

examination papers for entrance scholarships to University College, Dublin was submitted.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Collins and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Galway County Council protest strongly against the refusal of the authorities of University College, Dublin, to supply, when requested, an Irish version of the examination papers for entrance scholarships to that University, and this action of the University authorities indicates that they are not in touch with the people or with the feeling of the country at large in this matter."

Councillor O'Shea and Senator Burke also spoke in support of this motion.

8066. Holy Year.—Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Collins and unanimously Resolved :—

"That at this their first meeting in the Holy Year, the Galway County Council pledge their loyalty and fealty to the Holy Father and convey to him their good wishes for the continued good health of His Holiness."

8067. Article by Mr. F. O'Connor.—Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Galway County Council condemn the article on Ireland which appeared recently in the American magazine 'Holiday,' and repudiate the slur cast on County Galway in that article."

8068. Rate Collector—No. 23 Collection District.—Secretary reported that the period for which a deputy for Mr. T. Flanagan, Rate Collector, was appointed expired on 4th instant ; that a medical certificate has been submitted by Mr. Flanagan indicating that he would be unfit for duty for a further six months.

Proposed by Councillor Collins, seconded by Councillor Nestor and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the continuance of the arrangements whereby Mr. Christopher McNamee, St. Anne's, Moore Street, Loughrea, will act as deputy for the Rate Collector of No. 23 Collection District during the latter's absence on sick leave for a period of six months to 4th July, 1950."

8069. Estimates Committee.—Proposed by Deputy

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Beegan, seconded by Councillor Geoghegan, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the whole Council be appointed as a Committee to consider the estimate of expenses for year ending 31st March, 1951, and that the meeting of the Committee for this purpose be held at the County Buildings, Galway, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, 4/2/50 ; that consideration of members' notices of motion on the Agenda for this meeting which will affect the estimate be deferred until the meeting of the estimate's Committee."

It was further decided that this meeting would be a private meeting to which the Press would not be admitted.

8070. Menlough Water Supply.—At the request of Deputy Kitt, Fr. Moran, P.P., Menlough, addressed the meeting in regard to the necessity for provision of water supply for Menlough school, and requested that the Council give the matter full consideration, and that a favourable decision in regard to it would be given speedily.

8071. Irish Tourist Association.—Letter 11/1/50 from Irish Tourist Association regarding contribution for year ending 31/3/51, was submitted.

Consideration of the Letter was deferred until estimate's Committee meeting.

8072. Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.—Letter 5/12/49 from the Secretary, Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee, was submitted, requesting the Council to appoint an additional representative on the Committee.

The appointment of Mr. J. Glynn, Co. C., as an additional representative of the Council on the Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee was proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously approved.

8073. Aran Islands Old Age Pension Sub-Committee. Proposed by Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor Geoghegan and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby appoint Reverend John Cunnane, C.C., M.A., a member of the Aran Islands Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

8074. Cinema Licences.—On the proposition of Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council

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approved the issue of Cinema Licences as follows :—

- (a) To the Town Hall Trustees Portumna for Portumna Town Hall.
- (b) Mr. John McFadden, for travelling cinema.

8075. Blind Welfare Scheme.—Letter 26/49 of 7/12/49 from the Department of Social Welfare was submitted in regard to revision of Blind Welfare Scheme for the County.

Senator Burke pointed out that the scale of allowances set out by the Department of Social Welfare were stated to be the minimum allowances and requested that the Council approve a somewhat higher scale of allowances than those set out in the draft Scheme received from the Department ; that the Council also consider increasing the contribution to the Society for the salary of the Home Teacher and consider the feasibility of transferring immediately certain inmates of the County Home to Blind Institutions for training.

As the revised scheme would involve an increase in expenditure, further consideration was deferred until the estimate's meeting.

8076. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.—At the request of Deputy Kitt, it was decided that a further week be given for submission of proposals by members for inclusion in the scheme of works for year ending 31/3/51.

Deputy Beegan stated that there had been some allegations (not by members of the Council) that due to the composition of the Council works under the above Act were not being distributed equitably ; that a list of the works obtained from the County Engineer shows that this allegation is false.

The County Engineer confirmed that the works had been distributed as equitably as possible and that nobody had attempted to obstruct him in any way in his allocation of the works.

County Engineer submitted third list of works, totalling £2,300.

On the proposition of Deputy Killilea, seconded by Senator Quinn, the Council unanimously approved provision of the necessary funds to enable these works to be carried out during the current year.

Councillor Collins suggested that, in future, the amount available should be spent proportionately in each councillor's area.

8077. Wardens.—Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor S. Burke and unanimously Resolved :—

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"That the Council approve the appointment of Wardens in dispensary districts to replace Wardens not now available, as set out in the list which was circulated to the Council."

The appointment of the following additional Wardens was also recommended and approved :—

Recommended by Councillor Murphy :

John Connolly (Junior) Caherpeak, Kilcolgan—for Ard-
rahan Dispensary District.

Recommended by Councillor Cooke :

Mr. Martin Geraghty, Knockarasser, Moycullen, for
Moycullen Dispensary District.

8078. Visiting Committee.—Secretary reported that a decision had not yet been received from the Department of Health in regard to the Council's proposals for alterations and improvements to the Children's Home, Tuam.

Senator Burke recommended that the Department be again pressed to expedite their decision in this matter.

8079: Ahascragh Water Supply.—The present position in regard to the preparation of the documents for the water supply scheme at Ahascragh was explained by the Secretary in response to Deputy Killilea's notice of motion.

It was pointed out that the plans and documents for the water supply scheme must be approved before the sewerage scheme can be considered.

8080. Porters at Galway Central Hospital.—In regard to this notice of motion Councillor Brennan stated that an Order had been made by the County Manager recently which deals with the position in regard to Nurses. He now requested that the Manager again enquire into the position regarding porters who are obliged to remain at the Hospital one night in each week during the period 12 midnight to 8 a.m.

8081. Clonbur Sewerage, Etc.—In reply to Councillor Kyne's notice of motion, the Secretary gave particulars of the County Engineer's report regarding Clonbur Sewerage scheme, and explained that the maintenance of the road to Rosshill Burial Ground is the responsibility of the Forestry Department.

Councillor Kyne requested that the sewerage scheme be expedited and that the Forestry Department be again pressed to repair the road to the Burial Ground.

8082. Haulage of Road Material.—In reply to Councillor Geoghegan, the County Engineer stated that normally horses, if available, are used for hauling road material for short "draws."

Councillor Geoghegan complained that at present a lorry is being used at Rusheenamana, Carna for a quarter mile "draw."

Councillor Casey stated that a lorry is being used in a certain area for bringing gravel a distance of six miles, when it could be obtained from a pit nearby.

8083. Resident Medical Superintendent, Woodlands Sanatorium.—As Councillor Carty was absent when this item was reached, consideration thereof was adjourned.

8084. Connemara Bridges.—In reply to Councillor Geoghegan, the County Engineer stated that all bridges in Connemara, with the exception of the Lettermore bridges, are safe for traffic.

8085. Ballymoe Water Supply.—Councillor Concagh enquired if a deputation requesting a water supply for Ballymoe would be received by the Council.

County Manager stated that the County Engineer is at present investigating this matter.

8086. Steam Rolling of County Roads.—In reply to Senator Burke County Engineer stated that the cost of steam rolling county roads is £2,000 to £2,500 per mile, and the cost of surface dressing is approximately £400 a mile for a 18 ft. to 20 ft. road; and the steam-rolling of Abeyknockmoy-Tuam road will be undertaken when the present programme is completed.

The following road works were also recommended to the County Engineer for his consideration:

By Councillor Nestor: Killavoher-Moylough, Road.

By Councillor Collins: Menlough-Castleblakney Road.

By Councillor S. Burke: Rosdara-Woodford Road.

Councillor S. Burke requested that something be done to remedy the slippery condition of tarred roads.

Councillor Glynn recommended that a grant be sought for reconditioning of the Dunmore-Woodford road, which has deteriorated due to heavy lorry traffic.

8087. Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote.—Letter 15/12/49 (IR/157/11) from Department of Local Government was submitted, stating that a grant of £2,400

would be made available towards the cost of repairing the road connecting two existing county roads in the townlands of Gortaleva and Chrusheeny, provided, the Council improve it up to county road standard and accept responsibility for its future maintenance.

County Engineer stated he would be prepared to carry out the work for the amount of the grant, viz., £2,400.

Consideration was deferred until the estimate's Committee meeting.

8088. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

Mr. Martin Fury and Family, Oranmore, on the death of their father, Mr. John Burke (Senior), Tunroe, Oranmore on the death of his wife. Mr. T. Connolly, Ryhnn, Oranmore, on the death of his aunt. Mr. John Connors, Clarenbridge, on the death of his aunt. Mr. C. Fleming, 4 Newcastle Rd., on the death of his wife. The Commins family, Sea Rd., on the death of their mother. Mr. Patrick Concannon, Henry St. Galway, on the death of his son. The family of the late Mr. Canning, Sragh, Woodford. The widow of the late Mr. John Mullins, Slieve, Dunmore.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed this
25th day of February, 1950.*

Mairín O'Cuinn Chairmen.

MINUTES OF ESTIMATE'S COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON 4th FEBRUARY, 1950.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also present: Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. Cunningham, J. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nesor, T. O'Connor, and J. Geoghegan.

Also in attendance:—

On behalf of Ballinasloe Urban Council—Messrs. Staunton and Beegan and Town Clerk.

On behalf of Galway Borough Council—Mr. M. Lydon, T.D., Mr. M. O'Flaherty apologised for inability to attend.

The statement of Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31st March, 1951, which was circulated to the members of the Committee, was submitted.

Roads.—Councillor Carty proposed and Councillor S. Burke seconded:—

"That the estimate for main road maintenance, viz., surface dressing, be reduced from £100,000 to £75,000."

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor O'Connor seconded:—

"That the estimate for main roads be restricted to the figure allowed for the current year."

Councillor Carty proposed and Councillor S. Burke seconded:—

That the following further reductions be made in the estimate:

Main roads maintenance (improvements) to be reduced by £25,000.

County roads maintenance (improvements) to be reduced by £20,000.

County roads maintenance (surface dressing) to be reduced by £5,000.

Main roads maintenance grant to be reduced by £20,000.

A vote taken on Councillors Carty's two proposals resulted as follows:—

For: Messrs. P. Beegan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Carty, Curley Concagh, Ruane, S. Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Mannion, Geoghegan and Quinn. 16.

Against: Messrs. Brennan, Casey, Collins, Cooke, Nestor and O'Connor 0

Councillor Glynn proposed and Deputy Killilea seconded and it was agreed that a sum of £15,000 be allowed under the heading of county roads for "Members Proposals."

Public Assistance, Mental Hospital and Health.—On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Senator Burke, the estimates for Public Assistance, Mental Hospital and Health were approved.

Councillor Carty objected to the provision of monies for payment of salary of Resident Medical Superintendent at Woodlands Sanatorium.

Sanitary.—Senator Burke proposed, Councillor Carty seconded and it was resolved:—

"That the estimate for Sanitary Account be amended as follows:—

Water Supplies to be increased by £2140.

Burial Grounds to be reduced by £1560.

Housing.—On the proposition of Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor O'Connor the estimate for Housing was approved.

General Purposes.—Councillor O'Connor proposed, Councillor Cooke seconded and it was Resolved:—

"That the estimate for General Purposes be amended as follows:—

Tourist Development to be increased by £490 to provide for a contribution of £1090 to the Irish Tourist Association. A sum of £569 to be provided for Special Assistance for Galway Harbour.

The estimate for drainage to be reduced by £362.

The amount provided for cost of Rate Collection to be reduced by £1000.

In regard to Blind Welfare, Senator Burke requested:

(a) That the Council pay to the National Council for the Blind, Ireland, two-thirds of the salary of the Home Teacher, viz., £200.

(b) That the Council pay the amount necessary for maintenance of blind persons who would benefit by treatment in Merrion and Richmond Institutions.

(c) That when considering the scale of allowances, the following scales be approved in lieu of the minima set out in the recent Circular from the Department of Social Welfare.

| In Circular | Senator Burke's request : |
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| 15/- | 17/- |
| 6/- | 8/- |
| 22/6 | 24/6 |
| 12/6 | 14/6 |
| 3/6 | 5/- for each of the first 2 children and 3/6 for every child in excess of 2. |

It was, therefore decided to recommend to the Council that the estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1951, as submitted to the Estimate's Committee, be amended as follows :—

ROADS EXPENDITURE

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| Main roads maintenance—reduction | £50,000. |
| County roads maintenance—reduction | £25,000. |
| Less increase for members' notices of motion | £15,000 |
| | £10,000. |

ROADS RECEIPTS

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| Main roads maintenance grant—reduction | £20,000. |
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SANITARY—EXPENDITURE

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| Water Supplies—increase | £2140. |
| Burial Grounds—reduction | £1560. |
| Nett increase | £580. |

GENERAL PURPOSES—EXPENDITURE

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| Reduction—Cost of Rate Collection | £1000. |
| Reduction—Drainage | £362 |
| Increases—Tourist Development | £490. |
| Special Assistance for Galway Harbour | £569. |
| Nett Reduction | £303 |

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY.

18th February, 1950.

Phone:
Galway 55.

To: Each Member of the Council:

Galway County Council - ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the Estimates Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 25th February, 1950, at 12.30.p.m., when the County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1951, will be considered.

The Council will be required to adopt, with or without amendment, the Estimates of Rates for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges and to make the statutory demands on the Borough Council of Galway and the Urban District Council of Ballinasloe.

A copy of the Estimate of Expenses has already been sent to you.

Mise, le meas,

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

AGENDA FOR MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS AFTER CONCLUSION OF THE ESTIMATES MEETING ON SATURDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1950.

To Consider:—

1. Minutes.
2. The desirability of the following proposed additional appointments:
 - (a) one additional Health Inspector;
 - (b) one Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer.
3. Actual Expenditure for year ending 31st March, 1950, as compared with Estimate.
4. Provision of funds for renewal of decking of canal bridges at Presentation Road and Canal Road.....£360.....chargeable to Urban Roads Account.
5. Provision of funds for operation of Seeds and Fertilizers Supply Scheme for year ending 31/3/1951:

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| Estimated Expenditure..... | £2500 |
| " Receipts..... | £2500 |
6. Acquisition of premises for Engineers' store and yard at Loughrea at a cost of £420 and legal costs.
7. Councillors' Notices of Motion:—
 - (a) Councillor M. Carty: At the next meeting of the County Council, I, or some other member acting on my behalf, shall ask the County Manager -
 - (i) to submit the Department's proposals re Medical Superintendent, Woodlands Sanatorium, for the consideration of the County Council.
 - (ii) to acquaint the County Council of all communications received from the Department dealing with this subject. Furthermore, I shall ask the County M.O.H. and the Law Agent of the County Council, to give their views on the Department's proposals.
 - (b) "That I or some other member acting for me shall ask the County Manager to make an order declaring the accommodation road leading off Gort-Portumna road via Marble Hill House to Moyglass County Road, a public road."
 - (c) Councillor M. Concagh: I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the Ballymoe Water Supply get a higher place on the waiting list.
 - (d) Councillor B. Murphy: I, or some member on my behalf, move that public town lighting be installed in Labane.
8. Auditor's Report and Statement of Accounts of Lough Mask & River Robe Joint Drainage Committee for years 1947/8 and 1948/9.
9. Resolutions.
10. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING
OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON
SATURDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1950.

In the Chair : Senator M. Quinn

Also present :—Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, T. O'Connor and J. Geoghegan.

8089. ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1951.—County Manager's estimate of expenses for year ending 31st March, 1951, was submitted, together with Minutes of Meeting of the Estimates Committee held on 4th February, 1950.

The Chairman gave a summary of the Estimate as amended by the Estimates Committee and now submitted to the Council.

Proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Casey and unanimously Resolved :—

"That in accordance with direction in letter RPA/201/5 of 18/2/50 from the Department of Local Government, the amount £60,000 provided in Roads Expenditure and Roads Receipts for Local Authorities (works) Act, 1949, be transferred to General Purposes Expenditure and General Purposes Receipts, respectively, and that the provision of £2,000 repayment of loan for improvement of certain private roads in Galway Borough area, be omitted from the Estimate, as the Galway Corporation do not intend to proceed with this work in the financial year ending 31st March, 1951, and that subject to these amendments, the Estimate of Expenses as set forth in Tables A, B, C, D, and E, be adopted and that the rates set forth in Table C, D, and E be the rates in the pound to be levied for the several purposes specified in said Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1951."

Proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Casey and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Demands on the Galway Borough Council and on the Ballinasloe Urban District Council be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and sealed with the seal of the Council."

8090. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (WORKS) ACT, 1949. County Engineer submitted list of 227 works proposed to be carried out under above Act during the year ending 31/3/51, at a total cost of £138,945.

Senator Burke proposed, Deputy Kitt seconded and it was unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the list of works submitted, subject to sanction of the Minister for Local Government."

8091. EXCESS EXPENDITURE.—Secretary submitted a statement of estimated excess in actual expenditure for year ending 31/3/50 over the amount provided in the Estimate and subsequently authorised by the Council.

Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Senator Burke and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council approve the following excess in actual expenditure over the amounts already approved for the year ending 31st March, 1950:

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| Public Assistance : | £ | £ |
| District Institutions | 8000 | |
| Extern Institutions | 1000 | |
| | | 9000 |
| Health Account | | 14000 |
| | | <u>23000</u> |

It was noted that the total savings on other headings of the Estimate as compared with the amounts already authorised would amount to approximately £34,000.

8092. Sympathy.—On the proposition of Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Glynn, the Council unanimously adopted a vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. P. J. Collieran, County Councillor, and all business on the Agenda was, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Collieran, adjourned until Saturday, 18th March, 1950.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed this 25th day of March 1950.
M. A. Quinn Chairman*

Guthan: Gaillimh 55.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniu de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Conndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 25adh Marta, 1950, ag 12. 30 a chlog.

Mise, le meas,
L. O LUANAIGH.
Runai.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. The desirability of the following proposed additional appointments:—
 - (a) One additional Health Inspector.
 - (b) One Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer.
3. Provision of funds for renewal of decking and repair of Canal bridges at Presentation Road and New Road (£360) chargeable to Urban Roads A/c.
4. Provision of funds for operation of Seeds and Fertilizers Supply Scheme for year ending 31. 3. 1951:—

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| Estimated Expenditure | - | £2,500. |
| " Receipts | - | £2,500. |
5. Acquisition of premises for Engineer's Store and Yard at Loughrea at a cost of £420 plus legal costs of transfer.
6. Overdraft accommodation for quarter ending 30. 6. 1950, viz:—

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| General Account | - | £100,000. |
| Turf Account | - | £10,000. |
7. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan £5,500 for purchase of Excavator and Trailer.
8. Provision of a Swimming Pool at Tuam.
9. Raising of loan £15110 for reconstruction of thirteen private roads in Galway City.
10. Provision of a County Clinic at Galway.
11. Reconstruction of road connecting two existing county roads in the townlands of Gortaleva and Crusheeney (Grant £2400 for full cost of work).
12. Making a contribution of £568. 1. 11 to the Galway Harbour Commissioners in respect of deficit for year ended 31st December, 1949.
13. Letter 2. 3. '50 (F.2/50) from Department of Local Government appointing 20th September, 1950, as the day for holding of local elections.
14. Application for Cinema Licence - Mr. James A. Keaveny in respect of Esker Hall, Glenamaddy.
15. Councillors' Notices of Motion:—
 - (a) Councillor M. Carty: I or some member acting for me shall ask the Co. Manager to make an order declaring the accommodation road, leading off Gort-Portumma road via Marble Hill House to Moyglass County Road, a public road.
 - (b) Councillor M. Concagh: (1) That the Ballymoe water supply get a higher place on the waiting list.
(2) I shall ask what steps, if any, have been taken to erect cottages for applicants in the Creggs and Ballymoe districts.
 - (c) Councillor B. Murphy: That public town lighting be installed in Labane.
 - (d) Councillor J. Brennan: I will ask that the following information be furnished to the meeting:—
 1. The actual number of established servants in the continuous employment of the Council from whom contributions for superannuation purposes are being received.

2. The weekly amount of contributions borne by the Council in respect of the stamping of National Health and Unemployment Insurance Cards in the case of the servants referred to at (1).
3. The average weekly rate of illness amongst those established servants during the past six months.
- (e) **Councillor Killilea:** (1) That the necessary arrangement be made for filling the vacancy in the Galway County Council created by the death of the late Councillor P. J. Collieran.
- (2). That Mr. John McGrath, Coshla, Cregmore, Claregalway, be appointed a member of the Galway Old Age Pensions sub-Committee.
- (f) **Councillor P. Lambert:** That the Council erect a bridge on the County road leading from Keane's Pound to the village and river of Derrywee and on to the County of Clare provided the Board of Works pay seventy-five per cent of the cost of erecting the bridge.
- (g) **Councillor J. Geoghegan:** (1) That a loan be raised for the purpose of providing sewerage for that part of the town of Roundstone not served by the existing system.
- (2) That the County Manager state what progress has been made to erect a new engine and provide a water supply for the townland of Derryrush, Rosmuck, and also to extend the water main from Derryrush cross roads to O'Malley's shop.
- (3) That the County Manager state what progress has been made to date to supply the village of Carna with a water supply.
- (h). **Councillor J. J. Cunningham:** (1) How far implementation of the Council's deliberations on the Kilkerrin water supply scheme has been proceeded with, and how far the County Council are prepared to urge a more intense progress with the work.
- (2) Are the Council prepared to implement the resolution passed by them in reference to the Moylough sewerage scheme without delay?
- (i). **Councillor T. King:** That the Manager explain why the tenders for the supply of milk to Woodlands Sanatorium for the period commencing 1st April, 1950, are confined to highest grade and pasteurised milk and why tenders previously advertised for and received for the same period were not accepted.
- (j). **Councillor R. M. Burke:** That Galway County Council requests the County Manager, or the County Secretary, to give a brief report to the Council on the progress made during the past 3 months in connection with the acquisition of sites, and the building of labourers' cottages in the county, mentioning:-
- (i) Number of sites so far acquired.
 - (ii) Number in the process of being acquired.
 - (iii) Number selected, but not yet acquired.
 - (iv) Number of cottages completed.
 - (v) Number of cottages under construction.
 - (vi) Number of cottages likely to be commenced during the next 2 months.
16. Letter 2. 3. 1950 from General Council of County Councils requesting notice of matters for Agenda for May meeting.
17. Letter from Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. re appointment of Council's nominee.
18. Letter from Maria Duce, 5 Cavendish Row, Dublin, re Article 44 of the Constitution of Ireland.
19. Auditor's report on accounts of Lough Mask and River Robe Drainage Committee for years 1947/8 and 1948/9.
20. Resolutions.
21. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY,
25th MARCH, 1950.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also present: Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, J. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, T. O'Connor and J. Geoghegan.

8093. MINUTES. Minutes of the Council to 8092, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Nestor and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council protest against the recent insult to the national flag in the Six County Area, and congratulate Mayor O'Dwyer, of New York, on his refusal to meet the Governor of the Six Counties when he visits that City."

8094. ADDITIONAL HEALTH INSPECTOR. Correspondence, including letter from Department of Health dated 31/1/50, approving the creation of the post of additional Health Inspector was submitted.

Councillor Nestor objected to any further Health Inspectors and after a discussion it was proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Carty and Resolved:—

"That consideration of this appointment be deferred until next meeting of the Council and that, in the meantime, particulars of the duties proposed for this officer be circulated to the members of the Council."

8095. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT ASSISTANCE OFFICER. Correspondence, including letters from Department of Social Welfare dated 8/11/49 and 20/1/50 approving the creation of the post of Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer, was submitted.

After a discussion it was proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Carty and Resolved:—

"That consideration of this additional appointment be deferred until next meeting of the Council and that, in the meantime, particulars of the duties proposed for this officer be circulated to the members of the Council."

8096. REPAIRS TO CANAL BRIDGES. Proposed by Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Geoghegan and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the provision of funds for renewal of decking and repair of Canal Bridges at Presentation Road and New Road, Galway, viz., £360, chargeable to Urban Roads Account."

8097. SEEDS AND FERTILIZERS SUPPLY SCHEME. Secretary reported that in July, 1949, the Council were notified that the Seeds and Fertilizers Supply Scheme arrangements would terminate at that time. A recent notification had been received from the Department of Local Government stating that the scheme would be continued in the coming year.

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Collins and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of £2,500 to meet expenditure on the Seeds and Fertilizers Supply Scheme for year ending 31/3/1951."

It was noted that the receipt of approximately this amount would off-set the additional expenditure.

8098. ENGINEER'S STORE AND YARD, LOUGHREA. Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the County Manager's proposal to secure a yard and store from Mr. C. Kelly, at Barrack Street, Loughrea, for use as Engineer's store and yard, at a cost of £420 plus legal expenses of transfer of property to the Council."

It was recommended, however, that in future when any such premises would be required by the Council an advertisement inviting offers should be issued.

8099. OVERDRAFT. Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Casey and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £100,000 on General Account for quarter ending 30th June, 1950."

Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Casey and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for quarter ending 30th June, 1950."

8100. EXCAVATOR AND TRAILER. Proposed by Mr. Patrick Beegan, seconded by Mr. James J. Nestor and unanimously Resolved:—

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction of the Local Government Minister dated 3rd January, 1950, the sum of £5,500 be borrowed from The National Bank Limited, Galway, for the purpose of defraying cost of purchasing an Excavator and Trailer, said sum to be repaid within a period of Ten Years with interest at the rate of one half per cent. under the Irish Banks' rate rising and falling from time to time with a minimum of £4 per cent. per annum as in said letter of sanction provided, the said loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage over the Rates AND that the Seal of the Council be affixed to said Mortgage to the National Bank Limited."

8101. TUAM SWIMMING POOL. Letter 3/3/50 from the Secretary, Tuam Swimming Pool Project Committee and enclosures were submitted.

It was pointed out that the Council in 1946 had indicated that they would be prepared to approve this work on the understanding that 20% of the cost would be contributed from local funds, 40% would be met by Government grant and the remaining 40% would be borne by the Council.

After discussion it was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Senator Burke and Resolved:—

"That provided the total cost of the project does not exceed £3,000, the Council would be prepared to approve the provision of funds on the understanding that £600 would be contributed by the Tuam Swimming Pool Project Committee and that 40% of the total cost of the work would be met by Government grant, the remaining 40% (approximately £1,200) to be borne by the Council."

8102. LOAN FOR MAKING OF CERTIAN ROADS IN GALWAY BOROUGH AREA. Letter 9/3/50 from the County Manager was submitted, indicating that the Galway Corporation have now decided to proceed with the reconstruction of 13 private roads in Galway City, the total estimated cost of this work being £15,110.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Cooke and unanimously Resolved:—

"That, subject to sanction by the Minister for Local Government, the sum of £15,110 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited, Galway, for the purpose of reconstructing 13 private roads in Galway Borough Area, the said sum to be repaid within a period of ten years, with interest at the rate of one half per cent. under the Irish Banks' rate rising and falling from time to time with a minimum of £4 per cent. per annum, the said loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage over the Rates."

8103. COUNTY CLINIC AT GALWAY. Correspondence in regard to above, was submitted, including letter from Department of Health No. H.C. 11/11/1 of 28/2/50. It was indicated that while the total estimated cost of the work was not yet available, it would probably be not less than £20,000, two-thirds of which would be made available by way of grant from Hospital Trust Funds.

After discussion it was proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve provision of County Clinic on the lines indicated in Department's letter but consider that if accommodation for tuberculous patients is to be provided in the Clinic a grant in respect of the full cost of this portion of the work should be made available from Hospital Trust Funds. Furthermore the Council do not consider that it is necessary to provide offices for the County Medical Officer and his staff in the proposed County Clinic."

8104. ROAD TO GORTALEVA AND CRUSHEENY. Letter 7/3/50 from Department of Local Government was submitted, stating that a grant of £2,400 would be made available from the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote towards the cost of repairing the accommodation road in the townlands of Gortaleva and Crusheeny which would connect two existing roads.

County Engineer stated that this grant would cover the full cost of the work, which would be carried out on the road, but that the Council would be responsible for subsequent maintenance.

Proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the carrying out of this work on the terms indicated, viz., grant of £2,400 to cover full cost and that the Council approve the taking over and subsequent maintenance of the road."

8105. GRANT TO GALWAY HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS. It was proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor King and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the making of a contribution of £568 1s. 11d. to the Galway Harbour Commissioners in respect of deficit in the Commissioners' Accounts for year ended 31/12/49."

Councillor Cooke requested that strong representations be made to the Commissioners to remove the wreck of "s.s. Moyalla," which is still lying in Galway Bay.

8106. ERECTION OF COTTAGES. Plan of proposed rural type cottage and plan for housing scheme in Athenry were submitted to the members of the Council, examined by them and considered suitable.

Secretary reported that a site which would be suitable for erection of about 20 or 25 cottages could be obtained by the Council in the former Workhouse grounds at Oughterard, but that as this is State lands, the Council would not be in a position to give any intending purchaser of a cottage a longer title than they could secure themselves, viz., lease for 99 years. Consequently if cottages are erected on this site they could never be vested in the tenants.

Proposed by Councillor Geoghegan, seconded by Senator Burke and unanimously Resolved:—

"That in view of the difficulty in obtaining sites, the Council accordingly approve provision of cottages on the site at Oughterard Workhouse grounds, and request that the work of erection of the cottages be proceeded with at the earliest date."

8107. DEMAND ON GALWAY BOROUGH COUNCIL. Secretary explained that since Galway Corporation had reconsidered the raising of a loan for reconstruction of private roads and had now decided that this work be proceeded with, it will be necessary to revise the demand made on that body. The revised demand was submitted providing for an increase of £1,100 on road charges and making a total demand for year ending 31/3/51, £67,681 14s. 8d.

Proposed by Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Carty and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the revised demand on Galway Borough Council be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and sealed with the seal of the Council."

8108. ELECTIONS. Letter 2/3/50 (No. F. 2/50) from Department of Local Government was submitted appointing 20/9/50 as the date for holding of Local Elections.

8109. CINEMA LICENCE. Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Casey and unanimously Resolved:—

"That a Cinema Licence be granted to Mr. James A. Keaveny in respect of Esker Hall, Glenamaddy."

8110. COUNCILLORS PROPOSALS FOR ROAD WORKS. On the suggestion of the Chairman, it was arranged that forms be sent to the Councillors for submission of their proposals in regard to the expenditure of a sum of £15,000 provided for road works, and that the forms be completed and returned to the Secretary within a period of 14 days.

County Engineer stated that he would take up with the Commissioners of Public Works the possibility of obtaining 75% grant in respect of all or some of these works.

8111. ROAD AT MARBLE HILL AND MOYGLASS, LOUGHREA. In response to Councillor Carty's notice of motion County Engineer stated that the estimated cost of this work is £1,240.

It was decided to defer the matter pending allocation of sum of £15,000 mentioned at Minute No. 8110.

8112. BALLYMOE WATER SUPPLY. Secretary informed Councillor Concagh of the present position in regard to Ballymoe water supply, and it was decided that the matter be pressed ahead so as to ensure that a supply of water adequate to the needs of Ballymoe village will be made available.

8113. COTTAGES AT CREGGS AND BALLYMOE. In response to Councillor Concagh's notice of motion Secretary gave the particulars requested.

Councillor Concagh also requested that a cottage be provided for Miss Ellen Coen, Milford, Creggs, who is urgently in need of a house.

8114. PUBLIC LIGHTING, LABANE. Councillor Murphy proposed that public lighting be installed in Labane.

After a discussion it was proposed by Councillor Casey, seconded by Deputy Killilea that there should be some minimum figure of population set for villages in regard to the provision of public lighting therein, and that a population figure of 150, is suggested as a suitable minimum.

It was decided that a quotation be obtained for the provision of lighting in Labane and that consideration of the matter be deferred until this quotation and particulars of population be made available to the Council.

8115. ESTABLISHED SERVANTS. In reply to Councillor Brennan's notice of motion Secretary stated that the number of established servants employed by the Council is 169 and the weekly amount of contributions borne by the Council in respect of National Health, Widows and Orphans and Unemployment Insurance for these 169 servants is £16 18s. 0d.; that no information is available in regard to the weekly rate of illness among these servants as the Council's records do not provide for the keeping of this information.

8116. VACANCY. Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Deputy Kitt and unanimously Resolved:—

"That, consequent on the death of Mr. P. J. Colleran, Ballygar, the Galway County Council declares that a vacancy now exists on the Council, and directs that the appropriate notice be given of the existence of such vacancy."

The declaration of vacancy was signed by Senator Quinn, Deputy Killilea and Deputy Kitt.

8117. ORANMORE & TURLOUGHMORE OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE. Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Deputy Kitt and Resolved:—
"That Mr. John McGrath, Coshla, Cregmore, Claregalway, be appointed a member of Oranmore & Turloughmore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

8118. HEADFORD OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE: Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Deputy Beegan and Resolved:—
"That Mr. John J. Kyne, Clooneen, Headford, be appointed a member of Headford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

8119. ROAD AT DERRYWEE. Councillor Lambert agreed to the adjournment of consideration of his notice of motion until meeting at which allocation of £15,000 for Councillors road proposals will be considered.

8120. WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES. Arising out of Councillor Geoghegan's notice of motion, it was decided to refer to the County Medical Officer the question of providing sewerage for that part of the town of Roundstone which is not served by the existing scheme.

Councillor Geoghegan was informed of the position in regard to Derryrush and Carna water supplies.

Councillor Cunningham was informed of the present position in regard to the provision of a water supply scheme for Kilkerrin, and of Moylough water supply scheme which should normally precede a sewerage scheme.

8121. MILK SUPPLIES—WOODLANDS SANATORIUM. Councillor King asked for information in regard to the advertisements issued for milk supplies for Woodlands Sanatorium for the coming period. This information was supplied by the Secretary.

Councillor Casey stated that the local suppliers cannot afford the cost of providing pasteurising plants and he considered that an opportunity should be given to local suppliers to avail of a co-operative pasteurising plant before a direction would be given by the Minister which would deprive them of their livelihood.

Proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor Cooke and Resolved:—

"That the Council call on the Manager to cancel the acceptance of the tender for supply of pasteurised milk to Woodlands Sanatorium and that the Manager adhere to the terms of the original advertisement issued which did not confine tenders to highest grade milk or pasteurised milk.

8122. NEW COTTAGES. In response to Senator Burke's

notice of motion the Secretary gave particulars of the present position in regard to acquisition of sites for erection of labourers cottages.

8123. REGIONAL HOSPITAL, GALWAY. In reply to Deputy Beegan's enquiry Secretary stated that due to difficulty in obtaining masons it had been arranged recently that concrete window sills would be provided for the extension to Galway County Buildings in lieu of cut stone sills; that information regarding the window sills for Galway Regional Hospital was not yet available.

Deputy Beegan requested that the matter be pursued further with the Architect as in a county where stone is so plentiful he considers that it would be more appropriate if cut stone sills be used for a building like Galway Regional Hospital.

8124. GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS. Letter 2/3/50 from the General Council of County Councils requesting notice of matters for May meeting, was submitted.

8125. VISITING COMMITTEE. Minutes of meeting of Visiting Committee held at Woodlands Sanatorium on 18/3/50 were submitted and noted.

8126. IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LTD. The Council unanimously approved the appointment of the Chairman, Senator M. Quinn, as their nominee on the Board of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.

8127. ARTICLE 44 OF CONSTITUTION. Letter 22/2/50 and enclosures from Maria Duce, 5 Cavendish Row, Dublin, regarding Article 44 of the Constitution of Ireland were submitted. It was unanimously decided that this communication be marked "Read."

8128. MISCELLANEOUS. Auditors' reports and abstract of accounts for the following bodies were submitted and noted:—
Shrule Joint Drainage Committee for two years ended 31/3/49.

Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee for two years ended 31/3/49.

Councillor Cooke requested the Council to consider asking the Contractor for the Regional Hospital, Galway, to employ Galway City men who are available for work before employing men from areas outside the City.

It was decided that no action should be taken on Councillor Cooke's request.

8129. SYMPATHY. A vote of sympathy was passed with His Grace, Most Reverend Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Tuam, Reverend Father Loftus, Adm., Dunmore, and his parishioners on the great loss they have sustained through the death of Very Reverend S. Canon Walsh, P.P., V.F., Dunmore.

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*Submitted, approved & confirmed this 13th day of May 1950
MARTIN O'CURRAN Chairman*

Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe.

Oifig an Runaidhe,
Na Foirgnighthe Chonndae,
Gaillimh.

Guthan: Gaillimh 55.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniu de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Conndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 13adh Bealtaine, 1950, ag 12. 30 a clog.

Mise, le meas,
L. O LUANAIGH
Runai.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

GNO.

1. Minutes.
2. Filling the vacancy on the Council resulting from the death of Mr. P. J. Collieran, Ballygar.
3. Filling the vacancy in the Visiting Committee for District Institutions, resulting from the death of Mr. P. J. Collieran, Ballygar.
4. The desirability of the following proposed additional appointments:—
 - (a) One additional Health Inspector.
 - (b) One Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer.
5. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan £1750 for Improvement of Roundstone Water Supply.
6. Raising of supplementary loan, £4250, to meet the Council's proportion (25%) of the cost of buildings and equipment at Woodlands Sanatorium.
7. Raising of loan £2550 for provision of 3 shelters at the promenade, Salthill - loan repayments to be leviable on the Galway County-at-large.
8. Authorisation of overdraft £5000 on Capital Account pending receipt of loan for reconstruction of 13 private roads in Galway Borough.
9. Report 28/4/50 from the County Engineer stating that the bridge at Hearnbrook requires replacement at an estimated cost of £15,000.
10. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 - approval requested to on additional proposal for current year, viz., No. 229 - £400.
11. Provision of Public Lighting at Labane.
12. Councillors' notices of motion:—
 - (a) Councillor J. J. Cunningham: "That this Council having passed, by resolution, ten years ago, their conviction of the necessity for a piped supply of pure water for the town of Kilkerrin - a resolution yet remaining unimplemented; they reiterate this conviction and confidently appeal to the relevant authority to make the concession."
 - (b) Councillor J. Geoghegan: "(1) Repair of pier at Turlough, Rosmuck (known as Cruthan Bui.) (11) Repair of road leading to Cashel Cemetery."
 - (c) Councillor J. M. Glynn: "(1) I or some one on my behalf will move that this Council authorise the E. S.B. to provide Public Lighting for the towns of Glenamaddy and Williamstown."

(2)

(11) "I or some one on my behalf will move that Glenamaddy Water Supply be extended about 300 yards South and East of the town to the townland boundary South to Lowery's and East to Workhouse."

(d) Councillor M. Killilea: "That work on the erection of cottages in Abbey E. and Abbey W. electoral division proceed immediately."

(e) Councillor J. Brennan: "That having regard to the case established by the Co. Manager at a Council meeting 12 months ago for the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent to the Central Hospital - then deemed to be urgent - an explanation be now given as to why the appointment was not made following the interview already given by the Local Appointments Commissioners, and why it has now been considered necessary to have the position re-advertised."

(f) Councillor J. Brennan: "That a statement be made setting forth the following information:-"

(1) The no. of patients in the Central Hospital on 1/8/46.
" " " " " " " " " 1/4/50.

(11) No. of Resident House Doctors in the hospital on 1/8/46.
" " " " " " " " " 1/4/50.

(111) Authorised strength of Nursing Staff in General Hospital on 1/8/46 and 1/4/50 (including probationers).

Authorised strength in Maternity Hospital on 1/8/46 and 1/4/50.

(iv) No. of maids on 1/8/46 and on 1/4/50.

(v) No. of porters on 1/8/46 and on 1/4/50.

(11) When it is intended to put the 96 hours fortnightly into operation for the entire nursing staff and to extend to the domestic staff the promised weekly rest day.

Also to explain the position in respect of the hours of duty of the porters."

(g) Councillor P. Cooke: "That Public Lighting be provided in the village of Moycullen."

(h) Councillor T. O Seaghdha: Na daoine seo leanas do chur ar Coiste Pínsin Seanaoise Bheal an Daingin, Conamara (Bealadangan O.A.P. Committee):-

Diarmuid Mac an Adastair, Beal a Daingin.
Padraic O Marta, Doire Abta Beag.
Padraic O Confhacla (Mairtin), Leitir Meallain.
Mairtin O Suilleabhain, Camus Uachtair.
Miceal O Cathain, Ceathru Rua.
Miceal Og O Domhnaill, Ceathru Rua.

(1) Councillor P. Beegan: "That Co. Council requests Co. Manager to ensure that out stone window sills will be used in Regional Hospital."

13. Report of Visiting Committee on inspection of:-

- (a) County Home 13. 4. 50.
(b) Children's Home 22. 4. 50.

(3).

14. Letter 23. 3. 50 from Co. Medical Officer requesting that meetings of the Visiting Committee for Sanatorium be arranged for 3 p.m. instead of 1 p.m. as heretofore.
15. Letter 28.4.50 from County Librarian requesting that the Council invite the Library Association to Galway for the annual conference of the Association in September, 1950.
16. Department of Local Government Circular H. 20/50 of 27. 3. 50 regarding the Housing (Management and Letting) Regulations, 1950. (Copies of the letter and regulations will be forwarded to each Councillor).
17. Letter 29. 4. 50 from the Secretary, Galway Chamber of Commerce, requesting the Council's support for the Chamber's request that the Department of Social Welfare be transferred from Dublin to Galway.
18. Minutes of meeting of the County Councils' General Council held on 15/12/49.
19. Report and statement of accounts of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. for year ended 31. 12. 1949.
20. Auditor's Report and Statement of Accounts of the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees for year ended 31. 3. 1949.
21. Resolutions.
22. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY,
13th MAY, 1950

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also present: Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, T. O'Connor and J. Geoghegan.

8130.—MINUTES. Minutes of the Council to 8129, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

8131.—STRIKE IN GALWAY. It was proposed by Councillor Fury:-

"That the Chairman of the Council intervene with a view to a settlement of the Strike of yard workers in merchants' premises in Galway."

Councillor Casey seconded the proposal—if there is anything which the Council could do to settle this dispute.

Deputy Beegan stated he considered the Council should not interfere in this matter.

Councillor Brennan proposed that a resolution from the Council be sent requesting that the Mayor of Galway join with the Chairman in settling the dispute.

Councillor Nestor seconded.

Councillor Carty proposed that no action be taken.

This proposal was not seconded.

It was pointed out that the Mayor of Galway is an interested party, and after further discussion it was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and Resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council acting through the Chairman will give any assistance possible to any body or conference endeavouring to settle the Strike."
Deputy Beegan dissented from this resolution.

8132.—EXAMINATION FOR CLERK-TYPISTS. Councillor Brennan asked if complaints had been received that at the recent examination for Clerk-Typists in which the candidates were divided in groups, candidates took with them their examination papers and handed them to candidates who were still to be examined; that if the allegations made to him are true he

would recommend that the examination be declared void and that the candidates be examined again; that the Principal of a College from which some of the candidates attended was present on the examination premises without any authority to be so.

Councillor Carty supported Councillor Brennan and stated it appears as if the examination was so arranged that the appointments would be obtained by the candidates from a particular College.

Deputy Beegan stated that if any complaints were made he considered they should have been made in writing before the Council would take any action in regard to them.

Councillor King recommended that a Committee of 5 members of the Council be appointed to enquire into the complaints.

County Manager and Secretary replied that complaints had been received from some of the candidates to the effect that the Typewriting papers (not the examination papers for any other subject) had been taken away by the candidates from the examination room and could, therefore, have been handed to other candidates who were still waiting to be examined in typewriting; that it is usual and essential to divide candidates into groups for the Typewriting examination when there is a large number of candidates to be examined; that the candidates in the first group obviously would not have an opportunity of seeing the papers before the commencement of the examination, neither would candidates in the second group obtain any benefit as they would have to start the examination directly after the first group was completed. The candidates in the fourth group were engaged on the examination in Irish, English and Arithmetic up to the time at which they started the examination in Typewriting and, therefore, they could not obtain any benefit from a previous sight of the examination papers. The only group, therefore, which could benefit by possession or sight of the examination papers would be the third group. The complaints had been fully investigated and all the facts have been reported to the Department of Local Government. The examiner had given an assurance that the papers in Typewriting and handed up to her were those which were actually typed by the candidates in the course of the examination. There was no justification for the statement that the examination was so arranged that only candidates from a particular College would secure the vacant posts.

8133.—ESTIMATE, YEAR ENDING 31/3/1951. Councillor Cooke referred to a statement made by a member of the Council at an outside meeting to the effect that the reduction in the County Rate for the current year was due to the efforts of the Fianna Fail party on the Council. Councillor Cooke wished to refute this statement.

The Chairman, however, drew attention to the fact that more than one hour had passed and the Council had not yet reached the second item on the Agenda.

8134.—VACANCY. It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Glynn:—

"That Mr. John Fitzmaurice, Cloonlyon, Ballygar, be co-opted a member of Galway County Council to replace Mr. P. J. Colleran, Ballygar, recently deceased."

There was no other proposal and the Chairman declared Mr. John Fitzmaurice, Cloonlyon, Ballygar, appointed a member of the Council.

Mr. Fitzmaurice signed the form of acceptance of office.

8135.—VISITING COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS. Proposed by Councillor Brennan and seconded by Councillor Casey:—

"That Councillor P. Cooke be appointed a member of the Visiting Committee for District Institutions to replace the late Mr. P. J. Colleran."

Councillor Carty proposed:—

"That Mr. John Fitzmaurice be appointed to fill this vacancy."

This proposal was not seconded and the Chairman declared Councillor Cooke appointed a member of the Visiting Committee for District Institutions.

8136.—ADDITIONAL HEALTH INSPECTOR. File of correspondence relating to the proposed appointment of an additional, *i.e.*, a fourth, Health Inspector, for the County was submitted.

Councillor Brennan proposed that the Connemara area for which the Inspector is required be added to Miss MacHale's present area.

The Chairman stated he would not accept this proposal as it was not relevant to the item on the Agenda.

Dr. C. F. McConn, County Medical Officer, addressed the meeting and stressed the necessity for appointment of an additional Inspector.

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Casey and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the appointment of one additional, *i.e.*, a fourth, Health Inspector."

Proposed by Councillor O'Shea, seconded by Deputy Killilea and Resolved:—

"That a competent knowledge of Irish be made an essential qualification for this post."

8137.—ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT ASSISTANCE OFFICER. File of correspondence relating to the proposed appointment of an Assistant to the Superintendent Assistance Officer was submitted.

Proposed by Councillor Nestor, seconded by Councillor Carty:—

"That the Council do not approve the appointment of an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer."

As an amendment it was proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Casey:—

"That the Council do approve the appointment of an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer."

A vote taken for or against the amendment resulted as follows:

For: Councillor Brennan, Senator Burke, Councillors Casey, Cooke, Fury, O'Shea and Senator Quinn.—7.

Against: Deputy Beegan, Councillors S. Burke, Carty, Fitzmaurice, Collins, Curley, Concagh, Glynn, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, Mannion, O'Connor and Geoghegan.—15.

The Chairman declared Councillor Nestor's motion carried, *viz.*, that the Council do not approve the appointment of an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer.

8138.—RESIDENT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR WOODLANDS SANATORIUM. Deputy Killilea asked if it was proposed to appoint a Resident Medical Superintendent at Woodlands Sanatorium and if the matter would come before the Council for consideration.

The Manager replied that it is proposed to make such an appointment and that the Council at their estimates meeting had approved provision of the necessary funds; that the statement attached to the estimate had given details of the amount provided for appointment of Resident Medical Superintendent at the Sanatorium.

8139.—LOAN FOR ROUNDSTONE WATER SUPPLY IMPROVEMENTS. Proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Geoghegan and Resolved:—

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of One thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

8140.—LOAN FOR BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT AT WOODLANDS SANATORIUM. Secretary reported that the total estimated cost of provision of pavilions at Woodlands

Sanatorium, reconstruction of the centre block, provision of new Nurses and Maids Home and provision of temporary staff home together with equipment is £117,000; that 75% of the cost of this work is being met by grant from Hospital Trust Funds; that it is necessary for the Council to raise a loan for the remainder of the cost, *viz.*, £29,250; that a loan on account amounting to £25,000 had already been approved and that the approval of the Council is now requested to the balance, *viz.*, £4,250.

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Senator Burke and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £4,250 from the Commissioners of Public Works for extension, improvement, and equipment of Woodlands Sanatorium, including Nurses and Maids Home, the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 35 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan to the Council."

8141.—SMALL DWELLINGS ACTS LOANS. Councillor Carty stated that there was dissatisfaction in Loughrea in regard to the valuation placed by the Council on houses in respect of which application had been made for loans under the Small Dwellings Acts, and asked if the question of valuation could be reconsidered by the County Engineer.

County Engineer replied that he had dealt already with a very large number of applications from various areas and that there was no complaint from any area except Loughrea in regard to the valuation placed on the houses.

It was decided that a copy of the Council's Scheme for the issue of housing loans be supplied to each member of the Council.

8142.—WATER AND SEWERAGE EXTENSION, LOUGHREA. Councillor Carty asked that the extension of the water and sewerage systems as far as Finnerty's house on Athery Road, Loughrea, be proceeded with, and stated that he proposed to give notice of motion that at next meeting he would propose that a loan be raised by the Council for this work.

8143.—SHELTERS AT PROMENADE, SALTHILL. File of correspondence was submitted in regard to the erection of three shelters at the promenade, Salthill, at an estimated cost of £2,550. Councillor Casey drew attention to the fact that the Galway County Council had already undertaken to pay one-third of the loan charges in respect of the diving tower at Salthill and stated he considered that the three shelters should be provided at the expense of Galway Corporation.

After further discussion, it was proposed by Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Cooke and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,550 from the National Bank Limited, Galway, for the provision of three shelters at the Promenade, Salthill, Galway, the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of 10 years with interest at the rate of one-half per cent. under the Irish Banks' rate rising and falling from time to time with a minimum of £4 per cent. per annum, the said loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage over the Rates for the Galway County-at-Large."

8144.—RECONSTRUCTION OF PRIVATE ROADS IN GALWAY CITY. Secretary reported that sanction had not yet been received from the Department of Local Government to the raising of a loan of £15,110 as authorised by the Council at Minute 8102; that the County Engineer is anxious to proceed with the work. So that the work may not be delayed pending availability of the loan the approval of the Council is requested to an overdraft of £5,000 on Capital Account.

Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £5,000 on Capital Account pending raising of loan for reconstruction of 13 private roads in Galway Borough."

8145.—HEARNSBROOK BRIDGE. Report 28/4/50 from the County Engineer was submitted indicating that a new bridge is urgently required at Hearnbrook to replace the existing bridge which is in a bad state of repair; that the estimated cost of the new bridge would be £15,000.

The Council unanimously approved the appointment of a Consulting Engineer to investigate, report and prepare plans and estimate for provision of a new bridge at Hearnbrook to replace the existing defective bridge.

8146.—LOCAL AUTHORITIES (WORKS) ACT, 1949. Letter 24/4/50 from the County Engineer, together with Proposal No. 229 (£400) was submitted.

County Engineer explained that this proposal is intended to complete work which was started in year ended 31/3/50.

On the proposition of Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Carty the Council unanimously approved Proposal No. 229.

8147.—LABANE PUBLIC LIGHTING. Quotation 28/4/50 from the Electricity Supply Board for provision of public lighting at Labane was submitted.

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After discussion it was unanimously decided that consideration of the provision of public lighting for Labane be adjourned.

8148.—KILKERRIN WATER SUPPLY. Councillor Cunningham proposed and Deputy Killilea seconded:—
"That a satisfactory water supply be provided for Kilkerrin."

County Manager explained that the provision of a water supply for Kilkerrin is not on the existing priority list; that, however, as some years have elapsed since the list was prepared and the necessity for various other schemes has been investigated in the meantime, it is intended that the list will be revised and a copy of the revised list will, in due course, be sent to each Councillor; that the Council will then be in a position to see what place is given to Kilkerrin on the list.

8149.—PIER AT TURLOUGH, ROSMUCK (SRUTHAN BUI). In reply to Councillor Geoghegan's notice of motion County Engineer reported that it would cost approximately £200 to repair the pier at Sruthan Bui, Turlough, which is not vested in the Council.

It was decided that the Special Employment Schemes Office be requested to put this pier in proper state of repair on the understanding that the Council would take over the subsequent maintenance of the pier.

8150.—CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR OF PIERS AND SLIPS. Councillor O'Shea requested that the possibility of attending to the 12 small piers in Connemara area to which he previously referred, be pursued further.

8151.—ROAD TO CASHEL CEMETERY. County Engineer reported that the road to the cemetery leads from County Road No. 42 and is one mile long; that it is in a very bad state of repair and that it would cost approximately £800 to put it into a proper state of repair. County Engineer recommended that application be made to the Special Employment Schemes Office for a grant for this work; that failing a satisfactory reply from the Employment Schemes Office it might be possible to provide a small sum under the heading of "Burial Grounds" to carry out a certain amount of repairs to this road.

8152.—PUBLIC LIGHTING—GLENAMADDY AND WILLIAMSTOWN. Councillor Glynn proposed that public lighting be provided in Glenamaddy and Williamstown.

It was pointed out by the Chairman that the population of Williamstown is under the minimum figure, 150, set out in Minute 8114; that Glenamaddy has the requisite population and that,

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therefore, the proposal could be approved in regard to Glenamaddy but not in regard to Williamstown.

Councillor Glynn then requested that his notice of motion be adjourned in regard to public lighting for both Williamstown and Glenamaddy.

8153.—GLENAMADDY WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION. In connection with Councillor Glynn's notice of motion County Engineer reported that the extension east to the Workhouse would be approximately 600 yards and would serve four houses and the dispensary at an estimated cost of £600. The extension south to Lowry's house would be approximately 480 yards serving 7 houses and the estimated cost would be £455 10s. 0d.

Councillor Glynn considered that an extension of approximately 300 yards east towards the Workhouse would be sufficient.

It was decided that application be made to the Department of Local Government for a grant towards the cost of this work and that further consideration be deferred pending the Department's reply.

8154.—ERECTION OF COTTAGES AT ABBEY EAST AND ABBEY WEST. Deputy Killilea requested that the provision of cottages on the sites which are available in the Monastery grounds at Abbey be proceeded with immediately.

8155.—RESIDENT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT, GALWAY CENTRAL HOSPITAL. In reply to Councillor Brennan's notice of motion County Manager stated that a recommendation for appointment of Medical Superintendent had not been received by the Council from the Local Appointments Commission and the position had been re-advertised recently; that no further information in regard to this appointment is available.

8156.—PATIENTS AND STAFF—GALWAY CENTRAL HOSPITAL. The information requested in Councillor Brennan's notice of motion having been already supplied to him, he stated he did not wish to pursue the matter further at this stage.

8157.—COTTAGES AT DRUMGRIFFIN, CURRAN-DULLA. Councillor King asked if there is any possibility of starting work on Mr. Wade's land at Drumgriffin, Currandulla.

8158.—MOYCULLEN PUBLIC LIGHTING. As the population of Moycullen is under 150, it was decided to adjourn consideration of Councillor Cooke's notice of motion in regard to the provision of public lighting in Moycullen village.

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8159.—LETTERMORE OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE. On the proposition of Councillor O'Shea, seconded by Councillor Geoghegan, it was resolved that the following be appointed members of the Lettermore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee:—

Diarmuid Mac an Adastair, Beal a Daingin.
Padraic O Marta, Doire Arta Beag.
Padraic O Conhlabla (Mairtin), Leitir Meallain.
Mairtin O Suilleabhain, Camus Uachtair.
Miceal O Cathain, Ceathru Rua.
Micheal Og O Domhnaill, Ceathru Ruadh.

8160.—CONCRETE WINDOW SILLS. Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Cooke:—

"That concrete window sills be provided in the Regional Hospital, Galway, and in the extension to Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe."

County Manager stated that the recommendation would be conveyed to the Minister for Health, but it is to be noted that the cost of these Hospitals is being met in full from Hospital Trust Funds, and it would appear that the Minister's anxiety is to provide as much accommodation as possible with the funds available.

8161.—VISITING COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS. Consideration of reports of Visiting Committee on inspection of County Home on 13/4/50 and Children's Home on 22/4/50 was adjourned.

Letter 23/3/50 from the County Medical Officer was submitted and it was agreed that in accordance with his request meetings of the Visiting Committee to the Sanatorium would be arranged for 3 p.m. in future, instead of 1 p.m. as heretofore.

8162.—LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE. Proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Ruane and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council invite the Library Association of Ireland to hold its annual conference in Galway this year."

8163.—HOUSING (MANAGEMENT AND LETTING) REGULATIONS, 1950. Circular H. 20/50, 27/3/50, from the Department of Local Government was submitted, and it was arranged that a copy of the letter and regulations would be supplied to each member.

8164.—DECENTRALISATION. The Council unanimously approved the suggestion in letter, 29/4/50, from Galway Chamber of Commerce that the headquarters of the Department of Social Welfare should be transferred from Dublin to Galway.

8165.—MISCELLANEOUS. Minutes of meeting of County Council's General Council held on 15/12/49 were submitted, copies having been already circulated to the members.

Auditor's report and statement of accounts of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances for year ended 31/12/1949, were submitted.

Auditor's report and abstract of accounts of Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees for year ended 31/3/1949 were submitted.

8166.—SYMPATHY. Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

Relatives of the late Mr. E. A. Joyce, Louth County Manager. His Lordship, Most Reverend Doctor Dignan, Bishop of Clonfert, on the death of his brother.

Very Rev. Fr. Walsh, Portumna, on the death of his mother. Very Rev. H. O'Callaghan, Adm., Loughrea, on the death of his mother.

Mr. Patrick Fahy, Cahermore, Loughrea, on the death of his wife.

Mrs. P. Murray, Turloughmore, on the death of her husband.

Indexed E.H.

Submitted, approved and confirmed this 24th day of June 1950.

Muiris O'Connell Chairman

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- 12. (b) Senator R.M. Burke: "That Galway County Council requests the County Manager to give to rural County Council workers, all Church holidays on pay, in lieu of a second week's holiday which has already been given to urban Co. Council workers. The Council further agree to vote sufficient funds to enable the County Manager to make this additional payment."
- (c) Mr. M. Carty: "That having regard to the special claims of that district the County Council set aside a sum of money sufficient to erect a pump at Newtowndaly, Loughrea."
- (d) Deputy M. Witt: "That the 'Year Book' distributed to Councillors up to the coming into operation of the County Management Act be again provided - the absence of a sufficient acquaintance with Standing Orders making its provision an obvious need."
- (e) Mr. M. Concagh: "That I or someone on my behalf shall request the County Council to widen the road leading from Cloonclaun Cross to Frierland School, a distance of two miles, to make it safe for lorry traffic."

13. Auditor's reports and abstracts of accounts for year ended 31/3/1949,-

- (a) Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee;
- (b) River Suck Joint Drainage Committee;
- (c) Galway County Committee of Agriculture;
- (d) Galway County Vocational Education Committee.

14. Resolutions.

15. Other Business.

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COMAIRLE CONDBAE NA SAILLIHE.

OIFIS AN RÚNAI, Na Foinsníte Éinnbhae, Saillih.

16th Meitheamh, 1950.

Suídh: Saillih 55.

A CARA,

TARRCAR ORC leis seo beic i léadar as Cruinnú de Comairle Conbhae na Saillih i Seomra na Comairle ina na Foinsníte Conbhae, Saillih, Oia Saclairh, 24th Meitheamh, 1950, as 12.30 p.m. áclós.

Wise, le meas,

1. U'luadhais.

Rúnaí.

Cuís saé dáil de'n Comairle:

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- 1. Minutes.
- 2. To make the rates and to sign and seal the rate books for the financial year ending 31st March, 1951.

TO CONSIDER:

3. Reports of Visiting Committee:-

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| Sanatorium..... | 18/3/1950 |
| Central Hospital..... | 1/4/1950 |
| County Home..... | 13/4/1950 |
| Childrens' Home..... | 22/4/1950 |
| Clifden Hospital..... | 20/5/1950 |

- 4. Sale of certain derelict sites in Tuam to Tuam Town Commissioners - Notice sent to each member on 22/5/1950.
- 5. Proposed re-organisation of Council's Engineering Services - Report 27/5/1950 from the County Engineer.
- 6. Overdraft Accommodation for quarter ending 30/9/1950:-
 - (a) General Account
 - (b) Turf Account.
- 7. Contribution to Galway Harbour Commissioners in respect of deficit for year ended 31/12/1949 - confirmation of resolution of 25/3/1950.
- 8. Application for Cinema Licence - Mr. Fred McCormick for travelling Cinema
- 9. Water and Sewerage Extension at Athenry Road, Loughrea - financial arrangements.
- 10. Letter 5/6/1950 from County Councils General Council requesting notice of matters to be placed on the Agenda for August meeting.
- 11. Appointment of a delegate on governing body of the Library Association of Ireland.
- 12. Councillors' Notices of Motion;-
 - (a) Mr. J. Geoghegan: "That Public Lighting be provided in the village of Oughterard."

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In the Chair:—Senator M. Quinn, Deputy M. Kitt and Mr. M. Carty, Co.C.

Also Present:—Deputy P. Beegan, Clr. J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Clrs. S. Burke, J. Casey, J. Fitzmaurice, P. Cooke, P. Collins, J. Cunningham, J. Curley, M. Concagh, J. Ruane, P. Fury, T. O'Seaghdha, S. Glynn, Deputy M. Killilea, Clr. T. King, Clrs. P. Kyne, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. Nestor, J. Geoghegan, and T. O'Connor.

8167. Minutes: The Minutes of the Council to No. 1866 having been circulated to the members were taken as read. Mr. Glynn referred to Minute No. 8152, and pointed out that his intention was that consideration of public lighting for Glenmaddy and Williamstown should be adjourned to this meeting only. The Minutes were then signed by the Chairman.

8168. Strike in Galway: It was proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. O'Connor:

"That the Council request the Government to send a responsible official to Galway to investigate the causes of the Strike of yard workers and dock workers which has now been in progress for ten weeks, and that the Government be asked to implement the recommendations of the said official."

Mr. King referred to the departure of the S.S. Venus unladen and stated that the Government should be held responsible for the continuation of this Strike. Mr. Nestor referred to Minute No. 8131, and asked what progress was made at the Conference which the Chairman attended; he did not agree with Mr. King's statement regarding the Government's responsibility. Mr. Collins proposed that legislation be introduced to fix the rate of wages for the various grades of workers. This proposal was not seconded. Mr. Casey proposed and Mr. Nestor seconded as a negative to Mr. King's proposal:

"That the dispute between the workers and the employers in Galway be referred back to the Labour Court to re-consider it in relation to the cost of living."

A vote taken on Mr. Casey's proposal resulted as follows:—

For: Messrs. Casey, Mannion and Nestor . . . (3)

Against: Messrs. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Carty, Fitzmaurice, Collins, Cooke, Curley, Ruane, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, O'Connor, Geoghegan and Quinn . . . (17)

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Mr. King's proposal was then put to the meeting—the vote being as follows:

For: Messrs. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Carty, Fitzmaurice, Collins, Cooke, Curley, Ruane, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, O'Connor, Geoghegan and Quinn . . . (17)

Against: Messrs. Casey, Mannion and Nestor . . . (3)

Messrs. Beegan, Cunningham, Concagh, Fury and O'Seaghdha did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. King's proposal carried.

8169. University Scholarship Scheme: Mr. Brennan asked if an application had been received for extension of a university scholarship awarded by the Council. The Secretary reported that application for an extension had been received from Mr. W. P. Kyne, 5, Walsh's Terrace, Wood Quay, Galway who is pursuing a medical course and who had already been granted in Minute No. 7973 of the 10/3/49 an extension to his scholarship for a period of one year in excess of the period authorised by the scheme for 1944 under which this university scholarship was awarded. Mr. Brennan pointed out that this will be the student's final year. It was proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Carty and resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve extension for a further and final year of the scholarship awarded to Mr. Wm. P. Kyne, 5, Walsh's Terrace, Wood Quay, Galway, under the Council's University Scholarship Scheme for year 1944."

8170. Senator R. M. Burke, Co.C.: Mr. Carty referred to the impending departure from Ireland of Senator R. M. Burke—paid tributes to his courtesy, kindness and charity and expressed regret at his departure from the Council and wished Senator Burke every good luck in the work which he is undertaking. The Council unanimously joined in Mr. Carty's good wishes to Senator Burke and in his expression of regret on his departure.

8171 Holy Year:—Letter 13/6/50 from the Vatican conveying to the Council the Apostolic Blessing of the Holy Father was read to the Council by the Chairman. Senator Quinn proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded and resolved:—

"That as Mr. M. Carty, Vice-Chairman, will be going on a Pilgrimage to Rome during this Holy Year, the Council express, through him, their deep appreciation of His Holiness' acknowledgment of the Council's resolution of the 28th January, 1950."

8172 Rates for Financial Year ending 31st March, 1951: It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. O'Connor and resolved:

"That the Council do hereby allow and make the rates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1951, as assessed in the Rate Books."

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. O'Connor and resolved:—

"That the Rate Books for the year ending 31st March, 1951, be signed and sealed with the Seal of the Council." The Rate Books were then signed and sealed. Rate Arrears Lists for year ended 31st March, 1950, were submitted and noted. The Secretary read statements of particulars of Rate Collection for the year ended 31st March, 1950, indicating that 97.75% of the Collectors' Warrants was lodged as compared with 97.45% in the previous year.

8173 Visiting Committee of Institutions: Reports of the Visiting Committee for the following meetings were submitted:—

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| Sanatorium | 18/3/50 |
| Central Hospital | 1/4/50 |
| County Home | 13/4/50 |
| Childrens' Home | 22/4/50 |
| Clifden Hospital | 20/5/50 |

Sanatorium:—Messrs. Brennan and King referred to the milk supplies to the Sanatorium and stated that when the tender for pasteurized milk was accepted for a period of three months, it was understood that the Council would be given an opportunity to consider the matter before arrangements were made for supplies subsequent to the 30th June, 1950. The Secretary replied that originally the tenders received were for a period of 12 months to the 31st March, 1951; that the tender for pasteurized milk was accepted for three months only so that the Council might be in a position to terminate the contract should it prove unsatisfactory; early in June the County Medical Officer was asked to report regarding the matter and his report indicated that the supply of pasteurized milk to the Sanatorium from 1st April was satisfactory; consequently, arrangements were made to continue for the full period to the 31st March, 1951, the contract with Comhlucht Baine na Gaillimhe. Mr. Ruane asked if it was a fact that the afternoon tea supplied to the patients in the Sanatorium had recently been discontinued. The County Manager indicated that inquiries would be made regarding this matter.

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Central Hospital:—Clr. S. Burke stated that it is difficult for visitors to find their friends in the Maternity Hospital as there is nobody available to direct visitors to the wards in which the patients are. Mr. Brennan referred to the inadequacy of the nursing staff and porters in the Maternity Hospital and stated that he would raise this matter again. Mr. Cooke stated that some of the equipment in the Theatre in the Central Hospital is unsuitable.

DEPUTY KITT NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

In reply to Mr. O'Seaghdha, the County Manager stated that a recommendation for the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent to the Central Hospital had not yet been received from the Local Appointments Commission. Mr. O'Seaghdha asked that a competent knowledge of Irish be considered an essential for this post.

Mr. Brennan asked that the question of the appointment of a whole-time Surgeon be brought before the Council for consideration.

Childrens' Home: Deputy Kitt stated that the Midwife at the Childrens' Home, who normally receives a fee of £1 10 0 per case, does not receive any fee when it is considered necessary to remove the maternity case to the Central Hospital. Deputy Kitt asked that this matter be investigated as he considers that the arrangement is unjust.

Mr. Glynn asked that the completion of the Agreement for the handing over of the building to the Nuns be expedited.

MR. M. CARTY, Co.C. NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

Clifden Hospital: With regard to the arrangement for appointment of a substitute for the Porter so as to enable him to rest after completion of a long night journey, it was requested that the arrangement which is at present in operation from the 1st October to the succeeding 30th April be extended to cover the full year. The County Manager agreed that this would be done.

8174 Derelict Sites in Tuam: Notice 22/5/50 regarding sale of certain derelict sites in Tuam to the Tuam Town Commissioners which had already been circulated to the Council was submitted. It was proposed by Senator R. M. Burke, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and unanimously resolved:—
"That the Council hereby approve the sale of twenty derelict sites at Tuam, as described hereunder, to the Tuam Town Commissioners for the sum of £638 12 0."

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SITES ACQUIRED UNDER ACQUISITION OF DERELICT
SITES ACT, 1940, TO BE SOLD TO TUAM TOWN
COMMISSIONERS.

| Site No. | Area A.R.P. | From whom Acquired | Compensation | | Costs | | Total Cost | |
|----------|-------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|------------|------|
| | | | Awarded (or Agreed) | Awarded | Awarded | Awarded | | |
| 1. | 0 0 8 | Michael Keane | £ 30 | s. 0 | £ 2 | s. 0 | £ 32 | s. 0 |
| 2. | 0 0 4 | Delia Brown | 15 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 17 | 2 0 |
| 3. | 0 0 3 | Patrick Gallagher | 8 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 10 | 2 0 |
| 4. | 0 0 3 | Fanny Cremins | 5 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 7 | 2 0 |
| 5. | 0 0 2 | R. M. Burke | 2 | 10 0 | — | — | 2 | 10 0 |
| 7. | 0 0 3 | Mrs. P. Joyce | 10 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 12 | 2 0 |
| 8. | 0 0 3 | Martin Ryan | 5 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 7 | 2 0 |
| 9. | 0 0 2 | Mrs. Reidy | 4 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 6 | 2 0 |
| 20. | 0 0 4½ | Mary Ann Ward | 5 | 12 6 | — | — | 5 | 12 6 |
| 21. | 0 0 8 | Mr. Gormally | 15 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 17 | 2 0 |
| 22. | 0 0 3 | R. M. Burke | 3 | 15 0 | — | — | 3 | 15 0 |
| 23. | 0 0 22 | Mrs. P. Roche | 30 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 32 | 2 0 |
| 24. | 0 0 24 | T. Trayors & Ors. | 32 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 34 | 2 0 |
| 26. | 0 0 7 | P. Mannion | 20 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 22 | 2 0 |
| 28. | 0 1 26 | Delia Brown | 90 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 92 | 2 0 |
| 34. | 0 0 7 | Honor Harlowe | 8 | 15 0 | — | — | 8 | 15 0 |
| 35. | 0 0 28 | Martin Ryan | 35 | 0 0 | — | — | 35 | 0 0 |
| 38. | 0 0 14 | — | 17 | 10 0 | — | — | 17 | 10 0 |
| 39. | 0 0 14½ | — | 18 | 2 6 | — | — | 18 | 2 6 |
| 99. | 0 2 32 | Lester Strahan | 200 | 0 0 | 2 | 12 6 | 202 | 12 6 |
| | | | 555 | 5 0 | 27 | 16 6 | 583 | 1 6 |

Add 10% of Compensation for the Engineering, Secretarial and General Overhead Expenses of the County Council

55 10 6
£638 12 0

The Tuam Town Commissioners will be required to pay the costs of legal transfer.

All of the sites set out above are in the Town of Tuam and in the Parish of Tuam, and with the exception of No. 99 they are in the Barony of Clare. No. 99 is in the Barony of Dunmore.

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8175 Engineering Services: Report 27/5/50 from the County Engineer in regard to the contemplated re-organization of the Engineering Services for the County was submitted. It was proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved:—

"That a committee consisting of the members set out hereunder be appointed to consider this matter, and that the Committee meet at the County Buildings, Galway at 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 8th July, 1950:—Senator M. Quinn, Messrs. J. Nestor, M. Killilea, P. Collins, M. Kitt, J. Mannion, P. Kyne, P. Cooke, J. Brennan, M. Carty and S. Burke.

8176 Overdraft: It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Beegan and resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation, not exceeding £100,000 on General Account, for the quarter ending 30th September, 1950."

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Beegan and resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation, not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for the quarter ending 30th September, 1950."

8177 Grant to Galway Harbour Commissioners: It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Casey and resolved:

"That the Council hereby confirm the resolution adopted in Minute No. 8105 of the 25/3/50 approving the making of a contribution of £568 1 11 to the Galway Harbour Commissioners in respect of deficit in the Commissioners' accounts for year ended 31st December, 1949."

Deputy Killilea referred to the departure of the S.S. Venus unladen and stated that the Council should indicate that favourable consideration might not be given to the making of future contributions to deficits at the Harbour. It was pointed out by other members that the Commissioners could not be held responsible for the departure of this vessel unladen.

8178 Cinema Licence: On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Beegan, the granting of a cinema licence to Mr. Fred McCormick in respect of his Travelling Cinema was approved.

8179 Water and Sewerage Extension at Athenry Road, Loughrea: In response to Mr. Carty's inquiry the County Engineer's report dated 8/6/50 was submitted indicating that the water main has already been extended in Athenry

Road, Loughrea, and that the estimated cost of extending the main sewer for a distance of 500 yards is £625. On the proposition of Deputy Beegan, seconded by Clr. Ruane, the Council recommended that the extension of the main sewer be undertaken—the cost to be charged to Revenue Account.

8180 Athenry Sewerage: Clr. Ruane asked that the extension of the Sewerage Scheme to Caheroyan, Athenry be expedited.

8181 County Councils' General Council: Mr. Brennan requested that the question of requiring the Department of Education to defray in full or contribute substantially to the cost of water supplies for schools be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting of the General Council.

8182 Library Association: Letter 8/5/50 from the Library Association of Ireland was submitted Mr. Brennan proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded and it was resolved:—

"That Mr. M. Carty, be appointed as the Council's delegate on the Governing Body of the Library Association of Ireland."

8183 Oughterard Public Lighting: The file regarding this matter was submitted, including quotation from the Electricity Supply Board, for installation of 10 lights at a cost of £111 10 1d. with an annual charge of £9 3 7d. for replacement of lamps and cleaning of equipment and, in addition, the cost of current consumed. It was proposed by Mr. Geoghegan, seconded by Mr. Mannion and resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the provision of public lighting for Oughterard Town."

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SITES ACQUIRED UNDER ACQUISITION OF DERELICT SITES ACT, 1940, TO BE SOLD TO TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

| Site No. | Area A.R.P. | From whom Acquired | Compensation Awarded (or Agreed) | | Costs Awarded | | Total Cost | |
|----------|-------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------|---------------|-------|------------|-------|
| | | | £ | s. d. | £ | s. d. | £ | s. d. |
| 1. | 0 0 8 | Michael Keane | 30 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 32 | 2 0 |
| 2. | 0 0 4 | Delia Brown | 15 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 17 | 2 0 |
| 3. | 0 0 3 | Patrick Gallagher | 8 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 10 | 2 0 |
| 4. | 0 0 3 | Fanny Cremins | 5 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 7 | 2 0 |
| 5. | 0 0 2 | R. M. Burke | 2 | 10 0 | — | — | 2 | 10 0 |
| 7. | 0 0 3 | Mrs. P. Joyce | 10 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 12 | 2 0 |
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| 9. | 0 0 2 | Mrs. Reidy | 4 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 6 | 2 0 |
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| 21. | 0 0 8 | Ml. Gormally | 15 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 17 | 2 0 |
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| 23. | 0 0 22 | Mrs. P. Roche | 30 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 32 | 2 0 |
| 24. | 0 0 24 | T. Trayers & Ors. | 32 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 34 | 2 0 |
| 26. | 0 0 7 | P. Mannion | 20 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 22 | 2 0 |
| 28. | 0 1 26 | Delia Brown | 90 | 0 0 | 2 | 2 0 | 92 | 2 0 |
| 34. | 0 0 7 | Honor Harlowe | 8 | 15 0 | — | — | 8 | 15 0 |
| 35. | 0 0 28 | Martin Ryan | 35 | 0 0 | — | — | 35 | 0 0 |
| 38. | 0 0 14 | — | 17 | 10 0 | — | — | 17 | 10 0 |
| 39. | 0 0 14½ | — | 18 | 2 6 | — | — | 18 | 2 6 |
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The Tuam Town Commissioners will be required to pay the costs of legal transfer.

All of the sites set out above are in the Town of Tuam and in the Parish of Tuam, and with the exception of No. 99 they are in the Barony of Clare. No. 99 is in the Barony of Dunmore.

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"That a committee consisting of the members set out hereunder be appointed to consider this matter, and that the Committee meet at the County Buildings, Galway at 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 8th July, 1950:—Senator M. Quinn, Messrs. J. Nestor, M. Killilea, P. Collins, M. Kitt, J. Mannion P. Kyne, P. Cooke, J. Brennan, M. Carty and S. Burke.

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"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation, not exceeding £100,000 on General Account, for the quarter ending 30th September, 1950."

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"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation, not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for the quarter ending 30th September, 1950."

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"That the Council hereby confirm the resolution adopted in Minute No. 8105 of the 25/3/50 approving the making of a contribution of £568 1 11 to the Galway Harbour Commissioners in respect of deficit in the Commissioners' accounts for year ended 31st December, 1949."

Deputy Killilea referred to the departure of the S.S. Venus unladen and stated that the Council should indicate that favourable consideration might not be given to the making of future contributions to deficits at the Harbour. It was pointed out by other members that the Commissioners could not be held responsible for the departure of this vessel unladen.

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8179 Water and Sewerage Extension at Athenry Road, Loughrea: In response to Mr. Carty's inquiry the County Engineer's report dated 8/6/50 was submitted indicating that the water main has already been extended in Athenry

Road, Loughrea, and that the estimated cost of extending the main sewer for a distance of 500 yards is £625. On the proposition of Deputy Beegan, seconded by Clr. Ruane, the Council recommended that the extension of the main sewer be undertaken—the cost to be charged to Revenue Account.

8180 Athenry Sewerage: Clr. Ruane asked that the extension of the Sewerage Scheme to Caheroyan, Athenry be expedited.

8181 County Councils' General Council: Mr. Brennan requested that the question of requiring the Department of Education to defray in full or contribute substantially to the cost of water supplies for schools be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting of the General Council.

8182 Library Association: Letter 8/5/50 from the Library Association of Ireland was submitted Mr. Brennan proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded and it was resolved:—

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8192 Auditor's Reports, Etc.: The Auditor's reports and Abstracts of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1949, were submitted and noted for:

- (a) Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee;
- (b) River Suck Joint Drainage Committee;
- (c) Galway County Committee of Agriculture;
- (d) Galway County Vocational Education Committee.

8193 Resolutions: The Council adopted the following resolutions:

- (a) from Kerry County Council regarding repatriation to Ireland of the remains of Roger Casement;
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Resolution from Galway Corporation regarding the abandonment of the present system of rating and replacing it by a just and more equitable system was read.

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made he would have pursued them until a satisfactory explanation would be obtained.

8195 Sympathy: Votes of Sympathy were passed with the following: Mr. M. Kennedy, Main St., Loughrea, on the death of his sister; Mr. Martin Healy, Main St., Loughrea, on the death of his wife; Mr. M. Healy, Summerhill, Ennis, on the death of his son; Mrs. P. Kennedy, Cross St., Loughrea, on the death of her mother; Mrs. Martyn, Doograun, Loughrea, on the death of her husband; Rev. Fr. Mulrennan, C.C., Athenry, on the death of his brother; Mrs. Jas. Fahy, Northgate St., Athenry, on the death of her aunt.

8196 Vacancy: At the close of the meeting Senator R. M. Burke formally tendered his resignation from membership of the Council. It was proposed by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mr. Collins and resolved:

"That consequent on the resignation of Senator R. M. Burke, Toghermore, Tuam, the Galway County Council declares that a vacancy now exists on the Council and directs that the appropriate notice be given of the existence of such vacancy."

The declaration of Vacancy was signed by Senator Quinn and Councillors Casey and Collins.

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*Submitted, approved, & confirmed this
22nd July, 1950.*

M. S. O'Connell Chairman

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Comhairle Connbae na Galway i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foinsighíte
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M.S. O'Maolruanaid.

Rúnaí Seailbadae.

Cuig zac bail de'n Comhairle:

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8. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 - 1950/51 Schemes.
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 - (a) Councillor M. Carty: (i) That this Council recommends that attendants in the County Home, Loughrea, be granted the same salary scale and conditions of work as obtain in Ballinasloe Mental Hospital; (ii) That this Council make certain recommendations to the Minister for Local Government with regard to the payment of loans under S.O.A. Acts.
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 - (d) Councillor J. Casey: That the Council request the Government to prohibit the importation of Cross Channel newspapers and periodicals on the grounds that territorial integrity is useless without cultural independence.
 - (e) Councillor J. J. Nestor: (i) That Mr. P. A. Kerrane, Milltown, be appointed on the Milltown Old Age Pension Committee. (ii) That the monument erected at Killavogher, Dunmore, to the memory of Thomas Mullen, who was brutally murdered by British forces during the fight for Irish freedom, be raised in proportion to the level of the road which is now being steam-rolled.
 - 9(f). Councillor P. Fury: That the river from Lough Turroes through Headford and Mount Ross to the Corrib be cleaned, deepened and widened.
 - (e). Councillor P. Cooke: That we request the Minister for Local Government to give the voters an opportunity at next Local Elections whether they wish to have Galway City made a City Borough.
 - (10) Application of Gort and South Galway Agricultural Show Society that it be declared an approved local Council under Section 8 of the Local Government Act, 1941.
 - (11). Other business.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

MINUTES of MEETING of COMMITTEE appointed by GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL to Consider County Engineer's Report on Proposed Scheme for the Re-Organization of the County Engineering Services held at County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 8th JULY, 1950.

PRESENT: Senator M. Quinn, Deputy M. Kitt, Cols. J. Brennan, S. Burke, M. Carty, P. Collins, P. Cooke, P. Kyne, J. Mannion and J.J. Nestor.

IN ATTENDANCE: County Manager, County Engineer and Acting Secretary.

It was unanimously decided that Senator M. Quinn be appointed Chairman.

The Chairman opening the discussion stated that a comparison between the expenditure on roads, etc., during 1939 and 1949/50 was not a true guide to the additional work alleged as wages and material costs had increased considerably during the ensuing years.

Councillor Collins asked if the proposed establishment was final. He stated that he considered the appointment of a Mechanical Engineer a necessity due to the large amount of machinery under the County Council's control.

Councillor Carty stated that the County Council were losing the super-annuation contributions which would be deductible from permanent officials whilst the employment of temporary officers was persisted in.

Deputy Kitt stated that the scheme appeared to him to be a consolidation of present temporary appointments and, if so, they were unjustly treating the temporary officers.

Councillor Cooke asked if increased cost would result in increased efficiency and questioned the necessity for the appointment of an assistant architect. He opined that a first class fitter with practical experience could do the mechanical engineering work.

Councillor Nestor stated he considered it unfair that Mr. Martyn, Chief Assistant County Engineer, should lose any remuneration consequent on the proposed re-organization. He asked if the proposed assistant Architect would look after the planning of future housing schemes.

Councillor Brennan stated he considered it more satisfactory from the Council's point of view to have permanent officers rather than temporary ones.

Councillor Mannion questioned the main road mileage in the schedule submitted in respect of the Clifden area.

County Manager stated that Mr. Martyn's position as Consulting Engineer to the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital would cease under the scheme and that he would consequently suffer the loss of fees to a maximum limit of £100 per annum. He stated that as this position was only of a temporary nature the remuneration therefrom would not rank for superannuation purposes. The County Council could, if they so wished, compensate him by proposing his salary be increased by £100 per annum, and that this be personal to him and not apply to any subsequent holder of his office. As regards the Town Surveyors for Ballinasloe, Tuam and Loughrea, their County Health District areas were being reduced as compensation for the abolition of these offices as at present constituted. He stated that a large volume of new works were being taken over by the Council, viz., extra sewerage and waterworks schemes, new housing schemes, and the Sanatorium and Central Hospital. He stated that the appointment of an Assistant Architect would dispense with the necessity for the employment of Architects on small works, e.g., dispensaries and future housing schemes. He mentioned that the additional cost to the rates would be approximately £4000 per annum as the proportion of the temporary Engineers' salaries at present chargeable against the road sections would now have to be charged against salaries.

It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kyne, and unanimously RESOLVED: "That this Committee recommend the adoption of the scheme of re-organization as submitted by the County Engineer and that in so far as the Ballinasloe area is concerned, this recommendation be contingent on the granting to Mr. M. Martyn, Chief Assistant County Engineer, of an increase in salary of £100 per annum, personal to him, having regard to his present position of Consulting Engineer to the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital, his long service with the Galway County Council and his national record."

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, THE 22nd JULY, 1950.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.
Also present: Deputy P. Beegan, Cirs. J. Brennan, S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, J. Fitzmaurice, P. Cooke, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Furey, S. Glynn, T. O'Seaghda, Deputy M. Killilea, Clr. T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Cirs. P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, T. O'Connor and J. Geoghegan.

8197 Minutes: The Minutes of the Council to No. 8196 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and then signed by the Chairman.

8198 Reorganization of County Engineering Services: Minutes of Committee meeting held on 8th July, 1950, having been circulated, it was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Deputy Beegan and resolved:—"That consideration of the proposed reorganization be deferred until after the elections."

8199 Auditor's Report—Year ended 31/3/1948: The Auditor's Report on the accounts for year ended 31/3/1948 having been circulated, the Chairman suggested that the report be published in the Public Press. Clr. Casey stated that it seemed to disclose that there was a lot to be desired in the line of efficiency on the part of the officials. Clr. Carty stated that he knew of at least one official who had an answer to the charges made in connection with his Department. It was proposed by Clr. Brennan, seconded by Clr. Carty and resolved:—"That consideration of the Auditor's Report on the accounts for the year ended 31/3/1948 be deferred until the officers against whom criticism had been made have been given an opportunity to submit their reports."

8200 Abstract of Accounts Year ended 31st March, 1950: The Abstract of accounts for year ended 31st March, 1950 was considered and adopted on the proposal of Clr. Glynn, seconded by Deputy Beegan.

8201 County Library Premises Galway City: Co. Manager explained that because of insufficient accommodation the Co. Libraries Staff were finding it very difficult to run both a Co. Library headquarters and a City Library in the one Building. The owner of the property near the old jail site was prepared to sell the site which would be ideal for a City Library and

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could incorporate amongst other things a Museum, Art Gallery and Municipal Offices. Clr. Brennan considered that this would not be in accordance with the Town Planning Scheme which ear-marked the site in question for a civic centre. Clr. Cunningham remarked that it was a lack of civic spirit on the part of the citizens of Galway that such a municipal building had not been provided before now. Clr. King mentioned that the matter had already been discussed by the Libraries Committee. As a temporary expedient he suggested that the Co. Library Headquarters be transferred to the Co. Buildings on completion of the new extension pending the building of a permanent structure. Clr. Carty approved of the Co. Manager's suggestion and deplored the absence of fine public buildings in Galway City. Clr. Glynn endorsed the Co. Manager's suggestion. Clr. Cooke stated that it should have been incorporated in the Co. Buildings extension scheme, or alternatively as a separate building near O'Brien's Bridge. Clr. O'Connor opined that such a building would be an asset to the city. Deputy Beegan asked about the possibility of a state grant and suggested that the matter be deferred for consideration by the New Council. It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. O'Connor and resolved:—"That the Galway Corporation be invited to appoint three representatives to a joint committee of the Corporation and Co. Council to consider the establishment in Galway City of a civic centre incorporating Municipal Offices, Co. Library headquarters, a Museum, an Art Gallery and possibly a Gaelic Theatre."

8202 Provision of Water Supplies: Proposed by Clr. Cunningham, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and resolved:—"That the Council approve of the provision of Water Supplies for Kilkerrin (Ballinasloe), Menlough and Moylough at estimated costs of £5,000, £4,000 and £6,000 respectively and of the appointment of Consulting Engineers therefor."

Cirs. O'Connor and O'Shea enquired as to the position as regards Barna and Costello Water Supplies respectively and were advised that both schemes had been submitted to the Department of Local Government for Sanction.

Clr. Burke enquired as to the position as regards pumps in rural areas generally, more especially in Woodford and Portumna and was informed that provision for a specified number was made in each year's estimate.

Deputy Killilea considered that the Sewerage systems already provided were not being fully availed of and he suggested that before any new scheme be approved of, a

canvas of the inhabitants of the district be made with a view to securing an undertaking from at least 75% to connect up.

8203 Road Works—Councillors' Notices of Motion: Deputy Kitt said he understood the £15,000 was provided in the estimates for the making of backward roads that were not near main roads. He stated that the notices of motion appeared to be in respect of existing roads. He suggested that the Schedule of schemes be submitted to the Employment Schemes Office and application for grants therefor made. When the grants were sanctioned the £15,000 provided in the estimates could be used to meet the balance of the costs of construction and a larger volume of work carried out accordingly. Clr. Burke agreed. Clr. Casey stated that it was ridiculous spending money on the maintenance of very narrow roads—they should be of a minimum width. Clr. Glynn requested information on the minimum standard road width. Clr. O'Connor said that the inhabitants of the Barna and Spiddal areas were too poor to contribute anything to qualify for a Special Employment Schemes Grant. Deputy Killilea suggested that the County Council apply to the Special Employment Schemes Office for a list of the applications received from Co. Galway and that this list be compared with the Schedule before them now. Senator Quinn stated that he considered some of the estimated costs of the proposed works exceptionally high. Deputy Beegan alleged that fictitious estimates were given for the roads in order to prevent the work being done, and they were in some cases three times the actual cost. He said that an Inspector from the Special Employment Schemes Office would give considerable lower estimates for these Schemes. He asked if the road mentioned in his 2nd Notice had been inspected and examined and opined that it had not. He stated that the Co. Manager and Co. Engineer were not prepared to add to the County Road mileage in accordance with directions they had received from the Department of Local Government and he suggested that the Council delete the £15,000 provided in the estimates. Clr. Cunningham associated himself with Deputy Beegan's remarks, as also did Clr. King. Clr. Ruane stated that the estimates submitted on the schedule in respect of four out of his six Notices of Motion were less than what he thought they would cost. Clr. Geoghegan asked if Deputy Kitt's proposition entailed shelving of the Notices of Motion as scheduled. Both the County Manager and County Engineer emphatically refuted Deputy Beegan's allegations and the County Engineer

notified the date the road in question had been examined. It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Killilea and resolved:—"That the Co. Secretary submit to the Office of Public Works all the roads sent in by the Councillors with a view to ascertaining

- (a) if such schemes had been submitted to them for Rural Improvements Schemes Grants,
- (b) the amount of grant allocated in each case by them,
- (c) the amount levied on the beneficiaries, and
- (d) in the event of the County Council being prepared to take over these roads for repair and maintenance would the Employment Schemes Office be prepared to make their grants available for this purpose?"

It was unanimously resolved that a deputation consisting of the Chairman and Dail Deputies on the Co. Council together with the County Engineer wait on the Commissioners of Public Works on the 16th August, 1950 to discuss the resolution.

8204 Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 1950/51 Schemes: The Council was informed that the Department of Local Government had notified a Grant of £80,000 for the County. Mr. Carty considered the Grant a very meagre one when compared with the allocation of £140,000 to Cork. He stated that on the basis of the area of the two counties there did not appear to be any justification for such a large discrepancy. Mr. Mannion deplored the condition of the road-way opposite the Post Office at Inishboffin and pressed for its reconstruction. He suggested that tar barrels filled with concrete might provide a solid foundation.

The County Engineer explained that the Schedule of Schemes submitted would cost £71,000. As regards the balance of the Grant available he suggested that £6,000 be allocated to the repair of the sea wall and road at Inishboffin and £700 to the protection of the graveyards on the Aran Islands which are subject to coast erosion.

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satisfaction with the Minister for Local Government for the inadequate Grant of £80,000 made to Galway County for the year 1950/1 under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949, and that he be requested to make an additional allocation."

It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved: "That this Council approves of the employment of three temporary assistant Co. Engineers to help with the supervision of works under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949-1950/51 Schemes."

Clr. Burke requested the County Engineer to spread sand on the margins of tarred roads so as to make them safe for horse and cart traffic.

8205 Remuneration of Attendants Employed in the Co. Home Loughrea: Clr. Carty considered that the salaries paid to the Attendants at the Co. Home, Loughrea, was inadequate when compared with those paid to the attendants at Ballinasloe Mental Hospital. He also complained of the long working hours of these employees and pressed for an improvement.

The County Manager explained that the present salaries were a big improvement on those paid some years ago. Clr. Carty proposed that the scales be increased as follows:—

Male Attendants—£80 x £5 = £100.

Female Attendants—£70 x £5 = £90.

The County Manager undertook to place the recommendation before the Minister for Health.

8206 Loans Under S.D.A. Acts: Clr. Carty made representations regarding the delay in the issue of Loans under the S.D.A. Acts to Applicants in County Galway. He stated that whereas Dublin Corporation had issued 900 such loans last year, Galway had only issued four in full out of a total of 85 applications. He complained that the applicants and the small contractors who were building for them were being put to the expense of paying interest on Bank accommodation provided pending receipt of advances of the loans.

It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Casey and resolved: "That this Council make representations through the County Solicitor to the Minister for Justice that titles to land be registered at the Galway Office of the Registrar of Titles so as to expedite the issue of loans under the S.D. Acts by the Council."

8207 Kilclough—Buggauns—Ballythomas Road: Councillor Cunningham's notice of motion was deferred to the next

meeting of the Council.

8208 Glenamaddy Branch Librarian: Representations were made by Clr. Cunningham concerning the inadequacy of the salary offered for the position of Branch Librarian Glenamaddy. He stated that it was a big populous district of 50,000 potential readers and suggested a salary of £1. per week. Clr. Ruane agreed. The Chairman suggested that such recommendations should come from the Libraries Committee. It was proposed by Clr. Cunningham, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved: "That the County Manager be requested to review the remuneration of all Branch Librarians with a view to considering the adequacy of the remuneration in each case."

8209. Roundstone Dispensary Depot: Clr. Mannion complained that there was no proper Dispensary Depot Accommodation in Roundstone at present for the Medical Officer and suggested that a new one be built on one of the Derelict Sites available there. The County Manager explained that he was negotiating with the Rev. Mr. McKeown in the matter. Clr. Mannion suggested that the County Manager deal direct with the Church of Ireland Trustees.

8210 Ballyconneely Cemetery: Clr. Mannion complained that Ballyconneely Cemetery was overcrowded and mentioned that burials were difficult due to defective drainage. A report from the County Engineer was read.

8211 Cregg Cemetery: Clr. Fury alleged that the old cemetery was overcrowded and suggested that it be completely closed.

8212 Cross Channel Newspapers and Periodicals: Clr. Casey quoted figures showing the volume of daily and weekly newspapers and periodicals imported into this Country during the past months. He opined that cultural independence was as essential as political or economic freedom. He alleged that the flood of foreign newspapers was consolidating Partition, hindering the language revival and encouraging emigration. He stated that he wished to amend his motion by substituting a tariff instead of an actual prohibition. He considered that the importation of the type of journal we wished to develop here could be regulated on a quota basis. Clr. O'Shea supported the motion and stated that these importations were undermining the national fibre. Clr. Cunningham agreed. Clr. Carty stated that he did not favour a curtailment of the freedom of the press. He stated that any citizen who con-

sidered a publication offensive could appeal to the Censorship Board to have it banned. He suggested that the Government set up a commission to enquire into the matter. Clr. Burke stated that it was a matter for the Censorship Board and that it be left to its discretion.

It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Casey and resolved: "That this Council requests the Government to set up a Commission to enquire into periodicals and books offensive to the Irish way of life and that said Commission make recommendations to the Government thereon."

8213 Clr J. J. Nestor's Notices of Motion: re Milltown Old Age Pension Committee and monument to memory of Thomas Mullen were deferred to the next meeting of the Council on receipt of a message from him requesting same.

8214 River from Lough Turroe to the Corrib: Clr. Fury stated that the river from Lough Turroe through Headford and Mount Ross to the Corrib needed cleaning, widening and deepening. The County Engineer undertook to have it surveyed and included in the next Schedule of L.A.W.'s Schemes.

8215 Galway City Borough: Clr. Brennan, in the absence of Clr. Cooke moved the latter's motion: "That we request the Minister for Local Government to give the voters an opportunity at the next Local Elections whether they wish to have Galway City made a City Borough." He said that as Galway was already a City Borough, he did not understand the motion. It was deferred until next meeting on the proposition of Clr. Brennan, seconded by Clr. King.

8216 Gort and South Galway Agricultural Show Society:— Application from Gort and South Galway Agricultural Show Society that it be declared an approved Local Council under Section 8 of the local Government Act, 1941 was deferred.

8217 Ardrahan Parish Guild: Application from Ardrahan Parish Guild, Muinntir na Tire that it be declared an approved local Council under Section 8 of the Local Government Act, 1941 was deferred.

8218 Retired Teachers: It was proposed by Clr. O'Seaghadha, seconded by Senator Quinn and resolved: "That this Council recommends that all the provisions and benefits of the New Pensions Scheme for National Teachers be made to apply retrospectively to all retired living teachers." Deputy Kitt, and Clrs. Brennan and Carty spoke in support

of the proposal.

8219 Home Assistance Inspection: Letter was read from Superintendent Assistance Officer stating that it was not possible to visit each district more than once in six months owing to the amount of work in the Office. It was adjourned to the next meeting so that the appointment of an Assistant S.A.O might be reconsidered.

8220 Insured Persons' Members' Electorate: Letter from Department of Social Welfare ref. A 6713/50 of 15/7/1950 was read stating that consequent on the dissolution of the National Health Insurance Society from a day to be appointed, it would not be necessary during the coming year to nominate insured persons for membership of the Insured Persons' (Local Authorities' Nominees) Members' Electorate.

8221 Agricultural Scholarship: Deputy Kitt made representations on behalf of Patrick Laffey, Crumlin, Ballyglunin, for an increase in the Agricultural Scholarship awarded him in 1947. Consideration was deferred to the next meeting.

8222 Polling Booths: Deputy Killilea enquired if the revised Scheme of Polling Booths was prepared and available.

8223 Sympathy: Votes of sympathy were passed with the following: Miss Feeney, Co. Buildings on the death of her brother; Miss O'Beirne, Co. Buildings on the death of her father; Mr. Jerry Lynch, Athenry, on the death of his sister; Mr. John Loughnane, Loughrea, on the death of his father; Canon McGough, Athenry, on the death of his nephew; Michael Dempsey, Athenry, on the death of his wife.

Submitted

*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 26th day of August 1950*

Mairiam O'Cuinn, Chairman

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Filling of Vacancy on the Council resulting from the resignation of Senator R.M. Burke.
3. Filling the Vacancy on the Visiting Committee for District Institutions resulting from the resignation of Senator R.M. Burke.
4. Auditor's report on Audit of the Accounts of the Council for year ended 31st March, 1948.
5. Road Works - Councillors' Notices of Motion - Letter 10/8/50 from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office.
6. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for year 1951.
7. Scheme for University Scholarships for year 1951.
8. Revision of the value of University Scholarship awarded to Mr. Patrick Laffey, Crumlin, Ballyglunin, under the scheme for 1947.
9. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949, Schemes; Letter 11/5/50 from Department of Local Government and report 14/8/50 from the County Engineer.
10. Arrangements for performance of duties of Rate Collector in district No.4. consequent upon the death of Mr. James J. Lee.
11. Appointment of members on Galway Harbour Authority in accordance with the Harbours Act, 1946 - Section 7.
12. Taking over responsibility for the future maintenance of the works recently completed at Inishlacken Landing Place.
13. The desirability of appointing an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer (Minute No.8137 of 13/5/50).
14. Provision of funds for granting one increment on existing scale to Clerical Officers and for revision of temporary allowance for unmarried male and wholetime female clerical staff.
15. Raising of Loan £6,150 for provision of a Fire Station at Loughrea.

16. Raising of Loan - £2,000 - for extension of Water Supply Scheme at Tiernea.
17. Financial arrangements for erection of Flannery Bridge.
18. Reports 19/7/50 and 12/8/50 from the County Engineer regarding relaying of watermains at Lettercallow, Derryrush and Turlough - estimated cost £6300.
19. Letter from the Hon. Secretary, Galway County Committee of the I.N.T.O. requesting that the I.N.T.O. be given direct representation on the County Vocational Education Committee.
20. Reports of Visiting Committee Meetings:-

Clifden Hospital.....29/7/50
County Home..... 9/8/50.

21. Appointment of Warden in Gort Dispensary District.
22. Issue of Cinema Licence to Mr. George McFadden in respect of travelling Cinema.
23. Appointment of representatives on Committee regarding provision of Municipal Buildings in Galway - and arrangements for meeting.
24. Councillors' Notices of Motion:

- (a) Clr. J.J. Cunningham: (i) "That the Killoough-Buggauns-Ballythomas Road be taken over for maintenance by the Council."
(ii) "That the salaries of all Branch Librarians be reviewed with a view to considering the adequacy of the remuneration in each case."
- (b) Clr. P. Cooke: "I shall move at the next Meeting of the Council that we request the Minister for Local Government to give the voters an opportunity at next local elections whether they wish to have Galway City made a City Borough."
- (c) Clr. J.J. Nestor: (i) "That I will move at next meeting of the County Council that Mr. P.A. Kerrane of Milltown be appointed on the Milltown Old Age Pension Committee."
(ii) "That I will move at next meeting of the County Council that the monument erected at Killavogher, Dunmore, to the memory of Thomas Mullen, who was brutally murdered by British forces during the fight for Irish freedom, be raised in proportion to the level of the road which is now being steam-rolled."
- (d) Clr. P. Cooke: "That the previous resolution in Minute No.8144 be rescinded and that a population of 100 i.e. 20 houses be taken as the minimum standard for provision of public lighting in a village."
- (e) Clr. J. Brennan: "Please take notice that at the next meeting of the Council I will request that a statement be made as to what steps, if any, have been taken to revise the scales of remuneration of officers and employees engaged on duties under the Health Services administered by the Council as per paragraph 5 of Circular P.104/47 dated 8th August, 1947."
- (f) Clr. J.J. Ruane: (i) "That Public Lighting be extended to the cottages at Park, Athenry, for the purpose of extending the existing Public Lighting and connecting the cottages there to the E.S.B."
(ii) "That Public Lighting be extended to the cottages at Ballydavid, Athenry, for the purpose of extending the existing Public Lighting and connecting the cottages there with the E.S.B."
(iii) "That a new path be made in Athenry Town leading from Rev. Fr. Delaney's house past the church and convent gates to the corner known as Byrne's corner alongside the Railway Gates."
(iv) "That a new path be made extending the present path outside Hanberry's Hotel to Sweeney's private House to connect with the path there."
(v) "That a new path be made from Grady's house at Cross Street to connect with the path at Quinns' on the same street."

25. Auditor's reports and statements of accounts:-

- (a) Shrule Joint Drainage Committee - y.e. 31/3/1949;
(b) River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee - y.e. 31/3/50.

26. Minutes of Meeting of the General Council of County Councils - 4/5/50.

27. Resolutions.

28. Other business.

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In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also present: Councillor M. Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillors J. Brennan, S. Burke, J. Casey, J. Fitzmaurice, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor and J. Geoghegan.

8224. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Council to No. 8223, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

8225. VACANCY. In view of the fact that no further meeting of the Council would be held prior to the Local Elections on 20/9/50, it was proposed by Councillor Nestor, seconded by Councillor Glynn and unanimously decided that no action would be taken in regard to filling the vacancy on the Council and on the Visiting Committee for District Institutions resulting from the resignation of Mr. R. M. Burke.

8226. AUDITOR'S REPORT. The Auditor's report on audit of the accounts of the Council for year ended 31/3/48 was submitted together with explanations from various officers and report from the Secretary and Deputy County Manager, which were circulated to each member of the Council on 15/8/50.

Proposed by Councillor Nestor, seconded by Deputy Beegan and unanimously Resolved:-

"That the Council note contents of the Auditor's report on audit of the Council's accounts for year ended 31/3/48, and accept as satisfactory the explanations given by the Deputy County Manager and the various other officers concerned." Councillors Brennan and Collins considered it unsatisfactory that the audit of the Council's accounts has been completed only up to 31/3/48.

8227. ROAD WORKS—COUNCILLORS' NOTICE OF MOTION. Letter 10/8/50 from the Director, Special Employment Office, was submitted—copies having already been circulated to the members of the Council.

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Geoghegan:-

"That the sum of £15,000 provided for Councillors' notices of motion be handed over to the County Engineer for main-

tenance of existing County roads."

Councillor Nestor considered it would be more advisable to leave this amount to credit for next year.

Deputy Kitt opposed utilising the money on existing County roads.

Proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor Mannion:

"That as the sum of £15,000 was provided for new works it should be left to the credit of the Council unless it is possible to use it for the purpose originally contemplated."

Councillor Collins recommended that the County Engineer expend the money in carrying out the original scheme of works to the greatest possible extent within this sum.

Proposed by Councillor Nestor, seconded by Councillor Lambert:-

"That the sum of £15,000 be left over until after the Election so that the incoming Council may decide as to its disposal."

Proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Councillor O'Connor, and after further discussion it was unanimously Resolved:-

"That the County Engineer be authorised to select in each electoral area a work or works from the schemes submitted by Councillors which, in his opinion, are of the greatest public utility, and that the sum of £15,000 be thus allocated proportionately for new works in each electoral area, except in the case of Connemara, where the allocation may, if necessary, be spent on existing County roads."

8228. SCHEME FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS FOR YEAR 1950. Minutes of meeting of the County Education Committee held on 9/8/50 were submitted.

It was decided that no change be made in the scheme other than that in regard to the "unit" of parents or guardians and one child. Accordingly Senator Quinn proposed, Deputy Beegan seconded and it was unanimously Resolved:-

"That a scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for year 1951 similar to the Scheme for year 1950, with the following amendment, be submitted for approval of the Minister for Education:-

"That Clause IV (2) (i) be amended so as to provide an income limit of £400 for the parents and guardians and one child, and an allowance of £50 for each child after the first who will be under 16 years of age on 1st January, 1951, or for each child between the ages of 16 and 21 years on that date who is receiving full time education at a recognised Educational Establishment and who is not in receipt of annual income exceeding £30." Proposed by Councillor Casey, seconded by Councillor Mannion:

"That the number of Scholarships be increased."

This proposal was not accepted by the Chairman, who ruled that as it was not on the Agenda, notice of motion should be given in regard to it.

8229. SCHEME FOR UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS, 1951. Minutes of meeting of the County Education Committee held on 9/8/50 were submitted.

Proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Deputy Beegan and unanimously Resolved:—

"That a Scheme for University Scholarships (ordinary and agriculture) for year 1951 similar to the Scheme for year 1950, with the following amendment, be adopted:—

"That Clause IV (2) (i) be amended so as to provide an income limit of £400 for the parents and guardians and one child, and an allowance of £50 for each child after the first who will be under 16 years of age on 1st April, 1951, or for each child between the ages of 16 and 21 years on that date who is receiving full time education at a recognised Educational Establishment and who is not in receipt of annual income exceeding £30." Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Ashe and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the University Scholarship awarded to Mr. Patrick Laffey, Crumlin, Ballyglunin, under the Scheme for year 1947, be increased to £120 for the unexpired period of the Scholarship."

8230. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (WORKS) ACT, 1949. Letter 11/8/50 (RPB/11) from the Department of Local Government was submitted, stating that all monies available for grants under the above Act have been allocated and that the Minister is unable to consider any revision of the grants at this stage.

Letter 14/8/50 from the County Engineer was submitted setting out his revised list of works to be carried out in the current year.

Letter 23/8/50 from the County Engineer was also submitted recommending that the amount for Inishboffin scheme be reduced to £5,000 and that a new scheme be submitted next year for its completion, with proposals in regard to the expending of £3,000 transferred from the Inishboffin scheme.

Councillor Mannion stated that the work at Inishboffin is most necessary as there are over 200 unemployed men on the island. He could not see why there should be any difficulty in spending £8,000 before 31/3/51.

County Engineer explained that the nature of the work is such that it would be impossible for him to expend usefully £8,000 between this and 31/3/51 and that indeed there will be difficulty in carrying out works to the value of £5,000 now available.

Proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Curley:—

"That the original scheme for Inishboffin be carried out." Proposed by Deputy Killilea, and seconded by Deputy Beegan:

"That the Council approve the carrying out of the schemes in accordance with the County Engineer's proposals in his reports of 14/8/50 and 23/8/50."

After a further discussion the Chairman declared Deputy Killilea's proposal carried, viz., that the Council approve the carrying out of schemes under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949, in accordance with the County Engineer's reports of 14th and 23rd August, 1950.

8231. RATE COLLECTOR—No. 4 DISTRICT. Secretary reported that Mr. James J. Lee, Rate Collector for No. 4 Collection District, died on 16th August, 1950, and that his daughter, Miss Nora Lee, is available to complete the collection for the current year.

On the proposition of Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Nestor the Council unanimously approved the appointment of Miss Nora Lee as temporary Rate Collector until the Warrant for the current year shall be closed; arrangements for appointment of a permanent Collector to be made prior to 1st April, 1951.

8232. GALWAY HARBOUR BOARD. Letter H.B. 58 of 21/8/50 from Department of Industry and Commerce was submitted in regard to the appointment by the Council of three members of the Galway Harbour Authority.

Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Ruane and unanimously Resolved:—

"That Senator M. Quinn and Councillors T. O'Connor and T. King be appointed members of the Galway Harbour Authority."

8233. INISHLACKEN LANDING PLACE. Letter 31/7/50 from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office, was submitted in regard to the Council's taking over responsibility for the future maintenance of the work at Inishlacken landing place which was completed recently at a cost of £379 15s. 0d., of which 75% is being met by Government Grant.

Proposed by Councillor Geoghegan, seconded by Councillor Mannion and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the works at Inishlacken landing place as set out in letter 2/2/49 from the Special Employment Schemes Office having been carried out to the satisfaction of the Office of Public Works we, the Galway County Council, hereby undertake to maintain the said works in future."

8234. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT ASSISTANCE OFFICER. Correspondence in regard to this matter was sub-

mitted.

Secretary explained the necessity for the appointment, viz., that the Superintendent Assistance Officer in County Galway cannot possibly be expected to inspect the Assistance Officers' accounts as frequently as would be done by, say, the Superintendent Assistance Officer in County Carlow, yet there is one Superintendent in County Carlow and only one in County Galway.

Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Geoghegan:—

"That the Council approve the creation of the post of Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer."

Councillor Ashe proposed and Councillor Nestor seconded:—

"That the Council do not approve the appointment of an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer, and consider that there is sufficient supervision of the Assistance Officers, but there is need for an additional Assistance Officer in Galway District rather than for an additional Superintendent."

After further discussion the Council unanimously agreed to a proposal by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor S. Burke:—

"That consideration of the making of the appointment be adjourned until the new Council comes into Office."

8235. CLERICAL STAFF SALARIES. Correspondence in regard to this matter was submitted and Secretary explained that, provided the Council approve, the Minister for Local Government has given his consent to the making of certain adjustments in the salary scale of Clerical Officers and in the temporary bonus payable to whole-time female and un-married male officers in the Clerk-Typist, Library Assistant and Clerical Officer grades, viz.:—

(a) **Clerical Officers Salaries:** A revised scale of £175 x £15 — £450 a year with effect from 1st April, 1950, each existing officer to be granted an advance of one increment as from that date (apart from any normal accruing annual increment) subject to retention of existing maximum of £450 a year.

(b) **Temporary Allowance:** An increase from 5/6d. to 11/- per week in the amount of the temporary allowance payable to whole-time female and unmarried male officers in the Clerk-Typist, Library Assistant and Clerical Officer grades, with effect from 1st April, 1949, and that the cost of granting these concessions would be as follows:—

For year ended 31st March, 1950 (approximately) £592 0s. 0d.
For year ending 31st March, 1951 (approximately) £960 0s. 0d.

Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor O'Shea:—

"That the Council approve provision of the funds necessary to give effect to the revisions set out above."

Councillor Collins proposed that the Council refuse approval to this revision of salaries.

This proposal was not seconded and the Chairman declared Councillor Brennan's proposal carried.

It was also proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor King and Resolved:—

"That the Manager be requested to investigate the salaries of the Caretaker and Porter at the County Buildings, Galway, who are not receiving any benefit from the revision indicated above."

8236. LOUGHREA FIRE STATION. Secretary reported that the cost of providing the fire station at Loughrea would be approximately £6,150 and requested the Council's approval to the raising of loan for this work.

Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Deputy Beegan and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £6,150 from the Commissioners of Public Works, for provision of a fire station at Loughrea, the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan to the Council."

8237. LOAN—TIERNEA WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION. Secretary reported that the estimated cost of Tiernea water supply extension is £2,000 and requested the Council's approval to the raising of the necessary loan.

Proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Kyne and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for Tiernea water supply extension scheme, the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan to the Council."

8238. FLANNERY BRIDGE. Secretary reported that the cost of this work is now estimated to be £26,000 and that advertisements inviting tenders could be issued provided arrangements were made for the financing of the work; that in 1937 when this scheme originated the estimated cost was £9,000 and the Department of Local Government intimated that a grant of £4,500 would be made available. The nature of the work has been altered in the meantime and the Department of Local Government were requested to make a grant of 50% available but have refused to make any increase in the amount of the original grant, viz., £4,500; that the Department suggest that the Council might consider making some

monies available for this work from the Main Road Improvement Grant. The County Engineer, however, pointed out that this grant is already fully allocated for other purposes. The Council are, therefore, requested to consider whether they will be prepared to raise a loan for the balance of the expenditure, viz., £21,500 approximately.

After discussion it was proposed by Councillor Geoghegan, seconded by Councillor Mannion and Resolved:—

"That the Department of Local Government be again requested to reconsider their decision in regard to the making of a grant for this undertaking as the Council consider a very substantial grant should be made available particularly in view of the fact that even in 1937 the Department were prepared to allocate a grant of 50% of the cost; that, in the meantime, advertisement inviting tenders be issued."

8239. IMPROVEMENT OF WATER SUPPLIES IN LETTERCALLOW, DERRYRUSH AND TURLOUGH. Report 12/8/50 from the County Engineer was submitted indicating that the relaying of the water mains in above places would cost approximately £6,300 (Lettercallow £1,700, Derryrush £2,600 and Turlough £2,000). The Council's approval to proceeding with the works was requested.

Proposed by Councillor Geoghegan, seconded by Councillor Mannion and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve proceeding with above works."

8240. COUNTY VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. Letter 20/6/50 from the Honorary Secretary, Galway County Committee of the Irish National Teachers Organisation was submitted requesting that the I.N.T.O. be given direct representation on the Vocational Committee.

The Chairman pointed out that this will be a matter for the new Council but that there would be no objection to asking the I.N.T.O. to submit the name of their nominee in the meantime.

8241. VISITING COMMITTEE FOR INSTITUTIONS. Consideration of reports of Visiting Committee meetings held at Clifden Hospital on 29/7/50 and County Home on 9/8/50 was adjourned.

8242. WARDEN—GORT DISPENSARY DISTRICT. The Council unanimously approved the appointment of Mr. John Lambert, George's Street, Gort, as Warden for Gort Dispensary District.

8243. CINEMA LICENCES. Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the issue of Cinema Licences to:
(a) George McFadden in respect of travelling cinema.
(b) Henry O'Shaughnessy, The Square, Gort, in respect of cinema at the Square, Gort."

8244. MONUMENT AT KILLAVOHER. Councillor Nestor, in accordance with his notice of motion, requested that the monument to the memory of Thomas Mullen be raised in proportion to the level of the road which is now being steamrolled.

The County Engineer undertook to have this matter put in order.

8245. BRANCH LIBRARIANS' SALARIES. Councillor Cunningham, in accordance with his notice of motion, recommended that the salaries of Branch Librarians be increased by 100%.

8246. GALWAY COUNTY BOROUGH. In accordance with his notice of motion Councillor P. Cooke moved and Councillor Ashe seconded:—

"That the Council request the Minister for Local Government to give the voters an opportunity at next Local Elections of stating whether they wish to have Galway City made a County Borough."

8247. REMUNERATION OF HEALTH SERVICE OFFICIALS. In accordance with his notice of motion Councillor Brennan enquired if the remuneration of Health Service officers and employees had been revised within the period of two years from 1st January, 1947.

Secretary explained that a temporary bonus had been awarded to officers and employees with effect from 29/5/48 in some cases and from 1/11/48 in other cases.

Councillor Brennan stated that a temporary bonus could not be regarded as a revision of remuneration, and Councillor Brennan proposed, Councillor Cooke seconded:—

"That the Manager be requested to consider the revision of the scales of remuneration of officers and employees engaged on duties under the Health Services administered by the Council, as per paragraph 5 of Circular P. 104/47 of 8th August, 1947."

8248. SYMPATHY. Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

The relatives of Mr. P. Keaney, Road Ganger, Loughgeorge, Claregalway.

Mr. R. Copeland, B.E., on the death of his uncle.

Consideration of all other matters on the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting.

*Advised
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*Submitted, approved & confirmed the 28th
day of October 1950
M. Séamus Ó Cúinn. Chairman*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Oifig an Runaidhe,
Na Foirgnighthe Chonndae,
GAILLIMH.

27adh Deire Fomhair, 1950.

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L. O'Luanaigh.

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Chuid gach Baili de'n Comhairle,

GNO.

TO CONSIDER,

1. Election of Chairman for the Year 1950/51.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman for the Year 1950/51.
3. Appointment of representatives on Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board.
4. Election of members on the County Vocational Education Committee.
5. Election of members of the County Committee of Agriculture.
6. Appointment of representatives on,—

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| (a) Lough Corrib, Mask & Carra Joint Drainage Committee | | (9) |
| (b) Shrule | " " | (5) |
| (c) Lough Mask and River Robe | " " | (2) |
| (d) Fergus River | " " | (2) |
| (e) River Suok | " " | (6) |
7. Appointment of Committees,

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| (a) Education Committee |
| (b) County Libraries Committee |
| (c) National Monuments Advisory Committee |
| (d) Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees |
| (e) Visiting Committees for Council's District Institutions. |
8. Appointment of representatives on,—

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| (a) County Council's General Council |
| (b) Irish Tourist Association. |
9. The desirability of appointing an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer.
10. Reports of Visiting Committee for District Institutions.
11. Appointment of representatives on Committee regarding provision of Municipal Buildings in Galway - and arrangements for meeting.

12. Councillors' Notices of Motion adjourned from last Meeting:-

- (a) Clr. J.J. Cunningham: "That the Kilclough-Buggauns-Ballythomas Road be taken over for maintenance by the Council."
- (b) Clr. J.J. Nestor: "That I will move at next meeting of the County Council that Mr. P.A. Kerrane of Milltown be appointed on the Milltown Old Age Pension Committee."
- (c) Clr. J.J. Ruane: (i) "That Public Lighting be extended to the cottages at Park, Athenry, for the purpose of extending the existing Public Lighting and connecting the cottages there to the E.S.B."
(ii) "That Public Lighting be extended to the cottages at Ballydavid, Athenry, for the purpose of extending the existing Public Lighting and connecting the cottages there with the E.S.B."
(iii) "That a new path be made in Athenry Row leading from Rev. Fr. Delaney's house past the church and convent gates to the corner known as Byrne's corner alongside the Railway Gates."
(iv) "That a new path be made extending the present path outside Hanberry's Hotel to Sweeney's private House to connect with the path there."
(v) "That a new path be made from Grady's house at Cross Street to connect with the path at Quinn's on the same street."

13. Auditor's reports and statements of accounts:-

- (a) Shrule Joint Drainage Committee - year ended 31/3/49
(b) River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee - year ended 31/3/50.

14. Financial arrangements for erection of Flannery Bridge.

15. House - plan for cottages at Headford.

16. Engineering Services Re-organization - Report of Committee Meeting 8/7/1950.

17. Inishlacken Landing Place - taking over responsibility for future maintenance of works recently completed.

18. Appointment of Mr. T. O'Seaghda as Warden for Spiddal Dispensary District.

19. Appointment of Members to Witness the Sealing of Documents - (Section 17 (5) of the County Management Act, 1950.)

20. Resolutions.

21. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL AT ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON THE 4th OCTOBER, 1950.

Present: Councillor M. Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillors M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillor P. Kyne, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Councillors J. Mannion, J. McElihinney, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, Senator M. Quinn, Councillors J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

Senator M. Quinn took the Chair.

8249. ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE. Each of the thirty-one elected members signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office—which was witnessed by the Secretary.

8250. CHAIRMAN FOR YEAR 1950/51. It was proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Carty and unanimously Resolved "that Senator Martin Quinn be elected Chairman of the Council for the year 1950/51." Senator Quinn thanked the members or electing him unanimously to the position of Chairman.

8251. VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR YEAR 1950/51. It was proposed by Mr. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Mannion that Mr. Jas. J. Nestor be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1950/51. Deputy Kitt proposed and Councillor Ruane seconded that Mr. M. Carty be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1950/51. A vote taken resulted as follows:

For Mr. Nestor: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

For Mr. Carty: Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn, Ruane and Miss Ashe—18.

The Chairman declared Mr. Carty elected to the position of Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1950/51.

8252. BALLINASLOE MENTAL HOSPITAL BOARD. The Secretary stated that the number of representatives to be elected by the Council on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board for the coming year was 16. Mr. Higgins proposed and Mr. Carty seconded "that the following be appointed to represent the Council

on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board for the year 1950/51, viz., Messrs. Beegan, Quinn, Killilea, Kyne, King, Ruane, Glynn, O'Donnell, Nicholson, Houlihan, Lahiffe, Kitt, Newell, Collins, Galvin and Miss Ashe."

Mr. Mannion proposed that Mr. P. Fury be appointed a representative of the Council on the Mental Hospital Board. Mr. Fury stated that he would not be in a position to act and requested that his name be withdrawn.

Mr. McElihinney proposed and Mr. Nestor seconded a direct negative to Mr. Higgins' proposal.

Mr. Shields proposed and Mr. Collins seconded that Mr. Nestor be appointed a representative of the Council on the Mental Hospital Board. Mr. Nestor proposed and Mr. Flaherty seconded that Messrs. Sirr, McElihinney, Shields, Collins and Mannion be appointed as representatives of the Council on the Mental Hospital Board. Mr. Mannion proposed and Mr. Mylotte seconded that three representatives from the Oughterard Electoral Area be appointed to the Mental Hospital Board. After a further discussion it was unanimously agreed that each of the 16 vacancies be taken in turn.

1st Vacancy: The appointment of Deputy Beegan was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor Ruane and unanimously approved.

2nd Vacancy: The appointment of Senator Quinn was proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor King and unanimously approved.

3rd Vacancy: The appointment of Deputy Killilea was proposed by Councillor Higgins seconded by Councillor Carty and unanimously approved.

4th Vacancy: The appointment of Councillor Mannion was proposed by Councillor Mylotte and seconded by Councillor Joyce. The appointment of Councillor Kyne was proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Councillor King. Councillor Mannion stated that he would not oppose Councillor Kyne, another Connemara representative, and requested that his name be withdrawn. The Chairman then declared Councillor Kyne appointed to fill the fourth vacancy.

5th Vacancy: The appointment of Councillor Shields was proposed by Councillor Cawley and seconded by Councillor Nestor. The appointment of Councillor King was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor Newell. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Shields: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

For Mr. King: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt,

Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn, Ruane—18. The Chairman declared Mr. King appointed to fill the 5th vacancy.

6th Vacancy: The appointment of Councillor Ruane was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor Carty. The appointment of Councillor Nestor was proposed by Councillor Shields and seconded by Councillor Flaherty. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Ruane: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

For Mr. Nestor: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Councillor Ruane appointed to fill the 6th vacancy.

7th Vacancy: The appointment of Councillor Glynn was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor Ruane. The appointment of Councillor Sirr was proposed by Councillor Nestor and seconded by Councillor Flaherty. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Glynn: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

For Mr. Sirr: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Councillor Glynn appointed to fill the 7th vacancy.

8th Vacancy: The appointment of Mr. O'Donnell was proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Councillor Geoghegan. The appointment of Mr. McElihinney was proposed by Councillor Galvin and seconded by Councillor Wall. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. O'Donnell: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

For Mr. McElihinney: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr, and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Councillor O'Donnell appointed to fill the 8th vacancy.

9th Vacancy: The appointment of Councillor Nicholson was

proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor Carty. The appointment of Councillor Mannion was proposed by Councillor Mylotte and seconded by Councillor Joyce. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Nicholson: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

For Mr. Mannion: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Councillor Nicholson appointed to fill the 9th vacancy.

10th Vacancy: The appointment of Councillor Houlihan was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor King. The appointment of Councillor Joyce was proposed by Councillor Flaherty and seconded by Councillor Nestor. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Houlihan: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn, Ruane—18.

For Mr. Joyce: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Councillor Houlihan appointed to fill the 10th vacancy.

Remaining Six Vacancies: The appointment of Mr. Lahiffe was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor King.

The appointment of Deputy Kitt was proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Deputy Killilea.

The appointment of Miss Ashe was proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Councillor King.

The appointment of Councillor Newell was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor King.

The appointment of Councillor Collins was proposed by Councillor Wall and seconded by Councillor Carty.

The appointment of Councillor Galvin was proposed by Councillor Cawley and seconded by Councillor Wall.

No proposals other than the above-mentioned six being received, the Chairman declared Miss Ashe and Messrs. Lahiffe, Kitt, Newell, Collins and Galvin elected to fill the remaining six vacancies on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board.

8253. COUNTY VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE: The Secretary pointed out that fourteen members

would be appointed by the Council of whom not less than five nor more than eight shall be persons who are members of the County Council.

Correspondence with the Irish National Teachers' Organisation was submitted in which that Body requested that it be given direct representatives on the Vocational Education Committee and nominated as its representatives—Mr. Patrick Carney, M.A., N.T., Sarsfield Road, Ballinasloe, and Mrs. Keane, N.T., Knock, Spiddal. Letter from Conradh na Gaedhilge, Gaway Branch, was also submitted requesting that the Council would appoint to the Vocational Education Committee and to the Education Committee representatives who would be competent to discharge their duties through the medium of the Irish Language.

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Councillor Carty "that the following be elected members of the Galway County Vocational Education Committee—Councillors Cunningham, Kitt, Carty, Quinn, Ruane, Higgins, O'Donnell and King, and—
Very Rev. M. Canon Brennan, P.P., Ahascragh;
Prof. L. O'Buachalla, Taylor's Hill, Galway;
Very Rev. P. Greany, M.A., P.P., New Inn, Ballinasloe;
Rev. Bro. Jarlath, Mountbellew;
Mr. J. D. Murphy, N.T., Christian Brothers Schools, Tuam;
Mr. T. O'Shea, B.A., N.T., Rossaveel, Costello."

Mr. McElihinney proposed and Mr. Collins seconded "that the two persons nominated by the Irish National Teachers' Organisation be elected members of the County Vocational Education Committee." A vote taken on Mr. McElihinney's amendment resulted as follows:—

For Amendment: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

Against Amendment: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn, Ruane—18.

The Chairman declared Mr. McElihinney's amendment lost. Mr. Killilea's proposal was then put to a vote which resulted as follows:—

For: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

Against: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Deputy Killilea's proposal carried and the members nominated therein elected as members of the County Vocational Education Committee.

8254. COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE:

The Secretary explained that the number of members to be elected is not less than 15 nor more than 20 and at least one person for each Electoral Area must be resident in that Electoral Area.

The appointment of Mr. P. Lambert, Ballyturn, Gort, was proposed by Councillor Cawley and seconded by Councillor Nestor. Councillor Carty proposed and Councillor Geoghegan seconded "that the following be elected members of the Galway County Committee of Agriculture: Councillors Quinn, Killilea, Kyne, King, Ruane, Beegan, Lahiffe, Fury, Ashe, Collins, Houlihan, and Mr. Matthew Connolly, Kinvara;
Mr. M. Smith, Killaspic, Kilchreest, Loughrea;
Mr. Brian Molloy, Coolough, Castlegar;
Mr. Ml Cunningham, Newgrove, Newbridge, Ballinasloe;
Rev. Br. Jarlath, Mountbellew;
Mr. Laurence O'Toole, Derryherbert, Renvyle;
Mr. C. J. Kerin, Oranmore;
Mr. J. Callanan, Killeconnell, Ballinasloe;
Mr. T. Mannion, Brackloon, Dunmore."

After a further discussion Mr. Houlihan withdrew his name in favour of Mr. P. Lambert, Ballyturn, Gort, and subject to this change, Mr. Carty's proposal was unanimously approved and the Chairman declared the persons named therein, with the substitution of Mr. Lambert for Mr. Houlihan, elected members of the Galway County Committee of Agriculture.

8255. LOUGH CORRIB, MASK & CARRA JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: Election of Nine Members: Councillor Carty proposed and Councillor King seconded "that the following be appointed to represent the Council on the Lough Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee—Councillors Ashe, Fury, Higgins, Joyce, King, McElihinney, Newell, Killilea and Kyne." No further proposal being received, the Chairman declared the above-mentioned members elected.

8256. RIVER SHRULE JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: Election of Five Members: It was proposed by Councillor Carty seconded by Deputy Kitt "that Councillors Fury, Kyne, King, Killilea and Glynn be appointed to represent the Council on the Shrule Joint Drainage Committee." No other proposal being received, the Chairman declared the above-mentioned members elected.

8257. LOUGH MASK & RIVER ROBE JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: Election of two members: Councillor Carty proposed and Deputy Kitt seconded "that Councillor Nestor and Glynn be appointed to represent the Council on the Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee. No

other proposal being received, the above-mentioned members were elected.

8258. FERGUS RIVER JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: Election of two Members: Councillor Carty proposed and Councillor Nicholson seconded "that Councillors Lahiffe and Houlihan be appointed to represent the Council on the Fergus Joint Drainage Committee." No other proposal being received, the above-mentioned members were elected.

8259. RIVER SUCK (JOINT) DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: Election of Six Members: Councillor Carty proposed and Councillor Nicholson seconded "that the following be appointed to represent the Council on the River Suck Drainage Committee—Councillors Glynn and Kitt together with Mr. Ml. Cunningham, Newbridge, Ballinasloe; Mr. M. Concagh, Turla, Ballymoe; Mr. J. Leonard, Teachboy, Ballyforan; Mr. J. Fitzmaurice, Cloonlyon, Ballygar." The appointment of Councillor Sirr was proposed by Councillor Collins and seconded by Councillor Cawley. The appointment of Councillor Wall was proposed by Councillor Galvin and seconded by Councillor Cawley. Messrs. Carty and Nicholson agreed to the substitution of Councillors Sirr and Wall's names for Messrs. Ml. Cunningham and M. Concagh, and subject to these amendments, Mr. Carty's proposal was declared carried and the members nominated therein elected to represent the Council on the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee.

8260. COUNTY GALWAY EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Councillor Carty proposed and Deputy Kitt seconded "that the following be appointed members of the Education Committee: Councillors Kitt, Cunningham, Quinn, Carty, Higgins, King and Ashe with Prof. P. Larkin, Newcastle, Galway; Rev. Fr. McDonagh, President, St. Mary's College, Galway; the Rev. President, St. Joseph's College, Garbally, Ballinasloe, and Rev. Fr. F. McGrath, Rector, St. Ignatius' College, Galway." The appointment of Mr. McElihinney was proposed by Cawley and seconded by Cawley. The appointment of Mr. A. Mullaney, N.T., Ballinacurry, Ballymoe, was proposed by Councillor Sirr and seconded by Councillor Flaherty. After further discussion it was unanimously decided to appoint all the above-mentioned persons as members of the Education Committee and that, in addition, the following be appointed:—

The President, St. Jarlath's College, Tuam;
Mr. Hans, ex-N.T., Moylough.

8261. COUNTY LIBRARIES COMMITTEE: Election of 13 Members: The appointment of Councillor Galvin was proposed by Councillor McElihinney and seconded by Councillor Collins.

Deputy Lahiffe proposed and Councillor Carty seconded "that the following be appointed members of the County Libraries Committee—Councillors Kitt, Carty, Quinn, Cunningham, King, Glynn, Ruane, with Mr. T. O'Shea, Rossaveel, Costello; Mr. M. Moroney, N.T., Barna; Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn, St. Joseph's, Galway; Mr. S. Donnellan, Duffpark, Moycullen; Mr. M. Gohery, N.T., Mullagh, Loughrea; Mr. J. A. O'Connell, Solicitor, Tuam; Mr. F. Mullen, N.T., Woodford, and Mr. J. Hoban, N.T., Glenamaddy.

The appointment of Councillor McElihinney was proposed by Councillor Nestor and seconded by Councillor Wall.

The appointment of Rev. Fr. McDonagh, President, St. Mary's College, Galway, was proposed by Councillor Miss Ashe. Messrs. Lahiffe and Carty agreed to amend their proposal so as to include Councillors Galvin and McElihinney and Rev. Fr. McDonagh, and the Chairman declared the persons above-mentioned elected members of the County Libraries Committee.

8262. NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Councillor McElihinney proposed and Councillor Fury seconded and it was unanimously Resolved "that the existing members of the National Monuments Advisory Committee be re-appointed—those in excess of five to be regarded as honorary members and the Committee to nominate the members who shall be regarded as honorary."

8263. OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES: It was decided to adjourn until the next Meeting the appointment of members on the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.

8264. VISITING COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS: After some discussion it was decided to take separately the appointment of members on the Visiting Committee for each Electoral Area:

Ballinasloe Electoral Area (three members): Deputy Kitt proposed and Councillor Carty seconded that Councillors Quinn, Collins and Kitt be appointed members of the Visiting Committee for District Institutions. No further proposal being received for this area, the Chairman declared the above-mentioned Councillors elected.

Galway Electoral Area (three members): Deputy Kitt proposed and Councillor Carty seconded that Councillors Ashe, King and Higgins be appointed members of the Visiting Committee for District Institutions. The appointment of Mr. McElihinney was proposed by Councillor Galvin and seconded by Councillor Collins. Mr. McElihinney requested that his name be withdrawn and the Chairman declared Councillors Ashe, King and Higgins elected.

Loughrea Electoral Area (three members): The appointment of Councillors Carty, Ruane and Houlihan was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe and seconded by Councillor King. The appointment of Councillor Cawley was proposed by Councillor Galvin seconded by Councillor Collins; the appointment of Councillor Shields was proposed by Councillor Cawley and seconded by Councillor McElihinney. A vote was taken for the first vacancy as between Councillor Carty and Councillor Cawley resulting as follows:—

For Mr. Carty: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn, Ruane—18.

For Mr. Cawley: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Mr. Carty elected.

For the second vacancy a vote was taken as between Mr. Ruane and Mr. Shields resulting as follows:—

For Mr. Ruane: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

For Mr. Shields: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Mr. Ruane elected.

As there was no opposition to the nomination of Mr. Houlihan for the third vacancy, the Chairman declared him elected.

Oughterard Electoral Area (three members): The appointment of Councillor Kyne was proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Councillor O'Donnell. The appointment of Mr. Mannion was proposed by Councillor Cawley and seconded by Councillor Nestor. The appointment of Councillor Geoghegan was proposed by Councillor Carty seconded by Councillor O'Donnell. No further proposals being received, the three Councillors above-mentioned were declared elected.

Tuam Electoral Area (three members): It was proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Deputy Kitt that Councillors Killea, Glynn and Cunningham, be appointed. The appointment of Councillor Nestor was proposed by Councillor Galvin and seconded by Councillor Flaherty. Each of the three vacancies was then taken separately. For the first vacancy Deputy Killilea being un-opposed was declared elected by the Chairman. For the second vacancy a vote was taken as between Councillor Glynn and Councillor Nestor resulting as follows:—

For Mr. Glynn: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt,

Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

For Mr. Nestor: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Mr. Glynn elected.

For the third vacancy, a vote was taken as between Councillor Cunningham and Councillor Nestor resulting as follows:—

For Mr. Cunningham: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

For Mr. Nestor: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Councillor Cunningham elected.

8265. COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL (three representatives): The appointment of Councillors Quinn, Killilea and Kitt to fill the first, second and third vacancies respectively was proposed by Councillor Carty seconded by Councillor King. There was no opposition to Councillors Quinn and Killilea for the first and second vacancies and the Chairman, therefore, declared them elected. For the third vacancy a vote was taken as between Deputy Kitt and Councillor Cawley who was proposed by Councillor Mylotte and seconded by Councillor Collins, resulting as follows:—

For Mr. Kitt: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—18.

For Mr. Cawley: Messrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Fury, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Deputy Kitt elected to fill the third vacancy.

8266. IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION (one representative): It was decided to adjourn to the next meeting the filling of this vacancy and that information be available at that meeting as to whether it is essential that the person nominated be a member of the Council.

8267. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETINGS: It was proposed by Deputy Beegan seconded by Councillor Collins and unanimously Resolved "that in future there will be no total adjournment of meeting as a mark of sympathy with the relatives of any deceased person—that if the Council consider it necessary they may adjourn the meeting for a quarter or half an hour on such occasions."

8266. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING: Councillor King requested and it was agreed that the following items would be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting:

- consideration of appointment of a Roads Committee;
- consideration of appointment of a Tenders' Committee.

8269. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS: It was proposed by Councillor Carty seconded by Senator Quinn and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council hereby nominate Councillor M. A. Ashe or Councillor P. Fury or Councillor J. Joyce or Councillor M. J. Higgins or Councillor T. King or Councillor J. McElihinney or Councillor M. Newell to witness the affixing of the official Seal of the Council to documents in accordance with Section 17 (5) of the County Management Act, 1940."

8270. OVERDRAFT: It was proposed by Councillor Glynn seconded by Councillor McElihinney and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation, not exceeding £40,000 on the Council's General Account, for the quarter ending 31st December, 1950."

It was proposed by Councillor Glynn and seconded by Councillor McElihinney and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the obtaining of over-draft accommodation, not exceeding £10,000 on the Council's Turf Account, for quarter ending 31/12/50."

8271. TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS' HOUSING LOAN: The Secretary reported that in addition to the loan of £20,000 already sanctioned, a supplementary loan of £5,000 would be required by the Tuam Town Commissioners for completion of their slum clearance scheme of 26 houses at Cloontooa Road, and that a further loan of £15,000 would be required to meet the balance of the cost of provision of 15 houses at Newtownmorris, Tuam, by the Tuam Town Commissioners for the relief of over-crowding. It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Killilea and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £5,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works so that this amount may be advanced to the Tuam Town Commissioners for erection of 26 slum clearance houses in the Tuam Town Commissioner's area—the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan to the Council."

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt seconded by Deputy Killilea and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £15,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works so that this amount may be advanced to the Tuam Town Commissioners for erection of 15 houses for the relief of over-crowding in the Tuam Town Commissioner's area—the loan to be

repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan." It was proposed by Deputy Kitt seconded by Deputy Killilea and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the obtaining of over-draft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on the Council's Capital Account pending receipt of the housing loans for Tuam Town Commissioners—the raising of which has been authorised to-day.

8272. TURLOUGHMORE DISPENSARY RESIDENCE :
The Secretary reported that in accordance with the previous direction of the Council the plans for Turloughmore Dispensary Residence had been amended so as to provide for a smaller building and a tender had been received in accordance with the revised plans. The total cost of the work is now estimated to be £3,986 and the Council's approval to the raising of a loan of £4,000 was requested. It was proposed by Councillor M. Ashe, seconded by Councillor Fury and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £4,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of a Dispensary Residence at Turloughmore—the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 25 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan to the Council."

8273. SYMPATHY : Votes of Sympathy were unanimously passed with:—

- (a) the relatives of the late Dr. M. O'Malley, Ballinasloe;
- (b) Mr. Connolly, Athenry, on the death of his wife;
- (c) with the Hogan family on the death of Major M. Hogan;
- (d) with the relatives of Garda Supt. B. Carr, Loughrea.

Consideration of all other matters on the Agenda was adjourned until the next meeting which it was decided would be held at 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 28th October, 1950.

Submitted, approved & confirmed this 28th day of October, 1950

Maureen O'Curran. Chairman.

Galway 55.

Galway.

20th October, 1950.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Gondae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighte Chonndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 28adh Deire Fomhair, 1950, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanigh.

Runai.

Chuid gach Dhaill de'n Comhairle;

GNO.

TO CONSIDER;

1. Minutes.
2. Appointment of two members of the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees.
3. Appointment of Committees;
 - (a) Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee;
 - (b) Roads Committee;
 - (c) Tenders Committee;
 - (d) Housing Committee.
4. Appointment of representative on the Irish Tourist Association.
5. The desirability of appointing an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer.
6. Reports of Visiting Committee for District Institutions.
7. Appointment of representatives on Committee regarding provision of Municipal Buildings in Galway - and arrangements for meeting.
8. Councillors' Notices of Motion adjourned from last Meeting:—
 - (a) Clr. J.J. Cunningham; "That the Kilclough-Buggauns-Ballythomas Road be taken over for maintenance by the Council."
 - (b) Clr. J.J. Nestor; "That I will move at next meeting of the County Council that Mr. P.A. Kerrane of Milltown be appointed on the Milltown Old Age Pension Committee."
 - (c) Clr. J.J. Ruane; (i) "That Public Lighting be extended to the cottages at Park, Athenry, for the purpose of extending the existing Public Lighting and connecting the cottages there to the E.S.B."
 - (ii) "That Public Lighting be extended to the cottages at Ballydavid, Athenry, for the purpose of extending the existing Public Lighting and connecting the cottages there with the E.S.B."
 - (iii) "That a new path be made in Athenry Town leading from Rev. Fr. Delaney's house past the church and convent gates to the corner known as Byrne's corner alongside the Railway Gates."
 - (iv) "That a new path be made extending the present path outside Hanberry's Hotel to Sweeney's private house to connect with the path there."
 - (v) "That a new path be made from Grady's house at Cross Street to connect with the path at Quinns' on the same street."
9. Auditor's reports and statements of accounts:—
 - (a) Shrule Joint Drainage Committee - year ended 31/3/49;
 - (b) River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee - year ended 31/3/50.

10. Financial arrangements for erection of Flannery Bridge.
11. House - plan for cottages at Headford.
12. Engineering Services Re-organization - Report of Committee Meeting 8/7/1950.
13. Inishlacken Landing Place - taking over responsibility for future maintenance of works recently completed.
14. Appointment of Mr. T. O'Seaghda, Rossaveel, as Warden for Spiddal Dispensary District and Mr. John Garvey, Headford, as Warden for Headford Dispensary District.
15. Fixing of Rents for Rural Type New Cottages.
16. Provision of a County Clinic in Galway - estimated cost £25,516 - two-thirds of which will be met by grant from Hospital Trust Funds.
17. Letter 12/10/50 from the Secretary, County Committee of Agriculture, applying for a contribution equivalent to 5^sd. in £. for year ending 31st March, 1952. (Current years contribution - 5d. in £.)
18. Purchase of a dispensary residence for the Medical Officer of Oranmore Dispensary District.
19. Report from County Engineer in regard to expenditure of £15,000 provided for members' notices of motion works in current year (Minute No. 8227 of 26/8/50).
20. Application for Cinema Licence - Mr. S. Hudson, Travelling Cinema.
21. Request from Mr. M.J. Brennan for permission to avail of his University Scholarship in Dublin to pursue a course in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering.
22. Letter 26/9/50 from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office, regarding repair of Sruthan Bui Pier at Turlough, Rosmuck.
23. Letter from County Councils' General Council requesting notice of matters for next Agenda.
24. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Mr. J. Flaherty:
 - (1) "That I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that the Timard Road be taken over by the County Council repaired and widened and maintained by the County Council."
 - (2) "That the road be widened opposite the church of Clonbern and to put a concrete wall in replacement of the old stone wall. It's also a very dangerous bend."
 - (b) Mr. J.J. Nestor: "That I will move at next meeting of the County Council - that the County Manager will inform the Council what action has been taken to implement the unanimous recommendation of the County Council that Dr. McConn be paid the salary of £400 per year for his services as Superintendent of Woodlands Sanatorium as from the first January, 1947."
 - (c) Mr. J. Goghegan:
 - (i) extension of water-main from Gortmore Barracks, Rosmuck, to John Walsh's house, Glencough.
 - (ii) Erection of new bridge at Knockadav, Glantrasna.
 - (iii) Cleaning and deepening of river from Bridge between O'Malley's and Bolger's lands, Oughterard, to bridge at Baurishean - to prevent flooding of houses.
 - (d) Deputy P. Beegan: (1) To ask Co. Manager and Co. Solicitor to give a statement setting out position regarding Housing Loans under Small Dwellings Acquisition Act and stating cause of delay in sanctioning same to persons who have already made application. (2) To ask Co. Manager to make a statement as to cause of delay in acquiring sites for labourers cottages and proceeding with erection of same.

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Deputy P. Beegan - Contd. (3) That I or somebody on my behalf will move at next meeting of Co. Council to discuss and decide what steps, if any, can be taken to avail of provision in Housing Act 1950 whereby Co. Council can make available grants to supplement existing Housing Grants in cases of need where present grants are not sufficient.

(4) To ask Co. Manager to state the number of pumps and wells in Co. Health area under the control of Co. Health Authority that are unfit for use owing to being out of repair or contaminated and what steps are proposed to remedy these defects.

(e) Deputy R. Lahiffe: (1) That the road leading to cottages at Garrabeg, Gort, be declared a County road, and that said road be repaired.

(2) That road leading to cottages No. 19 and 20 St. Colman's Terrace be repaired and that dumps at rear of St. Colman's Terrace be cleared.

(3) That road leading from the Gort-Loughrea trunk road at Castledaly National School through the Roxborough Estate and on to the County Road at Iserkelly be declared a County road.

(4) That the footbridge over the River at Derreen, Gort, which is maintained by the County Council and now in need of repair be scrapped, and that the Council co-operate with the residents there and the Board of Works to have a proper Bridge erected.

(5) That a bridge be erected over the river at Derrywee, Gort, to allow Galway ratepayers to take their produce to Gort Fair, etc.

(6) That road leading to Kilbeacancy Old Cemetery be repaired.

(f) Deputy M. Kitt: (1) That a special meeting of the Co. Council be held to deal with the provision of pumps and water supplies in the county and the repair of existing pumps - many of which are out of order.

(2) That Galway Co. Council make representations to the Irish Land Commission to procure sites for at least two labourers' cottages on Potter's farm, Castleblakeney.

(g) Mr. J. Geoghegan: (1) That a proper water supply be provided for the village of Tullycross, Renvyle.

(2) That Sewerage Schemes be provided for the following villages - Letterfrack, Tullycross and Tully.

(3) That gullies (two) at Lettermorenackille, Rosmuck, be widened to prevent flooding.

(4) That dangerous bend in Glantrasna road, Rosmuck, be widened and gullet at same road widened.

(h) Mr. J.M. Glynn: (1) To grant \$5 towards lighting cottages in the Glenmaddy-Williamstown district.

(2) To have a survey made for piped supply of water to Ballymoe town.

(3) To state number of cottages to be erected in or near Ballymoe.

25. Resolutions.

26. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE GALWAY
COUNTY COUNCIL AT MEETING HELD ON THE 28th
OCTOBER, 1950.

In the Chair: Senator Martin Quinn.

Also present: Councillors M. Ashe, M. Carty, Deputy P. Beegan, Clrs. P. Collins, J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. Joyce, M. Killilea, T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Clr. P. Kyne, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Clrs. J. Mannion, J. McElhinney, M. Mylotte, J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, Senator M. Quinn, Clrs. J. Ruane, V. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

3274. MINUTES: The Minutes of the Council to No. 8273 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

Clr. McElhinney referred to Minute No. 8247 and asked if the Manager had considered the revision of remuneration of health service officers and employees; that Clr. McElhinney considered that there should be a general revision of remuneration of these officers in view of the increase in the cost of living. The County Manager replied that he had considered the remuneration of all the health service officers and employees and had granted, subject to sanction, certain increases to porters and a few other grades; that he did not propose to grant a general increase in remuneration to all health service officers and employees.

8275. LOUGH CORRIB NAVIGATION TRUSTEES: Clr. Newell proposed and Clr. Carty seconded that Clrs. T. King and M. J. Higgins be appointed members of the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees.

8276. OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE: Clr. Carty proposed and Clr. Collins seconded that the membership of each Sub-Committee be limited to 15, but that in addition, all local county councillors be ex-officio members of the Sub-Committee for which they opt. Deputy Killilea suggested that as an exception the membership of the Abbeyknockmoy, Tuam and Headford Sub-Committee be 20. Clr. Carty agreed to this amendment of his proposal which was declared carried.

Ballinasloe Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Clr. Galvin, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Very Rev. M. Canon Brennan, P.P., Ahascragh; Senator Martin Quinn, Woodlawn; Rev. W. Cummins, Adm., Ballinasloe; Mr. James Nevin, Reisk, Banagher; Mr. P. J. Parker, N.T.

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Clontuskert, Ballinasloe; Mr. Peter Larkin, Clonlahan, Kiltormer; Mr. P. J. Byrne, Killalaghton, Aughrim; Mr. John Callanan, Calla, Kilconnell; Mr. Bertie McGovern, Northbrook, Aughrim; Mr. W. O'Rourke, Society St., Ballinasloe; Mr. John Costello, Harbour Street, Ballinasloe; Mr. Eugene Curley, Carrowmore, Kiltormer; Mr. Andrew Staunton, Creagh, Ballinasloe; Mr. Patrick Galvin, Co.C., Ballinasloe.

Clifden Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mannion, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. Andrew King, Clifden; Mr. Pat McInerney, Clifden; Mr. Jack Casey, Clifden; Mr. Tom Nee, Clifden; Mr. H. O'Sullivan, Clifden; Mr. Fintan Kavanagh, Clifden; Mr. Richard Joyce, Clifden; Mr. John Mannion, Clifden; Mr. John Glynn, Lee Tce., Clifden; Rev. Fr. Ryan, C.C., Clifden; Rev. Mr. Fairbrother, The Rectory, Clifden; Mr. Pat Kerrigan, Clifden; Mr. Des. Morris, Clifden; Mr. Ml. Flanagan, Clifden.

Renvyle Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved that the following be appointed:—

Very Rev. M. Hanrahan, P.P., Letterfrack; Mr. Patrick Coyne, Tullycross, Renvyle; Mr. Laurence O'Toole, Tullycross, Renvyle; Mr. T. J. Curley, Letterfrack; Mr. Val. Conneely, Letterfrack; Mr. Peter Conneely (Jnr.), Dawros, Letterfrack; Mr. Padhraic Nee, Derryinver, Letterfrack; Mr. James Joyce, Ungee, Letterfrack; Mr. Patrick Adams, Moyard; Mr. Charles Conneely, Knocknahaw, Moyard; Mr. Michael Davis, Ballynew, Cleggan.

Roundstone No. 1 Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mylotte, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. Patrick Bolton, Ervallah, Roundstone; Mr. Martin Conneely, Errisbeg, Roundstone; Mr. Martin Mannion, Roundstone; Mr. Denis Keane, Roundstone; Mr. Martin Ryan, Murvey, Roundstone; Mr. William O'Malley, Ballinafad; Mr. Bernard O'Toole, Roundstone; Rev. Fr. Horan, C.C., Ballinafad; Rev. Fr. Charles Cashel; Mr. Festus O'Toole, Glanturkeen, Cashel; Mr. William Manning, Canal Stage, Ballinafad; Mr. Mark Mulherrins, Rosroe, Cashel; Mr. Joseph King, Inishnee, Roundstone; Mr. Festus Mongan, Ervallah, Roundstone.

Roundstone No. 2 Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mylotte, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Rev. Fr. Corcoran, P.P., Carna; Rev. Fr. McLoughlin, C.C., Carna; Rev. Fr. Tobin, C.C., Kilkerrin; Mr. M. A. Moran, Carna;

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Mr. Martin Cloherty, Carna; Mr. Michael Geraghty, Carna; Mr. Patrick O'Flaherty, Ardmore, Carna; Mr. J. F. Cooke, Kilkerrin, Carna; Mr. Thomas Ridge, Callanacruick, Carna; Mr. Colman Lydon, Culleen, Carna; Mr. Thomas Canavan, Ardmore, Carna; Mr. Pat O'Donnell, Moyrus, Carna; Mr. Joseph Folan, Dooyeher, Carna; Mr. Martin O'Donnell, Kylesalia, Kilkerrin; Mr. Michael Keane, Glynsk, Cashel; Mr. Martin Mylotte, Co.C., Carna; Mr. John Geoghegan, Co.C., Carna.

Aran Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Very Rev. T. Varley, P.P., Kilonan; Rev. J. Cunnane, C.C., Kilonan; Mr. Bartley Gill, Kilonan; Mr. Michael Joyce, Kilonan; Mr. Padhraic O h-Ochir, O.S., Kilonan; Mr. Stiofan Mac Donnchadha, Kilonan; Mr. Seoirse O Giollain, Fearran A' Choirce; Mac Ui Fhlannagain, O.S., Eoghanacht; Mr. Maitiu O'Maolain, Eoghanacht; Mr. John Conneely, Inishnee.

Spiddal Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. Tadgh Folan, Spiddal; Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald, Moycullen; Mr. Jas. Kelly, Dromavoughane, Moycullen; Mr. Patk. Hanley, Poul-naclough; Mr. Sean Donnellan, N.T., Dovepark; Mr. Tim Kyne, Moycullen; Mr. Pat Acton, Moycullen.

Oranmore and Turloughmore Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. John Monahan, Knockdoe, Claregalway; Mr. Michael Cunniffe, Tawin, Oranmore; Mr. L. Walsh, Ballindooley, Galway; Mr. P. Fury, Currandulla; Mr. T. King, Balroebuckmore, Currandulla; Mr. F. Conway, Solicitor, St. Francis St., Galway; Mr. J. Brennan, 3 Courthouse Sq., Galway; Mr. John Egan, Kiltrogue, Claregalway; Mr. Martin Furey, Rhinn, Oranmore; Mr. John Connor, Clarenbridge; Mr. M. Newell, Breanloughaun, Galway; Mr. Peter Kelly, Ballyglass, Turloughmore; Mr. John Fahy, Ballybane; Mr. Patrick King, Kiltulla; Mr. Paddy Ruane, Carnmore.

Glenamaddy Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Rev. Fr. Walsh, Glenamaddy; Mr. John Garvey, Senr., Glenamaddy; Mr. Edward Smyth, Cloonminda, Castlereah; Mr. Patrick Tracey, Kiltullagh, Glenamaddy; Rev. Fr. Waldron, P.P., Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe; Rev. Fr. Glynn, C.C., Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe;

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Clr. Cunningham, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe; Clr. Flaherty, Clonberne, Ballinasloe; Mr. David Fitzgerald, Clonberne, Ballinasloe; Rev. Fr. Keaveney, Williamstown; Clr. Glynn, Williamstown; Rev. Fr. McKeon, Glynsk, Castlereah; Clr. Sirr, Glynsk Castlereah; Mr. Martin Concagh, Turla, Ballymoe; Mr. John Divilly, Leitira, Glenamaddy; Mr. Thomas Wade, Kilkerrin; Mr. Michael Hussey, Curragh, Dunmore; Mr. Thomas Flanagan, Ballymoe; Mr. Edward Geraghty, Williamstown.

Loughrea Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Shields, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. M. O'Reilly, Loughrea; Mr. P. Callanan, Larch Hill, Loughrea; Mr. P. Morrissey, T.C., Loughrea; Mr. D. Cronin, T.C., Loughrea; Mr. J. McDonnell, Moore Street, Loughrea; Mr. Michael Downey, Leitrim; Mr. P. Reardon, Drim, Kylebrack, Loughrea; Mr. Ml. Smyth, Killaspie, Loughrea; Mr. P. Mannion, Newtowndaly, Loughrea; Mr. J. J. Kennedy, Lecarrow, Craughwell; Mr. H. Melvin, Ganty, Craughwell; Mr. M. Dolphin, Ballydavid, Loughrea; Mr. F. Mullins, N.T., Woodford; Mr. M. Cooney; Ballyara, Loughrea; Mr. M. O'Regan, T.C., Loughrea; Mr. Peter Moylan, Loughrea; Mr. J. Kelly, Grange, Loughrea; Mr. C. Sweeney, Loughrea.

Ardrahan Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. Mtn. Dolan, N.T., Labane, Ardrahan; Mr. J. J. Whiskey, Ardrahan; Mr. Thos. Tarpey, Ardrahan; Dr. P. D. O'Beirne, M.O., Ardrahan; Mr. Patk. Howley (Jnr.), Granna, Ardrahan; Mr. Jack Higgins, Creggolare; Mr. Thos. Lahiffe, Peterswell, Loughrea; Mr. Ml. Fallon, Knockoura, Peterswell; Mr. Patk. Nilan, Raheen, Ardrahan; Mr. John McInerney (Jnr.), Cahermore; Mr. Jim Geoghegan, Granna, Ardrahan; Mr. Ml. Mante, Castle-taylor, Ardrahan; Mr. Richard Taylor, Ardrahan; Mr. Dominic Monahan, Labane, Ardrahan; Mr. Colman Bradley, Labane, Ardrahan.

Gort Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. Thomas Burke, Beagh, Gort; Mr. Patrick Burke, Ballin-bucky, Gort; Mr. James O'Connor, George's Street, Gort; Mr. Patrick Fahy, N.T., Kilbeacanty, Gort; Mr. Patrick O'Connor, George's St., Gort; Mr. Joseph Stanford, Ballybane, Gort; Mr. Edward Roche, P.C., Bridge Street, Gort; Mr. Patrick Lally, Royal Hotel, Gort; Mr. Pat. Loughrey, Bullapadeen, Gort; Mr. Joseph Cahill, Ballyturin, Gort; Mr. St. George Daly, Ard na

Greanna, Gort; Mr. James Moylan, Curtane, Tubber, Gort; Mr. Joe Forde, Fiddane, Tubber, Gort; Mr. Joe Mullaney, Castle-taylor, Gort; Mr. Michael Reilly, Ballyturin, Gort.

Kinvara Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Deputy Lahiffe, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. T. Donnellan, N.T., Northampton N.S., Kinvara; Mr. T. Reidy, Dooras, Demesne, Kinvara; Mr. Mattie Connolly, Kinvara (Gortaboy); Mr. B. Murphy, Kinvara; Mr. M. Nestor, Kilmacduagh; Mr. Sean Keane, Carravoneen, Kinvara; Mr. M. Regan, Kinvara; Mr. K. Moylan, N.T., Kinvara; Mr. M. Hynes, Kinvara (Dongora); Mr. Bartey Hanlon, Carranamadra, Kinvara; Mr. Thomas Fahy, Dooras, Demesne, Kinvara; Mr. Patrick Curtin, Dooras, Kinvara; Mr. Patrick O'Loughlin, Poulmagan, Kinvara.

Lettermore Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mylotte, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. Michael Walsh, Tiernee, Lettermore; Mr. Coleman Clougherty, Lettercallow, Lettermore; Mr. J. Farmer, Trabane, Lettermore; Mr. M. O'Donnell, Carraroe; Mr. M. O. Cathain, Ceathrua Ruadh; Mr. Paddy O'Malley, Derrarthabeg, Carraroe; Mr. Martin Sullivan, Camus Uachtar, Costelloe; Mr. Patrick Beatty, Truskert, Lettermullen; Mr. Plunkett O'Toole, Lettercallow, Lettermore; Mr. Thomas Ridge, Derrynea, Costelloe; Rev. Fr. Moran, Rosmuck; Rev. Fr. Moran, Carraroe; Mr. Michael Conroy, Garafine, Rosmuck; Mr. Francis O'Malley, Rosmuck; Mrs. O'Gorman, Tiernea; Rev. Fr. Walsh, Adm., Lettermore.

Mountbellew Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald, C.C., Moylough; Rev. Fr. Philbin, C.C., Mountbellew; Mr. M. Cunningham, Newbridge; Mr. P. Collins, Moneen, Menlough; Mr. Mark Wall, Ballygar; Mr. Thomas Cunningham, Mountbellew; Mr. Thomas Kitt, Lehnagh, Castle-blakeney; Mr. James Lawless, Newbridge; Mr. Thomas Glynn, Marless, Moylough; Mr. Thomas Kitt, Moate, Cooloo; Mr. John Hogan, Kinclare; Mr. John Fitzmaurice, Clonlony, Ballygar; Mr. Patk. Hennelly, Loghanboy, Castlefrench; Mr. Thomas Neill, Garafine, Ballymacward; Mr. Tim Devaney, Menlough; Mr. John Martin, Ballygar; Mr. Tom Devine, Caltra.

Oughterard Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mylotte, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. Patrick Mons, Drimnakill, Oughterard; Mr. William Donnellan, Main Street, Oughterard; Mr. William Keogh, Main

Street, Oughterard; Mr. Harry O'Toole, Main St., Oughterard; Mr. John Molloy, Collinamuck, Killanin; Mr. Christy Lydon, Knockferry; Mr. Patrick Gibbons, Claremount, Oughterard; Mr. Patrick Darcy, Mahermore, Oughterard; Mr. Patrick Geoghegan, Derrylinna, Oughterard; Mr. Joseph Higgins, N.T., Co.C., Moycullen; Mr. Joseph Walsh, Park, Killanin; Mr. James Joyce, Co.C., Oughterard; Rev. Archdeacon Fallon, Oughterard; Rev. Fr. Mullins, P.P., Killanin; Mr. Bat Monaghan, Oughterard; ~~Rev. Fr. McQuinn, Oughterard; Mr. James McQuinn, Portacarron; Mr. Martin Faherty, Garrynagry, Ross; Mr. M. O'Connor, Garrynagry, Ross; Mr. Thomas Joyce, Shanagh, Oughterard.~~

Portumna Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Houlihan, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Very Rev. B. M. Bowes, P.P., Tynagh; Very Rev. P. Jennings, P.P., Portumna; Mr. James Layng, Portumna; Mr. Thomas Horan, St. Brendan St., Portumna; Mr. Patrick Nevin, Old Longford, Ballycrissane; Mr. P. Tracey, Ballycrissane; Mr. S. P. Burke, Clondagough, Rossmore; Mr. William Lynch, Abbey, Loughrea; Mr. Jerry Maloney, Tynagh, Loughrea; Mr. James Kirwan, Killimore; Mr. William Keighrey, Lecarrow, Tynagh; Mr. Ambrose Gormally, Glencona, Killimore; Mr. Martin Walsh, Deerpark, Ballycrissane; Mr. John Carolan, Lisduff, Tynagh.

Abbeynockmoy, Tuam and Headford Sub-Committees: It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Mr. Thomas Roche, Beaghmore, Caherlistrane; Mr. Frank Browne, Curlawn, Caherlistrane; Rev. Fr. Kelly, C.C., The Presbytery, Tuam; Mr. Patk. Kelly, Knockalowney, Lavally, Tuam; Mr. John McHugh, Castletown; Mr. Patk. Naughton, Bodane, Tuam; Rev. Fr. Hugh Curley, P.P., Claran, Headford; Deputy M. Killilea, Caherhugh House, Belclare; Mr. H. Hussey, Belclare; Mr. Wm. O'Malley, Headford; Mr. Nicholas Daly, Dangan, Dereen; Mr. Michael Cahill, Tuam; Mr. Patrick Carroll, Stripe, Cummer; Mr. P. Donohue, Abbeynockmoy; Mr. James Moran, Vicar Street, Tuam; Mr. Dan McCormack, Dublin Road, Tuam; Mr. Nicholas Canney, Headford; Mr. Pat Kyne (Chas.), Ballyconlough, Headford; Mr. Thomas O'Donoghue, Galway Road, Tuam; Mr. B. Glynn, Headford; Mr. John J. Kyne, Moneen, Headford; Mr. Nicholas Canney, Headford.

Clonbur Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Kyne seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Rev. Fr. O'Reilly, P.P., Clonbur; Mr. Thos. Sarsfield, Clonbur; Mr. Patk. Kyne, Clonbur; Mr. John Holleran, Clonbur; Mr. John

Joyce, Clonbur; Mr. John Waters, Cornamona; Mr. Willie Molloy, Cornamona; Mr. Peter O'Maille, Cornamona; Mr. M. Holleran, Dooroy, Clonbur; Mr. Thomas O'Malley, Maam; Mr. Patrick Walsh, Maam; Mr. Joseph Keane, Maam; Mr. John Feehan, Leenane; Rev. Fr. Walsh, P.P., Leenane; Mr. Patrick Holleran, Clonbur.

Dunmore Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Rev. J. Loftus, C.C., Dunmore; Mr. James J. Nestor, Dunmore; Clr. John Flaherty, Clonberne; Mr. John Bownes, Cappagh, Dunmore; Mr. Michael Walsh, Dunmore; Mr. John B. Collins, Gortagoyne, Dunmore; Mr. Kevin Kilgariff, Guarafannes, Dunmore; Mr. Thomas Flaherty, Belwell, Dunmore; Mr. Micko Mannion, Attyflynn, Dunmore; Mr. P. A. Kerrane, Milltown; Mr. James Mullarkey, Milltown; Mr. John P. McCormack, Kilgevrin, Milltown; Mr. M. Acton, Belmont, Milltown, Tuam; Mr. Patk. Mullaney, Clashaganney, Milltown; Mr. Kevin Feeney, Milltown, Tuam; Clr. John Glynn, Corralough, Menlough.

Inishboffin Sub-Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, that the following be appointed:—

Rev. A. O'Toole, Adm., Inishboffin; Mr. Patrick Lacey, Inishboffin; Mr. Patrick Davis, Inishboffin; Mr. John Joyce, Inishboffin; Mr. Patrick Concannon, Inishboffin; Mr. John Naughton, Inishboffin; Mr. Michael Scuffel, Inishboffin; Mr. Austin Coyne, Inishboffin; Mr. Peter Lavelle, Inishboffin; Mr. O. McCann, Inishboffin; Mr. Owen Kyne, Inishboffin.

8277. ROADS COMMITTEE: The Council considered Clr. King's recommendation that a Roads Committee be appointed. Clr. Ashe proposed that the whole Council be appointed as a Committee and that four meetings be held in each year. After discussion it was decided that the matter could be met by calling a special meeting of the Council in December to deal with roads proposals only; that members' proposals should be submitted before the 18th November, 1950, so as to give the County Engineer an opportunity of examining them in advance of the Special Meeting.

8278. TENDERS COMMITTEE: Clr. King's recommendation that a Tenders Committee be appointed was considered. After discussion it was proposed by Clr. Ashe and seconded by Clr. Higgins "that a Tenders Committee be appointed." It was proposed by Clr. Wall and seconded by Clr. Nestor "that a Tenders Committee be not appointed as such a Committee is not necessary."

On a show of hands for Mr. Wall's amendment the following result was obtained—18 for and 12 against. The Chairman then declared Clr. Wall's amendment carried and Clr. Ashe's proposal defeated.

8279. HOUSING COMMITTEE: The County Manager stated that it would be desirable that a Housing Committee be appointed so that the County Council might be made aware of the progress being made with housing and the causes of the delay in erection of cottages, etc. After discussion it was decided that a Committee consisting of 10 members and the Chairman—Senator Quinn—be appointed. It was proposed by Clr. Carty seconded by Deputy Kitt, and unanimously resolved, "that the following members be appointed:—

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| Ballinasloe Electoral Area, Councillors Collins and Beegan. |
| Galway " " " Ashe and King. |
| Loughrea " " " Ruane and Lahiffe. |
| Oughterard " " " Mannion & Geoghegan. |
| Tuam " " " Killilea and Nestor. |

Senator Quinn, Chairman, to be also an ex-officio member of this Committee."

It was arranged that the first meeting of the Housing Committee would be held on Saturday, the 11th November, 1950, at 12 o'clock noon, in the Council Chamber, Galway.

8280. IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION: It was proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Clr. King, and Resolved, "that Clr. John Glynn be appointed to represent the County Council on the Irish Tourist Association."

8281. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT ASSISTANCE OFFICER: Correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted. Clr. Ashe proposed that a Committee be appointed to inquire into the necessity for the appointment of an Assistant to the Superintendent Assistance Officer. This proposal was not seconded. It was proposed by Deputy Beegan and seconded by Clr. King, that the consideration of the appointment be adjourned until next meeting and that in the meantime a list be prepared showing the counties in which there is an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer and the number of recipients of home assistance in these areas as compared with County Galway. It was proposed by Clr. McEilhiney and seconded by Clr. Shields that the Council agree to the proposal to appoint an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer. After further discussion the County Manager recommended that three members be appointed to discuss the matter with him and with the Superintendent Assistance Officer. This suggestion was approved and it was decided that the Chairman, Clr. Ashe and Clr. Collins should discuss the matter with the County Manager.

8282. VISITING COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS : Consideration of the reports of the Visiting Committee was adjourned. It was arranged that the next meeting of the Visiting Committee would be held at the Central Hospital on Saturday, the 4th November, 1950, at 1 p.m.

8283. MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS IN GALWAY : Letter 15/8/50, from the Town Clerk, Galway, was submitted stating that the Galway Corporation had appointed representatives on the proposed Joint Committee to consider the provision of a municipal building. It was proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, "that the following members be appointed to represent the County Council on the Joint Committee—Senator M. Quinn and Clrs. King, Galvin and Sirr."

8284. KILCLOUGH—BALLYTHOMAS ROAD : It was decided that Clr. Cunningham's Notice of Motion regarding above road be adjourned to the Roads Special Meeting.

8285. ATHENRY PUBLIC LIGHTING, Etc. : In reply to Clr. Ruane's Notice of Motion the County Engineer explained that it is not possible to extend the lighting to the cottages at Park and Ballydavid at present.

The Notices of Motion regarding new pathways in Athenry were adjourned to the Roads Special Meeting.

8286. ELECTRIC LIGHT, Etc., IN LABOURERS' COTTAGES : Clr. Carty asked for particulars of the position in regard to the provision of electric light in cottages for which the Council previously agreed to contribute not exceeding £5 per cottage. The Secretary explained that the tenders received were in most cases higher than £5 and it has been found impossible to collect the excess over £5 from the tenants; that the only sensible manner in which this could be dealt with would be to provide at the Council's expense one plug and one light in each cottage concerned; that the cost of one plug and one light would in all cases be less than £5 and it should be left to the tenants to provide at their own expense anything in excess of this. The Council agreed with this suggestion.

8287. KINVARA PIER : It was decided, on the recommendation of Deputy Lahiffe, that the Office of Public Works be asked to provide proper lighting on Kinvara Pier where a fatal accident occurred recently.

8288. AUDITOR'S REPORTS AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS :—as set out hereunder were submitted and noted:—
(a) Shrule Joint Drainage Committee—year ended 31/3/49;
(b) River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee—year ended 31/3/50.

8289. FLANNERY BRIDGE : Letter 21/9/50 from the Department of Local Government was submitted indicating that all monies available in the Road Fund for the current year had been allocated and that, therefore, no higher grant than £4,500 could be provided for this work which is estimated to cost £26,000. It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Carty that the Council approve the raising of a loan of £21,500 to meet the balance of the expenditure on provision of Flannery Bridge. After further discussion it was decided to defer until next meeting consideration of the raising of a loan and that in the meantime the Department of Local Government be again requested to allocate a substantial grant for this work; that it be pointed out to the Department that it is not necessary that the grant be provided from the monies available in the current year; if the grant is provided from the monies available in year ending 31st March, 1952, it will suffice.

8290. HEADFORD COTTAGES—HOUSE PLAN : The north aspect house-plan for cottages to be erected at Headford was examined by the members of the Council and approved.

8291. ENGINEERING SERVICES REORGANISATION : The file in connection with this matter and Minutes of Committee Meeting 8/7/50 were submitted. As the newly appointed members of the Council had not been supplied with copies of the proposed scheme, it was decided that particulars of the scheme be again circulated to every member of the Council.

8292. INISHLACKEN LANDING PLACE : Letter 22/9/50 from the Special Employment Schemes Office was submitted requesting that the Resolution of 26/8/50 be amended slightly. It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mannion, and Resolved, "that the works at Inishlacken Landing Place as set out in letter 2/2/49 from the Special Employment Schemes Office having been carried out to the satisfaction of the County Engineer, we, the Galway County Council, hereby undertake to maintain the said works in future."

8293. WARDENS : The Council agreed with the proposal to appoint Mr. Tadhg O'Seaghdha, Rossaveel, as Warden for Spiddal Dispensary District and Mr. Patrick Monaghan, Headford, as Warden for Headford Dispensary District.

8294. RENTS FOR RURAL TYPE COTTAGES : The County Manager explained that based on a Transition Development Fund grant of £300 and interest on loan repayments at 2%, the economic rent for rural type cottages would be 8/- per week, and that it was suggested that a rent of 5/- be charged for such cottages—rates to be payable in addition. The Council agreed with this proposal.

8295. COUNTY CLINIC : The Secretary explained that at a previous meeting the Council had requested that the Department of Health be pressed to make 100= grant for the portion of the County Clinic which would be provided for tubercular work. The Department of Health would not accede to this request and have confirmed that a two-third grant will be provided for the entire work which is estimated to cost £25,316. It was proposed by Clr. McElhinney, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, "that the Council approve proceeding with the provision of the County Clinic which is estimated to cost £25,316 on the understanding that two-thirds of the cost will be met by a grant from Hospitals Trust Fund."

8296. COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE : Letter 12/10/50 from the County Committee of Agriculture was submitted applying for a contribution equivalent to 5d. in the £ for year ending 31st March, 1952. It was decided that this be provided in the Estimate for year ending 31/3/1952 and that it come up for consideration with all other items when the Estimate will be considered.

8297. ORANMORE DISPENSARY RESIDENCE AND DISPENSARY : File of correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted. The Secretary explained that Mr. Healy, Engineer, E.S.B., is offering his residence which includes the former Dispensary and plot of ground therewith for £3,200, and the approval of the Council was requested to the purchase of the premises at £3,200 plus stamp duty, auctioneer's fees and costs of transfer. On the proposal of Clr. Ruane, seconded by Clr. Ashe, the Council approved acquisition of the premises on the terms stated.

8298 : The County Engineer's report—6/10/50—in regard to expenditure of the sum of £15,000 provided for Councillors' proposals in the current year was submitted. Report stated that the works being done on the Oughterard and Galway Electoral Area are all works on County roads with the exception of one work in Oughterard which is on a main road. The Council approved proceeding with these works as recommended by the County Engineer in all five Electoral areas. Clr. Furey requested one alteration in his district which the County Engineer promised to consider.

8299. CINEMA LICENCE : On the proposal of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Geoghegan, the Council unanimously approved the issue of Cinema Licence to Mr. S. Hudson for his travelling cinema.

8300. LOAN—STAFF HOME, WOODLANDS SANATORIUM : It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr.

Carty, and Resolved, "that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Four thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Health Act, 1947."

8301. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME, 1950 : Mr. Michael J. Brennan, Dalystort Road, Salthill, who was awarded a scholarship under above scheme requested permission to avail of the scholarship in University College, Dublin, in so far as may be necessary to enable him to pursue a course in mechanical and electrical engineering. It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Ashe, "that the necessary permission be given until such time as facilities will be provided in University College, Galway, to enable students to pursue courses in mechanical and electrical engineering." Clr. Cunningham asked that consideration be given to granting Mr. M. J. Connaughton, Mountbellew, a grant for one year until such time as he would again be in a position to avail of the scholarship granted to him by the Department of Education. The Secretary explained that this student was granted a scholarship by the Council but decided to accept, in lieu, a scholarship awarded to him by the Department of Education which was of higher value. Mr. Connaughton did not pass his examination this year to the satisfaction of the Department and consequently his scholarship has not been renewed. The money available for the award of a scholarship to Mr. Connaughton by the Council has now been expended in awarding a scholarship to the candidate next in order of merit. Clr. Cunningham requested that the matter be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

8302. COUNTY EDUCATION COMMITTEE : On the recommendation of Clr. Higgins it was decided to appoint the following additional members on the County Education Committee: Rev. Superior, Patrician Brothers, St. Joseph's, Galway. Rev. Bro. James, Superior, De la Salle College, Loughrea.

8303. SRUTHAN BUIPIER : Letter 26/9/50 from the Special Employment Schemes Office was submitted asking if the Council would contribute 25% to the cost of this work which is estimated to be £200 on the understanding that a grant from the Employment & Emergency Schemes Vote for 75% of the cost would be made. It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mannion, and Resolved, "that the Council agree to contribute 25% of the cost or £50 whichever may be the less, in this particular case, but that the Council are of opinion that the full cost of such works should be met by the Special Employment Schemes Office."

8304. COUNTY COUNCILS GENERAL COUNCIL : Clr. Carty intimated that he would send particulars of an item for inclusion in the Agenda for next meeting of the General Council

8305. DR. McCONN, COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER : It was proposed by Clr. Nestor, seconded by Deputy Beegan, and Resolved, "that this Council again request the Minister to sanction £400 per year for each of the years 1947, 1948, 1949 and 1950, voted to Dr. McConn for his services in Woodlands Sanatorium in addition to ordinary salary as County Medical Officer which sum of £400 has been provided by us for each of the last four years less the sum of £250 which has already been paid to him."

8306. PUMPS AND WATER SUPPLIES : It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty, and Resolved, "that a special meeting be held in the month of November to consider provision of pumps and water supplies and the repair of existing pumps.

8307. BALLYMOE WATER SUPPLY AND COTTAGES : In reply to Clr. Glynn's Notice of Motion the County Engineer explained the position. It was pointed out that the Council had already agreed to give a grant not exceeding £5 for provision of electricity in cottages.

8308. MISCELLANEOUS : Clr. Carty requested that efforts be made to expedite the connecting of cottages in Loughrea with the Sewerage Scheme.

It was explained to Deputy Kitt on the 5/10/50 that the Land Commission had been requested to allocate sites for cottages at Potter's Farm at Castleblakeney.

8309. COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION ADJOURNED : It was decided that the following Notices of Motion be adjourned until the special Road Works Meeting:—

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| Councillor Flaherty | No. 24 (a) 1 and 2. |
| " Geoghegan | 24 (c) 2 and 3. |
| " Lahiffe | 24 (e) 1 to 6 inclusive. |
| " Geoghegan | 24 (g) 3 and 4. |

It was decided that the following members' Notices of Motion be deferred until the special meeting in connection with water supplies:—

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| Councillor Geoghegan | 24 (c) 1. |
| " Beegan | 24 (d) 4. |
| " Geoghegan | 24 (g) 1 and 2. |

It was decided that the following members' notices of motion be referred to the Housing Committee for consideration: Deputy Beegan..... 24 (d) 1, 2 and 3.

8310. SYMPATHY : A vote of sympathy was passed unanimously with Mrs. Bailey, Imperial Hotel, Galway, on the death of her husband.

*Submitted, approved & confirmed
this 25th day of November 1950.*

Mairín O'Curry-Chairman.

17th de Sanáin, 1950.

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Adoption of Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for the year 1951; and letter 8th November, 1950, from Department of Education.
3. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan £1600 for Tiernea Water Supply Extension.
4. Raising of loan for erection of Flannery Bridge.
5. Raising of Loan for Extension of Clifden Hospital.
6. Blind Welfare Scheme - excess in actual expenditure for year ending 31st March, 1951, over the amount provided in Council's Estimate.
7. Purchase of a Dispensary Residence at Laurencetown for £3000 plus 5% auctioneer's fees and costs of transfer.
8. Re-organization of Engineering services.
9. Letter 9th November, 1950, from the Department of Health regarding the proposed Mass Radiography Service.
10. Report of Visiting Committee on meeting at Central Hospital on 4/11/1950.
11. Application from the Gorb. and South Galway Agricultural Show Society for recognition of that Society as an approved local council.
12. Letters 2/8/50 and 10/11/50 from the Land Commission asking if the Council would take over the future maintenance of a pier which the Commission proposes providing at Scrahalia (E.D. Moyra).
13. Letter 31/10/50 from the Irish Society for the Protection of Birds requesting that the Council should apply for an order protecting all wild birds during the whole of every year except the Cormorant, Hoodie crow, Magpie and Woodpigeon.
14. Notices of Motion by the following Councillors:
 - (a) Councillor M. O'Donnell: "That at the next meeting of the Galway County Council, I will ask the County Engineer what is the delay with the reconstruction of the bridges leading to Lettermore and Gorumna Islands."

14. (b) Clr. J.J. Cunningham; "That the question of the Connaughton Scholarship raised by me at last meeting be sympathetically considered by the Council."

(c) Deputy M.F. Kitt; "I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the Council provide public lighting for the villages of (a) Caltra (b) Castleblakeney (c) Mountbellew and (d) Moylough since the E.S.B. is being extended to the area."

(d) Clr. M. Carty; "That the County Manager be asked to state what steps have been taken to extend the sewerage system to the B.O.H. cottages at Cosmona, Loughrea, and to say why all B.O.H. cottages in Loughrea have not been connected with main sewerage."

(e) Deputy M. Killilea; "That Mr. James Killeen, Belville, Monivea, be appointed a member of the Oranmore O.A.P. Sub-Committee."

(f) Clr. J. Flaherty; (1) "That I will request the Council at its next meeting to decide that if there be any co-options to membership of the Council that they be filled by the party that may be involved."

(ii) "That the County Manager inform the Council how many cottages are proposed to be built in the Kilkerrin area, and to state if and when does he propose the work to start."

15. Fixing dates for Special Meetings:

- (a) Roads Meeting.
(b) Water Supplies Meeting.

16. Letter 23/10/50 from Galway Corporation requesting that the Corporation be given direct representation on all County Council Committees for County-at-large services.

17. Auditor's report and statement of accounts for the Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee for year ended 31/3/1950.

18. Resolutions.

19. Other business.

MINUTES OF FIRST MEETING OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY—11th NOVEMBER, 1950.

Present: Senator M. Quinn, Deputies Beegan, Killilea and Lahiffe, Councillors Collins, Ruane, King, Geoghegan, Ashe, Mannion and Nestor, Messrs. H. Naughton and S. Concannon of the County Solicitor's Office were also in attendance as well as the County Manager, County Engineer, Housing Engineer, Housing Staff Officer and County Secretary.

1. **Chairman:** It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Collins and unanimously resolved that Senator M. Quinn be appointed chairman of the Committee.

2. **Labourers Cottages:** The Secretary submitted statement which included the following particulars:—

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| Total No. of applicants for cottages approved by the County M.O.H. | 312 |
| No. of sites obtained and into which the Council has authority to enter | 115 |
| No. of sites for which Co. Solicitor is still arranging transfer of title | 46 |
| No. of cottages for erection of which advertisements have been issued | 103 |
| No. of cottages for erection of which tenders have been accepted | 66 |
| No. of cottages for erection of which tenders are at present on hands | 10 |
| No. of cottages at present being erected by direct labour | 6 |
| No. of cottages erected by direct labour and already completed | 4 |

Clr. King considered that the erection of groups of cottages near towns is encouraging the flight of labourers from the land.

Deputy Killilea considered that it is undesirable that the rent of labourers cottages in Tuam town area should be only approximately one-third of the rent of the Tuam Town Commissioners houses.

Clr. Geoghegan asked to be informed of the progress made with erection of a cottage for Peter McDonnell, Tully, Renvyle, on the lands of Patrick McDonnell, Tully.

The Chairman asked that the County Manager give his views in regard to the reservation of cottages for the original applicant and asked if it is essential that in such cases the tenancy of the cottage when completed should be advertised. The County Manager stated that a definite ruling had not

yet been given by the Minister for Local Government in regard to this question. After further discussion it was indicated that the unanimous view of the Committee was that it should not be necessary to advertise the tenancy of a new cottage when the cottage was built specifically for some particular applicant.

Clr. Mannion asked to be informed of the period which would elapse between the date a site would be offered by the owner at reasonable price and the date on which the provision of the cottage would commence. Mr. Naughton stated that in the normal case of a clear title it would take approximately four months to have the Conveyance of the site completed.

It appeared, however, that the main cause of delay in the acquisition of the sites is in obtaining the consent of the Irish Land Commission to sub-division.

In reply to Deputy Lahiffe, the County Manager stated that it was intended to place before the Council, for consideration, as soon as possible, the question of making a Clearance Order for Crowe Street area in Gort.

In reply to Clr. Nestor the County Manager stated that direct labour has not been found cheaper than contract for erection of isolated cottages in rural areas.

Deputy Beegan stated that where a suitable tender for a cottage could not be obtained within a reasonable time, he considered that the Council should proceed to erect the cottage by direct labour. The County Manager stated that this is the Council's intention.

3. **Vested Cottages:** Clr. Geoghegan stated that a vested cottage is becoming vacant in Oughterard and the vested tenant proposes to transfer the interest for approximately £46; and that there is in Oughterard a man named 'Jones' who is in dire need of housing and would be prepared to pay an equivalent amount for this vested cottage if it were transferred to him. Clr. Geoghegan requested that the matter be considered by the County Manager.

Clr. King stated that a cottage in Glennagarraun is occupied by a sub-tenant and that the brother of the vested tenant who desires to get possession cannot do so; that the Council has not received any rent for the cottage during the past three years. Clr. King requested that this matter be investigated.

4. **Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950:** In connection with the authority given in the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, for issue of grants by the Council for provision of new houses and for acquisition of sites for persons other than agricultural labourers, Deputy Beegan stated that he considered this

scheme would be desirable for certain specific classes coming within a reasonable limit of income and Poor Law Valuation. In order that the matter might be considered further by the Committee, Deputy Beegan requested that information be available for the next meeting in regard to:—

- the amount of the rate at present levied by the Council for housing purposes;
- the cost of repayment of a loan which would be sufficient to make a grant of, say, £200 for each of one thousand houses—the loan to be repayable over of period of 35 years.
- all other relevant information.

5. **Reserves of Materials:** The County Manager informed the Committee that in the present situation it is considered desirable that at least one year's reserve of materials be obtained for such works as road maintenance, cottage maintenance and erection of new cottages by direct labour; also that contractors who are engaged on the erection of houses, etc., should be authorised to obtain sufficient material to complete the works, and that when such material would be delivered on the site by contractors, payment would be made to them from the relevant loan account; that the material purchased by the Council as reserve should be charged to the "Reserve Account" which would be credited when the material would be issued for the various jobs. The Committee unanimously approved of the County Manager's proposal.

6. **Mass Radiography Service:** The County Manager read a Circular from the Department of Health proposing that a limited Company be formed to deal with the provision of a mass radiography service and suggesting that six County Managers and two nominees of the Minister for Health be appointed directors of that Company; that the Minister for Health would make a grant of £15,000 for the initial equipment and that the annual deficit in the working of the service would be met by the local authorities and would rank for recoupment from the Health Grant. The County Manager stated that the Department of Health wished that this letter would be brought to the notice of the Council as soon as possible and that it was intended that a Conference in connection with it be held in Dublin on 28th November, 1950. As a meeting of the Council would not be held in the meantime, the letter was being submitted to the Committee as being representative of the Council. The Committee noted the contents of the Circular and considered, generally, that it would be desirable to provide such a service, but that some aspects of the proposed service would require the full consideration of the Council in due course.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THE 25th NOVEMBER, 1950

In the Chair : Senator Martin Quinn.

Also present : Clr. Miss Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Clrs. M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clr. T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Clr. P. Kyne, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Clrs. J. Mannion, J. McElhiney, M. Mylotte, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

8311. MINUTES : The Minutes of the Council to No. 8310 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

8312. SPIDDAL O.A.P. SUB-COMMITTEE : Clr. Higgins pointed out that it was the intention that the former members of the Spiddal O.A.P. Sub-Committee would be re-appointed in addition to those new members set out in Minute No. 8276. It was, therefore, Resolved—"That the following be appointed members of the Spiddal O.A.P. Sub-Committee :—

Mr. Edward Walsh, College View, Spiddal.
Mr. P. Costello, Ballydonnell, Spiddal.
Mr. M. Waters, Knock, Spiddal.
Mr. T. Flaherty, Killough, Spiddal.
Mr. T. McIntyre, Spiddal.
Mr. J. Clancy, Sheenhaun, Spiddal."

8313. SCHEME FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS, 1951 : Letter Oil (2) 79500 of the 8/11/50 from the Department of Education, Primary Branch, was submitted and attention was drawn particularly to Paragraph 4 of the letter in which it was suggested, for the Council's consideration, that in the scheme for 1951, an income limit of £350 for parents and one child be provided with an allowance of £50 for each additional child. The Council decided that having regard to the fact that this matter had already been considered very fully by the Education Committee in 1949 and in 1950 and as the cost of living had not decreased in the meantime, the terms of the scheme for 1950, as already formulated, should be adhered to. It was, therefore, proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Nicholson and Resolved : "That the scheme for scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for the year 1951, as already formulated, be amended in accordance with the Department of Education letter Oil 2) 79500 of the 8/11/50, with the exception of the suggested

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amendment in regard to the "means clause" and that the scheme as so amended be and is hereby adopted by the Council." Clr. Mannion dissented from this Resolution.

8314. LOAN FOR TIERNEA WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION : It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Kyne and unanimously Resolved : "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Sixteen Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

8315. FLANNERY BRIDGE : Correspondence in connection with this work was submitted by the Secretary who explained that the Department of Local Government have again refused to allocate any special grant for this work other than the sum of £4,500 already authorised. The Department had suggested that the Council might consider allocating some of the Main Road Improvement grant for year ending 31st March, 1952, to this work. The County Engineer's report was submitted stating that any money allocated from the Main Road Improvement Grant to the Flannery Bridge job would result in a reduction of the work on roads with consequent unemployment. Accordingly, the County Engineer was not prepared to recommend the allocation of any part of the Main Road Improvement Grant to the erection of Flannery Bridge. The Secretary pointed out that the same problem would probably arise in connection with the provision of the Lettermore Bridges, the Canal Bridges, Galway, and Hearnbrook Bridge. After a discussion it was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Kyne and unanimously decided "That the County Manager be authorised to deal with the tenders received so that the work may go ahead but the Department be again pressed to increase the amount of the grant allocated specially for this work."

8316. CLIFDEN HOSPITAL EXTENSION : The Secretary reported that pending the obtaining of a loan for this work it will be necessary to authorise an adequate overdraft. It was proposed by Clr. Mannion, seconded by Clr. Geoghegan and unanimously Resolved :

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on the Council's Capital Account pending the obtaining of a loan for provision of extension to Clifden District Hospital."

8317. BLIND WELFARE SCHEME : The Secretary referred to the revised scale of allowances which had been approved

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by the Council and stated that while the amount provided in the estimate for the current year for the Blind Welfare Scheme was £2,000 it was anticipated that the actual expenditure for the full year would be £3,700. After a discussion it was proposed by Clr. McElhiney, seconded by Clr. King and unanimously Resolved : "That the Council hereby approve an additional expenditure of £1,700 for the Blind Welfare Scheme for the year ending 31st March, 1951."

8318. LAURENCETOWN DISPENSARY RESIDENCE : The Secretary reported that subject to the Council's approval the Manager was prepared to purchase from the Representatives of Dr. W. Conroy, Laurencetown, the latter's residence at Laurencetown at a cost of £3,000 plus 5% auctioneer's fees, stamp duty and cost of conveyance of the property to the Council—the premises to be used as a residence for the Medical Officer of Laurencetown Dispensary District. On the proposition of Clr. Ashe, seconded by Clr. Houlihan, the Council approved the purchase of these premises on the terms set out above.

8319. RE-ORGANISATION OF ENGINEERING SERVICES : Correspondence in connection with the proposed re-organisation of the Council's Engineering Services was again submitted. It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Galvin and unanimously Resolved : "That the Council approve the proposed re-organisation of the County Engineering Services as set out in the County Engineer's report dated the 11th November, 1950, a copy of which had already been supplied to each member of the Council, and recommended that Mr. M. A. Martyn, Chief Assistant County Engineer, be compensated for the termination of his services as Engineer to Ballinasloe Mental Hospital by an ex-gratia payment of an annual amount to be determined."

8320. ROADS—MISCELLANEOUS : Clr. Shields asked if it was correct that the Marshall Roller scrapped by the Council and sold to the Galway Foundry had later been repaired and hired to the Council at a substantial daily rate of charge. The County Engineer replied that he had already investigated this allegation and found that the Roller in question was not that which had been scrapped and sold to the Galway Foundry.

Clr. Collins considered that the present methods of maintaining County roads are out of date and wasteful and that some more economical system should be adopted.

Clr. Glynn requested that the use of central quarries be reconsidered having regard to the fact that up to £50,000 was paid by the Council in the past year for hire of C.I.E. lorries while horses were available to do the work more economically in many areas.

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Clr. Nicholson requested that steep hills on Main roads be sanded, especially in wintertime.

Clr. Mannion asked that the County Engineer would undertake to use horses for haulage in any case where the draw does not exceed two miles.

Clr. Flaherty requested that in the Cortoon area and elsewhere carters would be employed on roads as far as possible.

Deputy Beegan and the County Engineer pointed out that at various periods of the year it is not possible to get horses as they are busy with agricultural work. The County Engineer further stated that approximately 35 miles of county road is being steam-rolled each year and that this is the only satisfactory manner in which he can deal with the problem of maintaining county roads.

Clr. Cawley considered that in so far as haulage was concerned the most economical service should be utilized.

8321. MASS RADIOGRAPHY SERVICE : Letter D.53/50 of the 9/11/50 from the Department of Health was submitted—a copy having already been sent to each member of the Council. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to defer further consideration of this matter until subsequent to the Conference which will be held in Dublin on the 28/11/1950. Clr. McElhiney recommended that some information be available at the next meeting in regard to the cost per X-ray under the new scheme as compared to the cost per X-ray provided by the Mobile X-ray Unit as originally contemplated.

8322. VISITING COMMITTEE : Minutes of Meeting of the Visiting Committee held at the Central Hospital on the 4th November, 1950, were submitted together with reports from the Resident Medical Superintendent stating that :—

(a) The R.M.S. recommended the gradual replacement of hair mattresses by rubber mattresses of the Dunlo-pillo type which the Superintendent considers are more comfortable and more durable ;

(b) The R.M.S. intended to forward detailed recommendations in regard to the distribution and duties of the Porter staff including night-duty rota as soon as he will be in a position to do so ;

(c) The R.M.S. is personally checking the discharge reports for patients and has improved matters somewhat already ; that he considers such reports should be type-written but is handicapped in achieving this end due to lack of clerical assistance.

8323. CENTRAL HOSPITAL ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION : The County Manager stated that a report had been received from the Resident Medical Superintendent in which he indicated that he is not satisfied with the administrative organization at the Central Hospital and made certain recommend-

ations which would involve the employment of additional store-keeping staff, clerical staff and porters. The County Manager recommended that the Council appoint a Committee to consider the recommendation of the Resident Medical Superintendent. On the suggestion of Clr. Carty it was decided that these proposals be examined by the Visiting Committee on a date to be arranged by the County Manager—that a Saturday would be the most suitable date.

8324. RATE COLLECTOR No. 8 COLLECTION DISTRICT: Letter 24/11/50 from Mr. J. W. Mongan, Carna, was submitted requesting that owing to his parliamentary duties the Council would approve the appointment of a Deputy for performance of Mr. Mongan's duties as Rate Collector and recommending as Deputy Mrs. Eileen Mylotte, Carna. On the proposition of Clr. Ashe, seconded by Clr. Mannion, the Council approved the appointment of Mrs. Eileen Mylotte, Carna, as Deputy Rate Collector for No. 8 Collection District so as to facilitate Mr. J. W. Mongan in the performance of his parliamentary duties.

8325. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT ASSISTANCE OFFICER: Letter 22/11/50 from the County Manager was submitted stating that the Chairman, Clr. Ashe and Clr. Collins who had discussed this matter with the Manager, the Superintendent Assistance Officer and Mr. Kelly recommended to the Council the making of a temporary appointment for a period of twelve months. Clr. Ashe proposed that the Council approve the making of a temporary appointment of an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer for a period of one year. Deputy Beegan stated that the appointment should be either a permanent one or should not be made at all. The County Manager stated that in making this recommendation the Sub-Committee had in mind the White Paper in regard to social welfare services and considered it would not be advisable to make a permanent appointment until the social welfare proposals would be clarified further. Deputy Beegan proposed and Clr. Sirr seconded that consideration of the matter be adjourned until the Minister's proposals for social welfare services in accordance with the White Paper would be available. It was proposed by Clr. McElhiney and seconded by Clr. Shields that a permanent appointment be made. It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Nicholson that no appointment of an Assistant Superintendent Assistance Officer—either permanent or temporary—be made. A show of hands was taken on Deputy Beegan's proposal resulting in 19 for and 11 against. The Chairman declared Deputy Beegan's proposal carried and further consideration of this matter was, therefore, adjourned.

8326. SALARIES OF ASSISTANCE OFFICERS: Clr. Carty gave notice of his intention to ask the County Manager at the next meeting why the salaries of Assistance Officers had not been revised.

8327. APPROVED LOCAL COUNCILS: Letter 24/10/50 from the Gort and South Galway Agricultural Show Society was submitted requesting that the Council would recognise the Society as an approved local Council for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1941. Deputy Lahiffe recommended that this recognition be given by the Council. After further discussion it was decided that several other applicants would be entitled to as much consideration as the Gort and South Galway Agricultural Show Society and if recognition were granted to one, it would be difficult to refuse others. It was, accordingly, decided that no action be taken.

8328. SCRAHALLIA PIER: Letters 2/8/50 and 10/11/50 from the Land Commission were submitted stating that the Commission proposed erecting a Pier at Socahallia in the E.D. of Moyrus provided the Council would undertake the subsequent maintenance of the Pier after its erection. It was proposed by Clr. Mannion, seconded by Clr. Geoghegan and unanimously Resolved: "That the Council will undertake the future maintenance of the Pier at Scrahallia in the E.D. of Moyrus when this Pier has been provided by the Land Commission."

8329. WILD BIRDS PROTECTION ACT, 1930: Letter of October, 1950, from the Irish Society for the protection of birds was submitted requesting that the Council would apply to the Minister for Justice for an Order protecting all wild birds during the whole of every year except the Cormorant Hoodie crow, Magpie and Woodpigeon. The Council considered that this Order would prevent the killing of such game birds as wild duck, wild goose, grouse, pheasants, etc., that the Society should specify the birds which they wish to have protected as obviously the Order could not be made to apply to game birds.

8330. LETTERMORE & GORUMNA ISLAND BRIDGES: In reply to Clr. O'Donnell's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer stated that he expected to have the plans for the Lettermore and Gorumna bridges ready next week.

8331. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME, 1949: Clr. J. J. Cunningham stated that Mr. M. J. Connaughton, Mountbellew, qualified for a scholarship of £120 a year under the Council's University Scholarship Scheme for the year 1949. Mr. Connaughton also obtained a Department of Education Scholarship of £150 a year which he accepted in lieu of the Council's scholarship. As he

did not obtain honours in three subjects in the examination in 1950, the Department of Education will not renew his scholarship for the coming year and Clr. Cunningham requested that the Council grant Mr. Connaughton a scholarship of £120 for one year at least as it is anticipated that he will in 1951 qualify again for renewal of the Department of Education scholarship. On the proposition of Clr. Cunningham, seconded by Clr. Ashe it was Resolved: "That the Council approve payment of £120 to Mr. M. J. Connaughton, Mountbellew, for the year 1950/51, subject to sanction."

8332. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME, 1948: The Secretary reported that a special agricultural scholarship had been awarded by the Council to Mr. Michael McGagh, Abbert, Ballyglunin, under the scheme for the year 1948; Mr. McGagh had failed in his examination in 1949 and consequently the scholarship was not renewed for the year 1949/50. Mr. McGagh had passed his examination in 1950 and the Council were requested to consider renewal of the scholarship for the year 1950/51. On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. Nicholson, the Council approved renewal of Mr. McGagh's scholarship for the year 1950/51.

8333. PUBLIC LIGHTING—Caltra, Castleblakeney, Mountbellew and Moylough: In response to Deputy Kitt's Notice of Motion the Secretary submitted County Engineer's reports stating that the population of the four villages above-mentioned is as follows:—

| | Popula- tion | No. of Houses |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| CALTRA | 67 | 13 |
| CASTLEBLAKENEY | 69 | 15 |
| MOUNTBELLEW | 320 | |
| MOYLROUGH | 100 | |

In accordance with the previous resolution of the Council only Mountbellew would be eligible for public lighting. The Council unanimously approved provision of public lighting for Mountbellew and directed that the application in regard to the other three villages be adjourned.

8334. SEWERAGE AND WATER SUPPLIES FOR LABOURERS COTTAGES: In reply to Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion the Secretary stated that the County Engineer's estimate for providing water and sewerage services for non-vested labourers cottages at Gort, Tuam, Loughrea, Kinvara, Portumna and Athenry is £9,347; that the County Manager is considering providing water and sewerage services for non-vested cottages and the charging of approximately 1/- per week over a number of years to the tenants as a contribution to the cost of the work—a separate agreement to be provided for this contribution—and the entire proposal to be

subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government. It was arranged that the matter would be placed on the Agenda for next meeting and that in the meantime the approval of the Department of Local Government be sought to the proposal.

8335. ELECTRICITY, IN LABOURERS COTTAGES: Clr. Carty requested that the tenants be given permission to arrange with local contractors for the wiring of their cottages on the understanding that the Council would contribute, when the work would be completed, the sum of £5 per cottage or in each case the cost of the work whichever would be the less.

8336. ORANMORE O.A.P. SUB-COMMITTEE: The Council unanimously approved the appointment of Mr. James Killeen, Belleville, Monivea, as a member of the Oranmore O.A.P. Sub-Committee.

It was decided that the Clerk of each O.A.P. Sub-Committee would be notified of the Council's decision that members of the County Council would be ex-officio members of the O.A.P. Sub-Committees in their area.

8337. CO-OPTION: Clr. Flaherty requested the Council to decide that if there be any co-options to membership of the Council the vacancies should be filled by the party that may be involved. The Chairman stated that he considered the proposal a laudable one but that it would not be binding on the Council. Clr. Collins seconded Clr. Flaherty's proposal. Deputy Kitt suggested that the filling of vacancies by co-option be left to the honour of the Council. Clr. Collins stated he would take Deputy Kitt at his word and the matter was not pursued further.

8338. COTTAGES IN KILKERRIN AREA: In reply to Clr. Flaherty's Notice of Motion the Secretary gave particulars of 12 cottages which are to be built in the Kilkerrin-Glenamaddy area.

8339. SPECIAL MEETINGS FOR ROADS AND WATER SUPPLIES: It was decided that a Special Meeting of the Council would be held on Saturday—the 13th January, 1951, to consider:—

- ROAD WORKS;
- WATER SUPPLIES.

8340. ESTIMATES MEETING: Letters 23/10/50 and 18/11/50 from the Town Clerk, Galway, were submitted conveying resolution of the Borough Council requesting that their representatives be permitted to attend the Estimates Meeting of the County Council—the representatives to be the Mayor, Clr. Brennan and

Clr. Coogan. It was decided that consideration would be given to the matter if and when an Estimates Committee would be appointed.

8341. MISCELLANEOUS: Auditor's Report and Statement of Account for the Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1950, were submitted and noted.

Mr. Furey recommended that the Council request Coras Iompair Eireann to improve the bus service to the Galway Central Hospital which is at present very inadequate.

8342. SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy with the following were unanimously adopted:—

Mrs. Joseph Shaughnessy, Old Church Street, Athenry, on the death of Mr. John Flaherty.

His Grace, the Archbishop of Tuam, on the death of Rev. James Prendergast, C.C., Mountbellew.

Mr. James McDonagh, Rate Collector, Tullaghmore, Maam Cross, and Mrs. Healy, Bridge Street, Oughterard, on the death of Mr. Thomas McDonagh, Rosmuck.

*Indead
E.H.*

*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 13th day of January, 1951.*

Mairéad Ó Cúinn. Chairman.

COMAIRLE CONNDA NA SAIBLIÓI.

OIFIS AN RÚNAÍOIR,
NA FOIRGNÍOIRÍ CONNDAE,
SAIBLIÓI.

Suídh:

SAIBLIÓI 55.

6AB Eanáir, 1951.

A CARA,

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TO CONSIDER:

- (1) Road Works for Year ending 31st March, 1952.
- (2) Provision of Water Supplies in County Health District:-
 - (a) Priority list for piped water supply schemes.
 - (b) Provision of pumps or piped water supplies for villages with small population.
 - (c) Provision of chlorination plants or Filtration Plants for existing water supply schemes where deemed necessary by County Medical officer.
 - (d) List of pumps to be provided.
 - (e) Purchase of a well-boring plant.

Galway County Council

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THE 13th JANUARY, 1951

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillor Miss Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillors P. Cawley, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillor P. Kyne, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Councillors J. Mannion, J. McElhinney, M. Mylotte, J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, Senator M. Quinn, Councillors J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

8343. Adjournment.—The Chairman proposed that the meeting be adjourned until 1.30 p.m. as a mark of sympathy with Councillor P. Galvin, on the death of his brother. This proposal was seconded by Deputy Beegan, and the meeting was, therefore, adjourned until 1.30 p.m.

8344. Minutes.—The Minutes of Meeting No. 8342 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the chairman.

8345. Loan for Additional Accommodation—Central Hospital.—It was proposed by Deputy P. Beegan, seconded by Deputy R. Lahiffe and Resolved:—

That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Four Thousand Seven Hundred Pounds (£4,700) proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Public Assistance Act, 1939, and Local Government Act, 1941.

8346. Ballymoe Water Supply.—Councillor Glynn requested that a deputation from Ballymoe in regard to the necessity for a water

supply in that village be heard by the Council. The Chairman assented and Rev. Fr. Glynn, C.C., Ballymoe, then addressed the meeting stating that there was no suitable water supply for domestic use in Ballymoe village; that Connaughton's well had been condemned by the County Medical Officer and stressing the urgency for the provision of a good water supply.

8347. Road Works—Year 1951/52.—The County Engineer's estimate for the coming financial year was submitted showing a total expenditure of £250,463 on road works, excluding special grant works, viz:—

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|---------------------------|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Main Roads | £141,170 | 0 | 0 |
| County Roads | £100,058 | 0 | 0 |
| Galway Urban Roads | £6,015 | 0 | 0 |
| Ballinasloe Urban | £920 | 0 | 0 |
| Loan Charges | £2,300 | 0 | 0 |
| | £250,463 | 0 | 0 |

In reply to Deputy Beegan, the County Engineer stated that this estimate was based on the existing rate of wages for road workers. Deputy Kitt and Councillor Ashe stated that consideration should be given to increasing the rate of wages for road workers having regard to the high cost of living. Councillor McElhinney stated that several Councils had, in the present financial year, increased road workers wages and cited as examples, County Longford: Rate of wages for road labourers, £3 12s. 0d. per week; County Roscommon, rate of wages for road labourers, £3 10s. 0d. per week. Councillor McElhinney stated that demands for a further increase of 12/- a week were being submitted to these counties as well as to County Galway. The County Manager stated that an increase of 1/- per day (6/- a week) for road workers would represent a total expenditure of approximately £15,000 for a full year; allowing for Government grant the net expenditure for a year involved by this increase would be £12,000 approximately which would be equivalent to an increase of 6d. in the pound in the county rate. Councillor Houlihan proposed that the Council recommend to the County Manager that the wages of surfacemen and labourers in the County Health District be increased to £3 10s. 0d. a week with corresponding increases for other grades of road workers. Deputy Beegan seconded this proposal. Councillor McElhinney proposed and Deputy Kitt seconded that the Council recommend to the County Manager that the wages of surfacemen and labourers in the County Health District be increased to £3 12s. 0d. per week with corresponding increases for other grades of road workers in the County Health District and for Council's road workers in the Ballinasloe Urban Area. After a further discussion the Council unanimously adopted Councillor McElhinney's proposal as set out above with effect from the 2nd April, 1951.

inclusive. The Chairman asked the County Engineer if he was satisfied that Supervising Gangers (Overseers) are necessary officials as in the Chairman's view they are in many cases superfluous. The County Engineer replied that, in his opinion, these overseers are very necessary. It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor King that the sum of £17,400 provided for improvement of main roads be struck out of the estimate and that the money so made available be transferred to county roads. Councillor Shields proposed and Councillor McElhiney seconded that the amount £17,400 provided for improvement to main roads be approved by the Council. Councillor Mannion proposed and Councillor Houlihan seconded that the sum of £2,000 provided for easing bumps on the Galway-Clifden road be approved and that the remaining £15,400 be struck out of the Estimate. The Chairman directed that a vote be taken for or against the inclusion of the full amount, £17,400, provided in the Estimate for improvements of main roads. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For: Messrs. Beegan, Cawley, Collins, Cunningham, Furey, Glynn, Joyce, Killilea, Lahiffe, Mannion, McElhiney, Mylotte, Quinn, Ruane, Shields, and Wall—16.

Against: Miss Ashe and Messrs. Flaherty, Geoghegan, Higgins, Jalihan, King, Kitt, Kyne, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell and Surr—12.

The Chairman, therefore, declared Mr. Shield's proposal carried, viz.:—

"That the sum of £17,400 provided by the County Engineer for improvements of main roads be included in the estimate for 1951/52."

It was then proposed by Councillor McElhiney, seconded by Councillor Shields and unanimously Resolved: "That the County Engineer's estimate for main road works for the year 1951/52 be approved on the understanding that the necessary adjustment will be made in the Estimate to provide for the increase in road workers wages recommended by the Council on this date." It was proposed by Deputy Kitt seconded by Councillor Higgins and Resolved: "That the Council approve the County Engineer's Estimate for County Road Works for the year 1951/52 with the necessary adjustment to provide for increase in road workers' wages as recommended by the Council on this date." It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Higgins and unanimously Resolved: "That the Council approve County Engineer's estimate for urban road works for the year 1951/52 with the necessary adjustment to provide for increase in road workers' wages as recommended by the Council on this date in so far as the Ballinasloe Urban area is concerned." Councillor King proposed and Councillor Ashe seconded "That the question of the reconstruction of the Terryland road be again taken up with the Galway Corporation."

MEMBERS' PROPOSALS.—Deputy Beegan proposed that the

sum of £15,000 being the same amount as last year be provided for Councillors' proposals in the estimate for the year 1951/52. Deputy Kitt proposed and Councillor Ruane seconded that having regard to the increase in wages the sum to be provided be increased to £20,000. Deputy Beegan assented to Deputy Kitt's proposal and in addition, proposed that the allocation of the sum provided be on the same basis and in the same manner as in the current year. Councillor King proposed that any sum provided be for new works only. Deputy Kitt proposed, and Councillor Collins seconded that the Councillors for each area decide as to the allocation of the sum to be provided for that area. After a further discussion the Chairman pointed out that it was not necessary at present to do more than to decide on the amount to be provided, that this had already been done, viz. £20,000, and that the manner in which this sum would be allocated could be decided by the Council at some later date. The Council adopted the Chairman's suggestion.

8348. **Overdraft.**—It was proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Deputy Lahiffe, and Resolved:

"That the Council approve the provision of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for the quarter ending 31/3/1951."

8349. **Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.**—County Engineer's report, 4/1/51, was submitted stating that the Department's sanction to the carrying out of a scheme of work at Inis-Boffin at a cost of £5,000 had not been received up to the present and at this late stage, even if sanction does arrive, it will not be possible to expend in a proper manner the sum of £5,000 on this work. The County Engineer requested the Council's approval to the transfer of this amount to other approved schemes to be carried out within the current year. On the proposition of Councillor Collins, seconded by Senator Quinn the Council unanimously acceded to the County Engineer's request.

8350. **Woodlands Sanatorium Staff Home.**—The County Manager stated that the staff home at Woodlands Sanatorium is now completed and will shortly be ready for opening, and asked if the Council would consider inviting the Minister for Health to be present at the opening of this home. On the proposition of Councillor Joyce, seconded by Councillor Cawley, the Council decided that the Minister for Health be invited to attend the opening of the new staff home at Woodlands Sanatorium.

8351. **Mass Radiography Service.**—File of correspondence including letter D.35/2300 of 8/12/50 from the Department of Health in regard to the mass radiography service was submitted to the Council. The Council unanimously approved the Department's proposals in regard to the mass radiography service.

8352. **Sympathy.**—Votes of sympathy were unanimously passed with the following:—

The relatives of the late Dr. Kennedy O'Brien, Medical Officer, Oughterard Dispensary District.

Mrs. Cleary, Abbey Row, Athenry, on the death of her husband.

The relatives of the late Mr. Stephen Cullinan, Ballinfoyle.

8353. **Water Supplies.**—It was decided that the special meeting to consider the provision of water supplies would be held on Monday, the 22nd January, 1951, at 1 p.m.

8354. **Estimates Committee Meeting.**—It was unanimously decided that the entire Council be appointed a Committee to consider the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1952, and that a meeting of the Estimates Committee be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, the 27th January, 1951, at 12.30 p.m.

*Indescribed
S.H.*

*Submitted, approved & confirmed this 24th
day of February, 1951.
Markim O'Connell, Chairman*

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE HELD
AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY,
THE 25th JANUARY, 1951.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Quinn.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors M. Ashe, J. Geoghegan, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Councillors J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor and J. J. Ruane.

Messrs. H. Naughton and S. Concannon, of the County Solicitor's Office, were also in attendance, as well as the County Manager, County Engineer, Housing Engineer, Housing Staff Officer, and County Secretary.

7. **Adjournment.**—The Committee unanimously adopted a vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Thomas Fahy, Clerical Officer in the Council's Offices, and the meeting was adjourned for one hour as a mark of respect.

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inclusive. The Chairman asked the County Engineer if he was satisfied that Supervising Gangers (Overseers) are necessary officials as in the Chairman's view they are in many cases superfluous. The County Engineer replied that, in his opinion, these overseers are very necessary. It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor King that the sum of £17,400 provided for improvement of main roads be struck out of the estimate and that the money so made available be transferred to county roads. Councillor Shields proposed and Councillor McElihinney seconded that the amount £17,400 provided for improvement to main roads be approved by the Council. Councillor Mannion proposed and Councillor Houlihan seconded that the sum of £2,000 provided for easing bumps on the Galway-Clifden road be approved and that the remaining £15,400 be struck out of the Estimate. The Chairman directed that a vote be taken for or against the inclusion of the full amount, £17,400, provided in the Estimate for improvements of main roads. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For: Messrs. Beegan, Cawley, Collins, Cunningham, Furey, Glynn, Joyce, Killilea, Lahiffe, Mannion, McElihinney, Mylotte, Quinn, Ruane, Shields, and Wall—16.

Against: Miss Ashe and Messrs. Flaherty, Geoghegan, Higgins, Houlihan, King, Kitt, Kyne, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell and Sirr—12.

The Chairman, therefore, declared Mr. Shield's proposal carried, viz.:—

"That the sum of £17,400 provided by the County Engineer for improvements of main roads be included in the estimate for 1951/52."

It was then proposed by Councillor McElihinney, seconded by Councillor Shields and unanimously Resolved: "That the County Engineer's estimate for main road works for the year 1951/52 be approved on the understanding that the necessary adjustment will be made in the Estimate to provide for the increase in road workers wages recommended by the Council on this date." It was proposed by Deputy Kitt seconded by Councillor Higgins and Resolved: "That the Council approve the County Engineer's Estimate for County Road Works for the year 1951/52 with the necessary adjustment to provide for increase in road workers' wages as recommended by the Council on this date." It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Higgins and unanimously Resolved: "That the Council approve County Engineer's estimate for urban road works for the year 1951/52 with the necessary adjustment to provide for increase in road workers' wages as recommended by the Council on this date in so far as the Ballinasloe Urban area is concerned." Councillor King proposed and Councillor Ashe seconded "That the question of the reconstruction of the Terryland road be again taken up with the Galway Corporation."

MEMBERS' PROPOSALS.—Deputy Beegan proposed that the

sum of £15,000 being the same amount as last year be provided for Councillors' proposals in the estimate for the year 1951/52. Deputy Kitt proposed and Councillor Ruane seconded that having regard to the increase in wages the sum to be provided be increased to £20,000. Deputy Beegan assented to Deputy Kitt's proposal and in addition, proposed that the allocation of the sum provided be on the same basis and in the same manner as in the current year. Councillor King proposed that any sum provided be for new works only. Deputy Kitt proposed, and Councillor Collins seconded that the Councillors for each area decide as to the allocation of the sum to be provided for that area. After a further discussion the Chairman pointed out that it was not necessary at present to do more than to decide on the amount to be provided, that this had already been done, viz. £20,000, and that the manner in which this sum would be allocated could be decided by the Council at some later date. The Council adopted the Chairman's suggestion.

8348. **Overdraft.**—It was proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Deputy Lahiffe and Resolved: "That the Council approve the provision of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for the quarter ending 31/3/1951."

8349. **Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.**—County Engineer's report, 4/1/51, was submitted stating that the Department's sanction to the carrying out of a scheme of work at Inisboffin at a cost of £5,000 had not been received up to the present and at this late stage, even if sanction does arrive, it will not be possible to expend in a proper manner the sum of £5,000 on this work. The County Engineer requested the Council's approval to the transfer of this amount to other approved schemes to be carried out within the current year. On the proposition of Councillor Collins, seconded by Senator Quinn the Council unanimously acceded to the County Engineer's request.

8350. **Woodlands Sanatorium Staff Home.**—The County Manager stated that the staff home at Woodlands Sanatorium is now completed and will shortly be ready for opening, and asked if the Council would consider inviting the Minister for Health to be present at the opening of this home. On the proposition of Councillor Joyce, seconded by Councillor Cawley, the Council decided that the Minister for Health be invited to attend the opening of the new staff home at Woodlands Sanatorium.

8351. **Mass Radiography Service.**—File of correspondence including letter D.35/2300 of 8/12/50 from the Department of Health in regard to the mass radiography service was submitted to the Council. The Council unanimously approved the Department's proposals in regard to the mass radiography service.

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8352. **Sympathy.**—Votes of sympathy were unanimously passed with the following:—

The relatives of the late Dr. Kennedy O'Brien, Medical Officer, Oughterard Dispensary District.

Mrs. Cleary, Abbey Row, Athenry, on the death of her husband.

The relatives of the late Mr. Stephen Cullinan, Ballinfoyle.

8353. **Water Supplies.**—It was decided that the special meeting to consider the provision of water supplies would be held on Monday, the 22nd January, 1951, at 1 p.m.

8354. **Estimates Committee Meeting.**—It was unanimously decided that the entire Council be appointed a Committee to consider the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1952, and that a meeting of the Estimates Committee be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, the 27th January, 1951, at 12.30 p.m.

*Indescribed
S.H.*

*Submitted, approved & confirmed this 24th
day of February, 1951.
Maurice O'Connell, Chairman*

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE HELD
AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY,
THE 25th JANUARY, 1951.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Quinn.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors M. Ashe, J. Geoghegan, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Councillors J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor and J. J. Ruane.

Messrs. H. Naughton and S. Concannon, of the County Solicitor's Office, were also in attendance, as well as the County Manager, County Engineer, Housing Engineer, Housing Staff Officer, and County Secretary.

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In reply to Mr. Nestor, Mr. Cullinane, Housing Engineer, stated that the cost of contract cottages is £850 to £900 for a cottage and out-offices, excluding fencing.

In reply to Deputy Lahiffe, Mr. Naughton stated that consent to sub-division had not yet been obtained for two sites at Ballymanagh, Oranmore.

Deputy Lahiffe inquired if consent to sub-division is necessary in such a case as this.

Councillor Mannion requested an explanation of the delay in providing a cottage for Mr. Michael Early, his wife and seven children, by whom an application had been made over two years ago.

It was explained that the site was not approved by the Local Government Inspector, but Councillor Mannion stated that the land owner concerned would be prepared to give a site adjoining the public road.

Councillor Geoghegan asked to be informed of the position in regard to the provision of a cottage for Mr. Geary, of Mynish, Carna.

Councillor Nestor asked what is being done to obtain sites for two cottages at Dunmore in lieu of the sites proposed to be acquired compulsorily from J. V. McDonagh, but excluded by the Minister from the Compulsory Purchase Order.

The County Manager recommended that no further applications for new cottages be accepted until we dispose of the 312 applications already on hands.

It was proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Mannion, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Committee recommends that no further applications for new cottages be accepted until the Council has disposed of the 312 applications already on hands."

Deputy Killilea suggested that an exception be made in a case where an applicant who is eligible for the tenancy of a cottage is able to make a site available to the Council on his own lands or on the lands of a relative.

The Committee adopted Deputy Killilea's suggestion.

It was proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor Ashe, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Committee recommends that in cases where advertisements inviting tenders for erection of a cottage had been issued twice and no contract for erection of the cottage has been entered into as a result of such advertisements, the erection of the cottage should proceed forthwith by direct labour—where feasible."

Councillor Geoghegan proposed and Councillor Ashe seconded:—

"That the Committee recommends that where a contract has been entered into for erection of a cottage or cottages and there is an abnormal and unjustifiable delay in the completion of the cottages, the work should be taken over by the Council and completed by direct labour."

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9. Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950.—After a discussion of the provisions of Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, it was proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Mannion, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Committee recommend to the County Council the adoption of a scheme for issue of grants in accordance with Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, on the following terms:—

(a) The amount of the grant to be issued by the Council to be 80 per cent of the grant made by the Minister for Local Government under Section 6 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950;

(b) the issue of a grant under this scheme to be confined to an applicant who is the owner of land not exceeding £12 10s. 0d. P.L.V. or who is in receipt of income not exceeding £10 per week. In the case of an applicant who is the owner of land and who also is in receipt of other income, £1 P.L.V. of land shall be reckoned as equivalent to an income of 16/- a week;

(c) the issue of a grant under this scheme to be restricted to houses the erection of which commences on or after the 1st April, 1951;

(d) that a loan of £200,000 be raised for the issue of grants under this scheme."

Councillor King recommended that the Department of Local Government be requested to amend legislation so as to make grants under Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, applicable to houses being erected under the Gaeltacht (Housing) Acts.

*Submitted approved and confirmed
this 24th day of February, 1951!*

M. sír m. O'Curran. Chairman

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, THE 22nd JANUARY

1951

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillor Miss Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillors M. Carty, P. Cawley, J. J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. J. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, J. Mannion, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. O'Donnell, Councillor J. J. Ruane, Councillors V. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

Councillor Galvin thanked the Council and the Staff for their expression of sympathy on the death of his brother.

8355. Water Supplies and Pumps.—Councillor Houlihan stressed the necessity for provision of a pump at Carrynacloy, Abbey, Tynagh, stating that the supply from the present pump is not utilised at all as it is entirely unfit for consumption.

Senator Quinn referred to pumps at Alloon and Lisane—the sinking of which had been abandoned—and he considered that the provision of proper pumps in these areas should get priority.

Councillor King recommended that a loan be raised for provision of pumps in all cases where the Council is satisfied that such pumps are necessary. The County Manager explained that more than sufficient funds had been provided in each year's Estimate for the sinking of wells and erection of pumps. The difficulty in completion of these works is due to the lack of pump sinking contractors rather than to the lack of funds.

Councillor Ashe recommended that a suitable plant be obtained and that pump sinking be carried out by direct labour. The County Engineer stated that a suitable rotary plant would cost approximately £1,500.

Messrs. Killilea, Kitt and Nestor recommended that where a water supply is required and a well is available, such wells should be improved by the Council if the County Medical Officer is satisfied that the water is of good quality.

Deputy Kitt proposed and Councillor Cunningham seconded:

"That the Council co-operate with the Department of Agriculture in the provision of piped water supplies for farmers and that an inquiry be made from the Department of Agriculture as to what grants would be made available by that Department to the Council for such work."

Councillor Nestor proposed that it be left to the Council's officials to proceed as far as possible with the most necessary pumps and improvement of wells.

It was proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor Ashe:—

"That a loan of £25,000 be raised by the Council for purchase of two well sinking plants and for erection of pumps."

It was pointed out by the County Manager that this loan would not cover the cost of providing all the pumps which are on the waiting list even at present, and that it might be advisable for the Council to consider defraying from Revenue Account in each year the cost of the pumps to be provided in that year.

Deputy Beegan proposed and Councillor Houlihan seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That a survey of the pumps already provided in the entire County and of the water supplies—both pumps and piped water supplies—still required, be carried out before September, 1951, and that a report be prepared which will show in order of priority the requirements for each electoral area or each rural district; that a meeting be then held in each such area to decide on the pumps or water supplies to be provided and to determine when such supplies shall be provided."

In reply to inquiries, the County Engineer stated that if two well-boring plants were available by him it would be possible, by utilising the contractors at present available and the well-boring plants, to provide approximately twenty pumps in each year.

After further discussion, Councillor King's motion was withdrawn and it was unanimously decided:—

"That a sum of £12,000 be provided in the Estimate for year ending 31st March, 1952, to cover the cost of purchase of two well-boring plants and the provision of approximately fifteen pumps."

Councillor Ruane proposed and Councillor Cawley seconded that:—

"That a piped water supply be provided for the town of Craughwell."

Councillor Glynn stated that the pump at Turla, Ballymoe, has been out of order for a long period.

Councillor Higgins asked to be informed as to what was being done for provision of the extensions of the water supply already requested at Moycullen.

Deputy Killilea recommended that a proper water supply be provided at Kilbannon, Tuam, where the existing supply is sulphurous and not useable.

8356. Ballymoe Water Supply.—Fr. Glynn, C.C., again addressed the meeting, stressing the need for a proper water supply for Ballymoe and requested that the matter be given priority.

8357. Turf Production.—The County Manager referred to a Conference which was held in Dublin on the 17th January, 1951, between the Tanaiste, the Minister for Local Government, the

County Managers and County Engineers at which the urgent need for provision of necessary fuel was stressed and the Councils were requested to provide during the coming season sufficient hand-won turf to supply the needs of their hospitals and other institutions, offices and machinery for the next three years. The County Manager stated that the approximate requirements of the county institutions, etc., for one year would be 20,000 tons and consequently the quantity which the Council was requested to produce in the current season is 60,000 tons of turf.

On the proposition of Deputy Beegan, seconded by Deputy Kitt, it was decided to adjourn discussion of the matter until the Estimates Committee Meeting on Saturday, the 27th instant.

8358. Loughrea Town Commissioners—Housing Loan.—It was proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Shields, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a supplemental loan of £11,051 to enable the Council to make advances up to this amount to the Loughrea Town Commissioners for the completion of housing scheme by the Commissioners for slum clearance—the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years or such period as may be approved by the Minister for Local Government, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

8359. Reserve Stocks.—Reports from the County Engineer, etc., were submitted which showed that the estimated cost of reserve supplies to be purchased would be as follows:—

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| For Erection of New Cottages ... | £16,000 | |
| For Maintenance Works and for | | |
| Waterworks Extensions ... | £29,700 | |
| For Medical Supplies ... | £25,000 | £54,700 |
| Total ... | | £70,700 |

The Council unanimously approved the acquisition of the reserve stocks in so far as they can be obtained.

Councillor Houlihan proposed, Councillor Galvin seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £55,000—on the Council's General Account to cover the purchase of reserve stocks chargeable to Revenue Account."

8360. Loan for Midwife's Residence at Gort.—It was proposed by Deputy P. Beegan, seconded by Councillor M. Carty and unanimously Resolved:—

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of One Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-five Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Public Assistance Act, 1939, and the Local Government Act, 1941."

8361. Loan for Loughrea Fire Station.—It was proposed by Deputy P. Beegan and seconded by Councillor M. Carty, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Six Thousand, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Fire Brigades Act, 1940."

8362. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were unanimously passed with:—

Mr. John Dooley, Liscananaun, Claregalway, on the death of his wife.

Mrs. M. Beegan, Ballinasloe, on the death of her husband.

Mr. Brendan Higgins, Athenry and Mr. Des. Duffy, Loughrea, on the death of Mrs. Stratton, Loughrea.

Mr. M. Grealley, National Bank, Galway, on the death of his mother.

Mr. John McDonagh, Poulinaclough, Moycullen, on the death of his daughter.

Mr. T. Keogh, N.T., Canal Road, Galway, on the death of his wife.

*Submitted approved and confirmed
this 24th day of February, 1951,*

M. Sir in O'Curra Chairman

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1. Turf Production.—The County Manager referred to the Conference which was held recently in Dublin between An Tanaiste, the Minister for Local Government, County Managers and County Engineers, at which the Government representatives stated that an acute fuel emergency existed and requested that the Council would produce a three years' supply of turf for its own institutions and machinery. The Manager stated that the estimated requirements for the Council's institutions and machinery, including the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital, for one year, would be 22,500 tons, and consequently the quantity which the Council has been asked to produce is 67,500 tons.

A discussion ensued.

It was proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Deputy Beegan:—

"That the Council produce one year's supply, viz., 22,500 tons, and that the turf production activity should interfere as little as possible with the road works programme."

Deputy Beegan pointed out that when the Galway County Council, during the emergency, was engaged on maximum turf production, road works were neglected entirely; as a consequence the roads deteriorated and are still suffering from the result of this neglect.

Councillor Mannion recommended that the Council should cut three years' supply of turf, as requested by the Government.

Councillor Higgins proposed:—

"That the Council ask the Government to make grants available for the making of roads into new bogs and the drainage of such bogs."

Councillor McElihinney stated that a national emergency existed in so far as fuel is concerned, and as a compromise proposed:—

"That the Council produce two years' supply of turf viz., 45,000 tons."

This proposal was seconded by Councillor Shields, and was also supported by Councillor Galvin.

Councillor Ashe opposed the production of a three years' supply of turf.

The County Manager suggested that if the Council could not avail of road grants to the maximum extent, due to the fact that labour would be diverted to turf production, such grants should be reserved for the Council; also that Bord na Mona should be required to relinquish any bogs which the Council would require and should desist from recruiting labour in those areas.

Councillor Higgins recommended that the Council should interfere as little as possible with bogs which are being worked satisfactorily by private producers at present.

Councillor King proposed and Councillor Carty seconded:—

"That permission be sought from the Government to include all turf which the Council could procure from private producers in reckoning the three years' supply, viz., 67,500 tons."

The County Engineer, in reply to inquiries made by members, stated that he considered he could produce one year's supply for the Council's requirements and the Mental Hospital and still carry out the roads programme and other works for the coming year; it would not be possible for him to produce two years' or three years' supply of turf and still carry out the programme of ordinary works laid out for the coming year.

It was finally agreed that the Council would produce one year's supply for its own requirements, viz., 22,500 tons approximately, and that such further quantity as might be possible would be produced if the Government would guarantee that any such additional quantity would be taken by Fuel Importers and would not involve the Council in any financial loss.

Deputy Beegan recommended that in its turf production activities the Council should not interfere with persons producing turf for their own use or with bogs which are let to persons for production of turf for their own use.

2. Estimate of Expenses for Year ending 31st March, 1952.—

A Summary of the Estimate of Expenses, which was circulated to the Council, was submitted, showing for County Charges:—

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| Total Estimated Expenditure ... | £1,384,648 |
| Total Estimated Receipts ... | 607,473 |
| Amounts Chargeable to Urban Districts ... | 76,978 |
| Net Credit Balance ... | 22,400 |

The County Manager informed the meeting that an application had been received from the Irish Local Government Officials' Union for an interim increase in salary by way of a bonus of 20 per cent in lieu of the existing bonus of 7½ per cent, with effect from the 1st November, 1950.

The Chairman stated that he considered that any increase of this type should be granted only with effect from the 1st April, 1951.

Subsequently, at the close of the meeting, the Committee agreed to include in the estimate the amount necessary to grant the temporary bonus of 20 per cent (in lieu of the existing bonus of 7½ per cent) to the officers concerned from the 1st April, 1951, inclusive.

ROADS.—After a lengthy discussion, the Committee adopted a proposal by Councillor Houlihan to delete from the estimate the sum of £20,000 provided for Councillors' Notices of Motion—County Health District—and £17,400 for Main Road Improvements—County-at-Large—with a corresponding reduction of £6,960 in receipts, and the Committee recommended that the Roads Estimate be otherwise approved.

Deputy Kitt dissented from this resolution.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE.—The file in regard to the proposed reorganization of the Central Hospital staff was submitted, and it was explained that full particulars of the proposals will, in due course, be circulated to each member of the Council for consideration by the Council; for the present all the Committee was requested to do was to approve the provision of a sum in the Estimate which would be sufficient to cover the employment of this additional staff. As a corresponding receipt would be included by way of Health Grant the provision of this sum would not involve any increase in the rate.

Councillor McElhiney asked why the maximum salary for Assistance Officer in County Galway is less than the maximum for an Assistance Officer in County Mayo.

The County Manager recommended that a further sum of £4,000, included under the heading of Extern Institutions, be provided for patients to be transferred from the Mental Hospital to Kilcornan House.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the estimate for Public Assistance with the addition of a further sum of £4,000 in Extern Institutions, as recommended by the County Manager.

MENTAL HOSPITAL.—The Committee recommended the adoption of the Estimate as submitted.

HEALTH.—The Committee recommended the adoption of the Estimate as submitted.

SANITARY.—It was agreed to reduce by £1,450 the amount provided for burial grounds, and the Committee recommended the adoption of the remainder of the Estimate as submitted.

HOUSING.—The Committee recommended the adoption of the Estimate as submitted.

GENERAL PURPOSES.—In regard to School Meals, the Committee expressed surprise at the recent withdrawals of permits for

subsidised commodities, and recommended that the Council press the Department concerned for a 50 per cent grant towards the cost of school meals.

It was agreed to reduce the provision for libraries by £1,000 and the provision for town planning by £500. The following additions to expenditure were approved:—

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| For Bunowen Pier | £1,500 |
| For Civil Defence | 500 |

It was noted that there would be a corresponding increase in receipts in respect of the Civil Defence of £300.

The Committee also approved the provision of the sum necessary to meet the increase in staff salaries with effect from the 1st April, 1951.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the estimate for general purposes, subject to the above amendments.

3. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were unanimously passed with the relatives of:—

Mr. Thomas Fahy, Clerical Officer;
 Prof. R. A. MacLaverty;
 With Mrs. M. O'Byrne, on the death of her mother;
 With Mr. R. W. Powell, on the death of Mr. R. Kenny;
 With Mr. B. Higgins and family, Athenry, on the death of
 Mr. Robert Kenny;
 With the relatives of Mrs. Ryan, Gortacarnaun, Gort.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed
 this 24th day of February, 1951.*

Mairín Ó'Cuinn. Chairman

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Phone,
 GALWAY 55.

Secretary's Office,
 County Buildings,
 GALWAY.
 16th February, 1951.

To Each Member of the Council,

Galway County Council - Annual Estimates Meeting.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the Estimates Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on SATURDAY, 24th February, 1951, at 12.30 p.m. when the County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1952, will be considered.

The Council will be required to adopt, with or without amendment, the Estimates of Rates for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges and to make the statutory demands on the Borough Council of Galway and the Urban District Council of Ballinasloe.

A copy of the Estimate of Expenses is enclosed.

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

AGENDA FOR MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE ESTIMATES MEETING ON SATURDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1951.

TO CONSIDER:-

1. Minutes.
2. Letter 29/1/1951 from the Irish Tourist Association requesting that the Council's contribution for year ending 31/3/1952 be assessed to Id. in £l. on the P.L. Valuation.
3. Authorisation of expenditure in excess of estimate for current year.
4. Turf Production 1951 - Recommendation at meeting of the Estimates Committee on 27.1.1951.
5. Housing Grants - the adoption of a scheme for issue of grants under Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950 - as recommended by the Housing Committee.
6. Raising of Loan of £200,000 for issue of housing grants under the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950 - Section 7.
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18. Wild Birds Protection Act, 1930 - Letter 1.12.50 from the Irish Society for the Protection of Birds.
19. Visiting Committee Minutes:-

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| Central Hospital..... | 16/12/1950 |
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- (b) Deputy M. Killilea; "That to further facilitate those building houses the Galway County Council are of opinion that loans should be made available by the advancement of the first half of such loan at the commencement of work and the balance on receipt of the Engineer's report that half the work has been done."
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(ii) If tests and reports on the milk supply to Woodlands Sanatorium are made and received by the Council and what action, if any, has been taken on any unfavourable reports.
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- (i) Clr. J.P. Joyce; (i) "That an ambulance boat be provided for people of Aran Isles.
(ii) That 5 street lights be provided in Moycullen.
(iii) That 1 light be provided on Spiddal Pier."

21. Auditor's Reports on accounts of:-

- (a) Galway Co. Committee of Agriculture - y.e. 31/3/1950.
- (b) River Suak Joint Drainage Committee - do. do.

22. County Councils' General Council - Minutes of Annual Meeting.

23. Resolutions

24. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, THE 24th FEBRUARY, 1951.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn. Also Present: Councillor M. A. Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillors M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. J. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillor P. Kyne, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Councillors J. Mannion, J. McElhiney, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

8363. Estimate of Expenses for Year Ending 31st March, 1952.—The County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31st March, 1952, was submitted together with Minutes of Meeting of the Estimates Committee held on the 27th January, 1951.

Letter, 29th January, 1951, from the Irish Tourist Association was also submitted requesting that the Council's contribution be increased to an amount equivalent to 1d. in the £ on the valuation.

It was proposed by Deputy Beegan and seconded by Councillor Sirr:—

"That the Estimate recommended by the Estimates Committee be adopted."

Councillor Carty requested that the increase in the temporary allowance or temporary bonus for officers and employees be granted with effect from the 1st November, 1950.

The Chairman, the County Manager, and Councillor Nestor pointed out that this matter had been considered already by the Estimates Committee who granted the full increase for which application was made with effect from the 1st April, 1951; that it was considered that the action of the Estimates Committee was generous.

Councillor King and Councillor Cunningham requested that the reduction of £1,000 in the estimate for the County Libraries be restored.

Councillor McElhiney proposed and Councillor Carty seconded:—

"That the library estimate, as set out in the statement before the meeting be increased by £1,000."

After a further discussion, Councillor McElhiney and Councillor Carty withdrew this proposal.

It was proposed by Deputy Beegan seconded by Councillor Sirr and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Estimate of Expenses as set forth in Tables A, B, C, D and E be adopted and that the rates set forth in Table C, D and E be the rates in the £ to be levied for the several purposes specified in said Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1952."

It was proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Sirr and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Demands on the Galway Borough Council and on the Ballinasloe Urban District Council be signed by the Chairman and Secretary and sealed with the Seal of the Council."

Submitted 31st

Submitted, approved and confirmed this 31st day of March, 1951.

Mairín O'Cuinn, Chairman

MAIRLE CONDAE NA SAILTIME

Oifis an Rannáir,
na Foinsisteacht Condae,
An Bócar Mór,
Sailtim,
16ú Feabhra, 1951.

A CÁRA,

Cuimhneúchán, leir reo, cóip de Mion-Tuairiscí Éirinnisteacht na Comhairle Condae Uimhreacha (8364-8384) a tionscail ar an 24ú Feabhra 1951.

Míre, le meap,
L. Ó LUATHAÍS,
Rannáir

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas:—

- Sac Ball de Chomhairle Condae na Sailtime.
- An Suirbheor Condae.
- An Cirtéor, An Banc Naipianta Teo., Sailtim.
- An Ulgeadóir Condae.
- An t-Aire, An Boimn Leapa Soisialaig.

Cun.....

Leir Mion-Tuairisc Uimhreacha o'fheicint.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE ESTIMATES MEETING ON THE 24th FEBRUARY, 1951.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

The attendance of members was as set out for the Estimates Meeting.

8364. Minutes.—The Minutes of the Council to No. 8362 were submitted.

Councillor Shields drew attention to Minute No. 8347 and pointed out that he had asked Councillor McElihinney to give a guarantee that if the increase of 12/- per week to road workers were granted by the Council that there would not be any strike by these workers in support of a claim for further increase in wages during the year ending 31st March, 1952; that Councillor McElihinney had given this guarantee.

The Secretary stated that he had heard Councillor Shields ask this question of Councillor McElihinney, but Councillor McElihinney had not given any reply which was audible to the Secretary.

Councillor McElihinney now gave the required assurance in so far as the members of the I.T. & G.W.U. are concerned, and it was decided that the matter be recorded in the Minutes of this meeting. The Minutes of the Council to No. 8362 were then signed by the Chairman.

8365. Excess Expenditure.—The Secretary submitted a statement of estimated excess in actual expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 1951, over the amounts provided in the estimate and subsequently authorised by the Council. It was proposed by Councillor Collins, seconded by Deputy Beegan, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the following excess in actual expenditure over the amounts already approved for the year ending 31st March, 1951."

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Councillor Nestor proposed and Councillor Cawley seconded that this matter be left to the County Engineer who would give consideration to any objection which might be made in regard to bogs vested in the Council.

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This proposal was seconded by Councillor Sirr and adopted by the Council.

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Deputy Kitt also proposed:—

"That the date—1st April, 1951—be deleted from the draft scheme and that instead grants be issued in respect of all houses for which grants were allocated by the Minister for Local Government on or after the 1st August, 1950."

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Councillor Shields recommended that allowance be made for the number in an applicant's family, as regard should be had to liabilities as well as to income.

Councillor Sirr seconded Deputy Kitt's proposal.

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After further discussion, a vote was taken on Councillor McElhiney's proposal, resulting as follows:—

For.—Councillors Beegan, Carty, Cawley, Collins, Cunningham, Flaherty, Furey, Galvin, Houlihan, Kitt, Lahiffe, McElhiney, Nestor, Nicholson, Quinn, Ruane, Shields, Sirr and Wall. (19).

Against.—Councillors Ashe, Geoghegan, Higgins, Joyce, King, Kyne, Mannion and O'Donnell. (8).

Deputy Kitt stated that he was satisfied with Councillor McElhiney's proposal and, therefore, withdrew his own motion.

The Chairman declared Councillor McElhiney's proposal carried.

Councillor Carty stated that Loughrea Town Commissioners, at a recent meeting asked that the Council adopt powers to acquire land compulsorily for sale or letting of sites to individuals desiring to erect houses for themselves.

Councillor Carty further requested that a scheme for issue of reconstruction grants by the Council be adopted.

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"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £200,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for issue of housing grants under Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 35 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

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On the proposition of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council unanimously approved the provision of the necessary funds for payment of this increase in the temporary allowance or temporary bonus with effect from the 1st April, 1951.

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8379. Toghermore Reablement Centre.—Councillor Ruane proposed, Councillor McEilhiney seconded, and it was Resolved:—
“That Deputy M. Killilea and Councillor M. Nicholson be appointed Governors on the Board of the Toghermore Reablement and Training Centre.”

8380. Wild Birds Protection Act, 1930.—It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved:—

“That application be made to the Minister for Justice for an Order protecting all wild birds in the County of Galway during the whole of every year, except the Cormorant, Hoodie Crow, Magpie and Wood Pigeon.”

8381. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.—The list of schemes proposed for the year ending 31st March, 1952, prepared by the County Engineer was circulated to the members of the Council at the meeting.

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Carty and Resolved:—

“That the Council hereby approve the list of schemes as submitted by the County Engineer.”

8382. Public Lighting—Tynagh.—Councillor Houlihan requested that provision of public lighting for Tynagh be placed on the Agenda for consideration at next meeting of the Council.

8383. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were unanimously passed with the relatives of:

- The late Mr. Thomas Clancy, Monivea ;
- The widow of the late Mr. J. Gilhooly, I.T. & G.W.U.
- With Surgeon Little on the death of his mother ;
- With Mr. Brendan Higgins, Athenry, on the death of his Aunt, Miss Whyte.

8384. Adjournment.—Consideration of the following items in the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting, viz., Nos. 12 to 15 inclusive, and 19 to 24 inclusive.

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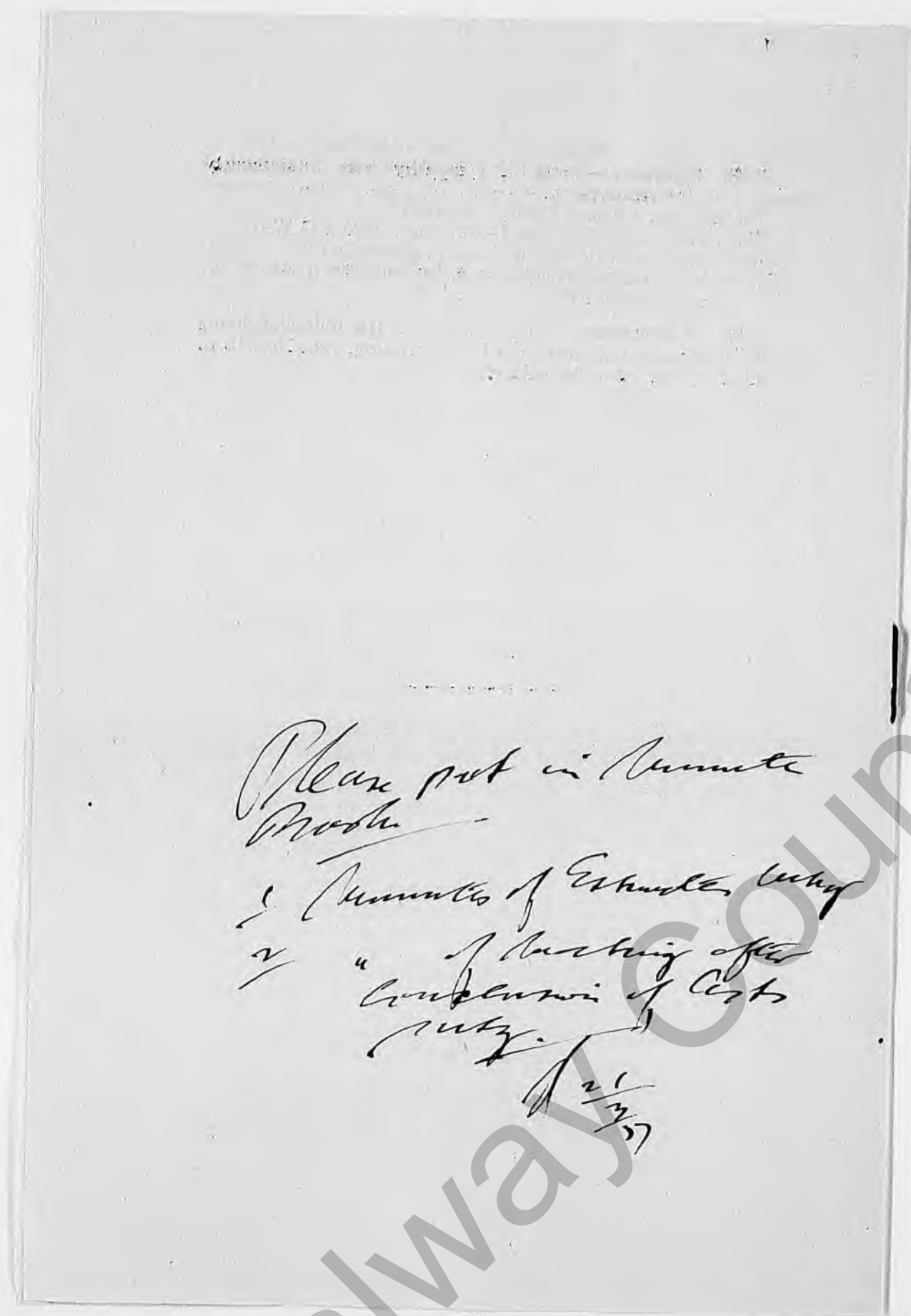
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- (b) Mr. Augustus McCormick ;
- (c) Mr. John McFadden.

8379. Toghermore Reablement Centre.—Councillor Ruane proposed, Councillor McElihinney seconded, and it was Resolved :—

“That Deputy M. Killilea and Councillor M. Nicholson be appointed Governors on the Board of the Toghermore Reablement and Training Centre.”

8380. Wild Birds Protection Act, 1930.—It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—

“That application be made to the Minister for Justice for an Order protecting all wild birds in the County of Galway during the whole of every year, except the Cormorant, Hoodie Crow, Magpie and Wood Pigeon.”

8381. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.—The list of schemes proposed for the year ending 31st March, 1952, prepared by the County Engineer was circulated to the members of the Council at the meeting.

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Carty and Resolved :—

“That the Council hereby approve the list of schemes as submitted by the County Engineer.”

8382. Public Lighting—Tynagh.—Councillor Houlihan requested that provision of public lighting for Tynagh be placed on the Agenda for consideration at next meeting of the Council.

8383. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were unanimously passed with the relatives of :

The late Mr. Thomas Clancy, Monivea ;
The widow of the late Mr. J. Gilhooley, I.T. & G.W.U.
With Surgeon Little on the death of his mother ;
With Mr. Brendan Higgins, Athenry, on the death of his Aunt, Miss Whyte.

8384. Adjournment.—Consideration of the following items in the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting, viz., Nos. 12 to 15 inclusive, and 19 to 24 inclusive.

*Induced
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*Submitted, approved & confirmed this
31st day of March, 1951.*

Muirín O'Connell, Chairman

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Applications for post of Rate Collector for District No. 4 listed in alphabetical order.

| No. | NAME | ADDRESS | AGE Years | EDUCATION | Present Employment | Experience | Service in Defence Forces etc. of | Know- ledge of Irish Claimed | Birth C not Furnishes |
|-----|------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. | Burke, Walter A. | Moygl., Kylebrack, Loughrea. | 32 | Claims Primary Cert. | Farmer | Farmer & Loading Agent for Tuam Sugar Factory | None | Good | Good |
| 2. | Curley, John T. | Letterfrack | 34 | 7th Standard | General Merchant | General Merchant | None (Released in 1940) | Good | Good |
| 3. | Lee, Nora A. | Market Street, Clifden. | 22 | Leaving Certificate | Temporary Rate Collector | Rate Collecting - 1 year. | None | Good. | Good. |

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY
COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS,
GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, THE 31st MARCH, 1951.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.
Councillor M. Carty.

Also Present: Councillors M. Ashe, P. Cawley, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Councillors J. Mannion, J. McElhiney, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

8385. Adjournment.—Senator M. Quinn, Chairman, proposed and Councillor Flaherty seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

“That the meeting be adjourned for one hour as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Mr. J. W. Mongan, T.D., and Rate Collector.”
The meeting was, therefore, adjourned until 1.30 p.m.

8386. Minutes.—The Minutes of the Council to No. 8384, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

8387. Loan: Turloughmore Dispensary Residence.—It was proposed by Councillor J. J. Nestor, seconded by Councillor P. Furey, and unanimously Resolved:—

“That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Four Thousand Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Public Assistance Act, 1939, and the Local Government Act, 1941.”

8388. Loan for Loughrea Town Commissioners' Housing.—It was proposed by Councillor J. Nestor, seconded by Councillor P. Furey, and unanimously Resolved:—

“That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of One Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government Act, 1946.”

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8389. Reorganisation of Central Hospital Administrative Staff.—Correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted, full particulars having already been circulated to each member of the Council.

Councillor Shields inquired as to the functions of an Almoner, and Councillor Ashe recommended that the appointment of an Almoner be deferred pending completion of the Regional Hospital; that if such an appointment were to be made the person to be appointed should be a competent Irish speaker.

It was proposed by Councillor Houlihan and seconded by Councillor Collins:—

“That an Almoner be not appointed at Galway Central Hospital.”

The list of duties for an Almoner, as already circulated to the Councillors, was read.

Councillor Higgins stated that he considered that all the proposed appointments, with the exception of the Almoner, are necessary.

Councillor Nestor considered that the only appointment necessary would be a Hall Porter to show visitors to the wards in which the patients are being maintained.

After further discussion, it was proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and resolved:—

“That consideration of the appointment of an Almoner be deferred, and that the following proposed additional appointments at the Central Hospital be approved, viz., 2 Clerical Officers, 2 Clerk-Typists, 1 Casualty Officer (Resident Medical Officer), 1 Adult Porter, 2 Junior Porters.”

8390. Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, Section 7.—The Secretary informed the Council that sanction had now been received to the Council's Scheme for issue of grants under Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950; that sanction had not, however, yet been received to the Council's application for a loan of £200,000 for issue of these grants.

It was arranged that immediately notification of sanction to the loan would be received notice would be issued in the local papers informing interested persons of the scheme for grants, adopted by the Council, and giving particulars of the houses in respect of which such grants might be obtained.

Deputy Kitt referred to a Press report, from which it would appear that the Council imposed certain restrictions on the issue of grants under Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950. Deputy Kitt pointed out that the Council's scheme provided for issue of grants retrospectively in as far as the law allowed, and wished that it be made clear that no such restriction as mentioned in the Press report was imposed by the Council.

8391. Inishark Landing Place.—Letter, 15/11/1950, from the Special Employment Schemes Office was submitted, giving particulars of proposed improvement works at Inishark Landing Place, at an estimated cost of £284, of which the Galway County Council would be required to contribute 25 per cent. and would also be required to accept responsibility for the future maintenance of the works when completed. The Special Employment Schemes Office also required that the improvement works would be carried out by the County Engineer, and that the following works would also be carried out and their cost defrayed in full from Council's funds:—

- (a) Renewal of the iron railing on the breakwater;
- (b) repair of the outer end of the existing pier.

It was proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Ashe, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the carrying out of the works at Inishark Landing Place in accordance with the conditions set out in letter S.W.1/10/136 of the 15th November, 1950, from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office.

8392. Glenamaddy Water Supply.—The Secretary informed the Council that notification had been received from the Department of Local Government that a grant would not be available for the carrying out of extensions of the Glenamaddy water supply to Leitra Crossroads and Workhouse roads; that if these works were to be carried out the full cost would, therefore, have to be met by the Council.

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Flaherty, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the carrying out of the extensions for the Glenamaddy water supply to Leitra Crossroads and Workhouse road, at a total estimated cost of £825 10s. 0d.; the expenditure to be charged to Revenue Account."

8393. Water Supply Extensions Generally.—Councillor King proposed and Councillor Higgins seconded:—

"That the County Engineer, with the assistance of the members of the Council, make a survey of necessary extensions to water supplies, and that a loan be obtained to cover the cost of providing such necessary extensions."

8394. Glenamaddy Dispensary.—Correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted, from which it appeared that the existing dispensary in Glenamaddy Workhouse has neither lighting nor water and is generally unsuitable. Consideration was being given to the provision of a new dispensary in a more suitable location in Glenamaddy town and the Council's approval to this proposal was requested.

After discussion, it was decided that the Council do not approve the provision of a new dispensary at Glenamaddy, and recommended that instead the existing dispensary should be repaired.

Councillor Glynn dissented from this decision.

Councillor Mylotte inquired regarding the provision of dispensary residences at Clifden and Carna, and Councillor Shields inquired in regard to the provision of a new dispensary at Athenry.

8395. Improvement of Loughrea Dispensary Residence.—Correspondence in regard to above was submitted, from which it appeared that the accommodation in the existing dispensary residence at Loughrea is not sufficient, and that the provision of a two-storey addition—20' x 13' 6"—is necessary; the County Engineer's estimate for the cost of such addition is £600.

After discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Collins, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of funds for erecting an addition to the dispensary residence, Loughrea, at a cost of £600, provided that an undertaking be obtained from the Medical Officer to pay a proportionate increase in rent before any such work be undertaken."

8396. Rate Collector for No. 4 Collection District.—List of applicants for the vacant post of Rate Collector in No. 4 Collection District was submitted, viz.:—

- Mr. Walter A. Burke, Moyglass, Kylebrack, Loughrea;
- Mr. John T. Curley, Letterfrack;
- Miss Nora A. Lee, Market Street, Clifden.

It was proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Councillor Geoghegan:—

"That Mr. John T. Curley, Letterfrack, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector for No. 4 Collection District."

It was proposed by Councillor Mannion and seconded by Councillor Mylotte:—

"That Miss Nora A. Lee, Market Street, Clifden, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector for No. 4 Collection District."

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Curley—Councillors Ashe, Carty, Cunningham, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Lahife, Newell, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane—16.

For Miss Lee—Councillors Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Furey, Galvin, Joyce, Mannion, McElhiney, Mylotte, Nestor, Shields, Sirr and Wall—13.

The Chairman declared Mr. Curley appointed to the office of Rate Collector for No. 4 Collection District in accordance with the terms and conditions of appointment approved for that office, subject to sanction by the Minister for Local Government.

8397. Visiting Committee for Institutions.—Minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee at the Central Hospital, 16/12/1950; County Home, 10/2/1951, and Sanatorium, 10/3/1951, were submitted.

COUNTY HOME.—It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Collins, and Resolved:—

"That inquiries be made as to the possibility of changing the name of the County Home, Loughrea, to St. Patrick's Hospital, Loughrea."

SANATORIUM.—The County Manager explained that the Staff Home was provided in accordance with the schedule of accommodation supplied to the Architect prior to the preparation of the plans. In the meantime the staff had been expanded, due to the introduction of a 96-hour fortnight and additional appointments, such as Assistant Matron and Ward Sisters—apart from the employment of additional Nurses, due to the increase in the number of patients maintained in the Institution.

The Council recommended that further consideration be given to the provision of a shop for the patients, as the arrangements with a neighbouring shopkeeper to supply the patients' requirements have been discontinued.

Correspondence in regard to milk supplies to the Sanatorium was read, including County Medical Officer's reports, 27/11/50 and 23/2/1951, and letter, 24/2/1951, from the Department of Agriculture.

Councillor King stated that in view of the unsatisfactory condition of the milk revealed by these reports he considered that the contract for year ending 31/3/1952 should be cancelled and that tenders for supply of milk should be invited.

Councillor Ashe recommended that since the Minister for Health had not been previously informed by the Council of the dirty condition of the milk supplied to the Sanatorium in November 1950, he should be so informed now. The County Manager agreed that this would be done.

Councillor King stated that while the file submitted to the Council included only one report from the County Medical Officer as to the unsatisfactory condition of the milk, viz., that of the 27th November, 1950, the book examined by the members of the Visiting Committee at Woodlands Sanatorium included unsatisfactory reports on the milk over a period of some months.

The County Manager stated that this point would be investigated further.

On the proposition of Councillor Collins, seconded by Deputy Killilea, it was recommended that such action as may be necessary be taken to recover possession of the Gate Lodge at Woodlands Sanatorium.

Councillor McElhiney recommended that a cottage be provided by the Council to accommodate the former Porter—Mr. P. Nolan.

It was unanimously recommended by the Council that a Night Porter for Woodlands Sanatorium be provided.

(MR. CARTY now took the Chair.)

It was proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Cunningham, and Resolved:—

"That the T.D.s and Senators who are members of the Galway County Council go as a deputation to the Minister in regard to the proposed allowance to Dr. McConn for performing the duties of Medical Superintendent at Woodlands Sanatorium during the period from the 1st January, 1947, to the 31st December, 1950.

It was proposed by Councillor McElhiney, seconded by Councillor Ashe, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the appointment of a Sister Housekeeper, who would act as Kitchen Supervisor at Woodlands Sanatorium."

8398. Auditor's Reports.—The following Auditor's reports were submitted and noted:—

- (a) Galway County Committee of Agriculture—year ending 31/3/1950.
- (b) River Suck Joint Drainage Committee—year ending 31/3/1950.

8399. County Councils' General Council.—Minutes of meeting of the County Councils' General Council, held on the 10th August, 1950, having been circulated to the Council, were submitted and noted.

8400. Rate Collector, No. 7 District.—The Secretary reported that Mr. J. W. Mongan, Rate Collector for No. 7 Collection District, died on the 12th March, 1951. The collection for the current year will be completed by Mrs. Eileen Mylotte, who has been acting as deputy for Mr. Mongan.

This arrangement was approved, and it was directed that an advertisement be issued inviting applications for the permanent post of Rate Collector for No. 7 Collection District.

8401. Rate Collector, No. 6 District.—The Secretary reported that Mr. Jas. A. Mongan, Rate Collector, has been absent on sick leave from the 20/1/1951, and that his wife, Mrs. A. F. Mongan, has been acting as deputy.

On the proposition of Councillor Collins, seconded by Councillor Ashe, the appointment of Mrs. A. F. Mongan as deputy from the 20/1/1951 to close the collection for the current year was approved.

8402. Overdraft.—It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor McElhiney:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of over-draft accommodation not exceeding £50,000 on the Council's Turf Account for quarter ending 30th June, 1951.

8403. County Librarian.—It was proposed by Councillor McElhiney, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved:—
"That the Council approve the attendance of the County Librarian at the Annual Conference of the Library Association in Edinburgh from the 5th to the 8th June, 1951.

8404. Turf Production, 1951.—Letter, 28/2/1951, from the Secretary, Department of Local Government, in regard to turf production for the year 1951 was submitted and noted.

It was proposed by Councillor Higgins, seconded by Councillor McElhiney, and Resolved:—

"That the Council will be prepared to hear a deputation from Oughterard Turf Producers at the next meeting of the Council"

8405. Road Improvement Grants.—The County Engineer's report, 28/3/1951, together with schedule of his proposals for expenditure of the amount allowed for main and county road improvement grants for the year ending 31/3/1952, was submitted.

On the proposition of Deputy Killilea, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council unanimously approved the County Engineer's list of proposed works, and requested that particulars of the works be circulated to each Councillor.

8406. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.—The County Engineer's report, 30/3/1951, and supplementary list of schemes No. 1 to 6, inclusive, were submitted.

On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor McElhiney, the list of supplementary schemes was unanimously approved.

8407. Laurecetown Dispensary Residence.—Senator Quinn proposed and Councillor McElhiney seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,350 from the Commissioners of Public Works for purchase of a dispensary residence at Laurecetown; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 25 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

8408. County Home: Heating.—Correspondence in regard to the improvement of the heating at the County Home was submitted, and the Council's approval was requested to the going ahead with the preparation of the plans, etc., with a view to

carrying out the work in such manner as to make provision for any future extension of the home.

On the proposition of Councillor McElhiney, seconded by Councillor Carty, the Council approved preparation of plans and the carrying out of the work of improving the heating arrangements at the County Home.

8409. Miscellaneous.—The Council unanimously congratulated the Chairman on his forthcoming marriage.

8410. Sympathy: Notes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with:—

Mr. Patrick Manning, Rathfarn, Loughrea, on the death of his brother, Mr. Laurence Manning;
Mr. James Payne, Athenry, on the death of his father.

8411. Items Adjourned.—Consideration of the following items in the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting, viz., Nos. 8, 15 to 17, inclusive, and 20 to 23, inclusive.

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*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this ~~17th~~ ^{fourth} day of May 1951.*

Martin O'Connell, Chairman

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runaidhe,
Na Feirgnighthe Chonndae,
Gaillimh.

27adh Aibreain, 1951.

A Chara,

Iartar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Chomhairle
Conndae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Feirgnighthe Conndae ar
an 5adh Bealtaine, 1951, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh.

Runai.

Chuir gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Arrangements for filling of vacancy on the County Council resulting from the death of Councillor Patrick Kyne on 24th April, 1951.
2. Letter 15/4/51 from the Department of Local Government in regard to the appointment of Mr. John T. Curley as Rate Collector for No.4. Collection District.
3. Councillors' Notices of Motion:—
 - (a) Councillor P. Sirr: "That I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that sites be acquired, without delay, in the neighbourhood of Ballymoe, for the erection of twelve labourers' cottages."
 - (b) Deputy M. Killilea: "That to further facilitate those building houses the Galway County Council are of opinion that loans should be made available by the advancement of the first half of such loan at the commencement of work and the balance on receipt of the Engineer's report that half the work has been done."
 - (c) Councillor M. Wall: (i) "To take over and maintain Ms. Mary Road from T. Naughton's on the Ballygar-Creggs road to the Friaryland-Kilmore road."
(ii) "That the road workers and Gangers in County Galway be paid the same rate of pay as those employed by Roscommon County Council."
 - (d) Senator M. Quinn: "That Public Lighting be provided at Kilconnell and Aughrim villages."
 - (e) Cllr. T. King: (i) "I will move at the next Council Meeting that all work of this Council including office work be closed down on Church Holidays"
(ii) If tests and reports on the milk supply to Woodlands Sanatorium are made and received by the Council and what action, if any, has been taken on any unfavourable reports.
(iii) "That provision be made in the estimate this year for publishing an Annual Year Book."
 - (f) Cllrs. J. Flaherty & J.J. Nestor: (i) "That we move at our next meeting that public sanitary accommodation be provided for in the town of Dunmore."
(ii) "That there be a sign board erected at Nestor's Corner, Dunmore."
(iii) "That I request the Council to consider the re-appointment of J.J. Tyrell, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, to the membership of the Glenamaddy Old Age Pension Sub-Committee."
(Cllr. J. Flaherty).

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- (g) Clr. M. Ua hUigin: (i) "That electric lighting be proceeded with immediately in Moycullen village."
 (ii) "That the County Council acquire bogs (where such exist and are required for local needs) for distribution amongst farmers and others anxious to cut turf this year."
 (iii) "That making of new roads into bogs and repairing of existing roads be proceeded with."
- (h) Clr. P. Sarr: (i) "That Mr. Michael Hannon of Newbridge, Ballinasloe, be re-instated as a member of the Mountbellew Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee." (ii) "That sites be acquired immediately in the vicinity of Ballymoe for the erection of twelve labourers cottages."
- (i) Clr. J.P. Joyce: (i) "That an ambulance boat be provided for people of Aran Isles." (ii) "That five street lights be provided in Moycullen."
 (iii) "That one light be provided on Spiddal Pier."
- (j) Clr. V.P. Shields: "Take notice that at the next Meeting of the County Council I shall move that the Council do allow the Supervisors travelling expenses at the same rate as that allowed to Assistant County Engineer."
- (k) Deputy M. Killilea: "That under no circumstances will the County Council be prepared to allow the County Surveyor to take over bogs which were heretofore worked by the Council but in recent years worked by private individuals who may be prepared to work them again this year."
4. Raising of loan for purchase and improvement of Fair Green and purchase of toll at Portumna.
 5. The necessity for provision of a new Courthouse at Ardahan.
 6. Letter from County Councils General Council requesting notice of any matters to be included in Agenda for May Meeting.
 7. School Meals (Gaeltacht) Scheme: Department of Social Welfare letter 6/2/1951 states that amount of the Grant for this Scheme is fixed by Statute and cannot be increased.
 8. Nomination of Representative of the Council to attend and vote at General Meeting of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance Ltd.
 9. Raising of Loan for Improvement of Private Roads in Galway Borough.
 10. Raising of loan for Flannery Bridge work and obtaining of overdraft accommodation pending receipt of loan.
 11. Raising of loan for purchase of a dispensary residence and dispensary at Orammore.
 12. Purchase of site for Dispensary and Residence for Midwife at Athenry for £160.
 13. Proposed appointment of one Superintendent Health Inspector and three additional Health Inspectors.
 14. Provision of a temporary Orthopaedic Theatre at Galway Central Hospital at an estimated cost of £3,500 - to be apportioned between the counties in the Orthopaedic Region.
 15. Appointment of representatives on a committee to consider the purchase of the Church of Ireland Bishop's Palace and Grounds at Tuam.
 16. Proposed purchase of Residence for Midwife in Ahasoragh District.
 17. Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948 - Letter 3/4/51 (E.L.1/51) from the Department of Local Government.
 18. Monivea Water Supply - County Engineer's report 2/4/1951.
 19. Deputation from Oughterard Turf Producers.
 20. Turf Production - resolution adopted by Galway Corporation: "That the County Council be requested to provide in their turf production scheme for 1951 for the original target proposed."

21. Councillors' Notices of Motion:

- (a) Clr. M. Ua hUigin: "That the County Council instruct its Engineering staff to make an immediate survey of existing piped water supplies with a view to improving and extending same, where necessary. That the County Council raise a loan to carry out this work."
- (b) Clr. J. McElihinney: (1) "That the wages of plant drivers and lorry drivers employed by the Galway County Council be increased by 20/- per week, and that they be allowed a sum of 30/- per week subsistence when working away from their home area. Where vans are supplied this allowance to be reduced to 15/- per week.
 (2) That in future rate collectors shall be appointed by the Appointments Commission, and applicants residing in the area where the vacancy exists shall be given preference over other applicants
 (3) That the present arrangement whereby hospital patients receive only 5/- under the Infectious Diseases Allowances Act, 1948, be altered so that they shall receive 10/- per week, and the balance of the allowance going towards hospitalization be adjusted accordingly."
- (c) Clr. J. McElihinney: "Please note that I will move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that the County Engineer be instructed to proceed immediately with the making of the Terryland Road."
- (d) Clr. M. Nicholson: "That the County Manager inform the Council if any cottages are proposed to be built in the Cooloo area, and if so, when does he propose to start work there."
- (e) Clr. P. Kyne: "Take notice that I or someone on my behalf will move at next meeting of County Council that three street lights be provided for village of Clonbur."

22. Resolution adopted by Galway Borough Council, viz:- "That the Borough Council be given representation on the various Committees, attaching to the County-at-Large, Services to which the Corporation makes a heavy and ever increasing contribution annually."
23. Annual Report of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.
24. Resolutions.
25. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF GALWAY
 COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY,
 ON SATURDAY, 5th MAY, 1951.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillor M. A. Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillors M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, J. Geoghegan, S. Glynn, M. J. Higgins, J. P. Joyce, T. King, Deputy M. F. Kitt, Councillors J. Mannion, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sarr and M. Wall.

8412. **Adjournment.**—The Chairman paid tribute to the part played by the late Councillor P. Kyne in national and local administration, and proposed that as a mark of respect to his memory the meeting be adjourned until 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, 12th May, 1951. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Geoghegan and unanimously approved.

Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:—

Mr. L. O'Looney, County Secretary, on the death of his father; and

Mr. J. Canning, Barna, on the death of his son.

The meeting was then adjourned until 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, 12th May, 1951.

*Induced
J.H.*

*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 30th day of June 1951
M. A. Ashe Chairman*

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY THE 12th MAY, 1951.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillor Miss M. Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillors M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. J. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. Joyce, T. King, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Councillors J. Mannion, J. McElihinney, M. Mylotte, J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

8413. Minutes.—The Minutes of the Council to No. 8411, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

8414. Rate Arrears Lists.—The Rate Arrears List for year ending 31st March, 1951, were submitted to the Council and it was noted that the state of the collection was as follows:—

| | | |
|---------------------|---------------|----------|
| Lodged | £357,845 19 2 | 97.609% |
| Discount | 340 16 10 | .093% |
| Struck-off | 3,214 5 4 | .877% |
| Carried Forward ... | 5,210 6 2 | 1.421% |
| Totals | £366,611 7 6 | 100.000% |

8415. Vacancy.—The Secretary reported that Councillor P. Kyne died on the 24th April, 1951. It was ordered that the usual arrangements be made for the filling of the vacancy.

8416. Rate Collector for No. 4 District.—Letter, 13/4/1951 (E.L.3432/51) from the Department of Local Government was submitted stating that since Mr. John T. Curley was a member of the Galway County Council up to September, 1950, he does not appear to be eligible for appointment as Rate Collector in No. 4 Collection District.

It was proposed by Councillor Carty that the County Solicitor be requested to obtain the best available legal advice as to the eligibility of Mr. Curley for appointment to the post of Rate Collector in No. 4 Collection District.

Councillor Nestor considered that since Section 70 of the Local Government Act, 1925, is explicit, the Council would not be justified in incurring expenditure in seeking further legal advice in regard to it.

Councillor McElihinney proposed that the County Solicitor be asked to advise as to whether further legal advice is necessary in this case.

Councillor Carty stated that he would withdraw his proposal in favour of that made by Councillor McElihinney which he, therefore, seconded.

Councillor Shields recommended that the County Solicitor be asked to advise whether, if Mr. Curley is not eligible for appointment, the other candidate who was proposed and seconded would be eligible for appointment.

It was decided unanimously that the matter be referred to the County Solicitor for his advice.

8417. Temporary Allowance and Temporary Bonus.—Councillor Higgins proposed and Councillor Carty seconded:—

"That the Council approve the provision of funds for payment of temporary allowance and temporary bonus at the increased rate approved by the Ministers for Local Government, Health and Social Welfare, with effect from the 1st November, 1950."

The Chairman stated that he objected to the principle of retrospective approval, such as this, but since the Council appeared to be unanimous in regard to it, he would not oppose the matter further.

Councillor Higgins' motion was, therefore, adopted unanimously.

8418. Road Gangers.—The Chairman referred to a remark by a District Justice which was reported in the local Press recently when the District Justice stated that it was no wonder the rates in the County were so high when one Ganger was in charge of two men; since the remark was at variance with the fact, the Chairman suggested that the District Justice would be well advised to attend to his own business.

Councillor Higgins and Councillor McElihinney stated that it was to be deplored that a District Justice would make such a statement without being in possession of the facts, and Councillor Higgins recommended that the County Engineer obtain a copy of the paper in which the report appeared and that he send a reply to the Press contradicting this statement.

8419. Weekly Payment of Wages.—Councillor McElihinney proposed that payment of wages be made weekly to bog workers.

The County Engineer replied that weekly payment of wages for workers generally was considered previously by the Council and on investigating the matter, he found that this was not desired by the majority of the workers concerned.

The County Engineer agreed that he would investigate the matter again with a view to obtaining the opinion of the workers.

8420. Sites for Labourers' Cottages.—Councillor Sirr proposed and Councillor McElihinney seconded:—

"That sites be acquired without delay in the neighbourhood of Ballymoe for the erection of 12 labourers' cottages."

The Chairman stated that he considered that this proposal was not acceptable as the Council had previously decided that no further action be taken in regard to provision of additional cottages until the Council would have dealt with the original 312 applications received.

Councillor Houlihan stated that land is now available from the Forestry Department for cottage sites in Portumna and recommended that the land be acquired with a view to providing cottages later.

Councillor King stated that advertisements inviting tenders for erection of two cottages in Mullaghadrum had been issued twice without result and asked why the erection of the cottages could not be carried out by direct labour.

Councillor Ashe requested an explanation of the delay in erecting the new cottages in Moycullen.

It was proposed by Councillor King seconded by Councillor Nicholson:—

"That a Special Meeting of the Council be called to consider the position in regard to housing."

Deputy Lahiffe asked why the cottages in Kinvara are not being erected by direct labour seeing that an advertisement inviting tenders was issued three times without result.

In regard to Councillor Sirr's motion, it was pointed out that the number of applications received for cottages in Ballymoe was five and that sites for two of these had been acquired.

Councillor Sirr requested that at least the Council should proceed immediately with the provision of the five cottages for which applications were received.

8421. Housing Loans.—In the absence of Deputy Killilea, Councillor Carty proposed:—

"That to further facilitate those building houses, the Galway County Council are of opinion that loans should be made available by the advancement of the first half of such loan at the commencement of work and the balance on receipt of the Engineer's report that half the work has been done."

Councillor Shields recommended that the present payment of an instalment of 50% of the loans or 50% of the value of the work done, on the completion of the documents, be increased to 75%.

The County Manager replied that it had been arranged recently that this would be done in future.

Councillors Carty and Shields, therefore, considered that this would meet the proposition satisfactorily.

8422. ROADS.—Cllr. Wall stated that his Notice of Motion 3 (c) (1) & 1 (1) had been dealt with at previous meetings.

8423. Public Lighting—Kilconnell, Aughrim, Clonbur and Moycullen.—The Chairman proposed and Councillor Geoghegan seconded:—

"That public lighting be provided in the Villages of Kilconnell, Aughrim, Clonbur and Moycullen."

It was pointed out that the population of Kilconnell and Aughrim was not up to the figure of 150 which the Council had previously decided as the minimum required for provision of public lighting.

After a discussion the County Manager suggested that the Council leave it to him to decide as to the villages in which public lighting should be provided; that if the Council is aggrieved by his failure to provide public lighting in any particular case, the matter can be raised specially.

This suggestion was approved unanimously.

Councillor Higgins recommended that the public lighting in Spiddal be extended, and Councillor King requested that one light be provided outside Claran Church at Headford.

The County Manager stated that he considered that the provision of an isolated light outside the church would be a matter for the Church Authorities.

8424. Church of Ireland Bishop's Palace & Grounds, Tuam.—Councillor Nestor requested that the Council receive a deputation from the Tuam Town Commissioners in regard to the proposal to acquire the Church of Ireland Bishop's Palace and Grounds—area: 42 acres—at Tuam.

Mr. Cahill of the Tuam Town Commissioners then addressed the Meeting and pointed out that this property is in the centre of the town of Tuam and that it would be most desirable to acquire it with a view to conversion of the Palace into a Town Hall, etc., and the utilisation of the grounds for housing sites.

Mr. Cahill requested that the Council appoint representatives to meet the Tuam Town Commissioners so that the proposition might be investigated.

It was proposed by Councillor Nestor, seconded by Councillor Nicholson and unanimously resolved:—

"That the following members be appointed to represent the Council on a Committee to investigate the proposition and report back to the Council: Councillors Nestor, Shields, Ashe, O'Donnell and Senator Quinn."

Mr. Cahill thanked the Council and the County Manager for their co-operation.

8425. Church Holidays.—Councillor King proposed and Councillor Higgins seconded:—

"That all Council work, including roads as well as offices, be closed down on Church Holydays."

Councillor McElhinney recommended that if the offices are to be closed on Church Holidays and if the office staff are to be paid, that road workers, etc., should also be paid for such holidays.

Councillor Wall proposed and Councillor Nestor seconded:—
"That consideration of this matter be adjourned to next meeting."

A vote taken on Councillor Wall's amendment resulted as follows:—

For—Councillors Ashe, Beegan, Cawley, Collins, Cunningham, Houlihan, Lahiffe, Moylette, Nestor, Quinn, Ruane and Wall—12.
Against—Councillors Flaherty, Furey, Galvin, Geoghegan, Higgins, King, McElhinney, Nicholson, Shields and Surr—10.

It was, therefore, decided that consideration of this matter be adjourned to next meeting.

8426. Milk Supply—Woodlands Sanatorium.—Councillor King pointed out that this matter had been dealt with at an earlier meeting.

8427. Year Book.—Councillor King proposed and Councillor Cunningham seconded:—

"That a Year Book be issued to the Councillors in future as was done up to some years ago."

The Secretary pointed out that this matter was raised before, but on every occasion, consideration of it was deferred pending revision of the Standing Orders which were included in the Year Book and are now incorrect in many respects.

The Council approved provision of the Year Book with the omission of the Standing Orders.

8428. Sanitary Accommodation—Dunmore.—It was proposed by Councillor Flaherty, seconded by Councillor Nestor and Resolved:—

"That provision be made in the Estimate for year ending 31st March, 1953, for provision of sanitary accommodation in the town of Dunmore."

8429. Sign-board at Dunmore.—It was decided that consideration of the provision of a sign-board at Nestor's Corner be adjourned for the present.

8430. Glenamaddy O.A.P. Sub-Committee.—As there are already fifteen members of the Glenamaddy O.A.P. Sub-Committee (excluding Councillors), Councillor Flaherty withdrew his motion for the appointment of Mr. Tyrell on the Committee.

8431. Bogs and Bog Roads.—As these matters had been considered by the Council at earlier meetings, Councillor Higgins withdrew his Motions—Nos. 3 (g) (i), (ii) and (iii).

8432. Mountbellew O.A.P. Sub-Committee.—Councillor Surr withdrew his Notice of Motion in regard to the appointment of Mr. Michael Hannon on the above Committee.

8433. Overseers' Travelling Expenses.—Councillor Shields stated that he considered that Road Overseers should be paid some remuneration in respect of their travelling expenses and, therefore, he proposed that the Council allow overseers travelling expenses at the same rate as that allowed to Assistant County Engineers. This proposal was seconded by Councillor McElhinney.

The County Engineer stated that he was considering the appointment of additional overseers so as to reduce the area to be covered by each.

Deputy Lahiffe proposed and Councillor Cawley seconded:—
"That a Committee be appointed to go into this matter with the County Engineer."

After further discussion it was agreed that the matter be adjourned until the County Engineer's proposal to appoint additional overseers will be brought before the Council.

8434. Turf Production.—In the absence of Deputy Killilea, Councillor Higgins proposed, and Councillor Geoghegan seconded:—

"That under no circumstances will the County Council be prepared to allow the County Surveyor to take over bogs which were heretofore worked by the Council, but in recent years worked by private individuals who may be prepared to work them again this year."

The County Engineer pointed out that the bogs which the Council are now using had been developed by the Council during the emergency; that the direction to produce turf in the current season was given to him as late as February and that at that stage there was no time available for development of new bogs and that, furthermore, if new bogs only were utilized the quality of the turf produced would be very inferior.

8435. Portumna Sewerage Scheme.—Councillor Houlihan asked if something could be done to repeal the regulation in regard to the payment of the cost of connecting premises with the main sewer and recommended that connections be provided now from the main sewer to the footpath so that it would not be necessary to tear up the road in future.

The County Manager stated that he had already replied to Mr. Kearns of the Portumna Development Company, stating that the Council could not accede to the request of the Company in regard to the cost of connections with the main sewer.

8436. Wages of Plant Drivers and Lorry Drivers.—Councillor McElhinney proposed and Councillor Wall seconded:—

"That the wages of plant drivers and lorry drivers employed by the Galway County Council be increased by 20/- per week, and that they be allowed a sum of 30/- per week subsistence when working away from their home area. Where vans are supplied this allowance to be reduced to 15/- per week."

The County Manager stated that he would investigate this proposal.

8437. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were adopted unanimously with: His Holiness, the Pope, on the death of His Excellency, Monsignor Ettore Felici, Papal Nuncio; with Mr. John J. Kennedy and family, Lecarrow, Athenry, on the death of his mother; with Mr. Jerry Cahill and family, Castleturvin, Athenry, on the death of his father; with Mr. John Mannion and family, Gloves (South), Athenry, on the death of his mother.

8438. Adjournment.—Consideration of the following items in the agenda was adjourned until next meeting: Nos. 4 to 14 inclusive; Nos. 16 to 21 (a) inclusive; Nos. 21 (b) (iii) to No. 25 inclusive.

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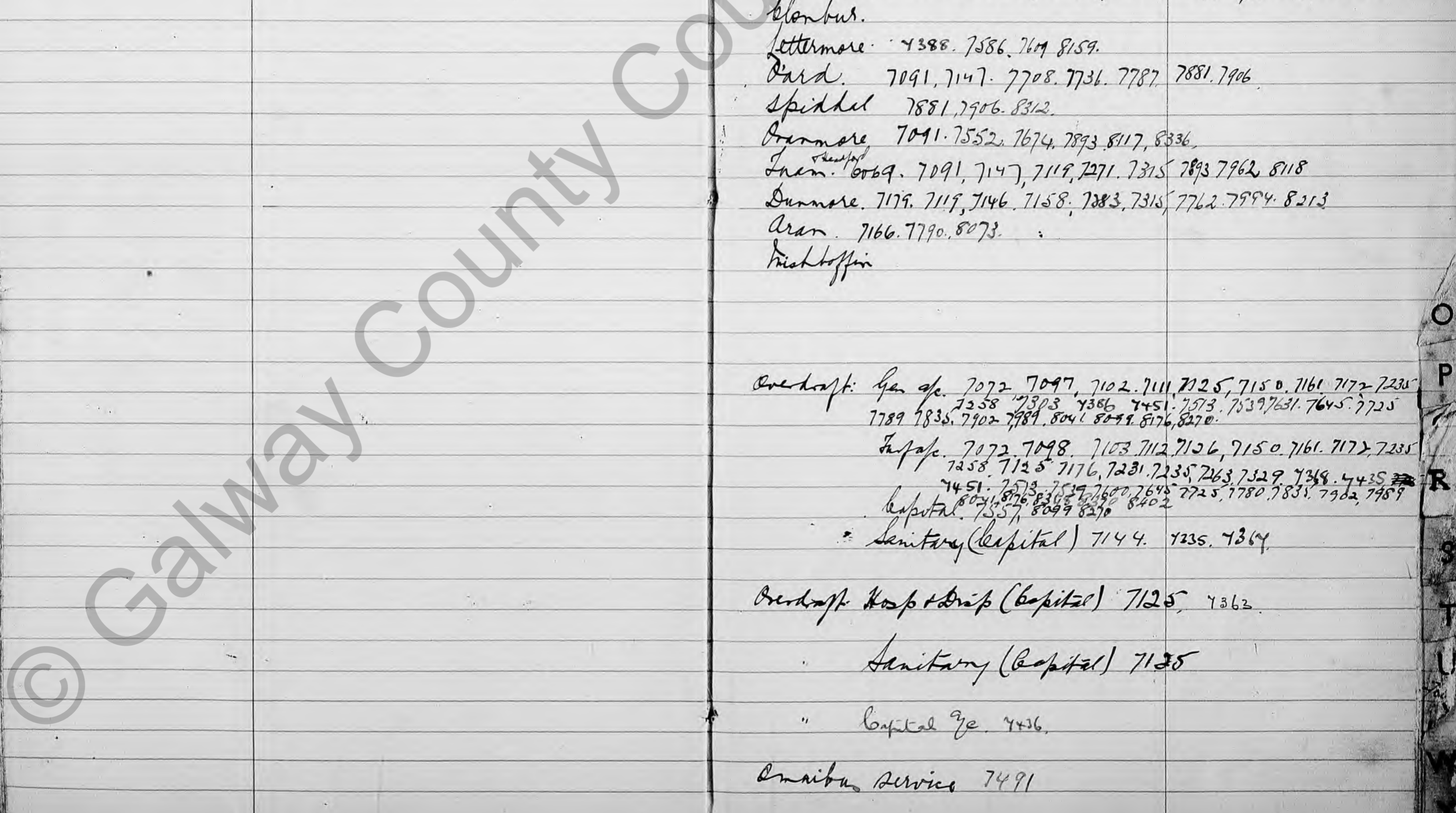
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