	Non-Fic:	63,541	(61,098)
	Juvenile:	<u>151,166</u>	<u>(156,070)</u>
	TOTAL:	502,210	(487,996)

7. Number of points of service at 31/3/1962.

<u>BRANCHES:</u>	Full-time	45 hours per week	--	1	(1)
	Part-time	24 " " "	--	3	(3)
	"	20 " " "	--	1	(1)
	"	15 " " "	--	1	(1)
	"	10 " " "	--	<u>22</u>	<u>(23)</u>
				28	(29)

7.	<u>CENTRES:</u>		
	With paid Hon. Librarians:	9	(9)
	Served from Hq. with books:	20	(15)
	Rural Schools served from Branches:	40	(40)
	<u>MOBILE LIBRARY:</u>		
	No. of Stop-points on 7 Routes:	<u>40</u>	( <u>39</u> )
	<u>TOTAL:</u>	137	(132)
8.	<u>BOOK STOCK:</u>		
	(a) Books added to stock:	11,385	(9,959)
	(b) Books withdrawn from stock:	5,825	(7,632)
	(c) Books lost & paid for:	97	( 57)
	(d) Total stock at 31/3/1962:	113,752	(108,289)
9.	Number of books in stock per 100 pop.:	73	( 70)
10.	No. of books issued per 100 pop.:	323	(314)
11.	No. of Registered Readers at Branch Libraries, Press Centres, and Mobile Library:*		
	ADULT:	6,013	(5821)
	Junior:	<u>6,897</u>	( <u>7191</u> )
		12,910	(13,012)
12.	Number of Registered Readers per 100 population:	8.3%	(8.36)

\* Tickets are valid for one year from date of issue and Registered Readers are those who renew their Application for Membership and are issued with new tickets.

T A B L E II

Number of books issued to readers at Branches, Press Centres,  
and from Mobile Library for year ended 31/3/1961.

<u>BRANCH</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>NON-FIC.</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1960/1961</u>
Galway City	108,725	36064	37163	181952	(168,374)
Mobile Unit	11,667	2363	10374	24404	(19480)
Abbey.	4,008	429	2591	7028	(8191)
Ahascragh	6,507	163	1598	8268	(9063)
Athenry	6,905	666	2955	10526	(11415)
Ballygar	7,588	427	6343	14358	(14492)
Ballinasloe	17,767	3316	10028	31111	(30545)
Carraroe	2,867	1729	2306	6902	(8525)
Carna (closed)	961	165	708	1834	(2793)
Clifden	5,976	884	3594	10454	(10588)
Craughwell	3,196	185	2085	5466	(4575)
Creggs	2,864	213	2354	5431	(5444)
Dunmore	6,501	1467	4130	12098	(11904)
Eyrecourt	1,771	235	1778	3784	(6320)
Glenamaddy	1,847	546	2063	4456	(4038)
Gort	14,114	2142	7198	23454	(23553)
Headford	4,341	118	3274	7733	(8146)
Kilconnell	3,297	105	2564	5966	(6397)
Killimor	6,694	108	2711	9513	(4507)
Kilronan	2,953	325	2771	6049	(4970)
Kinvara	4,540	355	2647	7542	(7426)
Loughrea	12,069	1679	8508	22256	(26505)
Moylough	<u>2,607</u>	<u>301</u>	<u>1895</u>	<u>4803</u>	<u>(4184)</u>
forward/	239,765	53985	121638	415388	

<u>BRANCH</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>NON-FIC.</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1960/1961</u>
f/w	239,765	53985	121638	415388	
Oughterard	5,448	1313	2265	9026	(7837)
Portumna	6,289	1205	5189	12683	(16027)
Roundstone	4,529	469	1613	6611	(5504)
Spiddal	4,205	1395	3549	9149	(8262)
Tuam	13,423	2591	6754	22768	(23397)
Williamstown	3,959	274	2102	6335	(7592)
Woodford	<u>4,573</u>	<u>534</u>	<u>5407</u>	<u>10514</u>	<u>(10151)</u>
TOTAL:	282,191	61,766	148,517	492,474	(479,272)

PRESS CENTRES IN CONNEMARA:

Carna	387	14	112	513	-
Clonbur	1128	269	688	2085	(2442)
Cornamona	782	95	276	1153	(1233)
Ballyconneely	116	642	26	184	(625)
Kilkerrin	1500	800	1000	3300	(3033)
Lettermore		No returns			--
Leenane	409	423	255	1087	--
Rosmuc		No returns			
Tully/Renvyle	<u>990</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>292</u>	<u>1414</u>	<u>(1391)</u>
TOTALS:	<u>287,503</u>	<u>63,541</u>	<u>151,166</u>	<u>502,210</u>	<u>(487,996)</u>
Percentages:	57.2%	12.65%		30.15%	

Increase over 1960/1961: = 14,214 =

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Details of books issued at Mobile Library Stop-points for  
year ended 31/3/1962.

<u>STOP-POINT</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>N-FICTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Milltown (Route 1)	91	304	191	586
Kilconly	197	114	50	361
Caherlistrane	95	29	18	142
Belclare	303	482	21	806
Currandulla	121	304	41	466
Claregalway	265	243	27	535
Kilkerrin (Route 2)	247	202	26	475
Clonbur	456	264	190	910
Barnaderg	203	403	20	626
Corofin	399	242	72	713
Turloughmore	317	131	21	469
Mountbellew (Route 3)	666	557	95	1318
Caltra	405	397	75	877
Castleblakeney	372	527	58	957
Menlough	323	307	128	758
Garbally	62	216	41	319
Monivea	370	227	139	736
New Inn (Route 4)	385	537	78	1000
Ballymacward	491	293	39	823
Gurteen	583	329	218	1130
Attymon	103	150	37	290
Kiltulla	235	61	34	330

<u>STOP-POINT</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>JUVENILE</u>	<u>N-FICTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Kileeneen (Route 5)	32	176	12	220
Kiltiernan	174	299	155	628
Ardrahan & Labane	569	246	121	936
Ballindereen	890	435	39	1364
Kilcolgan	177	95	37	309
Clarenbridge	305	409	18	732
Oranmore	185	322	51	558
Gortavoher (Route 6)	192	19	22	233
Laurencetown	632	437	60	1129
Kiltormer	502	361	45	908
Aughrim	78	161	4	243
Kilrickle	212	127	44	383
Bullaun	147	146	13	306
Derrybrien (Route 7)	262	318	55	635
Duniry	72	311	22	405
Tynagh	247	63	9	319
Kilchreest	<u>302</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>469</u>
TOTAL:	11667	10374	2363	24,404

Comparative figures for books issued over 5-year period from 1st April, 1957 to 31st March, 1962.

<u>YEAR ENDED</u>	<u>FICTION</u>	<u>N-FICTION</u>	<u>JUV.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
31st March, 1957.	176495	40737	73635	290867	
do 1958.	199611	45227	121100	365938	75,071
do 1959.	232469	52636	149351	434456	68,518
do 1960.	254105	58188	150254	462547	28,091
do 1961.	270828	61098	156070	487996	25,449
do 1962.	<u>287503</u>	<u>63541</u>	<u>151166</u>	<u>502210</u>	<u>14,214</u>

5 years cumulative increase:- 211,343

Percentage increase:- 72.7%

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