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THE ANNUAL ROAD WORKS MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY
COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 9TH DAY OF JANUARY,
1934.

1/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:-
Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Boyle, Brady,
Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doogan, Douglas, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh,
Loughrey, Lowry, O'Donnell, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie,
McGonagle, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty,
Scott, and Wagentreiber.

2/34.

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.

Mr. Con O'Donnell, who was co-opted a member of the Council
for the County Electoral Area of Glenties, signed the Declaration of
Acceptance of Office, and afterwards took part in the business of the
Meeting.

3/34.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 19th
December, 1933, were unanimously confirmed.

4/34.

PROVISIONAL ROAD WORKS SCHEME FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON THE
31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1935.

The Council considered the Provisional Road Works Scheme for the
year ending on the 31st day of March, 1935, and certain amendments
having been made therein, the Scheme was completed by the Secretary
in accordance with the instructions of the Council, and unanimously
confirmed with the aforesaid amendments.

5/34.

APPOINTMENT OF TENDERS COMMITTEE.

The following members were appointed as Tenders Committees for
the different Areas:-

BUNCRANA COUNTY ELECTORAL AREA.

Councillors Cole, Douglas, Kavanagh, McCauley, McGonagle, McIvor,
O'Doherty, and Scott.

DONEGAL COUNTY ELECTORAL AREA.

Councillors Brady, Crowley, Gallagher, Hamilton, Myles, McFadden,
McShane, O'Boyle (Manus), and Walls.

GLENTIES COUNTY ELECTORAL AREA.

Councillors James Boyle, Brennan, Doogan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.),
O'Donnell, McBride, and Sweeney.

LETTERKENNY COUNTY ELECTORAL AREA.

Councillors Callaghan, Gallen, Lowry, Mahony, McCrea, McPhelimy, and
Wagentreiber.

MILFORD COUNTY ELECTORAL AREA.

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Doherty (Carrigart), Loughrey, and
MacCreadie.

6/34.

DECISION OF MANNER AND CONDITIONS FOR MAKING TENDERS.

The Council decided that all Tenders be made on the forms
issued.

7/34.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR RECEPTION OF TENDERS.

The Council decided that all Tenders be handed in immediately before the Meetings which will be held at 11 a.m. on the dates given below, except Lifford which will be held at 2 p.m.; the Clerks to the Meetings to be in attendance at least two hours before the commencement of the Meeting to receive Tenders.

The Council decided to appoint the Clerks at their Meeting on the 30th inst:-

Northern Division.

Aillesh... 1st March, 1934.
Dunfanaghy... 24th February, 1934.
Inishowen... 26th February, 1934.
Letterkenny... 21st February, 1934.
Lifford... 20th February, 1934.
Milford... 22nd February, 1934.

Southern Division.

Ballyshannon... 16th February, 1934.
Donegal... 21st February, 1934.
Dungloe... 22nd February, 1934.
Glenties... 21st February, 1934.
Kilcar... 26th February, 1934.
Pettigo... 15th February, 1934.
Stranorlar... 22nd February, 1934.

Owing to the Circuit Court being held in Letterkenny, it was decided to have the Meeting in the Literary Institute, and with a view to obviating damage to the furniture in Donegal Courthouse, it was decided to have all Road Meetings in the Market House, Donegal, in future.

8/34.

ARREST AND RELEASE OF GENERAL O'DUFFY.

The following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor Douglas, was ruled out of order by the Chairman, who stated that it was the established practice of the Council not to consider motions of this nature:-

"That we congratulate General O'Duffy, leader of the United Ireland Party, upon his recent release from prison following his arrest upon an illegal charge, that of wearing a Blue Shirt, preferred against him by the Government.

That we stand by the man in his noble exertions to rescue the country from the unparalleled difficulties and dangers which at the present moment confront her as a result of the present deplorable Tariff War."

Councillor Douglas accepted the Chairman's ruling.

9/34.

ILLNESS OF THE ACTING COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A Certificate was submitted from Dr. J. P. McGinley, Letterkenny, showing that Mr. Patrick Dawson, Acting County Surveyor, was confined to bed with pleurisy.

10/34.

ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH DRAINAGE SCHEMES.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Dawson, Acting County Surveyor, inquiring if it was proposed to allow him engineering assistance for carrying out Arterial Drainage Schemes, and, if so, the remuneration proposed.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor James Boyle, it was unanimously decided to allow Mr. Dawson expert engineering assistance, and to ask him to submit a report to the next Meeting regarding the remuneration required.

11/34.

CLERICAL ASSISTANCE ALLOWED TO THE ACTING COUNTY SURVEYOR.

Councillor Mahony referred to a resolution passed by the Council at their Meeting on the 26th September last (968/33), in which it was decided to allow the Acting County Surveyor an extra clerical assistant, and he inquired if this proposal had been sanctioned, as the Clerk had been employed by Mr. Dawson.

The Secretary having stated that the proposal had not been sanctioned, the Council unanimously decided to request the Department to sanction the employment of the Clerk as from the 1st October last.

12/34. APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD IN TOWNLAND OF CREGGAN, BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Creggan, Ballybofeey, asking to have a road about 160 perches long constructed from Creggan Road to a point at or near James Doherty's of Creggan.

The Council unanimously decided to refer this matter to the Board of Works with a request that they include it in their Minor Relief Schemes.

13/34. AMOUNTS ALLOWED IN ROAD WORKS SCHEME FOR COUNCILLORS' MOTIONS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 4th January, 1934, R/RGM/7, setting out the procedure leading up to the making of a Road Works Scheme, and stating that there was no provision for the inclusion of a definite sum for special works in each Councillor's area, nor was it intended to provide for such proposals. When, under Article 3 of the Public Bodies Order, certain works were authorised to be included in the current year's Scheme, the Minister was not aware of the practice now in question. If he had been, his assent would not have been forthcoming.

Councillor Mahony proposed, Councillor Brennan seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the practice of allowing monies to each member of the Council for special works in the Road Works Scheme be discontinued; the members in future to submit any suggestions for such works to the County Surveyor; the amounts of the suggestions in each case not to exceed £70.

14/34. RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE INISHOWEN COMHAIRLE CEANNTAIR FIANNA FAIL.

Councillor Douglas moved the suspension of the Standing Orders to consider certain statements reported to have been made at a Meeting of the Inishowen Comhairle Ceanntair Fianna Fail reflecting on the County Council and its Officials.

Councillor Cole seconded.

The Chairman ruled that as this was a Meeting dealing entirely with road matters the question could not be considered. He would be prepared to accept a Notice of Motion dealing with the matter for the next Meeting of the County Council.

15/34. STRANORLAR RAILWAY BRIDGE.

Councillor Gallen referred to a previous discussion in connection with the repair of Stranorlar Railway Bridge, and he stated that if the Council took over the repair and maintenance of the Bridge, the Railway Company would allow the Board of Health to utilise the Bridge for the carriage of sewage pipes.

It was estimated that the costs would be about equal.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor.

16/34. APPOINTMENT OF CLERKS IN THE BOARD OF HEALTH OFFICES.

Councillor McIvor referred to the pending appointment of three Clerks in the Board of Health Offices, which had been advertised, and which, apparently, were not going to be made as the result of a competitive examination.

He referred to an undertaking which had been given at the last Meeting of the Co. Council by Councillor Myles, on behalf of the Board of Health, that these appointments would be made as the result of a competitive examination.

Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the Co. Board of Health, stated that the Board were not required by the Standing Orders to make the appointment in the way indicated, but he stated it was open to the Board to follow the Standing Orders if they so wished.

Councillor McIvor proposed that the Co. Council recommend the Board of Health to hold a competitive examination for the three vacancies.

Councillor Lowry seconded the proposal, which was supported by Councillor Scott, and carried unanimously.

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Confirmed.

E. Mahony

Chairman, 3rd January, 1934.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1934.

17/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:-
Councillors Mahony (presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McBride, MacCreadie, McGonagle, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Donnell, O'Doherty, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentreiber.

18/34.

A P O L O G Y.

An apology for inability to be present was received from the Chairman, Mr. Michael Og MacFadden.

19/34.

C O N D O L E N C E.

Councillor MacCreadie proposed a vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P.

Councillor McIvor seconded the motion, which was passed in silence, all the members standing.

Councillor Brennan proposed a vote of sympathy with Mr. W. T. Cosgrave, late President of the Free State Executive Council, on the death of his mother.

Councillor Mahony seconded the motion, which was passed in silence; all the members standing.

20/34.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor James Boyle the Minutes of the Annual Road Works Meeting held on the 9th January, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

21/34.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Lowry the report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 19th December, 1933, was adopted unanimously.

22/34.

R E P O R T S O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G S.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor James Boyle the report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 19th December, 1933, was adopted unanimously.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 9th January, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 17th January, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

23/34.

R E P O R T O F S C H O L A R S H I P S C O M M I T T E E , A N D A D O P T I O N O F P R I M A R Y S C H O L A R S H I P S S C H E M E.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Meeting of the Scholarships Committee held on the 17th January, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

24/34.

Q U A R T E R L Y L I S T O F P A Y M E N T S.

The List of Payments for the quarter ended 31st December, 1933, as submitted to the Finance Committee and approved by them, was passed for payment.

25/34.

PREPARATION OF TWELFTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th December, 1933, F.142506/33, Dun na nGall. (c.), stating that no objection would be raised to the payment of the sum of £24 for clerical assistance in connection with the preparation of the Twelfth Register of Electors.

26/34.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th December, 1933, enclosing Payable Order for £12,139 in respect of Agricultural Grant.

A further letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th January, 1934, enclosing Payable Order for £10,469 in respect of Agricultural Grant.

27/34.

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - MR. FRANCIS DORRIAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th December, 1933, G.129779/33, Dun na nGall., enclosing duplicate order, under seal, assenting to the grant of a superannuation allowance of £161 : 10 : 0 to Mr. Francis Dorrian.

28/34.

AMENDMENT OF SCHEMES ADOPTED OR APPROVED UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) ACT, 1923.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd December, 1933, P.79568/33, Ilgh., enclosing copy of an Order made by the Minister amending the County Schemes adopted or approved under the Local Government (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1923.

29/34.

PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF SITTINGS OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AT BUNCRANA OR CARNDONAGH.

A letter was read from Deputy Joseph O'Doherty enclosing copy of letter received by him from the Department of Justice relative to the establishment of sittings of the Circuit Court at Bunrana or Carndonagh.

30/34.

BOUNTY ON LIVE PIGS EXPORTED OVER THE LAND FRONTIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 1st January, 1934, L.4944/33, regarding the Council's resolution with reference to live pigs, and stating that after careful consideration of the matter, with particular reference to the position as regards County Donegal, they regretted it was not practicable to give effect to the Council's resolution.

A letter was read from Deputy Joseph O'Doherty enclosing copy of letter received by him from the Department of Agriculture with reference to the bounty on live pigs exported over the land frontier. The matter was referred to the Committee of Agriculture.

31/34.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

An invitation was submitted to the 20th Annual Conference of the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis to be held in London in June next.

32/34.

ANNUAL CONGRESS AND EXHIBITION OF THE ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE.

An invitation was submitted to the 45th Annual Congress and Exhibition of the Royal Sanitary Institute to be held in Bristol in July next.

33/34.

COST-OF-LIVING BONUS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 1st January, 1934, Circ. G.55/1/34, intimating the basis on which the cost-of-living bonus was to be calculated for the half-year ending 30th June, 1934.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 13th December, 1933, acknowledging the Secretary's letter intimating that permission had been given by the Council to Mr. Patrick Dawson to act in the same capacity in connection with Minor Relief Schemes as Mr. Steadman did last year.

Letters were read from the Office of Public Works stating that it was too late to consider proposals at this stage as the allocation for Minor Relief Works was virtually exhausted.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 29th December, 1933, enclosing the fourth List of Minor Relief Works which had been approved for County Donegal.

Councillor Baxter called attention to the fact that out of an allocation of £3,773, only £50 was allocated to the entire County Electoral Division of Milford, and he proposed that the County Surveyor be instructed to furnish a map of the County to the Office of Public Works, with the Milford District marked in red ink.

Councillor Blaney stated that additional Minor Relief Works had been sanctioned, and that when these came to hand it would probably be found that the Milford Area had got its share.

Councillors Gallen and McPhelimy complained of the paucity of the works allowed for Stranorlar District, in which there was considerable unemployment owing to the failure of the flax industry.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned pending receipt of lists of further works.

35/34. COLLECTION OF RATES IN THE NUMBERS 9 AND 33 DISTRICTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th January, 1934, G.150100/33, Dun na nGall. Fa., sanctioning the appointment of Mr. Bernard Vincent Kelly as Rate Collector for the No. 33 Collection District on a part-time and non-pensionable basis on the terms set out in replies to queries furnished.

Councillor Wagentreiber introduced a deputation from the No. 33 Collection District, consisting of Messrs. John S. Weir, Hugh O'Donnell, John McDermott, and a number of others.

Mr. Weir addressed the Council on the difficulties which farmers in this Area found themselves in at the present time in meeting the two moieties of rates which were now due. Owing to the dismissal of the former Collector the people of the district had not had an opportunity of paying the first moiety of the rates at the usual time, and they were now being pressed by the new Collector for the two moieties. In some cases the Small Dwelling Demand Notes had not been served in time, and the people had lost the discount to which they were entitled.

It was very difficult for the people to avail of the Credit Notes before the 31st March, and he suggested that the time for the collection of the rates in this Area be extended to June.

Councillor McIvor pointed out the Council's legal position in the matter.

Councillor Brady referred to the No. 9 (Inver) District, in which, owing to the difficulty of obtaining a Collector for some years, the Rate Collection had gone considerably into arrears.

On the motion of the Chairman (Councillor Mahony) seconded by Councillor Scott, it was decided to request the Deputies for the County on the Council to approach the Minister for Local Government and Public Health in the matter, with a view to having the period of validity of Credit Notes extended in these particular Districts, and that he be asked to introduce legislation to this effect, if necessary.

36/34. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 3rd January, 1934, sanctioning Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £80,000 on the accounts of the Donegal County Council up to the 31st January.

The Secretary stated that continued Overdraft accommodation of £80,000 would be required until the end of February.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £80,000 until the 28th February.

37/34.

EXPENDITURE ON ROADS DURING THE YEAR 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th January, 1934, RGM/201/34, asking to be furnished with certain particulars regarding the expenditure on roads during the coming year.

The Secretary stated that the matter was having attention.

38/34.

SURFACE DRESSING OF ROADS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 18th December, 1933, asking to be furnished with the usual Certificate of Surface Dressing from the County Surveyor for the period ended 30th September, 1933.

39/34.

REFUNDS OF MOTOR LICENCE DUTY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 30th December, 1933, M.T.7., stating that refunds of Motor Licence Duty would not be allowable to persons who had paid Motor Licence duty and who failed to effect the required insurance on and after the 1st February, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 8th January, 1934, M.T.7./Rfd., stating, in the circumstances, that a refund of Motor Licence Duty would be made to Mr. Thomas Kee, Ballybofey, on the surrender of the licence and the furnishing of Form R.F.15. duly completed.

40/34.

NEW ROAD REQUIRED AT UPPER CRANAGUIGGY, CROLLY.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 29th December, 1933, P.48098/33, stating that the communication from Mr. Edward Ferry, Upper Cranaguiggy, Crollly, as to the provision of a road from the Loughkeel Road to Upper Cranaguiggy, had been noted for investigation prior to the re-vesting of the lands on the Estate.

41/34.

APPOINTMENT OF MR. JAMES J. GALLAGHER ON THE COUNCIL'S CLERICAL STAFF.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 3rd January, 1934, G.148903/33, Dun na nGall. Se., transmitting for completion form of Medical Report in connection with the proposed appointment of a Clerk in the Offices of the Council.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th January, 1934, G.383/1934, Dun na nGall. Se., asking to be furnished with particulars of the marks obtained in Irish by Mr. James J. Gallagher at the recent clerical examination.

A further letter dated the 26th January, 1934, G.383/1934, was read from the Local Government Department sanctioning the appointment of Mr. James J. Gallagher as a Clerk in the Offices of the Council on the terms set out in the replies to queries furnished, and subject to the provisions of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Orders, 1928 to 1932.

42/34.

COMMITTAL OF CHILDREN TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Donegal, intimating his intention of applying at Pettigo District Court on the 16th January to have Patrick Cassidy, Pettigo, committed to an Industrial School.

A letter was read from Guard Dolan, School Attendance Officer, Lifford, intimating that an application would be made at Lifford District Court on the 28th February for the committal of a child named Edward Joseph Lynch, Mullinaveagh, Ballindrait, to an Industrial School.

43/34. ALLOCATION OF GRANT OF £240 FOR WORKS IN THE DUNFANAGHY AND MOVILLE AREAS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 20th December, 1933, R.U./7., referring to their letter of the 5th idem notifying the allocation of a grant of £600, and stating that the proposals for the Northern Division (Dunfanaghy and Moville) had not been received. The primary object of the grant was to afford some employment before Christmas, and if the proposals were not received without further delay, it would be reduced by the amount outstanding, namely, £240.

A letter was read from Councillor Doogan making certain proposals for the expenditure of the money.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) referring to the grant of £600 allocated by the Local Government Department, and suggesting that portion of this Grant be applied to removing a dangerous corner at Cashelmore, and to straightening a dangerous curve on the Main Road at Portnablagh Hotel.

A letter was also read from Rev. T. J. Gallagher, C.C., Cashelmore, enclosing copy of a letter which he had forwarded to the Acting County Surveyor asking for Relief Grants.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that the Grant had already been allocated and was being expended at the moment.

44/34. SUPPLY OF REQUISITES FOR THE COUNTY REGISTRAR.

A letter was read from the Stationery Office, Dublin, S.115/27, setting out a list of items which were now being supplied by the Stationery Office for the use of the County Registrar.

45/34. DANGER OF CARRYING OUT BUILDING WORKS NEAR THE OVERHEAD LINES OF THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd December, 1933, Circ. No. 118/33, adverting to the danger of carrying out building works under or in close proximity to the overhead lines of the Electricity Supply Board. When preparing maps or plans for such works the Architect or Engineer should be instructed to have marked thereon the positions of any such lines or cables, showing the voltage and heights of poles.

46/34. TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING BILL, 1933.

A letter was read from the Secretary, General Council of County Councils, regarding the Town and Regional Planning Bill, 1933, and stating that the General Council had approved of the report of the Emergency Committee, subject to the following words, namely:- "but only with the consent of the County Council concerned."

Suggestions were invited as to any further amendments that the Council might think it desirable to have made.

The matter was referred to the Law Committee.

47/34. UNITED FARMERS' PROTECTION ASSOCIATION AND THE "SUNDAY CHRONICLE."

A letter was read from the United Farmers' Protection Association enclosing copy of letter sent to the Sunday Chronicle regarding a statement charging the President of the Executive Council with a flagrant breach of a contracted obligation inconsistent with the Treaty.

48/34. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LANDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE LABOURERS' ACTS.

Notification was received from the County Board of Health of the making of an Order authorising them to purchase compulsorily for the purposes of the Labourers' Acts, etc., lands, the property of the Council, in Figart and Gortnamucklagh.

49/34.

GRANTS UNDER THE HOUSING ACT, 1932.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 21st December, 1933, Circ. No. 117/33, stating that in future the Minister intended to review the rates position of persons applying for Grants under the Housing Act, 1932, and would consider the withholding or the reduction of Grants where rates were shown to be in arrears. On receipt of Certificates of Approval, the Secretary was requested to check the rates position so that the attention of the Department could be drawn to the matter.

50/34.

PROPOSED REPAIR OF ROAD AND EMBANKMENT NEAR CARRIGANS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 17th January, 1934, R.U./7., stating that there were no Relief Funds at present available from which a Grant of £400 could be given for the relief of unemployment in response to the Council's request for a grant to carry out certain works near Carrigans.

51/34.

EMPLOYMENT OF AN EXTRA CLERK IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY SURVEYOR (NORTHERN DIVISION).

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 18th January, 1934, RS/7, stating that the Minister had sanctioned the employment of an extra clerical assistant in the Office of the County Surveyor for the Northern Division from the 1st October, 1933, to the 31st January, 1934.

52/34.

LOCAL OFFICES AND EMPLOYMENTS (GAELTACHT) ORDERS, 1928 TO 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 19th January, 1934, Circ. No. 11/34, enclosing copy of an Order made entitled "The Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) (Amendment) Order, 1934. The Order amended the Gaeltacht Orders of 1928, 1931, and 1932 in the following respects:-
Officers whose term of Office should have terminated on the 28th February, 1934, are allowed to continue in Office until the 31st July, 1934, but not after that date, unless in the meantime they have satisfied the Minister that they possess the knowledge of Irish mentioned in Article 3 of the Principal Order.

53/34.

INTERLOCKING CONCRETE ROOFING TILES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department enclosing copy of the standard specification (revised August, 1933) for the manufacture of Interlocking Concrete Roofing Tiles.

54/34.

ALLOCATION OF AGRICULTURAL GRANT FOR THE YEAR 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd January, 1934, G.7423/34, F.b., acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letters regarding the proposed allocation of the Agricultural Grant for the year 1934/35.

55/34.

PORTSALON AND DUNTINNY DRAINAGE DISTRICT - ENGINEER'S FEES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd January, 1934, F.150097/33, Dun na nGall. Pa., stating that no objection would be raised on this occasion to the payment of the fee claimed by Mr. C. MacLaughlin for preparation of a report on the Portsallon and Duntinny Drainage District, but any further reports of a similar nature should be prepared by the Engineering Staff of the Council.

56/34.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, 1933, (DATE OF COMMENCEMENT) (NO. 4) ORDER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 22nd January, 1934, RV/221/6, enclosing copy of the Road Traffic Act, 1933, (Date of Commencement) (No. 4) Order, 1933.

57/34. BALLYSALLAGH (RAY RIVER) DRAINAGE SCHEME - ENGINEER'S FEES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd January, 1934, F.150099/33, Dun na nGall. Pd., stating that no objection would be raised to the payment to Mr. C. V. MacLaughlin of his fees for his services in connection with the preparation of the Ballysallagh (Ray River) Drainage Scheme. The Minister noted that the work was now in the hands of the County Surveyor.

58/34. LOAN OF £47,400 FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE LABOURERS' ACTS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health, proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum not exceeding £47,400 for the purpose of providing 158 cottages for agricultural labourers throughout the County Health District of Donegal proposed to be provided under the Donegal County Board of Health and Public Assistance Labourers' Acts Compulsory Purchase Order, 1933, No. 2."

59/34. PROPOSED DECLARATION OF ROAD TO BE A CO. ROAD.

At his request the following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Cole was withdrawn:-

"That seventy-five perches of the road leading from the Carndonagh-Buncrana Road to Magherarnad in the townland of Churchland Quarters, Electoral Division of Carndonagh, be declared a County Road."

60/34. CONGRATULATIONS TO RT. REV. MONSIGNOR SHEERIN, MOVILLE.

In the absence of Councillor McCauley, the following Notice of Motion standing in his name was proposed by Councillor McIvor, and passed unanimously:-

"That this Council convey to Right Rev. Monsignor Sheerin, P.P., V.G., their heartiest congratulations on the honour conferred on him by his being raised to the dignity of Monsignor, which he so worthily deserves, and hope that he may be long spared to his people and the Diocese."

61/34. HEDGE-CUTTING.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton inquiring why so little attempt had been made to comply with the instructions of the Council as to hedge-cutting, more especially at corners.

Councillor Hamilton complained that on some roads, particularly at corners, hedges were very dangerous.

He proposed and it was unanimously resolved that the County Surveyor be instructed to notify owners of land at dangerous corners to have their hedges cut.

62/34. PETITION FOR COMPLETION OF WATERWAY AND REPAIR OF EMBANKMENT NEAR BALLINTRA.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton enclosing petition from residents in Ballybulgan, Mullinacross, Lacklum, and Murvagh for the completion of a waterway locally known as "The Cut", and the repair of the embankment.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works and the Land Commission to see if anything could be done in the matter.

63/34. REQUEST FOR GRANT TO COMPLETE TRUNK ROAD FROM LETTERKENNY TO STRANORLAR.

Councillor Mahony proposed, Councillor Brady seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council request the Minister for Local Government, when allocating Grants for the coming season, to provide a grant sufficient to complete the Trunk Road from Letterkenny to Stranorlar."

64/34. ALLEGATIONS REGARDING VICTIMISATION ON ROAD WORK.

Councillor Douglas proposed:- "That in consequence of the periodic reports which appear in the local Press from the Inishowen Comhairle Ceanntair Fianna Fail and the local Cumainn complaining as to the mode of employment under the Minor Relief Schemes, this Council hereby appoint a select Committee to investigate the charges made against Officials "of approaching leaders of a banned association and appointing them as Gangers on the work and ignoring those who were responsible for formulating the different Schemes."

Councillor McPhelimy seconded the motion, which was supported by Councillor Gallen.

In this connection also the following Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor O'Donnell:- "That the Council find some means to guard against victimisation on road work as there are several complaints in my Area."

A letter was also read from Mr. Bernard Gallagher, Secretary of the Downstrands Branch of the U.I.P., protesting against the unfair manner in which work on Minor Relief Schemes in that district was allocated, the U.I.P. supporters being denied work by the Gangers, who were the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the local Fianna Fail Club.

Councillor Brady stated that in the entire area of Glenties, this was the only district where any complaints were made.

Councillor McGonigle stated that the Assistant Surveyor in his Area had refused to yield to political influence, and this was the reason for the complaint from the Inishowen Comhairle Ceanntair Fianna Fail.

Councillor McIvor stated that the Assistant Surveyors were bound by the lists which they received from the Labour Exchanges, and he knew a case where three names had been supplied of persons living in the same house.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that on all Minor Relief Schemes he employed the poorest and most deserving cases.

Councillor Brennan proposed that the County Surveyors be directed to instruct the Assistant Surveyors to employ the most deserving men in each Area on Minor Relief Schemes.

The proposal was passed unanimously.

65/34. IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) referring to the grant of £35 voted to Mr. Steadman in June last by the Council for improvement works at Downings Pier, inquiring if it had all been expended, and asking for a statement indicating the actual position of the improvements.

Mr. Dawson, Acting County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"The contract for painting of iron-work, tarring of Office, and glazing at Office has been completed since the 13th January, and payment certified for fortnight ending 27th January, 1934.

The contract was delayed on account of the Piers Committee having the original specification, i.e. tarring of iron-work and door of Office, altered to painting in red oxide.

The building up in concrete of the dangerous openings in the Protection wall of Pier has also been completed since about the 1st November, but payment for this part of the work could not be certified sooner until the full contract had been completed.

The amount of the contract was £9, and there is a balance of £24 to be expended, if necessary."

66/34. HACKNEY CAR-OWNERS AND NEW TRANSPORT BILL.

Councillor O'Donnell proposed:- "That under the new Transport Bill there should be some consideration for Hackney car-owners."

The Chairman pointed out that this was an Act of Parliament, and that the Council had no power to interfere in the matter.

67/34.

GLENTIES BRIDGE.

Councillor O'Donnell proposed:- "That as there were two serious accidents at Glenties Bridge recently, the existing walls be raised three feet."

A letter in this connection was also read from Dr. S. P. Kerrigan, Coroner.

The following report in the matter was read from the Assistant Surveyor:-

"The part of the wall of Glenties Bridge referred to by Dr. Kerrigan "as dangerous" was built some years ago by the landlord of the house adjoining, Mr. James Conaghan. It is 9 feet long and 3 feet high, and connects the gable of the house with the parapet wall of Glenties Bridge.

I called with Mr. Conaghan and he said that he would build the wall higher so as to prevent persons from going over it."

The Council decided to take no further action until the landlord had carried out the improvements mentioned.

68/34.

PRINTING AND ADVERTISING.

Councillor O'Donnell proposed:- "That all printing and advertising in connection with this Council be given to concerns who are taxpayers within the State."

The Chairman stated that when the tenders for printing were being considered preference was always given to Saorstat firms.

Councillor Scott stated that there was a resolution on the books regarding advertising which would have to be rescinded before any action could be taken.

69/34.

DILAPIDATED HOUSE IN MAIN STREET, GLENTIES.

Councillor O'Donnell proposed:- "That the County Medical Officer of Health is neglecting his duty in not seeing about two houses situated in Main Street, Glenties, which are insanitary and in a dilapidated state."

The Chairman of the Board of Health stated that this matter should, in the first instance, be dealt with by the Sanitary Sub-Officer, then by the Medical Officer of Health for the District, and only in the final instance by the County Medical Officer of Health.

Councillor Scott complained of the publication in the Press of this and other Notices of Motion in the name of Councillor O'Donnell before they reached the members of the Council.

70/34. GRANT FOR ROAD FROM MEENAVALE TO EDENINFAGH CHAPEL.

A letter was read from Councillor O'Donnell stating that a grant of £216 allocated for the road from Meenavale to Edeninfagh Chapel was not expended owing to a local dispute, and suggesting that the money be expended on the Stracastle Road as there were cases of acute distress in that area.

Councillor O'Donnell stated that the dispute had now been settled.

71/34. APPLICATION FOR LIST OF ROAD WORKERS IN GLENTIES AREA.

A letter was read from Councillor O'Donnell stating that in future he would have to be supplied with the names and addresses of all road workers in his area.

No action was taken in the matter.

72/34.

BREAKING DOWN OF FENCES FOR ROAD ROLLING PURPOSES.

Councillor Kavanagh proposed:- "That Contractors on steam or mechanically-propelled rolled roads be prevented from breaking down the County fences for rolling purposes, and also from making holes between the two fences very dangerous to the general public."

Councillor Kavanagh also proposed:- "That the Council's servants on Government Grant Roads be prevented from interfering with the County fences for rolling purposes, or making holes between the two fences."

Both resolutions were referred to the County Surveyor.

73/34.

BROKEN STONES PILED ON ROADS FROM GWEEDORE RAILWAY STATION TO BUNBEG AND DERRYBEG.

Councillor Doogan proposed, Councillor James Boyle seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Board of Works or the responsible Department be asked to give a grant to spread and roll about 1000 tons of broken stones on two important Contract Roads from Gweedore Railway Station to Bunbeg and Derrybeg. These stones were broken and piled up in heaps on both roads by the Relief Grant of 1932, and are now twelve months heaped. They are a danger to the public, and both roads are much in need of them. Several applications were made to the late County Surveyor and to the present Acting County Surveyor, and their reply was that there was no money to carry out this work. A serious accident happened on one of these roads a few days ago when a lorry and a horse and cart collided, resulting in the capsizing of the horse, cart, and man over the pile of stones. The cart was smashed and the man and horse badly hurt."

74/34.

APPLICATION FOR FURTHER GRANTS FOR RELIEF WORKS.

Councillor Doogan proposed, Councillor James Boyle seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Board of Works or the Land Commission be asked if anything in the shape of Grants is forthcoming in response to the numerous applications made by deputations from all parts of the County at a special Meeting of the County Council on the 2nd November, 1932, and at subsequent Meetings. Many of the works asked for are urgently required, and the work is as much required, as there are many in need of employment."

75/34.

CLERKSHIPS IN THE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH OFFICES.

Councillor McIvor proposed and Councillor Cole seconded:-

"That this Council protest against the action of the County Board of Health in refusing to adopt their unanimous recommendation to fill their clerical positions by competitive examination, and that we call on the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to refuse sanction."

After a lengthy discussion in which several members took part, the matter was put to a vote.

The following members voted for the motion:-

Councillors Baxter, Callaghan, Cole, Douglas, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, McGonigle, McIvor, McShane, and Scott. Total 12.

The following members voted against the motion:-

Councillors Mahony, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Doogan, Gallen, Myles, McBride, MacCreadie, O'Boyle (D.E.), and Wagentreiber. Total 12.

The following members declined to vote:- Councillors Hamilton, McPhelimy, O'Doherty, Sweeney, and O'Donnell.

As the voting was equal, the Chairman gave his casting vote against the motion, which he declared lost.

76/34.

IMPORTATION AND EXPORTION OF GOODS AT KILDRUM CUSTOMS STATION.

Councillor Baxter proposed, and the Chairman (Councillor Mahony) seconded:- "That this Council requests the Revenue Commissioners to restore the right to import goods under licence, and to export goods for which a bounty is provided, at Kildrum Customs Station."

Councillor Scott proposed a motion dealing with customs charges and other matters, but the Chairman ruled that this should be supported by a Notice of Motion.

Councillor Baxter's motion was passed nem con.

77/34.

PROPOSED ERECTION OF HOUSES ON OLD JAIL SITE, LIFFORD.

No applications having been received for building sites on the Old Jail Grounds, Lifford, the Council considered correspondence between the Local Government Department and the County Board of Health on the subject of the erection of Labourers' Cottages on the Old Jail Site, Lifford, in which it was noted that the Government would contribute a subsidy of 60% up to a maximum of £300 per cottage.

After some discussion it was agreed to refer the matter to the local Public Health Committee, with a request that they report on the matter direct to the Board of Health.

78/34. APPLICATION BY MESSRS. C. O'DOHERTY & SON FOR FURTHER PORTION OF OLD JAIL SITE, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Messrs. Charles O'Doherty & Sons, Lifford, asking to have included in the plot allowed to them the 20 foot bank adjoining which, for all practical purposes, is waste.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that the portion of ground referred to was practically waste, and would be of no value as a building site.

The Council adjourned consideration of the application until next Meeting, and, in the meantime, the views of the local Public Health Committee were requested on the matter.

79/34.

RENTS OF FARMS AT RUSKEY, MANORCUNNINGHAM.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor advising on the applications of Mrs. Anne Duggan and Mr. James Steele for a reduction in the rents of the farms occupied by them at Ruskey, Manorcunningham.

A letter was also read from the Secretary of the County Board of Health stating that both Mrs. Duggan and Mr. Steele were in receipt of Home Assistance.

On the motion of the Chairman the Council unanimously agreed to reduce the rents by one-half as requested. (1348/33.)

80/34.

LOAN FOR PURPOSES OF SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works enclosing for execution Deed of Mortgage in connection with the loan of £5,000 for the purposes of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts. They also enclosed for completion a formal resolution regarding the affixing of the Council's Seal, and the issue of the loan by instalments as required.

In view of the fact that the Council had sufficient money on hands to meet the applications already received for loans, the execution of the Deed of Mortgage was adjourned.

81/34. FINTAN LALOR FIANNA FAIL CUMANN, FALCARRAGH, AND MR. CON O'DONNELL, CO. COUNCILLOR.

The following resolution was submitted from the above Fianna Fail Club:- "That we call upon the Donegal Co. Council to disqualify Mr. Con O'Donnell of Glenties, the newly-elected Councillor, at their next Meeting, as he holds the position of Sheep Dipping Inspector, and is under the pay of the Council."

Councillor O'Donnell stated that he had ceased to be a Sheep Dipping Inspector on the 15th November before his co-option on the Council.

No action was taken in the matter.

82/34. LOCAL OFFICES AND EMPLOYMENTS (GAELTACHT) ORDERS, 1928 AND 1931 - MR. JOHN MCGINLEY, RATE COLLECTOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department intimating that as Mr. John McGinley, Rate Collector, had failed to satisfy the Minister as to his knowledge of Irish as required by the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Orders, 1928 and 1931, the position should now be declared vacant and the necessary steps taken to have it filled. Pending the appointment of a person to the position the Officer concerned may continue to act in a temporary capacity.

Councillor James Boyle proposed and Councillor Doogan seconded:-

"That as this Collector is now at an age when it would be very difficult for him to learn Irish, the Minister be requested to waive the condition in his case."

The motion was passed unanimously.

83/34. LOCAL OFFICES AND EMPLOYMENTS (GAELTACHT) ORDERS, 1928 AND 1931 - MR. WILLIAM J. CRAMPSEY, RATE COLLECTOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department intimating that as Mr. William J. Crampsey, Rate Collector, had failed to satisfy the Minister as to his knowledge of Irish as required by the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Orders, 1928 and 1931, the position should now be declared vacant and the necessary steps taken to have it filled. Pending the appointment of a person to the position, the Officer concerned may continue to act in a temporary capacity.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor Mahony seconded:-

"That as this Collector is over 50 years of age it would be very difficult for him to acquire a knowledge of the Irish language, and the Minister be requested to waive this condition."

The motion was passed unanimously.

84/34. LOCAL OFFICES AND EMPLOYMENTS (GAELTACHT) ORDERS, 1928 AND 1931 - MR. PATRICK A. MCGEADY, VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department intimating that as Mr. Patrick A. McGeady, Veterinary Inspector, had failed to satisfy the Minister as to his knowledge of Irish as required by the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Orders, 1928 and 1931, the position should now be declared vacant and the necessary steps taken to have it filled. Pending the appointment of a person to the position, the Officer concerned might continue to act in a temporary capacity.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor Loughrey seconded that as Mr. McGeady had been exceptionally busy during the past three years, and that as there are no facilities at the moment for learning Irish in Milford, the Minister be requested to extend the time in his case for another three years.

85/34. REMOVAL OF NAME OF MR. WM. J. McFEELY FROM REGISTER OF VETERINARY SURGEONS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th January, 1934, P.H.1259/34, Ilgh. (S.a.), stating that the Minister had been informed by the Veterinary Council for Saorstát Éireann that the name of Mr. William J. McFeely, Main Street, Ballyshannon, had been removed from the Register of Veterinary Surgeons as from the 31st December, 1933, on account of the non-payment of the annual fee for the year ending 31st March, 1934. Attention was directed to the provisions of Sections 45 and 46 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1931.

A further letter dated 24th January, 1934, P.H.9917/34, Ilgh. (Sa.), was read from the Department stating that Mr. McFeely's name had been restored to the Register of Veterinary Surgeons as from the 23rd idem, and stating that his salary for the period 1st-23rd January, 1934, should be withheld, pending the receipt from him of an explanation regarding the non-payment of the required fee.

The Council unanimously decided to call on Mr. McFeely to submit the necessary explanation.

86/34. BASIS OF DISTRIBUTION OF AGRICULTURAL GRANT FOR THE YEAR 1934/1935.

A letter dated 9th January, 1934, Circ. No. 24/34, was read from the Local Government Department setting out the new basis for the distribution of the Agricultural Grant for the year 1934/35.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Sub-Finance Committee for further consideration, and to forward the following recommendations previously made by the Sub-Committee to the Deputies for the County for suitable action:-

- (a) That the figure of £10 shown as the basis of relief in respect of the Secondary Grant be increased to £25;
- (b) That the proposal to allow additional relief for each male employee over 18 years of age engaged permanently for the period specified at Agricultural Work, and maintained out of the holding, be extended to include female domestic servants; and
- (c) That in the case of part-time and seasonal employees the aggregate wages paid be divided by the average wages paid annually to a farm labourer in the district, and the quotient be taken as the number of employees in constant employment for the purpose of obtaining relief under the Secondary Grant.

87/34. APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTERS ON A COMMISSION BASIS.

A letter was read from Rev. B. Gallagher, C.C., Arranmore, inquiring if it was intended to withdraw the annual remittance paid to Mr. Michael Gallagher (Mick) for looking after the Chapel Pier, Arranmore. If this was done the Pier would suffer damage as fishermen would dump stone ballast at the Pier on returning from fishing.

The Council also considered the question of appointing Harbour Masters at the following Piers on a Commission basis:- Ballynass; Doonalt; Falcorrib; Leabgarrow; Leabrannagh; Magheranillaun, and Whiteport, and Mullaghduff.

On the motion of Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle the whole matter was referred to the Piers Committee for further consideration. (1119/33 and 1242/33 C.C.)

88/34. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A DEEP SEA-PORT IN CO. DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the County Donegal Transport Committee, 14, St. Stephen's Green, N., Dublin, dated 22nd December, 1933, D.T.C., inquiring if the Council had decided to give evidence before the Committee, and, if so, asking to be furnished with a full statement of the evidence to be given, together with the names and addresses in full of the persons deputed by the Council to do so.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor Cole seconded that the two County Surveyors be instructed to attend the first convenient Sitting, and to give any evidence that might be required of them regarding the state of the roads leading to the different ports proposed.

89/34. LOAN PROPOSED TO BE GIVEN TO MR. MANUS LOUGHREY UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor stating that until Mr. Manus Loughrey had furnished him with his documents of title, no action could be taken in connection with his application for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

90/34. APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD AT CRONAKERNEY BOG.

A petition was submitted from a number of residents in the Glenfinn Area asking the Council to add £60 to the grant of £50 for the making of about half a mile of new road at Cronakerney Bog.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

51/34. DRAINAGE SCHEME BEING EXECUTED AT DRUMAVILLE, MALIN, UNDER
A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Dr. MacLaughlin, Drumaville House, Malin, adverting to a Drainage Scheme on his lands which had been commenced by the Assistant Surveyor for the drainage of an adjoining bog. As the bog was lower than his fields, the water-table would be from 6 to 9 feet deep, and this would be very dangerous for his cattle. He wished the Council to pipe and close in the drain so that it would be rendered safe.

Letters were also read from Mr. Alex. Lindsay, Malin, and Mr. John Kelly Taylor, Drumcarbit, Malin, complaining of the flooding of their lands by this drain.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that an additional grant for the completion of this work had been given by the Board of Works.

92/34. BRIDGE ON STREAM BETWEEN TOWNLANDS OF MEENADREEN AND MEENACLOY.

A letter was read from Mr. James McDwyer, Croagh, Dunkineely, asking to have parapets erected on the bridge crossing the stream which divides the townlands of Meenadreen and Meenacloy.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

93/34. APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD FROM PLUCK TO GLENMAQUIN.

A petition was submitted from a number of residents of Kincraig, Manorcunningham, for the making of a new road from the Trunk Road at Pluck to the Trunk Road at Glenmaquin Railway Station.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that he did not think there was any necessity for a new road between the places mentioned.

94/34. ALLOCATION OF WORK AT MALINBEG, GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Malinbeg, Glencolumbkille, complaining of unfair discrimination in the employing of labour at the making of a new road.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

95/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF ROAD AT MEEDANMORE, BALLYGORMAN.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Meedanmore, Ballygorman, demanding an extension to Road No. 19, about three-quarters of a mile, to give them access to their lands. They would pay no rates until this extension was made.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for inclusion in the Minor Relief Schemes.

96/34. APPLICATION FOR ERECTION OF BRIDGE IN THE TOWNLANDS OF SLEEGHAN AND STRAKEENEY.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Sleeghan and Strakeeney, Derrybeg, asking to have a bridge erected over the river for the convenience of school-children, and inquiring about the road from Sleeghan to Strakeeney.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that the road on which these people required the bridge built was not a County Road.

He also reported that the Board of Works had not allocated any money for repairs to roads in Sleeghan and Strakeeney.

97/34. RETENTION OF MONEY DUE FOR WORK ON ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward McGahern, Goland, Ballybofey, dated 16th December, 1933, complaining that he had not yet got his Paying Order for his road contract. The same thing occurred last year, and the Assistant Surveyor had retained it.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for his attention.

98/34. IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the Irish Tourist Association asking for the usual contribution for tourist purposes for the year 1934/35.

The Council unanimously decided to make the same contribution for tourist purposes as last year, namely, a farthing in the £.

99/34. FLOODING OF ROAD FROM BALLYBOFEY TO DONAGHMORE PARISH.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Crawford, Kinletter, Ballybofey, Secretary, Ballybofey and Stranorlar Fianna Fail Cumann, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That we, the members of this Cumann, call on the County Council to take the necessary steps to make the roads leading from Ballybofey and Stranorlar to Donaghmore Parish safe from floods."

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

100/34. ROAD LEADING FROM ROCKHILL PAST SESSIAGH LAKE TO THE MAIN ROAD TO DUNFANAGHY AT SANDHILL.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Woodhill, Dunfanaghy, drawing attention to the deplorable state of the road leading from the lime-kiln at Rockhill past Sessiagh Lake to the Main Road leading to Dunfanaghy at Rockhill.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that he had arranged for repairs to the road, but that the amount allowed for expenditure on the road was only £5.

101/34. RENT OF PREMISES AT DUNGLOE USED FOR COURT PURPOSES.

A letter was read from Mr. Frank Sweeney, Acting Secretary, Parochial Hall, Dungloe, applying to have the sum allowed for attendance, cleaning, lighting, etc. increased from £10 to £15 to cover rates, income tax, salary of attendant, and electricity.

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor Mahony seconded that the required increase be granted.

102/34. PETITION FOR REPAIR OF WALL IN TOWN OF DUNGLOE.

A letter was read from a number of residents and motor-owners of Dungloe petitioning the Council to repair a wall in front of Dan Gallagher's house, and facing the graveyard wall at Dungloe.

On the motion of Councillor Brennan the matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

103/34. ROAD OPPOSITE WHITE HOUSE, CARRIGANS.

A letter was read from Mr. W. Towers, White House, Carrigans, asking to have the road opposite his house attended to.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that the matter had been attended to.

104/34. BOG ROAD BEING MADE AT UPPER KEELDRUM UNDER A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Gallagher, Upper Keeldrum, Gortahork, inquiring if there had been any reply from the Board of Works regarding the Bog Road in Upper Keeldrum.

The Acting County Surveyor reported as follows:-

"In this case the Board of Works were notified that two of the land-owners - Charles Gallagher, Upper Keeldrum, Gortahork, and Joseph Ferry, Keeldrum Mines, Gortahork - had refused to give their consent for the making of the road on their lands unless they were paid for the land taken.

Our instructions are not to proceed with any work until all consents are given freely, and so far I have not been given such consent."

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

105/34. APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS SURFACEMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. John Gallagher (Manus), Murroe, Dunfanaghy, applying for a position as surfaceman.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor, who stated that at the moment there were no vacancies.

106/34.

APPLICATIONS FOR POSITION AS DRIVER OF NEW ROLLER,
PROPOSED TO BE PURCHASED.

Letters applying for the position of Driver on the new Roller, proposed to be purchased, were received from the following:-

Denis Boyce, Flagman, No. 15 Roller, Kerrykeel.
William McLaughlin, Driver, Sentinel Waggon, Clonbeg, Buncrana.
Hugh Gallagher, Flagman, No. 9 Breaker, Boyagh, Clonleigh.
James Craig, Baylett, Inch.

The Council decided to inform all the above applicants that there was no vacancy for a Driver.

107/34. LOANS OF £11,000 AND £500 FOR MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., Letterkenny, regretting that the Directors could not see their way to sanction the loans of £11,000 and £500 for the Mental Hospital Committee. They considered that the matter of raising the accommodation was one for the Mental Hospital Committee.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, the Council unanimously decided to apply to the Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd., Treasurers of the Mental Hospital Committee, for the loans required.

108/34. APPOINTMENT OF CLERKS AT MEETINGS OF TENDERS COMMITTEES.

The following were appointed as Clerks at the Meetings of the different Tenders Committees:-

Donegal.....Mr. Wm. Watson, Courtkeeper, Donegal.
Glenties.....Messrs. Edward Kennedy, Glenties, and James
McHugh, Ardara.
Ballyshannon.....Mr. John Gillespie, Rate Collector, Ballyshannon.
Letterkenny.....Mr. Henry Allison and Miss C. McDaid,
Letterkenny.
Dungloe.....Messrs. Dominick Boyle and G. Hamilton, Dungloe.
Lifford.....Mr. Benedict McCaffrey, Lifford.
Carndonagh.....Mr. J. H. Robins, Magheramoro, Carndonagh, and
Miss Rose McGonagle, Carndonagh.
Kilcar.....Mr. Hugh McShane, Drimreagh, Kilcar.
Aileach.....Mr. Patrick Fitzpatrick, Speenogue, Burt.

The appointment of Clerks for the other four Meetings was referred to the local Councillors.

109/34. COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell seconded by Councillor Mahony, Mr. Bernard Gallagher, Kilclooney, was re-appointed a member of the Committee of Agriculture.

110/34. DRAINAGE SCHEME AT LOWER DUNMORE, FALCARRAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. John McCausland, Lower Dunmore, Falcarragh, inquiring the position regarding the Drainage Scheme at Lower Dunmore, Falcarragh.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

111/34. RATE WORK FOR THE YEAR 1934/35.

The Secretary applied for the sum of £400 for the carrying out of the Rate work for the year 1934/35.

The application was granted unanimously.

112/34. SECONDARY SCHOOLS PROGRAMME, YEAR 1933/1934.

A letter was read from the Department of Education, Secondary Education Branch, enclosing copy of the Secondary Schools Programme for the year 1933/34.

113/34. DRAINAGE WORKS BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION BETWEEN THE TOWNLANDS OF MEENDERRYOWEN AND ANNAGRY.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 28th December, 1933, P. (A) 50046/1933, stating that the Land Commission had sanctioned expenditure for the following works:-

- (a) Deepening of drain at Loughanillan.
- (b) Loughnaglagary to Lough Awillin: Re-place defective road gulleys by small bridge; blast rocks; and cleanse drains.
- (c) Meenderryowen: Fitting three sluice gates at rampart.

In connection with the latter work, flooding was occurring by the overflow of the lake at Meenderryowen at a bridge beside Moorlagh Carpet Factory. This bridge was a small rampart built by the Council and carrying the County Road. The rampart being of dry masonry was far from watertight, and in order to enable the three sluice gates to be properly fitted, it would be necessary to construct a toe of concrete 24 yards (approximately) long and 4 ft. 6 ins. high along the sea face of the rampart. In the circumstances, the Land Commission desired to carry out the construction of this concrete toe in addition to the other works above referred to, and they desired to know if the Council had any objection to their constructing the said concrete toe.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter, pending submission of a report from the County Surveyor.

114/34. WORKS EXECUTED BY THE LAND COMMISSION IN THE ELECTORAL DIVISION OF ROSSGUILL.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 16th December, 1933, P.22410/33, stating that the following works had been completed, and they wished to know if the Council would take over the maintenance of the said roads and bridges:-

- (a) Repair and widening of road, Derrycassen Upper and Derrycassen Lower, and extension to join County Road at School.
- (b) Construction of road and bridge through Derrycassen Middle to Langanreagh.
- (c) Widening of road and construction of bridge at Aghalatty.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter, pending submission of a report from the Acting County Surveyor.

115/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McCormick, Solicitor, Newmarket Street, Derry, stating that unless the claim for payment for road material by Patrick Philip Doherty, Keenagh, Ballygorman, was settled at once, he would have to institute proceedings. He thought the Council's Officials had had ample time to investigate the matter.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that this case had been up for consideration on several occasions. The man who received the Paying Order refused to give it or part of it to Patrick Philip Doherty.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

116/34. PORTSALON AND DUNTINNY DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 9th January, 1934, 25654/33, inquiring if the Council was yet in a position to discharge its liability of £440 : 17 : 9 in respect of its contribution towards the cost of the Portsalon and Duntinny Drainage District, together with interest due on this sum to date, amounting to £70 approximately.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Office of Public Works that the Council would take over this Drainage Scheme when it was satisfactorily completed.

117/34. COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT - AREA OF CHARGE ORDERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th January, 1934, P.H.131268/33, Dun na nGall. Pg., enclosing copy of an Order made by the Minister altering to the County Health District from the 1st April, 1934, all Area of Charge Orders now extant for sewerage and water supply schemes in the County Health District.

118/34. ROAD LEADING FROM CROSS-ROADS AT JUNCTION OF TOWNLANDS OF
MAGHERALOSK, BALLINDRAIT, AND MEENADUFF, WESTWARDS TOWARDS
THE SEA.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Magheralosk, Bunbeg, adverting to the report from the Acting County Surveyor (Minute No. 1230/33), and stating that there was no grant expended on the road referred to by them. The money was spent on the road between the townlands of Ballindrait and Knockastolar, between the Schoolhouse and the Crossroads. The Surveyor's report referred chiefly to a part of the Magheralosk Road which was in fairly good condition. Their complaint referred to the road from the cross-roads at the junction of the townlands of Magheralosk, Ballindrait, and Meenaduff, westwards to the sea, and about 200 perches long.

The Acting County Surveyor submitted the following report in the matter from his Assistant:-

"Re letter from a number of ratepayers in Magheralosk, Bunbeg.

I inspected the branch road referred to in the townlands of Magheralosk and Ballindrait, about 180 perches in length. The width of carriageway of this branch does not exceed 10 feet, and in places is only 8 feet. In most parts large stone walls are built alongside of road as boundary fences by local land-owners, and to effect any improvement in the road, consent would have to be obtained from each land-owner adjoining the roadway to allow us from 3 to 4 feet on each side of the present road for the purpose of widening and making proper channels for water. Rock cuttings would also need to be carried out for the proper grading of the road, which now somewhat resembles a switch-back railway. The surface of the road on the date of my inspection, 24th January, was better than the average of its standard in the Dunfanaghy Area.

If a Grant of £200 was placed at our disposal, I could provide a great improvement in the road, and endeavour to meet the wishes of the local people, if they met us half-way by giving the necessary land for widening, etc."

The Council decided to inform the parties concerned that they regretted they had no funds at their disposal for improving the road, in the manner suggested by the Surveyor.

119/34. ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH DRAINAGE SCHEMES.

In connection with the Council's decision at their Meeting on the 9th January, 1934, (10/34), to allow the Acting County Surveyor expert engineering assistance for carrying out the Arterial Drainage Schemes, Mr. Dawson reported that he had made inquiries in the matter from several Engineers, but only one - Mr. Charles V. MacLaughlin, Letterkenny - would undertake to do the work, at a remuneration of ten guineas per Scheme.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Douglas it was unanimously resolved that Mr. MacLaughlin be appointed.

120/34. ALLEGATIONS RE UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK AT BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th January, 1934, RM/7, enclosing copy of letter from Mr. Patrick Gallinagh, Bohy, Ballyshannon, relative to employment on road work, and asking to have inquiry made into the matter.

The Secretary submitted a report from Mr. Cunningham, Assistant Surveyor, and he stated that on the 8th January he had forwarded a copy of this report to the Department.

A letter dated 18th January, 1934, was received from Mr. Patrick Gallinagh, Jun., Bohy, Ballyshannon, enclosing copy of a further letter sent by him to the Department on the subject.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Department.

121/34. ALLEGATIONS RE UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK AT STRAIDE;
GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. John McGinley, Straide, Glencolumbkille, complaining of the unfair allocation of work on a Minor Relief Scheme in his district.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

122/34.

RAMELTON PIER.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing copy of letter from Sir Harry Stewart's Solicitors re Ramelton Pier. The matter now appeared to be in order, and he wished to have the necessary instructions to amend the draft accordingly.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to instruct the Solicitor to amend the Draft Conveyance and to have the matter completed.

123/34.

ACHT NA dTITHE (GAELTACHT), 1929.

Do leigheadh litir ó Roinn Tailte agus Iascaigh, G.A. 11929, i dtaobh Rataí Dealbhais ar teach nua chomhnuidhe agus cro nua cearc ata togtha ag Seamus O'Fiodhabhra, ag Caiseal Carn, Cill Chartha.

Do leigheadh fosta litir i dtaobh Rataí Dealbhais ar teach nua chomhnuidhe ata togtha ag Micheal Caimbeal as Dumach Beag, Baile Lair.

124/34.

SHEET DIP SOLD BY MR. R. S. CHAPMAN, DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 4th January, 1934, L.4085/33, asking for certain particulars regarding a class of sheep dip sold by Mr. R. S. Chapman, Donegal.

A further letter dated 25th January, 1934, was read from the Department stating that the dipping of a sheep in a dip not approved by the Minister could not be recognised as a dipping prescribed in the Orders relating to Sheep Scab or Sheep Dipping in Saorstát Éireann, or the regulations of a Local Authority made thereunder. They wished the Council to apprise their Inspectors and sheep-owners generally in the County in the matter.

A letter was also read from Mr. R. S. Chapman stating that the dip sold by him was "Richardson's Sheep Dip", which was approved by the Department of Agriculture. He would allow his premises to be inspected, and if any other dip was found thereon he would give £100 to any charitable institution in the County. Further, he was willing to supply dip to the Council at 2s/9d per gallon.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Department of Agriculture.

125/34.

ALTERATIONS TO TELEGRAPH POLE AT FAHAN DISPENSARY.

A letter was read from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs dated 14th December, 1933, W/L.31., stating that they were prepared on receipt of notice to shift the telegraph pole at Fahan Dispensary to an alternative site suggested by the Acting County Surveyor.

A further letter dated 4th January, 1934, W/L.33., was read from the Department asking for confirmation that the road improvements necessitating an alteration in the position of the telegraph pole at Fahan Dispensary were being done under the general powers of the Council, and not with the aid of a Government Grant.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that the works were being done under the general powers of the Council, and not with the aid of a Grant.

126/34.

NEW ROAD BEING CONSTRUCTED AT ARLANDS, BURTONPORT.

A letter was read from Mr. Owney Gallagher, Arlands, Burtonport, asking when the new piece of road at Arlands was going to be finished. The Assistant Surveyor had stopped the work and left the road unfinished.

The County Surveyor stated that the work was now in progress.

127/34.

APPLICATION FOR BOG ROAD AT EAST DRIMENAN, NEWMILLS.

A letter was read from a number of residents of the Newmills District applying for an extension of the Bog Road in the townland of East Drimenan.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for inclusion in their Minor Relief Schemes.

128/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD METAL SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. John Sweeney (H.), Fanaboy, Gortahork, complaining that he had not yet been paid for road metal supplied in February last, and about which he previously wrote in August.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that this man had supplied the stones without instructions from the Assistant Surveyor, but that he had now found a use for them and would arrange for payment as soon as possible.

129/34. ROAD FROM CARRICK TO ARDARA, THROUGH GLENGESH.

A letter was read from the Chairman of the County Council enclosing a petition from a number of residents of the Glengesh District regarding the dangerous condition of that part of the Carrick-Ardara Road from Leamagowra, through Glengesh, to the Cross-roads at Brackey.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

130/34. RECRUITMENT OF LABOUR FOR WORK ON ROADS.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Employment Branch, dated 8th January, 1934, E.B.136110, adverting to the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 28th November relative to recruitment of labour, and stating that men required for work on Minor Relief Schemes were not recruited through the Local Employment Exchanges. The establishment of local Committees was not considered feasible.

131/34. COMPLAINT FROM THE DUNLEWEY FIANNA FAIL CUMANN REGARDING THE COUNCIL'S SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Maguire, Secretary, Dunlewey Fianna Fail Cumann, Gweedore, enclosing copy of the following resolution:- "That we, the Dunlewey Cumann, protest against the present method of sheep dipping. Not within living memory has there been such destruction done to the sheep in this area by scab and fly. It could be proved that sheep that went into the dipping bath free from scab were noticed to be affected with scab three days after being dipped. Since the last Autumn Dipping some owners had to dip their sheep twice. Complaints are numerous that lots of sheep are roaming about on the hills affected with scab and have not been dipped for a year."

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Veterinary Inspector for the district for a report.

132/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT TO REPAIR DAMAGES DONE TO FENCES DURING THE EXPENDITURE OF A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. Pat Moloney, Aughra, Carrick, asking for another small Grant to repair the damages done to fences during the expenditure of a Minor Relief Grant through the townland of Aughra.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

133/34. WAGES OF SURFACEMEN.

Letters were read from Messrs. Charles Donaghey, Quay Street, Moville, and Michael McAteer, Ranny, Kerrykeel, Surfacemen, applying to have their wages increased according to scale.

The matter was referred to the Acting Co. Surveyor for his attention.

134/34. DAMAGE TO WATER PIPE ON ROAD TO GORTNASATE TIER.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 10th January, 1934, enclosing a Receivable Order for £2 : 3 : 3 in respect of damage done to water pipe on road to Gortnasate Tier.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the matter had been attended to.

135/34. COMPLAINTS RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Solicitor, Dungloe, stating that he had not yet heard from the Acting County Surveyor regarding his complaint made at the October Meeting as to the non-payment of Charles McGinley and Mick Doogan, Lower Keeldrum, Gortahork, for stones supplied.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report in the matter from his Assistant:-

"In reply to letter from Mr. P. O'Donnell, Solicitor, re complaint of non-payment of Charles McGinley and Mick Doogan, Lower Keeldrum, Gortahork, I submit again the following report:-
Re Charles McGinley, Lower Keeldrum, Gortahork.

On or about the 17th June, 1931, I arranged verbally with Mr. McGinley in the presence of Ganger Patrick Boyce that McGinley's son would get full-time work in lieu of us paying him quarry damages for stone raised on his land. McGinley agreed and we gave his son (about 16½ years of age) almost three months' work, whereas all the other men were given only two weeks. In conversation with Mr. McGinley some months ago I found him quite satisfied.

Re Mick Doogan, Lower Keeldrum, Gortahork.

On Grant work, Bedlam to Silvermines, H.155, T.72 and L.130, I arranged with Mr. Doogan on the 17th June, 1931, to pay him £3: 0 : 0 quarry damages for the stone raised on his land in the presence of Ganger Patrick Boyce. When the work was nearing completion, I certified the payment of £3 : 0 : 0 to Michael Doogan, Lower Keeldrum, Gortahork, for quarry damages on the above work for the fortnight ended 27th February, 1932.

I am sure the Secretary of the County Council can say if this is correct and if the above Paying Order was cashed."

The Council agreed to adjourn the matter for further inquiries.

136/34. CLEANING OF STREAMS BETWEEN DOOEY AND ARDBANE AND DERRYHASSEN AND ARDBANE UNDER A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Shiels, Ardbane, Downings, stating that a Minor Relief Scheme for the cleaning of a drain in Middletown was expended on the marches between Dooey and Ardbane and Derryhassen and Ardbane. He wished to know if this was correct.

A report was submitted from the Acting Surveyor from which it was noted that the Scheme was carried out as directed by the Board of Works.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

137/34. ALLOCATION OF WORK ON A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME AT BALLINDRAIT, BUNBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Ferry, Meenaduff, Bunbeg, complaining of the unfair allocation of work on a Minor Relief Scheme at Ballindrait. If the Council would appoint him as Ganger in charge of the Scheme, which was now temporarily suspended, he guaranteed to carry out the instructions to the letter.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that the work on this Scheme was fairly distributed, the most needy cases being given employment. He did not consider that the complainant was in any need of employment.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

138/34. CONDITION OF HARBOUR AT GREENCASTLE.

A letter was read from Mr. Denis Kavanagh, Coastguard Station, Greencastle, complaining of the condition of the Harbour at Greencastle, which was at present filled up with sand. The small quay would be useful if there was a breakwater put on it.

The following report was submitted from the Acting Co. Surveyor:-
"A channel is required to accommodate fishing boats, and would require to be 120 yards long, 30 feet wide, and 5 or 6 feet deep."

The Council decided to apply to the Department of Lands and Fisheries for a grant for the carrying out of this work.

139/34.

ROADS IN THE GLASSAGH DISTRICT, DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from the De Valera Fianna Fail Cumann, Glassagh, Derrybeg, enclosing a number of queries regarding roads in that district.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report from his Assistant:-

(a) I am not aware of any grant of £50 given for the repair of the road between Glen Road and Main Road in Glassagh; therefore, the question of where the £50 was spent cannot arise. The description of the road in the letter is so vague that I cannot identify it as a County Road, but I can safely say that all County Roads in this locality are under contract at yearly amounts varying from £5 to £20.

(b) The road between Glassagh Co-operative Stores and the sands in Glassagh is only part of Contract No. 62, April 1932, Map No. 558, at £4 yearly, to supply and spread 18 tons of 2" broken stone yearly. When this road was brought to the notice of the ex-County Surveyor he stated that he had no funds from which to draw upon for extra repairs.

There is an application on the coming Road Works Scheme for building a pipe at Glassagh Co-operative Stores. Until a further sum is given for the repair and maintainance of the roads mentioned by the Secretary of the Cumann the Surveyor is powerless to carry out extra repairs."

The Council decided to inform the Cumann that they regretted they had no funds at their disposal for carrying out any extra repairs to roads in the district.

140/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wisely, Ballybofey, applying for a refund of the deposit lodged by him in connection with the opening of a road.

The County Surveyor stated that the road had not been restored to its proper condition, and that when this was done a refund of the deposit would be made.

141/34. APPLICATION FOR COMPLETION OF BOG ROAD AT UPPER KEELDRUM.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh McGowan, Upper Keeldrum, Gortahork, asking to have work on the Bog Road at Upper Keeldrum started at once.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that one of the land-owners concerned had refused to give his consent to the making of this road, and that until this was done the Board of Works would not allow the Scheme to be proceeded with.

142/34. APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, asking to have Garda Terence Moorehead, Carrick, appointed as Food and Drugs Inspector in place of Garda J. F. Lowry.

On the motion of the Chairman it was unanimously decided to make the required appointment.

143/34. APPEAL TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR DE-RATING.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Waterford County Council, enclosing copy of the following resolution passed at a recent Meeting of that body:-

"That, having in view the present inability of the agricultural ratepayers to pay their commitments, we appeal to the Government to grant full de-rating on all agricultural property for the year ending March, 1935."

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Gallen the resolution was unanimously adopted.

144/34. RESOLUTION FROM CORK. CO. COUNCIL REGARDING THE LAND BILL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Cork Co. Council, enclosing copy of the following resolution passed at a recent Meeting of that body:-

"That we, the Cork Co. Council, are of opinion that although the Land Bill is favourable to the cause of the evicted tenants, it requires, in order to do justice to their claims to reinstatement, a more lenient administration on the part of the Land Commission. There has been in the past, and that the restrictions which seem to be placed over them should be removed. We now call on the Government to issue instructions to the Land Commission to use the additional powers now being given to them to acquire land, for the reinstatement of evicted tenants, to do justice to all, including those who have been turned down by them in the past, and we hope that the spirit displayed by those who participated in the debate on the Amendment to the Land Bill relating to the reinstatement of Evicted Tenants will animate the Land Commission when they have again under consideration the righteous claims of the comparatively few who are still in fetters in a free Ireland."

The resolution was noted by the Council.

145/34. EXCESSIVE RATES ON LOCAL LOANS.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the County Councils' General Council, enclosing copy of a resolution regarding loan rates adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Council.

The resolution contained certain suggestions by which a reduction in the rates charged could be secured.

The Council noted the resolution.

146/34. SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS - HOUSE BY MR. CHARLES McLEAN AT GARVAN, CLOGHAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th December, 1933, H.142571/33, P.C., asking to be furnished with full particulars as to the date upon which the house of Mr. Charles McLean, Garvan, Cloghan, was erected.

The Secretary stated that the required particulars had been furnished.

147/34. PIER ON GOLA ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 11th January, 1934, D.2/19/8, referring to their letter of the 21st September, 1933, and the Council's resolution No. 1101/33 of the 31st October, 1933, on the subject of the maintenance of the Pier on Gola Island.

The Council decided to ask the Acting County Surveyor to furnish a report on this Pier and on the slipway extension recently completed.

148/34. IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT POOLAWADDY PIER, ARRANMORE.

A letter dated the 21st December, 1933, D/62/13, and a further letter dated the 31st January, 1934, were read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries inquiring if the Council had yet taken over the improvement works carried out at Poolawaddy Pier.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor for a report.

149/34. REPAIRS TO BOATSLIP AT INNISHIRRE.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, 3, Kildare Place, Dublin, D/11/6, stating that a Grant of £35 was available from the Vote for Relief Schemes, 1933/34, towards the cost of repairs to Innishirre Boatlip. The grant was conditional on its immediate acceptance and to an undertaking being furnished by the Council accepting responsibility for the future maintenance of the work.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Myles the Council unanimously decided to give the required undertaking.

150/34. PORTALEEN PIER - CONSTRUCTION OF NET-DRYING GROUND AND PARAPET WALL.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 2nd January, 1934, D/99/4, inquiring what decision had been arrived at in regard to the maintenance of Portaleen Pier.

A further letter dated the 8th January, 1934, D/99/4, was read from the Department of Agriculture stating that a State Grant was now available towards the construction at Portaleen of a net-drying ground and parapet wall to protect the existing Pier, and the provision of a crane for hauling up boats. The grant was conditional on its immediate acceptance and to an undertaking being furnished by the Council accepting responsibility for the future maintenance of the work.

The Secretary was instructed to inquire from the Department the amount of the grant proposed.

151/34. FOOTPATHS IN BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, inquiring if it was the intention of the Council to make Messrs. Nawn & Co. alive to a proper sense of their responsibility in respect of the footpath outside their premises in Ballyshannon, and pointing out that it was the duty of the Council to see that the present condition of affairs should not be allowed to continue.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Clerk that the matter was in the hands of the County Surveyor.

152/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO MAKE PAYMENT.

An application was received from Mr. Joseph B. McLoone, Haulage Contractor, Glenties, for payment of the following accounts:-

£1 : 4 : 2 for work in 1931, lorrying stones on Ardara Road.
11 : 2 for work done in 1932 in connection with the Sheep Dipping Scheme.

The Council unanimously decided to apply to the Department for an extension of time to pay the accounts.

153/34. INSURANCE OF WORKMEN ENGAGED IN BREAKING STONES.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor advising as to the Council's liability in connection with insurance contributions in respect of Joseph Anderson and Thomas Kilpatrick who were engaged in breaking stones.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Law Committee.

154/34. ESTABLISHMENT OF LABOUR UNION IN BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. J. C. Hartigan, Secretary, Ballyshannon Branch of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, asking the Council to recognise this Union as the organ of organised labour in Ballyshannon. They had decided to fix the wages of their members employed as unskilled labourers on building works at 35/- per week for a fifty-hour week.

Councillor McPhelimy proposed that the Council agree to recognise the Union.

The motion was not seconded, and no action was taken.

155/34. ROAD WIDENING OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT AT DRUMFRIES.

A letter was read from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs dated 17th January, 1934, T.414/34, asking for definite information as to whether the road widening operations at Drumfries in September last were carried out by the aid of a Government Grant or under the ordinary powers of the Council.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Department that the operations were carried out under the ordinary powers of the Council.

156/34.

IMPROVEMENT WORKS CARRIED OUT AT BUNDORAN PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 17th January, 1934, D/74/11, inquiring if the Council had yet taken over the improvement works at Bundoran Pier in accordance with their undertaking.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"As instructed I made an inspection of the work carried out recently at this Pier. From the head of the Pier an addition has been built, 43 yards in length by 8 feet wide. The work has been substantially carried out, but the utility of the work seems doubtful.

I was informed by one of the boatmen who use the Pier that before this new part was erected, the tides swept round the head of the old Pier without coming over the surface. Since the addition has been built the waves sweep over the top of the new portion and tend to swamp the boats lying on the lee side of the Pier. Furthermore, during rough weather when waves meet at the junction of the old and the new part of the Pier, a veritable water-spout is set up which ascends into the air and pours over the old Pier surface. This, in time, may cause injury to the surface of the Pier.

Along the new part there is a ledge of rock projecting from three to four feet. At half tide this ledge renders the new part dangerous to boats trying to land. No provision by means of steps has been left to enable any one to get in or to get out of a boat. The old Pier is much wider than the new portion, and it has a protection wall which acts as a breakwater. This breakwater has not been continued along the new portion.

Before recommending that the work be taken over, the projecting ledge of rock should be removed, and landing-steps provided. Some protection in the form of breakwater should be erected to prevent the formation of the water-spout, and thus render the place more secure from the sea than it is at present."

The Council instructed the Secretary to forward a copy of the report to the Department.

157/34.

PROPOSED DECLARATION OF ROAD NEAR CARNDONAGH TO BE A COUNTY ROAD.

A letter was read from the Manager, Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Co., M.10521, inquiring the position re the proposed declaration of a laneway crossing the Railway near Carndonagh to be a Co. Road.

The Council adjourned the matter until their next Meeting.

158/34.

ALLEGED NON-PAYMENTS FOR ROAD MATERIAL SUPPLIED IN THE BALLINABA DISTRICT, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 16th January, 1934, RM/7, asking to have inquiry made as to a number of outstanding payments for road metal supplied in the Ballinaba District, Moville.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that the parties mentioned in the Department's letter had been paid.

159/34.

COMPLAINT FROM MR. EDWARD BRESLIN, LECAMY, RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD MATERIAL SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Breslin, Lecamy, Moville, stating that he had not been paid for road metal supplied early last year.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man had been paid.

160/34.

APPLICATION TO HAVE BOG ROAD MADE ON BRAIDE MOUNTAIN, GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Curran, Braide, Glencolumbkille, appealing to the Council to have a bog road made on Braide Mountain. Early in 1933 the Council referred the matter to the Board of Works but nothing had since been done.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Curran that the Council had no funds for the work.

161/34. ROAD FROM KNOCKFOLA CROSSROADS TO ALTWINNEY BAY.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh O'Brien, Secretary, Knockfola Fianna Fail Club, appealing to the Council to have a sum of money granted for the repair of the road from Knockfola Crossroads to Altwinney Bay.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported as follows:-

"The road referred to by Mr. O'Brien is Contract No. 42, April 1931. A grant in addition to our yearly maintenance sum of £2 :19 : 0 would put this road into good order to withstand the heavy carting of sea-weed and turf during the Summer and Autumn Seasons. The surface is at present fair but the road has never been paved."

The Council decided to inform Mr. O'Brien that they regretted they had no funds available for the purpose.

162/34. PROTEST AGAINST TARRING OF ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard Gallagher, Secretary, Downstrands Branch of the U.I.P., protesting against the tarring of the Main Road between Beagh N.S. and Maas, as it would be unsafe for horse traffic.

The County Surveyor stated that the work would be carried out in such a way that it would be quite safe for horse traffic.

163/34. APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE ON A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME AT BALLINDRAIT, BUNBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Ballindrait, Bunbeg, applying for a payment of £10 for work done to a road by himself and his son.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted a report on the case.

The Council decided to deny liability.

164/34. APPLICATION TO HAVE ROAD MADE TO POOLAWADDY QUAY.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Hara, Poolawaddy, Arrammore, stating that a road was required to Poolawaddy Quay, and if it was granted he wished to have it submitted to his charge as he was the Harbour Constable.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

165/34. PIER AT LEABGARROW, ARRANMORE.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Boyle, Leabgarrow, Arrammore, reporting a breach in the point of the Pier at Leabgarrow.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

166/34. APPLICATION TO HAVE BOG ROAD MADE AT FAUGHER, GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Cannon, Cloughan, Glencolumbkille, applying for a grant for the repair of a bog road at the townland of Faugher, Glencolumbkille, going to the townland of Port, Glencolumbkille.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

167/34. APPLICATION FOR ERECTION OF BRIDGE ACROSS THE REELIN RIVER AT THE CROAGHS, CUMMEEN.

A letter was read from Miss Margaret Gibbons, N.T., The Croaghs, Cummeen, Cloughan, asking the Council to repeat their request to the Board of Works for the construction of a footbridge over the Reelin River for the convenience of children attending her school.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works and the Irish Land Commission, with a request that the matter be given attention.

168/34. APPLICATION TO HAVE BRIDGE ERECTED OVER THE RIVER NEAR
CLEAGH, CLONMANY.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh O'Donnell, Ruskey, Clonmany, asking to have a bridge erected over the river between Cleagh and the townlands of Rooskey, Glebe, Gortafad, and Althalla. The bridge would be a great convenience to school-children.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"The building of a new bridge here would cost a large sum of money as the span is a long one, and large approaches would need to be built owing to the flat nature of the land on both sides of the stream. There is at present a paving for horse traffic, etc. and a foot-bridge for pedestrians at this place. The townlands of Gortafad, Glebe, and Althalla are also served by other roads."

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. O'Donnell that the Council had no funds available for the purpose.

169/34. APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD FROM LOUGHKEEL ROAD TO UPPER
CRANAGUIGGY.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Ferry, Upper Cranaguiggy, Crollly, applying for a new road from the Loughkeel Road to Upper Cranaguiggy. A grant of £150 would complete the work.

The Council decided to inform Mr. Ferry that they had no funds available for the purpose.

170/34. AMOUNTS DUE BY THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS.

The Secretary reported that the following amounts were due by the Urban District Councils:-

Buncrana.....	£2,894	: 7	: 8.
Bundoran.....	£1,037	: 12	: 7.
Letterkenny.....	£1,165	: 12	: 8.

The Secretary was instructed to call on each of the Urban District Councils to lodge the amounts outstanding without further delay.

171/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF BOG ROAD IN MEENAHORNA.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Meenahorna, Welchtown, applying to have the old Bog Road in the townland of Meenahorna re-made and extended.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

172/34. "TYBAN LANE", PETTIGO.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward McNulty, Grousehall, Pettigo, enclosing a memorial from a number of residents of the District requesting the improvement of the road known as "Tyban Lane", which was about one mile long.

The County Surveyor stated that this road was not a Co. Road.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

173/34. REQUEST TO HAVE WALL BUILT ON THE DOORIN ROAD.

A letter was read from Mrs. S. A. Canning, Mountcharles, calling attention to the necessity for building a wall on the Doorin Road, which was in a very dangerous condition.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

174/34. REQUEST FOR NEW ROAD FROM LOUGHAGHER UPPER TO LOUGHAGHER
LOWER, CROLLY.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Conaghan, Upper Loughagher, Crollly, asking to have a new road made from Loughagher Upper to Loughagher Lower. The ratepayers of the district did not intend to pay any rates until the road was made.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

175/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUNDS OF DEPOSITS LODGED UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Doherty, Gortamny, Quigley's Point, withdrawing his application for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, and asking for a refund of his deposit.

A letter was also read from Mr. Thomas Shovelin, Drumhalla, Rathmullan, applying for a refund of the deposit lodged by him under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

The Council decided to refund the deposits in both cases.

176/34. DONEGAL O.A.P. SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Donegal O.A.P. Sub-Committee, asking to have Rev. F. Sheridan, Adm., Frosses, appointed a member of his Committee.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Father Sheridan.

177/34. GLENTIES NO. 1 O.A.P. SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Glenties No. 1 O.A.P. Sub-Committee, asking to have Rev. James Brennan, P.P., Killybegs, appointed a member of his Committee in place of the late Right Rev. Monsignor Dean Sweeney, P.P., V.G.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Father Brennan.

178/34. LIFFORD O.A.P. SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Lifford O.A.P. Sub-Committee, asking to have a member appointed on his Committee in place of the late Right Rev. Monsignor O'Doherty, P.P., V.G.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Rev. Michael McMenamin, C.C., Murlog, Lifford.

179/34. APPLICATION BY MR. CAFFEY FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF CONTINGENCY FUND.

Mr. Caffrey applied for a sum of £20 for improvements to dangerous bends on Road No. 1654, Glenties Area.

The application was granted unanimously.

180/34. RETENTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MONEY BY BANKS IN IRELAND.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Kerry Co. Board of Health, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That we call on the Government to cause a Commission of Inquiry to be held into the retention and distribution of money, together with the present policy of the Banks operating in this country as, in our opinion, their present policy is antagonistic to the best interests of the people and the Government, and is causing greater hardship than the Economic War as pursued by England."

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter.

181/34. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTILLERIES FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL.

The Standing Orders having been suspended, Councillor Scott called attention to the erection of Industrial Alcohol Factories in the Saorstát, and he moved that the Deputies for the County be requested to interview the responsible Minister, and urge on him the claims of Donegal for at least one factory.

Councillor Hamilton seconded the motion.

Councillor Blaney stated that the County should give a guarantee of the amount of potatoes that would require to be grown.

Councillor Gallen stated that Donegal had the best record of tillage in the Saorstát. In the period from 1851 to 1926, the average drop in tillage for the whole of the Free State was 55%, whilst the drop in Donegal was only 3%.

Councillor Scott's motion was passed unanimously.

182/34. APPLICATION BY MR. DAWSON FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF THE CONTINGENCY FUND.

Mr. Dawson applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund:-

Letterkenny Area.

To repair parapet walls of Illistrin Bridge, No. 62, April 1932, Map No. 1006.....£5 : 0 : 0.
 To re-build three pipes on road from Breenagh to Meenavoy, No. 9, April 1931, Map No. L.74.1178.....£8 : 0 : 0.
 To repair culvert at Trentagh on Road No. 12, April 1933, Map No. 881.....£6 : 0 : 0.
 To repair Sudden Breach on Road No. 36, April 1932, Map No. 1069.....£5 : 0 : 0.
 To repair Road No. 84, April 1932, Map No. 1126.....£10 : 0 : 0.
 To remove projecting rocks on Road No. 124, April 1931, Map No. 1132.....£6 : 0 : 0.

Milford Area.

To repair breach in sea wall on No. 338, Kerrykeel to Rosnakill.....£15 : 0 : 0.
 To repair walls of Bridge at Carrigart on Map No. 327.....£6 : 0 : 0.
 To repair breach in side of road on Road No. 98, April 1931, Map No. 207.....£5 : 0 : 0.

Dunfanaghy Area.

To re-build arch of culvert at Dunmore on Road No. 53, April 1931, Map No. 576.....£10 : 0 : 0.
 To re-build two pipes at Knockastolar on Road No. 63, April 1931, Map No. 797.....£5 : 0 : 0.

Aileach Area.

To supply and set iron grating on No. 1024.....£1 : 15 : 0.
 To repair wooden bridge on No. 75, April 1931.....£5 : 0 : 0.

Lifford Area.

To re-build a pipe on No. 17, April 1932, Map No. 1403.....£4 : 0 : 0.
 To supply and set grating and lay 16 yards of concrete channel at R.C. Church, Raphoe, on No. 1, April 1933, Map No. 1334.....£2 : 0 : 0.
 To re-build a pipe on No. 1, April 1933, Map No. 1334.....£4 : 0 : 0.

Mr. Dawson's application was granted unanimously.

183/34.. ERECTION OF HOUSE AT DRUMNAHOUL, DONEGAL, WITHIN LEGAL DISTANCE FROM CENTRE OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. F. Gallagher, Solicitor, Donegal, applying, on behalf of Mrs. Kate Gallagher, Drumnahoul, Donegal, for permission to build a house within 30 feet of the centre of the roadway.

On the motion of Councillor Gallagher permission was granted on the condition that Mrs. Gallagher will remove the house at any time she may be called upon to do so, and that an Agreement incorporating this condition be drawn up by the Council's Solicitor; the costs of the Agreement to be borne by Mrs. Gallagher.

184/34.

CINEMATOGRAH ACT, 1908.

An application for a Cinema Licence for the Colgan Hall, Carndonagh, was granted unanimously.

185/34.

TULLYDISH ROAD, BUNCRANA.

A deputation from the Tullydish District, near Bunrana, was introduced by Councillor Scott.
 They complained of the hopeless condition of the Tullydish Road.
 The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

186/34.

ROAD FROM TRILICK TO GRANSHA, BUNCRANA.

A deputation from the Trillick District, near Bunrana, was introduced by Councillor Kavanagh. They complained of the condition of the road from Trillick to Gransha.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor with instructions to take up the matter with the Assistant Surveyor and the Contractor.

187/34.

RINNCI AGUS GEOL GALLDA.

Leigheadh litir ó Connradh na Gaedhilge, 14, Cearnog Parnell, Baile atha Cliath, leis an run seoleanas a cuireadh i bhfeidhm ag Cruinniughadh de Choisde Gnotha Chonradh na Gaedilge:-
 "Go molaimid go mor a bhfuil raidhte ag an Ard-Easbog Ro-Oir. Thuama agus leis an Athair P. MacConfradha, S.P., a lochnughadh rinnci gallda agus go bhfuilimid ar aon aigne leis an Athair Eoghan i dtaobh ar "jazz" ceadna chor ar bith, agus go n-iarraimid ar an Eaglais agus ar ghach Chumann Poiblidhe a radh le Riaghaltas an tSaorstát gan cur suas feasta le n-a leitheid o 2 RN; go bhfuil se i gcoinnibh criostuidheact, i gcoinnibh leighinn, agus i gcoinnibh spriod na naisiuntachta. Freisin go n-iarraimid ar gach Gaedheal "Boycott" a chur ar na rinnci gallda seo."

Ar mholadh do Comairleach O'Mathghamhna, Comairleach O'Geallain ag cuiduighadh leis, cuireadh an run i bhfeidhm d'aon guth.

188/34.

VOTE OF THANKS TO THE CHAIRMAN.

On the termination of the business, Councillor Myles proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman (Councillor Mahony) for the capable manner in which he had got through the business on the lengthy Agenda. The resolution was passed unanimously.

Confirmed

M. W. M. Spiller

Chairman of Co. Council.

27th February 1934.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1934.

189/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGonigle, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty, Scott, and Sweeney.

190/34.

A P O L O G I E S.

Apologies for inability to be present were received from Councillors Wagentreiber and MacCreadie.

191/34.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

Councillor Mahony proposed that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 30th January, 1934, be confirmed, and Councillor Brennan seconded.

Councillor Scott questioned the accuracy of Minute No. 107/34 regarding loans for the Mental Hospital Committee, but he did not press the matter, and the Minutes were confirmed.

192/34.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor James Boyle seconded the adoption of the report of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 30th January, 1934.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

193/34.

R E P O R T S O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brennan the report of the Meeting of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 15th February, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor James Boyle the report of the Meeting of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 30th January, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

194/34.

R E P O R T O F S C H O L A R S H I P S C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G - S C H O L A R S H I P S I N S E C O N D A R Y A N D V O C A T I O N A L S C H O O L S , 1 9 3 4 .

Councillor Gallen proposed the adoption of the report of the Meeting of the Scholarships Committee held on the 23rd February, 1934.

Councillor Scott seconded.

Councillor Baxter stated that Milford would be a more suitable centre for the candidates from the Fanad District than Carrigart.

Councillor Cole complained that it was unfair to disqualify candidates for technical breaches of the regulations, and he suggested that they should be given a further opportunity of complying with the regulations.

The Secretary stated that it was not possible to do this now.

The report of the Committee was then unanimously adopted.

195/34. U N E M P L O Y M E N T A S S I S T A N C E A C T , 1 9 3 3 . - R A T I N G P R O V I S I O N S .

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th January, 1934, Girc. No. 13/34, transmitting copy of the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1933. Attention was drawn to the definitions set out in the rating provisions of Section 26.

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31/3/34 Minute No. 196/34 C.C. Brownhill
Drama MacHugh
I think finding with about 20% in the
-- and it was decided that each district in
the North should be reduced by 3.88% and in
the South -- -- 8.89%
Taking into consideration the difference between
the amounts allowed for the different roads &
the amounts for which they have been accepted
so that in every district where the cuts come up
to the necessary % no further reduction should
be made, but where the cuts were not sufficient
the further needed reduction should be made to
bring it to the required %age.

I suppose as far as Mr. O'Sullivan has arranged his business
you will know amounts of such. I took a note of
most of the Council's business and would like to go
over his new figures when I shall be forced
over to see you shortly.

Yours
J. J. O'Sullivan

196/34. CONSIDERATION OF ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING
ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1935.

The Council considered the General Estimate of Rates and the
Estimate of Rates for Separate Charges for the year ending on the
31st day of March, 1935, as adopted by the Finance Committee.
Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor Sweeney seconded
that the amount to be raised for Roads be not greater than the
amount raised in the current year.

Councillor Cole proposed, as an amendment, that the amount of
the Estimates be allowed to stand.
On a show of hands the amendment was defeated, and the motion
carried.

A discussion followed regarding the method by which the Roads
Estimate should be reduced, and it was decided to take into account
the differences between the amounts allowed for the different Roads
and the amounts for which Contracts had been accepted; the balance to
be made up by ~~an equal percentage from each district.~~ *by a deduction
of 3.88%
from each
District in
the North
and of
8.89% from
each District
in the South.*

In connection with the University Scholarships and the Secondary
and Vocational Scholarships, Councillor Mahony proposed that a
sufficient amount be included in the Estimates to provide for the
Scholarships for one year only, and not for the full period for
which it was proposed to award the Scholarship.

The Secretary stated that if this were done the Scholarships
could be only awarded for the first year, and that their continuance
would be subject to the raising of the necessary funds by the
succeeding Councils.

The Council unanimously decided to adopt Councillor Mahony's
proposal, and to award the Scholarships tentatively on the condition
suggested by the Secretary.

With these amendments it was unanimously decided, on the motion
of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott, to adopt the
Estimates, and to determine the rates in the £ to be levied by means
of the Poor Rate for the County Donegal Health District as set out in
Forms 42 and 43 (amended), and to demand the following amounts from
the Urban Districts of Buncrana, Bundoran, and Letterkenny:-

Buncrana.....£2,381 :14 :11.
Bundoran.....£2,109 :15 : 6.
Letterkenny....£2,221 :17 : 1.

197/34. PERSONAL BOND - COLLECTOR BERNARD V. KELLY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated
25th January, 1934, G.8651/34, Dun na nGall. Pa., returning Personal
Bond of Collector Bernard V. Kelly, the form of which had been
approved.

198/34. LIST OF NAMES FOR USE IN CONNECTION WITH MARGARINE.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 24th
January, 1934, L.37/34, transmitting copies of a list of names
approved by the Minister for use in connection with margarine.

199/34. INSTITUTE OF MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY ENGINEERS.

An invitation was submitted to the Annual General Meeting of
the Institute of Municipal and County Engineers to be held at
Buxton in June next.

200/34. GENERAL CATTLE DISEASES FUND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated
24th January, 1934, Circ. 15/34, stating that the Minister had been
informed that a further assessment for the purpose of the Cattle
Diseases Fund, equal to a rate of 1d. in the £, would shortly be
necessary.

201/34. RATES ON AGRICULTURAL LAND (RELIEF) ACT, 1933.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated
24th January, 1934, G.48/1/34, transmitting copies of the Rates on
Agricultural Land (Relief) Act, 1933.

202/34. STORAGE OF POLLING COMPARTMENTS AT FALCARRAGH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd January, 1934, F.131390/33, sanctioning payment at the rate of 10/- per annum to Mr. James O'Donnell, Falcarragh, for the storage of Polling Compartments for the eight years ended 31st December, 1932.

203/34. IMPROVEMENT WORKS CARRIED OUT AT BUNDORAN HARBOUR.

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries dated 2nd February, 1934, D/74/11, inquiring whether the Council had yet arrived at a decision regarding the taking over of the works carried out at Bundoran Harbour.

On the motion of Councillor Myles seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was decided to ask the Department for an early reply to the Secretary's letter of the 6th February enclosing copy of Minute No. 156/34 of the Meeting of the Council held on the 30th January, 1934.

204/34. AREA OF CHARGE FOR PUBLIC LIGHTING OF BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR.

Copy of Sealed Order No. P.H.152/34, was submitted from the Local Government Department determining the townlands of Ballybofey and Stranorlar as the Area of Charge for the Public Lighting of the towns of Ballybofey and Stranorlar.

205/34. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th February, 1934, G.14377/34, sanctioning continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £80,000 up to the 28th February.

A further letter dated 6th February, 1934, G.14377/34, was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister expected that sufficient progress would be made during the present month in the collection of outstanding rates to permit of a substantial reduction in the limit of Overdraft accommodation now sanctioned.

The Secretary stated that it would not be possible to reduce the Overdraft until after the 31st March, as some large payments had to be made to the Subsidiary bodies. He believed that with the cashing of the Credit Notes in the coming month, a substantial improvement would be made in the collection of outstanding rates.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £80,000 until the 31st March.

206/34. MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES ALLOCATED BY THE BOARD OF WORKS.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 10th February, 1934, adverting to the resolution of the Council at their Meeting on the 30th January regarding Relief Works, and referring the Council to the Schedules of Minor Relief Works forwarded with their letters of the 7th November and the 29th December, 1933. Copies of further lists would be forwarded when available.

Councillor Scott proposed that the Council protest against the unfair allocation of these works, and he stated that his District was altogether ignored in the allocation.

Councillors Gallen and McPhelimy supported the motion.

Councillor Blaney proposed that the Council approve of the Department's allocation, and Councillor Doogan seconded.

A lengthy discussion ensued following which a show of hands was taken on the matter, and Councillor Blaney's amendment was defeated, and Councillor Scott's motion carried.

207/34. PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL GRANT FOR 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th February, 1934, G.17550/34, acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letters of the 6th February regarding the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Act.

208/34. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTILLERIES FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL.

A letter was read from Deputy Joseph O'Doherty acknowledging the receipt of the Council's resolutions re distribution of Agricultural Grant, and re proposed establishment of Distilleries for the manufacture of Industrial Alcohol. He would do what he could in these matters.

209/34. CONDITION OF HARBOUR AT GREENCASTLE.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 17th February, 1934, D/73/7, acknowledging the receipt of the Council's request for a grant for the construction of a channel at Greencastle, and stating that the recently-constructed landing-place at Queensport in the immediate neighbourhood of the Harbour at Greencastle appeared to meet all the reasonable needs of the fishermen at that Port. (138/34.)

210/34. APPOINTMENT OF RIGHT REV. MONSIGNOR SHEERIN, P.P., V.G., AS VICAR-GENERAL OF THE DIOCESE OF DERRY.

A letter was read from the Right Rev. Monsignor Sheerin, P.P., V.G., Moville, thanking the Council for their good wishes on his appointment as Vicar-General of the Diocese of Derry.

211/34. BEREAVEMENT OF MR. W. T. COSGRAVE, T.D.

A letter was read from Mr. W. T. Cosgrave, T.D., thanking the Council for their kind message of sympathy on the death of his mother.

212/34. COMMITTAL OF CHILDREN TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A letter was read from the Sergeant, Garda Siothchana, Convoy, stating that an application would be made at Stranorlar District Court on the 4th April for the committal of a child named Tommy McElhinney to an Industrial School.

213/34. ANNUAL RATE WORK, YEAR 1934/1935.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th February, 1934, G.17549/34, sanctioning expenditure not exceeding £400 in respect of the Annual Rate Work for the year 1934/35.

214/34. ROADS WORKS SCHEME, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 15th January, 1934, RGM/7, asking to be furnished with a copy of the Road Works Scheme for the year 1934/35.

215/34. SHEEP DIPPED DURING THE AUTUMN DIPPING PERIOD, 1933.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 7th February, 1934, L.4932/33, asking for a return of sheep dipped during the Autumn Dipping Period, 1933.

216/34. SEEDS AND FERTILISERS (SUPPLY) ACT, 1933.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th February, 1934, G.89/2/34, asking to be furnished with certain statistical information in connection with the Seeds and Fertilisers (Supply) Act, 1933.

217/34.

PORTSALON AND DUNTINNY DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 26th January, 1934, asking for a Statutory Report under Section 24 of the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925, in respect of the Portsalon and Duntinny Drainage Scheme.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 16th February, 1934, 25654/33, inquiring if the Council, at their Meeting on the 30th January, considered their liability of £440 : 17 : 9 in connection with the Portsalon and Duntinny Drainage Scheme, together with £70 interest accrued to date. (116/34 C.C.)

218/34.

COMPULSORY INSURANCE PROVISIONS OF ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, 1933.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 6th February, 1934, MT/200, regarding the compulsory insurance provisions of the Road Traffic Act, 1933, and asking to be furnished with full particulars of the insurances effected by the Council in respect of their mechanically-propelled vehicles.

219/34.

APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD FROM BALLYGALLON TO CROSSOGS, ELECTORAL DIVISIONS OF KILLYMASNEY AND MEENCARGAGH.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in the townland of Ballygallon, Newmills, applying for a new road to connect the end of the improved road at Ballygallon with the County Road at Crossogs. At present they have no access to the County Road, and the land-owner will give the land required free of charge.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to apply for a Minor Relief Scheme from the Board of Works for the making of the road required.

220/34.

APPLICATIONS FOR MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES FOR THE KERRYKEEL DISTRICT.

Petitions were submitted, through Councillor Loughrey, for Minor Relief Grants for:-

- (1) To complete the road already begun in the townland of Anny, Kerrykeel.
- (2) To add about 50 perches to a road constructed in the townlands of Conlan and Gortcally by the Irish Land Commission some years ago.
- (3) To have the road from Ballymagaghey Village to Ballymagaghey Mountain put into a proper state of repair.
- (4) To have the road commenced by the Irish Land Commission from Meentiagh and Meentiagh-Conland to Rathmullan completed.

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey it was unanimously decided to refer the applications to the Board of Works.

221/34.

CONSTRUCTION OF BOG ROAD IN GLENGAD.

Councillor Cole handed in a sum of £40 which he had received from Mr. Patrick Lafferty, Glengad, on behalf of the Trustees, for the construction of a Bog Road in Glengad.

On the motion of Councillor Brennan the best thanks of the Council were extended to Mr. Lafferty and the Trustees for their gift.

222/34.

MR. CON O'DONNELL, CO. COUNCILLOR.

A letter was read from Mr. Con O'Donnell, Co.C., stating that he was not attending the Meeting of the Council that day, as he preferred to continue acting as Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector.

The Secretary was instructed to inquire from Mr. O'Donnell if this letter was to be taken as his resignation from membership of the County Council.

223/34.

RESIGNATION FROM THE COUNCIL OF CAPTAIN MANUS O'BOYLE.

A letter was read from Captain Manus O'Boyle resigning his seat on the Council on his appointment as a Commissioned Officer in the Defence Forces of Saorstát Éireann. He expressed his gratitude to the Chairman, the members of the Council, the Secretary, and the Staff for the courtesy extended to him at all times whilst a member of the Council.

In moving that the resignation be accepted with regret, the Acting Chairman paid a tribute to Councillor O'Boyle's services whilst on the Council.

Councillor Scott seconded the proposal, which was supported by Councillors McPhelimy, Lowry, Hamilton, Doherty, and McIvor, and passed unanimously.

224/34.

SERIOUS OUTBREAK OF SHEEP SCAB IN THE ELECTORAL DIVISION OF ARDMALIN.

A letter was read from Mr. R. Marner, V.S., reporting a serious outbreak of sheep scab in the Electoral Division of Ardmalin, in the district of Meedanmore Hill. The outbreak was so extensive that it would be impossible for any one individual to supervise the gathering, checking, and dipping of the sheep.

The Council unanimously decided to employ Mr. William J. Doherty, Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector, Glebe, Carndonagh, for a period of four weeks at £2 per week, to work under Mr. Marner in dealing with the outbreak.

It was also decided to request the Department of Agriculture for the return to the County of Mr. H. O'Neill, Departmental Inspector, to direct operations in this outbreak, and to supervise the general Scheme during the coming Season.

225/34.

BOARD OF HEALTH LOANS FOR COMPLETION OF WATERWORKS SCHEMES.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of sums not exceeding the amounts specified for the following purposes:-

£404 to complete Carndonagh Water Supply.

£203 to complete Ballyliffin Water Supply.

£550 to pay off the deficit on Donegal Waterworks."

226/34.

DECLARATION OF ROAD IN THE ELECTORAL DIVISION OF ILLIES TO BE A COUNTY ROAD.

Councillor Kavanagh proposed and Councillor McIvor seconded:-
"That the road from Clonglash, in the Electoral Division of Buncrana Rural, to Driminderry, in the Electoral Division of Illies, County Electoral Area of Buncrana, be declared a County Road."

The Secretary stated that the month's public notice required by Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925, regarding the proposal, had been duly given, and the Acting County Surveyor reported that the road complied with all the requirements laid down in the same section.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

227/34.

DECLARATION OF ROAD IN THE ELECTORAL DIVISION OF ARDARA TO BE A COUNTY ROAD.

Councillor Sweeney proposed:-

"That one mile of road leading from John Boyle's, Straughter, to John Gallagher's, Straughter, in the Electoral Division of Ardara, County Electoral Area of Glenties, be declared a County Road."

The Secretary stated that the month's public notice required by Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925, had been given.

The motion was passed unanimously.

228/34. MATTERS OF A POLITICAL NATURE APPEARING ON THE AGENDA.

Councillor Douglas proposed:- "That in view of the fact that the Standing Orders debar anything of a political nature from being discussed at Council Meetings, the Secretary be instructed to refuse to receive or publish upon the Agenda any resolution coming from any political Cumann or Committee of either political party."

As the motion was not correct in so far as political matters are not debarred from discussion, the Chairman ruled the motion out of order.

229/34. ERECTION OF SIGN-POSTS AT THREE ROADS AT DORE N.S., AND AT FOUR ROADS AT MAGHERACLOGHER POST OFFICE.

Councillor Doogan proposed, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That sign-posts be erected at the Three Roads at Dore National School pointing out the roads to Bunbeg, Gweedore, and Dungloe; and also at the Four Roads at Magheraclogher Post Office showing the roads to Bunbeg, Derrybeg, Gweedore, and Dungloe."

230/34. DUNFANAGHY OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

Councillor Doogan proposed and it was unanimously resolved:- "That Rev. John Deeney, C.C. be appointed on the Gweedore Sub-Pensions Committee in place of Rev. A. Logue, now P.P. of Ballintra Parish."

231/34. YEARLY TERMINATION OF ONE-THIRD OF THE TOTAL ROAD CONTRACTS.

Councillor Hamilton proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the County Surveyors be instructed to arrange, as far as possible, that one-third of the Road Contracts terminate each year."

232/34. HEDGE-CUTTING.

Councillor Hamilton proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Assistant Surveyors be directed to deduct a sum, commensurate with the number of corners at Road Crossings, where hedges are uncut, from all Road Contractors who have failed to comply with the clause in the specification regarding hedge-cutting."

233/34. ASSISTANT SURVEYORS AND HEDGE-CUTTING.

Councillor Hamilton proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That 10% of the salaries of the Assistant Surveyors at next payment be deferred until the County Surveyor certifies that the hedge-cutting in his district is satisfactory."

234/34. ARRANGING OF DATES OF MEETINGS OF ALL SUBSIDIARY BODIES.

Councillor Hamilton proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That before fixing the date of a Meeting the Secretaries of the different Subsidiary Bodies consult the Secretary of the County Council as to the suitability of the date. (Standing Orders 107 - 109)."

235/34. ROAD BETWEEN CLAGGAN AND BREDAGH GLEN MOSS.

A letter was read from Councillor McCauley calling attention to the road between Claggan and Bredagh Glen Moss. It was very important that something should be done to this road immediately as it had not been out for contract for six or seven years.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

236/34.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 24th February, 1934, Circ. No. 24/2/1934, stating that it had been decided to amend the scheme of relief from rates on agricultural land for 1934/35 communicated in their Circular letter of 9th January last (No. 24/34) in the following respects:-

1. Relief on the first £20 valuation of agricultural land will be at the same rate as was given this year (1933/34) on the first £10, that is, the Primary Grant will now cover the abatement of the rates allowed on all land valuations not exceeding £20 and on the first £20 of all land valuations over £20.
2. In the case of land valuations over £20, relief will be on an additional £12 :10 of the valuation in respect of each male worker (including relatives of the occupier) between the ages of 17 and 70 permanently employed on the holding.

It would be noted that the lower age limit at which male workers (relatives or employees) could be reckoned for the purposes of the Grant had been reduced from 18 to 17 years of age and 70 years of age had been fixed as the upper age limit.

Rated occupiers of land of £5 valuation and over who receive rate relief cannot be reckoned as employed or maintained by occupiers of valuations over £20 for the purpose of obtaining relief under the Secondary Grant. Occupiers of agricultural land of less than £5 valuation could be so reckoned.

It should be clearly understood that relief out of the Secondary Grant on one unit of £12 :10 represented the maximum relief in respect of each male worker. If for example there was one male worker and the land valuation was less than £32 :10, one or two male workers and the land valuation was less than £45, the relief out of the Secondary Grant would not be on £12 :10 and £25 respectively, but on the actual amount by which in each case the valuation exceeded £20.

It had been decided that the Grant would be increased, but the County shares had not yet been determined. It would be necessary to obtain particulars of the number and aggregate valuation of holdings of agricultural land (a) not exceeding £20, and (b) over £20. These were being called for in a separate Circular Letter.

The Council noted the Department's letter.

237/34. SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT WORK CARRIED OUT IN THE VILLAGE OF CARRIGART.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) inquiring upon whose authority a sum of about £200 was transferred by the Acting County Surveyor from Road Nos. 328 and 394 to a special improvement work in the village of Carrigart. The Contractors for the roads in question had quantities of material raised, and he considered that they had been very badly dealt with.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that he had not exceeded his authority in the matter.

238/34. ALLOCATION OF WORK AT A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME AT GORTNABRADE, CARRIGART.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) complaining of the unfair allocation of work at the Minor Relief Drainage Scheme at Gortnabrade, Carrigart. He stated that the most deserving cases were not being employed, and he requested that the Assistant Surveyor for the District deal with the complaints immediately.

An explanation in the matter, which was noted by the Council, was submitted from the Acting County Surveyor.

239/34.

SLAUGHTERING AND MARKETING OF MEAT.

Councillor Lowry proposed and Councillor Kavanagh seconded:-
 "That this Council wish to draw the attention of the Health and Sanitary Authorities - both National and Local - to the extremely unsatisfactory conditions under which much of the meat at present being consumed in this country is being slaughtered and marketed. As a result of the dislocation of the fat cattle trade, many farmers and others are killing their cattle at home, and hawking the meat round the countryside, and as few of these men have proper facilities and equipment for so doing, a grave danger to the public health is created - particularly as under cover of this practice diseased and inferior animals are being sold by unscrupulous persons at temptingly low prices. The Council should urge very strongly that any powers of inspection and control that may exist should be put into immediate and effective operation."

Mr. P. A. McGeady, V.S., who was present, stated that there was no power at present to do anything in the matter of meat inspection until the Council adopted the regulations.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

240/34.

PROVISION OF FERRY BOATS FOR MORASS AND MULROY FERRIES.

A letter was read from Councillor Blaney enclosing letter from the Irish Land Commission regarding the provision of Ferry Boats for the Morass and Mulroy Ferries, and stating that the Commission were not prepared to take any action in the meantime. It was also stated that the present Earl of Leitrim who owned the Piers and slips was willing to dispose of his interest therein. Councillor Blaney suggested that the Council communicate with Lord Leitrim's Agent, and ascertain if he was willing to dispose of his interest in the Piers to the County Council.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Scott, it was unanimously decided to communicate with Lord Leitrim's Agent as suggested.

241/34.

DRAINAGE WORKS BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION BETWEEN THE TOWNLANDS OF MEENDERRYOWEN AND ANNAGRY.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 28th December, 1933, P. (A.) 50046/33, stating that the Land Commission had sanctioned expenditure for the following works:-

- (a) Deepening of drain at Lough Anillan.
- (b) Loughnaglagary to Lough Awillin: Re:place defective road gulleys by small bridge; blast rocks, and clean drains.
- (c) Meenderryowen: Fitting three sluice gates at rampart.

In connection with the latter work, flooding was occurring by the overflow of the lake at Meenderryowen at a bridge beside Moorlagh Carpet Factory. This bridge was a small rampart built by the Council and carrying the County Road. The rampart being of dry masonry was far from watertight, and in order to enable the three sluice gates to be properly fitted, it would be necessary to construct a toe of concrete 24 yards (approximately) long and 4 ft. 6 ins. high along the sea face of the rampart. In the circumstances, the Land Commission desired to carry out the construction of this concrete toe in addition to the other works above referred to, and they desired to know if the Council had any objection to their constructing the said concrete toe.

The County Surveyor having reported on the matter, the Council unanimously decided to inform the Land Commission that they had no objection to their carrying out the works mentioned.

242/34.

OLD JAIL GROUNDS, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Messrs. Charles O'Doherty & Sons, Lifford, asking to have included in the plot allowed to them the 20 foot bank adjoining which, for all practical purposes, was waste.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter pending submission of a report from the local Public Health Committee.
 (78/34 C.C.)

243/34. WORKS EXECUTED BY THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION IN THE ELECTORAL DIVISION OF ROSSGUILL.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 16th December, 1933, P.22410/33, stating that the following works had been completed, and they wished to know if the Council would take over the maintenance of the said roads and bridges:-

- (a) Repair and widening of road, Derrycassen Upper and Derrycassen Lower, and extension to join County Road at School.
- (b) Construction of road and bridge through Derrycassen Middle to Langanreagh.
- (c) Widening of road and construction of bridge at Aghalatty.

The Acting Co. Surveyor suggested that the works be taken over.

Councillor Baxter proposed, Councillor James Boyle seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the above works be taken over by the Council.

244/34. LANEWAY CROSSING THE RAILWAY LINE NEAR CARNDONAGH.

Letters were read from the Manager, Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Co., inquiring the position re the proposed declaration of a laneway crossing the Railway near Carndonagh to be a County Road.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor for the District.

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to inform the Railway Co. that their property was not being interfered with by the Council..

245/34. RETENTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MONEY BY BANKS IN IRELAND.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Kerry Co. Board of Health, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That we call on the Government to cause a Commission of Inquiry to be held into the retention and distribution of money, together with the present policy of the Banks operating in this country as, in our opinion, their present policy is antagonistic to the best interests of the people and the Government, and is causing greater hardship than the Economic War as pursued by England."

Councillor Gallen proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the resolution be adopted.

246/34. WOODEN BRIDGE CROSSING THE RIVER BETWEEN MEENASRONE AND BALLINAMORE.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Duffy, Meenasrone, Ballinamore, stating that unless the wooden bridge crossing the river between Meenasrone and Ballinamore was fixed immediately, ten children would be kept home from School until the Bridge was repaired.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter had been dealt with.

247/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF CERTAIN ROADS IN INVER DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. James Dunlevy, Solicitor, Donegal, complaining, on behalf of Mr. Francis Dorrian, Drumfin, Inver, of the bad condition of certain roads in the Inver District, owing to the neglect of the Road Contractors to carry out their duties. If Mr. Dorrian sustained any injury through the condition of the roads he would have to hold the Council responsible.

The County Surveyor stated that the roads mentioned were in reasonably good condition.

248/34. ALLEGED DAMAGES TO FENCES IN THE INVER DISTRICT.

Letters were read from Mr. Patrick Dorrian, Drimlaghtfin, Inver, complaining of damage to one of his fences by workers at the Council's steam-roller.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was receiving attention.

249/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR ROAD IN THE KILRAINE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Alex. McDwyer, Kilraine, Glenties, asking for a small grant for a road in his district.

The Council decided to inform Mr. McDwyer that there was no money available for this purpose.

250/34. REQUEST FOR DRAINAGE WORKS AT LETTERILLY, GLENTIES.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick P. Boyle, Letterilly, Glenties, enclosing a petition for the drainage of lands which had been flooded following a scheme carried out by the Council last year. Unless a sum of £15 was expended on this work the ratepayers would refuse to pay any more rates.

The County Surveyor said the Scheme referred to was a Minor Relief Scheme, and that the work had been satisfactorily carried out and inspected by an Engineer of the Board of Works.

251/34. REQUEST FOR NEW ROAD INTO THE BOG AT DRUMLEY.

Letters were read from Mr. Michael Doherty, Lower Terryrone, Moville; inquiring about money allowed for the making of 180 perches of a new road through Drumley to enable them to get turf out of Butler's Moss.

The Council unanimously decided to apply to the Board of Works for a grant for the carrying out of this very necessary work.

252/34. CONDITION OF ROAD LEADING TO DOON WELL.

A letter was read from the Manager, Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Co., complaining of the condition of the road to Doon Well, and suggesting that some repairs be carried out before the Season commences.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the road was in the hands of a Contractor, and that it would receive attention.

253/34. OBJECTIONS TO ROAD CONTRACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. P. A. McCarthy, Hon. Secy., Falcarragh Fianna Fail Cumann, stating that objection would be taken to contracts for roads at the next Meeting for a number of reasons, which he set out at length.

The Council adjourned the matter until next Meeting, when the Road Contracts would be before them for confirmation.

254/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. John O'Donnell, Scotch Ballyharry, Carrowmena, Moville, complaining that he had not been paid for stones supplied a year ago.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that O'Donnell had been paid for all the stones supplied by him.

255/34. CONDITION OF ROAD AND BRIDGE IN THE VILLAGE OF CASHEL, GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A petition was submitted from a number of motor-owners regarding the condition of the road in the village of Cashel, Glencolumbkille, and suggesting that the corner and bridge in the village be improved as they were at present in a very dangerous condition.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor.

256/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT TO IMPROVE A RIGHT-OF-WAY BETWEEN CARROWMORE AND CLOSHA, MALIN.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Drumcarbit, Malin, asking for a grant to improve a right-of-way between John Doherty's Contract Road, Carrowmore, No. 129, and William Doherty's Contract Road, Closha, No. 128.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that there was no money available for this work.

257/34. COMPLAINT RE FLOODING OF ROAD BETWEEN TRENBANE AND GORTYARRAN, CARNDONAGH.

A letter was read from Messrs. Charles Doherty and John McCauley, Trenbane, Carndonagh, complaining that water was crossing the new road between Trenbane and Gortyarran in a trench, and destroying a right-of-way.

On the suggestion of Councillor Cole, the Acting Co. Surveyor was instructed to investigate the matter.

258/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK PERFORMED.

A letter was read from Mr. F. Gallagher, Solicitor, Donegal, claiming, on behalf of James Brannigan, Drimaron, balance of wages due to him under a Direct Labour Scheme.

The matter was referred to the Co. Surveyor for investigation.

259/34. IMPROVEMENT WORKS CARRIED OUT AT GOLA ISLAND PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 11th January, 1934, D/2/19/8, referring to their letter of the 21st September, 1933, and the Council's resolution No. 1101/33 of the 31st October, 1933, on the subject of the maintenance of the Pier on Gola Island.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that owing to weather conditions he had been unable to inspect the Pier.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter.

260/34. IMPROVEMENT WORKS CARRIED OUT AT POOLAWADDY PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 31st January, 1934, D/62/13, inquiring if the Council had yet taken over the improvement works carried out at Poolawaddy Pier.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter for a report from the County Surveyor.

261/34. COMPLAINT RE UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh J. Doherty, Corrairie, Welchtown, complaining of the unfair allocation of road work.

The County Surveyor reported that this man had got a fortnight's work, but that he only turned up one week. He was now working on another job.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

262/34. APPLICATION FOR BOG ROAD ON KINNAKILLEW MOUNTAIN, GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. Dominick Doherty, Seive, Glencolumbkille, asking to have a Bog Road made on Kinnakillew Mountain.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

263/34. GAP ON ROAD AT DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. D. O'Donnell, Derrybeg, asking to have the gap on the road at Derrybeg between O'Donnell's and Gillespie's repaired at once as it was very dangerous.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this work was very necessary, and that it could be done by a Sudden Breach Order.

The suggestion of the Acting Co. Surveyor was unanimously adopted.

264/34. SOLICITOR'S BILL OF COSTS.

The Certificate of Taxation of the County Solicitor's Bill of Costs was submitted, and the amount due was shown to be £341 :13 :10.

On the motion of Councillor Scott, payment of the amount was ordered.

265/34. DUTIES IN POLAND AND GERMANY ON IRISH-CURED HERRINGS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Buncrana Harbour Commissioners, enclosing for adoption copy of petition which had been sent to the Minister for Industry and Commerce re duties in Poland and Germany on Irish-cured herrings.

Councillor Scott spoke at length in support of the petition, which was unanimously adopted.

266/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McKeeney, Ballinahona, Coolkenney, applying for payment for stones supplied a year ago.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that this man had been paid for 8½ tons of stones which was the full quantity he had supplied.

267/34. ERECTION OF LEVEL CROSSING SIGNS BY LONDONDERRY & LOUGH SWILLY RAILWAY CO.

A letter was read from the Manager, Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Co., stating that there was an urgent need for level crossing signs at several points, and he would like to have the resolution of the Council, No. 1127/33, in which it was agreed to supply the Railway Co. with 30 poles free of charge, carried out as soon as possible.

The Council instructed the Acting Co. Surveyor to have the terms of the resolution referred to carried out.

268/34.. APPLICATION FOR POSITION OF SURFACEMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Neil McHugh, Derryreel, Falcarragh, applying for the position of surfaceman.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that there was no vacancy.

A letter was also read from Mr. Owen Gallagher, Fannore, Falcarragh, applying for a position as surfaceman on the road from Ballyboes to Murroe.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that there was no vacancy.

269/34. CONDITION OF MAIN ROAD FROM CLONTALLAGH TO DOOEY ROAD TO MELMORE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Duffy, Secretary, Meevagh Fianna Fail Club, calling attention to the condition of the Main Road from Clontallagh to Dooey Road to Melmore.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this road was in the hands of a Contractor.

270/34. APPLICATION FOR ERECTION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTING POLES IN GLENTIES.

A letter was read from the Glenties Electric Supply Co. applying for permission to erect a few more poles, by way of extension on the Chapel Road.

The application was granted, subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

271/34. REQUEST FOR POLLING STATION ON TORY ISLAND.

A letter was read from Mr. Padraig Og MacRuaire, Secretary, St. Colmcille Fianna Fail Club, West Town, Tory Island, asking the Council to arrange for a Polling Station on Tory Island.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Returning Officer for his views.

272/34. LIFFORD OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Lifford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, notifying a vacancy on his Committee owing to the death of Rev. James Black, Donaghmore.

On the motion of Councillor Lowry seconded by Councillor Gallen, Rev. James Bewglass, The Manse, Ballindrait, was appointed on the Committee.

273/34. APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ENTER A QUARRY.

A letter was read from Mr. William Thompson, Sheskin, Raphoe, asking for assistance to enable him to enter a quarry to obtain stones.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"Former Contractors have had no trouble in procuring stone for this Contract. Mr. Hugh Carlin objects to having his fields opened up for purpose of quarrying stone. I would recommend the Council to adjourn this matter, and, in the meantime, perhaps some arrangement can be made."

The Council adopted the suggestion of the Acting Co. Surveyor.

274/34. REQUEST FOR GRANT TO COMPLETE TRUNK ROAD FROM LETTERKENNY TO STRANORLAR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 8th February, 1934, SGM/7, relative to the Council's request for a grant for the improvement of the Main Road from Letterkenny to Stranorlar, and asking for a report from the Co. Surveyor in the matter.

The Council instructed the Acting Co. Surveyor to furnish the required report to the Department. (63/34 C.C.)

275/34. REQUEST FOR DE-RATING OF AGRICULTURAL LAND.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Co. Dublin Committee of Agriculture enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That in view of the public statement of Mr. Thomas in the British House of Commons in answer to a question that by the 31st March next the default of the Irish Free State will be £7,063,000 and that on the 13th January last the proceeds of the British tariffs on Free State produce imported into England during the relevant period amounted to £6,243,000, and as the tariff on our cattle quota of 104,000 beasts from the 13th January to the 31st March will be about £600,000, it is quite clear that by the latter date the Free State will have paid England's entire claim on this country and as our Agriculture will in fact have paid this debt, this Committee of Agriculture feel that the equity of the whole position demands that during the continuance of the Economic War there should be no rates or annuities on Agricultural Land."

Councillor Scott proposed, Councillor James Boyle seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the resolution be adopted.

276/34. COMPLAINT RE EMPLOYMENT OF STRANGE GANGERS.

Letters were read from Mr. Charles Gill, Crossconnell, Clonmany, complaining of the employment of strange gangers when his services were available.

The Council noted the letters.

277/34. ERECTION OF FENCE ON ROAD BETWEEN GREENCASTLE AND SHROVE.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh MacLaughlin, Carrowtrasna, Greencastle, stating that he was erecting a fence on his lands on the road between Greencastle and Shrove, and he would like to have the Surveyor's opinion as to the width he should leave for the work.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the matter had been attended to.

278/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT TO CONSTRUCT ROAD TO CONNECT THE KEADUE AREA WITH THE DUNGLOE-KINCASSLAGH ROAD.

A petition was submitted from a number of residents of the Burtonport District appealing to the Council to give a grant for the construction of a road connecting the Keadue Area with the Dungloe-Kincasslagh Road. The only connection at the moment was by way of Keadue Strand, which could not always be used.

The Council decided to inform these people that they regretted they had no money available for the work.

A letter was read from Mr. P. A. McCarthy, Secretary, Falcarragh Fianna Fail Club, stating that following a dispute on a Minor Relief Scheme where John McGee was acting as Ganger 16 men started work without the Ganger's authority. The Club had a record of their time and they wished to have them paid. They also wished to have McGee suspended.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report in the case from his Assistant for the Area in question:-

"I started John McGee of Fanaboy, Gortahork, as Ganger in charge of Minor Relief Scheme, No. 142, at Cashelhill, Gortahork, on the 29th January, 1934.

Having received complaints, I visited the work accompanied by Mr. James Boyle, Co.C. on the 1st February. On examining McGee's Time Book, I found that of the twelve men he had working, eleven were married men in poor circumstances; small land-holders, no man's valuation exceeding £1. One single man was working, who was regarded by every person in the locality as a very deserving case.

On the 5th February McGee started another squad, and on this date also sixteen men started working on the same road without orders from either Ganger McGee or myself.

About mid-day on the same date (the 5th) Mr. Boyle again accompanied me to the work, when I quietly but firmly advised the above sixteen men that they were working without authority; that their names could not be put in for payment; and that they must stop work until such time as their turn came to get a spell on the Scheme. Despite this, the men worked until the 7th February, three days. During this time my gang carried on their work peacefully, and have been working until the 17th February towards the completion of the Scheme.

I do not know who can certify that the irregular gang of sixteen men worked full time or worked steadily and usefully. Certainly, I cannot do so as they were outside my Ganger's authority.

So far as McGee's work for me as a Ganger is concerned, there is no reason why he should be suspended."

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Christopher Gallagher the Council unanimously decided to take no action in the matter.

280/34. MAKING OF NEW ROAD AT ARLANDS, BURTONPORT.

A letter was read from Mr. Owen Gallagher, Arlands, Burtonport, referring to Minute No. 126/34, and denying the County Surveyor's statement that the making of the new piece of road was in progress at Arlands. He stated that if the work was not put in hands at once, he would put the matter before the Board of Works.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor for the District, which the Council considered satisfactory.

281/34. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF DEEP SEA-PORT IN CO. DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Donegal Transport Committee, D.T.C.57, stating that the Committee would arrange to take the Surveyors' evidence at the Sitting in Letterkenny on the 2nd May next. They wished to be furnished as early as possible with a full statement of the evidence proposed to be given.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to inform the Transport Committee that the Surveyors would, as a matter of courtesy, give any assistance they could regarding the state of the roads in the County, but that they had no authority to make a case in favour of any particular Port.

282/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Breslin, Lecamy, Merville, complaining that he had not been paid in full for road material supplied some time ago.

The Acting Co. Surveyor again reported that this man had been paid for all stones supplied by him. (159/34.)

283/34.

APPOINTMENT OF MR. MICHAEL B. O'SULLIVAN ON THE COUNCIL'S
PERMANENT STAFF.

The Secretary submitted the following report:-

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Mr. Michael B. O'Sullivan has completed his probationary period in the service of the Council.

His services have been very satisfactory, and he promises to be a capable Official.

I have pleasure in recommending his appointment on the permanent staff, with the annual increment now due him."

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to appoint Mr. O'Sullivan on the permanent Staff, and to award him the increment to which he was entitled.

284/34.

ANNUAL INCREMENT IN SALARY - MR. DANIEL KELLY.

The Secretary submitted the following report:-

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Mr. Daniel Kelly's annual increment advance now due is subject to a report from me that his services during the past year have been satisfactory, and I have pleasure in so reporting."

285/34.

APPLICATION FROM MR. JOHN P. GALLAGHER TO BE PLACED ON THE
SAME SCALE OF SALARY AS THE OTHER SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE
COUNCIL'S PERMANENT STAFF.

The following letter was read from Mr. John P. Gallagher:-

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to apply to be placed on the same salary scale as the other senior members of the Council's Office Staff as from the 1st June next.

This will mean an increase of salary then of £6 per annum, four further increments of £10 per annum, and one of £5 bringing me to the maximum of £285 in six years' time.

Thanking you for past favours,

I remain,
Your obedient Servant,
John P. Gallagher."

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was unanimously decided to place Mr. Gallagher on the same salary scale as the other senior members of the Office Staff.

286/34.

RESOLUTION RE PRESENT SYSTEM OF OBTAINING OVERDRAFT
ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Leitrim County Council, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That we suggest to the Executive Council that the time has come when the arrangements by which County Councils seek relief from pressing financial calls by recourse to Joint Stock Banks for overdraft accommodation should be re-placed by a State-administered system financed by monies raised by the issue to the public of blocks of County Council stock at such periods as average requirements show to be necessary."

Councillor Scott proposed, and it was unanimously decided to mark the resolution "noted."

287/34.

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO PAY ACCOUNT.

A letter was read from Mr. Robert Bruce, Main Street, Strabane, asking to have the time extended for payment of a Paying Order issued on the 25th July, 1933, to Mr. Mick McPhelimy, Cloghfin, Castlefin; amount £7 : 7 : 0.

The Council unanimously decided to apply to the Local Government Department for sanction to an extension of time for making the payment.

288/34. APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE ON ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Ballindrait, Bunbeg, applying for payment of £10 for work which he performed on roads.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

289/34. MAKING OF NEW ROAD THROUGH TOWNLAND OF MEENABULL, GWEEDORE.

A letter was read from Mr. Manus Cannon, Meenacrieve, Gweedore, stating that he would not give any land for the making of a new road through the townland of Meenabull unless the road followed the site of the old right-of-way.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

290/34. ALLEGED DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OF MR. DANIEL HARLEY, COOL UPPER, CRANFORD.

Letters were read from Messrs. Osborne & Co., Solicitors, Milford, calling attention on behalf of Mr. Daniel Harley, Cool Upper, to a pitching which was erected last year by the Council, and which had fallen into his lands.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that the matter had been attended to.

291/34. DAMAGE TO PARAPET OF BRIDGE AT BRIDGETOWN, BALLINTRA.

A letter was read from the Co. Surveyor reporting damage to the parapet of the bridge at Bridgetown by Mr. Patrick Conran, c/o Mr. Victor Harris, 70, Lower Mount Street, Dublin.

The Council unanimously decided to call on Mr. Conran to pay the costs of the repairs to the Bridge.

292/34. COMPLAINT RE ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK AT MALINBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Mick McGinley, Malinbeg, inquiring if ratepayers or landless men were to get first preference on County Works.

The County Surveyor stated that this man had got his share of work.

293/34. APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD IN TOWNLAND OF FAWNS, TERMON.

A letter was read from Mr. James Malseed, Solicitor, Letterkenny, applying for a road on behalf of Mr. John McDermott, Fawns, Termon.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that a Minor Relief Scheme was being carried out in this townland.

294/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION TO ROAD, MAP NO. 26a, IN TOWNLAND OF ROSS HEAD, GLENGAD.

A letter was read from Mr. John McLaughlin, Ross Head, Glengad, applying for an extension to Road, Map No. 26a. He stated that at present there is no roadway into the townland of Ross Head, and in the winter months especially the people are terribly inconvenienced. Rev. A. McMaster, C.C., Malin, endorsed Mr. McLaughlin's application, and stated that the making of a new road was an absolute necessity.

On the motion of Councillor Cole, the Council unanimously decided to request the Board of Works to allocate a grant for this necessary work.

295/34. COMPLAINT RE UNDER-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE ON A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Doherty, Muckla, Ardmalin, complaining of being underpaid for certain work done on a Minor Relief Scheme.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that this man worked three-quarter time for four days, and half-time for two days, making four full days, for which he had been paid.

296/34. GRANT FOR CONSTRUCTION AT PORTALEEN PIER OF NET-DRYING GROUND AND PARAPET WALL; AND PROVISION OF CRANE.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 31st January, 1934, D/99/4, inquiring whether the Council had yet arrived at a decision in connection with the maintenance of the works at Portaleen.

A further letter dated the 13th February, 1934, D/99/4, was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries stating that a sum not exceeding £500 had been allocated for the construction of a net-drying ground and parapet wall at Portaleen Pier to protect the existing Pier, and the provision of a crane for hauling up boats. Portaleen Pier was situated two miles north of Culdaff Bay and about five miles from Malin town. The grant was conditional on its immediate acceptance by the County Council, and to an undertaking for the future maintenance of the works being given.

The Council unanimously decided to accept the grant, and to give the required undertaking for the future maintenance of the works.

297/34. ALLEGED FLOODING OF LANDS AT DUNAFF, CLONMANY.

A letter was read from Mr. Cornelius Friel, Dunaff, Clonmany, complaining of the choking of a drain which was causing flooding of his lands.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter, pending submission of a report from the Assistant Surveyor for the district.

298/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED IN MARCH, 1933.

A letter was read from Mr. William O. MacLaughlin, Bunn, Glengad, applying for payment for six tons of stones supplied in March, 1933.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that this man had now been paid for all stones supplied.

299/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wisely, Ballybofey, applying for a refund of his deposit in connection with the opening of the roadway which had now been restored to its proper condition.

The County Surveyor stated that this road was a tarred road, and that it had not been restored to its proper condition.

The Council decided to inform Mr. Wisely that the refund of the deposit could not be made until the road was properly restored.

300/34. BALANCE OF PENSION DUE TO THE ESTATE OF THE LATE MR. THOMAS McCLINTOCK, FALCARRAGH.

A letter was read from Mrs. Elizabeth McClintock, The Retreat, Falcarragh, applying for the balance of pension due to her deceased husband. Dr. McDonald and Rev. W. G. Anderson will join her in a Letter of Indemnity to the Council.

The Secretary stated that the amount due was £4 : 16 : 0, and the Council unanimously decided to pay this amount to Mrs. McClintock on a Letter of Indemnity signed by herself and the two gentlemen named in her letter.

301/34. DAMAGE TO WATER PIPE ON ROAD TO GORTNASATE PIER.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 15th February, 1934, pointing out that they had not yet been paid the sum of £2 : 3 : 3 in respect of damage done to the water pipe on the road to Gortnasate Pier by one of the Council's steam-rollers.

The County Surveyor stated that the amount had been paid.

302/34.

ALLEGED DAMAGE TO LORRY ON MALINMORE ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. A. O'Boyle, Malinmore, complaining of damage to his lorry on the Malinmore Road. He would at an early date furnish the Council with a bill for the removal of the lorry, which sank on the roadway, and other charges, owing to his being prevented from carrying out his work.

Without any admission of liability, the Council adjourned consideration of the claim pending receipt of further particulars.

303/34.

RESOLUTION FROM THE MOVILLE CONFERENCE OF THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY RE ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. Alphonsus MacLaughlin, Hon. Secretary, St. Michael's Conference of the St. Vincent De Paul Society, Moville, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That the Conference direct the attention of the County Council to the grievance of some local unemployed married labourers in receipt of assistance from us who applied for jobs as temporary unskilled labourers at stone-crushing and other Council Schemes in this Area, and were unable to obtain such, while men, in some cases single, and without dependents, residing almost five miles distant, were employed.

That the Conference is satisfied that these local labourers were qualified to do the type of work applied for, and that the work on such schemes - especially relief schemes - ought to be given to this type of man when he resides in the Area in which the scheme is in operation."

Councillor Scott proposed, and it was agreed to accept the resolution.

304/34.

APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD BETWEEN DRUMKEEN AND GORTADRAGON, CONVOY.

A letter was read from Mr. James Devine and others, Trentaboy, Convooy, asking for a definite decision regarding their application for a new road between Drumkeen and Gortadragon. A deputation would attend the next Meeting in support of the application for the small sum of £500 for this purpose out of the large County expenditure.

Councillor McPhelimy introduced the deputation from the District. They stated that this road was badly needed, and the land-owners were willing now to give alternative land for the making of the road.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, stated that there was no money available for the work, but that he had made application to the Board of Works for a Grant, but had got no reply.

Councillor McPhelimy proposed and it was unanimously decided to ask the Deputies for the County to approach the Board of Works in the matter.

305/34.

LOANS OF £11,000 AND £500 FOR THE MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Manager, Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd., Letterkenny, stating that on certain conditions his Directors would allow the Mental Hospital Committee to overdraw their account £500 in respect of the loan required for the re-placement of plates in the electrical battery. They could not give the loan of £11,000 as in the authorisation from the Department, the Council had been requested to arrange for an advance of the loan from their Treasurer. They pointed out that they were not the Treasurers of the Council but of the Mental Hospital Committee.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Local Government Department, and to request them to issue such a sanction as would enable them to borrow the money from the Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd.

306/34.

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN RENT OF ARDARA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Ardara Town Commissioners asking to have the rent of the Courthouse raised from £10 to £20 yearly.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor James Boyle it was unanimously decided to refuse the application.

307/34. MINOR RELIEF SCHEME BEING CARRIED OUT ON ROAD FROM BUNANINVER SCHOOL TO THE SEA.

A letter was read from the Cumann De Valera, Glassagh, Derrybeg, asking whether it was in Glassagh or Bunaninver the £50 grant for a road was to be expended.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the Board of Works' Inspector informed him that the road on which the grant was to be expended, was the road from Bunaninver School to the Sea, and this was being done.

308/34. COMPLAINT RE NOT BEING EMPLOYED AS A GANGER ON A RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McGinley, Derryhassen, Downings, inquiring why he had not been employed as Ganger since March last, and asking what charge had been preferred against him. Other men less needy were being employed.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that this man got three months' employment last year, which was his share of the work.

The Council approved of the report.

309/34. APPLICATION FROM MR. MANUS LOUGHREY, KERRYKEEL, FOR A LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor regarding the application for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts from Mr. Manus Loughrey, Ranny, Kerrykeel. He stated that before an advance could be made to Mr. Loughrey, an application for the registration of his title would require to be made under the provisions of the Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Act, 1891.

The Council decided to communicate the terms of the Solicitor's letter to Mr. Loughrey.

310/34. COMPLAINT FROM THE DUNLEWEY FIANNA FAIL CUMAINN REGARDING SHEEP SCAB.

A letter was read from Mr. T. A. McClintock, V.S., Dungloe, stating that he made a sheep inspection throughout Dunlewey and the surrounding districts and found no scab. Complaints made to him were in connection with the sheep dip and the strength of it for dipping.

The Council noted the report. (131/34 C.C.)

311/34. MINOR RELIEF SCHEME - REPAIR AND EXTENSION OF BOG ROAD AT KEELDRUM, GORTAHORK.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh McGowan, Upper Keeldrum, Gortahork, stating that Messrs. Charles Gallagher and Joseph Ferry were now prepared to consent to the making of a road through their lands.

A letter was also read from Messrs. Charles Gallagher and Joseph Ferry, Upper Keeldrum, re Minute No. 104/34, and stating that they now consent to the making of a road through their lands without compensation, provided that they are employed on the roads.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor for the district, who stated that they would consent to the making of the road, provided they got full-time employment on the work, and that Ferry's son would get full-time carting.

On the motion of the Chairman it was agreed that Gallagher and Ferry get preferential treatment in the matter of employment, but that no conditional appointments be made.

312/34. EMPLOYMENT OF A CONTRACTOR FROM THE SIX COUNTIES.

Letters were read from Mr. Pat Logue, Crilly, Pettigo, stating that the Lettercran Road was being made by a man from the Six Counties who took out the contract in the name of his son living in the Free State.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor. The Council considered the Surveyor's report satisfactory.

313/34. GRANT WORK BEING CARRIED OUT ON REDCASTLE-MOUNTARGUS ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Mullan, Drung, Quigley's Point, asking on behalf of the Fianna Fail Cumainn to be informed of the amount of money granted for the road in the Redcastle Area, and inquiring why the names of some men in the District did not appear on the list from the Labour Exchange, although they had been signing for the past year.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the amount of the grant allocated for this work was £120.

In connection with the complaint re employment, the Council decided to refer Mr. Mullan to the Labour Exchange.

314/34. DISPUTE ON MINOR RELIEF SCHEME BEING CARRIED OUT AT MAGHERALOSK, BUNBEG - NO. 144.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Magheralosk, Bunbeg, complaining, at length, of the system of allocation of work on the Magheralosk Branch Road. They allege that the trouble was due to the attitude of the Ganger, Neal Doherty. They also asked to be paid for the fortnight which they worked without the Ganger's authority.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor. The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

315/34. APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT PREMISES ON WASTE GROUND IN EAST PORT STREET, BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. R. H. Reid, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, applying, on behalf of Mr. Bernard Flanagan, for permission to erect premises on the waste ground in East Port Street, Ballyshannon.

On the motion of Councillor Myles, the application was granted unanimously.

316/34. ALLEGED DAMAGE TO WATER SUPPLY LEADING TO CARNAWEEH HOUSE, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from Mr. B. J. McNelis, N.T., Killybegs, complaining that since the rolling of the road from Killybegs to Commons N.S., his water supply had been cut off, and he was left without a supply except when there was heavy rain. He would have complained of the matter sooner only that he understood he would get a supply of water from the new scheme for the town of Killybegs, which he had been informed was not now possible.

The County Surveyor stated that the rolling of this road could not have interfered with the supply of water to the residence of Mr. McNelis, as there was no pipe to crush down.

Regarding the new scheme for the town of Killybegs, the Council decided to refer Mr. McNelis to the Board of Health.

317/34. OFFER TO SUPPLY STONES FOR ROAD PURPOSES.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Coll, Breaghy, Ballymore, quoting for the supply of stones for road purposes.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

318/34. APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS SURFACEMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Gallagher, The Cottages, Dunfanaghy, applying for the position of surfaceman on the road from Murroe to Ballyboes.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that there was no vacancy.

319/34. ROAD IN TOWNLANDS OF BREAGHY AND ROCKHILL, DUNFANAGHY.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Breaghy and Rockhill, Dunfanaghy, petitioning the Council for the repair of the road in the townlands of Breaghy and Rockhill.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this was a Contract Road.

320/34. ROAD FROM MAIN ROAD AT CORLEA, BALLYSHANNON, INTO CORLEA BOG.

A petition was submitted from a number of ratepayers for the improvement of a Bog Road leading from the Main Road at Corlea into the Corlea Bog, Ballyshannon.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works, and the Irish Land Commission.

321/34. CONTINGENCY FUND - SOUTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Caffrey applied for the following amounts:-
Glenties District.

Re-build pipe broken down by roller on Main Road No. 964, T.72.....£5.
Do. 965, T.72.....£5.
Do. County Road No. 1357.....£5:10.

Stranorlar District.

To supplement the grant of £1,900 for widening Stranorlar Bridge,
Main Road No. 1523, T.18.....£240.
The applications were granted unanimously.

322/34. CONTINGENCY FUND - NORTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Dawson applied for the following amounts:-
Milford District.

To repair sea wall, Ramelton to Rathmullan, on Map Nos. L.77, 687,
and L.77, 688.....£40.

To repair breach on heavy pitching, Map No. 587.....£25.
Aileach Area.

To repair Ardee Bridge on No. 55, April 1931, Map No. 921.....£15.

To steam-roll and strengthen section of Road 949.....£20.

Re-placing broken planks on bridge on Road, Map No. 779.....£2.

Letterkenny Area.

To strengthen and steam-roll Section of Trunk Road, T.59, 1129...£50.

Lifford Area.

To strengthen and steam-roll Road Nos. 1353 and 1218.....£40.

To steam-roll section of road in St. Johnston past R.C.

(No. 1158) Church.....£20.

Inishowen Area.

Re-place broken planks on Bridge on Map No. 145.....£3.

Repair pipe and landslide on Map No. 295.....£10.

The applications were granted unanimously.

323/34. REFUSAL OF MEN IN RECEIPT OF HOME ASSISTANCE TO WORK.

Councillor Loughrey raised the question of men in receipt of Home Assistance refusing to work.

Councillor Gallen stated that all such cases should immediately be brought to the notice of the Co. Board of Health.

324/34. ERECTION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT POLES IN KERRYKEEL.

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey, permission to erect poles to carry electric wires in Kerrykeel was granted to Mr. James Joseph Doherty, Kerrykeel, on the following conditions:-

1. Make and position of standards or other fixtures to be approved by the County Surveyor.

2. Standards or other fixtures to be removed, altered, or modified as may be required at any time by the County Surveyor.

3. Standards or other fixtures to be kept and maintained in proper and safe condition with regard to the rules and requirements of the Board of Trade, and the Electricity Supply Board.

4. Footpaths or roads not to be opened without previous permission from the Co. Surveyor, and a deposit to be lodged with the Council sufficient to restore the roadway to its former condition.

5. Applicant to indemnify the Council against all actions, claims, etc. arising from the erection of the said lamp-posts, standards, or fixtures.

6. Map to be submitted showing the positions of the poles to be erected.

7. Applicant to insure and keep insured in the joint names of himself and the Council in an Insurance Office approved by the Council, all lamp-posts, poles, standards, wires, and other fixtures on property under the control of the Council against third-party risks, and to produce the policy for inspection when required; premium receipt to be sent each year to the County Council.

8. Applicant to pay to the Council on the 1st January each year 1/- per annum for the facilities granted.

9. Agreement to be drawn up by the Council's Solicitor incorporating the foregoing conditions, and any others considered necessary; costs of Agreement and Solicitor's fee to be borne by applicant.

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Michael J. Fadden

*Chairman of Co. Council.
22nd March, 1934.*

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 27TH DAY OF MARCH, 1934.

325/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGonigle, McIvor, McPhelimy, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty, Scott, and Sweeney.

326/34.

A P O L O G I E S.

Apologies for inability to be present were received from Councillors Gallagher and Wagentreiber.

327/34.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

The Chairman proposed the confirmation of the Minutes of the last Meeting of the **County Council** held on the 27th February, 1934.

Councillor Hamilton queried the accuracy of Minute No. 196/34 regarding the Estimates, and he suggested that the exact percentage reduction in the case of the Northern and Southern Districts be incorporated in the Minute.

With this amendment, the Minutes were unanimously confirmed.

328/34.

R E P O R T S O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Kavanagh the reports of the Meetings of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 27th February and the 15th March, 1934, were adopted unanimously.

329/34.

R E P O R T S O F L A W C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Baxter the reports of the Meetings of the Law Committee held on the 27th February and the 15th March, 1934, were adopted unanimously.

330/34.

R E P O R T O F S C H O L A R S H I P S C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Kavanagh the report of the Meeting of the Scholarships Committee held on the 15th March, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

331/34.

H E D G E - C U T T I N G.

Councillor Hamilton inquired if the Deputies for the County had any information as to when the proposed legislation would be introduced enabling the Council to compel owners of land to cut their hedges during any period of the year.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Ministry.

332/34.

R E P A I R S T O W E I G H T S A N D M E A S U R E S E Q U I P M E N T.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Gas and Weights and Measures Section, dated 2nd March, 1934, 35525, enclosing certified account for repairs to balance.

333/34.

A N N U A L C O N F E R E N C E O F I N S T I T U T E O F P U B L I C C L E A N S I N G.

An invitation was submitted to the Annual Conference in June next at Southend-on-Sea of the Institute of Public Cleansing.

334/34.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MR. W. J. McFEELY, V.S. FROM REGISTER
OF VETTRINARY SURGEONS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 21st February, 1934, L.461/34, stating that having regard to the terms of Sections 45 and 46 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1931, the Department considered that Mr. W. J. McFeely was not qualified to act as a Local Authority Veterinary Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts during the period from 31st December, 1933, to 23rd January, 1934, and, accordingly, no payment of salary should be made to him for this period.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 24th February, 1934, P.H.22628/34, Dun na nGall. Sd., asking to be furnished with a copy of the explanation submitted by Mr. McFeely, V.S. regarding his failure to take the necessary steps to keep his name on the Register of Veterinary Surgeons for Saorstát Éireann. The Minister, at the same time, wished to have the Council's views on the explanation.

The Secretary stated that no explanation had yet been submitted from Mr. McFeely.

335/34. AREA OF CHARGE FOR PROVISION OF DUMPING GROUND FOR TOWNS
OF BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR.

The Secretary submitted Sealed Order No. 12160/34 determining the townlands of Ballybofey and Stranorlar to be the Area of Charge for the purpose of providing and maintaining a place for the deposit of dust, ashes, and rubbish for the towns of Ballybofey and Stranorlar.

336/34.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th March, 1934, G.26281/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., sanctioning continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £80,000 up to the 31st March, 1934.

The Secretary applied for continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 up to the 30th April.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was unanimously decided to apply for sanction to this amount.

337/34. APPOINTMENT OF MR. MICHAEL B. O'SULLIVAN ON THE COUNCIL'S
PERMANENT STAFF.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th March, 1934, G.29516/34, sanctioning the appointment of Mr. Michael B. O'Sullivan on the permanent staff of the Council and the award to him of the annual increment due in accordance with the terms of his appointment.

338/34.

LOANS REQUIRED BY THE MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th March, 1934, S.29535/34, Letterkenny M.H., sanctioning the raising of a loan of £11,000 by the Council from the Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd., to defray portion of the expenditure on the erection of Nurses' Home, Verandahs, etc. at the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th March, 1934, S.29535/34, Letterkenny M.H., sanctioning the raising of a loan of £500 by the Council from the Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd., for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the re-placement of battery plates at the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny.

A letter was read from the Manager, Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd., Letterkenny, stating that his Directors had agreed to make the required advances of £11,000 and £500 for the purposes of improvements at the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny.

339/34. LIST OF POSTS WHICH SHOULD BE FILLED BY REFERENCE TO THE LOCAL APPOINTMENTS COMMISSIONERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th March, 1934, Circ. S.25/34, setting out a list of posts, which, in the case of vacancies, should be referred to the Local Appointments Commissioners.

340/34. ROAD WORKS SCHEME, 1934/35.

Letters were read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 3rd and 14th March, 1934, asking to be furnished with a copy of the Road Works Scheme, 1934/35, as adopted by the Council.

341/34. COMPLAINT RE VETERINARY INSPECTOR R. MARNER.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 12th March, 1934, E.3416/34, enclosing for the information of the Council copy of a letter from Mr. J. Baird, Rockhill, Castleary, in which he alleged discourtesy by the Council's Veterinary Inspector, Mr. Marner. The Secretary stated that a copy of Mr. Marner's explanation had been forwarded to the Department.

342/34. APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD BETWEEN DRUMKEEN AND GORTADRAGON.

A letter was read from Deputy Joseph O'Doherty acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letter regarding the application for a new road between Drumkeen and Gortadragon.

343/34. RETENTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MONEY BY BANKS IN IRELAND.

A letter was read from the Private Secretary, Department of the President, acknowledging the receipt of the Council's resolution on the retention and distribution of money by Banks in Ireland, which had been transmitted to the Minister for Finance. (245/34 C.C.)

344/34. DE-RATING OF AGRICULTURAL LAND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th March, 1934, G.29566/34, acknowledging the receipt of the Council's resolution in regard to de-rating of agricultural land. (275/34 C.C.)

345/34. RETURN OF OFFICERS, ETC.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 1st March, 1934, Circ. 21/34, Ilgh. (S. & R.), enclosing for completion forms relating to members, officers, etc., on the 1st April, 1934.

346/34. COMMITTAL OF CHILDREN TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A letter was read from Guard Dolan, School Attendance Officer, Lifford, intimating that the application for the committal to an Industrial School of Edward Joseph Lynch, Mullinaveagh, had been adjourned until 25th April.

347/34. SUPPLY OF WATER TO CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

Councillor Cole proposed:-
"That the County Surveyor be instructed to prepare an estimate for providing a water supply for Carndonagh Courthouse."
The matter was referred to the County Board of Health.

348/34.

EMPLOYMENT OF GANGERS ON MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from Councillor Douglas in connection with protests appearing in the Press from the local Fianna Fail Cumainn re employment of Gangers on Relief Schemes, and asking:-

(1) Was James Doherty, Fahan, who caused all the trouble in Clonmany by declining to give employment to applicants unless they had a line from the local Secretary of the Fianna Fail Cumann, again employed on the Shandrum Relief Scheme?

(2) Was William J. Henderson, with two farms of land well accoutred with stock, employed at Cloontagh Relief Scheme and Desertegney Relief Scheme, and is he at present employed at the Drumfries Relief Scheme?

(3) Was John Gallagher of Burt employed as foreman at Desertegney on Relief Scheme, and is he at present employed at Drumfries Relief Scheme?

(4) Was a boy named Doherty, comfortably situated, employed at Drumfries Relief Scheme?

(5) Was _____ McGrory of Desertegney, with two farms of land, employed as foreman at Ballymagan-Illies Relief Scheme?

Councillor Douglas spoke at length in connection with his letter.

Eventually it was decided on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Councillor Douglas to refer the complaints to the Acting County Surveyor for investigation, and report in the matter.

349/34.

LETTERS FROM COUNCILLOR PATRICK DOHERTY.

In the absence of Councillor Doherty, who had left the Meeting before the matters came up for discussion, the following items on the Agenda were adjourned until next Meeting:-

Letter from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, submitting a report of a Meeting of the Downings Pier Committee, and pointing out certain urgent works which required to be carried out.

Letter from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, complaining that on a work recommended by him - the re-building of a double ope pipe - Mr. M. Dawson altered his recommendation from a concrete foundation to a foundation of flag-stones.

Letter from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, complaining of the unfair allocation of work on the Gortnabrade-Carrigart Drainage Scheme.

350/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONE SUPPLIED IN CONNECTION WITH A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, stating that Mr. James O'Donnell, Downies Barr, Cranford, had not been compensated for about 20 tons of good building stone which he had given for the purpose of the Meenacross Minor Relief Scheme new road.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported as follows:-

"I have made inquiries re this item on Agenda. The Ganger, Patrick McHugh, Cranford, gave me the following statement:- He required some stone to push ahead with the work. O'Donnell had some lying in O'Donnell's Quarry. The Ganger did not like to quarry other stone when O'Donnell had stone lying in the Quarry. The Ganger asked O'Donnell for permission to remove and use this stone, and that he would re-place them with a like amount. O'Donnell gave his consent and the stones were used. The Ganger, before the completion of the work, quarried and re-placed a larger amount of stones than the amount removed. The Ganger and the men engaged at the removal of the stones and the re-placement of the larger amount are prepared to prove this. The work on the Grant was completed on the 8th February, 1934, and the first intimation I got of this claim was on the 22nd February. I was not aware of such arrangements between the Ganger and O'Donnell until I made inquiries."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

351/34.

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR COMPLETION OF MINOR RELIEF
SCHEMES.

Councillor Cole proposed, Councillor Kavanagh seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council request the Board of Works to extend the time for finishing Minor Relief Schemes until the 30th June, as it is impossible to have them completed sooner on account of the inclement weather and the nature of the works."

352/34.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE OF CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION
WITH MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

The Secretary stated that a number of new Minor Relief Schemes had just been started, and it would be necessary to retain the services of Mr. Hugh McGinley and Mrs. Mary McNulty until the 30th June.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to the continuance of the employment of these Officials.

353/34.

SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME, 1934.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 23rd February, 1934, L.593/34, asking for particulars as to the manner in which Mr. Chapman, Donegal, retailed the sheep dip sold by him.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 19th March, 1934, L.1969/34, asking to be furnished with particulars as to the nature of the arrangements the Council might have had under consideration with a view to securing that all sheep in the County will be properly dipped this year. Having regard to the amount of money expended, the number of Inspectors, and the number of outbreaks of sheep scab, the Department considered that there is room for improvements in the arrangements in the County. They enclosed an amended copy of specimen regulations which might usefully be adopted.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Sheep Dipping Committee, and the members present agreed to meet on the 17th April, immediately after the Meeting of the Committee of Agriculture.

354/34.

REPAIRING OF THE COUNCIL'S ROAD MACHINERY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 1st March, 1934, RM/7, asking for the observations of the Council on a letter from Mr. James Steen, Muff, in which he complained of the Council sending their machinery into Northern Ireland for repairs, whilst he was in a position to carry them out.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that he had taken tenders for all repairs which had been carried out since he took up duty, and that in every case Mr. Steen's tender was considerably higher than the others.

After a lengthy discussion it was decided to instruct the County Surveyors to submit all tenders for repairs costing more than £5 to the Council in future.

355/34.

RE-CONVEYANCE OF LANDS MORTGAGED TO THE COUNCIL BY PATRICK
KELLY, RANNY, KERRYKEEL.

A letter was read from Mr. Vincent P. McMullin, Solicitor, dated 5th March, 1934, enclosing for execution by the Council Re-conveyance and Memorial of lands which had been mortgaged to the Council in connection with a Housing Loan by Patrick Kelly of Ranny, Kerrykeel.

The Secretary stated that the loan had been paid off.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Sweeney it was unanimously decided to execute the Re-conveyance and Memorial under Seal.

356/34.

OLD JAIL GROUNDS, LIFFORD.

In the absence of a report from the local Public Health Committee, the Council again adjourned consideration of a letter from Messrs. Charles O'Doherty & Sons, Lifford, asking to have included in the plot allowed to them the 20 foot bank adjoining which, for all practical purposes, was waste.

357/34.

PIER CONSTRUCTED ON GOLA ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 11th January, 1934, D.2/19/8, referring to their letter of the 21st September, 1933, and the Council's resolution No. 1101/33 of the 31st October, 1933, on the subject of the maintenance of the Pier on Gola Island.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that owing to weather conditions he was still unable to inspect this Pier.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter.

358/34.

POOLAWADDY BOATSLIP.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 3rd March, 1934, D/62/13, inquiring if the Council had yet arrived at a decision regarding the taking over of Poolawaddy Boat-slip.

The County Surveyor stated that there was no approach to this Boat-slip, and it would be difficult for the Council to take it over until a proper road was made.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Department of Lands and Fisheries.

359/34.

RESIGNATION OF CAPTAIN M. O'BOYLE.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor seconded by Councillor Kavanagh the Council decided to declare vacant the seat formerly held on the Council by Captain Manus O'Boyle.

360/34.

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR CON O'DONNELL.

A letter was read from Councillor O'Donnell asking the Council to declare vacant the seat on the Council held by him.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to declare vacant the seat held by Mr. O'Donnell.

361/34.

CO-OPTION OF A MEMBER IN PLACE OF CAPTAIN O'BOYLE.

A letter was read from the Inver and Mountcharles Branch of the Farmers' and Ratepayers' Association nominating Mr. James McGrory, P.C., for co-option on the Council in place of Captain Manus O'Boyle.

Consideration of the letter was adjourned until next Meeting.

362/34.

MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Brady seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was unanimously decided to appoint Councillor Thomas McShane a member of the Mental Hospital Committee in place of Captain Manus O'Boyle.

363/34.

LAW COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Brady seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was unanimously decided to appoint Councillor Thomas McShane a member of the Law Committee in place of Captain O'Boyle.

364/34.

IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

Councillor Blaney proposed and Councillor Cole seconded the appointment of Councillor Scott as the Council's representative on the Irish Tourist Association, in place of Captain Manus O'Boyle.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor Brennan seconded the appointment of Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle.

After some discussion the Chairman ruled that the matter be adjourned until next Meeting as it was not on the Agenda.

365/34.

COMPLAINT RE FLOODING OF LANDS AT DUNAFF, CLONMANY.

A letter was read from Mr. Cornelius Friel, Dunaff, Clonmany, complaining of the **choking** of a drain which was causing flooding of his lands.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that the Council was under no obligation in this matter.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

366/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Ned Gallagher, Creesloughbeg, Creeslough, complaining that he had not yet been paid for a pile of stones supplied to the order of Mr. Dawson.

The Assistant Surveyor reported that stone was raised in this man's quarry during February and March, 1933, for Relief Grant 77A, but the arrangements made were that Gallagher was to get full-time employment **on the Relief Grant during the period** that stone was being raised in his quarry, but that no quarry damages were to be paid to him.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

367/34.

RELIEF WORKS REQUIRED IN THE PETTIGO DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. J. McKenna, Aughnahoe N.S., Pettigo, enclosing a list of relief works required similar to those forwarded last year.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

368/34.

NEW ROAD REQUIRED AT LOWER KEADUE, BURTONPORT.

A letter was read from the residents of Lower Keadue, Burtonport, pointing out the great necessity for a road from the Main Road to their houses.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

369/34.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP HELD BY THE LATE MR. ALBERT DOHERTY, CHURCHTOWN, CARNDONAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. P. J. Doherty, 18, Pearse Street, Fermoy, asking the Council to allow him the **second** moiety of the Scholarship due to his brother, Albert Doherty, recently deceased, in order to help to pay the hospital expenses incurred.

The Secretary stated that the University Authorities had deducted their fees from the first moiety of the Scholarship, and refunded £9 :14 : 0 to the Council.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor McIvor it was unanimously decided to **allow** this balance of £9 :14 : 0 to Mr. Doherty, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government.

370/34.

APPLICATION FOR WORK ON RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. James McClaafferty (Mick), Derryhassen, Downings, stating that he could not pay his rates unless he was employed on a Relief Scheme which had just been started.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

A letter was read from the County Donegal Transport Committee, 14, St. Stephen's Green, N., Dublin, asking to be furnished as early as possible with a statement of the evidence proposed to be given by the two County Surveyors. The Committee were not in a position to demand evidence nor had they done so, but any person or interest concerned with the question of transport facilities in the County was afforded every opportunity of giving relative evidence before the Committee. The initiation of evidence was a matter solely for the persons concerned and interested in the problems before the Committee.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Myles it was unanimously decided to instruct the two County Surveyors to attend the Sitting of the Committee on the 2nd May in Letterkenny with a view to facilitating the Committee in giving any information required regarding existing transport facilities in the County, but without initiating any evidence.

372/34.

KILDRUM CUSTOMS STATION.

A letter was read from the Office of the Revenue Commissioners, Dublin Castle, C. & E. 381/438/34, stating that the volume of import and export traffic at Kildrum Frontier Post had fallen to such an extent as no longer to justify the employment of a Customs landing Officer there. The arrangements in force provided for the exportation, via Kildrum, of cattle under bounty on condition that the relative specifications were first presented to the Officer of Customs and Excise at St. Johnston for pre-entry. In the circumstances, it would not be practicable to accede to the request of the Council.

The Council noted the letter.

373/34.

COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Committee of Agriculture, notifying the disqualification from membership of his Committee of Mr. Kenny J. Brennan through non-attendance.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was unanimously decided to re-appoint Mr. Brennan.

374/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-EMPLOYMENT AS GANGER ON MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from Mr. Sean O'Gallagher, Cloughbee, Ardara, complaining that he had not been offered employment on the Minor Relief Schemes for the current year, although he gave entire satisfaction last year. He had seven dependents.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

375/34.

SHEEP SCAB ON PREMISES OF MR. J. BUCHANAN, INCH LEVEL.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture stating that on the 1st ultimo 26 sheep exposed for sale at Derry Market were found affected with sheep scab. The affected sheep were stated to have come from the farm of Mr. J. Buchanan, Inch Level. A report was requested from the Council's Veterinary Inspector.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Veterinary Inspector for the District.

376/34.

ROAD BEING CONSTRUCTED IN THE TOWNLAND OF CROAGHNAMADDY, DUNGLOE, BY THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 28th February, 1934, P. (A.) 42033/33, inquiring when the road in Croaghnamaddy was completed by the Land Commission would the Council take it over and undertake its maintenance. When the Land Commission exercised their powers of granting rights-of-way they did not acquire the site of the way from the owners of the land over which it passed, but they had power to enter on the lands and thereon to construct the necessary road.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Law Committee.

377/34.

OFFER TO NEGOTIATE LOANS FOR THE COUNCIL.

Letters were read from Messrs. D. P. Martin & Co., Armagh, offering to negotiate loans for the Council.
The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Health.

378/34.

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR WORK PERFORMED DEEPENING THE BED OF A STREAM.

A letter was read from Mr. Dan McCauley, Gortgarra, Arranmore, asking for payment for work which he had performed deepening the bed of a stream running adjacent to his house. The bed was almost level with the road and on several occasions the road was flooded and torn for a stretch of nearly 200 yards.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

379/34.

CLAIM FOR PAYMENT FOR PLANK USED BY THE COUNCIL'S SERVANTS.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Walsh, Sheskinarone, Dungloe, claiming 8/- for a plank taken from him and broken at the lifting of the steam-roller on the Dungloe-Crolly Road at Crogheyboyle.

A report was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor in which it was stated that Mr. Walsh had been supplied with a plank in lieu of the one taken.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

380/34.

CONSTRUCTION OF BOATSLIP ON INISHMEANE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works reporting the completion of a boatslip at a cost of £249 : 2 : 3 on Inishmeane Island, and asking the Council to take over the slip for future maintenance in accordance with their resolution. (772/32.)

The Council decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor for a report.

381/34.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT A STONE PIPE.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward McCormick, Glassaghmore, Ballinamore, asking for permission to construct a stone pipe across the road at Glassaghmore for the purpose of draining a field.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

382/34.

ADVANCE OF £2,000 TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH IN CONNECTION WITH THE LABOURERS' ACTS SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, enclosing copy of resolution of the Board asking the Council to forward an instalment of £2,000 to carry out the initial stages of the Labourers' Acts Schemes.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was unanimously decided to make the required advance.

383/34.

ALLOCATION OF MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works asking what Units were comprised in Councillor Scott's District so that they might understand the position in connection with protests against the system of allocation of Minor Relief Works.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works enclosing further lists of Minor Relief Schemes.

Councillor Scott again complained of the allocation of these Schemes, and he stated that of a sum of over £19,000 more than 65% had been allocated to the Glenties and Dunfanaghy Areas.

384/34.

APPLICATION TO WIDEN ROAD IN MAGHERALOSK, BUNBEG.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Magheralosk, Bunbeg, stating that they were willing to allow their roadside fences to be altered to give the necessary width for a new road.

The Council decided to inform the parties concerned that they regretted they had no money to carry out the improvements required.

385/34.

FALCARRAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. James Doogan, Falcarragh, applying for £2 in respect of damage done to the Courthouse at Falcarragh at the recent Roads Meeting.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that there was no damage done to the Courthouse in his opinion.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

386/34.

GRANT FOR CONSTRUCTION AT PORTALEEN PIER OF NET-DRYING GROUND, AND PARAPET WALL, AND PROVISION OF CRANE.

In connection with the Council's decision at last Meeting (296/34) to accept the grant of £500 offered by the Department of Lands and Fisheries for the carrying out of the above works, the following report in the matter was submitted from the Acting County Surveyor:-

"I visited Portaleen Pier on the 2nd March. It is a strong masonry and concrete structure having a winch at the upper end of the Pier for hauling up fishing boats to surface of Pier.

The Pier was constructed some 40 years ago by the Congested Districts Board.

There is a Harbour Master named Denis McKinney, Portaleen, who is paid £4 : 10 : 0 per year by the Board of Works.

In addition to the relief the expenditure of £500 will give to the necessitous men in the locality, the proposed work will be a further benefit to the fishermen using the Pier.

The County Council will have to consider their liabilities if they decide to take over and maintain the Pier with present winch, new crane, and Harbour Master's pay.

I asked the fishermen present what their attitude would be in the case of injury to the boats or accidents to any of the fishermen using the Pier, winch, or crane, and they stated that they would not hold the Council responsible."

The Council decided to send a copy of the report to the Department of Lands and Fisheries.

387/34.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO OPEN CARNDONAGH STREETS.

A letter was read from Mr. James Kelly, Millbrae, Carndonagh, applying for permission to open the County Roads and streets in Carndonagh in connection with the sewerage scheme. He suggested that the Engineer hold sufficient money until the roads and streets were completed to the Surveyor's satisfaction.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that Mr. Kelly had handed him a sum of £5 as a deposit.

The Council unanimously decided to give the required permission on the usual conditions.

They also decided to ask the Assistant Surveyor to lodge the £5 received to the credit of the Council.

388/34.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BY FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, enclosing list of equipment required by the different Food and Drugs Inspectors in the County for the ensuing twelve months.

The Council adjourned the matter until their next Meeting.

A letter was also read from the Chief Superintendent suggesting the appointment of Garda Francis as an additional Food and Drugs Inspector with headquarters at Donegal, and, in the event of his appointment, asking that he be supplied with the necessary equipment.

The Council also adjourned consideration of this matter.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Returning Officer, stating that if a Polling Station was arranged for Tory Island it would be exceedingly difficult for the Returning Officer to carry out the Election. It might not be possible to get the box to the Island on the day of the Poll owing to weather conditions, and the box might be held up for a considerable time after the Poll.

The Council noted Mr. Cochrane's letter. (271/34 C.C.)

390/34. USE OF MALIN COURTHOUSE FOR WEIGHTS AND MEASURES INSPECTION.

A letter was read from Mr. Desmond M. Noone, Malin, applying for 30/- for cleaning, heating, and lighting Malin Courthouse for three days whilst it was being used in connection with the verification of Weights and Measures.

On the motion of Councillor Cole the Council decided to pay the amount.

391/34. QUESTION OF THE ENGINEERING SERVICES OF THE COUNTY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th March, 1934, RS/7, sanctioning the employment of Mr. Patrick Dawson as Acting County Surveyor for a period of three months. The previous sanction appeared to have covered the period up to the 30th September only. The sanction now conveyed might be deemed to include his employment since the 1st January and up to the 31st March.

A letter was also read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th March, 1934, RS/7, stating that the Minister, having again carefully looked into the position in Donegal, could not see his way to approve of the appointment of a second County Surveyor. He would, therefore, be glad if the Council and the Board of Health would proceed, without delay, to make arrangements for the unification of the Engineering Services of the County. The Minister trusted that by the 31st March the Council and the Board of Health would have completed the necessary arrangements. He could hold out no hope of continuance of sanction to the employment of Mr. Dawson after that date.

Councillor Hamilton proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded:-
"That as it was admitted by the representative of the Local Government Department who was sent down to investigate the matter that the roads of County Donegal compared very favourably with any roads in the Free State, both as to cost and quality; and that as we have proved by facts and figures supplied to the Department that the proposed alteration would not effect any economy but rather further expense, and, moreover, that, although repeatedly asked, the Department has given no facts, figures, or reasons, except their "opinion", which, as they have not the local knowledge of the Councillors elected by the people to safeguard their interests, we cannot consider to have greater weight than that of the County Council, we again ask the Department either to sanction our appointing our second Surveyor, or to furnish us with adequate reasons for the suggested change. Further, we would point out, that even if they could show that there would be greater efficiency, which we do not believe, there would, undoubtedly, be increased expenditure, and in the present impoverished condition of the ratepayers it is no time to add to their already excessive burdens."

Councillor James Boyle proposed as an amendment and Councillor Brady seconded that the Council make one appointment for the whole County, and that a Committee be appointed to make the necessary arrangements with Mr. Caffrey.

After a lengthy discussion the matter was put to a vote, and the following voted for Councillor Hamilton's motion:- Councillors McFadden, Mahony, Baxter, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Douglas, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McCrea, MacCreddie, McGonigle, McIvor, O'Boyle, and Sweeney. Total 18.

The following voted against it:- Councillors Blaney, Boyle, Brady, Doherty, Doogan, McPhelimy, and Scott. Total 7.

The Chairman declared Councillor Hamilton's motion carried.

Councillor Baxter also proposed and Councillor Scott seconded that the Minister be requested to sanction the continuance of the employment of Mr. Dawson for another month as Acting Co. Surveyor.

The Chairman declared the County Council's decision on the matter carried with a majority of 18 to 7. The Council then adjourned until the next meeting on the 10th March.

392/34.

AILEACH NO. 2 OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Aileach No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, asking to have Rev. Lionel H. L. Abercrombie, The Rectory, Newtowncunningham, appointed a member of his Committee in place of the late Rev. J. R. Sides.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Kavanagh the Council unanimously decided to make the required appointment.

393/34.

STRANORLAR OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Stranorlar Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, asking to have Rev. P. Carr, C.C., Convoy, appointed a member of his Committee in place of Rev. J. Kelly, C.C., and Rev. T. Bradley, C.C., Crossroads, in place of Rev. C. Byrne, P.P.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Father Carr and Father Bradley members of the Sub-Committee.

394/34.

INISHOWEN NO. 1 OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Inishowen No. 1 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, asking to have Rev. Joseph Devine, P.P., Glenmany, appointed a member of his Sub-Committee in place of the late Very Rev. J. Maguire, P.P., V.F.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Father Devine.

395/34.

APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF STREET IN GLENTIES.

A letter was read from Messrs. P. Maguire & Sons, Contractors, Glenties, asking for a refund of the deposit of £5 lodged in connection with the opening of the road for the sewer from Glenties Hospital.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Messrs. Maguire that a refund of the deposit would be made when the road was restored to its original condition.

396/34.

COMPLAINT RE ROAD MATERIAL PILED AGAINST RAILWAY WALL.

A letter was read from the Manager, Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Co., complaining that a quantity of road material had been piled against the Railway wall near Druminaraw School. The weight of the stone was bulging the wall, and there was a danger that if the stone was not removed the wall might collapse and block the line, which, at this place, was on a curve with a steep gradient.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the matter had been attended to.

397/34.

COMPLAINT RE UNDER-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE ON ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. James Brannigan, Drimarone, Letterbarrow, acknowledging Paying Order for £1 : 16 : 0 for twelve tons of gravel at 3/- per ton. He was working for two weeks at £1 : 6 : 0 per week, and this left him still 16/- short.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

398/34.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ENTER A QUARRY.

A letter was read from Mr. William Thompson, Sheskin, Raphoe, again asking the Council for a direction to obtain an order to enter either Gibson's or Carlin's Quarries, and setting out in detail his reasons.

A letter was also read from Mr. Hugh Carlin, The Diamond, Raphoe, stating that there was very little stone in his Quarry, and that he would not allow any person to enter his lands for the purpose of removing stone.

The Acting Co. Surveyor was instructed to inspect the place and submit a report to next Meeting.

399/34. PREPARATION OF LEASE OF THE NURSERY PLOT AT BALLYBOFFEY FOR THE COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Committee of Agriculture, asking the Council to prepare a lease, on behalf of the Committee, of the Nursery Plot at BallyboFFEY owned by Mr. James Magee; the lease to be for a period of five years, with an option for the Council for a further extension for any additional number of years not exceeding five, at a rent of £20 per annum.

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor to prepare the required lease.

400/34. PROVISION OF MONEY FOR THE COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Committee of Agriculture, enclosing copy of letter from the Department of Agriculture in which it was stated that the Minister would be prepared to recoup to the Committee 55% of their total actual expenditure on approved Schemes subject to a maximum recoupment of £3,146, conditional on the Council providing at the beginning of the financial year 1934/35 a sum equal to not less than a rate of 2d. in the £ on the rateable valuation of the County, excluding Urban Districts.

On the motion of Councillor Scott the Council unanimously decided to make a transfer to the Committee as required.

401/34, APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR FOR MILFORD AREA.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Letterkenny, asking to have Sergeant John Boyle appointed Food and Drugs Inspector in place of Sergeant M. J. Herrity.

The Council unanimously decided to make the required appointment.

402/34. DISPUTE ON MINOR RELIEF SCHEME AT CASHELHILL, GORTAHORK.

A letter dated 16th March, 1934, was read from Mr. Dan Curran, President, Falcarragh Fianna Fail Club, stating that a deputation would attend the next Meeting of the Council in connection with the claim of the 16 men who started work at Cashelhill, Gortahork, without the Ganger's authority.

A letter was read from Mr. P. A. McCarthy, Secretary, Falcarragh Fianna Fail Club, inquiring when the men employed on the Ballyness Drainage Scheme since the 6th February would be paid; also when payment would be made to the men who worked unofficially on the Cashel Road; also when payment would be made to Barney Gallagher, Meenacarrick, for work done last year.

A further letter was read from Mr. McCarthy directing the attention of the Council to the report of the Leitrim County Council in a case somewhat similar to the Cashelhill Relief Scheme, where it was decided to pay the Gangers and men for work done without the authority of the County Surveyor.

A letter was read from Mr. Dan Curran, President, Falcarragh Fianna Fail Club, stating that the Ganger on the Cashelhill Relief Scheme (John McGee) was not employing the most deserving people. If the Fianna Fail Club had the selection of the men there would be no mention of politics.

The deputation mentioned in the first letter did not attend the Meeting.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor, which the Council considered satisfactory. (279/34 S.F.C.)

403/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Boyle, Ballyharry, Carrowmena, Moville, complaining of non-payment for work done.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

404/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. George Kavanagh, Carrowhugh, Greencastle, complaining of non-payment for work done.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

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COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. Arthur Gillen, Ballybrack, Moville, complaining of non-payment for work done.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

405/34.

COMPLAINTS RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McDermott, Ballinaboe, Glencely, applying for payment for stones supplied a year ago. If payment was not made immediately, proceedings will be instituted.

A letter was read from Mr. John Doherty, Ballygreen, Glencely, applying for payment for stones supplied a year ago.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that both these men had been paid for all stones supplied.

406/34.

COMPLAINT RE FLOODING OF LANDS AT DRUMAVILLE, MALIN, THROUGH EXECUTION OF MINOR RELIEF SCHEME NO. 111.

A letter was read from Mr. Alexander Lindsay, Malin, advertizing to his letter read at the January Meeting of the Council (91/34 C.C.) regarding the flooding of his lands, and stating that nothing had since been done in the matter. Unless something was done within two weeks he would institute proceedings.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that Mr. Lindsay's lands were not being interfered with.

407/34.

APPLICATIONS FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF CONTINGENCY FUND BY MR. DAWSON, ACTING CO. SURVEYOR.

Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund:-

Aileach Area.

To provide for tar dressing on Road No. 949, Co. Road.....£40.

To repair two pipes on County Road No. 107.....£4.

Lifford Area.

To provide for tar dressing on Roads Nos. 1353 and 1218.....£40.

Letterkenny Area.

To repair bridge on Road No. 1192.....£10.

To provide for tar dressing Rockhill Road, No. 1126.....£30.

Milford District.

To repair Bridge on No. 3, April 1933, Map No. 514.....£15.

The applications were granted unanimously.

408/34.

CONSTRUCTION OF BOG ROAD IN GLENGAD.

The Secretary asked for instructions regarding the expenditure of £40 handed in by Councillor Cole for the construction of a Bog Road in Glengad.

Councillor Cole stated that the money was lodged for expenditure in connection with a Minor Relief Scheme on the Lougherabraghey - Bengorms Road.

The Council decided to instruct the Acting Co. Surveyor accordingly.

409/34.

APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

An application for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts from Mr. Patrick Gallen, Railway Street, Killygordon, was adjourned, pending submission of the plans of the house proposed to be erected.

A letter was read from the De Valera Fianna Fail Cumann, Glassagh, Derrybeg, stating that at a recent Meeting of the Cumann it was resolved that the squad who get the least work on a certain job be the first to start on a new job, and that the work be divided irrespective of the townland through which the road is being made. The Cumann also complained of the unfair allocation of work on the Brinlack Road.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the system of allocation suggested by the Cumann was in practice.

411/34.

PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.
RESOLUTION FROM THE KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Kildare County Council, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-
"That the County Council of Kildare having considered the proposed Scheme for relief of rates on Agricultural Land for the year 1934/35 protest against its adoption on many grounds, of which the following are but a few:-

- (1) It will raise the rate levy on many farms where a large percentage is tilled and much labour employed.
- (2) No cognisance is taken of casual labour, and as casual labour is unavoidable on tillage farms the Scheme will operate against tillage farms.
- (3) No cognisance is taken of female labour, so largely employed on land, nor of boy labour.
- (4) On many farms, under present conditions, all the work is being done by families, many of them still only children, and to deny such rated occupiers relief of rates which they are entitled to would be unjust.
- (5) The Scheme will be difficult and costly to administer, and an equitable administration will be utterly impossible.
- (6) There will be a great temptation to people to render inaccurate returns, which will be difficult to verify, and many injustices will result.
- (7) The relief of rates above the first £20 of a Poor Law Valuation will be so small a portion of a year's wages for a workman that it will be no incentive to a rated occupier to employ labour, and the Scheme, therefore, will fail in its first objective.
- (8) The Scheme discriminates unfairly against holdings over £20 Poor Law Valuation, where mainly agricultural labourers are employed. It, therefore, strikes unjustly at wage-earning farmers and against that large body of citizens whose sole dependence is employment on the land, and who get no benefit whatever from the Scheme.
- (9) Under the Scheme the maximum relief will go in many cases to people who are not depending solely on the land for their means of livelihood.

We request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to abandon the proposal."

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Kavanagh the resolution was unanimously adopted, subject to the alteration of the word "abandon" in the last line to "amend."

412/34.

PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.
RESOLUTION FROM THE ROSCOMMON COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Roscommon Co. Council, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-
"That, in relation to the new method of allocating the Agricultural Grant, we call the attention of the Minister for Local Government to the cases of farmers who have daughters over the age of 17 years, in full occupation on their farms, helping to produce the real wealth of this country through pig-feeding, poultry-rearing, calf-rearing, butter-making, etc. Many of those farmers have no whole-time males employed through whom relief from the grant can be obtained, and have to depend for help on daughters in carrying on their industry, and on the question of whole-time employment the Council desires to know if occasional road work or other work will disqualify.

Again, many farmers have large families of children under the age of 17, a class, which, in the case of income-tax payers, entitles them to considerable abatements, and we urge the Minister to give favourable consideration to such cases when giving relief to farmers from the Agricultural Grant under the new legislation."

On the motion of Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

413/34.

PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter dated the 23rd March, 1934, Circ. No. 24/3/34, was submitted from the Minister for Local Government and Public Health with model form of claim for abatement of rates for use by the occupiers of Agricultural Land exceeding £20 a year rateable valuation.

The form incorporated all the changes suggested by a Committee nominated by the Conference of County Council Secretaries on the 28th February, 1934, with some other amendments which it had since been decided to make. Provision was made for the signature of the occupier being witnessed by a person of standing, and a warning printed that a person making a false claim with a view of obtaining relief would render himself liable to prosecution.

The Minister further pointed out that on receipt of the completed returns, in accordance with the procedure prescribed, each County Secretary would be in a position to calculate the amount required to meet the Primary and Secondary Grants, and on receipt of this information the amount of the additional Grant which would be allowed to each County for the forthcoming financial year would be determined.

The Secretary stated that the letter had been before the Sub-Finance Committee at their Meeting that morning.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the Council unanimously decided to adopt the following recommendations of the Sub-Finance Committee:-

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to request the Minister again to allow the Council to give the full abatement in two moieties by way of Credit Notes, the first moiety Credit Note to be valid until the 31st October, and the second moiety Credit Note to be valid until the 31st March. The Secretary was instructed to point out to the Department in support of the proposal:-

- (1) that ratepayers would be encouraged to pay their first moiety early and so ease the burden on themselves,
- (2) that money around the Autumn is more plentiful than in the Spring,
- (3) that a considerable saving in overdraft interest would be effected.

In the event of the Minister not allowing the full abatement to be given by way of Credit Note, the Council recommended as an alternative that an abatement of 66.3711 pence in the £ be allowed for the ensuing year as was done for the current year, and shown on the Demand Note on the first valuation of £20; the additional relief of 23.8774 pence in the £, together with the Secondary and Supplemental Grants, to be given by way of Credit Notes divided into two moieties, the first expiring on 31st October, and the second on 31st March.

The Council also authorised the Secretary to attend in Dublin, if necessary, in support of their views, and to request the Deputies for the County to accompany him.

414/34.

SUPPLIES OF TAR AND BITUMEN FOR THE YEAR 1934/35.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"I have asked for quotations from the Contractors to the Government for the supply of bitumen at the following Ports:- Donegal, Killybegs, and Burtonport. The quotations I find are reasonable for the bitumen required near these ports. I am, therefore, arranging for a cargo to be delivered at each of the ports stated.

With regard to places such as Stranorlar, Convoys, Castlefin, and other places inland, Derry is the nearest port."

On the motion of Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to instruct Mr. Caffrey to obtain tenders for the landing of tar and bitumen at Letterkenny Port.

415/34.

ERECTION OF HOUSE WITHIN 30 FEET FROM CENTRE OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. F. Gallagher, Solicitor, Donegal, inquiring if it would be in order for Mrs. Kate Gallagher, Drumnahoul, Donegal, to sign one of the ordinary printed Agreements in connection with the erection of a house within thirty feet of the centre of the roadway. She was poor, he stated, and wished to avoid any costs possible.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Law Committee.

(183/34 C.C.)

416/34.

ANNUAL REDUCTION IN AMOUNT ALLOWED FOR UPKEEP OF ROADS.

Mr. Gaffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"The Tenders for the coming year show a reduction of £316 for Main Roads and £1,776 for County Roads, making a total reduction of £2,092. This sum, unfortunately, is not sufficient to reduce the amount which the Council provisionally approved of for the upkeep of the roads during the year 1934/35. I have, therefore, to make a further reduction of £479 in Main Roads and £224 in County Roads, so that the necessary reduction of £2,795 may be made.

Some years ago the Council agreed to a minimum annual expenditure of £13 :10 per mile for County Roads and to £65 per mile for the upkeep of Main Roads. Last year, owing to a reduction in the Agricultural Grant, it was arranged to reduce the road estimate by £5,000. This was to be for one year only. This year a similar reduction is again ordered. The amount expended per mile for the upkeep of the roads is lower than in any other County in Ireland. For this reason a minimum sum should be fixed, and if any reduction in the County Estimate is to be made let it be taken from some other source than the roads. It is essential that the roads be maintained in reasonable repair, and this cannot be done if the amount fixed, which is already a minimum, be reduced.

I should also like to point out that when a road is declared a County Road, or when a new road is made, the Council by so doing assumes responsibility for the proper upkeep of these roads. There is scarcely a monthly meeting but at which some member brings forward a resolution to have one or two roads put on the rates, and in addition, every year new roads are made. This cannot go on at the expense of existing roads. In my estimate this year I brought forward a sum of £500 to repair new roads, and roads declared County Roads. I find now I shall have to withdraw this sum to reduce the estimate as directed. The making of a new road and the taking over of existing roads should synchronise with an increase in the annual sum allowed for the upkeep of the roads."

The Council approved of the report.

417/34.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO OPEN CARNDONAGH STREETS.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael D. White, Solicitor, Carndonagh, notifying the Council, on behalf of the Board of Health, of their intention to lay sewers and manholes in the town of Carndonagh, and asking for formal permission to do so.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. White that permission to open the streets had already been granted to Mr. James Kelly, Millbrae House, Carndonagh. (387/34 C.C.)

418/34.

SUPPLY OF COAL TO THE COUNCIL'S ROLLERS AND BREAKERS.

A letter was read from Mr. Alan McKenzie, Ballybrack House, Moville, complaining that he had not been given an opportunity of tendering for the supply of coal to the Council's rollers when in the Moville Area.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Acting County Surveyor.

The Council unanimously decided to instruct the Drivers to invite tenders for the supply of coal in future.

419/34.

APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS SURFACEMAN.

A letter was read from Rev. T. J. Gallagher, C.C., Cashelmore, applying, on behalf of Mr. P. Gallagher, Dunfanaghy, for the job of surfaceman at Murroe.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man lived too far away from the work.

420/34. SUPPLY OF ELECTRIC LIGHT TO GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Glenties Electric Supply Co. offering to supply Electric light to Glenties Courthouse from the 1st April, 1934, to the 30th September, 1934, at 5/- per installed lamp.
The Council decided to accept the offer.

421/34. CRANE ON RAMELTON PIER.

A letter was read from the Manager, Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Co., inquiring the position re crane on Ramelton Pier.
The Council adjourned consideration of the matter until their next Meeting.

422/34. REQUEST TO CONCRETE FOOTPATH IN BUNCRANA.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, asking the Council, on behalf of the Buncrana U.D.C., to concrete a small portion of the footpath in front of Buncrana Courthouse.
The matter was referred to the Acting Co. Surveyor.

423/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT OF MONIES DUE IN RESPECT OF ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Carr, Ballymacavanny, Pettigo, asking to be paid certain monies in respect of his road contract, which were deferred at the last Road Contractors' Meeting.
The County Surveyor stated that this man would be paid all monies due him along with the other Contractors.

424/34. INISFREE ISLANDERS AND NON-PAYMENT OF RATES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Inisfree Fianna Fail Cumann, stating that the islanders were unable to meet the demands of the Rate Collector this year, as owing to the heavy tariff on shell-fish last season was exceptionally bad for fishing, which was practically their only means of livelihood, and they received no Relief Works.
The Council noted the letter.

425/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE.- THOMAS MAGEE.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Magee, Carrigans, complaining of not being paid for certain road work performed.
The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted a report which was considered satisfactory.

426/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Neal McLaughlin, Coolkenney, Malin, applying for payment for ten tons of stones supplied in March, 1933.
The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that this man had been paid for all stones supplied.

427/34. APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR ROAD WORK PERFORMED.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward P. Doherty, Collin, Carndonagh, applying for payment for road work performed in the beginning of February.
The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man had since been paid.

428/34. APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE AT CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. James Kelly, Millbrae House, Carndonagh, enclosing account for £2 : 5 : 0 for painting front doors, etc. of Carndonagh Courthouse to the order of Mr. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor.
The Council ordered payment of the amount.

**429/34. APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT HOUSE BETWEEN COOLEY
THREE ROADS AND GLENCROW THREE ROADS.**

A letter was read from Mr. John Faulkner, Cooley, Moville, applying for permission to erect a house between Cooley Three Roads and Glencrow Three Roads on the site of the old house.

The matter was referred to the Acting Co. Surveyor for a report to be submitted to the next Meeting.

430/34. COMPLAINT RE NOT BEING EMPLOYED AS GANGER ON RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McGinley, Derryhassen, Downings, stating that the Acting Co. Surveyor's statement that he got his fair share of work was not correct, as there were men employed this year again who got twelve months' work last year, and he only got three.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted a report which the Council considered satisfactory.

**431/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO MAKE A PAYMENT TO MR.
PATRICK GAMBLE, CROAGHAN, BALLINDRAIT.**

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Gamble, Croaghan, Ballindrait, asking to have the time extended for payment of a Paying Order for £69 : 14 : 0 issued to him in June, 1933, in respect of Road work.

The Council unanimously decided to apply to the Local Government Department for sanction to an extension of time for making the payment.

432/34. STRANORLAR BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing for execution by the Council Grant of Wayleave in connection with above.

The Secretary stated that the matter had been before the Law Committee at their Meeting that morning, and the Committee had recommended the execution of the document.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to execute the Grant of Wayleave under Seal.

433/34. BEALAIGH NA BPORTACH, GOIRT A CHOIRCE.

Do Leigheadh litir ó Cumann Ruaidhri Casmuinn, Goirt a Choirce, ag deanamh gearain ar bealaigh na bportach annsan, agus ar sruthan ata ag síleadh loch na h-ardadh moire, agus ag radh nach bhfuil an sruthan seo domhain go leor, agus go bhfuil an talamh thart fa dtaobh do baidhte.

Fagadh an sgeal i lámhaibh an fhorrachain.

Confirmed.

W. M. Fadden

Chairman, 24th April 1934.

THE ADJOURNED ROAD WORKS MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY
COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 27TH DAY OF MARCH, 1934.

434/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGonigle, McIvor, McPhelimy, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty, Scott, and Sweeney.

435/34.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ANNUAL ROAD WORKS MEETING.

On the motion of the Chairman the Minutes of the Annual Road Works Meeting held on the 9th January, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

436/34.

CONTRACT ON ROAD FROM ARGANNY PIPE TO KILLEA BRIDGE,
AILEACH AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. James McMonagle, Glentown, St. Johnston, stating that he worked the road from Arganny Pipe to Killea for over 20 years, and that he had now lost the contract through under-cutting.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

437/34.

CONTRACT ON ROAD NO. 70, GLENTIES AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Meenadinna, Glenties, objecting to the Contract on Road No. 70, Glenties District, on the grounds that the Contractor was not a ratepayer and resided over three miles away. The writer had been the Contractor on this road for the past 25 years, and was an applicant at last Meeting.

The objection was over-ruled.

438/34.

CONTRACT ON ROAD NO. 3, DONEGAL AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard McCabe, Killian, Frosses, complaining that his Tender for Road No. 3 was rejected at Donegal Tenders Meeting. He had sufficient help to do the work.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

439/34.

CONTRACTS NOS. 2 AND 4, LETTERKENNY AREA.

A letter was read from Messrs. John Doherty and Michael McDaid, Breenagh, objecting to Contracts Nos. 2 and 4, Letterkenny District. The Contractors were brothers who resided on the same farm, and who secured each other.

The objection was over-ruled.

440/34.

CONTRACT ON ROAD NO. 201, BUNCRANA AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Noone, Cloontagh, Clonmany, objecting to the Contract on Road No. 201, Buncrana Division. The Contractor took the road at a very low figure, and neither he nor his sureties were eligible, as they were neither land-owners nor householders, but merely school-boys. The writer held the contract for 12 years.

The objection was over-ruled.

441/34. CONTRACT ON ROAD NO. 191, BUNCRANA DIVISION.

A letter was read from Mr. John Doherty, Glebe, Clonmany, objecting to the Contract on Road No. 191, Buncrana Division, on the grounds that neither the Contractor nor his sureties owned any land or houses. The figure was cut from £9 :19 : 0 to £6 :10 : 0.

The objection was over-ruled.

442/34. ROAD FROM JOSEPH LOGUE'S TO HENRY McDAID'S, BALLYLAWN, CASTLECARY.

A letter was read from Mr. Daniel Doherty, Ballylawn, Castlecary, pointing out that the road from Joseph Logue's to Henry McDaid's in Ballylawn was omitted from the Road Schedule.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this Road was included in the Road Sheets for the present year, viz:- No. 165, Map No. 376. It had been included for the past three years but had never been contracted for.

443/34. OBJECTION TO ENCROACHMENT ON LANDS AT COLLIN, CARNDONAGH.

A letter was read from Messrs. Robert and William **Harkin**, Collin, Carndonagh, objecting to any encroachment on their lands for the widening of the Carndonagh-Clonmany Road at Collin.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that no encroachment would be made on the lands of Messrs. Hartin.

444/34. QUALITY OF MATERIAL USED ON ROAD NO. 34, DONEGAL DIVISION.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Edrim Glebe and Altidoo, Donegal, applying and demanding to have an improved quality of metal used for the repair of Road No. 34, Donegal Division.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

445/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TULLYEARL COUNTY ROAD.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Legnacurry, Donegal, applying to have the Tullyearl County Road extended about 33 perches and made a County Road.

The County Surveyor stated that this would involve considerable expense, and the Secretary was instructed to inform the parties concerned that the Council had no funds for the purpose.

446/34. CONTRACT ON ROAD NO. 44, LETTERKENNY DIVISION.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh McDaid, Keenaghan, Kilmacrenan, inquiring if James Black completed Bond for Road No. 44, Letterkenny District. If not, his Tender was the next lowest.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. McDaid that Mr. Black had duly completed his Bond.

447/34. CONTRACT ON ROAD NO. 24, DUNGLOE AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. Neal McBride, Meenderrynasloe, Annagry, stating that the sureties accepted for Contract on Road No. 24 at Dungloe Meeting were not rated occupiers, and he submitted that the Contract was not in order. His tender was the next lowest.

The objection was overruled.

448/34. CONTRACT NO. 34, KILCAR AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Maguire, Largybrack, Meenacross, Glencolumbkille, complaining that although his tender was the lowest for Contract No. 34, Kilcar Area, it was not accepted, and asking to have it accepted now.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

449/34.

CONTRACT NO. 167, MILFORD AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. Neal McGettigan, Meenreagh, Kilmacrenan, complaining of a flagrant violation of the rules of the Milford Road Contractors' Union, i.e. the giving of a contract to a Contractor who had already £40 worth of contracts. The contract was given at the Milford Meeting to a man who already held contracts amounting to £80, and whose son was permanently employed as a surfaceman. He asked the Council to break Contract No. 167, Milford Area.

A further letter was read from Mr. McGettigan withdrawing the statements made by him, and stating that the matter was now amicably settled.

A letter was also read from a number of persons in Kilmacrenan objecting to Contract No. 167, Milford Area, on the grounds that the Contractor was an extensive farmer and held two contracts already. His son was employed as a surfaceman and he had an uncompleted contract of £80.

A deputation appeared before the Council in connection with the matter, and, after a lengthy discussion, Councillor Blaney proposed and Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) seconded that the Contract be not confirmed.

Mr. Blaney subsequently withdrew his proposal, and the decision of the Tenders Committee was ratified by the Council.

450/34.

CONTRACT NO. 62, MAP NO. 652, MILFORD AREA.

A letter was read from Messrs. John O'Donnell and James Friel, Goaldrum, Termon, complaining that although their Tenders were the lowest for Road No. 652, Milford Area, they did not get the Contract, whilst the Contractor appointed, James McGettigan, had three road contracts already.

A further letter was read from Mr. James Friel, Goaldrum, Termon, stating that although his was one of the lowest Tenders for the Gole-Lough Salt Road he did not get the contract. He stated that the majority of the ratepayers of the district were of the opinion that the Milford Road Contractors' Union had outlived its usefulness, and that any ratepayer or ratepayer's son was entitled to a chance of earning a living, and not confining the work to a small clique who used their power to get work for themselves and their friends. He also referred to the saving that would ensue to the rates if an end were put to the Milford farce.

A letter was read from Mr. James Malseed, Solicitor, Letterkenny, inquiring, on behalf of John O'Donnell, Goaldrum, Termon, why his contract for No. 62, Map No. 652, was not accepted, although the lowest.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Loughrey it was agreed to place the road referred to in the hands of the County Surveyor to be carried out by Direct Labour.

451/34.

CONTRACT NO. 19, GLENTIES AREA.

A letter was read from Councillor Con O'Donnell stating that a mistake appeared to have been made in connection with Contract No. 19, Glenties Area, where the lower of two Tenders was not accepted.

The Council unanimously decided to place the Contract in the hands of the County Surveyor.

452/34.

DUNFANAGHY TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING AT FALCARRAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. P. A. McCarthy, Falcarragh Fianna Fail Cumann, complaining of certain irregularities in connection with the Meeting of the Dunfanaghy Tenders Committee.

A letter was also read from the President of the Falcarragh Fianna Fail Cumann objecting to the acceptance of some of the Tenders at the Dunfanaghy Tenders Meeting on the grounds of certain irregularities.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 15th March, 1934, RGM/7, asking for the observations of the Council on a copy of a letter from the Falcarragh Fianna Fail Cumann in regard to the Meeting of the Dunfanaghy Tenders Committee.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor for the District, which the Council considered satisfactory.

453/34.

RESOLUTIONS REQUESTING THE CARRYING OUT OF ALL ROAD
WORK BY DIRECT LABOUR.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McGee, Secretary, Loughkeel Fianna Fail Cumann, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-
"That we protest against the letting of any roads in our District and request that in future the County Council employ Direct Labour on these roads with the scheduled amounts."

A letter was also read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Secretary, Maghery Fianna Fail Cumann, Roshine, Dungloe, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That we, the members of the above Club, strongly protest against the letting of any roads in our District, and request that in future the County Council employ Direct Labour on these roads with the scheduled amounts."

A letter was read from the De Valera Fianna Fail Cumann, Glassagh, Derrybeg, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That we, the members of the Cumann De Valera, protest against the letting of any roads in our District, and request that in future the Co. Council employ Direct Labour on these roads, with the scheduled amounts."

A letter was read from Mr. H. O'Brien, Secretary, Knockfole Fianna Fail Cumann, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-
"That we, the members of the Knockfole Fianna Fail Cumann, protest against the letting of any roads in our District, and request that in future the Co. Council employ Direct Labour on these roads, with the scheduled amounts."

The Council noted the above resolutions.

454/34.

CONTRACT NO. 180, MILFORD AREA - BUILDING OF STONE WALL
AT THE PUBLIC HALL, ROSSNAKILL.

Councillor Blaney adverted to Contract No. 180 for the building of a stone wall at the Public Hall, Rosanakill, and he proposed that the work be placed in the hands of the County Surveyor.

Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) seconded.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor Loughrey seconded that the decision of the Tenders Committee be ratified.

On a vote, 16 members voted for Councillor Baxter's amendment, and 4 for Councillor Blaney's motion.

The Council decided to confirm the decision of the Tenders Committee.

455/34.

CONTRACTS IN THE DONEGAL AREA.

Councillor Hamilton referred to a number of Tenders in the Donegal Area to which the Assistant Surveyor had objected on the grounds that the amounts were too low, and in which cases the Bonds had not been completed.

The Council decided to refer these cases to the Co. Surveyor, with instructions that the persons who had submitted the lowest tenders be given an opportunity of carrying out the works for one year at the prices quoted.

456/34.

LIST OF CONTRACTS FOR PERIOD COMMENCING 1ST APRIL, 1934.

The Council considered seriatim the list of Contracts for Maintenance and Special works for the period commencing 1st April, 1934, as provisionally accepted by the Tenders Committee.

With the exception of all Tenders which were informal, and of those Tenders in which the County Surveyor objected to the Contractor, The Council decided to approve of the acceptance of all Tenders for works by the Tenders Committees, and to enter into Contracts for the execution of the works in accordance with the Tenders accepted by affixing the Seal of the Council to the Tenders provisionally accepted by the Tenders Committee.

Confirmed

M. M. J. J.

Chairman,

24th April, 1934.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY,
THE 24TH DAY OF APRIL, 1934.

457/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Douglas, Gallagher, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGonagle, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Doherty, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentreiber.

458/34.

A P O L O G Y.

An apology for inability to be present was received from Councillor Doogan.

459/34.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Co. Council held on the 27th March, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

460/34.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ROAD WORKS MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the Minutes of the Adjourned Road Works Meeting held on the 27th March, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

Councillor Baxter referred to Contract No. 44, Letterkenny Division, and he suggested that, as the person who had submitted the lowest Tender did not complete the Bond, the Contract be given to the person who had submitted the next lowest Tender.

The matter was referred to the Acting Co. Surveyor.

461/34.

REPORT OF LAW COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Hamilton the report of the Meeting of the Law Committee held on the 27th March, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

462/34.

REPORTS OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the reports of the Meetings of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 27th March, 1934, and the 12th April, 1934, were adopted unanimously.

463/34.

REPORT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE MEETING, AND APPOINTMENT OF SUB-INSPECTOR FOR THE GLENTIES AREA.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor seconded by Councillor Brady the report of the Meeting of the Sheep Dipping Committee held on the 17th April, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

The Secretary asked for instructions regarding the appointment of a Sub-Inspector for the Glenties District in place of Mr. Con O'Donnell. He stated that if the appointment were deferred until the Meeting of the Council on the 29th May it would be rather late as the Sheep Dipping Scheme came into force on the 1st June.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was unanimously decided to give the Sheep Dipping Committee plenary powers to make the appointment on the day of their next Meeting, which it was decided to hold on Thursday, the 17th May.

464/34.

CONSIDERATION OF QUARTERLY LIST OF PAYMENTS.

The Quarterly List of Payments was considered seriatim, and payment ordered in each case as recommended by the Finance Committee.

465/34. DUTY ON IRISH-CURED HERRINGS ENTERING POLAND AND GERMANY.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Trade and Industries Branch, Lord Edward Street, Dublin, dated 21st April, 1934, T.I.C.22414, acknowledging the receipt of the Council's resolution re duty on Irish-cured herrings entering Poland and Germany.

466/34. REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 19th March, 1934, MT/7, stating that the provisions of Paragraph 11 (2) of the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations, 1921, were not applicable in the circumstances indicated in the Secretary's letter of the 12th March.

467/34. ALLOWANCE OF CLERICAL ASSISTANCE TO MR. PATRICK DAWSON, ACTING COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, applying for continuance of clerical assistance for the three months ended 30th April, 1934.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to allow Mr. Dawson clerical assistance at the rate of £2 per week for the period mentioned. (RS/7, 18/1/1934.)

468/34. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 18th April, 1934, F.17/34, enclosing copy of an Order made by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health under Section 2 of the Local Elections and Meetings (Postponement) Act, 1931, revoking his Order of the 17th October, 1933, and appointing the 26th June, 1934, as the date for holding the local Elections postponed by the aforesaid Act.

469/34. PORTSALON AND DUNTINNY DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 20th April, 1934, No. 4175/34, requesting the Council to arrange to have the necessary works of maintenance in connection with the Portsalon and Duntinny Drainage District carried out this year, and the contribution of £440 : 17 : 9, plus £79 : 0 : 4 accrued interest to date, lodged to their credit on or before the 30th inst.

Councillor Blaney proposed that the matter be referred back to the Office of Public Works with an intimation that no monies would be paid until the Scheme was properly completed.

Councillor Baxter seconded the proposal, which was carried unanimously.

470/34. REQUEST FOR GRANT TO COMPLETE TRUNK ROAD FROM LETTERKENNY TO STRANORLAR.

Councillor Mahony inquired if any notification had been received from the Department regarding the Council's application for a grant to complete the Trunk Road from Letterkenny to Stranorlar.

The Secretary replying in the negative, it was unanimously decided to instruct him to ask the Department again for a grant to complete this road. (63/34, 30/1/1934.)

471/34. REQUEST FOR GRANT FOR MUFF-BURNFOOT ROAD.

On the motion of Councillor Scott the Secretary was instructed to ask the Department again for a grant to improve the road from Muff to Burnfoot.

472/34.

MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANT, YEAR 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, RGM/201/34, notifying a grant of £16,425 in respect of Main Road Upkeep for the year 1934/35.

473/34.

CONSTRUCTION OF FOOTBRIDGE OVER THE REELIN RIVER.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 27th March, 1934, P.8261/34, acknowledging the receipt of the Council's resolution re construction of footbridge over the Reelin River, and stating that they were not prepared to undertake the work.

474/34.

APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS BY MR. AND MRS. CHARLES McLEAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Housing Section, dated 27th March, 1934, H.941/34, stating that the Council was empowered under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899, as amended by the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1931, to advance loans to persons purchasing or intending to construct houses for their own occupation. The Council did not appear to be empowered to make an advance under the Acts to Mr. and Mrs. Charles McLean, Garvan, Cloghan.

The Council unanimously decided to refund to Mr. and Mrs. McLean their deposit of £2 : 2 : 0.

475/34.

APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS BY MR. THOMAS DOHERTY, GORTANNY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 18th April, 1934, H.146993/33, sanctioning an advance of £25 to Mr. Thomas Doherty, Gortanny, Quigley's Point, under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

476/34.

APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS BY MR. HENRY A. SPENCE, ARDARA.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 18th April, 1934, H.146993/33, stating that an advance under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts could not be sanctioned in respect of the house proposed to be erected by Mr. Henry A. Spence, Ardara, as the house was not intended for his own occupation.

The Council unanimously decided to refund Mr. Spence his deposit of £2 : 2 : 0.

477/34.

HEALTH WEEK, 1934.

A letter was read from the Royal Sanitary Institute stating that the week from the 7th to the 13th October, 1934, had been selected for the celebration of Health Week, and they would be glad to hear in due course of any action the Council proposed to take.

478/34.

SALARIES OF SANITARY OFFICERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th March, 1934, enclosing a Payable Order for £164 : 12 : 1 being balance payable in respect of recoupment of proportion of the salaries of Sanitary Officers for the year ended 30th September, 1933.

479/34.

SALARIES OF MEDICAL OFFICERS, ETC.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th March, 1934, enclosing a Payable Order for £1,204 : 1 : 6, being balance payable of proportion of expenditure incurred upon the salaries of Medical Officers, etc. during the year ended 30th September, 1933.

480/34.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1933/34.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th March, 1934, enclosing Payable Order for £16,720, in respect of Agricultural Grant for the year 1933/34.

Pending notification from the Department of particulars of the deductions in respect of Land Purchase Annuities, consideration of the matter was adjourned.

481/34. RECOUPMENT IN RESPECT OF THE PREPARATION OF THE ELEVENTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter was read from the Department of Finance dated 29th March, 1934, S.26/1/33, enclosing Payable Order for £786 : 3 : 4 being the amount recoupable to the Donegal County Council in connection with the preparation of the Eleventh Register of Electors under the Electoral Act, 1923, and the Juries Act, 1927.

482/34.

COUNTY ENGINEERING SERVICES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th April, 1934, inquiring what action was taken by the Council on the Minister's letter of the 5th March re County Engineering Services.

483/34. EXTENSION OF TIME FOR COMPLETION OF MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 7th April, 1934, stating that they were issuing instructions to the County Surveyors that in cases where sanctioned works had not been completed by the 31st March, an extension of time would be granted to complete the works.

484/34.

ADJUSTMENT OF SALARY OF MR. JOHN P. GALLAGHER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd March, 1934, G.29567/34, inquiring whether Mr. John P. Gallagher was, and would continue to be, engaged solely on work connected with Motor Registration and Licensing.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th April, 1934, G.37761/34, approving of Mr. John P. Gallagher's being placed on a salary scale of £240 per annum on the 1st June next to proceed thereafter by four annual increments of £10, and a final increment of £5, to a maximum salary of £285. The present maximum amount recoupable to the Council in respect of Motor Registration and Licensing work was £310. This amount was subject to adjustment from year to year.

485/34.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th April, 1934, G.38286/34, Fa., sanctioning continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 up to the 30th April.

The Secretary stated that at the moment the Council owed the Bank a sum of £34,563, but that transfers were due in respect of the current year to the Subsidiary Bodies, and that payments had to be made to the Road Contractors for the half-year ended 31st March. He considered that Overdraft accommodation of £50,000 would be sufficient until the end of May.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £50,000 until the 31st May.

486/34.

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 29th March, 1934, enclosing for completion a return showing the operations of the Council under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts up to the 31st March, 1934.

487/34. PILING OF METAL ON ROADSIDES, PARTICULARLY ON THE ROAD
FROM GWEEDORE TO BUNBEG.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 6th April, 1934, RM/7, referring to an entry in the Minutes re broken stones on the road from Gweedore to Bunbeg, and stating that in piling metalling on the roadsides more consideration should be given to traffic, and in arranging the metalling accommodation, places should be provided for traffic to cross. A similar state of affairs to that referred to also existed on the road from Glenties to Dungloe.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"The letter from the Local Government Department dated 6th April, 1934, relates to a matter I reported upon previously.

On the road from Gweedore to Bunbeg, we had a Relief Grant, R.N.I., which lasted from about the 1st December, 1932, until the 18th March, 1933.

Mr. J. H. Steadman, the then Co. Surveyor, considered that best results would be obtained and the money more evenly divided amongst the men by going in almost completely for the supply of 2" broken stone.

At that time we had over 2,500 tons of broken stone piled along the roadsides as we had no depots or piling grounds available elsewhere. During the months of April, May, June, and July we rolled in about 1,800 tons of the above stone, which was all that our money could afford, as we had to allow for the usual maintenance afterwards. We took all precautions possible for the safety of the public, but considering the narrow road we have to deal with there was bound to be a certain amount of inconvenience to traffic.

The only suitable roller we have for this district of weak, narrow roads started rolling in the area last week, and I expect to have most of the stone complained of rolled in in a month or so.

If complaints of the kind are to be avoided some arrangement must be made by the Council to provide suitable depots for the safe piling of stone, machinery, etc."

On the motion of Councillor Hamilton seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to instruct the County and Assistant Surveyors to take the necessary steps to prevent stones being piled within fifteen yards of junctions of roads and bends.

488/34. SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY TO THE COURTHOUSE AND COUNCIL
OFFICES, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from the Electricity Supply Board dated 7th April, 1934, A.337 (a), stating that the Electricity Supply Board had no objection to the continuance of the arrangements under which the Council was obtaining a supply of Electricity from Messrs. A. Gallagher, Ltd., for a further period of three months.

A letter was also read from the New Pelaphone Engine Co., Ltd., Lofthouse Gate, Wakefield, England, offering to carry out certain repairs to the Council's Engine free of charge.

The Council unanimously decided to accept the offer.

489/34. HEDGE-CUTTING.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 10th April, 1934, IR/89, stating that it was not possible to indicate when Section 34 of the Local Government Act, 1925, would be amended. Meantime, it was expected that full advantage would be taken of the existing powers regarding the enforcement of hedge-cutting.

Councillor Hamilton stated that the fullest advantage should be taken of the existing powers.

Councillor Gallagher complained of the condition of the hedges in the Drimarone and Lettermore Areas.

490/34. EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PAYMENT OF OVERDUE ACCOUNT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, RM/7, sanctioning the necessary extension of time for payment of an account of Patrick Gamble, Croaghan, Ballindrait.

491/34. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED TO THE LATE MR. A. DOHERTY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 10th April, 1934, G.40938/34, A.b., stating that the Council had no power to hand over to Mr. P. J. Doherty the balance refunded by the University Authorities of the first moiety of the Scholarship which was awarded to the late Mr. A. Doherty, nor had the Minister power to sanction such a payment.

492/34. STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th April, 1934, Circ. No. 20/34, asking for certain statistical information.

493/34. AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS OF CO. VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th April, 1934, A.39022/34, enclosing copy of the Auditor's report on his audit of the accounts of the Co. Donegal Vocational Education Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1933.

494/34. IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, submitting a report of the Meeting of the Downings Pier Committee, and pointing out certain urgent works which required to be carried out.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that a considerable portion of the money allocated to him had been spent, and that the balance remaining would not be sufficient to carry out the repairs suggested by the Piers Committee; the cost of which he estimated at £46.

495/34. SPECIFICATION FOR RE-BUILDING OF PIPE IN CARRIGART.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, complaining that on a work recommended by him - the re-building of a double ope pipe - Mr. M. Dawson altered his recommendation from a concrete foundation to a foundation of flag-stones.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that a specification would be drawn up as required by Mr. Doherty.

496/34. GORTNABRADE-CARRIGART DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, complaining of the unfair allocation of work on the Gortnabrade-Carrigart Drainage Scheme.

Councillor Doherty stated that the scheme had since been finished.

497/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONE SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, applying, on behalf of Edward McGinley, Umlagh, Carrigart, for payment for 60 tons of whinstone, which he supplied to the order of Mr. M. Dawson.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man had since been paid.

498/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONE SUPPLIED IN CONNECTION WITH A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty, Carrigart, controverting, on behalf of Mr. James O'Donnell, Downies Barr, Cranford, certain statements made by the Acting Co. Surveyor at the last Meeting in connection with Mr. O'Donnell's claim for payment for 20 tons of building stone.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the Ganger, Mr. Patrick McHugh, Cranford, adhered to his statement that Mr. O'Donnell had been supplied with material to re-place that taken from him.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability. (350/34.)

499/34. SUPPLY OF TAR AND BITUMEN FOR THE YEAR 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, Trade Section, dated 16th April, 1934, T.41499/34, referring to the Council's resolution No. 414/34 regarding the supplies of tar and bitumen for the year 1934/35, and asking to be furnished with particulars of the quotations mentioned in his report by Mr. Caffrey.

Mr. Caffrey stated that he understood from the Irish Shell Co., Ltd., that cargoes of 200 or 300 tons could not be brought alongside the Quay at Letterkenny, and that the only alternative was to ship the consignment to Derry and rail from that point.

Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, stated that the price quoted for tar delivered at Buncrana was £5 : 6 : 0 per ton, less 3/- per ton when a 300 ton lot was taken. For delivery at Derry the price was £4 : 10 : 0 per ton. By importing the tar at Derry a saving of 13/- per ton was effected or 55½ tons in a contract.

Councillor Brennan stated that a certain Donegal Merchant was anxious to tender for the supply of tar which he would obtain on the Continent.

A lengthy discussion ensued in which Councillor Scott suggested that some of the local shippers at Buncrana should have been asked for a quotation, and that the Council should have bought the tar F.o.b. at Ardrossan.

Eventually it was decided on the motion of Councillor Brady, seconded by Councillor Mahony, to instruct the Co. Surveyor, subject to sanction, to get quotations from the different Shipping Companies for the conveyance of tar to Buncrana Port; the tar to be purchased F.o.b. at Ardrossan.

500/34. DANGEROUS CORNERS AT INVER RAILWAY STATION, AND ON ROAD LEADING TO DRIMCOE.

Councillor Hamilton proposed:- "That the County Surveyor's attention be directed to the dangerous corners at the junction of the New Line with the Main Road, Mountcharles, at Inver Railway Station, and on the corner of the road leading to Drimcoe, and that he be instructed to take the earliest opportunity either by way of Grants or the County Fund of having these places made reasonably safe for the public."

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

501/34. REQUEST FOR ALLOCATION OF GRANTS TO WIDEN DANGEROUS CORNERS.

Councillor Baxter proposed that the Minister for Local Government be requested to allocate a portion of future Grants for the widening of dangerous corners.

The motion was passed unanimously.

502/34. PROPOSAL TO ALLOW BENEFIT OF CREDIT NOTES TO PERSONS WHO
PAID THEIR RATES BETWEEN THE 31ST MARCH AND THE 14TH APRIL.

Councillor Gallagher proposed, Councillor McShane seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-
"That all farmers who have paid their rates between the 31st March and the 14th April get full credit for their Credit Notes in the year 1934."

503/34. REDUCTIONS IN AMOUNTS ALLOWED FOR CERTAIN ROADS.

Councillor Sweeney proposed:- "That I wish to protest in the strongest possible manner against the actions of those, who without right or justice, seek to cut off a number of backward roads that serve the poor, and for which contracts have been signed lately."

The County Surveyor stated that the reductions in the amounts were made by the County Council.

504/34. PROPOSAL NO. 207, ROAD NO. 137, INISHOWEN AREA.

A letter was read from Councillor McGonagle asking that the tender of Mr. George Doherty, Adderville, Clonmany, on Road No. 137, Proposal No. 207, which was rejected because of a technical error, be accepted.

Mr. McGonagle was informed that the Contract was now in the hands of the County Surveyor.

505/34. SUBSTITUTION OF TERM "MR." FOR "ESQ."

Councillor Lowry proposed, Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-
"That it be a direction to our Secretary and the Secretaries of our Subsidiary Bodies to substitute the term "Mr." for "Esq." in all communications addressed to members, as the latter term is not only obsolete, but its survival as a courtesy title is out of harmony with the democratic spirit of the present day so often expressed by our public representatives."

506/34. LONDONDERRY AND LOUGH SWILLY RAILWAY.

In the absence of Councillor Doogan, the following Notice of Motion standing in his name was adjourned:-

"That the Government or the County Donegal Railways Joint Committee be asked to take over the working and management of the Railway from Letterkenny to Burtonport, owing to the fact that the Lough Swilly Railway Co. have notified their employees that unless they accept a cut of 20% in their wages the Railway would close down, notwithstanding the fact that the Government of Northern Ireland and the Free State have given £9,000 of a subsidy towards the working of the Lough Swilly Railway. This threat is rather drastic in face of the Summer tourist traffic and otherwise. It is a well-known fact that the extension of the Railway from Letterkenny to Burtonport is run to suit no passenger traffic, and suits no connections. The road is supposed to be neglected and dangerous."

507/34. APPLICATION TO ERECT FENCES ON ROAD, MAP NO. 196, PROPOSAL
NO. 40, INISHOWEN AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. John McDermott, Glenagivney, Moville, applying for permission to construct 100 perches of fencing on Proposal No. 40, Map No. 196.

The required permission was unanimously granted, subject to the approval of the Acting County Surveyor.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Brennan the Council adjourned sine die the question of co-option of members on the Council in place of Captain Manus O'Boyle and Mr. Con O'Donnell, both resigned.

A letter from the Inver and Mountcharles Branch of the Farmers' and Ratepayers' Association nominating Mr. James McGrory, P.C. for co-option on the Council in place of Captain O'Boyle was also adjourned sine die.

509/34. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE ON IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Brennan the Council adjourned sine die the question of appointing a representative on the Irish Tourist Association in place of Captain Manus O'Boyle.

510/34. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINEE TO ANNUAL MEETING OF THE IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES, LTD.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Brennan the Council adjourned sine die the question of appointing a nominee in connection with the Annual Meeting of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd.

511/34. OLD JAIL GROUNDS, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Messrs. Charles O'Doherty & Son, Lifford, asking to have included in the plot of ground allowed to them the 20 foot bank adjoining which, for all practical purposes, was waste.

The Secretary stated that the matter had been referred to the local Public Health Committee for a report, but that no report had been received.

Councillor Wagentreiber stated that the local Public Health Committee, of which he was the Secretary, had applied to the Board of Health for copies of the revised plans in connection with the houses proposed to be built on the Old Jail Site, but that these had not yet been received.

Councillor Wagentreiber proposed and Councillor Scott seconded that the application of Messrs. O'Doherty & Son be granted.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor McPhelimy seconded that the application be adjourned.

After a lengthy discussion the Council agreed to adjourn the matter.

512/34. MAINTENANCE OF PIER CONSTRUCTED ON GOLA ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 11th January, 1934, D.2/19/8, referring to their letter of the 21st September, 1933, and the Council's resolution No. 1101/33 of the 31st October, 1933, on the subject of the maintenance of the Pier on Gola Island.

Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"From my inspection on Gola Island, I find there are two Piers on the Island, one the East Pier and one the West Pier.

Both are substantial stone and concrete structures, and perfectly suitable for the class of business being done, which is chiefly fishing with the usual light fishing craft employed on the Donegal Islands.

The lack of roads on the Island and approaches to the Piers is a serious consideration, as until a few months ago there was no road whatever on the Island. A short length (about 200 perches) was made recently under Minor Relief Schemes when £100 was expended, but against that there is still required to be made about 300 perches, which would cost about £300.

At present there are no cranes or other hoisting arrangements on either of the Piers."

On the motion of Councillor Brennan it was unanimously decided to take over the Boatslip on the Island constructed by the Department of Fisheries as from the 1st May, 1934.

513/34. EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BY FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, enclosing list of equipment required by the different Food and Drugs Inspectors in the County for the ensuing twelve months. The Council unanimously decided to order the required equipment.

514/34. APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR AT DONEGAL TOWN.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, suggesting the appointment of Garda P. Francis as an additional Food and Drugs Inspector with headquarters at Donegal, and, in the event of his appointment, asking that he be supplied with the necessary equipment.

On the motion of Councillor Gallagher seconded by Councillor O'Boyle it was unanimously decided to appoint Garda Francis, and to supply him with the necessary equipment.

515/34. CRANE ON RAMELTON PIER.

A letter was read from the Manager, Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Co., inquiring the position re the crane on Ramelton Pier.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted a report in the matter.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Railway Co. that the Council did not require the crane.

516/34. TRANSFER OF RAMELTON PIER TO THE COUNCIL.

On the motion of Councillor McCrea seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to request the Council's Solicitor to expedite the transfer of the above Pier to the Council.

517/34. OPENING OF PUBLIC ROADWAYS BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, acknowledging the receipt of the Council's resolution re opening of roadways, following legal advice in the case of the Dungloe Sewers.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, applying for permission to open the public roads for the purposes of carrying out the following Schemes:-

Killybegs Waterworks.

Carndonagh Sewers.

Ballybofey and Stranorlar Sewers.

Kerrykeel Waterworks.

Ballybofey and Stranorlar Waterworks. (Extension to Millbrae.)

Dungloe Waterworks Extension. (In hands of Co. Surveyor.)

The Council unanimously decided to give the required permission on the completion in each case by the Contractor of the usual Agreement, and the lodgment to the credit of the Council of the necessary deposit.

518/34. INSPECTION OF MEAT EXPOSED FOR SALE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, enclosing copy of Minute stating that the County Medical Officers of Health had been asked to report in cases of meat unfit for human food exposed for sale.

The Council noted the letter.

519/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Cavanagh, Carrowhugh, Greencastle, complaining of not being paid for a heap of stones measured on the 29th March last by Mr. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man had since been paid.

520/34. USE OF HALL IN MOVILLE FOR VERIFICATION OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Buncrana, applying for sanction for the engagement of a Hall from Mr. W. Temple, Moville, for the verification of Weights and Measures. St. Eugene's Hall was not available on the day it was required.

The required approval was unanimously granted.

521/34. CONTRACTS NOS. 15 AND 94, DONEGAL AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. John Campbell, Meenawilderg, Donegal, stating that the man who got the Contracts for Roads Nos. 15 and 94, Donegal Area, was not a ratepayer, and he considered that this man was not entitled to the contracts.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

522/34. REMOVAL OF NAME OF MR. W. J. McFEELY, V.S. FROM REGISTER OF VETERINARY SURGEONS.

A letter was read from Mr. W. J. McFeely, V.S., Ballyshannon, explaining the cause of the non-payment of his fee to the Veterinary Council.

On the motion of Councillor Gallagher the Council unanimously decided to accept the explanation.

523/34. ROAD ON GLENGAD MOUNTAIN, VIA URBALREAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. B. Grant, Ballygorman, asking the Council to steam-roll the road on the Glengad Mountain, via Urbalreagh, when the light roller was in the district.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the road referred to was not a County Road.

524/34. REQUEST TO HAVE IRISH STREET, RAPHOE, SURFACED AND STEAM-ROLLED.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Hamilton, Raphoe, asking the Council to have Irish Street, Raphoe, surfaced and steam-rolled.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that there was no money available for this work.

525/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF ROAD TO LUNNIAGH, DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Owen Coyle, Lunniagh, Derrybeg, complaining of the condition of the road to Lunniagh branching from the Main Road at Mr. Thomas Coll's.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the matter complained of was receiving attention.

526/34. CONTRACT NO. 119, INISHOWEN AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. John Boyle, Ballyharry, Carrowmena, inquiring why his Road Contract No. 119 was cancelled.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that the Tender in this case was informal, and that the Contract had been placed in his hands.

527/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT OF WORKERS ON MEENACLADDY MINOR RELIEF SCHEME, NO. 191.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Glenhola, Meenlara, complaining that the labourers on the Meenacaddy Minor Relief Scheme had not received any payment nor had they been inspected by the Assistant Surveyor.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted a report in connection with the matter, from which it was observed that this was one of the Minor Relief Schemes on which a number of men had started working without authority from the Ganger or Assistant Surveyor.

The Council unanimously decided to take no action in the matter.

528/34. PROTESTS AGAINST SYSTEM OF ALLOCATION OF MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES,
PARTICULARLY IN THE FORMER RURAL DISTRICTS OF DERRY NO. 2
AND STRABANE NO. 2.

Derry No. 2 Area.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 12th April, 1934, setting out the basis on which Minor Relief Schemes were allocated, particularly in the Aileach District (formerly Derry No. 2.)

In making the allocations, the Commissioners had in view the comparative rateable valuation per head of the population in each of the former Rural Districts of Dunfanaghy, Glenties, and Inishowen. These figures were:-

Dunfanaghy.....18s/6d.
Glenties.....16s/0d.
Inishowen.....£2:0:8.

Minor Relief Schemes were provided for the poorer of the Electoral Divisions in Inishowen, namely, Fahan, Kilderry, Three Trees, and Buncrana Rural. A grant of £900 had also been made for the development of peat in the Area controlled by the Buncrana Peat Society.

Councillor Scott stated that there was as much hardship and poverty in his District as in any other part of the County, and that this was borne out by the Home Assistance Lists. Out of the total grants the Districts of Glenties and Dunfanaghy had received over 65%, and he proposed that the Council again ask the Office of Public Works, when allocating grants for the current year, to give some consideration to the Aileach (formerly Derry No. 2) Rural District, and also to the Districts of Stranorlar and Letterkenny, and that a more equitable basis of allocation than the comparative rateable valuation per head of the population be adopted.

In seconding the resolution, which was unanimously adopted, Councillor Gallen quoted figures showing the amount of Home Assistance paid weekly in the various Districts.

Strabane No. 2 Area.

A letter was read from Mr. James O'Donnell, Hon. Secretary, St. Patrick's Cumann, Fianna Fail, Clonleigh, stating that a deputation would attend the next Meeting of the Council (1) regarding the Ministry's refusal to allow the former Strabane No. 2 Area (now Lifford Area) to participate in the Minor Relief Schemes.

A deputation from the Fianna Fail Club appeared before the Council, and they pointed out the pitiable state of poverty in the district, and they asked the Council to do something to emphasise the state of affairs, and request the Government to make a re-allocation or add something to the existing Grants.

As an alternative they suggested the resurrection of the old Burndale Drainage Scheme, which had been approved by the Council some years ago.

Councillor Wagentreiber stated that there was a necessity for a sewerage scheme in Lifford. The roads in the Porthall Area needed attention, and there was a Drainage Scheme in connection with the Swilly River at present before the Board of Works. He proposed that the Department be requested to look into these matters with a view to providing much-needed employment in the District.

Councillor Scott seconded the resolution which was unanimously passed.

529/34.

BREAKING OF STONES BY HAND.

Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle referred to the closing down of the brickworks in the Porthall Area, and he stated that the Board of Health, at their last Meeting, had suggested that stones piled on the roads for breaking be broken by hand.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

530/34. COMPLAINTS MADE BY COUNCILLOR DOUGLAS RE GANGERS EMPLOYED ON MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

Arising out of complaints made by Councillor Douglas at the Meeting of the Council on the 27th March, regarding the Gangers employed on Minor Relief Schemes in Inishowen, (348/34), Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report from his Assistant for the District in question:-

"Out of eleven Gangers employed on Minor Relief Schemes this year in my District Councillor Douglas has picked out five to whom he objects. To begin with I would like to say that there are only two considerations which weigh with me in choosing Gangers. The first and principle one is to pick capable men who will get a good return for the money spent. That I have chosen my men well is borne out by the fact that one of the Chief Inspectors of the Board of Works said that there was better value got for the money in my district than in anywhere else in the Free State. My second consideration is to try and fall in with the Board of Works who are carrying out these works by employing, as far as possible, the Gangers they recommend. Of the five Gangers mentioned in his letter by Councillor Douglas, Nos. 1, 2, and 5 were recommended by the Board of Works and had been previously employed by them. Regarding No. 4, he came to me and asked me for a job some months previously, and when I was short of Gangers with a large number of Schemes going on simultaneously, I thought I would give him a trial. He tured out to be an excellent Ganger, and so I put him on the job on which he is at present engaged. He is practically 25 years of age and one of the best Gangers I have. Regarding No. 3, this man lived at one time by taking land in cónaíre, but at the present time he is being boycotted by the farmers where he lives. Not only will they not let any land to him, nor give him or any of his family work, but he tells me they would not even sell him a quart of milk. He has a wife and ten children to support, and surely Councillor Douglas would not want to victimise him further. He worked previously as a Ganger for the Land Commission, and makes a good Ganger. Of the five men mentioned by Councillor Douglas only one has land. His holdings, situated on the bleak side of a mountain, have a total valuation of about £5, and he is a married man with a wife and ten children."

The Council noted the report.

531/34. COMPLAINT REGARDING A MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL BEING PROCEEDED WITH WHILE A BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING WAS GOING ON.

Following the luncheon interval, Councillor McIvor was moved to the Chair on the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Hamilton, and it was agreed that while the Board of Health Meeting was proceeding no contentious matters be discussed.

Councillor Scott appeared before the Meeting and objected to the Meeting proceeding whilst another Meeting was held.

The Chairman ruled that the County Council Meeting took precedence.

Councillor Scott dissented to the Chairman's ruling.

532/34. COMPLAINT REGARDING CONDITION OF ROAD AT GLENDOWAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Kelly, Derrora, Newmills, complaining of the condition of the road at Glendowan.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that nothing could be done to this road until the light roller was again in the District.

533/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROAD AT GLENTIES.

A letter was read from Mr. Frank Quinn, Glenties Railway Station, applying for a refund of the deposit lodged by him in connection with the opening of a road.

The County Surveyor stated that when the road had been restored to its former condition the deposit would be refunded.

534/34. COMPLAINTS REGARDING ALLOCATION OF WORK AT GOREY QUARRY,
BUNCRANA.

A letter was read from Councillor Kavanagh stating that he had been asked to bring before the Council the state of affairs prevailing at Gorey Quarry in regard to the allocation of work. He stated that there were numbers of men who had been signing the Unemployment Register for the past two years, who had been refused work. Workers had been brought from outside areas, who were well-to-do farmers, whilst the poor and needy of Meenagory had been denied work because they were not supporters of a certain political party.

A letter was also read from Mr. W. Porter, Jun., Meenagory, Bunrana, complaining of the allocation of the work. He stated that he had been victimised because he belonged to a certain political party.

Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report from his Assistant for the District in question:-

"The men in Gorey Quarry are taken on through the Labour Exchange. We are bound by the regulations to take on 75% married men and 25% single men from a list submitted by the Labour Exchange in a certain order of preference.

I called on Councillor Kavanagh when I got the Agenda to find out who the men were he refers to as having been refused work, so that I could take the matter up with the Labour Exchange. At first he could not tell me any names and after some persuasion he mentioned two. I then went to the Labour Exchange. There I found that the first of these two was a man who, according to the form he himself sent in to the Exchange, had a fair size farm and no dependents. The second was a single man who had only registered after the work had started.

Besides I found that there are only 37 persons registered altogether in the area from which the names were drawn, and which Councillor Kavanagh considers too large. Most of these 37 were single men, and the bulk of them had only registered since the work started. In fact, I could not find any who were continuously registered for two years. It is difficult enough to pick from these a gang of 15 needy men, made up of 11 married and 4 single men, without further restricting the area from which they are taken.

As regards the statement that well-to-do farmers are employed, this description could not truthfully be used to describe any of the men who have worked in the Quarry so far. They are, for the most part, men without any means of living except a day's work here and there. As to the political party they support, I don't believe Councillor Kavanagh knows any more about that than I do myself, and I know nothing about it."

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Doherty (Carrigart), the Council unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Minister for Industry and Commerce, with a request that the matter be investigated by an Officer from his Department.

535/34. COMPLAINT RE ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mrs. Brigid McLean, Greenhill, Dunfanaghy, inquiring why her son was not employed on road work. She is a poor widow and the other children are small.

Mr. M. J. Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"The work of which Mrs. McLean complains about her son not being employed was Unemployment Grant No. U.156.

On this work we had to take our squads from the lists submitted by the Labour Exchange, Dunfanaghy. The squads were changed fortnightly except in the cases of two married men, occupiers of Labourers' Cottages in Dunfanaghy, who got full-time work as their names appeared on the Home Assistance Lists.

Unfortunately, Mrs. McLean's son's name did not come to us on the Labour Exchange Lists."

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Minister for Industry and Commerce for investigation.

536/34. MINOR RELIEF SCHEME NO. 244 BEING CARRIED OUT ON THE LEITRIM ESTATE.

A letter was read from Mr. Arthur Cox, Solicitor, 42, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, asking for particulars of the road which it was proposed to make through the Glenveagh Estate.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that at the moment the road was only being made through the Leitrim Estate, and that the Glenveagh Estate would not be interfered with until authority was obtained.

537/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Ned Gallagher, Creesloughbeg, Creeslough, applying for payment for stones which he raised to the order of Assistant Surveyor M. Dawson.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability. (366/34.)

538/34. CONTRACTS FOR ROADS IN THE KILLYGORDON AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. John Sweeney, Crossroads, Killygordon, stating that he was prepared to take the roads, one leading from McGowan's to above Gallen's, and the other from the end of Aveltygort to the head of Drumfergus.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

539/34. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF DEEP SEA-PORT IN CO. DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the County Donegal Transport Committee, dated 11th April, 1934, D.T.C.57, noting the arrangements made by the Council for the attendance of the two County Surveyors at the Public Sitting in Letterkenny on the 2nd May.

540/34. BALANCES OWING BY THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS OF BUNCRANA AND BUNDORAN.

The Secretary reported that the following balances were due on foot of the Urban Demands for the year ended 31st March, 1934:-

Buncrana.....£2,326 :16 :10.

Bundoran.....£1,037 : 7 : 9.

Letterkenny... Nil.

The Council unanimously decided to call on the Urban District Councils of Buncrana and Bundoran to pay at least one-half of the amount owing before the 31st May.

541/34. DEFAULTING HOUSING ANNUITANTS.

The Secretary reported that the following amounts were outstanding up to the 30th September, 1933, in respect of loans given by the Council under the Housing Acts:-

Thomas Griffith, Donegal.....1½ years' due...£9 : 1 : 0.

Patk. Doherty (Taylor), Glenmakee, Collin,

Carndonagh.....1 year due.....£4 : 3 :10.

Bernard Bradley, Drumskeellan, Ture.....2½ years' due...£22: 5 : 0.

John Doherty (Hollow), Ballyloskey,

Carndonagh.....2½ years' due...£22: 5 : 0.

Mrs. Mary Maloney, Malinbeg.....1 year due.....£2 :13 : 3.

Mrs. Bridget Grant, Ardascanlon.....1 year due.....£1 : 1 : 4.

Daniel Ward, Ballycallon, Ballynashannagh..3 years' due...£27: 0 : 0.

Patrick McNelis, Tullybeg, Ramelton.....1 year due.....£5 :19 : 6.

Edward Shiels, Jr., Rooskey.....2½ years' due...£12:11 : 3.

Daniel Coyle, Moyagh, Ramelton.....1½ years' due...£8 :19 : 0.

Charles J. Coyle, Lurganboyce, Rathmullan..1½ years' due...£8 :17 : 8.

The Council unanimously decided to call on the parties mentioned to pay up within three weeks, failing which legal proceedings to be instituted.

542/34. "AUTHORISED COMMITTEES" UNDER SECTION 63 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1925.

The Council unanimously decided to apply to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to authorise contributions to be paid in respect of Travelling Expenses for the year ending on the 31st day of March, 1935, to the members of the following Committees:-

Sub-Finance Committee.
Law Committee.
Scholarships Committee.
Sheep Dipping Committee.

Councillor Baxter referred to the Bill at present before the Dail in connection with payment of Travelling Expenses to members of Committees of Agriculture, and he suggested that the Minister be requested to insert a Clause in the Bill allowing members of the Council and its Committees full Travelling Expenses.

The suggestion was unanimously adopted.

543/34. BRIDGE ON ROAD FROM MOUNTARGUS TO STRAHAN, REDCASTLE.

A letter was read from Mr. William Breslin, Ballyargus, Redcastle, calling attention to an unfinished bridge on the road from Mountargus to Strahan, which was in a dangerous condition.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that the Bridge had been temporarily repaired, and was not now in a dangerous condition.

544/34. PRACTICE OF THROWING TURF ON THE ROADSIDES.

A letter was read from Mr. Philip Friel, Brinlack, Derrybeg, asking to be supplied with notices for posting on the County Road leading from Brinlack Three Roads to Glenhola to prevent people throwing turf on the roadside and abusing the road.

A report in the matter having been read from the Acting Co. Surveyor the matter was referred to him to take whatever action he considered necessary.

545/34. COMPLAINTS RE ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK AT BRINLACK, DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Philip Friel, Brinlack, Derrybeg, complaining of the allocation of road work in his district.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that there was no cause for complaint in this district as to the manner in which the work had been allocated.

546/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. Denis McGettigan, Glenree, Carrigart, complaining of being paid short for road work done.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this matter would be rectified at the earliest opportunity.

547/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD METAL SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Breslin, Lecamy, Merville, denying the statements made by the Acting Co. Surveyor at last Meeting that he had been paid in full for all road metal supplied.

The Acting Co. Surveyor again stated that, according to the Council's records, this man had been paid in full for all road metal supplied.

548/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Sweeney, Meentaghconland, Glenvar, applying for payment for certain road work performed.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man had been paid, but that as there were two persons of the same name it was possible the Paying Order had gone astray. However, he was making inquiries.

549/34. CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF INJURIES TO A HORSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Mark Byrne, Rinclevin, Dunfanaghy, applying for £5 compensation in respect of a horse which had to be destroyed following injuries received by falling over a heap of road metal piled on the roadside.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

550/34. CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF TRESPASS ON LANDS AT KEENAGH, BALLYGORMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas J. Smyth, Baskill, Gleneely, Merville, applying, on behalf of Miss Rebecca Boggs, for £2 compensation in respect of damage done to her land at Keenagh where the road was cut.

The matter was referred to the Acting Co. Surveyor.

551/34. STORING OF BROKEN STONES AND MACHINERY AT THE PORT, LETTERKENNY.

A letter was read from Messrs. Charles Kelly & Co., The Mills, Letterkenny, objecting to the storing of broken stones on their property near the Port at Letterkenny, and also to a stonebreaker and living-van occupying the property.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the matter had been attended to.

552/34. BOATSLIP CONSTRUCTED ON INISHMEANE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works reporting the completion of a Boat-slip at a cost of £249 : 2 : 3 on Inishmeane Island, and asking the Council to take over the slip for future maintenance in accordance with their resolution. (772/32.)

Consideration of the matter was adjourned pending submission of a report by the Acting Co. Surveyor.

553/34. LOAN OF £11,000 BEING RAISED FOR THE MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Baxter, the Council unanimously decided to execute, under Seal, Mortgage of the Rates of £11,000 in favour of the Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd. in respect of loan for the purpose of the erection of Nurses' Home, Verandahs, etc. at the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny, and also for the purpose of repairs to waterworks, and expenditure on furniture and medical equipment for the said Hospital.

554/34. LOAN OF £500 BEING RAISED FOR THE MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Baxter, the Council unanimously decided to execute, under Seal, Mortgage of the Rates of £500 in favour of the Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd., for the purpose of defraying the expenditure to be incurred by the Council on the re-placement of the positive plates of the electric battery at the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny.

555/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD WORK PERFORMED.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Magee, Carrigans, complaining of being paid short for road work done.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this matter would be settled at the half-yearly Road payments Meeting.

556/34. DELIVERY OF TAR ON DUNGLOE-BURTONPORT ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. James Neil Ward, Burtonport, offering to deliver tar on the Dungloe-Burtonport Road at 4d. per barrel.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

557/34.

COMPLAINT RE DEFECTIVE PIPE.

A letter was read from Mr. Alex. Lindsay, Malin, complaining of a defective pipe at the foot of his lands.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the pipe was not defective, and that the neglect was on the part of the complainant.

558/34.

COMPLAINTS RE ALLOCATION OF WORK ON MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from Mr. Peter Doherty, Dooey, Glencolumbkille, complaining of the unfair allocation of work on Minor Relief Schemes in his District.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Connaghan, Plohogue, Arranmore, inquiring if the allocation of the Relief Grant which came to Arranmore was in the hands of a certain Club, to do with it as they wished. A Meeting of ratepayers was held to stop the work until it was divided amongst the most necessitous persons.

The complaints were referred to the County Surveyor.

559/34.

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF ROAD INTO GLENAGIVNEY MOUNTAIN.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Hernan, Shrove, Moville, asking the Council to extend the existing road into Glenagivney Mountain to give a number of people whose names were submitted access to their turf.

The Council decided to refer the application to the Board of Works and the Irish Land Commission.

560/34.

APPLICATION FOR MAKING OF NEW ROAD AT MEENADUFF, DRUMFRIES.

A letter was read from certain ratepayers of Meenaduff, Drumfries, asking the Council to make a road about half a mile long to give them access to their residences.

The Council decided to refer the application to the Board of Works.

561/34.

APPLICATION FOR USE OF COURTHOUSE AT RAPHOE FOR MEETINGS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Raphoe Public Health Committee, applying for the use of the Courthouse for their Meetings.

The Council decided to refer the Committee to the Landlord of the Courthouse, Mr. David Wilson, Solicitor.

562/34.

COMPLAINT RE NOT BEING EMPLOYED AS GANGER ON RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McGinley, Derryhassen, Downings, denying certain statements made by the Acting Co. Surveyor at last Meeting, and asking to be given a chance of stating his side of the case. He wished to be furnished with a copy of the report as submitted by the Acting Co. Surveyor.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the work in every case had been given to the most suitable men.

563/34.

COMPLAINTS RE NON-PAYMENTS FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Richard Doherty, Bunn, Coolkeny, Malin, complaining of not being paid for stones supplied.

A letter was also read from Mr. Edward N. Doherty, Bridge Street, Carndonagh, complaining of non-payment for stones supplied to the order of Mr. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that payment in both cases had since been made.

564/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD FROM KNOCKFOLA NATIONAL SCHOOL TOWARDS MEENACLADDY.

A letter was read from Mr. H. O'Brien, Secretary, Knockfola Fianna Fail Club, Brinlack, Derrybeg, complaining of the condition of the road from Knockfola National School towards Meenacaddy. They wished to have a substantial grant expended on it, and have the Trunk Road brought through Knockfola.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"Re letter from Mr. H. O'Brien, Secretary, Fianna Fail Club, Knockfola, I beg to state that I agree with him in his desire for a Grant to improve the Trunk Road from Knockfola School towards Meenacaddy.

The existing road is only a gravel surface on bog foundation, except a couple of hundred yards rolled stone surface.

I may add that each year since 1924 a Grant from the Central Road Fund has been expended on improving the Trunk Road from Crolly, via Derrybeg, towards Knockfola, and we have at present a good strong road to Knockfola, but from Knockfola School, via Meenacaddy, to Bedlam, a distance of about nine miles, a grant for strengthening and improving is badly needed."

The Council decided to refer the Acting Co. Surveyor's report to the Local Government Department.

565/34. WIRELESS RECEPTION IN LIFFORD.

A letter was read from the Engineer-in-Chief, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, suggesting that condensers be fitted to the Council's electrical apparatus for the purpose of eliminating interference with wireless reception in Lifford.

The Council unanimously decided to have the necessary apparatus fitted:

566/34: CO. DUBLIN COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE AND THE POSITION OF AGRICULTURE IN THE FREE STATE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Dublin Committee of Agriculture, enclosing copy of correspondence between their Committee and President De Valera on the position of Agriculture.

The Council noted the correspondence.

567/34. POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT.

An application from the Templecrone Co-operative Society, Ltd., for a licence under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act was granted unanimously.

568/34. MEANS OF SMALL FARMERS IN CONNECTION WITH APPLICATIONS FOR THE OLD AGE PENSION.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Inishowen No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, enclosing copy of the following resolution passed by his Committee:-

"That we call upon the Tirconail County Council, which is the responsible authority for County Old Age Pension Committees, to make representations to the Government to have the standard of values for estimating means as applied to small farmers brought at once into reconciliation with present prices, as an intolerable injustice is being done to such claimants by the arbitrary application of standard values which pertained to the position of the small farmer claimant many years ago."

On the motion of Councillor Myles seconded by Councillor Wagentreiber the Council unanimously decided to adopt the resolution.

569/34.

DATES OF HALF-YEARLY MEETINGS RE PAYMENTS TO ROAD
CONTRACTORS.

The following dates were fixed in connection with the half-yearly Meetings re Payments to Road Contractors:-

Northern Division.

Aileach.....Tuesday, 15th May, 1934.
Dunfanaghy.....Saturday, 12th May, 1934.
Inishowen.....Monday, 7th May, 1934.
Letterkenny.....Monday, 14th May, 1934.
Lifford.....Tuesday, 8th May, 1934.
Milford.....Monday, 14th May, 1934.

Southern Division.

Ballyshannon.....Saturday, 12th May, 1934.
Donegal.....Thursday, 10th May, 1934.
Dungloe.....Tuesday, 8th May, 1934.
Glenties.....Wednesday, 9th May, 1934.
Kilcar.....Monday, 14th May, 1934.
Stranorlar.....Saturday, 12th May, 1934.

570/34.

MEETING OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE.

The Council unanimously decided to hold a Meeting of the Sheep Dipping Committee on Thursday, the 17th May, 1934.

571/34.

TEACH NA CUIRTE, LEITIR CEANNAINN.

Do leigheadh litir ó Runaidhe an Fhainne, Leitir Ceannainn, ag iarraidh seomra i dteach na Cuirte i Leitir Ceannainn i gcoir cruinniughthe lucht an Fhainne.

Tugadh an iarratas d'aon guth.

Confirmed.

McMahon

Chairman.

29th May, 1934.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF MAY, 1934.

572/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:-

Councillors Mahony (presiding), McFadden, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGonigle, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty, and Scott.

573/34.

A P O L O G Y.

An apology for his unavoidable absence was received from Councillor McBride.

574/34.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 24th April, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

575/34.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 24th April, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

576/34.

R E P O R T O F L A W C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Meeting of the Law Committee held on the 24th April, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

577/34.

R E P O R T O F P I E R S C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Baxter the report of the Meeting of the Piers Committee held on the 24th April, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

578/34.

R E P O R T S O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor James Boyle the reports of the Meetings of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 24th April and the 16th May, 1934, were adopted unanimously.

579/34.

R E P O R T O F S C H O L A R S H I P S C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 16th May, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

580/34.

P A Y M E N T S T O R O A D C O N T R A C T O R S I N R E S P E C T O F T H E H A L F - Y E A R E N D E D 3 1 S T M A R C H , 1 9 3 4 .

The List of Payments to Road Contractors for the half-year ended 31st March, 1934, as certified by the County Surveyor for the Southern Division and the Acting County Surveyor for the Northern Division, were submitted, and payment of the amount certified was ordered in each case.

581/34. REPORT OF MEETING OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE, AND
APPOINTMENT OF SUB-INSPECTOR FOR GLENTIES AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. James Gildea, Glenties, objecting to the appointment of Mr. John Boyle, Mullanmore, Glenties, as Sub-Inspector for the Glenties Area as recommended by the Sheep Dipping Committee, on the grounds that Boyle was over the age limit specified in the advertisement.

Councillor Callaghan proposed and Councillor Gallen seconded that the report of the Meeting of the Sheep Dipping Committee held on the 16th April, 1934, be adopted.

Councillors Brady and Patrick Doherty objected to the appointment of Mr. Boyle.

The matter was put to a vote, and the following voted for the adoption of the report of the Committee, and the appointment of Mr. Boyle:-

Councillors Mahony, Baxter, Callaghan, Cole, Douglas, Gallagher, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McCrea, McGonigle, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty, and Scott. Total 20.

The following voted against the appointment:-

Councillors James Boyle, Brady, Doherty, and Doogan. Total 4.

The Chairman declared the report of the Sheep Dipping Committee adopted.

582/34. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th April, 1934, stating that the Minister had been informed that Officers and employees of Local Authorities were in the habit of ordering materials for their private and personal use from the Official Trade List issued under the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, and pointing out that requisites for motor or other vehicles, the property of Officers of Local Authorities, should not be ordered from the Official Contractors by such Officers.

583/34. CONSUMPTION OF TURF.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 19th April, 1934, suggesting that the Council continue during the current year their co-operation with the efforts of the Government to promote the consumption of turf, and to secure this end that adequate provision be made for the supplies of standard turf at an early date.

584/34. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF DEEP SEA-PORT IN CO. DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Co. Donegal Transport Committee, D.T.C.57, dated 23rd April, 1934, stating that it had been noted that the Co. Surveyors would give evidence at the Public Sitting of the Committee in Letterkenny on the 2nd May.

585/34. CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY SURVEYOR
FOR THE NORTHERN DIVISION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 3rd May, 1934, RS/7, stating that the Minister sanctioned the employment of temporary clerical assistance in the Northern Division Survey Department up to the 30th April. It was presumed that the assistance had now ceased.

Councillor Mahony proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to request a continuance of sanction in this case up to the 30th June.

586/34. "AUTHORISED COMMITTEES" UNDER SECTION 63 OF THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT ACT, 1925.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th May, 1934, G.55579/34, Fa., stating that the Minister sanctioned the recognition of the Law, Sub-Finance, Scholarships, and Sheep Dipping Committees as "Authorised Committees" for the purposes of Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

A letter was read from Garda Dolan, School Attendance Officer, Lifford, notifying the Council that Edward Lynch, Mullinaveigh, Ballindrait, was duly committed to Killybegs Industrial School on the 25th April, 1934.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Sióthchana, Donegal, stating that an application to have Patrick Cassidy, Pettigo, committed to an Industrial School would be made at Pettigo District Court on the 15th May, 1934.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Stranorlar, notifying the Council that an application would be made at Stranorlar District Court on the 2nd May for the committal of a child named William Gordon to an Industrial School pursuant to Section 58 of the Children Act, 1908.

A further letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Stranorlar, stating that the charge against a child named William Gordon was dismissed at Stranorlar District Juvenile Court.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 30th April, 1934, RGM/7, acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letter relative to the Meeting of the Dunfanaghy Tenders Committee.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 8th May, 1934, referring to the Council's resolution No. 528/34 regarding the allocation of Minor Relief Schemes, and stating that, in addition to making provision under Minor Relief Schemes for the poorer parts of the Saorstát, schemes were also provided, as far as was possible, for other areas in which it was known that there was exceptional unemployment amongst Agricultural labourers, and that it was sufficiently serious to warrant special measures of relief. The letter also pointed out that Relief Works were carried out during the past winter in the Strabane No. 2 Area of Co. Donegal at the following places:-

Porthall.....Development of Brick Clay.

Glentown.....Development of Slate Quarries.

Councillor Gallen pointed out that the two Relief Works mentioned were not carried out as Minor Relief Schemes through the Council.

Councillor McPhelimy *after complimenting the Government* complained at length of the neglect of East Donegal by the Government, and he made a strong appeal for help for his District.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th May, 1934, G.89/3/34, asking for a return showing the operation of the Seeds and Fertilisers (Supply) Act, 1932.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th May, 1934, G.55380/34, Fa., referring to the Council's resolution No. 502/34, and stating that the period of validity of Credit Notes issued in accordance with the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Act, 1933, was fixed by statute, and the Minister had no power to extend it.

An invitation was submitted to the twentieth Annual Conference of the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

593/34.

COST-OF-LIVING IN THE SAORSTAT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th May, 1934, asking for certain particulars regarding the cost-of-living in the Saorstat.

594/34. HOUSING (FINANCIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT, 1932.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th May, 1934, H.47915/34, stating that Certificate No. 01541 issued to Mr. John Coyle, Racecourse, Ramelton, in connection with the erection of a house under the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1932, had been cancelled as the floor area of the house was less than the minimum permitted under the Act.

595/34.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 2nd May, 1934, G.52954/34, sanctioning continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £50,000 up to the 31st May.

The Secretary stated that in order to enable him to make payments to the Road Contractors in respect of the half-year ended 31st March, 1934, and to make transfers to the Subsidiary Bodies, increased Overdraft accommodation of £70,000 would be required until the 30th June.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £70,000 until the 30th June.

596/34. EXTENSION OF PERIOD WITHIN WHICH COLLECTORS CRAMPSEY AND MCGINLEY MUST QUALIFY IN IRISH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 5th May, 1934, G.17546/34, stating that the Minister had decided to extend by twelve months the period within which Collectors John McGinley and William J. Crampsey must satisfy him as to their knowledge of Irish under the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Orders, 1928 to 1932.

597/34. SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - MR. THOMAS FLOOD.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 1st May, 1934, G.30704/34, Fa., assenting to the grant of a superannuation allowance of £25 : 1 : 6 per annum to Mr. Thomas Flood, ex-Rate Collector.

598/34. LOAN IN CONNECTION WITH PURCHASE OF ROAD MACHINERY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 15th May, 1934, RB/7, stating that a payment of £336 : 3 : 9, being an instalment of the sum of £6,440 set apart for the purchase of Road Machinery was made to the County Treasurer on the 14th idem.

599/34. ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH DRAINAGE SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th May, 1934, F.150,099/34, Dun na nGall, (Pd.), referring to the Council's resolution No. 119/34, and stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the provision of temporary technical assistance to the County Surveyor in carrying out drainage schemes. It was to be insisted that any work performed by the Officer appointed was to be carried out under and in accordance with the direction of the County Surveyor and to his satisfaction. The rate of remuneration should not exceed £10 per scheme completed.

Councillor Cole proposed that Mr. Charles V. MacLaughlin, Letterkenny, be appointed at the rate of remuneration sanctioned by the Ministry, and that he be instructed to proceed with the work with the least possible delay.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

600/34.

APPOINTMENT OF CLERKS OF WORKS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th May, 1934, Circular No. 50/34, Ilgh., regarding the appointment of Clerks of Works for the supervision of important engineering or architectural schemes.

601/34. APPLICATION FOR LOAN BY MR. AND MRS. C. McCLEAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th May, 1934, H.146994/34, stating that the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts provided only for the making of advances to persons erecting or purchasing houses for their own occupation and as Mr. and Mrs. McLean did not comply with either of these requirements an advance under the Acts could not be made to them.

602/34.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th May, 1934, Circ. No. 24/5/34, regarding the Agricultural Grant, 1934/35.

603/34.

MINES AND MINERALS ACT, 1931.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 18th May, 1934, S.R.50/34, transmitting extract from "Iris Oifigiúil" of the determination of questions pursuant to Section 4 of the Mines and Minerals Act, 1931, in regard to the minerals on or under the lands mentioned in the Schedule to the Notice.

604/34.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, 1934.

The Secretary submitted copy of an Order made by the Minister for Local Government determining the 26th day of June, 1934, as the date for the holding of the Local Elections.

605/34.

CROAGHNAMADDY ROAD.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 30th April, 1934, P. (A.) 13546/34, asking for a definite reply to their letter of the 26th February, 1934, regarding the Croaghnamaddy Road.

The Council unanimously decided to adopt the report of the Law Committee dealing with this subject.

606/34. AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35 - ABATEMENT IN RESPECT OF EMPLOYEES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 1st May, 1934, G.50320/34, regarding the abatement to be given in respect of persons continuously employed, and stating that, provided that the Council were satisfied that the vacancy created by the termination of a worker's engagement during the qualifying period was filled immediately by the employment of another worker, the Council should admit a claim in respect of the continuous employment of one worker during the whole period, provided other prescribed conditions were fulfilled.

607/34. AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35 - EMPLOYMENT OF CASUAL LABOUR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 1st May, 1934, G.50322/34, regarding the proposed allocation of the Agricultural Grant, and stating that the proposal to extend relief where casual labour was employed was not one that the Minister was prepared to adopt.

Councillor Scott proposed and it was unanimously resolved that the Department be again requested to re-consider the Council's proposal to allow abatement in respect of the employment of casual labour.

608/34.

TEACH NA CUIRTE, LEITIR CEANNAIN.

Do Leigheadh litir ó Runaidhe an Fhainne, Leitir Ceannain, ag gabhail buidheachais do'n Chomhairle mar gheall ar an seomra i dteach na Cuirte a thabairt do bhaile.

609/34. PROVISION OF SUM OF £300,000 BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR COUNTY COUNCILS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd April, 1934, S., stating that the Government have decided to make provision for payment of a sum of £300,000 to County Councils in respect of Grants absorbed in the Guarantee Fund under the Land Purchase Acts to meet arrears of annuities which had been funded under the provisions of the Land Act, 1933. The amount now proposed to be paid was in respect of Grants for which County Councils had already taken credit in previous years, and must not be applied to a reduction of the estimated expenditure to be met out of the rates in the present year. It should be applied to reducing Overdraft and rehabilitating the financial position of the Council.

610/34. LOCAL SERVICES (TEMPORARY ECONOMIES) ACT, 1934.

A Memorandum was submitted from the Local Government Department dated 22nd May, 1934, drawing attention to certain provisions of the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934, which passed into law on the 11th May.

611/34.

DRIVING LICENCES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 11th May, 1934, MT/7, stating that no driving licence was required by the driver of a vehicle which did not conform with the requirements of the Motor-Car (Use and Construction) Order, 1904, or the Heavy Motor-Car Order, 1904, as amended by subsequent Orders. The position would be altered under the Road Traffic Act, 1933, when Part III came into operation.

612/34.

LONDONDERRY AND LOUGH SWILLY RAILWAY.

Councillor Doogan proposed:- "That the Government or the County Donegal Railways Joint Committee be asked to take over the working and management of the Railway from Letterkenny to Burtonport, owing to the fact that the Lough Swilly Railway Co. have notified their employees that unless they accept a cut of 20% in their wages the Railway would close down, notwithstanding the fact that the Governments of Northern Ireland and the Free State have given a subsidy of £9,000 towards the working of the Lough Swilly Railway. This threat is rather drastic in face of the Summer tourist traffic and otherwise. It is a well-known fact that the extension of the Railway from Letterkenny to Burtonport is run to suit no passenger traffic, and suits no connections. The road is supposed to be neglected and dangerous."

After some discussion it was agreed to adjourn the matter sine die.

613/34. LOAN OF £400 FOR DEEPENING, ETC., THE HARBOUR AT RAMELTON.

Councillor McCrea proposed:- "That the Council raise a loan of £400 from their Treasurer for a period of fifteen years for the purpose of deepening the Harbour at Ramelton, removing the refuse there, and dredging and straightening the approaches."

Councillor Mahony seconded the resolution which was passed unanimously.

614/34.

APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTER FOR RAMELTON PIER.

Councillor McCrea proposed:- "That the Council appoint a Harbour Master for the Pier at Ramelton."

The resolution was passed unanimously, and it was agreed to make the appointment at next Meeting at a salary of £10 per annum, plus 10% commission on all dues collected.

615/34. CO-ORDINATION OF THE ENGINEERING SERVICES OF THE COUNTY.

A letter dated 26th May, 1934, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, regarding the question of the co-ordination of the Engineering Services of the County, and stating that the Ministry regretted that in coming to their conclusions the Council seem to have concerned themselves solely with the question of salaries which they themselves suggested. There was no examination by the Council of the ultimate economies which might reasonably be expected on the general cost of road administration and Board of Health work. It had been already pointed out that road administration was best served by unity of policy. This was the Department's experience in the Counties where a change was made. Even an examination of the road expenditure in County Donegal as between North and South should show the Council that there was room for economy. There was no valid reason for continuing the arrangement hitherto in force. The placing of the County under one County Surveyor would result in a more uniform policy for road work throughout the County. The approach to the subject from the point of view of salaries alone indicated that the Council had not given any substantial examination to the suggestion to place the County and Board of Health work in charge of one County Surveyor.

The Ministry again requested the Council and the Board of Health to go into the matter of placing the road administration and Board of Health work under one County Surveyor. In order to give the Council and the Board of Health time to re-examine the position, the Ministry agreed to the continuance of the present arrangements to the 30th June next. It must, however, be clearly understood that as from that date no further certificates in respect of expenditure which ordinarily were given by a County Surveyor could be accepted from Mr. Dawson. This applied not only to Grant work, but to other accounts dealt with by the Public Bodies Orders.

Councillor James Boyle proposed that Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor for the Southern Division of the County, be appointed as County Surveyor for the whole County at a salary to be arranged by the Sub-Finance Committee, to take up duty as from the 1st July, Mr. Dawson to continue acting as County Surveyor until that date.

Councillor Scott seconded Councillor Boyle's proposal.

Councillor Baxter proposed as an amendment and Councillor Hamilton seconded that the matter be adjourned until the first Meeting of the new Council.

After some discussion, the Chairman proposed, Councillor Loughrey seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to refer the matter to a Meeting of the Engineering Services Committee to report back to the Council at their Meeting on the 19th June.

616/34. CONTINUANCE OF CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 24th April, 1934, G.40980/34, stating that the Minister sanctioned the continued employment of Mr. H. McGinley and Mrs. Mary McNulty as temporary Clerks until the 19th May in connection with Minor Relief Schemes.

The Secretary stated that on the 19th May, 59 Minor Relief Schemes and 8 Peat Schemes were still in operation, and a sum of £2,391 had still to be expended. He was, therefore, obliged to continue the temporary assistance, and he stated that it would be the end of June before the Schemes were finally completed.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to the continuance of the employment of Mrs. McNulty and Mr. McGinley until the 30th June.

- 617/34. APPLICATION BY THE SECRETARY FOR FEES FOR ACTING AS RETURNING OFFICER AT LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, AND IN RESPECT OF ADDITIONAL WORK CAUSED BY MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

The Council considered an application from the Secretary for bonus in lieu of fees for acting as Returning Officer at Local Government Elections, and in respect of additional work caused by Minor Relief Schemes during the past two years.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded that the Secretary be allowed the statutory Election Fees by way of bonus, and that he be allowed £2 in respect of each £1,000 expended on Minor Relief Schemes during the past two years.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

- 618/34. APPLICATION BY MR. PATRICK DAWSON FOR REMUNERATION FOR ACTING AS COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Dawson, Letterkenny, asking the Council to determine his remuneration for acting as County Surveyor since the 1st August, 1933.

Councillor MacCreadie proposed, Councillor Loughrey seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that Mr. Dawson be allowed the same rate of remuneration as Mr. Steadman (£820 per annum) for the period he has acted as County Surveyor, in addition to his ordinary salary as an Assistant Surveyor.

- 619/34. APPLICATION FOR AN ADDITIONAL ADVANCE IN RESPECT OF TEMPORARY CLERKS ENGAGED AT RATE WORK.

The Secretary applied for an additional sum of £200 in respect of temporary Clerks engaged at Rate work.

The application was granted unanimously.

- 620/34. APPLICATION BY THE COUNCIL'S ENGINE-DRIVERS AND FLAGMEN FOR TWO DAYS' HOLIDAYS TO ENABLE THEM TO VOTE AT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS.

A letter was read from Engine-drivers John McDermott and William McCrossan applying, on behalf of the Council's Engine-drivers and Flagmen in the Northern Division, for two days' holidays on the 25th and 26th June to enable them to vote at the County Council Elections.

On the motion of Councillor Cole it was unanimously decided to allow the Engine-drivers and Flagmen two days' holidays as requested, with full pay.

- 621/34. RAMELTON PIER.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing Original Conveyance, duly stamped and registered, in connection with the transfer to the Council of Ramelton Pier.

- 622/34. APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE OF TOLLS TO RAMELTON PIER.

On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to apply to the Minister for Industry and Commerce for sanction to the application to Ramelton Pier of the Schedule of Tolls approved by him on the 22nd December, 1928.

- 623/34. IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT TO FOOTPATH AT POUND STREET, CARNDONAGH.

Councillor Douglas proposed:- "That the Acting Co. Surveyor be requested to inspect and report upon the claim for payment by Mr. Neal Gibbons, Pound Street, Carndonagh, re concrete footpath made by him some years ago in front of his residence."

A report in the matter was submitted from the Acting Co. Surveyor.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

624/34. PROPOSED DECLARATION OF ROAD AT LEGHOWNEY, DONEGAL, TO BE A COUNTY ROAD.

In the absence of Councillor Walls the following Notice of Motion standing in his name was adjourned:-
"That 133 perches of the road leading from the Tullyearl Road to the sea at Leghowney, in the Electoral Division of Tullynaught, County Electoral Area of Donegal, be declared a County Road."

625/34. PROPOSED DECLARATION OF ROAD IN ELECTORAL DIVISION OF MAGHERACLOGHER TO BE A COUNTY ROAD.

Councillor Doogan proposed:- "That the road leading to the Bog between the County Road near Mary Harley's of Meenaniller and the County Road at the Post Office at Meenderrygamph, with branch to Strakenagh, in the Electoral Division of Magheraclogher, County Electoral Area of Glenties, be declared a County Road."

The Secretary stated that the month's public notice required by Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925, had been duly given.

The motion was passed unanimously; reference to the Branch Road to Strakenagh being excluded as it did not comply with all the requirements of Section 25 (2) of the Local Government Act, 1925.

626/34. DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) enclosing a report of a Meeting of the Downings Pier Committee held on the 5th May.

The Secretary read the report which was as follows:-

"A Meeting of the Downings Pier Committee was held on Saturday evening, 5th May, and the following were in attendance:- Messrs. E. Gallagher (Chairman), J. McNutt, H. McBride, P. Doherty, Co.C., and D. McBride.

The report of Mr. Dawson that the money, viz., £35, voted by the Co. Council in June last had now been almost spent, and the balance would not be sufficient to carry out the other repairs suggested was read to the Committee. The Committee were unanimous again in urging the Council to have the plastering of the Pier front and the flights of iron steps already suggested immediately carried out.

With regard to the four lamps forwarded by Mr. M. Dawson, the Committee directed that these be returned as they consider they do not in any sense fulfil the requirements as they will not be suitable for use on the Pier, being too small and entirely unsuitable for standing the effects of the wind and the effects of salt water.

Mr. Gallagher proposed and Mr. McNutt seconded that the Co. Council authorise the Harbour Master to furnish the Committee with details of all vessels calling at the Pier, and amount of dues collected, including names of boats and their masters, and that the Secretary of the Co. Council supply the Committee with a copy of regulations as to their duties, etc."

Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, stated that the lamps purchased cost £1 : 4 : 0 each and were considered suitable.

On the motion of Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle it was unanimously decided to request the Acting County Surveyor to submit estimates for the plastering of the Pier front and the erection of the flights of iron steps.

The Council also unanimously decided to request the Department of Lands and Fisheries to give a grant towards the cost of the erection of a crane on Downings Pier.

627/34. UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF WORK ON CARRICK-CRANFORD MAIN ROAD.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) stating that a number of unemployed labourers residing at Devlinreagh, Carrick, and Tullagh, had requested him to bring under the notice of the Council the unfair allocation of work on the Carrick-Cranford Main Road re-surfacing operations.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the men were engaged in each case through the Labour Exchange. A certain discrimination was allowed to him and he always employed the most necessitous men.

628/34. STORING OF STONES, MACHINERY, ETC. AT ROAD JUNCTIONS.

Councillor Hamilton proposed:- "That it be an instruction to all Road Surveyors to see that no stones are piled within twenty yards of the junction of any road with another, and all stones now so piled to be removed within ten days."

The resolution was passed unanimously.

It was also decided to include in the terms of the resolution Rollers, Breakers, and Living-Wagons the property of the Council.

629/34. TENDERS ACCEPTED IN THE DONEGAL DISTRICT.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the County Surveyor be asked whether Tenders have been accepted from the lowest Tenderers, as per instructions from the County Council, in 38 cases in the District of Assistant Surveyor O'Reilly, and, if not, what steps have been taken to carry out the Council's instructions."

The County Surveyor stated that he had acted as instructed.

630/34. FISHING BY FOREIGN TRAWLERS.

Councillor Hamilton proposed and Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) seconded:- "That we draw attention to the Minister's statement that we should eat more fresh fish, while he is not taking any adequate steps to protect the fishing industry from foreign trawlers, etc., fishing inside the limit. Not only is there a loss of a large supply of food, but there would also be employment for many men, and we cannot think of a more worthy object that he could devote some of this Budget surplus to."

In support of the resolution Councillor Hamilton stated that he believed there should be at least two patrol boats looking after the fishermen's interests.

Several other members took part in the discussion on the resolution, which was passed unanimously.

631/34. PARENTS' INCOMES IN CONNECTION WITH THE AWARD OF PRIMARY AND UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

Councillor McIvor proposed:- "That no University Scholarships be awarded to the children of parents whose income exceeds £400 per annum, and that no Secondary Scholarships be awarded to the children of parents whose income exceeds £200 per annum."

Councillor Gallen proposed as an amendment:- "That the Scholarships Committee be asked to report on the advisability of not awarding University Scholarships to candidates whose parents' income exceeds £300 per annum, and in the case of Secondary Scholarships, £200 per annum."

The amendment was supported by Councillor Scott, and accepted by Councillor McIvor, and carried unanimously after a lengthy discussion.

632/34. TARRING OF ROADS.

Councillor C. Gallagher proposed:- "That the attention of the Co. Surveyors be drawn to the dangerous state of the tarred roads, with a view to having part of the road left untarred for horse traffic."

The Co. Surveyor stated that he had already done what was suggested in the resolution.

A letter was read from the Farmers' and Ratepayers' Association, Glenties, enclosing copy of the following resolution:-

"That we, the members of the above Body, object to the spraying of roads with tar in this district owing to the slippery surface accruing therefrom. That we consider grouting sufficient to keep the surface of the road in good order without incurring unnecessary expense."

The Co. Surveyor stated that he had acted as suggested.

633/34. ALLEGED ACCIDENT TO A HORSE THROUGH FALLING ON A TARRED ROAD.

Councillor Cole referred to a case in his district where a horse was injured through falling on the tarred surface.

The Secretary stated that this matter would be before the Council at their next Meeting.

634/34. DONEGAL OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Councillor C. Gallagher asking to have the names of Rev. R. Lawrenson, M.A., The Rectory, Donegal, and Mr. C. Gallagher, Co.C. added to Donegal Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

A letter was also read from the Clerk of the Committee in the matter.

The Council decided to appoint the persons mentioned if there were vacancies on the Sub-Committee.

635/34. PROCEDURE RE PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

Councillor Lowry proposed:- "That the Council consider the desirability of making some alteration in the procedure for payment to Road Contractors with a view to the greater convenience of all concerned."

Speaking in support of his motion, Councillor Lowry criticised the present system of holding Meetings for the purpose of announcing the payments. He stated that in his District practically no interest was taken in the Meetings, and it was merely a waste of time holding them.

The Council unanimously decided to leave the matter over for consideration by the new Council.

636/34. MAKING OF RATE FOR THE SERVICE OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF MARCH, 1935.

The Secretary having certified on the forms prescribed that the rate, in so far as the value of the hereditaments therein assessed was concerned, was in conformity with the valuations in force for the time being, the Council decided to adopt such rates as already determined, and as set out in "Notice of Deposit of Poor Rate Books for Inspection" (Form 46), and it was proposed by Councillor James Boyle, seconded by Councillor Doogan, and unanimously resolved under the provisions of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and of Acts incorporated therewith, and subsequent Statutes, to allow and make the same in two moieties for the service of the Financial Year ending 30th March, 1935, as assessed in the Rate Book.

A statement of such allowance having been entered at the foot, each Rate Book was signed by the Chairman and two of the members present, attested by the Seal of the Council, and duly countersigned by the Secretary.

637/34. CHANGES OF NAMES OF OCCUPIERS IN THE RATE BOOK.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Doogan it was unanimously resolved that the changes of names of occupiers as set out in returns received from the Rate Collectors be made in the Rate Books under Section 6 of 23 and 24 Vic., Cap. 4, for the year ending 30th March, 1935.

638/34. SIGNING OF RATE COLLECTORS' WARRANTS.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Doogan it was unanimously resolved to seal and sign the Rate Collectors' warrants authorising the collection of Poor Rates for the year ending 30th March, 1935, and the warrants were thereupon duly signed, and the Seal of the Council affixed thereto.

639/34. DATES OF MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL AND ITS COMMITTEES.

The Council unanimously decided to have a Meeting on the 19th June, and to have Meetings of the Vocational, Agricultural, Sub-Finance, and Engineering Services Committees on the 12th June.

640/34.

OLD JAIL GROUNDS, LIFFORD.

Consideration of the following items was adjourned until the Meeting on the 19th June:-

Letter from Messrs. Charles O'Doherty & Son, Lifford, asking to have included in the plot of ground allowed to them the 20 foot bank adjoining which, for all practical purposes, is waste.

Letter from Mr. Charles V. MacLaughlin, Engineer, Letterkenny, enclosing amended plans of the houses proposed to be erected by the Co. Board of Health on the Old Jail Site, Lifford.

Report from the Lifford Public Health Committee on the amended plans of the houses proposed to be erected on the Old Jail Site, Lifford.

641/34.

ERECTION OF BOATSLIP ON INISHMEANE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works reporting the completion of a Boatslip at a cost of £249 : 2 : 3 on Inishmeane Island, and asking the Council to take over the slip for future maintenance in accordance with their resolution. (772/32 C.C.)

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"Owing to tidal conditions I could not ascertain the full length of Inishmeane Boatslip, but local people told me it is about 20 yards in length. The width is about 8 feet. The structure is of concrete sides and stone filling and surface.

The local users of the slip are not fully satisfied with it apparently, having the following complaints:-

'That it is not high enough and does not project far enough into the sea, and that at high tide there is berthage for only one boat.'

The local boatmen maintain that at low tide they cannot get their boats within 10 or 12 yards of the slip, and all appear to be anxious to have the structure raised by another couple of feet at least, and extended for another 12 yards into the sea.

From inquiries I made I believe the structure was completed about 9 months ago, and the present structure appears to be quite sound."

The Council decided to refer the report to the Board of Works for their observations.

642/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF ROAD LEADING TO DOON WELL.

A letter was read from the Manager, Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Co., inquiring when the repairs on the road leading to Doon Well were likely to be put in hand. They wished to have the work pushed forward in view of the approach of the summer season.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted the following report from his Assistant for the District:-

"The road referred to is Map No. 813, Milford Area, between Pruclish Three Roads and Doon Well.

In March, 1933, we widened, rolled, and made a very good surface on about three-fourths of the length of the road. The remaining portion, about 400 yards in length, is mostly on weak bog foundation. I have at present about 60 tons of 2" Broken stone ready for applying, but have no Roller available, as the only machine suitable is the Fordson Roller, which has as much work to do in Gweedore as will take it until the Autumn.

I inspected the road on 22nd May and find that the man in charge is making every effort to carry out my instructions and maintain a good surface with suitable material which I have on the road."

The Council noted the Surveyor's report.

643/34. ROAD BETWEEN DOOEY AND DERLOUGH, LETTERMACAWARD.

A letter was read from certain ratepayers in Dooley, Lettermacaward, requesting the Council to repair the road between Derlough and Dooley which was at present almost impassable.

The Council adjourned the matter until the first Meeting of the new Council on the 10th July, when a proposal to declare the road a County Road would be considered.

644/34. APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION FOR LAND TAKEN TO STRAIGHTEN A CURVE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Moy, Brockagh, applying for compensation for land taken for straightening a curve on a road.

The Co. Surveyor stated that permission for the acquisition of this land had been obtained from Moy's father.

645/34. COMPLAINT FROM CONTRACTOR FOR ROAD NO. L.75, 1297, GLENTIES.

A letter was read from Mr. James McGeehan, Meenmore East, Fintown, stating that he was the Contractor for Road No. L.75, 1297. The old Contractor put out about 30 tons of metal in March and spread 15 tons in April. He wished not to have the road interfered with during his period as Contractor.

No action was taken in the matter.

646/34. MINOR RELIEF SCHEME NO. 15 FOR MAKING OF A BOG ROAD AT KEELDRUM, GORTAHORK.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh McGowan, Upper Keeldrum, Gortahork, calling on the Council, on behalf of the ratepayers of the district, to start the work on the Bog Road at Upper Keeldrum.

The Acting Co. Surveyor reported that this Scheme had not been proceeded with as two of the parties concerned had refused to give their consents to the making of the road over their lands, and that on the 18th April last the Board of Works had cancelled the grant.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

647/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR DRILL-DRESSING.

A letter was read from Mr. Dan McGinley, Kincasslagh, complaining that he had not been paid for drill-dressing.

Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle stated that the matter had since been settled.

648/34. OFFER TO CART TAR AT 8d. PER BARREL.

A letter was read from Mr. James Neil Ward, Burtonport, offering to cart tar at 8d. per barrel from Burtonport Pier for the Dungloe Road.

The Co. Surveyor stated that he had received a lower Tender.

649/34. COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER MADE BY BOARD OF HEALTH UNDER LABOURERS' ACTS, 1883 TO 1931.

The Secretary submitted Order No. H.91866/33 made by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health under Section 20 of the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1932, confirming, with certain modifications, compulsory Purchase Order made by the Board of Health for the purposes of the Labourers' Acts, 1883 to 1931, as amended by the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions), Act, 1932.

650/34. APPLICATIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW POLLING STATIONS.

A letter was read from Mr. Timoty Gallagher, Secretary, Glendowan Fianna Fail Cumann, asking to have a Polling Booth established at Glendowan.

A letter containing the same request was also read from Mr. Edward Kelly, Derrora, Newmills.

A letter was read from Mr. Padraig Og MacRuairé, West Town, Tory Island, asking to have a Polling Station established on Tory Island.

The Secretary stated that it would not be possible to have the changes requested made in time for the coming Elections.

651/34. PROVISION OF BEACONS TO MARK CHANNEL ON S.E. SIDE OF
ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 26th April, 1934, I.101/3/32, inquiring if the Council had yet reached a decision as to making a contribution towards the cost of the beacons to mark the safe channel on the South-east side of Arranmore Island, and their subsequent maintenance.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Department that the Council had included a sum of £80 in their estimates for the current year for the purpose mentioned.

652/34. ABSENCE FROM HIS DISTRICT OF MR. P. A. McGEADY, V.S.

A letter was read from Mr. P. A. McGeady, V.S., Milford, intimating his intention of being absent from his District from the 2nd to the 5th May, during which period his work would be performed by Mr. P. McGlinchey.

653/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LOANS UNDER SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Hirrell, Market Square, Carrndonagh, withdrawing his application for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts and asking for a refund of his deposit.

A report in this case was submitted from the Council's Solicitor from which it was noted that Mr. Hirrell's title was not acceptable.

The Council unanimously decided to refund the deposit of £2 : 2 : 0 to Mr. Hirrell.

A letter was also read from the Council's Solicitor reporting that the title of Mr. Michael Diver, Terrynerry, Gleneely P.O., an applicant for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, was not acceptable by the County Council.

The Council unanimously decided to refund Mr. Diver his deposit of £2 : 2 : 0.

Applications for loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts from Messrs. Joseph Deery, Dromoney, Letterkenny, and Edward McLaughlin, Listillion, Letterkenny, were adjourned in the absence of the required reports from the Acting Co. Surveyor.

654/34. CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF INJURIES RECEIVED IN
BUNDORAN.

A letter was read from Mrs. E. Kelly, Lakeview House, Adoon, Mohill, Co. Leitrim, asking the Council to re-consider her claim in respect of injuries received whilst walking on the pavement in Bundoran.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

655/34. APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WAGES.

A letter was read from Mr. John Peoples, Driver No. 9 Breaker, applying for the increase in wages due to him according to scale.

The application was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

656/34. APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF DEPOSITS LODGED IN CONNECTION
WITH THE OPENING OF ROADS.

A letter was read from Messrs. Shesgreen & Sons, Ballybofey, applying for a refund of the deposit lodged by them in connection with the opening of a road.

A letter was also read from Messrs. Bernard McDevitt & Co., Glenties, applying for a refund of the deposit lodged by them in connection with the opening of a road.

The Co. Surveyor stated that when the roads were restored to their former condition refunds of the deposits would be made. If the parties had any difficulty in restoring the roads he would arrange to have the work done, and the cost deducted from the deposits.

657/34. APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO BUILD EMBANKMENT ON FORESHORE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McGuinness, Wavecrest, Killybegs, asking for permission to build an embankment on the foreshore in front of his residence at Killybegs to prevent erosion by the sea.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Department of Industry and Commerce.

658/34. DRAIN AT REAR OF GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. T. Campbell, Secretary, local Health Committee, Glenties, complaining of an open drain at the rear of Glenties Courthouse which was in an insanitary condition.

The Co. Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"The drain referred to in Mr. Campbell's letter is a watercourse which marks the boundary of the ground on which the Courthouse is built. If this watercourse is enclosed by a pipe there will be no barrier between the Council's property and the adjacent owner's land. A wall would, therefore, require to be erected in addition to covering the stream. The cost of these works should, therefore, be apportioned between both owners. The cost of covering the stream and erecting a wall six feet high would be approximately £60."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

659/34. STRANORLAR COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Sweeney, Auctioneer, Donegal, stating that he had been called on by the Board of Health to repair Stranorlar Courthouse and provide sanitary arrangements. He was willing to do this if the Council would raise the rent from £10 to £20.

The Council unanimously decided to offer Mr. Sweeney an increased rent of £15.

660/34. DELIVERY OF SUPPLIES OF TAR AND BITUMEN AT DONEGAL PORTS.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"As instructed in Minute No. 499/34, I wrote for quotations for supplies of bitumen, F.O.B. at the port of shipment. As the quotation I received was 3/- per ton more than what the firm quotes for delivery at Derry, I thought there was some mistake made. I, therefore, wrote again and pointed out the absurdity of quoting a price of 3/- per ton greater at Ardrossan than for delivery at Derry Quay. The reply I got was that no mistake was made, the correct schedule price, ex-store at Ardrossan, being £4 : 13 : 0 per ton.

With regard to getting a cargo of bitumen via Donegal Port for Stranorlar Area, I find that under the present charges that this will cost 13/- per ton more than if the cargo is taken via Derry."

The Council unanimously decided to instruct Mr. Caffrey to purchase his requirements at the cheapest rate.

661/34. HARBOUR DUES ON MOTOR SPIRIT, OILS, STOVES, ETC.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Donegal, inquiring the dues on the following commodities:-

Motor Spirit in bulk.

Lubricating and Fuel Oils in Bulk, Drums, and Tins.

Candles and Paraffin Wax in cases,

Oil heating and cooking stoves,

Mexphalte, bulk and drums.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Harbour Master that these commodities should be charged at the same rate as "Heavy Goods", 7d. per ton.

662/34. PAYMENT FOR WRACK BETWEEN THE TWO PIERS AT DONEGAL QUAY.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Donegal, stating that Mr. Lawn, Trummon, Laghey, was only willing to pay 5/- this year for the wrack between the two Piers at Donegal Quay. He formerly paid 10/-.

The Council unanimously decided to instruct the Harbour Master to accept the reduced offer this year.

663/34. QUOTATION FOR SUPPLY OF TURF FOR ROLLERS AND BREAKERS.

A letter was read from Mr. William Grant, Cloughfin, Clonmany, quoting for the supply of turf for the stonebreakers and crushers whilst working between Buncrana and Carndonagh.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that whilst the Rollers were in the District Mr. Grant was unable to supply any turf.

664/34. GOLA ISLAND PIER - APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 9th May, 1934, 10210/34, noting that the Council had taken over Gola Island Pier as from the 1st May, 1934. The Caretaker, Mr. Michael T. McGinley, was paid a salary of 30/- per annum, and his salary would be paid by them up to and including the 30th April. They presumed that the Council would pay him as from the 1st May.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle it was unanimously decided to adopt the suggestion made, and to take over McGinley as from the 1st May at the same rate of remuneration.

665/34. MAINTENANCE OF PIER, ETC. AT PORTALEEN.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 10th May, 1934, asking for an assurance that the undertaking given by the Council for the future maintenance of the Pier at Portaleen referred not only to the proposed new works, but also to the maintenance of the existing Pier there.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this structure was in quite good condition, and it was unanimously decided to give the required undertaking.

666/34. MARINE WORKS MAINTENANCE FUND.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 18th May, 1934, enclosing a Receivable Order for £109 : 13 : 1, and requesting an early lodgment of the Council's contribution to the Marine Works Maintenance Fund.

The Council ordered payment of the amount.

667/34. PORTSALON AND DUNTINNY DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. George Bradley, Duntinny, Bally-nashannagh, inquiring why he had to pay rates for the Portsallon and Duntinny Drainage Scheme when it had not been taken over by the County Council.

The Secretary stated that the rates were assessed under a Sealed Order from the Office of Public Works.

668/34. COMPLAINT RE SURFACEMAN, BRIAN FRIEL, AGHADAGHLY.

A letter was read from Mr. George Bradley, Duntinny, Bally-nashannagh, regarding the allocation of labour, and complaining that the local surfaceman was not carrying out his duties.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the surfaceman was carrying out his duties satisfactorily.

669/34. OFFER TO SELL COUNCIL A QUANTITY OF STONE.

A letter was read from Mr. John McBryde, P.C., Carrick, Carrigart, offering to sell the Council a quantity of stone.

The matter was referred to the Acting Co. Surveyor.

670/34. COMPLAINT RE GAP ON ROAD AT DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Denis O'Donnell, Derrybeg, complaining of a gap on the road at Derrybeg.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the matter had been attended to.

671/34.

PATRICK PHILIP DOHERTY, KEENAGH, v. COUNTY COUNCIL.

The Secretary submitted Civil Bill and Notice of Appeal against the decision of the District Justice in the case of Patrick Philip Doherty, Keenagh, Ballygorman, against the County Council.

The matter was referred to the Council's Solicitor with instructions to protect the Council's interests.

672/34. CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF DROWNING OF A EWE.

A letter was read from Messrs. David Wilson & Co., Solicitors, Raphoe, applying, on behalf of Joseph Kelly, Convoy, for £3 compensation in respect of the loss of a ewe drowned in a ditch which was flooded through the stopping of a drain-pipe by the Council's employees.

A report in the matter was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor. The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

673/34. EXECUTION OF BOND IN CONNECTION WITH REPAIRS TO CARNAMUGGAGH RESERVOIR, LETTERKENNY.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Mahony the Council unanimously decided to execute, under Seal, Agreement and Bond in connection with the contract of Messrs. Robert Colhoun, Ltd. for repairs to Carnamuggagh Reservoir, Letterkenny.

674/34. EXECUTION OF BOND IN CONNECTION WITH REPAIRS TO EXISTING BUILDINGS AND ERECTION OF NEW BUILDINGS AT MENTAL HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Mahony the Council unanimously decided to execute, under Seal, Agreement and Bond in connection with the contract of Messrs. Robert Colhoun, Ltd. for the erection of new buildings and alterations to the existing buildings at the Donegal District Mental Hospital, Letterkenny.

675/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES UNDER THE POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT.

Applications for licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts by Messrs. C. J. O'Sullivan, Mountcharles, and H. S. O'Donnell, Carndonagh, were granted unanimously.

676/34. APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR AT ANNAGRY.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, nominating Sergeant Denis McCarthy, Annagry, for appointment as Food and Drugs Inspector in place of Garda James Currane.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Sergeant McCarthy.

677/34.

DONEGAL COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Timoney, Quay Street, Donegal, applying for the use of Donegal Courthouse for Meetings of the Sluagh which were held once a month.

The Council unanimously decided to give the use of the Courthouse provided that the Sluagh Committee be responsible for cleaning and for any damages that they may cause.

678/34. ROAD BETWEEN LOUGHERAHIRK THREE ROADS AND LARGYBRACK THREE ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick John Maguire, Largybrack, Glencolumbkille, offering to carry out repairs to the road between Lougherahirik Three Roads and Largybrack Three Roads.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

679/34.

CONDITION OF PIER ROAD AT BRUCKLESS.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Mountcharles, stating that unless something was done to the top of the Pier Road at Bruckless, Mr. P. Barry had informed him that he would pay no more dues. The road was overgrown with grass and horses slipped on it.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

680/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD MATERIAL SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Richard Doherty, Bunn, Coolkenney, Malin, complaining of not being paid for certain road material supplied.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man had been paid for all material supplied.

681/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD MATERIAL SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Dan McCann, Irish Ballyharry, Carrowmena, Moville, complaining of not being paid for certain road material supplied.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man had been paid for all material supplied.

682/34. COMPLAINT RE DAMAGE TO A PIPE AT GLENAGIVNEY, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Farren, Glenagivney, Moville, complaining of damage to a pipe near his house as a result of which the road was in great danger of collapsing.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the matter had been attended to.

683/34. APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION FOR LAND TAKEN AT KEENAGH, MALIN.

A letter was read from Mrs. Britton, Bree, Ballygorman, claiming £10 compensation for land taken at Keenagh, Ballygorman, for a fence.

The matter was referred to the Acting Co. Surveyor for special investigation.

684/34. APPLICATIONS FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF THE CONTINGENCY FUND.

Mr. Dawson applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund:-

Milford Area.

To re-build breach on No. 587.....£25 : 0 : 0.

To re-build broken pipe on No. 72, April 1933, Map No.

510a..... £3 : 0 : 0.

To clean and remove blowing sand off road on No. 83,

April 1934, Map No. 124..... £5 : 0 : 0.

Letterkenny Area.

To re-build Meenaroy Bridge on the road from Glenties to

Letterkenny, Map No. 1178.....£200 : 0 : 0.

To repair bridges (two) on Road No. 1192..... £21 : 0 : 0.

Aileach Area.

To supply and set grating on Road No. T.59, 1024..... £1 : 10 : 0.

To repair bridge on Road No. 921..... £5 : 0 : 0.

Lifford Area.

To repair parapets of bridge on Road No. 1214..... £3 : 10 : 0.

To repair parapets of bridge on Road No. 1158..... £4 : 0 : 0.

The applications were granted unanimously.

685/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Lafferty, Tullynavin, Redcastle, complaining that his son, Dan Lafferty, worked for eight days on the Mountargus Road and never received any payment.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that the man in question had never been employed by the Council.

686/34. REQUEST FOR NEW ROAD FROM THE SHORE AT KINCASSLAGH TO THE GRAVEYARD AT CRUIT.

A petition was submitted from a number of residents of Kincasslagh requesting the Council to make a road from the shore to the Graveyard at Cruit.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for inclusion in their Minor Relief Schemes.

687/34. COMPLAINTS RE ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. James Ward (James), Roshine Cottage, Burtonport, complaining of the system of allocation of road work in his district.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Ward that all labour was engaged through the Labour Exchange.

688/34. BOG ROAD AT "THE ROCK", MEENBOG, BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from Mr. John McNulty, Mullindrait, Ballybofey, applying, on behalf of 13 ratepayers and himself, to have repairs carried out to the Bog Road known as "The Rock", at Meenbog, Ballybofey.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

689/34 COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McLaughlin, Balleighan, Greencastle, applying for payment for stones supplied on the Balleighan Road a year ago.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that this man had been paid for 18 tons of stones which was all he supplied.

690/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward N. Doherty, Bridge Street, Carndonagh, applying for payment for stones supplied to the order of Mr. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor.

The Acting Co. Surveyor submitted a report in the matter.

The Council decided to offer Mr. Doherty a sum of £1 : 5 : 0 for the stones, without prejudice.

691/34. NON-PAYMENT OF RATES BY MEMBERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 24th May, 1934, Circ. No. 58/34, stating that the Minister's attention had been drawn to the failure of some members of local Rating authorities to pay the rates assessed on them. Public representatives who failed to meet their rate obligations cause embarrassment to the Collectors and generally has a very bad effect. The Minister asked for a return showing the amount of rates owing by each member for the year 1933/34.

The Secretary stated that the matter was having attention.

692/34. APPLICATION FOR STEEL FILING CABINET FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.

The Acting Co. Surveyor applied for permission to purchase a steel filing cabinet for use in the Northern Division Survey Office.

The required permission was unanimously granted.

693/34. REQUEST FOR NEW ROAD TO CONNECT THE CO. ROAD AT CREEVEOUGHTEER, RATHMULLAN, WITH THE CO. ROAD AT CNOC-A-LEACHTA, RATHMULLAN.

A petition was submitted from a number of ratepayers for the making of 166 perches of a new road leading from the Co. Road passing through Creeveoughter, Rathmullan, to the County Road passing through Cnoc-a-leachta, Rathmullan.

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey the Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

694/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO MAKE PAYMENT OF AN ACCOUNT.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Kelly, Ranny Road, Kerrykeel, enclosing a Paying Order for £2 :10 : 4, which the Bank refused to cash as it was out-of-date.

The Paying Order was issued to Mr. Charles Sweeney, Doaghbeg, Ballylar, on the 26th September, 1933, in respect of road work.

The Council unanimously decided to apply to the Local Government for sanction for an extension of time to make the payment.

695/34. ROAD BEING CONSTRUCTED BY THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION IN THE TOWNLAND OF CRANNY LOWER, INVER.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 30th April, 1934, A. & R., Estate of Irish Land Commission (W. A. Sinclair), Record No. S.186, enclosing map of a road in the townland of Cranny Lower, Inver, which the Land Commission was prepared to put in good order and repair if the Council agree to take it over as a County Road.

Councillor Brady proposed and it was unanimously resolved that the Council agree to take over the road when repaired by the Land Commission.

696/34. REPORT FROM THE CO. SURVEYOR ON THE TAKING OVER OF ROADS BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

Mr. Gaffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"As the items Nos. 37, 44, and 81 on the Agenda deal with the taking over of roads these items can be dealt with under one report.

In March last I pointed out to the Council that when a new road is made or an existing road taken over, this involves the ratepayers in the expense of maintaining such roads. I also submitted that if a road is taken over a sum of money should also be passed for its maintenance. The report was unanimously adopted.

One of these roads which is now being brought forward for the Council to declare a County Road (No. 44 on Agenda) could not in its present condition be classified as a road at all. Part of it forms the course of a river whilst another part is daily submerged by the sea. An initial outlay of at least £150 would require to be expended on it to make it even passable. Its subsequent upkeep owing to the action of the tides on it would be considerable.

The roads submitted by the Land Commission will require an annual sum of money for their maintenance if the Council decide to make these County Roads.

As you know it has already been found necessary to reduce the cost of the upkeep of the roads for the current year by £5,000. Where then is the money available for these roads?"

The Council noted Mr. Gaffrey's report.

(Item No. 37 on Agenda is Minute No. 605/34.)

(Item No. 44 on Agenda is Minute No. 624/34.)

(Item No. 81 on Agenda is Minute No. 695/34.)

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Confirmed.

W. H. S. J. J. J.

Chairman of Co. Council.
19th June, 1934.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF JUNE, 1934.

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697/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Blaney, Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lowry, Myles, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGonigle, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty, Scott, and Wagentreiber.

698/34.

A P O L O G Y.

Councillor MacCreadie apologised for the absence of Councillor Baxter.

699/34.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

Councillor Mahony proposed the confirmation of the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 29th May, 1934.

Councillor Hamilton inquired if any reply had been received from the Department of Lands and Fisheries to Minute No. 630/34 regarding the operation of foreign trawlers.

The Secretary stated that he had received a formal acknowledgment.

Councillor McPhelimy stated that Minute No. 589/34 was inaccurate, and he stated that he had complained of the attitude of the Department regarding their treatment of East Donegal. He had complimented the Government on the number of Schemes which had been allocated to his district.

It was decided to amend the Minute by the insertion of the words "after complimenting the Government".

With this amendment the Minutes were unanimously confirmed.

700/34.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 29th May, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

701/34.

R E P O R T O F L A W C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

Councillor Scott proposed the adoption of the report of the Law Committee Meeting held on the 29th May, 1934.

Councillor Mahony seconded.

The motion was passed nem con.

Councillor Blaney referred to a claim for compensation in respect of the burning of a Hall in his District. He stated that the amount awarded, namely, £50, was excessive, and he was surprised that the Council's Solicitor had not communicated with him before the hearing of the case.

The Secretary was instructed to ask Mr. McMullin for an explanation in the matter.

702/34.

R E P O R T S O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G S.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the reports of the Meetings of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 29th May and the 12th June, 1934, were adopted unanimously.

703/34.

R E P O R T O F E N G I N E E R I N G S E R V I C E S C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Hamilton the report of the Meeting held on the 12th June, 1934, regarding the co-ordination of the County Engineering Services, was adopted unanimously.

704/34. ROAD TRAFFIC (THIRD PARTY RISKS) REGULATIONS, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 22nd May, 1934, MT/206, enclosing a copy of the Road Traffic (Third Party Risks) Regulations, 1934.

705/34. ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, 1933, (DATE OF COMMENCEMENT) NO.5 ORDER, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 23rd May, 1934, enclosing a copy of the Road Traffic Act, 1933, (Date of Commencement) No. 5 Order, 1934.

706/34. CLOSING OF ROADS - SECTION 29 OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1925.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 23rd May, 1934, IR/107/Circ., regarding the closing of roads, and stating that frequently applications under Section 29 of the Local Government Act, 1925, were received from County Councils where due time was not allowed for the preparation and issue of an Order so as to allow for publication before commencement of the period of closing. In future, therefore, a period of 21 days should be allowed between expiration of the period for lodgment of objections and commencement of the proposed period of closing.

707/34. GRANTING OF LOANS UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th May, 1934, H.56859/34, acknowledging receipt of the Council's Solicitor's opinion relative to the granting of loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, and stating that the points raised therein were being considered.

708/34. POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES SCHEME FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th May, 1934, F.50318/34, Dun na nGall. (c.), enclosing copy of an Order made by the Minister for Local Government confirming the Polling Districts and Polling Places Scheme for Local Government Elections adopted by the Co. Council at their Meeting on the 29th August, 1933.

709/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LOANS UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th May, 1934, H.56855/34, Dun na nGall., enclosing a form for completion in connection with the application of Mr. Henry Doherty, Meendoran, Clonmany, for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

A letter was also read from the Department dated 25th May, 1934, H.57085/34, Dun na nGall., returning file in connection with the application of Mr. Henry A. Spence for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

710/34. MECHANICALLY-PROPELLED ROAD VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 1st June, 1934, Circ. No. MT.208, requesting to be furnished with a list of all mechanically-propelled road vehicles the property of the County Council.

711/34. LOCAL SERVICES (TEMPORARY ECONOMIES) ACT, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 5th June, 1934, Circ. 59/34, forwarding for the attention of the Council a copy of the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934, which provided for the making of deductions from the salaries of local Officers for the financial year beginning 1st April, 1934.

712/34. SURFACE DRESSING DURING HALF-YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th June, 1934, R/RGM/7, requesting to be furnished with the usual Certificates from the County Surveyors in respect of Surface Dressing carried out during the half-year ended 31st March, 1934.

713/34. EXTRA CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE NORTHERN DIVISION SURVEY OFFICE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th June, 1934, R/RS/7, stating that no reasons have been advanced as to the necessity for the retention up to the 30th June of extra clerical assistance in the Northern Division Survey Office.

Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, stated that he did not now require this assistance.

714/34. PROPOSAL TO ALLOW ENGINE-DRIVERS AND FLAGMEN TWO DAYS' HOLIDAYS IN CONNECTION WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th June, 1934, R/RM/7, stating that the Minister could not see his way to sanction the proposal of the Council to allow the engine-drivers and flagmen two days' holidays with full pay in connection with the forthcoming Local Government Elections.

715/34. APPOINTMENT OF SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTOR FOR THE GLENTIES AREA.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 4th June, 1934, L.1677/34, sanctioning the re-appointment of nineteen of the twenty Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspectors who were employed last year, and noting that in the case of Mr. J. Sweeney the appointment was on probation for the summer period only. The Minister agreed to the appointment of Mr. John Boyle, Mullanmore, Glenties, in place of Mr. Con O'Donnell, who was not eligible for re-appointment.

A further letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 13th June, 1934, L.2321/34, enclosing copy of a letter from Mr. James Gildea, Ardara Road, Glenties, complaining that the person appointed to the position of Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector in the Glenties Area was over the age limit, and that three persons were selected of whom he was the most deserving.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Department that only one person was selected for the position, Mr. John Boyle, Mullanmore.

716/34. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th June, 1934, G.70710/34, Dun na nGall. Pa., sanctioning continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 on the accounts of the Donegal County Council up to the 30th June.

The Secretary stated that it would be necessary to have continuance of this amount of Overdraft accommodation until the 31st July.

It was unanimously decided to apply to the Department for sanction to continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £70,000 until the 31st July.

717/34. CONTINUANCE OF EMPLOYMENT OF TEMPORARY CLERKS IN CONNECTION WITH MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th June, 1934, G.71573/34, sanctioning the continued employment until the 30th June of Mr. Hugh McGinley and Mrs. Mary McNulty as Temporary Clerks in connection with the administration of Minor Relief Schemes.

718/34.

EXPENDITURE IN CONNECTION WITH ANNUAL RATE WORK.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th June, 1934, G.71574/34, Dun na nGall. (Fa.), stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the expenditure of a further sum of £200 in addition to the amount sanctioned in the Department's letter of the 14th February last for the apportionment of the 1934/35 rates. A return showing the actual cost of this work for the last financial year should be furnished for the Minister's information.

719/34.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th June, 1934, Ilgh. (S. & R.), Circular 56/34, forwarding for completion form for statistical particulars.

720/34. CLAIMS FOR ABATEMENT OF RATES ON AGRICULTURAL LAND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th June, 1934, Circular No. 24/7/34, stating that the 30th June had been fixed as the last day for the delivery of claims for abatement of rates on agricultural land in respect of persons at work on such lands. Claims delivered after that date could not be entertained.

721/34. QUALIFICATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th June, 1934, Circ. 69/34, enclosing for the attention of Returning Officers extracts from certain Statutes relative to the statutory qualifications for candidates at the forthcoming Local Government Elections.

722/34. RETURN OF NUMBER OF MEN EMPLOYED ON ROADS AND BRIDGES IN NORTH DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 7th June, 1934, RU.201, stating that the return of the number of men employed on roads and bridges in North Donegal for the month of May had not yet been received.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

723/34.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th June, 1934, L.2210/34, asking for certain particulars relative to the working of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

724/34. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF DEEP SEA-PORT IN COUNTY DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Co. Donegal Transport Committee notifying the Council that a further Sitting of the Committee would be held in Letterkenny on the 17th July, at which the evidence of Railway interests would be taken.

725/34. DECLARATION OF ROAD BETWEEN ARDMALIN THREE ROADS AND MALIN WELL COUNTY ROAD TO BE A COUNTY ROAD.

Councillor Patrick O'Doherty proposed and Councillor Cole seconded:- "That the new road, made under a Minor Relief Scheme, between Ardmalin Three Roads and Malin Well County Road, be declared a County Road."

The Secretary stated that the month's public notice required under Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925, had been duly given.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that the road complied with all the other requirements of the same section of the Local Government Act, 1925.

The motion was passed unanimously.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health, proposed, Councillor Blaney seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum not exceeding £4,800 for the purpose of erecting 16 Labourers' Cottages on plots acquired under the Milford Labourers' Order, 1912."

727/34. ERECTION OF EIGHT HOUSES ON THE OLD JAIL SITE, LIFFORD.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health, proposed, Councillor Blaney seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum not exceeding £4,000 for the purpose of erecting eight houses on the Old Jail Site, Lifford."

728/34. LIGHTING OF COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES, LIFFORD, AND ALSO QUESTION OF PUBLIC LIGHTING OF TOWN OF LIFFORD.

The Secretary stated that the temporary permit from the Electricity Supply Board for the lighting of the County Council Offices would expire on the 30th June, and it would be necessary to have it continued.

On the motion of Councillor Wagentreiber it was unanimously decided to apply for continuance of the permit for the lighting of the Offices.

It was also decided to request the Electricity Supply Board to arrange for the lighting of the town of Lifford, or to say if they would give the necessary permit to any other person or body.

729/34. WAGES OF GANGERS IN THE INISHOWEN AREA.

Councillor Douglas withdrew a Notice of Motion in his name concerning the wages of Gangers in the Inishowen Area.

730/34. COUNCIL'S ENGINE-DRIVERS AND FLAGMEN, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS.

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Douglas was withdrawn:-

"That the Council grant to surfacemen and labourers in their employment a holiday on the 26th June, 1934, for the purpose of giving them an opportunity to cast their votes at the County Council Elections."

On the motion of Councillor Myles it was unanimously decided to give all the Council's employees a half-day as required, at the discretion of the County Surveyor, without loss of wages, for the recording of their votes.

731/34. GRANTS FOR THE RELIEF OF UNEMPLOYMENT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th June, 1934, RU.201, asking for certain particulars in relation to any monies expended last winter by the Council from local funds for the relief of unemployment.

Councillor Gallen asked for particulars of a grant which was alleged to be lost to the Council through their refusal to expend it.

The Secretary stated that the Grant in question was a Relief of Distress Grant of £20,000, which had been allocated to the Council in August, 1922. Although no time limit was fixed for the expenditure of the Grant, the Local Government Department, in a letter dated the 28th May, 1923, stated that all monies should have been expended before the 31st March, 1923, i.e., in the year in which the money was voted, and, as a result, the Council lost approximately £9,000.

732/34. APPLICATION BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH FOR PAYMENT FOR THE USE OF EXPLOSIVES.

A letter was read from the County Board of Health applying for payment for the sum of £5 : 6 : 8 in respect of explosives the property of the Board which were used by the Council's workmen on the Ranafast Road.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"Mr. F. Kearney, Assistant Co. Surveyor, states in his report to me that he had two Gangers, John Boyle and Hugh McGarvey, employed in widening the County Road to Ranafast College in November and December, 1932. He states that he supplied Ganger Boyle with explosives because he was a most experienced ganger, and Boyle supplied McGarvey with explosives. Mr. Kearney further states that he never authorised either of the gangers to get explosives from any person, nor did he ever hear of their getting any until the Board of Health wrote me on this matter. Under these conditions no certificate of the Surveyor can be given for payment for explosives."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

733/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT OF WORKERS ON MEENACLADDY MINOR RELIEF SCHEME, NO. 191.

A letter was read from Rev. J. A. Shields, C.C., Bloody Foreland, asking the Council to re-consider their decision on the question of payment to the men who worked on the Meenacladdy Minor Relief Scheme without the Assistant Surveyor's authority. Father Shields enclosed with his letter a number of Pay-sheets in respect of the work, and he stated that the work as scheduled thereon had been duly carried out.

On the motion of Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle it was unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a recommendation that payment be made; it to be definitely understood that this action would not act as a precedent in any such circumstances which might arise in future.

734/34. APPLICATION FOR PORTION OF OLD JAIL SITE, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Messrs. Charles O'Doherty & Son, Lifford, asking to have included in the plot of ground allowed to them the 20 foot bank adjoining which, for all practical purposes, was waste.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter pending definite information regarding the use of the Old Jail Site.

735/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF HOUSES ON OLD JAIL SITE, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles V. MacLaughlin, Engineer, Letterkenny, enclosing amended plans of the houses proposed to be erected on the Old Jail Site, Lifford, by the Co. Board of Health.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter pending receipt of a report from the Lifford Public Health Committee.

736/34. APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR CONSTABLE AT RAMELTON.

Applications were received from the following persons for the position of Harbour Constable at Ramelton in accordance with the terms of the Council's advertisement:-

James Buchanan, 18, South Elgin Street, Clydebank, Glasgow.

John Buchanan, Castle Street, Ramelton.

George Crabtree, Pound Bray, Ramelton.

Thomas Jordan, Castle Street, Ramelton.

On the motion of Councillor McCrea seconded by Councillor Blaney, Mr. Thomas Jordan was unanimously appointed, at a salary of £10 per annum, plus 10% commission on all dues collected.

737/34. AWARD OF POWERS TO THE MILFORD OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF AGENTS FOR PERSONS WHO ARE MENTALLY INCAPABLE.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Kerr, Moross, Tamney, Clerk, Milford O.A.P. Sub-Committee, enclosing copy of the following resolution passed by his Committee:-

"That as applications occasionally arise for the appointment of Agents to make applications for pensions for people who are mentally incapable, and for the administration of such pensions, and as this Sub-Committee have never been granted such powers by the Donegal County Council, we hereby apply for the necessary powers to appoint such Agents."

On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie the Council, acting as the County Donegal Old Age Pensions Committee, unanimously decided to give the required powers.

738/34. APPOINTMENT OF AGENT FOR AN APPLICANT FOR THE BLIND PENSION.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Kerr, Moross, Tamney, Clerk, Milford O.A.P. Sub-Committee, enclosing an application from Mr. Manus Begley, Shannagh, Ballylar, to be appointed as Agent for Katherine Begley, an applicant for the Blind Pension, who was herself incapable.

The Council, acting as the County Donegal Old Age Pensions Committee, unanimously decided to appoint Mr. Manus Begley as Agent for Katherine Begley.

739/34. APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BOATSLIP ALONGSIDE THE OLD PIER AT MALIN HEAD.

A letter was read from a number of fishermen of the Malin Head District drawing attention to the urgent necessity for the construction of a boatslip alongside the Old Pier at Malin Head in order that they may be in a position to come under the scope of securing one of the boats of the Sea Fisheries Association.

Councillor O'Doherty proposed and Councillor Cole seconded that the County Surveyor be instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost.

Councillor Blaney proposed, as an amendment, and the Chairman seconded, that the matter be referred to the Government with a request that they give a grant under the Minor Relief Schemes for this as a Marine Work.

The motion was withdrawn in favour of Councillor Blaney's amendment which was carried unanimously.

740/34. GENERAL CATTLE DISEASES FUND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 24th May, 1934, G.32595/34, Oifig.g., stating that the amount assessed upon the Council under the General Cattle Diseases Fund was £678 : 1 : 2.

The Council noted the letter.

741/34. COMPLAINT RE NOT BEING EMPLOYED BREAKING STONES BY HAND.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, enclosing letter received by him from Messrs. John Ramsay and Alex. Spence, Convoy, complaining that the stones on the road from Convoy to Augheygault were broken by the crusher instead of by hand.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that these men had already earned money breaking stones by hand, and if all stones were to be broken by hand the money allowed for roads would not be sufficient.

The Council decided to leave the matter in the Surveyor's hands.

742/34.

FAILURE OF MR. MCGEADY, V.S. TO QUALIFY IN IRISH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 29th May, 1934, P.H.67289/34, Dun na nGall. (Sd.), stating that the Minister was not prepared to re-consider his decision with regard to the failure of Mr. P. A. McGeady, V.S., Milford, to qualify in Irish within the prescribed time, and requesting that the Council take steps to declare the position vacant and have a recommendation addressed to the Local Appointments Commissioners for the filling of it. Pending receipt of a recommendation from the Commissioners the Minister would be prepared to approve of Mr. McGeady acting in the position.

The Council unanimously decided to request the Department to allow Mr. McGeady another year to qualify in Irish.

743/34.

DAMAGE TO COUNTY WALL AT BRIDGETOWN CREAMERY.

A report was submitted from the Co. Surveyor regarding damage to the County Wall at Bridgetown Creamery on the 21st May, 1934, by a lorry, the property of Mr. Martin Cawley, Mail Coach Road, Sligo.

The Secretary stated that he was in correspondence with the Insurance Co. regarding this matter.

Consideration of the report was adjourned.

744/34.

COMPLAINT IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXPENDITURE OF MINOR RELIEF GRANT NO. 191.

A letter was read from Mr. B. Curran, Glasserchoo, Meenlaragh, complaining that a Grant allocated by the Office of Public Works for the straightening and banking of a river running through Glasserchoo, and known as the "Yellow River" was expended instead on a river in Meenacladdy. He complained that the change in the expenditure of the money was caused by political influence, and he wished to know what the Council intended doing in the matter.

Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"The Minor Relief Scheme referred to by Mr. Curran is No. 191:-
"To widen and clean the river running through the townland of Meenacladdy." - Amount allocated, £90. References given by Board of Works - Supervisor James Doherty, and John Magee of Meenacladdy.

In the schedule of Grants sent to County Surveyor there was no mention whatever of the townland of Glasserchoo nor of the Yellow River.

When I laid out the work on the 10th January, 1934, I was guided entirely by the description of the work as laid out by the schedule from the Board of Works, and, furthermore, I consulted the men given to me for reference by the Board of Works. I am perfectly satisfied, and so also is Mr. Doogan, Co. C., Gweedore, who accompanied me when laying out the work, that the work which I laid out on the above date is exactly in accordance with the wishes and requirements of the Board of Works.

I may add that none of the money allocated for this work has been expended so far owing to some local organisation making rules of their own and refusing to carry out my instructions."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

745/34.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT HOUSE WITHIN LEGAL DISTANCE FROM CENTRE OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. B. McNelis, N.T., Killybegs, applying for permission to erect a small house within 20 feet of the public roadway.

The Council unanimously decided to give the required permission on the condition that Mr. McNelis enters into an Agreement providing for the removal of the house by him at any time he may be called upon to do so; the Agreement to be drawn up by the Council's Solicitor and the costs to be borne by Mr. McNelis.

746/34. APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR USE OF QUARRY, AND FOR COSTS OF SOLICITOR.

A letter was read from Mrs. Matilda Starrett, Priestfield, Malin, applying for payment for the use of her Quarry and for payment of 15/- costs of Mr. White, Solicitor.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that the amounts in question had already been paid.

747/34. NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR RECRUITMENT OF LABOUR FOR ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th June, 1934, SGA/202, setting out a number of new arrangements which had been made in connection with the recruitment of labour for works financed wholly or partly from Central funds.

The matter was referred to the Assistant Surveyors.

748/34. COMPLAINT RE TARRING OF ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McGahern, Coolcholly, Ballyshannon, protesting, on behalf of a number of ratepayers of the District, against the tarring of the Donegal Road.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

749/34. APPLICATION BY MR. PATRICK GALLEN FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

An application was received from Mr. Patrick Gallen, Railway Street, Killygordon, for a loan of £300 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, re-payable over a period of 35 years.

Mr. Gallen gave the names of Messrs. Patrick McGinn, N.T., Killygordon, and Edward McMenamin, Merchant, Killygordon, as his sureties.

The Council's Solicitor reported that Mr. Gallen's title was in order, and the Surveyor's report was considered satisfactory.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required loan.

750/34. APPLICATION BY MR. JOSEPH DEERY FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

An application was received from Mr. Joseph Deery, Dromoney, Letterkenny, for a loan of £100 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, re-payable over a period of 35 years.

Mr. Deery gave the names of Messrs. Robert Wylie and Frank Deery, Dromoney, Letterkenny, as his sureties.

The Council's Solicitor reported that Mr. Deery's title was in order, and the Surveyor's report was considered satisfactory.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required loan.

751/34, APPLICATION BY MR. EDWARD McLAUGHLIN, LISTILLION, FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

An application was received from Mr. Edward McLaughlin, Listillion, Letterkenny, for a loan of £100 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, re-payable over a period of 35 years.

Mr. McLaughlin gave the names of Messrs. Frank Deery and Joseph Deery, Dromoney, Letterkenny, as his sureties.

The Council's Solicitor reported that applicant's title was in order, and the Surveyor's report was considered satisfactory.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required loan.

752/34. APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS GANGER ON ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Gill, Crossconnell, Clonmany, applying for work as a Ganger. He was employed last winter, but had not sufficient stamps to draw Unemployment Benefit.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that there were no vacancies.

753/34.

CONSTRUCTION OF BOATSLIP AT WHITEPORT.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, D.2/15/8, referring to previous correspondence regarding Whiteport Boatlip, and to Minute No. 467/33, and asking for a formal intimation that the Boatlip, which was now completed, had been taken over by the Council for future maintenance.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"Mr. F. Kearney, Assistant Co. Surveyor, reports that he examined the Boatlip at Whiteport. He states that there are two holes already worn in the surface of the concrete. The whole structure appears to him so frail that it is only a matter of time until extensive repairs are required. Under its existing condition the Council should not take over the slip."

The Council decided to refer the report to the Department of Agriculture.

754/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McCormick, Solicitor, Derry, applying, on behalf of Mr. John McDaid, Redford, Culdaff, for payment of £12 :10 : 0 in respect of 100 loads of stones at 2s/6d per load supplied to the Council over a year ago.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that the man had since been paid.

755/34.

APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS SURFACEMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Charlie McGeever, Ballyboes, Falcarragh, applying for the position of surfaceman on that part of the Dunfanaghy-Falcarragh Road between William Gallagher's, Murroe, and the Lodge adjoining the junction at Ballyboes School, the contract on which had expired.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. McGeever that there were no vacancies.

756/34.

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward N. Doherty, Bridge Street, Carndonagh, stating that he was willing to accept the Council's offer of 25/- in respect of stones supplied to the Council to the order of Assistant Surveyor O'Neill.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that Mr. Doherty had since been paid. (690/34.)

757/34.

COMPLAINT RE UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. George Bradley, Duntinny, Ballynashannagh, complaining of the unfair allocation of work in his district, and making certain allegations against the Assistant Surveyor.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

758/34.

COMPLAINT RE CONTRACTOR FOR ROAD NO. 29, MAP NO. 313, INISHOWEN AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. James Gill, Carnagarve, Moville, protesting against the contract for repairing Road No. 29, Map No. 313, Inishowen Area, being given to Samuel Cooke who did not reside in the district. The writer held the contract for nine years and always gave satisfaction.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

759/34.

COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF MALINMORE-GLENCOLUMBKILLE ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Jim L. Hegarty, Malinmore, stating that owing to the condition of the Malinmore-Glencolumbkille Road he would hold the Council responsible for any damage to his car.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor.

760/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT IN RESPECT OF CONTRACT FOR THE BUILDING OF A PIPE ON THE ROAD BETWEEN BALLYMAGAN AND ILLIES.

A letter was read from Mr. Philip McCallion, Illies, Buncrana, complaining that he had not been paid for his contract for the building and sinking of a pipe on the road between Ballmagan and Illies. When he started the work last year the Assistant Surveyor was absent from his district, and as the road was open he had to proceed with the work. He had now been informed that the money allowed for the work had been "struck off."

The Council decided to adjourn the matter until the next Meeting, and to instruct the Acting Co. Surveyor to make a special investigation of the circumstances and report to the Council.

761/34. COMPLAINT BY MR. JOHN N. DOHERTY RE NON-ACCEPTANCE OF HIS TENDER FOR ROAD NO. 81, PROPOSAL NO. 295, INISHOWEN AREA.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 24th May, 1934, R/RM/7, stating that Mr. John N. Doherty, Annagh, Clonmany, had complained that his Tender for Road No. 81, Proposal No. 295, Inishowen Area, which was accepted at the Meeting of the Tenders Committee, was not approved by the County Council, and that no reason was given.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Department that the sureties in this case were not considered acceptable.

762/34. ALLOCATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the County Councils' General Council, 4, Cavendish Row, Dublin, enclosing copy of resolution regarding the proposed method of the allocation of the Agricultural Grant passed by the General Council, and forwarded to the Local Government Department. A copy of the Department's reply was also enclosed.

The Council noted the letters.

763/34. PROVISION OF A SUM OF £300,000 BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR COUNTY COUNCILS.

A letter was read from the County Councils' General Council, 4, Cavendish Row, Dublin, stating that the Local Government Department had informed the General Council that any moneys received by County Councils on foot of the sum of £300,000 being raised by the Government for re-payment to County Councils must be applied to the reduction of Bank Overdraft and not to the relief of rates on Agricultural Land.

The Council noted the letter.

764/34. ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the County Councils' General Council, 4, Cavendish Row, Dublin, stating that the Annual Meeting of the General Council would be held on the 8th August, and asking to be notified of any items which the Council wished to have included in the Agenda.

The Council adjourned consideration of this matter until the next Meeting.

765/34. AFFILIATION FEE OF THE COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the County Councils' General Council asking for payment of the affiliation fee for the year 1934/35.

The Council ordered payment of the amount.

766/34. RATING POSITION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DONEGAL CO. COUNCIL.

The Rate Collectors submitted returns regarding payment of rates by County Councillors as asked for in the Department's letter of the 24th May, 1934, Circular 58/1934.

The Secretary stated that from the returns submitted from the Collectors no Councillors appeared to be in default.

767/34. PROVISION OF APPROACH ROAD TO POOLAWADDY BOATSLIP.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 23rd May, 1934, D.2/62/13, referring to the Council's resolution of the 27th March last regarding the taking over of Poolawaddy Boat slip and the construction thereto of an approach road. The letter pointed out that the entire cost of erecting this slip had been provided from public funds, and, in view of this concession, the Minister felt that the Council would regard as equitable the suggestion that they should undertake the provision of an approach road, and the future maintenance of the entire work.

The County Surveyor was instructed to make provision in the next Annual Road Works Scheme for the construction of the approach road mentioned.

768/34. COMPLAINTS RE UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Employment Branch, House 5, Upper Castle Yard, Dublin, dated 31st May, 1934, E.B.152276, referring to the Council's resolution No. 535/34 regarding the failure of Patrick McLean, Greenhill, Dunfanagh, to obtain employment on road work. It had been ascertained that McLean was submitted for employment by the local Officer of the Department at Dunfanagh on six different occasions, but that on each occasion his name on the list of applicants was not reached before the required number of men was selected. The Minister was satisfied that according to the information obtained at the local Office the men whose names were placed higher on the list were in more necessitous circumstances than Mr. McLean.

The Council noted the letter.

769/34. OPENING OF ROADS BY CONTRACTORS FOR THE CO. BOARD OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Co. Board of Health transmitting copy of resolution asking the Council to dispense with the arrangement requiring Contractors in connection with sewers and waterworks to lodge a deposit when opening roadways. The resolution pointed out that at present a certain sum of money was retained until the Contractor obtained a certificate from the Surveyor that the road surface had been made good.

The Council decided to dispense with the arrangement requiring the lodgment of a deposit, but Contractors must in all cases sign a form of undertaking to restore the roadway. Where there was any difficulty in laying the tarred surface the County Surveyor would do it at the expense of the Contractor.

770/34. DRAIN AT THE REAR OF GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Thady Campbell, Glenties, stating that he would be obliged to institute proceedings against the Council unless steps were taken to have the drain at the rear of Glenties Courthouse closed up. When the drain was put in order he proposed building the necessary wall himself.

The Council unanimously decided to instruct Mr. Caffrey to make the drain required on condition that Mr. Campbell built the wall.

771/34. COMPLAINT RE ROAD FROM KNOCKFOLA TO MEENACLADDY.

A letter was read from Mr. H. O'Brien, Brinlack, Derrybeg, again complaining of the condition of the road from Knockfola to Meenacaddy, and inquiring if the Local Government Department had replied to the Council's resolution on the subject.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

772/34.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT ELECTRIC LIGHTING
POLES IN THE VILLAGE OF MALIN.

A letter was read from Mr. M. Deery, Malin, applying for permission to erect electric lighting poles in the village of Malin.

The Council unanimously decided to give the required permission on the following conditions:-

- (1) Make and position of standards or other fixtures to be approved by the County Surveyor.
- (2) Standards or other fixtures to be removed, altered, or modified as may be required at any time by the County Surveyor.
- (3) Standards or other fixtures to be kept and maintained in proper and safe condition with regard to the rules and requirements of the Board of Trade, and the Electricity Supply Board.
- (4) Footpaths or roads not to be opened without previous permission from the County Surveyor, and a deposit to be lodged with the Council sufficient to restore the roadway to its former condition.
- (5) Applicant to indemnify the Council against all actions, claims, etc. arising from the erection of the said lamp-posts, standards, or other fixtures.
- (6) Map to be submitted showing the relative positions of the poles or standards to be erected.
- (7) Applicant to insure and keep insured in the joint names of the Council and himself in an Irish Insurance Office approved by the Council all lamp-posts, poles, standards, wires, and other fixtures on property under the control of the Council against third-party risks, and to produce the policy for inspection when required; premium receipt to be sent each year to the County Council.
- (8) Applicant to pay to the Council on the 1st January each year 1/- per annum for the facilities granted.
- (9) Agreement to be drawn up by the Council's Solicitor incorporating the foregoing conditions, and any others, considered necessary; cost of Agreement and Solicitor's fee to be borne by applicant.

773/34.

APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF
CERTAIN MAIN ROADS.

Councillor Brennan urged that the Local Government Department be requested to allocate as soon as possible a grant for the completion of certain improvements to Main Roads in the Dungloe District.

Councillor Doogan supported Councillor Brennan and he stated that certain roads required to be completed between Gweedore and Dungloe.

Councillor Mahony proposed that the Department be asked to allocate as soon as possible a grant sufficient for the completion of the repairs to the Main Road from Letterkenny to Stranorlar.

He stated that the President had passed over this road on the previous Sunday, and he was sure that the claim would have the President's support.

Councillor Scott suggested that the Department be asked to allocate a grant for the improvement of the road from Muff to Burnfoot.

Councillor Loughrey advocated the expenditure of a grant on the Rathmullan-Kerrykeel Road.

Councillor Lowry drew attention to the necessity for a grant for the improvement of the Main Road leading from Raphoe to the Letterkenny-Lifford Road.

The Council unanimously decided to refer the proposals to the Local Government Department.

774/34.

EXECUTION OF DRAINAGE SCHEMES BY MR. CHARLES V. MACLAUGHLIN.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles V. MacLaughlin, Engineer, Letterkenny, stating that he wished to know exactly what work he was expected to perform in connection with Drainage Schemes for the fee of £10 sanctioned by the Department. He stated that when he quoted his fee originally he did not include for supervision of the works.

The Secretary stated that he had forwarded a copy of the letter to the Department, and the Council adjourned consideration of the matter pending a reply from the Department.

775/34. APPLICATIONS BY MR. CAFFREY FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF THE
CONTINGENCY FUND.

Mr. Caffrey applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund, and the application was granted unanimously:-
Donegal Area.

To repair broken pipe on Road No. 1983, Co. Road.....£2 : 0 : 0.

Stranorlar Area.

To repair double ope pipe on County Road No. 1239.....£4 : 0 : 0.

To repair double ope pipe on County Road No. 1575.....£4 : 0 : 0.

To repair retaining wall on County Road No. 1519.....£8 : 0 : 0.

776/34. APPLICATIONS BY MR. DAWSON FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF THE
CONTINGENCY FUND.

Mr. Dawson applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund, and the application was granted unanimously:-
Aileach Area.

To repair bridge on Road No. 921.....£10 : 0 : 0.

Lifford Area.

To repair Tullyrapp Bridge on Road No. 1422.....£4 : 0 : 0.

To lay concrete kerb on Road No. 1423.....£3 : 0 : 0.

777/34. COMPLAINT RE BROKEN PIPES ON ROAD LEADING TO BALLINTRAMOUNTAIN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 7th June, 1934, R/RM/7, stating that attention had been drawn to two broken pipes on the road leading to Ballintramountain, and inquiring if the necessary repairs had been effected.

The County Surveyor stated that the pipes in question were not on County Roads.

778/34. PROPOSED DEMOLITION OF PORTION OF WALL AT MUFF BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 29th May, 1934, 12042/34, enclosing map showing a portion of a wall at the Frontier Hut at Muff which it was desirable to have demolished. As the wall was a continuation of the range wall of the Bridge, they should be glad to have the Council's approval to its demolition.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that there was no objection to the required permission being granted.

779/34. ENCROACHMENT ON BALLYBOFEY-DONEGAL ROAD BY MR. THOMAS ELVIN, MEENCARRIGAGH, BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from Assistant Surveyor Callaghan notifying the Council that Mr. Thomas Elvin, Meencarrigagh, Ballybofey, had encroached on the Main Ballybofey-Donegal Road by the construction of a sod fence. He was at present building a stone fence against the sod fence, which was at present five or six feet wide. He had about 15 yards built and refused to stop.

The matter was referred to the Council's Solicitor with instructions to institute proceedings.

780/34. ENCROACHMENT ON ROAD NO. 1511 BY MR. DENIS HANNIGAN, CAPPRY, BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from Assistant Surveyor Callaghan notifying the Council that Mr. Denis Hannigan, Cappry, had moved out a fence for a distance of 50 yards on Road No. 1511.

The matter was referred to the Council's Solicitor with instructions to institute proceedings.

781/34. NEW HOUSES BUILT AT MAIN STREET, STRANORLAR - DISCHARGE
OF ROOF WATER ON TO FOOTPATH.

A letter was read from Assistant Surveyor Callaghan notifying the Council that the roof water in front of the new houses built at Main Street, Stranorlar, had been piped out to the footpath and allowed to discharge over the footpath. The ground was very low at this point, and there would be a danger of flooding in wet weather. Furthermore, if a concrete footpath was laid at this point, the pipes referred to were too low, and would give rise to trouble. The water could be conveyed to the adjacent sewer by an underground pipe.

The matter was referred to the Council's Solicitor with instructions to institute proceedings.

782/34. CONCRETE ROADWAY OPENED AND NOT RESTORED TO ITS FORMER
CONDITION.

A letter was read from Assistant Surveyor Callaghan stating that Mr. Charles Maxwell, Killygordon, Contractor for the new houses erected at Stranorlar, opened the concrete roadway and had not restored it to its former condition.

The matter was referred to the Council's Solicitor with instructions to institute proceedings.

783/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES UNDER THE POISONS AND
PHARMACY ACTS.

Applications for licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts were received from the following persons:-

Messrs. R. Anderson & Co., Ballyshannon.
Doe Co-operative Society, Ltd., Creeslough.
Messrs. Denis Quinn, Greenans, Glenties, Patrick Loughrey, Kerrykeel,
Daniel E. O'Boyle, Kincasslagh, and James P. McIvor, Quigley's Point.

The applications were granted unanimously.

784/34. COMPLAINT RE BLOCKING OF APPROACH TO STREET AT ACRES,
BURTONPORT.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Gallagher, Acres, Burtonport, complaining that owing to the rolling of the road the approach to his street had been blocked so that horses could not with safety get on to the street to deliver goods.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter had since been dealt with.

785/34. COMPLAINT RE ACCIDENT TO HORSE OWING TO TARRING OF ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. John Doherty, Lougherbraghy, Malin Head, complaining that owing to the tarring of the road leading to Carndonagh his horse slipped outside the town of Carndonagh, and was badly injured.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

786/34. AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35 - ABATEMENT IN RESPECT OF
CASUAL LABOUR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th June, 1934, G.74014/34, Dun na nGall. (Fa.), referring to the proposed allocation of the Agricultural Grant for the year 1934/35, and stating that the Minister was not prepared to vary his decision regarding casual labour as conveyed in his letter of the 1st May.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Deputies for the County for their attention.

787/34.

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PAYMENT OF AN ACCOUNT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 12th June, 1934, R/RM/7, stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the issue of a duplicate Paying Order for £2 : 10 : 4 to Mr. Charles Sweeney, Doaghbeg, Ballylar.

788/34.

COMPLAINT RE NOT BEING EMPLOYED AS A GANGER ON RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McGinley, Derryhassen, Downings, complaining of not being employed as a Ganger on Relief Schemes, and refuting the statement of the Acting Co. Surveyor that the most suitable men were employed.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

789/34.

PATRICK PHILIP DOHERTY, KEENAGH, v. COUNTY COUNCIL.

Adverting to Minute No. 671/34, the Council's Solicitor reported that this case had been finally disposed of by the Circuit Court Judge, when a Decree for £5 : 7 : 6, with £2 : 10 : 0 expenses, was awarded against the Council.

The Secretary stated he had received a refund of £3 : 2 : 6 from Mr. Patrick J. Doherty in respect of payment wrongly received.

After a lengthy discussion payment of the amount of the Decree was ordered.

790/34.

REMUNERATION OF MR. PATRICK DAWSON FOR ACTING AS COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 15th June, 1934, R/RS/7, stating that the Minister saw no justification for the proposal of the Council to remunerate Mr. Patrick Dawson at the rate of £820 per annum in respect of the period he has acted as County Surveyor in addition to his ordinary salary. If a proposal to pay a reasonable sum by way of bonus was submitted, the question of sanction would be considered.

Councillor Mahony referred to the creditable work which had been done by Mr. Dawson during the period he was acting, and he stated that Mr. Dawson had saved the Council about £300 in Travelling Expenses. He had been working day and night doing two men's work. He proposed that Mr. Dawson be awarded a bonus of £650.

Councillor Blaney seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

791/34.

PROPOSAL TO ALLOW THE SECRETARY FEES FOR ACTING AS RETURNING OFFICER AT LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, AND IN RESPECT OF ADDITIONAL WORK CAUSED BY MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th June, 1934, G.71575/34, stating that the Minister was unable to sanction the proposal to allow the County Secretary statutory election fees by way of bonus, and £2 in respect of each £1,000 expended on Minor Relief Schemes.

In proposing that the Minister be requested to re-consider the matter, Councillor Mahony stated that in carrying out the Election the Secretary had to undertake a very grave responsibility, and the statutory remuneration was not excessive. In connection with the Minor Relief Schemes the remuneration proposed was small, and had the Secretary not agreed to do the work these Grants might have been lost to the County.

Councillor Scott seconded the proposal which was carried unanimously.

792/34.

BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR BRIDGE, AND SEWERS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing copy of letter from Mr. H. Forbes, Secretary of the County Donegal Railways Joint Committee, in which he regretted that owing to a postponement of his Meeting, the Agreement, in triplicate, had not yet been sealed, but it could be taken that the matter was in order, and that the documents would be signed and sealed at the next Meeting.

The Council noted the letter.

793/34.

TRIBUTES TO THE CHAIRMAN, THE MEMBERS, AND THE STAFF.

At the conclusion of the Meeting, Councillor Scott, on behalf of the Council, conveyed to the Chairman, Councillor Michael Og McFadden, T.D., their thanks and appreciation of the efficient way in which he had always conducted the business, and for the outstanding courtesy and impartiality which he had always shown during his term of Office. In the vote of thanks he also included Councillor Mahony, the Vice-Chairman, and Councillor McIvor, the Deputy Vice-Chairman, the Chairmen of the various Committees, the Secretary, the County Surveyors, and the Staff.

Seconding the motion, Councillor Gallen said they had a record which bore comparison with any other Council in Ireland.

Councillor Lowry also joined in the tribute as did also Councillors Brennan, Brady, Blaney, and McPhelimy.

The Chairman returned thanks, and said if they had achieved any success as a Council it was to be attributed to the good sense and sound judgment that had always been brought to bear on the business of the Council by the members.

Councillors Mahony and McIvor also returned thanks, and the Secretary replied on behalf of himself and the staff.

Messrs. Caffrey and P. Dawson returned thanks on behalf of the Survey Staff.

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Confirmed.

W. W. MacFadden

Chairman of Co. Council,

10th July, 1934.

THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEWLY-ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD AT THE COUNTY HOUSE, LIFFORD,
ON TUESDAY, THE 10TH DAY OF JULY, 1934.

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794/34.

ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.

Each of the following members having signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, afterwards took part in the business of the Meeting:-

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cannon, Cole, Crerand, Friel, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Lynch, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McDaid, McFadden, McGrenra, McIvor, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh.

795/34.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

Pending the election of Chairman, Mr. Michael Og McFadden, T.D., the retiring Chairman, presided.

Councillor Mahony proposed the re-election of Councillor McFadden as Chairman, and Councillor MacCreadie seconded.

Councillor Brady proposed the election of Councillor Blaney as Chairman, and Councillor McGrenra seconded.

Councillor Scott appealed to Councillor Brady to withdraw his amendment, but Councillor Brady declined.

The matter was then put to a vote, and the following members voted for the election of Councillor McFadden:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

The following members voted for the election of Councillor Blaney:- Councillors Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

Councillor McFadden returned thanks to the Council for his re-election as Chairman.

796/34.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

Councillor Scott proposed the election of Councillor Mahony as Vice-Chairman, and Councillor McIvor seconded.

Councillor Brady proposed, as an amendment, the election of Councillor Blaney, and Councillor McGrenra seconded.

The matter was then put to a vote, and the following members voted for the election of Councillor Mahony:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

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The Chairman declared Councillor Mahony elected, and the latter returned thanks to the Council for his election.

797/34.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY VICE-CHAIRMAN.

Councillor Scott proposed the election of Councillor Blaney as Deputy Vice-Chairman, but Councillor Blaney declined to accept the Office.

Councillor Blaney proposed the election of Councillor Scott as Deputy Vice-Chairman, but Councillor Scott refused to accept.

Councillor Kavanagh proposed the election of Councillor McIvor and Councillor Cole seconded.

No other member being proposed, Councillor McIvor was declared elected.

A Circular Letter dated 18th June, 1934, 70/34, was read from the Local Government Department setting out the procedure to be followed at the first Annual Meeting, and in connection with the appointment of members of the County Board of Health.

Election of Representative from each County Electoral Area.

BUNCRANA.

Councillor McIvor proposed and Councillor Kavanagh seconded the appointment of Councillor Scott as a member of the Board of Health.

There being no other proposal, Councillor Scott was declared elected.

DONEGAL.

Councillor Gallagher proposed and Councillor O'Brien seconded the appointment of Councillor Myles.

There being no other proposal, Councillor Myles was declared elected.

GLENTIES.

Councillor Byrne proposed and Councillor McClafferty seconded the appointment of Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle.

Councillor Houston proposed, as an amendment, and Councillor Walsh seconded the appointment of Councillor Brian O'Donnell.

The matter was put to a vote, and the following members voted for the appointment of Councillor O'Boyle:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

The following voted for the appointment of Councillor Brian O'Donnell:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor O'Boyle elected.

LETTERKENNY.

Councillor Wagentreiber proposed and Councillor McCrea seconded the appointment of Councillor Mahony as a member of the Board of Health.

Councillor Hannigan proposed, as an amendment, and Councillor Blaney seconded the appointment of Councillor Gallen.

The matter was put to a vote, and the following members voted for the appointment of Councillor Mahony:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

The following voted for the appointment of Councillor Gallen:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor Mahony elected.

MILFORD.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor Loughrey seconded the appointment of Councillor MacCreadie.

Councillor McGrenra proposed and Councillor O'Donnell seconded the appointment of Councillor Blaney.

Councillor Blaney withdrew, and the Chairman declared Councillor MacCreadie elected.

Election of the remaining five members by groups.

The following eight members formed a group and nominated Councillor Brady who was subsequently declared a member of the Board of Health:- Councillors Brady, Cannon, Houston, Kelly, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Neill, and Walsh.

The following eight members formed a group and nominated Councillor Blaney who was subsequently declared elected to the membership of the Board of Health:- Councillors Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, and O'Donnell (Michael).

Councillor Myles proposed and Councillor McShane seconded the appointment of Councillor Gallagher for the eighth seat on the Board of Health. There being no other proposal, the Chairman declared Councillor Gallagher elected.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH (CONTINUED).

For the ninth seat on the Board of Health, Councillor Kavanagh proposed the election of Councillor McIvor, and Councillor Cole seconded.

There being no other proposal, the Chairman declared Councillor McIvor elected.

For the tenth seat on the Board of Health, Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor Scott seconded the appointment of Councillor Gallen.

There being no other proposal, the Chairman declared Councillor Gallen elected.

799/34.

ELECTION OF THE MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor Loughrey seconded the appointment on the Mental Hospital Committee of the following:-

Very Rev. J. Canon McCafferty, P.P., Stranorlar.

Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P., Rathmullan.

Rev. J. Burns, P.P., Raphoe.

Rev. A. P. Conneff, Ramelton.

This proposal was in connection with the filling of the four seats on the Committee, which are reserved for members other than County Councillors.

Councillor Blaney proposed that Mr. Michael Doogan of Meenderrygamph, Gweedore, be appointed on the Committee, as the Gweedore District was without representation.

The matter was then put to a vote, which resulted as follows:-

Rev. A. P. Conneff.

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cole, Crerand, Gallagher, Gallen, Houston, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lynch, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McDaid, McFadden, McGrenra, McIvor, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 31.

Rev. J. Burns, P.P.

Councillors Baxter, Brady, Byrne, Cole, Crerand, Gallagher, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Lynch, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McDaid, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 29.

Very Rev. J. Canon McCafferty, P.P.

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Byrne, Cole, Crerand, Gallagher, Gallen, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Lynch, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McDaid, McFadden, McGrenra, McIvor, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Michael), Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 28.

Rev. J. O'Doherty, P.P.

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Gallen, Houston, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McGrenra, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 26.

Mr. Michael Doogan.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 17.

The Chairman declared the first four members elected, i.e.

Rev. A. P. Conneff, Rev. J. Burns, P.P., Very Rev. J. Canon McCafferty, P.P., and Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P.

ELECTION OF THE MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE (CONTINUED.)

For the remaining twelve seats on the Mental Hospital Committee, the following fourteen candidates were proposed and seconded:-

Councillors

Baxter,
Blaney,
Brady,
Gallen,
Kavanagh,
Magee,
Mahony,
Myles,
McClafferty,
McCrea,
McGrenra,
McIvor,
Scott,
Crerand.

Councillor Crerand withdrew, but as thirteen candidates still remained, the matter was put to a vote, which resulted as follows:-

Councillor Baxter.

Councillors Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

Councillor Blaney.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, Friel, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 17.

Councillor Brady.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, Friel, McDaid, McGrenra, McShane, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 18.

Councillor Gallen.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Gallagher, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, Friel, McDaid, McGrenra, McShane, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 18.

Councillor Kavanagh.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

Councillor Magee.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 19.

Councillor Mahony.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 19.

Councillor Myles.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

Councillor McClafferty.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 19.

Councillor McCrea.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Mahony, Loughrey, Friel, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

Councillor McGrenra.

Councillors Brady, Blaney, Crerand, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Friel, Kavanagh, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

ELECTION OF MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE (CONTINUED.)

Councillor McIvor.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

Councillor Scott.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

As Councillor McGrenra received only sixteen votes he was eliminated, and the other twelve candidates were declared elected to the membership of the Mental Hospital Committee.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, and Gallen intimated their intention of withdrawing from membership of the Committee, but they were informed that they would have to tender their resignations formally.

800/34, ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Department of Education, Technical Instruction Branch, Talbot House, Dublin, C.10, dated 20th June, 1934, 4264-34, calling attention to Section 9 (2) of the Vocational Education Act, 1930, which deals with the appointment of members of the County Vocational Education Committee.

A letter was also read from Mr. John Quigley, Malin Head, Secretary, Co. Donegal Committee I.N.T.O., requesting the Council to consider appointing on the Vocational Education Committee the following teachers:-

Miss Deeney, N.T., Glenvar.

Mr. Moriarty, N.T., Letterkenny.

Mr. Kelly, N.T., Dungloe.

Mr. Cassidy, N.T., Ardara.

Mr. Quigley, N.T., Malin Head.

The Council, on the motion of Councillor Blaney seconded by Councillor Mahony, decided to appoint eight County Councillors and six other members on the Vocational Education Committee.

The Chairman proposed and Councillor Loughrey seconded the appointment of the following six members:-

Very Rev. J. Canon McCafferty, P.P., Stranorlar.

Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P., Rathmullan.

Rev. Dr. Molloy, McDevitt Institute, Glenties.

Rev. J. McGilligan, C.C., Clonmany.

Rev. John H. McKenna, P.P., Culdaff.

Mr. John O'Neill, B.A., Ex-N.T., Meenatottan, Dungloe.

Councillor Brady proposed and Councillor O'Neill seconded the appointment of Rev. P. D. McCaul, P.P., Donegal, and Rev. Daniel Reid, C.C., Carndonagh, but their names were afterwards withdrawn.

Councillor Blaney proposed the appointment of Miss Deeney, N.T., Glenvar, but he afterwards withdrew her name.

The Chairman's motion was then put to the Meeting, and the voting resulted as follows:-

For the appointment of the six members proposed:-

Councillors McFadden, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 19.

Against the appointment of the six members proposed:-

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 17.

The Chairman declared Canon McCafferty, Father O'Doherty, Rev. Dr. Molloy, Father McGilligan, Father McKenna, and Mr. O'Neill appointed to the membership of the Vocational Education Committee.

ELECTION OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE (CONTINUED).

For the seventh seat on the Vocational Education Committee Councillors Cole and McDaid were proposed; and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor Cole:-

Councillors McFadden, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 19.

For Councillor McDaid:-

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 17.

The Chairman declared Councillor Cole elected.

For the eighth seat on the Committee Councillors O'Boyle and Brian O'Donnell were proposed, and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor O'Boyle:-

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Brian O'Donnell.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor O'Boyle elected.

For the ninth seat on the Committee, Councillor Brady was elected without a division.

For the tenth seat on the Committee Councillors Mahony and Gallen were proposed, and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor Mahony:-

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Gallen:-

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor Mahony elected.

For the eleventh seat on the Committee Councillors Baxter and Blaney were proposed and seconded, and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor Baxter:-

Councillors Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Blaney:-

Councillors Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor Baxter elected.

For the twelfth seat on the Committee Councillors Wagentreiber and Blaney were proposed and seconded, and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor Wagentreiber:-

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, and Scott. Total 18.

For Councillor Blaney:-

Councillors Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor Wagentreiber elected.

ELECTION OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE (CONTINUED).

For the thirteenth seat on the Vocational Education Committee, Councillors Scott and Gallen were proposed and seconded; and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor Scott:-

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Gallen:-

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor Scott elected.

For the fourteenth seat on the Committee Councillor Gallen was elected without a division.

Councillor Gallen asked to withdraw; but his proposer and seconder, Councillors Mahony and Scott, refused permission.

Councillors Brady and Gallen intimated their intention of resigning from the Committee at the next Meeting of the Council.

801/34.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

The Council proceeded to elect the Committee of Agriculture, and it was decided to elect first a representative from each County Electoral Area.

Buncrana County Electoral Area.

Councillors McIvor and Michael O'Donnell were proposed and seconded, and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor McIvor:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor M. O'Donnell:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor McIvor elected.

Donegal County Electoral Area.

Councillors McShane and Brady were proposed and seconded, and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor McShane:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Brady:- Councillors Blaney, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor McShane elected.

Glenties County Electoral Area.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell and Mr. Bernard Gallagher, Kilclooney, Narin, were proposed and seconded.

Mr. Gallagher's name was subsequently withdrawn, and Councillor Brian O'Donnell was elected without a division.

Letterkenny County Electoral Area.

Councillors Mahony and Gallen were proposed and seconded, and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-

For Councillor Mahony:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Gallen:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor Mahony elected.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE (CONTINUED).Milford County Electoral Area.

Councillors Blaney and Loughrey were proposed and seconded, and, on the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:-
For Councillor Loughrey:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McShane, McIvor, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Blaney:- Councillors Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

The Chairman declared Councillor Loughrey elected.

For the remaining fifteen seats on the Committee of Agriculture the following thirty-one candidates were proposed and seconded:-
 Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Cannon, Cole, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Lynch, McClafferty, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Michael), Scott, Wagentreiber, Walsh, and Christopher Gallagher, and

Messrs. John McGonigle, Ballyliffin.

Francis Callaghan, Castlebane, Ballybofey.

William Doherty, New Row, Clonleigh, Lifford.

Andrew Lowry, Argery, Ballindrait.

William Borland, Cloughfin, Rosnakill.

Hugh McFadden, Murroe, Dunfanaghy.

James A. Walker, Carntullagh, Bruckless.

Patrick McGeehan, Drumnaha, Fintown.

Robert McIlwaine, Gortmacall, Milford, and

Bernard Gallagher, Kilclooney, Narin, Glenties.

As there were only fifteen seats to be filled, the matter was put to a vote, which resulted as follows:-

For Councillor Baxter.

Councillors Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Blaney.

Councillors Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

For Mr. William Borland.

Councillors Baxter, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Mr. Francis Callaghan.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McFadden, McIvor, O'Boyle, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 14.

For Councillor Cannon.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 17.

For Councillor Cole.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Crerand.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McGrenra, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (M.), McShea, O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

For Mr. William Doherty.

Councillors Baxter, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McCrea, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 15.

For Councillor Friel.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 14.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE (CONTINUED).

For Mr. Bernard Gallagher.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 17.

For Councillor Gallagher.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Magee, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Cole, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Gallen.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Friel, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 14.

For Councillor Hannigan.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Ml.), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 15.

For Councillor Houston.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Ml.), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 15.

For Councillor Kavanagh.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 17.

For Councillor Kelly.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Ml.), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

For Mr. Andrew Lowry.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, and Scott. Total 17.

For Councillor Lynch.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Ml.), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 15.

For Councillor McClafferty.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 17.

For Councillor McDaid.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 17.

For Mr. Hugh McFadden.

Councillor McClafferty. Total 1.

For Mr. Patrick McGeehan.

Councillors Brady, Byrne, Gallagher, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, McShane, O'Brien, and Scott. Total 9.

For Mr. John McGonigle.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 19.

For Councillor McGrenra.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Lynch, McDaid, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 14.

For Mr. Robert McIlwaine.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor McShea.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE (CONTINUED).

For Councillor Michael O'Donnell.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 16.

For Councillor Scott.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, and Wagentreiber. Total 18.

For Councillor Wagentreiber.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, and Scott. Total 18.

For Mr. James A. Walker.

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McFadden, McShane, and Wagentreiber. Total 9.

For Councillor Walsh.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), and O'Neill. Total 16.

After the voting Councillor Blaney claimed that as Mr. John McGonigle was the only candidate who obtained a majority of the votes of the members present he alone could be declared elected.

Councillors Myles and Baxter stated that they did not vote for candidates for each vacancy, and that they did not feel compelled to do so, and that, therefore, any candidate who obtained 18 or 17 votes should also be declared elected.

The matter was referred to the Chairman who ruled that those candidates who obtained 17 votes or more were elected.

Councillor Blaney challenged the Chairman's ruling.

The Secretary stated that there was no Standing Order to cover the situation.

Councillor Brady, as their proposer, withdrew the names of the following candidates who had obtained 16 votes:-
Councillors Blaney, Crerand, Kelly, McShea, Michael O'Donnell, and Walsh.

The Chairman then declared the following members elected to the Committee of Agriculture:-

Councillor Baxter, Mr. William Borland, Councillor Cannon, Councillor Cole, Mr. Bernard Gallagher, Councillor Gallagher, Councillor Kavanagh, Mr. Andrew Lowry, Councillor McClafferty, Councillor McDaid, Mr. John McGonigle, Mr. Robert McIlwaine, Councillor Scott, and Councillor Wagentreiber.

For the twentieth seat on the Committee of Agriculture, Councillor Scott proposed the election of Councillor Blaney. Councillor Blaney asked to withdraw, but Councillor Scott, as his proposer, refused permission, and he was then declared elected.

Councillor Blaney subsequently intimated his intention of tendering his resignation.

802/34. REGULATION OF NUMBER OF MEMBERS ON EACH STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL.

The regulation of the number of members on each Standing Committee of the Council was dealt with on the appointment of the different Committees.

803/34. ELECTION OF TENDERS COMMITTEES.

The Councillors for the different County Electoral Areas were appointed members of all the Tenders Committees in their respective areas.

804/34.

ELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Donegal County Committee of the I.N.T.O. asking the Council to appoint the following teachers on the Scholarships Committee:-

Mr. Sheppard, N.T., Inver.
 Mr. McGlinchey, N.T., Raphoe.
 Mr. McCaul, N.T., Letterkenny.
 Mr. James O'Donnell, N.T., Meenbanad.
 Mr. P. Byrne, N.T., Quigley's Point.

The Council decided to appoint the following members on the Scholarships Committee:-

T. A. Armstrong, Esq., M.A., Headmaster, Royal School, Raphoe.
 Samuel A. Baxter, Co.C., Milford.
 Brian M. Brady, Co.C., T.D., Killybegs.
 F. T. Byron, M.A., Headmaster, Prior School, Lifford.
 Miss M. Deeney, N.T., Glenvar.
 Very Rev. N. Farren, D.D., President, St. Columb's College, Derry.
 Very Rev. H. Canon Gallagher, P.P., Tamney.
 Edward Gallen, Co.C., Broomfield, Castlefin.
 Dominick Kelly, N.T., Dungloe.
 Rev. P. Kerr, B.A., B.D., President, St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
 Patrick Lynch, Co.C., Carndonagh.
 Rev. A. Munroe, Inver.
 Very Rev. J. Canon McCafferty, P.P., Stranorlar, Ballybofey.
 Rev. P. D. McCaul, P.P., Donegal.
 Mr. George W. McCaul, N.T., Letterkenny.
 Mr. Manus A. MacCreadie, Co.C., Milford.
 Dr. McDonald, Falcarragh.
 Rev. M. McGeown, P.P., Carndonagh.
 Rev. James McGinley, C.C., Letterkenny.
 Mr. J. McGlinchey, N.T., Raphoe.
 Mr. Con McShane, N.T., Stranorlar, Ballybofey.
 Mr. Thomas McShane, Co.C., Dunkineely.
 Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P., Rathmullan.
 Rev. H. O'Donnell, The Rectory, Fahan. ✓ *withdrawn*
 Mr. James O'Donnell, N.T., Meenbanad.
 Rev. M. O'Mullan, P.P., Fahan.
 Rev. D. Reid, C.C., Carndonagh.
 Captain J. Scott, Co.C., Gort House, Fahan.
 Right Rev. Monsignor Sheerin, P.P., V.G., Moville.
 Mr. Charles Sweeney, Ex-N.T., Moville.
 Captain W. H. Wagentreiber, Co.C., Lifford.
 Mr. John White, Carndonagh.

805/34.

ELECTION OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

The Council decided to appoint the following members on the Library Committee:-

Rev. J. H. Bewglass, The Manse, Ballindrait.
 Rev. Thomas Bradley, C.C., Crossroads, Killygordon.
 Rev. J. Burns, P.P., Raphoe.
 Mr. F. T. Byron, M.A., Headmaster, Prior School, Lifford.
 Rev. Canon P.C. Duncan, The Rectory, Lifford.
 Mr. W. G. Gallagher, Grianan, Castlefin.
 Mr. E. Gallen, Co.C., Broomfield, Castlefin.
 Rev. Walter Hegarty, C.C., Donnyloop.
 Dr. S. P. Kerrigan, Lifford.
 Mr. Andrew Lowry, Argerly, Ballindrait.
 Very Rev. J. Canon McCafferty, P.P., Stranorlar, Ballybofey.
 Mr. H. McDevitt, Cloughfin, Castlefin.
 Rev. M. McMenamin, C.C., Murlog, Lifford.
 Rev. H. O'Donnell, The Rectory, Fahan.
 Mr. Charles Sweeney, Ex-N.T., Moville.
 Captain W. H. Wagentreiber, Co.C., Lifford.
 Dr. R. H. Weir, Ballindrait.
 Mrs. Wilson, Raphoe.

806/34.

ELECTION OF PIERS COMMITTEE.

The Council decided to appoint the following members on the Piers Committee:-

Councillor Baxter.
" Gallagher.
" Myles.
" McCrea.
" McDaid.
" McFadden.

807/34.

ELECTION OF LAW COMMITTEE.

The Council decided to appoint the following members on the Law Committee:-

Councillor Baxter.
" Brady.
" Cole.
" Gallen.
" Mahony.
" MacCreadie.
" McShane.
" Brian O'Donnell.
" O'Neill.
" Scott.
" Wagentreiber.

808/34.

ELECTION OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE.

The Council decided to appoint the following members on the Sheep Dipping Committee:-

Councillor Byrne.
" Gallen.
" Hannigan.
" Magee.
" McIvor.
" McShane.
" McGrenra.
" Michael O'Donnell.

809/34.

ELECTION OF NATIONAL MONUMENTS COMMITTEE.

The Council decided to appoint the following members on the National Monuments Committee:-

Very Rev. Hugh Canon McDwyer, P.P., Gortahork.
Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P., Rathmullan.
Rev. M. McGeown, P.P., Carndonagh.
Rev. John Cunningham, C.C., Glenties.
Louis J. Walsh, District Justice, Letterkenny.
H. P. Swan, Ardraven, Buncrana.
Andrew Lowry, Argery, Ballindrait.
Edward Gallen, Co.C., Broomfield, Castlefin.

810/34.

ELECTION OF BARONIAL REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DIRECTORATE OF THE LONDONDERRY AND LOUGH SWILLY RAILWAY CO.

Councillors Cole and Lynch were proposed and seconded to represent Inishowen Area on the Directorate of the Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway Co.

The matter was put to a vote, which resulted as follows:-

For Councillor Cole:-

Councillors Baxter, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total.18.

For Councillor Lynch.

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cramerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Ml.), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 15.

The Chairman declared Councillor Cole elected.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell was unanimously elected to represent West Donegal on the Directorate.

811/34. ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL.

Councillors Gallen, Mahony, and Scott were proposed and seconded for the two seats on the County Councils' General Council.

The matter was put to a vote, which resulted as follows:-

For Councillor Gallen:-

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Crerand, Friel, Hannigan, Kelly, Lynch, Magee, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Ml.), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 15.

For Councillor Mahony:-

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 17.

For Councillor Scott:-

Councillors Baxter, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, and Wagentreiber. Total 17.

The Chairman declared Councillors Mahony and Scott elected.

812/34. ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE ON IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor McClafferty seconded the appointment of Councillor O'Boyle as the Council's representative on the Irish Tourist Association.

Councillor Blaney proposed the appointment of Councillor Scott, and Councillor Brady seconded.

Councillor Scott asked permission to withdraw, but his proposer and seconder refused.

Councillor Scott then appealed to the Council to support Councillor O'Boyle.

The matter was put to a vote which resulted as follows:-

For Councillor O'Boyle:-

Councillors Baxter, Gallagher, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 17.

For Councillor Scott:-

Councillor Lynch. Total 1.

The Chairman declared Councillor O'Boyle elected.

813/34. ELECTION OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

All the members of the Council were appointed members of the Finance Committee.

814/34. ELECTION OF ROADS COMMITTEE.

All the members of the Council were appointed members of the Roads Committee.

815/34. ELECTION OF DISEASES OF ANIMALS COMMITTEE.

All the members of the Council were appointed members of the Diseases of Animals Committee.

816/34. ELECTION OF COUNTY DONEGAL OLD AGE PENSIONS COMMITTEE.

All the members of the Council were appointed members of the County Donegal Old Age Pensions Committee.

817/34. ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES.

The Council appointed the following Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees:-

Ballyshannon Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Very Rev. Canon McGrath, P.P., Bundoran.
 Very Rev. Canon McGinley, P.P., Ballyshannon.
 Rev. Canon Tarleton, B.A., The Rectory, Ballyshannon.
 Rev. J. Timoney, C.C., Ballyshannon.
 Major J. S. Myles, Co.C., T.D., Ballyshannon.
 Mr. Joseph Walls, Ballintra.
 Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Co.C., College Street, Ballyshannon.
 Mr. Thomas McShea, Co.C., Ardfarna, Bundoran.
 Mr. Edward Kelly, Junr., Co.C., Rossnowlagh Lower, Rossnowlagh.

Donegal Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. H. O'Gara, P.P., Killymard, Donegal.
 Rev. F. Sheridan, Adm., Frosses.
 Rev. R. L. Laurensen, The Rectory, Donegal.
 Mr. M. McAuley, P.C., N.T., Dunkineely.
 Mr. T. McShane, Co.C., Bruckless.
 Mr. P. Gillespie, Main Street, Donegal.
 Mr. G. McMenamin, Minchifin, Pettigo.
 Mr. C. Gallagher, Co.C., Bridge Street, Donegal.
 Mr. Denis O'Neill, Co.C., The Diamond, Donegal.

Dunfanaghy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Very Rev. Hugh Canon McDwyer, P.P., Gortahork.
 Rev. Arthur O'Friel, C.C., Falcarragh.
 Mr. Patrick Bonar, N.T., Ardsbeg, Gortahork.
 Mr. James Boyle, Falcarragh.
 Mr. George Meehan, Falcarragh.
 Rev. J. McGroarty, P.P., Derrybeg.
 Rev. J. Deeney, C.C., Derrybeg.
 Mr. Michael Coppins, P.C., Derrybeg.
 Mr. Bernard Cannon, Co.C., Gortahork.

Glenties No. 1 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Very Rev. Michael Canon Forker, D.D., P.P., Glenties.
 Very Rev. John Canon Byrne, P.P., Ardara.
 Rev. Alphonsus Ward, P.P., Carrick.
 Rev. J. J. O'Donnell, C.C., Kilcar.
 Rev. James Brennan, P.P., Killybegs.
 Rev. John Cunningham, C.C., Glenties.
 Rev. A. N. MacTier, The Rectory, Ardara.
 Rev. S. R. Fleming, The Rectory, Killybegs.
 Mr. Brian M. Brady, Co.C., T.D., Killybegs.
 Mr. Patrick Mulreany, Killybegs.
 Mr. John Houston, Co.C., Drummasillagh, Glenties.
 Mr. Francis John McLoone, Postmaster, Narin, Glenties.
 Mr. Willie O'Donnell, The Hotel, Glenties.

Glenties No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Venerable Archdeacon Scanlan, P.P., Dungloe.
 Rev. John McAteer, P.P., Burtonport.
 Mr. James F. O'Donnell, Burtonport.
 Mr. Kenny J. Brennan, Dungloe.
 Mr. Patrick Gallagher, Co-operative Store, Dungloe.
 Mr. John E. Boyle, Dungloe.
 Mr. Daniel Walsh, Co.C., Dungloe.
 Mr. Brian O'Donnell, Co.C., Ranafast.
 Mr. Daniel E. O'Boyle, Co.C., Kincasslagh.

Glenties No. 3 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Mr. Dan Green, Scragatoke, Arranmore.
 Mr. John Boyle, Glen House, Arranmore.
 Mr. John Boyle, Leabgarrow, Arranmore.
 Mr. Manus Early, Cloughcorr, Arranmore.
 Mr. Hugh Rodgers, Ballintra, Arranmore.
 Mr. Hugh O'Donnell, Illion, Arranmore.
 Mr. Bernard McGill, Ballintra, Arranmore.
 Mr. Edward Gallagher, Torries, Arranmore.
 Rev. B. Gallagher, C.C., Arranmore.

Inishowen No. 1 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. Joseph Devine, P.P., Clonmany.
 Rev. Patrick Conway, C.C., Clonmany.
 Rev. John McGilligan, C.C., Clonmany.
 Mr. John McGonigle, Ballyliffin.
 Mr. Cornelius McCauley, Clonmany.
 Mr. Hugh C. Harkin, Clonmany.
 Dr. Daniel Doherty, Clonmany.
 Mr. John Friel, Co.C., Gaddyduff, Clonmany.
 Mr. Patrick Lynch, Binion, Clonmany.

Inishowen No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. P. Tracy, P.P., Buncrana.
 Rev. Canon Meredith, Buncrana.
 Rev. W. F. Orr, B.A., B.D., Buncrana.
 Rev. J. Lagan, C.C., Desertegney, Linsfort, Buncrana.
 Rev. W. Elliott, C.C., Buncrana.
 Mr. McGoldrick, Buncrana.
 Mr. Brennan, Buncrana.
 Mr. P. Kavanagh, Co.C., Sladran, Buncrana.
 Mr. Baldrick, Linsfort, Buncrana.

Inishowen No. 3 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. Michael McGeown, P.P., Carndonagh.
 Rev. John H. McKenna, P.P., Culdaff.
 Rev. R. H. Boyd, M.A., The Manse, Carndonagh.
 Rev. H. J. Langtry, M.A., The Rectory, Carndonagh.
 Mr. P. J. Cole, Co.C., Carndonagh.
 Mr. Pat Lynch, Co.C., Carndonagh.
 Mr. N. J. Doherty, Malin Street, Carndonagh.
 Mr. Brian Douglas, Inishaneal, Carndonagh.
 Mr. Anthony Doherty, Clorney, Culdaff.

Inishowen No. 4 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Right Rev. Monsignor Sheerin, P.P., V.G., Moville.
 Rev. Joseph McCorkell, The Manse, Moville.
 Rev. R. S. Benson, B.A., Castle House, Greencastle.
 Mr. James P. McIvor, Co.C., Quigley's Point.
 Mr. William McDaid, Co.C., Moville.
 Mr. Denis McCauley, Moville.
 Mr. James Elkin, Termone House, Carrowmena, Moville.
 Mr. Edward O'Doherty, Bredagh Glen, Moville.
 Mr. Charles Sweeney, Ex-N.T., Moville.

Inishowen No. 5 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. A. McMaster, C.C., Malin.
 Mr. M. J. Monagle, Culkenny, Malin.
 Mr. Andrew Fulton, Rockville, Malin.
 Mr. J. M. Harvey, Malin Hall, Malin.
 Mr. Patrick McLaughlin, Drumaville, Malin.
 Mr. Patrick Monagle, Tullymore, Ballygorman, Malin.
 Mr. Eugene McLaughlin, Tullynaskea, Malin.
 Mr. Byrne, N.T., Malin.
 Mr. John McGroary, Bree, Malin.

Letterkenny Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. James McGinley, C.C., Letterkenny.
 Rev. Ross Millar, Hillmount, Letterkenny.
 Venerable Archdeacon McClenaghan, The Rectory, Letterkenny.
 Mr. Eugene Mahony, Co.C., Letterkenny.
 Mr. William J. Boyce, Bohirrel, Letterkenny.
 Mr. William Boyle, Letterkenny.
 Mr. Charles E. Crerand, Co.C., Letterkenny.
 Mr. William McGrenra, Co.C., Carrick, Trentagh P.O.
 Mr. James McGranaghan, Upper Main Street, Letterkenny.

Aileach No. 1 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. M. O'Mullan, P.P., Fahan.
 Rev. H. O'Donnell, M.A., The Rectory, Fahan.
 Rev. M. Smyth, P.P., Iskaheen.
 Rev. J. Porter, B.A., The Rectory, Muff.
 Rev. H. Boyd, B.A., The Manse, Burt.
 Captain J. Scott, Co.C., Gort House, Fahan.
 Mr. John Sweeney, Morass, Inch Island.
 Mr. Joseph McIvor, The Rock, Muff.
 Mr. William Gallagher, Moness, Burt.

Aileach No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. S. J. Parker, The Manse, Newtowncunningham.
 Rev. Abercrombie, The Rectory, Newtowncunningham.
 Rev. D. Murrin, C.C., Newtowncunningham.
 Dr. William Rankin, Newtowncunningham.
 Mr. James Devenny, Newtowncunningham.
 Mr. John Devenny, Newtowncunningham.
 Mr. Hugh Conaghan, Newtowncunningham.
 Mr. James F. Glenn, The Moyle, Newtowncunningham.
 Mr. Michael O'Donnell, Co.C., Castruse, Bogay P.O.

Milford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Very Rev. H. Canon Gallagher, P.P., Tamney.
 Very Rev. J. Canon Sheridan, P.P., Carrigart.
 Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P., Rathmullan.
 Rev. A. P. Conneff, The Rectory, Ramelton.
 Mr. Manus A. MacCreadie, Co.C., Milford.
 Mr. Samuel A. Baxter, Co.C., Milford.
 Mr. Patrick Loughrey, Co.C., Kerrykeel.
 Mr. Neal Blaney, Co.C., T.D., Rosnakill.
 Mr. J. Sweeney, P.C., Milford.
 Mr. J. McBride, P.C., Carrick, Carrigart.
 Mr. E. Friel, Co-operative Store, Termon.
 Mr. P. McFadden, Glen, Kilmacrenan.

Lifford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. J. H. Bewglass, The Manse, Ballindrait.
 Rev. M. McMenamin, C.C., Murlog.
 Mr. William Gallagher, Castlefin.
 Mr. Charles Henderson, St. Johnston.
 Mr. Andrew Lowry, Argery, Ballindrait.
 Mr. James McCosker, Lifford.
 Mr. Henry McDevitt, Cloughfin, Castlefin.
 Mr. Hugh O'Donnell, Porthall, Clonleigh.
 Captain W. H. Wagentreiber, Co.C., Lifford.

Stranorlar Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Very Rev. J. Canon McCafferty, P.P., Stranorlar.
 Rev. James Curry, Stranorlar.
 Rev. S. E. Foot, Stranorlar.
 Rev. J. Carr, C.C., Convoy.
 Rev. T. Bradley, C.C., Crossroads, Killygordon.
 Mr. Francis Callaghan, Castlebane, Ballybofey.
 Mr. James Magee, Co.C., Ballybofey.
 Mr. Denis Hannigan, Co.C., Cappry, Ballybofey.
 Mr. Patrick Herron, Stranorlar.

818/34. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 19th June, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

819/34. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 19th June, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

820/34. REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 19th June, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

821/34. REPORT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor the report of the Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting held on the 19th June, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

822/34. RAISING OF LOAN OF £400 IN CONNECTION WITH RAMELTON PIER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th June, 1934, S.74688/34, enclosing three copies of the prescribed form in connection with the Council's application for sanction to the raising of a loan for Ramelton Pier.

823/34. MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES APPROVED FOR EXECUTION IN DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works enclosing copies of further schedules of Minor Relief Schemes approved for execution in the County.

The Council instructed the Secretary to have copies of the lists sent to the County Councillors.

824/34. APPOINTMENT OF MR. MICHAEL T. MCGINLEY AS CARETAKER FOR GOLA ISLAND PIER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th June, 1934, G.77202/34, stating that the Minister raised no objection to the appointment of Mr. Michael T. McGinley as Caretaker for Gola Island Pier.

825/34. PUBLIC HEALTH CONGRESS TO BE HELD IN LONDON IN NOVEMBER.

An invitation was submitted to the Public Health Congress to be held in London in November next.

Councillor Scott proposed that Councillor Gallen attend the Congress, but Councillor Gallen declined.

826/34. COST-OF-LIVING BONUS.

A Circular Letter dated 21st June, 1934, G.55/2/34, was submitted from the Local Government Department stating that the cost-of-living bonus for the half-year ending 31st December, 1934, was based on an average cost-of-living figure of 55.

827/34. SURFACE DRESSING.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 26th June, 1934, RGM/7, asking to be furnished with Certificate of Surface Dressing for the Southern Division.

828/34. TERMS FOR HIRE OF DREDGERS.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 26th June, 1934, giving the terms for the hire of their dredgers.

829/34. DUES AND RENTS COLLECTED UNDER THE MARINE WORKS ACT.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 23rd June, 1934, enclosing remittance for £29 : 0 : 7 in respect of dues and rents collected at certain Harbours in the County during the year ended 31st March, 1934.

830/34. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF MAIN ROADS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 3rd July, 1934, SCM/7, relative to the Council's applications for grants for improvement of certain Main Roads, and stating that all such applications should be accompanied by a report from the County Surveyor.

831/34. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 3rd July, 1934, G.85142/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., sanctioning continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 until the 31st July.

832/34. SHEEP DIPPING REGULATIONS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 30th June, 1934, L.1030/34, asking to be furnished with two printed copies of the Sheep Dipping Regulations as adopted by the Council for the current year.

833/34. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from Mr. J. J. Bergin, Hon. Secretary, Irish Fruit Growers' Association, Maybrook, Athy, Co. Kildare, asking the Council to consider sympathetically, when forming the new Committee of Agriculture, the appointment to the Committee of at least one person in the County who was engaged in fruit production on a commercial scale.

834/34. APPOINTMENT OF MR. JOHN BOYLE AS SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTOR FOR THE GLENTIES AREA.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 28th June, 1934, L.2321-34, asking to be furnished with the Council's observations regarding the appointment of Mr. John Boyle as Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector for the Glenties Area.

The Secretary stated that the matter had already been dealt with.

835/34. THREE HUNDRED PERCHES OF ROAD LEADING FROM DOOEY TO DERLOUGH
IN ELECTORAL DIVISION OF LETTERMACAWARD.

Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle proposed:- "That three hundred perches of the road leading from Dooey to Derlough in the Electoral Division of Lettermacaward be declared a County Road."

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Dooey, Lettermacaward, requesting the Council to repair the road between Dooey and Derlough which was at present almost impassable.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"The Assistant Surveyor reports that the proposed road, while it connects two County Roads, has not the minimum width throughout its length. There are two places where this road is only nine feet wide. Furthermore, he reports that a sum of £80 would require to be expended on it to put the road in order. As the road in its present condition has not the minimum width throughout its length it cannot be taken over by the Council as a County Road.

The taking over of any road as a County Road involves the Council in providing the money for its subsequent upkeep. The consideration of the taking over of such roads should, therefore, be dealt with at the Roads Meeting in November which is specially set aside for dealing with the Road Works Scheme for each year."

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle the matter was referred to the Board of Works with a request that they make provision in their Minor Relief Schemes for the repair of this road.

836/34. DECISIONS OF OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES.

A Circular Letter from the Department of Local Government was submitted dated 28th June, 1934, Misc. 1039, O.A.P., advising Old Age Pensions Committees and Sub-Committees that they were under no obligation to supply a copy of the decision of the Committee to any person save a person directly interested in the question of whether an applicant had been ruled to be entitled to a pension or had been refused; and Committees were not, therefore, bound under this regulation to comply with requests from Life Assurance Companies for copies of decisions on Old Age Pension claims required in connection with policies of assurance.

837/34. ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the County Councils' General Council, 4, Cavendish Row, Dublin, stating that the Annual Meeting of the General Council would be held on the 8th August, and asking to be notified of any items which the Council wished to have included in the Agenda.

838/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT IN RESPECT OF CONTRACT FOR THE
BUILDING OF A PIPE ON ROAD BETWEEN BALLYMAGAN AND ILLIES.

A letter was read from Mr. Philip McCallion, Illies, Buncrana, complaining that he had not been paid for his contract for the building and sinking of a pipe on the road between Ballymagan and Illies. When he started the work last year the Assistant Surveyor was absent from his district, and as the road was open he had to proceed with the work. He had now been informed that the money allowed for the work had been "struck off."

The Acting County Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"I notified Philip McCallion that I would inspect pipe when he opened it for my inspection. I met him at 12.30 p.m. on the 9th July and I gave him two hours to open the pipe. All the work he did during the two hours was to excavate six inches in depth, although he had 3½ feet to remove earth to top flags. He told me he was unable to excavate. Therefore, I could not inspect the work."

The Council decided to refer the matter back to the Acting County Surveyor, to see if it would be possible to come to some arrangement with McCallion.

The Council adjourned consideration of the question of altering procedure re payments to Road Contractors. (635/34 C.C.)

840/34. QUESTION OF ALTERING RATES OF CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND.

The Council adjourned until their next Meeting the question of altering the rates of contributions towards the Workmen's Compensation Fund. (Rate fixed at 35/-% on the 26th July, 1932.)

841/34. APPLICATIONS FOR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION.

On the motion of Councillor Brady the Secretary was instructed to pay all claims for Workmen's Compensation which he considered were correct.

842/34. CO-ORDINATION OF THE COUNTY ENGINEERING SERVICES.

The Council adjourned until their Meeting on 31st July, 1934, consideration of the question of the co-ordination of the County Engineering Services. (Referred to the new Council on the 19th June, 1934, 703/34 C.C.)

843/34. COMPLAINT RE UNDER-PAYMENT IN RESPECT OF ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter was read from Mr. Francis McKelvey, Ruskey, Manorcunningham, complaining that he was underpaid for his road contract for the half-year ended 31st March, 1934.

The Acting County Surveyor stated that a deduction was made in the payment to McKelvey as he had not put out the full quantity of metal, or carried out the work in accordance with the specification.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

844/34. REMOVAL OF PORCH IN KILCAR.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McDevitt, Kilcar, claiming recompense for the removal of his porch which he allowed.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael McDevitt, Kilcar, asking to have his father's application for compensation for the removal of a porch cancelled.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

845/34. OFFER TO SUPPLY TURF TO COUNCIL'S MACHINERY WHEN IN THE CLONMANY AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. William Grant, Cloughfin, Clonmany, denying the statement of the Acting County Surveyor that he was unable to supply turf to the machinery in the area. The man whom he directed to supply the turf supplied it in his own name. He (Grant) was still prepared to supply in accordance with his original quotation.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

846/34. COMPLAINT RE CHILDREN THROWING PAPERS ON THE PUBLIC ROAD, AND PLAYING ON IT.

A letter was read from Dr. R. H. Weir, Ballindrait, complaining that the school-children at Murlog N.S. litter the road daily at lunch-hour with the papers off their luncheons. He also complained in his letter of the children playing on the public road, constituting a positive danger to motorists.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor McIvor seconded that a copy of the letter be sent to the Principal Teacher for his attention.

Councillor Brady proposed, as an amendment, that no action be taken.

On a show of hands thirteen voted for the amendment and thirteen against.

The Chairman gave his casting vote against the amendment, and declared the motion carried by the same voting.

847/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF BEACONS ON ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 15th June, 1934, 101/3/32, inquiring if the Council would undertake the maintenance of the beacons on Arranmore Island if erected. They noted that the Council had agreed to provide £80 towards their cost.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter pending submission of a report from the Co. Surveyor on the annual cost of the maintenance of the beacons.

848/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wisely, Ballybofey, stating that he had now restored the roadway to its former condition, and asking for a refund of his deposit. (299/34).

The Council decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor.

849/34. COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE LABOURERS' ACTS, 1883 TO 1931.

The Secretary submitted Notice of Compulsory Purchase Order for the purpose of the Labourers' Acts, 1883 to 1931, as amended by the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1932, confirmed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

850/34. APPLICATION FOR REVISION OF VALUATION ON A SEVERAL FISHERY.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 7th June, 1934, L.35/6/32, asking to have the Several Fishery in the Estuary of the River Owenaa included in the Annual List for revision by the Valuation Department. Following the decision in the Erne Fishery Case the Minister had concluded that it would be unlawful for him to exercise the functions of a Several Fishery Owner in the Estuary of this River, and he had discontinued so doing, and no fishing had been done there by him or his Agents this year.

The Secretary stated that the matter had received attention.

851/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-EMPLOYMENT OF CERTAIN MEN ON ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Doherty, Dunmore, Carrigart, complaining that Mr. P. Dawson, Acting County Surveyor, had not implemented his promise to employ Bernard Boyce of High Glen, and James McLaughlin to supply all metal for Road No. 586 between Glen and North end of Lough Salt Road, for which Boyce had been the Contractor for 25 years.

The matter was referred to the Acting County Surveyor.

852/34. ACCOUNTS OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Secretary submitted Summary of the Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure, and report on the working of the Board of Health for the half-year ended 30th September, 1933.

It was decided to request the Board of Health to forward a copy to each member of the Council.

853/34. REVISION OF STANDING ORDERS OF THE COUNCIL.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to appoint Councillors Gallen and Scott to revise the Standing Orders of the Council, and to arrange for the publication of a new Handbook.

854/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

An application by the Secretary for an extension of Overdraft accommodation was withdrawn.

The Secretary stated that since he had put the item on the Agenda he had received over £20,000 from the Department.

A letter was read from the Returning Officer, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, reporting that there were no retiring members within the meaning of Article 17 (4) of the Local Elections Order, 1928, and asking for the Council's views in the matter.

Councillor Myles proposed, Councillor McShea seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Donegal County Council take no action under Article 7 of the Schedule to the Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898, to provide for the continuance of the administration of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, and further that the Council request the Minister for Local Government to appoint Mr. Seamus MacLysaght, B.L., the former Commissioner, to continue the administration of the affairs of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners for a further period."

856/34. COMPLAINT RE VETERINARY INSPECTOR W. J. McFEELY.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard McMenamin, Grouselodge, Tievemore, Pettigo, complaining that although he reported a diseased cow on the 14th June last it had not yet been examined by the Council's Veterinary Inspector.

The Council decided to ask the Veterinary Inspector for an explanation.

857/34. COMPLAINT RE CHOKED DRAIN AT NEW ROW, DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, requesting the Council to open and clean a drain opposite the premises of Cassie McCloskey, New Row, Donegal, following a report from the Medical Officer of Health.

The County Surveyor reported that this was a private drain, and no action was taken in the matter.

858/34. CLADNAGERAGH PIER.

A letter was read from Mrs. M. Cunningham, Harbour Master, Cladnageragh, Kilcar, reporting that there were a number of planks on the Pier decayed, and that it was at present in a very dangerous condition.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

859/34. CO-ORDINATION OF COUNTY ENGINEERING SERVICES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 22nd June, 1934, RS/7, stating that in all the circumstances the Minister would raise no objection to the existing County Survey arrangements being continued until the 31st July, but it must be understood that approval would be definitely withdrawn as from that date.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned until the Meeting of the Council on the 31st July.

860/34. NOXIOUS WEEDS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 22nd June, 1934, asking the County Surveyor to take such steps as might be necessary with a view to ensuring that roads and lands under the control of the Council would be cleared of noxious weeds as far as practicable.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

861/34. DAMAGE TO SHEEP DIPPING BATH AT CARROWMORE, MALIN.

A letter was read from Mr. W. J. Doherty, Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector, Glebe, Carndonagh, reporting that the Sheep Dipping Bath at Pat McLaughlin's, Carrowmore, was smashed on the night of the Elections, 26th June. He had reported the matter to the Garda Síochána.

The matter was referred to the Sheep Dipping Committee.

862/34.

BALLYSHANNON OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Captain John S. Hamilton, Brownhall, Ballintra, tendering his resignation from the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee of Ballyshannon. As the Electorate of South Donegal appeared dissatisfied with his work on the County Council, he had no wish to be connected with them in any way.

863/34.

IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED TO DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Doherty, Dunmore, Carrigart, Hon. Secretary, Downings Pier Committee, enclosing correspondence from the Department of Agriculture regarding certain improvements to Downings Pier. He stated that in such cases it was invariably the rule that a contribution be made by the Local Authority.

The matter was referred to the Piers Committee.

864/34. PREPARATION OF LEASE OF NURSERY PLOT AT BALLYBOFEY FOR THE COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Committee of Agriculture, asking to have a lease prepared for five years at £19 : 10 : 0 per annum of the Nursery Plot at Ballybofeey.

The matter was referred to the Council's Solicitor.

865/34. COMPLAINT RE BREAKING OF CONTRACT ON THE MALIN-MALIN HEAD ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Monagle, Backmountain, Ballygorman, complaining that his contract for three years from the 1st April, 1932, on the Malin - Malin Head Road was broken at the end of one year on the ground that the Assistant Surveyor was to improve the road. As no metal was put on the road since the contract was broken, he alleged victimisation and asked to be appointed as surfaceman.

The Acting County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"The road referred to was formerly No. 30, April 1932, which was improved under Relief Grant No. 78A (£300), and in addition to ordinary yearly tonnage 880 tons of 2" stones were rolled in. Mr. Steadman, the late County Surveyor, reduced the yearly amount of money from £115 to £75, and it was on his instructions that Monagle's contract was broken for improvement purposes. There was no victimisation in this man's case, as others, where like circumstances applied, were similarly treated."

Mr. Monagle, who was present, stated that he was instituting legal proceedings in the matter.

The Council decided to take no action.

866/34. COMPLAINT RE DAMAGE TO FENCE AT CASTLEFIN.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Elliott, Solicitor, Strabane, complaining, on behalf of Miss Lizzie Brogan, Castlefin, that her fence at Castlefin was moved without her being consulted. The new enclosing fence made by the Council was insufficient to keep in her poultry, and Mr. Elliott suggested that the County Surveyor should consult with her in the matter.

The County Surveyor stated that wire fence had been erected to keep in the poultry.

867/34. COMPLAINT RE DIVERSION OF WATER AT BALLYMICHAEL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, stating that Mr. James Boyle, Ballymichael, complained that the water was diverted from his well by recent alterations to the public road. The Acting County Surveyor stated that the water was not diverted, but that the lack of a supply was due to drought.

868/34. MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - ARTHUR FRIEL, BALLYMICHAEL.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor dated 27th June, 1934, acknowledging Minute No. 701/34 re Malicious Injury Claim of Arthur Friel, Ballymichael. He stated that he was not aware that the burning occurred in Councillor Blaney's area. He understood Mr. Loughrey was the nearest County Councillor, and he wrote to him for the usual report. He pointed out that the claim was for £100, and he considered he did fairly well in having the amount reduced to £40. The architect's estimate for re-construction was £36 : 15 : 6.

Councillor Blaney stated that it was remarkable that the Council's Solicitor did not know that the property was situated in his area. He considered that the Council's Solicitor had not made proper inquiries, and that the Architect's estimate was excessive. He alleged also that the claim was late in being lodged.

He proposed that an inquiry be held into the matter, and Councillor Brady seconded.

Councillor Loughrey proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded that no inquiry be held.

After some discussion it was agreed to refer the matter to the Law Committee, and to invite the Solicitor and Architect to attend, with Councillor Blaney.

869/34. APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO MAKE A DRAIN AT DOWNINGS.

A letter was read from Mr. Basil D. Scott Hayward, Downings, asking for permission to make a French drain at his gateway across gully to enable his car to pass over it.

A further letter was read from Mr. Hayward asking the County Surveyor to examine the water-table which passes the gateway of his house, with a view to having something done to prevent the road surface water from running into his grounds.

The Acting County Surveyor reported that permission had been given to Mr. Hayward to lay a six-inch earthenware pipe at the entrance to his dwelling-house so as to remove the cause of complaint.

870/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LOANS UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A number of applications for loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts were adjourned until next Meeting.

871/34. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (OFFICERS' AND EMPLOYEES') ACT, 1926.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 2nd July, 1934, S.50708/34, Ilgh. (Sc.), enclosing copy of Order made by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health under the Local Authorities (Officers' and Employees') Act, 1926, assessing the sum of £124 : 7 : 10 on County Donegal, and requesting payment of this amount.

The Council ordered payment of the amount.

872/34. APPLICATION BY THE RETURNING OFFICER FOR ADVANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, 1934.

The Returning Officer applied for £1,800 to meet the expenses in connection with the Local Government Elections, 1934.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor it was decided to advance the amount.

873/34. COMPLAINT RE FLOODING OF PROPERTY IN BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Cassidy, Ballyshannon, complaining of the flooding of his cellars and yard by heavy rains. He stated that this was caused by the height of the street.

The County Surveyor stated that repairs were being carried out.

874/34.

LOCAL SERVICES (TEMPORARY ECONOMIES) ACT, 1934.

The Secretary reported that the following were the reductions to be made under the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934, for the year ending 31st March, 1935:-

Name of Officer.	Annual Salary.	Amount of reduction annually.
John Caffrey.	£690.	£39 : 7 : 0.
Sean D. MacLochlainn.	£750.	£43 : 10 : 0.
Frank McKay.	£300.	£15 : 0 : 0.
Patrick J. Cannon.	£338 : 8 : 0.	£17 : 15 : 4.
William McDevitt.	£285.	£14 : 5 : 0.
Felix Quinn.	£285.	£14 : 5 : 0.
Charles L. Callaghan.	£280.	£14 : 0 : 0.
John P. Gallagher.	£240.	£12 : 0 : 0.
Andrew Heron.	£285.	£14 : 5 : 0.
Hugh Quigley.	£285.	£14 : 5 : 0.
Michael F. Cunningham.	£400.	£21 : 0 : 0.
Francis Callaghan.	£400.	£21 : 0 : 0.
Patrick Dawson.	£400.	£21 : 0 : 0.
Peter J. Kelly.	£400.	£21 : 0 : 0.
Frank Kearney.	£245.	£12 : 5 : 0.
John J. Caffrey.	£330.	£17 : 6 : 6.
Michael J. Dawson.	£330.	£17 : 6 : 6.
William O'Neill.	£310.	£16 : 5 : 6.
Thomas J. O'Reilly.	£300.	£15 : 0 : 0.
George Dunnion.	£260.	£13 : 0 : 0.
TOTAL REDUCTIONS ANNUALLY.....		£373 : 15 : 10.

Confirmed.

Mr. MacFadden

Chairman.

3/20 July 1934.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 31ST DAY OF JULY, 1934.

875/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cannon, Cole, Crerand, Friel, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Lynch, Magee, McCrea, Myles, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McDaid, McGrenra, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Brien, O'Donnell (Michael), O'Donnell (Brian), O'Neill, Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh.

876/34.

COMH-BHRON LEIS AN AIRE RIALTAIS AITIULA AGUS SLAINTE
PUIBLI.

Do mhol Micheal Og MacPhaidin an run seo leanas, agus do chuidigh Eoghain O'Mathghamhna leis:-
"Go ngnidheann Comhairle Conndae Dhun na nGall comh-bhrón leis an Aire Rialtais Aitiula agus Slainte Puiblí, Sean T. O'Ceallaigh, ar bhas a cheile, agus guidheann siad Dia fortacht a thabhairt do 'sán chaill a thainig air."

Cuireadh an run i bhfeidhm d'aon guth; na Comhairleoirí uilig 'n-a seasamh.

877/34.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 10th July, 1934, were unanimously confirmed.

878/34.

PIERS COMMITTEE.

Following a report of a Meeting of the Piers Committee, and arising out of Minute No. 806/34, Councillor Myles proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded that Councillor O'Boyle be appointed a member of the Piers Committee.

The motion was passed unanimously.

879/34.

CONSIDERATION OF QUARTERLY LIST OF PAYMENTS.

The List of Payments for the quarter ended 30th June, 1934, was submitted.

The Council ordered payment in each case, as the List had been considered seriatim by the Finance Committee.

880/34.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department enclosing Payable Order for £10,469 in respect of Agricultural Grant for the year 1934/35.

881/34.

SALARIES OF MEDICAL OFFICERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department enclosing Payable Order for £1,451 in respect of expenditure on salaries of Medical Officers during the year ending 30th September, 1934.

882/34.

SALARIES OF SANITARY OFFICERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department enclosing Payable Order for £220 in respect of expenditure on salaries of Sanitary Officers during the year ending 30th September, 1934.

883/34.

MAINTENANCE OF MENTAL HOSPITAL PATIENTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department enclosing Payable Order for £2,600 in respect of cost of maintenance of Mental Hospital patients during the year ended 31st March, 1934.

884/34. LOCAL TAXATION GRANTS ABSORBED IN THE GUARANTEE FUND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department enclosing Payable Order for £6,544 : 8 : 3 in respect of Local Taxation Grants absorbed in the Guarantee Fund in meeting arrears of annuities that have been funded.

885/34. EMPLOYMENT OF CASUAL LABOUR IN CONNECTION WITH THE ALLOCATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

Letters were read from Deputies McMenamin and Joseph O'Doherty stating that the Council's resolution of the 19th June, 1934, No. 786/34, regarding the employment of casual labour in connection with the allocation of the Agricultural Grant for the year 1934/35 was having their careful attention.

886/34. CONSTRUCTION OF BOATSLIP ALONGSIDE THE OLD PIER AT MALIN HEAD.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture acknowledging the receipt of the Council's resolution No. 739/34 of the 19th June, 1934, relative to the necessity for the construction of a boatslip alongside the Old Pier at Malin Head, and stating that the matter was having consideration.

887/34. ALLEGED VICTIMISATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE ALLOCATION OF WORK AT GOREY QUARRY, BUNCRANA.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce dated 4th July, 1934, adverting to the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 24th April last relative to the allocation of work at Gorey Quarry, and stating that the Minister was satisfied that in the selection of applicants for the work in question the local Officer at Bunrana did not depart from the general instructions laid down for his guidance. William Porter, Junior, of Meenagory, Bunrana, was not registered from the 3rd to the 10th April, 1934, and his name could not have been considered in connection with vacancies notified on the 5th April.

888/34. MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANT, YEAR 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 8th July, 1934, RGM/201/34, intimating the allocation of £16,425 for the current financial year out of the Main Road Upkeep Grant to County Donegal on certain conditions.

Councillor Myles suggested that the Department be asked to waive condition (c) of Paragraph 6 of the letter requiring the Council to purchase Road Surfacing materials from the Official Contractors.

The County Surveyor stated that the Department purchased these materials in very large quantities, and that it would not be possible for any Local Authority to buy them cheaper.

889/34. NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MEMBERS OF THE NEW COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department asking for a return of the names and addresses of the newly-elected Chairmen and members of the Council.

890/34. RETURN OF MEN EMPLOYED ON ROADS AND BRIDGES IN NORTH DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 6th July, 1934, asking for a return for last month of the number of men employed for last month on roads and bridges in the Northern Division.

891/34. DELIVERY AND PURCHASE OF ROAD SURFACING MATERIALS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th July, 1934, T.87690/34, acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letter of the 4th July re contracts for Road Surfacing materials delivered through Derry, and stating that the matter was having attention.

A letter was read from Mr. James F. O'Donnell, Ship Broker, Burtonport, quoting the following prices for the delivery of tar at different Ports in the County:-

Ardrossan to Buncrana, 6s/6d per ton.
Ardrossan to Burtonport, 8s/6d per ton.
Ardrossan to Killybegs, 8s/6d per ton.
Ardrossan to Donegal, 9/- per ton.

Mr. O'Donnell stated that the prices quoted covered freight, cost of discharge on Pier, and all dues chargeable at the Ports, where the tar could remain on the Piers until required. He also stated that the quotations were subject to 300-ton cargoes being required.

Councillor Scott commented that the prices quoted did not include insurance which was an important factor.

The Council decided, when inviting tenders in future, to ask Mr. O'Donnell to submit a quotation.

892/34. RAMELTON PIER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th July, 1934, G.85118/34, Sg., regarding the proposed appointment of a Harbour Master at Ramelton Pier, and asking for a statement of the Harbour Dues received there in each of the past three years.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 19th July, 1934, G.89990/34, Sg., sanctioning the proposed appointment of Mr. Thomas Jordan as Harbour Master at Ramelton. In connection with future appointments the Council was referred to the final paragraph of the Department's letter of the 20th September, 1933, regarding the remuneration which should be fixed for such posts. (This letter suggested that Harbour Masters should be remunerated on the basis of 33-1/3rd% commission on all dues collected.)

Councillor McCrea proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the Department be requested to send down an Engineer to report on the improvements necessary to this Pier.

893/34. APPLICATION FOR A BLIND PENSION UNDER THE OLD AGE PENSION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Old Age Pensions Section, H.7556, Dunfanaghy Sub-Committee, acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letter of the 6th inst. forwarding a communication from Colonel A.F.S. Hill, Droitwich, England, relative to the application of Mrs. Grace O'Donnell, Strameena, Derrybeg, for a Blind Pension under the Old Age Pension Acts, and enclosing copy of a letter addressed to Colonel Hill in this case.

894/34. ILLEGAL FISHING BY FOREIGN TRAWLERS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 18th June, 1934, acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letter relative to illegal trawling by foreign vessels, and stating that the contents were having careful consideration.

895/34. ADVANCES UNDER SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th July, 1934, H.85523/34, enclosing a supply of forms upon which application might be made for sanction to advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

896/34. UNAPPLIED BALANCES OF GRANTS FOR THE RELIEF OF RATES ON AGRICULTURAL LAND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 21st June, 1934, Circular No. 24/9/34, referring to the disposal of unapplied balances of grants for the relief of rates on agricultural land. Section 9 of the Act of 1933 provided that these balances should be applied generally towards the relief of rates on agricultural land in any future financial year. As there was no flat rate of reduction applicable to all valuations this year it was the Minister's opinion that any balances remaining in hands from last year should be applied to relieve rates on the first £20, that is, it should be given by way of addition to the Primary Grant.

Councillor Brady inquired what had been done with the balance remaining at the end of last year.

The Secretary stated that it had not yet been allocated, but that it was available for allocation next year.

897/34. CLAIM FORMS RECEIVED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ABATEMENT OF RATES ON AGRICULTURAL LAND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 21st June, 1934, Circular No. 24/11/34, enclosing a form on which information would be supplied to the Department regarding the claims for abatement of rates on agricultural land, and of the cost of abatements in respect of employment.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th July, 1934, Circular No. 24/12/34, in connection with the Agricultural Grant, and asking to be furnished with the number of occupiers who made claims for abatement which had been admitted wholly or partially.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th July, 1934, Circular No. 24/13/34, stating that about 5 per cent of the claims for abatement received should be sent to the Garda Síochána for reports, and particularly all those cases of whose genuineness and accuracy the Rate Collector might have reason to doubt. The total number sent should not exceed 300 in the larger Counties and 200 in the smaller.

898/34. APPROVAL TO BORROWING OF LOANS BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH FOR WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health, proposed, Councillor Scott seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of the following sums for the purposes mentioned:-

- £3,700 for Carrigart Water Supply.
- £792 for Kincasslagh Water Supply and Sewers.
- £430 for Clonmany Waterworks Extension.
- £500 for Milford Water Supply Improvements.
- £7,000 for Ranafast Water Supply.
- £8,000 for Donegal Sewers.
- £9,000 for Ballyshannon Sewers.
- £564 for Clonmany Sewers.
- £2,000 for Carrick Water Supply.
- £3,000 for Fahan Water Supply.
- £100 for Ballywhoriskey Water Supply.
- £100 for Ballylar Water Supply.
- £300 for Porthall Water Supply.
- £400 for Carrowkeel (Quigley's Point) Water Supply."

899/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF BOATSLIP AT PORTMORE, MALIN HEAD.

Councillor Cole proposed, Councillor McIvor seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Acting County Surveyor be instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost of erection of a Boatlip at Portmore, Malin Head, and that the Department of Agriculture be asked if they are prepared to contribute towards the cost of this work."

900/34. CLONMANY SEWERAGE SCHEME.

Councillor Friel complained of the sanitary arrangements at Gaddyduff Schools, and he suggested that they should be connected with the Clonmany Sewerage Scheme.

The matter was referred to the Board of Health.

901/34. DISTRIBUTION OF ROAD WORK.

Councillor Lynch proposed, Councillor O'Donnell seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That all Council work on roads and schemes be given to the most deserving cases, irrespective of the political belief of the recipient."

902/34. CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNCIL BY ROAD WORKERS.

Councillor Lynch proposed, Councillor McIvor seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That road workers and contractors who allege claims against the Council be asked to submit these claims with a view to having them investigated and settled, if needs be."

A discussion arose on the holding up of Paying Orders in cases where Insurance Cards had not been submitted.

On the motion of Councillor Friel it was unanimously decided to issue all Paying Orders withheld.

903/34. ISSUE OF INSTRUCTIONS BY SURVEYORS TO CONTRACTORS AND GANGERS.

Councillor Lynch proposed, Councillor Blaney seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That as the method of giving verbal instructions to Road Contractors and Gangers has caused much bitterness and dissatisfaction, we call upon the Surveyors to issue very brief written instructions to these people."

904/34. WIDENING OF CORNER AND BEND ON DUNFANAGHY-FALCARRAGH ROAD.

Councillor McClafferty proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded,

"That the Council instruct the County Surveyor to build and widen the road at Matt. McNeany's, Ray, on the Dunfanaghy-Falcarragh Road, where it is only 11 feet wide, and also to widen the bend at Ballyboes, opposite the school, where an accident occurred some time ago."

It was decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor for inclusion in the Provisional Road Works Scheme for the coming year.

905/34. BLOWING SAND AT HORN HEAD, DUNFANAGHY.

Councillor McClafferty proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council requests the Local Government Department to send down an Engineer to Horn Head to report as to what can be done to save these people from being cut off."

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor McClafferty was proposed by him:-

"That as the Harbour at Dunfanaghy is at the present time in a deplorable condition immediate steps should be taken to cope with the situation. Blowing sand drifted along the bay and formed a barrier to prevent the town's drainage from being carried out to sea. The refuse of the sewers and other litter was lying in the bed of the Harbour, and is providing a very serious menace to the health of the town. At times it is unbearable to pass along the side of the Pier with the smell arising therefrom. The local M.O.H. has condemned it as being a very great menace to the inhabitants of Dunfanaghy, and, unless immediate steps are taken, it may well prove very serious indeed."

The Council unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Board of Health.

907/34. ROAD FROM LOUGH BARRA TO GLENDOWAN, COUNTY ELECTORAL AREA OF GLENTIES.

Councillor Walsh proposed, Councillor Brian O'Donnell seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That 1300 perches of road from Lough Barra to Glendowan (H. Carr's) be widened and repaired, and that the ditches on both sides of the road be left in readiness for planting of shelter-rows of trees later on; and that the Ministry be asked for a special Grant for this purpose."

908/34. PROPOSED ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN THE GLENTIES AREA FOR INCLUSION IN THE PROVISIONAL ROAD WORKS SCHEME.

On it being pointed out to Councillor Walsh that motions for the repair and improvement of roads must be included in the Provisional Road Works Scheme, the following Notices of Motion standing in his name were referred to the County Surveyor to be so included:-

1. "That 1900 perches of the road from Lettermacaward National School (adjoining Glenties-Dungloe Road) to Doochary Crossroads be widened and repaired; and that the ditches on both sides of the road be left in readiness for planting of shelter-rows of trees later on - under special Grant - in accordance with the statement of the Minister for Finance when introducing the Budget:- 'that if Local Authorities advanced schemes for beautifying and generally improving their areas, they would be assisted financially from the Local Loans Fund.'"
2. "That 1600 perches of road from Doochary Crossroads to Lough Barra (east end of Lake) be widened and repaired, and that the ditches on both sides of the road be left in readiness for planting of shelter-rows of trees later on."
3. "That 1300 perches of road from Dungloe to Derrydruel Crossroads be widened and repaired, and that the ditches on both sides of the road be left in readiness for planting of shelter-rows of trees later on."
4. "That 700 perches of road from the Dungloe-Maghery Road to Meenacross be widened and repaired and that the ditches on both sides of the road be left in readiness for planting of shelter-rows of trees later on."
5. "That 400 perches of road from Meenacross Crossroads to Manus Boyle's, Maramelan, be widened and repaired, and that the ditches on both sides of the road be left in readiness for planting of shelter-rows of trees later on."

A petition was also submitted from a number of motor-owners and car-drivers of the Dungloe Area in support of the proposals put forward by Councillor Walsh.

909/34. REQUEST FOR BRIDGE ON ROAD AT FATHER DEVINE'S, CLONMANY, BETWEEN THE THREE ROADS AT CLEAGH AND THE THREE ROADS AT TERMAIN.

The following Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor Cole, and passed unanimously:- "That this Council ask the Office of Public Works to give a grant of £200 to provide a bridge on the road at Fr. Devine's, Clonmany, between the Three Roads at Cleagh and the Three Roads at Termain."

910/34. CO-ORDINATION OF THE ENGINEERING SERVICES OF CO. DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 22nd June, 1934, R/RS/7, stating that in all the circumstances the Minister would raise no objection to the existing County Survey arrangements being continued until the 31st July, but it must be understood that approval would be definitely withdrawn as from that date.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 20th July, 1934, R/RS/7, stating that it had been noted that the question of the co-ordination of the County Engineering Services had been adjourned until the 31st July, and drawing attention to the Department's letter of the 22nd June on the subject.

The Secretary also read the Department's letter of the 26th May, 1934, R/RS/7, and the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee, which had been appointed to deal with this matter, at their different Meetings since the question was raised.

Mr. Caffrey, the present County Surveyor for the Southern Division of the County, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

When considering the appointment of a County Surveyor for the whole County, it should be borne in mind that this is a post in which complete administration work forms a large part of the responsibility, and a high technical knowledge of varied engineering, etc. is also necessary on the part of the Official holding such a position.

As already intimated by me in a report to the Committee appointed to consider this matter, when I was asked if I would take over the extra work, I reported that I would be willing to act on the following conditions:-

- (a) that I be provided with two Office Assistants.
- (b) that I be provided with a Typist, and
- (c) that the salary be at the rate of £900 per annum.

I should like, however, that it is clearly understood that this salary applies to the position of County Surveyor only. If I must, in addition, take over the duties of County Engineer for the whole County under the Board of Health, I shall expect that the present allowance to the County Surveyor for this work be proportionately increased.

Should the Council agree to these conditions, then provision should be made for appointing two Assistant Surveyors, either temporarily or permanently, without any delay.

It is now over eighteen months since the question of whether one or two County Surveyors take charge arose. As the Department insist on having one it will make it more difficult for whoever assumes control if it is delayed further. It is getting towards the time when the Road Works Scheme, the payments to Road Contractors, and the Road Improvement Grants be put into commission."

A lengthy discussion ensued, following which Councillor McIvor proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded that the suggestions of the Ministry be accepted under protest, but the proposal was not pressed.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor Brady seconded that Mr. Caffrey be appointed County Surveyor for the entire County; there being no other amendment the Chairman declared the resolution carried.

The Council decided to appoint the following Committee

- (1) to consider and report back to the Council on the remuneration to be allowed to Mr. Caffrey, and
- (2) to go into the question of the assistance to be allowed to him, and the remuneration to be allowed therefor:-

Councillors Brady, Gallen, Lynch, Magee, Mahony, MacCreadie, McGrenra, O'Boyle, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Neill, and Scott.

Mr. Caffrey suggested that Mr. Patrick Dawson should continue to act for another month as County Surveyor, but this suggestion was overruled, and Mr. Dawson was appointed a special Assistant under Mr. Caffrey at a remuneration also to be determined by the Committee.

It was arranged that the Committee should meet on Tuesday, the 21st August, 1934.

911/34. PROCEDURE RE PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

The Secretary brought before the Council a Notice of Motion adjourned from the old Council in the name of Mr. Andrew Lowry suggesting that the procedure regarding the payments to Road Contractors be altered.

It was considered, he stated, that there was no necessity for the Meetings at which payments were notified to Contractors.

After some discussion, Councillor Scott proposed that the resolution be marked "noted", and the proposal was agreed to.

912/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF BEACONS IN THE CHANNEL AT THE SOUTH-EAST SIDE OF ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 15th June, 1934, 101/3/32, inquiring if the Council would undertake the maintenance of the beacons on Arranmore Island if erected. They noted that the Council had agreed to provide £80 towards their cost.

The County Surveyor stated that he had not yet been able to prepare an estimate of the cost of maintenance of the beacons.

Consideration of the matter was further adjourned.

913/34. APPLICATION FOR A LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

An application for a loan of £350 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, re-payable over a period of 35 years, was received from Mr. Edward Friel, Ballymagowan, Kerrykeel.

Mr. Friel gave as his sureties the names of Messrs. Moses Dill, Carland, Kerrykeel, and Daniel P. McAteer, Carland, Kerrykeel.

The Council's Solicitor reported on Form 5 that the title was acceptable, and the Surveyor's reports were considered satisfactory.

The Council unanimously decided to advance the sum required to Mr. Friel, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department.

914/34. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

The Secretary applied for continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £80,000 until the 31st August.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Gallen it was unanimously decided to apply for sanction to this amount.

915/34. DEFAULTING HOUSING ANNUITANTS.

The Secretary reported the following persons as being in arrears in re-payment of loans advanced to them under the Housing Acts:-

<u>Name of Defaulter.</u>	<u>Amount Due.</u>
Thomas Griffith, Main Street, Donegal.....	£9 : 1 : 0.
Patrick Doherty (Taylor), Glenmakee, Collin, Carndonagh....	£4 : 3 : 10.
Edward Doherty, Malin Street, Carndonagh.....	£4 : 9 : 0.
Bernard Bradley, Drumskeellan, Turo.....	£22 : 5 : 0.
John Doherty (Hollow), Ballyloskey, Carndonagh....	£22 : 5 : 0.
Mrs. Mary Maloney, Malinbeg, Glencolumbkille.....	£1 : 17 : 3.
Daniel Ward, Ballycallon, Ballynashannagh P.O.....	£27 : 0 : 0.
Daniel McEloney, Tiernaleague, Carndonagh.....	£3 : 2 : 2.
Patrick McNelis, Tullybeg, Ardara.....	£5 : 19 : 6.
Edward Shiels, Jun., Rosskey, Clonmany.....	£12 : 11 : 3.
Bernard Curran, Derryconnor, Meenlaragh P.O.....	£4 : 9 : 0.
Miss Mary A. Coll, Meenderrygamph, Gweedore.....	£2 : 19 : 9.
Daniel Coyle, Moyagh, Ramelton.....	£8 : 19 : 0.
Patrick Diver, Tirconnail Street, Donegal.....	£17 : 18 : 9.
Charles J. Coyle, Lurganboyce, Rathmullan.....	£8 : 17 : 8.

It was decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor to apply for the amount in every case where more than £5 was owing.

916/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES UNDER THE POISONS AND PHARMACY ACTS.

Applications for licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts were received from the following persons:-

Joseph Marley, Cloghan.
 Thomas Kee, Meenagrave, Welchtown, Ballybofey.
 Mrs. Mary McKelvey, Ardlaghan, Cloghan.
 Messrs. Stewart Bros., Kerrykeel.
 Messrs. McClure & Sons, Ballybofey.
 Patrick O'Doherty, Crossroads, Malin Head.
 Messrs. McConnell & Co., Bridgend.
 William Magee, Ballybofey.
 George Edward McCrea, Pettigo.
 Patrick Gallen, Clonmany.
 Patrick McKinley, Kilmacloo, Creeslough.
 James Harley, Trentagh, Letterkenny.
 Peter Molloy, Ardara.
 W. H. Raitt, Stranorlar.
 Denis Brennan, Buncrana.
 Iniskeel Co-operative Society, Ltd., Glenties.
 Arthur Doherty, Carndonagh.
 I. A. W. S., Ltd., Ballybofey.
 I. A. W. S., Ltd., Letterkenny.
 Joseph Doherty, Tararus, Churchill.
 Thomas Holmes, Convoy.
 Patrick McDermott, Carrowmena, Moville.
 Thomas Comiskey, Clonmany.
 D. Melly, Churchill.
 Mrs. G. Cavanagh, Greenacastle.
 Miss Hannah McColgan, Clonmany.
 Joseph McNutt, Downings.
 Samuel Roulston, Letterkenny.
 Charles Ward, Glenties.
 Allan Rogers, Killybegs.
 George Kee, Welchtown, Ballybofey.
 Darby McGlynn, Fintown.
 Daniel E. O'Boyle, Kincasslagh.
 James P. McIvor, Quigley's Point.

The Secretary read the appropriate regulations in the matter, and it was decided to issue licences in each case at a charge of 10/-, with 1s/6d for renewals.

917/34. RENTS AND WAYLEAVES DUE.

The Secretary reported a number of persons as being in arrears in payment of wayleaves and nominal rents.

The Secretary was instructed to make formal application to each of the persons concerned, and to submit a report in the matter to next Meeting.

918/34. BALANCES DUE BY THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS.

The Secretary reported that the following amounts were due by the Urban District Councils in the County on the 30th June, 1934:-

Buncrana.....	1933/34...	£1,163 : 8 : 5.	
	1934/35...	595 : 8 : 9.	Total...£1,758 : 17 : 2.
Bundoran.....	1933/34...	£518 : 13 : 10.	
	1934/35...	£527 : 8 : 11.	Total...£1,046 : 2 : 9.
Letterkenny.....	1934/35....	£555 : 9 : 3.	Total... £555 : 9 : 3.

The Secretary was instructed to apply to the Urban District Councils of Buncrana and Bundoran for immediate payment of the balance due in respect of demand for the year ending 31st March, 1934.

919/34. REMUNERATION TO BE ALLOWED TO MR. PATRICK DAWSON FOR THE PERIOD HE HAS ACTED AS COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 10th July, 1934, R/RS/7, stating that the Minister was prepared to sanction a special payment not exceeding £5 : 5 : 0 per week as extra remuneration to Mr. Dawson for the period he has been acting as County Surveyor.

The following letter was read from Mr. Dawson in the matter:-
"Gentlemen,

For the past twelve months, since Mr. Steadman's resignation on the 31st July, 1933, I have held the Office of Acting County Surveyor for North Donegal, and I have carried out all the duties pertaining to the County Surveyorship.

This work comprised all County work dealing with contracts and half-yearly payments, all Direct Labour work, including fortnightly payments and Road Machinery Accounts, and the formulation of the Road Works Scheme for 1933/34.

It also included the keeping in repair of all road plant, and making the necessary arrangements in advance to ensure that the machinery was in constant employment, which is an important consideration.

I effected a saving in repairs to the Road Machinery, in the purchase and distribution of Tar and Spraymex, in the purchase of fuel for the plant, and in Travelling Expenses.

I had in hands the carrying out of all Road Improvement Grants in the Northern Division for 1933/34, and carried out all correspondence with the different Departments in connection with the Grants.

To the above duties can be added the Board of Health work, including Minor Water Supplies, repairs to Cottages, Graveyards, etc., and the work in connection with the Minor Relief Schemes, which numbered 107 in the Northern Division, and correspondence with the Board of Works re same.

The above duties, combined with my Assistant Surveyorship, compelled me to work from ten to fourteen hours daily, and on many occasions I had to work on Sundays.

On the 29th May I requested the Council to determine the remuneration to be allowed to me for acting as County Surveyor, and a unanimous resolution was sent forward. The Ministry refused to sanction this, and on the 19th June you re-considered the matter, and again fixed a salary unanimously. This the Ministry have also refused to sanction, and they have provisionally fixed a "bonus", not a salary.

I consider that I am at least entitled to the salary proposed for the new appointment to be made of a Deputy County Surveyor for the entire County, under Mr. Caffrey. I do not think this is unreasonable, seeing that I have carried out all the duties of a County Surveyor, in addition to my own duties as an Assistant Surveyor; duties which have been a very heavy strain on me, and which have told severely on my health."

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor MacCreddie it was unanimously decided again to request the Department to sanction remuneration to Mr. Dawson at the rate of £500 per annum for the period he has acted as County Surveyor in North Donegal.

920/34. REQUEST FOR NEW ROAD FROM CROLLY TO UPPER CRANAGUIGGY.

A letter was read from Colonel A.F.S. Hill, Himbleton Manor, Droitwich, England, asking, on behalf of some of his former tenants, for a road, or rather a rough metal track, from Crollly to Upper Cranaguiggy.

The matter was referred to the Board of Works, with a request that they include this work in their Minor Relief Schemes.

921/34. MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A report was submitted from the Council's Solicitor on the Malicious Injury Claims disposed of at the last Sitting of the Circuit Court.

The report was noted.

922/34.

LAYING OF OVERGROUND TELEGRAPHIC LINE.

An application was submitted from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs for permission to lay an overground telegraphic line from the Railway Bridge at Cloghore to Cloghore Frontier Post, near Belleek.

The Council unanimously gave the required permission on the condition that in the event of it being found necessary at any future date to remove the poles, the cost of removal, except in so far as State-aided Schemes and Schemes authorised by an Act of the Oireachtas are concerned, to be borne by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

923/34.

INSURANCE OF HIRED PLANT.

A letter was read from Messrs. McDonagh & Boland, Insurance Brokers, quoting for the insurance of hired plant.

The County Surveyor stated that the Council had no hired plant.

924/34.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO REMOVE PORTION OF BRIDGE AT DUNGLOE AND TO ERECT PILLARS IN RIVER.

A letter was read from Mr. John Walsh, Dungloe, applying for permission to erect a few cement pillars in the Dungloe River at his premises, and to remove twelve feet of bridge wall to enable him to erect a Pension Office.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor to interview Mr. Walsh in the matter.

925/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT IN RESPECT OF ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter was read from Mr. John Quinn, Summy, Narin, complaining that he had not been paid for his road contract for last half-year.

The County Surveyor stated that the amount had since been paid.

926/34.

APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF LOSS OF A EWE.

A letter was read from Mr. W. T. McMenamin, Solicitor, Ballybofey, applying, on behalf of Joseph Callaghan, Meenashammer, Ballybofey, for £3, being the value of a ewe, his property, which was killed by falling into a broken pipe on the County Road leading from Tieveclogher to Meenashammer.

A report was submitted in the matter from the Assistant Surveyor. The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

927/34.

COMPLAINTS FROM THE INISHOWEN AREA IN CONNECTION WITH NON-PAYMENTS FOR ROAD WORK PERFORMED.

A letter was read from Mr. Philip McCorriston, Mountargus, Redcastle, complaining that he had not yet been paid for road work done in March last.

It was decided to instruct the Assistant Surveyor to call on Councillors Friel, Lynch, and McIvor, and to obtain from them the names of all persons claiming to have performed road work for which they have not been paid.

928/34.

DAMAGE TO COUNTY WALL AT BRIDGETOWN CREAMERY.

The Secretary reported that the Hibernian Insurance Co., 48 & 49, Dame Street, Dublin, had lodged a sum of £10 in respect of damage to the County Wall at Bridgetown Creamery on the 21st May, 1934, by a lorry, the property of Mr. Martin Cawley, Mail Coach Road, Sligo.

929/34.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO USE COURTHOUSES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, applying for permission to use certain Courthouses for sittings of the Arbitrator in connection with the Labourers' Act Schemes.

The Council unanimously gave the required permission.

930/34. SUSPENSION FROM OFFICE OF MR. WILLIAM J. McFEELY, VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR BALLYSHANNON AREA.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 18th July, 1934, L.2897/34, stating that the Minister had recently to take a grave view of serious irregular action by Mr. W. J. McFeely, Veterinary Inspector for Ballyshannon Area, in respect of three cows purported to have been slaughtered under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order, 1926, and said to be the property of James McGinley, Coolcholly, Ballyshannon, Thomas Gallagher, Back Street, Ballyshannon, and John Flood, Pettigo. The matter had been brought to the notice of the Department of Local Government and Public Health with a view to the suspension of Mr. McFeely from his Office as Local Authority Veterinary Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

A letter was also read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 14th July, 1934, P.H.90711/34, Dun na Nall, enclosing copy of a Sealed Order made by the Minister for Local Government suspending Mr. W. J. McFeely from his Office as Veterinary Inspector following a charge against him of serious irregularity in the discharge of his duties.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 20th July, 1934, L.3072/34, asking to be notified with the least practicable delay as to the arrangements made by the Council for the discharge of duties under the Diseases of Animals Acts in the Ballyshannon District.

The Secretary stated that in accordance with the powers given him by the Council on the 30th April, 1929, (456/29), he had, on the 16th July, 1934, appointed Mr. Francis McShane, V.S., Donegal, to act as Veterinary Inspector in the Ballyshannon Area until further notice.

The Council unanimously approved of the Secretary's action.

931/34. REQUEST FROM THE LAND COMMISSION TO TAKE OVER AND MAINTAIN A NEW ROAD IN THE TOWNLANDS OF MEENAVALLY AND MEENAKILLEW, ARDARA.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission inquiring if a road in the townland of Meenakillew was put into good order and repaired by the Land Commission would the Council take it over as a County Road, with a continuation in the townland of Meenavalley, which had already been put into good repair.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"With reference to the taking over of new roads, I should like to point out that by doing so the Council is rendered liable for the upkeep of such roads. As the funds at the disposal of the Council are not sufficient to enable the existing County Roads to be properly maintained, no new road, therefore, should be taken over unless a sum of money is voted for its maintenance. Without this procedure being adopted, I cannot recommend any new road to be taken over.

As the question of taking over roads involves the expenditure of money for which no provision has been made, therefore, all such proposals should come before the Council at the appropriate time when the Annual Road Works Meeting is held."

The Council decided to adjourn the matter until the Annual Road Works Meeting to be held in January, 1935.

932/34. WORK DONE ON MEENACLADDY MINOR RELIEF SCHEME, NO. 191, BY UNAUTHORISED PERSONS.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 4th July, 1934, stating that they could not agree to pay for work done by unauthorised persons on the Meenacladdy Minor Relief Scheme, No. 191.

The Council noted the letter.

933/34.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - EDWARD FRIEL, BALLYMICHAEL.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor dated 13th July, 1934, in connection with the Malicious Injury Claim of Edward Friel in respect of the burning of Ballymichael Hall, and stating that as he had made all arrangements for his holidays it would not be possible for him to attend the Meeting of the Law Committee fixed for the 31st July, and asking to have the Meeting postponed until after his return on the 7th August.

The Council decided to have a Meeting of the Law Committee on the 21st August, on which date there would also be Meetings of the Sub-Finance and Engineering Services Committees.

934/34. CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF SOLICITOR'S COSTS IN CONNECTION WITH APPLICATION FOR TRESPASS MONEY.

A letter was read from Mrs. Matilda Starrett, Priestfield, Malin, asking that Mr. M. D. White, Solicitor, be paid his costs of 15/- in connection with his recent application on her behalf for compensation for trespass in her Quarry.

Councillor Scott proposed that Mr. White be offered a sum of 10/- in settlement, and this was unanimously agreed to.

935/34. APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OF QUARRY RENT AND SOLICITOR'S COSTS.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael D. White, Solicitor, Carndonagh, applying for the sum of £5 being rent due for the quarrying of stones on the lands of Mrs. Gladys A. Knox, Cregalogue, Culdaff, together with 7s/6d costs.

The Council unanimously decided to offer a sum of £5 in settlement of the claim.

936/34. CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF THE SLAUGHTER OF A COW.

A letter was read from Mr. Francis MacLaughlin, Malinmore, Glencolumbkille, applying for compensation for the loss of a cow.

The Council's Veterinary Inspector reported that the animal in question was not suffering from tuberculosis.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

937/34. APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF GRAVEL TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL AT ARDUNS, GVEEDORE.

A letter was read from Mrs. Annie Boyle, Crolly, complaining that one of the Council's foremen had taken, and was still taking, gravel from her lands at Arduns without permission, and applying for compensation in respect of the gravel taken.

The Acting Co. Surveyor stated that compensation had since been paid.

938/34. FAILURE OF MR. PATRICK A. McGEADY, V.S., MILFORD, TO QUALIFY IN IRISH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 10th July, 1934, P.H.85117/34, Dun na nGall. Sd., stating that the Minister saw no reason to alter his decision regarding the failure of Mr. Patrick A. McGeady, V.S., Milford, to qualify in Irish within the prescribed time, and the County Council should take the necessary steps accordingly.

On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to request the Minister again to allow Mr. McGeady until June next to qualify in Irish.

939/34. REFUND OF AMOUNT OVERPAID FOR ROAD WORK PERFORMED.

A letter was read from Mr. Anthony O'Donnell, Chapel Road, Dungloe, refunding a sum of 5/- which he was overpaid in respect of road work done.

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to express the best thanks of the Council to Mr. O'Donnell.

940/34.

POOLAWADDY BOATSLIP, AND CONSTRUCTION THERETO OF AN
APPROACH ROAD.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 21st July, 1934, D.2/62/13, stating that the Minister considered that, in view of the fact that the Council had instructed the County Surveyor to make provision in the next Annual Road Works Scheme for the construction of the necessary approach road to the Boatship at Poolawaddy, effect should be given to the undertaking of the 31st January, 1933, by taking over at once for future maintenance the boatship in question.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"It is suggested by the Assistant Surveyor, Mr. Kearney, that the following repairs should be carried out:-

(a) Where the slip adjoins the land this part should be concreted instead of being formed of large stones set in cement. The waves striking the centre of the slip fall heavily on this roughly-constructed end of the slip, which will, in course of time, become seriously damaged.

(b) The landing-steps are built in an awkward place at the head of the slip making it difficult to land, especially in stormy weather. The people want the steps in the centre of the slip.

It would, therefore, be advisable to defer taking over this structure until these alterations have been carried out."

The Secretary was instructed to send a copy of the report to the Department of Agriculture, and to inform them that the matter would be again considered at the Annual Road Works Meeting in January, 1935.

941/34. CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF INJURY ALLEGED TO
HAVE BEEN RECEIVED THROUGH FALLING ON A TARRED ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. William McLaughlin, Upper Illies, Ballynagan, stating that on the first Monday in October, 1933, his son, Philip, when cycling on the road from Crossconnell to Ballyliffin, came in contact with a stone lying on the tarred road. He was thrown unconscious on the road, and had since been under Medical care for an injury to his knee caused by the fall. The boy was the eldest of a family of eleven, and was the only one earning. He claimed compensation for the loss he had sustained.

Mr. McLaughlin, who was present, explained the position.

A letter dated 24th July, 1934, was read from the Hibernian Insurance Co. in the matter.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

942/34. APPLICATIONS FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF THE CONTINGENCY FUND,
NORTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Dawson, Acting Co. Surveyor, applied for the following amounts:-

To re-build breach on Road No. 587.....	£24 : 0 : 0.
To repair timber bridge on Road No. 415.....	£20 : 0 : 0.
<u>Aileach Area.</u>	
To remove clay banks on Road No. 925.....	£4 : 0 : 0.
<u>Lifford Area.</u>	
To provide for tar-dressing McBride St., Raphoe, Map No. 1334.....	£25 : 0 : 0.

The applications were granted unanimously.

943/34. APPLICATION FOR CONTINUANCE OF CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN
CONNECTION WITH MINOR-RELIEF SCHEMES.

The Secretary stated that the Minor Relief Schemes had not yet been finished, and the Peat Schemes were still in operation. He thought that the work would be terminated by about the middle of August.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to apply for continuance of sanction to the employment of Mrs. Mary McNulty from 1st July to 18th August, 1934.

944/34. ALLOWANCE IN RESPECT OF ANNUAL RATE WORK AND PREPARATION OF CREDIT NOTES.

The Secretary applied for an advance of £480 to enable him to complete the Annual Rate Work and the preparation of the Credit Notes. The application was granted unanimously.

945/34. OFFENCES UNDER THE SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th July, 1934, L.2949-34, reporting that one of their Officers, Mr. Edward Kenny, acting on instructions, purchased from Mr. Patrick H. Doherty, Bridge Street, Carndonagh, on the 20th June, 1934, butter containing 17.99% of water, 16% being the maximum proportion of water allowable. Proceedings should be instituted by the Council within 28 days from the date on which the butter was obtained.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th July, 1934, L.2950-34, reporting that one of their Officers, Mr. Edward Kenny, acting on instructions, purchased from Mr. Daniel McGettigan, Moville, on the 21st June, 1934, butter containing 18.02% of water, 16% being the maximum proportion of water allowable. Proceedings should be instituted by the Council within 28 days from the date on which the butter was obtained.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th July, 1934, L.2951-34, reporting that one of their Officers, Mr. Edward Kenny, acting on instructions, purchased from Mr. Denis Brennan, Buncrana, on the 19th June, 1934, butter containing 19.25% of water, 16% being the maximum proportion of water allowable. Proceedings should be instituted by the Council within 28 days from the date on which the butter was obtained.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th July, 1934, L.2952-34, reporting that one of their Officers, Mr. Edward Kenny, acting on instructions, purchased from Messrs. McGlinchey & Co., Buncrana, on the 19th June, 1934, butter containing 18.66% of water, 16% being the maximum proportion of water allowable. Proceedings should be instituted by the Council within 28 days from the date on which the butter was obtained.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th July, 1934, L.2953-34, reporting that one of their Officers, Mr. Edward Kenny, acting on instructions, purchased from Mr. Denis Grant, Buncrana, on the 19th June, 1934, butter containing 16.62% of water, 16% being the maximum proportion of water allowable. Proceedings should be instituted by the Council within 28 days from the date on which the butter was obtained.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, L.3055-34, reporting that one of their Officers, Mr. Edward Kenny, acting on instructions, purchased from Mr. John McGroarty, Bridge Street, Donegal, on the 27th June, 1934, butter containing 18.26% of water, 16% being the maximum proportion of water allowable. Proceedings should be instituted by the Council within 28 days from the date on which the butter was obtained.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, L.3056-34, reporting that one of their Officers, Mr. Edward Kenny, acting on instructions, purchased from Mr. William Travers, Commercial Hotel, Donegal, on the 27th June, 1934, butter containing 18.96% of water, 16% being the maximum proportion of water allowable. Proceedings should be instituted by the Council within 28 days from the date on which the butter was obtained.

Councillor Baxter protested against the action of the Department of Agriculture in these cases, and he proposed that legal proceedings be not instituted.

Councillor Kavanagh seconded.

The Secretary pointed out the law in the matter.

After some discussion it was decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor not to press the cases.

946/34. ROAD FROM CARRICK TO TEELIN, AND ROAD FROM CARRICK TO
GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas P. Fleming, Secretary, Irish College, Teelin, complaining of the condition of the road from Carrick to Teelin, and asking to have something done to it before the opening of the Irish College on the 31st July. He also complained of the condition of the road from Carrick to Glencolumbkille.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

947/34. COMPLAINT RE DAMAGE TO A FENCE, TREES, AND DRAIN ON THE
LANDS OF MR. DAN SWEENEY, DRIMARONE.

A letter was read from Mr. J. H. Barry, Solicitor, Donegal, complaining of damage to a wire fence, the hacking down of a row of trees, and the blocking of a drain on the lands of Mr. Dan Sweeney, Drimarone, Letterbarrow, by the Council's workmen, and stating that proceedings would be instituted unless the damage was made good before the end of July.

The County Surveyor stated that he had the matter in hands.

948/34. ELECTRIC LIGHTING POLES IN THE TOWNS OF BALLYBOFEY AND
STRANORLAR.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

In Stranorlar and Ballybofey there are poles carrying wires for electric current. It seems no Agreement has been entered into with the Council regarding these. There are four or five owners of the poles, and on these Notices have been served to have the poles, etc. removed. As no effort has been made to comply with the Notices, and as some of the persons concerned disclaim ownership, I, therefore, await your instructions in this matter."

The Council unanimously decided to give the parties concerned fourteen days for the completion of the Agreement and Insurance; failing which proceedings to be instituted.

949/34. OPENING OF THE STREETS OF BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR AND
OBSTRUCTIONS THEREON.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

For almost six months Stranorlar Streets have been opened for the purpose of laying sewer pipes. The work is being carried out in such a manner as to be of great inconvenience to the people of Stranorlar and the public generally. Although some of the pipes have been laid, and the trenches filled, the footpaths are still partially blocked with heaps of clay, etc.

In Ballybofey a trench is being opened up the middle of the street, and if the same procedure is adopted in Ballybofey, as has been carried out in Stranorlar, there will be every reason for complaints from the public. Heaps of gravel have been deposited on the footpath, which necessitates pedestrians to walk on the already-restricted carriageway to the danger of being injured by passing motor traffic.

I have already drawn the attention of the Contractors to the manner in which the work is being carried out, but nothing has been done to expedite the work nor to remove the material."

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Health.

950/34. ENCROACHMENT ON COUNTY PROPERTY IN TOWN OF GLENTIES.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, stated that Mr. **Theo** Gallagher was erecting a building in Glenties, and he suggested that Mr. Gallagher be given permission to have his frontage in line with the other buildings. Even if it meant giving him part of the County property it would improve the appearance of the place.

The Council decided to give Mr. Gallagher the necessary ground on payment of a sum of £1.

951/34. VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

The Secretary stated that the Council had provided an Office in the County House for the Vocational Education Committee, with certain press accommodation. Mr. O'Neill, Chief Executive Officer of the Committee, wished to remove one of the presses to his Office in Ballyshannon.

The Council unanimously decided to approve of the removal of the press in question.

952/34. UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

Councillor Scott against protested against the unfair allocation of Minor Relief Schemes in the County, and he complained that whilst up to 65% of the Grants had gone to the Former Rural Districts of Dunfanaghy and Glenties, the former Rural Districts of Derry No. 2 (now Aileach) and Strabane No. 2 (now Lifford) were completely ignored.

He proposed the following resolution:-
"That the attention of the Board of Works be again called to the resolution of this Council of the 27th February last, requesting (inter alia) that these two Areas receive consideration in any future distribution of Minor Relief Grants."

The Council decided to refer the matter to Mr. Hugo Flynn, T.D., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance, for his personal attention.

953/34. WAGES OF COUNCIL'S ENGINE-DRIVERS AND FLAGMEN.

A discussion arose on the question of awarding increments to Engine-drivers and Flagmen.

The Secretary stated that a letter had been received after the Agenda was issued from certain flagmen applying for an increment.

The Council decided to go into the whole matter at next Meeting.

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Confirmed.

M. J. H. H.

Chairman.

28th August, 1934.

954/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors
McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cannon,
Cole, Crerand, Friel, Gallagher, Hammigan, Kavanagh, Loughrey,
Lynch, Magee, Myles, McCrea, MacCreadie, McDaid, McIvor, McShane,
McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael),
O'Neill, Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh.

955/34.

A P O L O G I E S.

Apologies for inability to be present were received from
Councillors Gallen, and McClafferty.

956/34.

DELAY IN COMMENCING THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

Councillors Baxter and McIvor complained of the delay in
starting the business of the Meeting.

Councillor Mahony explained that, as Chairman of the Finance
Committee, he had been requested by Councillor Brady to postpone the
commencement of the Meeting for a few minutes.

957/34.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brady
the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 31st
July, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

958/34.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

The report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 31st
July, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

959/34.

R E P O R T O F P I E R S C O M M I T T E E , A N D P R O P O S E D C O N S T R U C T I O N O F
B O A T S L I P A T D O W N I N G S.

Councillor Myles proposed the adoption of the report of the
Piers Committee Meeting held on 31st July, 1934.

Councillor McCrea seconded.

Councillor O'Boyle questioned the accuracy of the Minute
regarding the construction of a boatslip at Downings, but the members
of the Piers Committee who were present agreed that the Minutes were
correct.

Councillor O'Boyle then proposed that the report, in so far as it
referred to Downings Pier, be referred back to the Committee.

He stated that the Government would give a grant of two-thirds
of the cost of the work at Downings, if the Council would agree to
give one-third.

The Council decided to refer the report back to the Piers
Committee for re-consideration.

960/34.

R E P O R T O F S H E E P D I P P I N G C O M M I T T E E , A N D S U P E R V I S I O N O F
S H E E P D I P P I N G S U B - I N S P E C T O R S.

Councillor McIvor proposed the adoption of the report of the
Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting held on the 31st July.

Councillor Mahony seconded the motion, which was carried
unanimously.

Councillor Myles inquired as to the supervision over the Sheep
Dipping Sub-Inspectors.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Mahony
it was unanimously decided to ask the Department of Agriculture to
send down for one month Mr. Hugh O'Neill or one of the Department's
other Veterinary Inspectors.

Councillor Mahony proposed the adoption of the report of the Meeting of the Engineering Services Committee held on the 21st August, 1934, to make the necessary arrangements following the appointment of Mr. Caffrey as County Surveyor for the entire County.

Councillor Scott seconded the motion.

Councillor Baxter proposed as an amendment and Councillor Gallagher seconded that the report be referred back to the Committee for re-consideration, with a request that they approach the matter from a different angle.

Councillor Baxter stated that he considered that one Deputy County Surveyor at a salary of £400 per annum would be sufficient.

A lengthy debate ensued, and, on the matter being put to a vote; the following Councillors voted for the referring back of the report:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cannon, Cole, Crerand, Friel, Gallagher, Hannigan, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lynch, Myles, McCrea, McDaid, McIvor, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (B.), O'Donnell (M.), O'Neill, Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 24.

The following voted against the report being referred back:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Magee, Mahony, MacCreadie, and Scott. Total 6.

The Chairman declared Councillor Baxter's amendment carried.

Councillor Baxter then proposed, as a further amendment, (1) that the Committee dealing with this matter be augmented by the addition of all the members of the Council present, who were not already on the Committee, and (2) that, in order to save time, the County Council adjourn their Meeting for ten minutes, so that a Meeting of the Committee could be held.

Councillor Gallagher seconded the motion, which was carried nem con.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The newly-augmented Committee (now consisting of all the members of the County Council present), proceeded to deal with the matter referred to them, and, on the motion of Councillor Mahony, Councillor McFadden was moved to the Chair.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor Gallagher seconded that the Committee make the following recommendations to the County Council:-

- (1) That Mr. Caffrey be paid a salary of £850 per annum for acting as County Surveyor for the entire County, including work for the Board of Health;
- (2) That the Local Appointments Commissioners be requested to recommend for appointment as Deputy County Surveyor at a salary of £400 per annum a person having County Surveyor qualifications; and
- (3) That Mrs. McNulty be transferred from the Council Offices to the Office of the County Surveyor to act as a Typist at a salary of £104 per annum.

Councillor Baxter subsequently withdrew the name of Mrs. McNulty on it being pointed out that, according to the Standing Orders, all appointments on the clerical staff should be made by competitive examination, and his recommendation was altered to read:-

"That a Clerk-Typist be appointed at a salary of £104 per annum."

The matter was put to a vote, and the following voted for Councillor Baxter's proposals:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Crerand, Friel, Gallagher, Hannigan, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lynch, Magee, Myles, McCrea, McDaid, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (B.), O'Donnell (M.), Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 23.

The following voted against the proposals:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, McShea, O'Neill, and Scott. Total 5.

The Chairman declared Councillor Baxter's proposals carried. The business of the Committee then terminated.

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The County Council then resumed their Meeting, and considered the report of the Committee, which was adopted on the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Gallagher; Councillors Blaney, Brady, McShea, O'Neill, and Scott dissenting.

Mr. Caffrey, who was present, stated that he could not agree to the recommendations of the Committee.

962/34.

REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING.

When the report of the Meeting of the Scholarships Committee held on the 16th August, 1934, came up for adoption, the Secretary read a letter which he had received from Mrs. Gettins, Market Street, Ballyshannon, in which she stated that her daughter, Margaret Mary, had won a Scholarship of £40 tenable for one year at the Convent of St. Louis, Monaghan, but that she was prepared to waive this if she was awarded a County Council Scholarship.

Councillor Brady complained that although Miss Annie Kathleen McBrearty, Mullans, Donegal, had secured ninth place in the Examination, she had not been awarded a Scholarship.

Councillor Friel stated that Miss Brigid O'Connor wished to have the Scholarship awarded to her transferred from Buncrana Convent to Letterkenny Convent.

Councillor O'Boyle stated that the Committee had made no provision for students who had obtained other Scholarships for one year only, and who would require assistance when the other Scholarships terminated.

Councillor McIvor complained of the award of the full money available in view of the fact that the highest candidate had not obtained 70% of the total marks allocated, and that some of those who qualified had secured very little over 50%.

On the motion of Councillor Brady it was decided to refer the report back to the Committee for re-consideration.

963/34.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 20th August, 1934, G.10096/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., sanctioning the continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £80,000 up to the 31st August.

The Secretary applied for continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £90,000 until the 30th September.

The Secretary's application was unanimously granted.

964/34.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT, YEAR 1934/35.

The Secretary stated that on the same date last year he had received £19,655 : 15 : 0, whereas this year he had only received £10,469.

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle seconded by Councillor Mahony it was decided to ask the Government to forward an instalment as soon as possible.

965/34.

BUIDHEACHAIS O'N AIRE RIALTAIS AITIULA AGUS SLAINTE PUIBLI.

Do leigheadh leitir o Runaidhe Priomhaideach do'n Aire Rialtais Aitiula agus Slainte Puibli, Sean T. O'Ceallaigh, ag gabhail buidheachais do'n Chomhairle Chonndae Dhun na nGall as ucht a gcinealtachta le linn bais a bheancheile.

966/34.

RATE OF INTEREST ON LOANS ADVANCED TO LOCAL BODIES OUT OF THE LOCAL LOANS FUND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 10th August, 1934, stating that the rate of interest on loans advanced out of the Local Loans Fund to Local Bodies had been under review, and the Minister for Finance had now determined that all issues made from the Fund on or after the 1st October, 1934, would be charged at the rate of $4\frac{3}{4}\%$.

967/34.

LIGHTING OF VEHICLES REGULATIONS, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 7th August, 1934, enclosing for the information of the Council a copy of the Lighting of Vehicles Regulations, 1934, made under the Road Traffic Act, 1933.

968/34.

REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Meeting of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 21st August, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

969/34.

REPORT OF LAW COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Mahony the report of the Meeting of the Law Committee held on the 21st August, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

970/34.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF MR. McSHANE, V.S., AS VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR THE BALLYSHANNON AREA.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 2nd August, 1934, L.3205-34, stating that the Minister had no objection to the temporary employment of Mr. F. McShane, M.R.C.V.S. as Veterinary Inspector in the South Donegal District in place of Mr. McFeely with the same rate of remuneration as that paid to Mr. McFeely prior to his suspension.

971/34.

PROSECUTIONS UNDER THE SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 2nd August, 1934, L.3056-34, regarding the offences under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, and stating that they had arranged for the attendance of Mr. Edward Kenny at the following Courts:-

Donegal.....7th September, 1934.
Buncrana.....13th September, 1934.
Moville.....17th September, 1934.
Carndonagh.....18th September, 1934.

972/34.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS - SAMPLES OF MILK FOUND TO HAVE BEEN ADULTERATED.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th August, 1934, L.2632/34, inquiring the result of proceedings instituted in the case of four samples of milk found to have been adulterated.

973/34.

APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD FROM LOUGH BARRA TO GLENDOWAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 11th August, 1934, R/RG/7, referring to the Council's resolution relative to the making of a special Grant towards the improvement of the road from Lough Barra to Glendowan, and stating that a copy of a report from the Co. Surveyor should have accompanied the letter.

974/34.

CONTINUANCE OF EMPLOYMENT OF MRS. McNULTY AS A TEMPORARY CLERK IN CONNECTION WITH MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th August, 1934, G.103835/34, Dun na nGall., sanctioning the continuance of the employment of Mrs. McNulty as a temporary Clerk up to the 18th August in connection with the administration of Minor Relief Schemes.

975/34.

REMUNERATION PROPOSED TO BE PAID TO MR. DAWSON IN RESPECT OF THE PERIOD HE HAS ACTED AS COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 14th August, 1934, R/RS/7, stating that the Minister regretted he could not see his way to approve of payment to Mr. Dawson in respect of his services as Acting County Surveyor of a greater sum than five guineas per week in addition to his normal salary as an Assistant Surveyor.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to refer the matter back to the Ministry for re-consideration. (919/34).

976/34. CO-ORDINATION OF ENGINEERING SERVICES - APPOINTMENT OF MR. DAWSON AS A SPECIAL ASSISTANT UNDER MR. CAFFREY, PENDING COMPLETION OF THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 14th August, 1934, R/RS/7, regarding the co-ordination of the Engineering Services, and stating that the Minister approved of the action of the Council in placing the remainder of the County under the control of Mr. Caffrey as County Surveyor for the entire County, the question of his remuneration to be settled in due course by the Council subject to the sanction of the Minister.

The Minister also agreed to the decision of the Council assigning Mr. Patrick Dawson to assist Mr. Caffrey specially for the ensuing month at such remuneration as might be determined by the Council with the approval of the Minister.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to request the Minister to sanction the employment of Mr. Dawson as a special Assistant to Mr. Caffrey until the arrangements in connection with the co-ordination of the Engineering Services have been finally completed.

The question of determining Mr. Dawson's remuneration was further adjourned.

977/34. LOCAL SERVICES (TEMPORARY ECONOMIES) ACT, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th August, 1934, Circular No. 42/34 stating that the Minister had been advised that coroners and under-sheriffs were not Officers within the meaning of the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934, section 2 (3). No deduction should, therefore, be made under that Act from the salaries of these Officers.

978/34. SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th August, 1934, H.104380/34, asking to be furnished with Certificates of Market Value in connection with certain applications for loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

979/34. COMMITTAL OF CHILDREN TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Stranorlar, dated 20th August, 1934, stating that an application would be made at Stranorlar District Juvenile Court on the 5th September for the committal of a child named Teresa McGrory to St. Laurence's Industrial School, Sligo.

980/34: SALARIES OF OFFICERS EMPLOYED UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 16th August, 1934, G.710/34, asking to be furnished with particulars of the deductions made under the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934, from the salaries of the Officers employed by the Council under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

981/34. ROAD FUND ALLOWANCES TO COUNTY AND ASSISTANT SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 17th August, 1934, RGS/201, stating that the Minister for Finance has sanctioned payment to the County and Assistant Surveyors for the current financial year of Road Fund allowances equal to the amounts paid last year, but subject to a reduction in all cases of 5%. It is also stated that the Minister has determined that these payments do not form part of the salaries of the Surveyors for the purposes of the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934.

982/34. SYSTEM OF ALLOCATION OF AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A Circular Letter dated 3rd August, 1934, No. 24/14/34, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing copies of replies which had been given to queries from local bodies regarding the allocation of the Agricultural Grant, 1934/35.

A Circular Letter dated 3rd August, 1934, No. 24/15/34, was read from the Local Government Department stating that in checking the returns received in connection with the abatement of rates on agricultural land, it had been observed that the sum of the valuations on which relief was to be given at the Primary, Secondary, and Supplementary Rates did not equal the total valuation of agricultural land in the County Health District as notified by the Commissioner of Valuation, and asking for an explanation of the discrepancy.

983/34. PREPARATION OF THE TWELFTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th August, 1934, F.90732/34, Dun na nGall. (c)., stating that the claim of the Registration Officer for remuneration and expenses in connection with the preparation of the Twelfth Register of Electors had been examined, and it was found that the gross expenses amounted to £2,173 : 7 : 6, fees received, £43 : 4 : 8, net expenses, £2,130 : 2 : 10. When the claim of the Registration Officer and the demand of the Stationery Office in respect of printing, etc. had been paid, a claim for recoupment of portion of the expenditure should be forwarded to the Department.

Councillor Loughrey complained that in one townland in the Rathmullan District, ten names had been omitted from the Register.

Councillor Lynch complained of the omission of a number of names in the Glenegannon, Glentogher, and Carndonagh Electoral Divisions.

Councillor O'Boyle complained of the omission of a number of names in the Rutland Division.

Councillor Lynch stated that at the Revision Sessions, Father Conway of Clonmany and his sister were ruled out as not being qualified by residence, yet when the Register appeared their names were on it.

The Secretary stated that if specific complaints were made against any Rate Collector, the Council had power to deal with them.

984/34. PREPARATION OF CREDIT NOTES, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th August, 1934, G.103838/34, stating that the Minister would defer consideration of allowing a further sum for the preparation of Credit Notes until a return of the expenditure on this work for the last financial year had been submitted.

985/34. PURCHASE OF TURF.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Combined Purchasing Section, dated 20th August, 1934, stating that the Minister for Industry and Commerce had caused to be set up a Company known as the Turf Development Board, Ltd. The Turf Development Board, Ltd. had set up in most of the turf-producing districts in the country Co-operative Turf Societies, and the Minister desired that these Societies should be fostered to the greatest possible extent, and it was felt that local bodies could very materially assist this object by ordering their turf supplies through Turf Development Board, Ltd., who would arrange for delivery from the local Co-operative Societies.

The Council unanimously decided to order 30 tons of turf for use in the Council Offices, to be delivered in ten-ton lots.

The Council also decided to instruct the County Surveyor to order turf for the road plant as much as possible.

986/34. NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION AS CO. COUNCILLORS.

With the permission of the Chairman and the Meeting, Councillor McIvor withdrew the following Notice of Motion standing in his name:-
 "That we request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to insert in any Bill making for reform in Local Government a clause requiring a deposit of £10 before nomination from each candidate for election as a member of a County Council, such deposit to be forfeited if the number of votes polled by the candidate does not exceed one-third of the quota."

987/34.

PIERS AT MOVILLE.

Councillor McDaid proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-
 "That the Council request the Minister to take steps to have the Piers at Moville, at present under the jurisdiction of the Derry Harbour Commissioners, transferred to the Council."

988/34.

ROAD FROM MOVILLE TO SHROVE.

Councillor McDaid proposed:- "That the Council be requested to have the road from Moville to Shrove repaired and rolled; at the present time hundreds of tons of road metal are built along this road endangering the lives of the travelling public."

Mr. Caffrey read the following report from his Assistant (Mr. O'Neill) in the matter:-

"The work referred to was strengthened and improved under Relief Grant No. 82A, March, 1933. It is impossible to break and roll in the present material with the money available. A Grant, if it were possible to obtain same, would be very necessary for this road."

The Council decided to adjourn the matter until the Annual Road Works Meeting.

989/34.

ROAD FROM GREENCASTLE TO GLENAGIVNEY.

proposed:-

Councillor McDaid: "That the Council instruct the County Surveyor to have the road from Greencastle to Glenagivney put in proper repair immediately. At present this road is impassable and farmers are unable to get their turf home, and all the bog roads in this area are in a deplorable condition. Nothing has been done to some of them for fifteen years."

Mr. Caffrey read the following report from his Assistant (Mr. O'Neill) in the matter:-

"The road referred to is No. 127, April 1934, Map No. 257. It is over 800 perches long and has to be kept in repair annually for £15 with 100 tons of 2" stone. This amount is altogether insufficient, as it would take 600 tons annually to keep it in proper repair."

The matter was adjourned until the Annual Road Works Meeting.

990/34.

EMBANKMENT ON BALLYARGUS ROAD.

Councillor McDaid proposed:- "That the County Surveyor be asked to have the embankment on the Ballyargus Road between Stoochan Bridge and William Breslin's land repaired; about 20 perches of the road are without any protection."

Mr. Caffrey read the following report from his Assistant (Mr. O'Neill) in the matter:-

"I have repaired this temporarily on a few occasions. The land-owner adjoining this breach wants a proper embankment built, and to do so would cost at least fifty or sixty pounds."

The matter was adjourned until the Annual Road Works Meeting.

991/34. APPLICATION BY FLAGMEN FOR INCREASES IN WAGES.

A letter was read from Messrs. Charles Doherty, James Craig, Michael McCarron, William Gallagher, Pat O'Donnell, Neil Crossan, and Denis Boyce, Flagmen, asking to be placed on the same scale of pay, namely, £2 per week, as the other flagmen in the County.

The Secretary read the scale at present in force in connection with the wages of flagmen.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was unanimously decided to continue the existing scale of wages of these employees.

992/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF BEACONS IN THE CHANNEL AT THE ENTRANCE TO ARRANMORE ISLAND.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

With regard to the proposed beacons near Arranmore I wrote the Department of Fisheries on the 19th July for particulars to enable me to make out the cost of maintenance of these. After waiting some weeks and not getting a reply I wrote again. On the 11th August a letter was sent to me stating that the Department of Fisheries sent my letter to the Board of Works, and that I would receive a reply from this Board.

On considering this matter, I should like to learn under what order is the County Council obliged to erect or maintain beacons for the purpose of guiding ships. Is this not a matter for the Irish Lights Board? If the Council is not compelled by law to erect and maintain these structures, then why not devote any money available for such to your County Roads, where it is urgently needed."

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Department of Agriculture, in reply to their letter of the 15th June, 1934, 101/3/32, that the Council could not undertake any responsibility for the maintenance of the proposed beacons when erected.

993/34. APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE OF TOLLS TO RAMELTON PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Transport and Marine Branch, 14, St. Stephen's Green, N., Dublin, dated 26th July, 1934, T.S.5923, referring to the Council's resolution requesting sanction to the application to Ramelton Pier of the Schedule of Tolls fixed in respect of certain Piers in County Donegal, in December, 1928, and stating that the Schedule in question applies, not only to the Piers specifically mentioned, but to all other Piers, the property of the County Council.

994/34. URGENT REPAIRS NECESSARY TO RAMELTON PIER.

Councillor Baxter referred to the urgent need of carrying out repairs to Ramelton Pier, and he stated that a sum of £25 had been collected in dues the previous week.

He proposed that the Council allocate this money, with an additional sum of £25, for certain very urgent repairs which were necessary.

The motion was passed unanimously.

995/34. APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ROAD FROM LIMESTONE QUARRY TO J. O'DONNELL'S HOUSE, KILRAINE, GLENTIES.

A letter was read from Mr. James Furey, Upper Kilraine, Glenties, applying for a grant of about £30 for the construction of a piece of new road leading from the Limestone Quarry to J. O'Donnell's house.

The Council unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for inclusion in their Minor Relief Schemes.

996/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE IN APRIL, 1934.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Crossan, Ballyargus, Redcastle, stating that there was a balance of 4s/4d due to him for work done on roads on the 9th and 10th April, 1934. He was only paid a sum of 3s/3d for his two days' work.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that this man had since been paid. Councillor Lynch complained of the system under which workmen had to write in for their money.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that a dispute had arisen in this particular case.

997/34. APPLICATION FOR POLLING BOOTH FOR TORY ISLAND.

A letter was read from Mr. Padraig Og MacRuairé, West Town, Tory Island, stating that he had been asked to draw attention to the fact that there were 221 qualified voters on Tory Island, and that there had never been a Polling Booth on the Island. He asked to have this state of affairs remedied.

The Secretary pointed out the difficulties in the matter, and it was decided to adjourn the application sine die.

998/34. REQUEST FOR BRIDGE ACROSS THE RIVER BETWEEN THE TOWNLANDS OF ROOSKEY, GLEBE, GORTFAD, AND ALTHALLA, AND THE RESIDENCE OF FATHER DEVINE, CLONMANY.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh O'Donnell, Rooskey, Clonmany, asking to have a stone bridge erected across the river between the townlands of Rooskey, Glebe, Gortfad, and Althalla, and the residence of Father Devine. The Engineer from the Board of Works, who inspected the place where the bridge is required, stated that it was a matter for the County Council.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor for inclusion in the Annual Road Works Scheme.

999/34. MEETINGS OF THE DUNFANAGHY OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Dunfanaghy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, stating that Mr. James Boyle, a member of her Committee, had raised the following question:-

"Had the Committee authority to hold a Meeting (attended by the three Gweedore members) at regular intervals in Derrybeg N.S., for the purpose of considering claims from that district?"

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Clerk that it was quite in order to have Meetings at regular intervals at different places, provided all the members of the Sub-Committee were summoned.

1000/34. BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, applying for the use of a room in Buncrana Courthouse for Meetings of the Urban Council.

The Council adjourned the application pending the execution of certain necessary repairs to the Courthouse.

1001/34. ROAD FROM CRONALAGHY TO MEENAGOLAND, KILLYGORDON.

A letter was read from Mr. James Gallen (Con), asking to have the road from Cronalaghy to Meenagoland, which was started under a Minor Relief Scheme, completed.

The Council unanimously decided to request the Board of Works to allocate a further sum out of the Minor Relief Schemes for the completion of this road.

1002/34.

MALINMORE BOATSLIP.

A letter was read from Mr. M. Maguire, Malinmore, complaining of the dangerous condition of Malinmore Boat-slip, and stating that his boats had been severely damaged through the condition of this slip.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

This slip was repaired by the County Council three years ago, and all the money available at that time was expended on improvements. After these repairs were carried out the Assistant Surveyor took Mr. Maguire to the slip and showed him the work. He expressed his approval, and stated that the County Council were of great help to the local fishermen.

As the money then was all expended the Department of Fisheries, I have been told, promised an additional sum of £60. This, however, did not materialise. The gentlemen, to whom Mr. Maguire refers, were probably Inspectors of this Board.

The Assistant Surveyor reports that the alleged damage to boats is an exaggeration, and that he cannot find any trace of having received a written complaint re the dangerous condition of the slip.

To put new slips on and carry out some repairs a sum of £10 would be required."

On the motion of Councillor Brady it was **unanimously** decided to ask the Department of Agriculture for a grant for the necessary repairs.

1003/34.

COMPLAINT RE SURFACE-MAN EMPLOYED ON TURE-DRUNG ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Farren, Ardmore, Muff, complaining of Peter Barr being employed as a surface-man on the Ture-Drung Road. He stated that this man employed all the year round a man called McCafferty, and he had a number of livestock, and takes land in conacre.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-
"Gentlemen,

I have made inquiries regarding surfaceman, Peter Barr, and have ascertained that he was the Contractor for this road before it was maintained by Direct Labour. The then County Surveyor, Mr. Steadman, appointed him as surface-man; it being an order of the County Council that when a contractor lost his contract by the road being maintained by Direct Labour, he was to get preference for employment as surface-man."

The Council unanimously decided to take no action in the matter.

1004/34.

APPLICATION TO ERECT CORRUGATED IRON SHOP WITHIN LEGAL DISTANCE FROM CENTRE OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. John McNamee, Thompsonsponduff, Cloghan, applying for permission to erect a corrugated iron shop within 30 feet from the centre of the roadway. He had the structure commenced before he discovered that it was not the legal distance from the centre of the roadway.

The Council unanimously decided to give Mr. McNamee the necessary permission on condition that he signed an Agreement to remove the shop at any time he might be called upon to do so; the Agreement to be drawn up by the Council's Solicitor, and the costs to be borne by Mr. McNamee.

1005/34.

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIAL ARBITRATOR.

The Secretary submitted copy of application for appointment of Official Arbitrator by the Board of Health under the Acquisition of Land (Assessment of Compensation) Act, 1919.

1006/34. COMPLAINT RE VETERINARY INSPECTOR MARNER.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 2nd August, 1934, E.8463/34, enclosing for the observations of the Council copy of a letter from Mr. J. Baird, Rockhill, Castleary, regarding Veterinary Inspector R. Marner.

The Secretary submitted a letter from Mr. Marner, which he stated Mr. Marner wished to be treated as "Confidential".

It was decided to forward a copy of Mr. Marner's letter to the Department of Agriculture, without being read.

1007/34. BOATSLIP CONSTRUCTED ON INISHMEANE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 24th July, 1934, 12981/34, regarding the Council's resolution No. 641/34 of the 29th May last in connection with the Boat slip constructed on Inishmeane Island. They should be glad to learn that the Council would give immediate effect to their resolution of the 30th August, 1932, and take over the boat slip, as constructed, for future maintenance.

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle it was decided to ask for an additional Grant to make the slip meet with the requirements of the local fishermen.

1008/34. REQUEST FOR DRINKING-TROUGH ON ROAD BETWEEN KILLYGORDON AND LISMULLADUFF.

A letter was read from Mr. John McGlinchey, Hon. Secretary, P. H. Pearse Fianna Fail Cumann, Lismulladuff, Killygordon, enclosing copy of the following resolution passed by his Cumann:- "That we, the members of the P. H. Pearse Cumann, Lismulladuff, call on the Donegal County Council to have a much-needed drinking-trough provided on the road at Tobar Avog, Lismulladuff, where the making of a recent Co. Council pipe cut off the water supply, which has been necessary for years as a drinking-trough. Further, that no water is available on the road between Killygordon and Lismulladuff for all horses using the road only here."

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor.

1009/34. COMPLAINT RE BEING EMPLOYED TO DRAW WATER BY A COUNCIL OFFICIAL.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Dunne, Cottian, Kilmacrenan, stating that he wished the following Notice brought before the Council:- "The Officials under the Council, when appointing men on road work, should use discretion as to the class of men they employ in drawing water, and not put educated people, with far higher education than they themselves possess, in such lowly positions, but give them, if qualified, some position of responsibility, even the Gangership, poor as it is."

He stated that he was referring to a position given him by one of the Assistant Surveyors to draw water to the steam-roller.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1010/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF GROVEIGH ROAD, DUNGLOE.

A letter was read from Mr. Jack Boyle, Groveigh, Dungloe, complaining of the condition of the upper portion of the Groveigh Road.

The following report was submitted from the Assistant Surveyor:- "This is one of the best-surfaced roads in my District - about 20 perches at the end of the road is not County property. Last year, Mr. Jack Boyle wrote to the Council complaining about this piece of road. As a result the people of the townland tendered for the road and repaired it."

This year it was taken by an outsider, and if the Contractor does not see his way to repair the part of road referred to, I cannot compel him.

I may mention that the people of the townland tendered for the road this year again; not being the lowest they were not accepted."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1011/34. ELECTRIC LIGHTING POLES IN THE TOWNS OF BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR.

A letter was read from Mr. Vincent P. McMullin, Solicitor, Ballybofey, enclosing Agreement for execution, and map in connection with the Ballybofey and Stranorlar Electric Supply Company's poles. The Agreement covered all the poles belonging to the Company (of which Mr. Patrick McNulty is the proprietor), and also the poles erected by Mr. McMullin himself, which had now been taken over by the Company. It did not, however, cover the poles erected by Mr. James McMenamin, Mr. Shesgreen, or Dr. Gormley.

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor to communicate with Messrs. McMenamin and Shesgreen, and Dr. Gormley, giving them ten days to attend to the matter.

1012/34. APPLICATION FOR COMPLETION OF BOG ROAD AT MEENGLAHARRY, CLOGHAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph McGlynn, Meenglaharry, Cloghan, applying for a grant for the completion of a bog road partially constructed under a Relief Grant in March, 1932.

The matter was referred to the Board of Works for consideration when allocating future Minor Relief Schemes.

1013/34. REQUEST FOR NEW ROAD FROM CREGGAN TO DUNWILEY, STRANORLAR.

A letter was read from Mr. William J. Doherty, Ballinaglack, Ballybofey, inquiring the cause of the delay in the grant for the construction of a road from Creggan to Dunwiley. This Grant was sanctioned some years ago by the old Council, and an Engineer from the Board of Works inspected the place, and stated that a road was badly needed, but nothing had since been heard of it.

The matter was referred to the Board of Works for consideration when allocating future Minor Relief Schemes.

1014/34. APPLICATION FROM MR. MCKAY, ACCOUNTANT, FOR REVISION OF HIS SCALE OF SALARY.

A letter was read from Mr. F. McKay, Accountant in the Council Offices, applying to have his scale of salary revised.

On the motion of Councillor Blaney seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to refer the application to the Sub-Finance Committee.

1015/34. APPLICATION FOR REPAIR OF ROAD FROM MULLINAFAD BRIDGE TO THE END OF THE NEW LINE, MAP NO. 577, CONTRACT NO. 45.

A letter was read from Mr. P. McGinley, Kilmacloo, Creeslough, applying for a grant for the repair of the road from Mullinafad Bridge to the end of the New Line, Map No. 577, Contract No. 45. The amount allocated for the repair of the road was wholly inadequate owing to the additional traffic caused by the extra amount of bog distributed by the Irish Land Commission.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for consideration when allocating Minor Relief Schemes in the future.

1016/34. PROSECUTIONS UNDER THE SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor acknowledging the receipt of Minute No. 945/34 re offences under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, and stating that he interpreted the Council's instructions as a direction to him to place the evidence before the Courts without any comment. If this is not what was intended he would be glad to be advised.

It was unanimously decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor not to press for any penalties other than his own costs.

1017/34. APPOINTMENT OF MR. JOHN BOYLE AS SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTOR FOR THE GLENTIES DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th August, 1934, L.2832-34, asking to be informed as to what evidence of age was produced by Mr. John Boyle, Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector, in view of the condition as to age which appeared in the advertisement, and whether he was the only candidate found suitable as regards qualifications for the post.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Department of Agriculture that Mr. Boyle submitted no evidence of age other than a mere statement that he was born on the 20th April, 1890, and that the Sheep Dipping Committee appointed him on the recommendation of the Department's Veterinary Inspector.

1018/34. ALTERATIONS IN POLES CARRYING OVERHEAD WIRES IN RAPHOE.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Moffatt, Jun., Secretary, Raphoe Electric Lighting Co., Ltd., stating that they intended making some changes and alterations in the poles carrying overhead wires, and applying for the Council's approval.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor.

1019/34. APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR WALL COMPLETED ON ROAD AT DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Denis O'Donnell, Derrybeg, applying for payment for wall completed by him on road at Derrybeg.

The matter was referred to the Co. Surveyor for a report.

1020/34. COMPLAINT RE DAMAGE TO FENCE AT MOVILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. C. Curran, Limefield House, Moville, complaining of damage to a fence on his lands by one of the Council's workmen. He asked that an Official be sent to inspect the damage done immediately.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"I have inspected the fence complained of by Mr. Curran. It has recently been slashed for a considerable length along the roadside. On inquiry I have been told that this was done by the Contractor of the road adjacent. The Surveyor for the area did not, he says, issue any instructions that such work be carried out. Under these circumstances this is a matter then between Mr. Curran and the person who did the work. The County Council, in my opinion, are not concerned."

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

1021/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE AT PORTNOO.

A letter was read from Mr. Pat McCole, Narin, Portnoo, complaining of not being paid the sum of £1 : 4 : 0 for work done on the road at B. Campbell's, Narin, in November, 1932, during the building of a retaining wall.

The Co. Surveyor stated that arrangements were being made to have payment made to Mr. McCole.

1022/34. COMPLAINT RE UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. John McBride (Pat), Devlinreagh, Carrigart, complaining of the unfair allocation of road work in his district, and stating that the man employed as surfaceman had no need of the job.

Mr. Dawson explained the circumstances, and the Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1023/34.

PUBLICATION OF TOURIST GUIDE TO THE COUNTY.

A letter was read from the Irish Tourist Association, O'Connell Street, Dublin, C.S., applying for authority to issue the sole Official Tourist Guide to the County under its auspices for 1935 and 1936.

On the motion of Councillor Magee seconded by Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to give them authority to issue the Official guide to the County.

It was also decided to request them to insert in the guide a map of the County.

1024/34. APPLICATION TO ENTER QUARRY AT KILLYGORDON.

A letter was read from Mr. John Doherty, Meenlougher, Killygordon, asking for the Council's assistance in enabling him to enter the Quarry of Mrs. Cooper for material for the road from Carnadone to Harperstown, for which he had the contract.

The County Surveyor reported as follows:-

"This matter came before the Co. Council some time ago, and the County Solicitor acted for the contractor and gave him all possible assistance. The conditions laid down by the District Justice, who heard the case, were such as would involve the Council in an expenditure of money, and they decided to take no further action. The Contractor was instructed to carry out his contract, and as no particular quarry was specified he could get the stone from any suitable or convenient quarry available."

It was decided to allow Mr. Doherty to supply stones from other sources as he had previously done.

1025/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Routledge, Glenties, applying for a refund of his deposit of £2 lodged in connection with the opening of a road in Glenties.

The Co. Surveyor stated that the amount had since been refunded.

1026/34. APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT LOCK-UP SHOP IN LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. William Russell, Boot Merchant, Strabane, applying for permission to erect a lock-up shop in Lifford on the site adjoining the Customs Frontier Post, in accordance with specification submitted to Mr. Caffrey.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"The application by Mr. Russell is to erect a structure at the angle of the road beside the Custom Hut opposite to the Bridge in Lifford.

The proposed site of this shop is directly on the line of roadway which would connect up the Letterkenny Road with entrance to the Bridge. Some years ago it was contemplated to erect a new Bridge adjacent to the existing Bridge and to make a new road. If this project ever materialises, then this shop would require to be removed. The erection of this structure should only be considered on the understanding that it be removed any time the County Council require this to be done."

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required permission on condition that Mr. Russell signs an Agreement undertaking to remove the structure at any time he may be called upon to do so; the Agreement to be drawn up by the Council's Solicitor and the costs to be borne by Mr. Russell.

1027/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF SCHOLARSHIP ENTRANCE FEE.

A letter was read from Miss Kathleen McGinley, Cloonmore, Cashelmore, applying for the refund of her deposit of £1 lodged in connection with the University Scholarships Examination.

The matter was referred to the Scholarships Committee.

1028/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT IN RESPECT OF A ROAD CONTRACT,
AND RE BREAKING OF ANOTHER CONTRACT.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McCormick, Solicitor, Newmarket Street, Derry, applying, on behalf of Mr. Charles Monagle, Dreenagh, Malin Head, for a sum of £18, which Mr. Monagle claimed was wrongfully deducted off him in 1933 in respect of a road at Malin Head from Henry Neeney's to Eskey Bay for which he had a three-year contract commencing on the 1st April, 1932. He also complained that his contract was broken without an adequate reason. He had also other claims in respect of a contract for the supply of stones entered into by him in the year 1931.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report from his Assistant:-

"The Contract Road referred to was No. 30, April 1932, Map No. 4, L.79, 210 tons of 2" stones of approved quality yearly.

Monagle supplied 76 tons of good whinstone, and 109 tons of inferior rotten stone, which was raised in an unapproved place.

Mr. Steadman, the then County Surveyor, deducted £18 from Monagle after inspecting the material, which he considered to be mere rubbish.

This same road was steam-rolled and strengthened under Relief Grant No. 78A, 1932/33, £300, and, consequently, the road was reduced from £110 to £75 yearly, and the amount of tonnage reduced in proportion, and Mr. Steadman broke the contract so as to enable him to make this reduction.

All materials supplied by Monagle for the 1931 contract he refers to were measured by me, and a deduction was made for stones that were not suitable for the stonebreaker.

This matter has been already dealt with on several occasions by the Council.

The late County Surveyor went fully into this case, and all deductions made from Monagle were made on his orders."

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

1029/34. COMPLAINT RE ROADS IN THE DRUMFIN DISTRICT, INVER.

A letter was read from Mr. J. H. Barry, Solicitor, Donegal, stating that a number of ratepayers in the Drumfin District of Inver had consulted him with reference to the roads in that locality. They stated that on the two following roads, viz. Road No. 125, Map No. 1801, and Road No. 153, Map No. 1902, the contracts to repair had not been carried out, and if the accounts had not been audited for the period from 1st April, 1931, to 1st April, 1934, the matter would be brought before the Auditor to have the monies paid surcharged. If the accounts had been audited the ratepayers were prepared to take strong action to obtain redress, unless the Council dealt with the matter immediately.

On the motion of Councillor Brady, the Council unanimously decided to take no action in the matter.

1030/34. QUOTATIONS FOR INSURANCE OF COUNCIL'S WORKMEN.

Only one quotation was submitted for the insurance of the Council's workmen under the Workmen's Compensation and Employers' Liability Acts from Messrs. A. R. Brassington & Co., Ltd., 14, Fleet Street, Dublin, C.4.

The Council decided to adjourn the matter until their next Meeting, and, in the meantime, to ask Messrs. Brassington to submit a flat rate for all workers.

1031/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926.

A letter was read from Mr. F. McShane, V.S., Donegal, dated 31st July, 1934, reporting that a notification of a diseased cow, the property of James Breslin, Croaghs, Killybegs, only reached him on the 28th July when he was engaged on other work, and that he was unable to get there until the 30th July, when he found that the cow had died that morning.

The Council noted the letter.

1032/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926 - FAILURE OF VETERINARY INSPECTORS TO FURNISH PRESCRIBED REPORTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 10th August, 1934, L.2850/34, enclosing a list of outstanding cases under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order in County Donegal. In a number of cases repeated applications, in some instances as many as five, had to be made to have the prescribed forms of report furnished to the Department, but so far none had been received. The Department wished to be furnished with a reply indicating the action taken by the Council as a result of this letter.

The Secretary was instructed to forward a copy of the letter to Mr. McGlinchey with emphatic instructions that each case was to be dealt with in future **as it arose**.

1033/34. REPAIRS TO KINCASSLAGH QUAY AND APPROACH ROAD THERETO.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries Branch, Kildare Place, Dublin, W.1/22/34, stating that the question of making funds available for repairs to Kincasslagh Quay and approach road was at present under consideration. The execution of the necessary repairs from public funds would be contingent on the Council agreeing to be responsible for the maintenance of the Quay and approach road when repaired, and inquiring if the Council were prepared to accept such responsibility.

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to give the required undertaking.

1034/34. CONTINGENCY FUND - NORTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, applied for the following amounts:-

Aileach Area.

Re-placing broken planks on timber bridge on Road No. 610.....£1:10.

Inishowen Area.

Re-placing broken planks on timber bridge on Road No. 212.....£2.

Do. 147.....£2:10.

Do. 134.....£2.

Do. 142.....£2.

The application was granted unanimously.

1035/34. BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"On making an inspection of the County Courthouse, Buncrana, I found that extensive damage has been done to the timber by dry rot. The skirting and part of the window in one room has been destroyed. The sheeting of the walls and part of the sash frame in lavatory are completely decayed. Parts of the carriages and strings of the stair are also injured.

As this is a most insidious disease it is imperative that it be eradicated, otherwise the entire timber of the building is liable to attack with subsequent destruction.

The internal plastering is extensively injured, due apparently to dampness. A large area requires re-plastering.

The estimated cost of carrying out this is £40."

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to place a sum of £40 in the hands of the Co. Surveyor for the carrying out of the necessary repairs.

1036/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH ROAD OPENING.

A letter was read from Messrs. Bernard McDevitt & Co., Glenties, applying for a refund of the deposit of £2 lodged by them in connection with the opening of a roadway.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1037/34. ADDITIONAL WORK CAUSED TO SURVEY STAFF BY MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Some of the Assistant Surveyors are complaining about the amount of work they have had under the Minor Relief Schemes. I am, therefore, bringing this report before you.

This is the second year that the Board of Works have asked the Council for permission to allow their Surveyors to carry out work under these Schemes. When this work was first begun I was under the impression that it was of a trivial character. I found, however, when well into it that it embraced a great deal of intricate work which took up a considerable amount of my Assistants' time, and also that of my own. I wrote to the Engineer-in-Charge last Autumn that I would not have any time more to devote to this work but I was persuaded to do so. I found, however, this year that not only was I saddled with Minor Relief Work, but, in addition, I had to carry out work of draining bogs under the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

Both of these Departments, I understand, have Engineering staffs over the country, and here in Donegal we are scarcely able to cope with the work of the County which has been considerably increased under the Board of Health. Instead, therefore, of depending on the County Surveyor and his Assistants, why should not these Departments employ their own staffs to carry out these works?

If we must go on with the work for another year, I would suggest that the money be expended on your County Roads in the form of County Road Improvement Grants. The County Council could give an undertaking that they will continue to expend the same amount out of the rates which has been fixed for the maintenance of these works."

The Council unanimously decided to send a copy of the report to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance.

1038/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF PILLARS IN THE RIVER AT DUNGLOE BRIDGE.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"Gentlemen,

I called with Mr. John Walsh and ascertained from him what he requires permission to do. It is his intention of erecting an Office beside his dwelling-house in Dungloe. This structure will be over the river and will extend half way across it. At this place the parapet of the Bridge projects considerably into the roadway, and the river is used at this point as a dumping-place for rubbish. The erection of the proposed building would abate the nuisance at this point.

If the Council decide to give this permission it should be conditional on Mr. Walsh, at his own expense, setting back the remaining portion of the Bridge parapet on a line with the frontage of the Bank premises adjacent, and also that he continues the existing footpath across the Bridge."

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle seconded by Councillor Brian O'Donnell it was unanimously decided to give the required permission, subject to the conditions mentioned by Mr. Caffrey in his report. (924/34 C.C.)

1039/34. BALLYSHANNON COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Commission of Inland Fisheries asking for the use of Ballyshannon Courthouse for a Session of the Commission on the 17th September.

The required permission was unanimously granted.

1040/34.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 11th August, 1934, SGM/201/34, stating for the Council's information that a sum of £17,622 had been provisionally allocated to the Council out of the Road Improvement Grant, 1934/35, for Main Road Improvement as follows:-

1. L.130. Gortahork to Dungloe. To widen carriageway to 18 ft. width. Steam-roll and surface-dress from a point $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east of Gweedore Station thence to Crolly Bridge, 3.2 miles length to be done.....2,500.
2. T.73. Carndonagh to Buncrana from the Four Roads at Clonmany. To widen to 18 feet width, roll, surface-blind with spramex, and surface-dress 1 mile at least. $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to be done.....1,500.
3. T.59. Letterkenny to Stranorlar. To widen, roll, and surface-dress to 18 feet width for $\frac{3}{4}$ mile at Letterkenny end, from a point $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of Whistlebear Three Roads, thence for $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles towards Stranorlar. Total length, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles.....2,000.
4. L.78. Milford to Portsalon. To re-construct, roll, and surface-dress from the Three Roads at Carland, thence for 1 mile towards Portsalon..... 900.
5. T.72. To continue the improvement and widening of the road from Knockfola School towards Meenacladdy in a similar manner to the portion already improved..... 911.
6. L.79. To widen carriageway, roll, and surface-dress from Four Roads at Birdstown for $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles towards Burnfoot.....1,000.
7. T.72. Killybegs-Dunkincely from Dunkincely. Widen, metal, roll, and surface-dress. $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles.....1,000.
8. T.72. Killybegs-Ardara at junction of Ardara-Killybegs and Ardara-Donegal Roads. Work as No. 7, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles.....1,000.
9. L.75. Ballybofey-Glenties from Glenmore Gate Lodge. Work as in No. 7, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles.....2,000.
10. L.24. Ballintra to Connor's Bridge. Work as in No. 7, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles.....1,000.
11. L.74. Glenties-Ballybofey. Continuation of improvement done near Glenties. Work as in No. 7. Length about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles. 1,000.
12. L.130. Dungloe-Gweedore. Continuation of improved road north from Dungloe about 3 miles. Work as in No. 7..... 2,000.
13. T.72. Burtonport to Crolly from Kincasslagh South. 1 mile. Work as in No. 7... 811.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor Scott seconded that the Council express dissatisfaction with the allocation of the Grant.

Councillor Brady proposed and Councillor O'Boyle seconded that the allocation of the Grant be approved of.

On a show of hands Councillor Brady's amendment was carried.

1041/34.

CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT, 1934/35.

The Secretary stated that owing to the additional work thrown on the Office by reason of the Housing Acts and the recent Unemployment Assistance Act, he would require extra clerical assistance in connection with the expenditure of the Road Improvement Grant, 1934/35.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor O'Boyle it was unanimously decided to appoint Mrs. Mary McNulty until the 30th June next at £2 per week.

1042/34.

NON-COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE FACTORY AND WORKSHOPS ACTS, 1901 TO 1920, AT CERTAIN PIERS.

Letters were read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Trade and Industries Branch, Ltd. Edward Street, Dublin, stating that certain requirements of the Factory and Workshops Acts, 1901 to 1920, were not being complied with at the Quays of the Council at

Bruckless,
Donegal,
Malin Head,
Mountcharles,
Portsalon, and
Ramclon.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor with instructions to have the requirements of the Acts complied with.

1043/34.

HOSPITALS COMMISSION.

The Secretary submitted copy of a letter which had been forwarded from the Board of Health from the Hospitals Commission intimating their intention of holding an Inquiry in Stranorlar on the 4th September.

1044/34.

REFORMATORY AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

A letter was read from the County Councils' General Council inviting suggestions for submission to the Commission of Inquiry re Reformatory and Industrial School System.

The matter was left in the hands of the Council's representative on the Executive Committee of the General Council.

1045/34.

STRANORLAR COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Messrs. Sweeney & Hammond, Estate Agents, Donegal, enclosing plan and specification for repairs to Stranorlar Courthouse.

Before asking for tenders for same they wished to know if the Council would pay a rent of £20 per annum and take a lease for 20 or 25 years.

On the motion of Councillor Brady seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to offer a rent of £15 per annum for 10 years.

1046/34.

OCCUPATION OF LIVING-VANS BY GANGERS.

Councillor Lynch stated that complaints were being made by Engine-drivers and Flagmen of the occupation of their living-vans by Gangers to their inconvenience.

The County Surveyor stated that no one had any right to live in the vans except the Engine-drivers and Flagmen.

1047/34.

MR. WILLIAM McDEVITT OF THE COUNCIL'S OFFICE STAFF.

Councillor Lynch referred to a report in the "Londonderry Sentinel" of Tuesday, 31st July, 1934, from which it appeared that Mr. William McDevitt of the Council's Office Staff had left the Office to adjudicate as a Magistrate in a Smuggling charge being heard in Strabane, and he proposed that Mr. McDevitt be called on to resign either his position in the Office or his Justiceship of the Peace.

The Chairman ruled that the matter could only be dealt with by Notice of Motion, and Councillor Lynch gave notice that he would raise the matter at next Meeting.

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Confirmed.

W. W. Ladder

Chairman of Co. Council.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 25TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1934.

1048/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cannon, Cole, Friel, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Lynch, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, McDaid, McGrenra, McIvor, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh.

1049/34.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brady the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 28th August, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

1050/34.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brady the report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 28th August, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

1051/34.

REPORTS OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brady the reports of the Meetings of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 28th August and the 11th September, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

1052/34.

REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING.

When the report of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 11th September, 1934, came up for adoption, the Secretary adverted to a recommendation of the Committee regarding a Scholarship provisionally awarded to Patrick A. Sweeney. He stated that the award was to be cancelled if the return of means of the candidate's father was found to be inaccurate. The return of means had since been verified at £100 more than what had been originally stated. He submitted a letter from Mr. Sweeney stating that the discrepancy was due to a clerical error. If the report of the Committee were adopted Mr. Sweeney's son's scholarship was automatically cancelled.

Councillor McIvor proposed that the report of the Committee be adopted, and Councillor Cole seconded.

Councillor Scott proposed, as an amendment, that Mr. Sweeney's explanation be considered satisfactory.

On it being pointed out that the amendment was not in order, Councillor Scott moved that the recommendation of the Scholarships Committee regarding the Scholarship provisionally awarded to Patrick A. Sweeney be referred back to the Committee for re-consideration.

Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle seconded.

The matter was then put to a vote, and the following voted for Councillor Scott's amendment:-

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cannon, Gallagher, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McFadden, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (B.), O'Donnell (M.), O'Neill, Scott, and Walsh. Total 18.

The following voted against the amendment:-

Councillors Baxter, Cole, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Lynch, McClafferty, McCrea, McDaid, McGrenra, McIvor, and Wagentreiber. Total 15.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

The remainder of the Scholarships Committee's report was adopted unanimously.

1053/34.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter dated 22nd August, 1934, Circular No. 24/16/34.B., was read from the Local Government Department enclosing a table showing the share of each County in the Agricultural Grant for the current year; Donegal, £81,398. The County share was to be applied to meet the cost of the Primary and Secondary allowances, and the balance remaining was to be applied by way of supplementary allowance at a flat rate in favour of that portion of the land valuation that received no relief out of the Primary and Secondary allowances.

The Secretary stated that this amount was £6,296 more than what had been allocated last year.

1054/34.

CREDIT NOTES.

A letter dated 31st August, 1934, Circular No. 24/17/34, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing specimen Credit Note which had been drafted into two parts, one applicable to the first moiety and the other to the second moiety. This appeared to the Minister the more equitable method of giving relief, and he hoped it would be adopted where Credit Notes had not already been issued.

1055/34.

SALES AND RE-PAYMENTS OF SAVING CERTIFICATES.

A letter was read from the Central Savings Committee, 63, Dawson Street, Dublin, inviting the Council's attention to the constructive national work which was being done by the Saorstát Savings Movement. The Committee proposed to send each month a statement showing the sales and re-payments of Saving Certificates in the County. If the Council agreed to have this statement noted on the Minutes of their Meetings it would help on the work of the Committee.

On the motion of Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to agree with the suggestion of the Central Savings Committee.

1056/34.

ALLOWANCES TO THE SURVEYORS FROM THE ROAD FUND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th September, 1934, intimating a payment of £263 : 6 : 8 in respect of allowances to Surveyors from the Road Fund for the half-year ended 30th September, 1933.

1057/34.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th September, 1934, G.114088/34, sanctioning Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £90,000 on the accounts of the Council up to the 30th September.

The Secretary stated that accommodation of £90,000 would be necessary until the 31st October.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £90,000 until the 31st October, 1934.

1058/34.

DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry & Commerce dated 6th September, 1934, T.55889, acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letter of the 1st September re Downings Pier, and stating that the communication had been referred to the Office of Public Works.

1059/34. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (OFFICERS' AND EMPLOYEES') ACT, 1926.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 10th September, 1934, S.114087/34, acknowledging the Secretary's letter regarding the amount assessed upon the County under the Local Authorities (Officers' and Employees') Act, 1926, and referring the Council to the Order of the 26th June last, a copy of which was already forwarded.

1060/34. AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 30th August, 1934, Circular No. 24/16/34.C., inquiring the rate in the £. of the supplementary grant. This rate in other Counties was less than the rate of relief last year on the part of the land valuation above £10.

1061/34. REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 27th August, 1934, MT/216, asking to be furnished with detailed information regarding the number of vehicles of the various classes for which a licence was current on the 10th August.

1062/34. AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35 - RELIEF OF RATES IN URBAN DISTRICTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th August, 1934, G.24/12/34, returning, for amendment, statement showing the cost of the additional relief of rates on Agricultural Land to be allowed in the Urban Districts in the County in the current year.

1063/34. COMMITTAL OF CHILDREN TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Stranorlar, intimating that a child named Teresa McGrory was committed to St. Laurence's Industrial School, Sligo, on the grounds that the parents were unable to support her.

1064/34. PIERS AT MOVILLE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th September, 1934, G.116146/34, Dun na nGall. P.e., acknowledging receipt of the Secretary's letter of the 3rd inst. regarding the transference of the Piers at Moville to the Donegal County Council.

1065/34. EXPENDITURE ON CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH RATE WORK, AND THE SEEDS AND FERTILISERS (SUPPLY) ACT, 1932.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 10th September, 1934, G.11514/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., sanctioning additional expenditure of £480 for the applotment of the rate for the current financial year. Inquiry was made as to what steps were being taken to re-imburse the Council's funds in respect of the sum expended on clerical assistance in connection with the administration of the Seeds and Fertilisers (Supply) Act, 1932. Further details were required regarding the expenditure of £24 in connection with the preparation of the Register.

The question of having the Council's funds re-imbursed in respect of the sum expended on clerical assistance in connection with the administration of the Seeds and Fertilisers (Supply) Act, 1932, was referred to the Sub-Finance Committee.

1066/34. ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 29th August, 1934, SGM/7, asking whether the works proposed to be done under the Road Improvement Grant, 1934/35, had been approved by the Council.

1067/34. LOANS UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th September, 1934, H.104380/34, Dun na nGall., sanctioning the making of the following advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:-

Manus Loughrey, Kerrykeel.....£300.
Edward Friel, Ballymagowan, Kerrykeel.....£350.

A further letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th September, 1934, H.97548/34, Dun na nGall., asking for Certificates of Market Value in connection with the applications of Messrs. Joseph Deery and Edward McLaughlin for loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts. The Minister was unable to sanction the proposal to allow a loan of £300 to Mr. Patrick Gallen, Killygordon, since he intended to build two houses, and loans could only be made to persons purchasing or building houses for their own occupation.

1068/34. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th September, 1934, Circular No. 81/34, drawing attention to the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1934, which came into operation on the 1st August. This Act consolidated and amended the existing law relating to the compensation of workmen for injuries suffered in the course of their employment, and Local Authorities who were insured against compensation payable under earlier Acts, should consider, if they had not already done so, how far their liabilities under the new Act were covered.

1069/34. STORAGE OF EXPLOSIVES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 31st August, 1934, IR/45, stating that the storage of industrial explosives required for the quarrying of road metal could no longer be arranged for in Military Barracks, and it would, therefore, devolve on Local Authorities to make arrangements for the storage and distribution of such explosives as they may require from time to time. The Co. Surveyor should be requested to furnish a report on the position as soon as possible, and make suitable recommendations to the County Council having due regard to the provisions of the Explosives Act, 1875. The Co. Surveyor should be requested to send a copy of his report direct to the Department.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1070/34. MR. JAMES J. GALLAGHER OF THE COUNCIL'S OFFICE STAFF.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th September, 1934, forwarding copy of a letter which had been addressed to Mr. James J. Gallagher intimating that he had passed the recent Examination held by the Local Appointments Commissioners for the purposes of the Local Officers and Employees (Gaeltacht) Orders, 1928 to 1934.

On the motion of Councillor Scott, it was decided to congratulate Mr. Gallagher on his success.

1071/34. REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 12th September, 1934, MT/217, enclosing a copy of the Road Traffic (Driving Licences) (Non-Residents) Regulations, 1934, which provided that every driving licence granted under these regulations was to contain, in addition to the name and address of the licensee, the name and address of the Agent in Saorstát Éireann through whom the licence could be traced. The name and address of the agent should be written in the space provided for the address of the licensee.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 10th September, 1934, R/MT/7, stating that the Minister was advised that no extra duty was chargeable in respect of the drawing of a trailer by a vehicle classifiable under Paragraph 6 of the Third Schedule to the Finance Act, 1926.

1072/34.

CO-ORDINATION OF THE COUNTY ENGINEERING SERVICES.

The following letter dated 18th September, 1934, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, in connection with the co-ordination of the County Engineering Services:-

"A Chara,

With reference to your letter of the 30th ultimo regarding the co-ordination of the Engineering Services in the County, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that he notes that the County Council have definitely agreed to place all the Engineering Services under the direct control of the Co. Surveyor. The responsibilities of this Officer under the new system will be considerably increased, and it is essential that an organisation be now set up that will ensure the proper discharge of all engineering services in the County.

The Minister has considerable doubt as to whether the arrangements made by the County Council will prove adequate, particularly as regards the carrying out of works under the control of the Board of Health. The Council propose that a Deputy County Surveyor be appointed but no indication is given as to the nature or scope of the duties which such an Officer would be required to perform. The County Engineer will have to devote most of his time to outdoor duties, and it is obvious that he would not have the time to attend personally to all the matters referred to him from the Office of the Board of Health. In other counties where a County Engineering system is in force a special assistant to the County Engineer is generally appointed for this purpose. The special assistant should be capable of taking charge under the direction of the County Engineer of the large volume of technical work pertaining to housing, water supply, sewerage, maintenance of institutions, and any other matters connected with poor law and public health services. In the case of large water supplies or sewerage schemes, or the erection or re-construction of hospitals, the assistance of an expert consultant may, however, be obtained, if the Board of Health deem it advisable to have expert advice on any of such works, and the prior approval of the Department to the appointment of a consultant is obtained.

The Minister, therefore, suggests that the Council, instead of appointing a Deputy County Surveyor should assign to the County Engineer a special assistant on the lines proposed in the Report of the Engineering Services Committee of the 21st ultimo. It is understood that the Board of Health have in mind the carrying out of a programme of works over the next four or five years. Further housing schemes may also be necessary, and if after consultation with the Board of Health as to the extent of the works likely to be undertaken in the near future, it appears that further special assistance may be required, the County Council would be well advised to make provision accordingly.

The duties of the County Engineer will be mainly of a supervisory nature. He will advise the Council in regard to the disposition of expenditure on roads from central and local funds so as to secure a uniform standard of road maintenance and improvement. The Assistant County Surveyors will continue to discharge their ordinary duties in regard to road works. In the case of public health works they will be required to make the preliminary surveys and estimates on such works as are proposed for their respective districts, and make reports thereon to the County Engineer with whom will rest the duty of making the final surveys and of submitting plans to the Board of Health. When works are approved by the Board of Health and placed under contract, the Assistant County Surveyors will be required to report from time to time to the County Engineer on their progress. The County Engineer or his special assistant will make periodical inspections for the purpose of measuring up the work done in accordance with the contract, and certifying payments.

In view of the increased duties of the County Engineer and his responsibility for the work of the Board of Health, the Minister considers that the salary of Mr. Caffrey should be fixed at £900 with his existing rate of travelling expenses.

Mise, le meas,
(Signed) E. P. McCarron,
RUNAIDHE."

CO-ORDINATION OF THE COUNTY ENGINEERING SERVICES (CONTINUED.)

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

I am bringing in a report to-day on the whole question of the co-ordination of the engineering services in the County under one head. I do so because I wish to clear the air and let the County Councillors see the position clearly as it appears to me.

Before this co-ordination was suggested there were two County Surveyors, one earning £820 per annum and the other £690 per annum. In addition to this there were the fees paid for County Board of Health work, which last year amounted to £1,300, so that the total spent in one year on the two County Surveyors and the Board of Health Engineers amounted to £2,810. Under this Scheme, as suggested by me, the salaries would amount to £1,604, so that there would be a saving of approximately £1,200 per annum.

Now I wish to emphasise this, as the idea seems to have got about that the Scheme suggested by me would mean increased instead of diminished cost. It was also stated by one of the County Councillors that even under the new Scheme the Engineer for the Board of Health was still to be retained. Now, this is not so, as otherwise there would be no point whatsoever in all the talk and discussion about the co-ordination of the engineering services.

When this matter was submitted to me for my observations originally, I realised, as a practical Engineer, the amount of work involved. I was being asked to take over the work which made a whole-time job for three fully-qualified Engineers prior to this, and not alone the work, but the responsibility for the expenditure of all the money controlled by these three Engineers before this. There is no need for me to point out to you the magnitude of this task in a County like Donegal, but it is sufficient for me to say it took up all the time of Mr. Steadman, myself, and a large part of the time of the Board of Health's Engineer. I am sure that in asking me to take over this great undertaking the Council and the Local Government Department want, if anything, an improvement in the services, but do not by any means want any inefficiency or neglect. Bearing all these things in mind, I studied the matter over, and I set before you the assistance that I would require in order to do this job properly, to supervise all the works, and to supervise and check the expenditure of money that has to be spent in this Engineering work, and it is my honest belief that the assistance detailed by me is the amount of help that would be necessary for me in order to conduct the job properly, and do justice to the Council and myself. After all it would be very easy for me to court popularity with the Council by falling in with the various suggestions that have been made and endeavour to carry on this work of such great magnitude short-handed, but this would go on for a time, and there would inevitably be a mix-up or an S.O.S. by me for more help, and I would not like to land myself or the Council in that position that the whole scheme would have to come up for consideration again by reason of a break-down in the machinery. I am sure the Council would rather that I would be candid and honest about the matter now, and have it finished and dealt with one way or another, rather than to express myself satisfied with a scheme which I know in my heart would not and could not work. I think most of the Councillors were under a mistaken impression about the comparative costs of the Scheme suggested by me, and the Scheme which it is intended to re-place. They seem to think, and it would appear also from the Press reports that my Scheme meant a greater cost, whereas in reality it means a saving of about £1,200 per annum as already pointed out, and at the same time effects the co-ordination of the County Engineering services under one head, which every one seems to be agreed upon is a very desirable achievement. I have heard it stated that the Scheme suggested by me is solely in my own interests and in the interests of members of my family. I would point out that it is very unfair that any one should suggest this.

CO-ORDINATION OF THE COUNTY ENGINEERING SERVICES (CONTINUED).

First of all, as regards myself, I am taking over all the work in which, no doubt, I will get assistance, but I am also taking on all the responsibility which must be mine alone of Mr. Steadman, the Board of Health's Engineers, and my own, and I think any fair-minded person will agree that I should get reasonable remuneration for such a huge and responsible position.

Now, I happen to know the salaries of two County Surveyors in Counties smaller than Donegal. Each of them is in receipt of £1,200 a year without any responsibility for public health work.

As regards my Assistants, I have not chosen same nor do I wish to choose these, but I would like to have the best available men, and, if necessary, a qualifying examination can be held among the present County Donegal Assistant Surveyors, who are conversant with the work in the County.

Finally, I would like to state that I was quite happy and contented as County Surveyor for the South of the County, and it was only in obedience to the wishes of the Council and the Local Government Department that I consented to take on control of all the Engineering services, and I think no one can know so well as I do what help will be needed to do the work properly, or no one can blame me for endeavouring to impress my views in this regard as strongly as possible on the Council.

If, as was stated by one of the Councillors, I am not required to do County Board of Health work, one Assistant Surveyor in my Office is all I would ask for or require."

Councillor Baxter proposed that the Council inform the Department that they are quite satisfied with the arrangements made at their Meeting on the 28th August, 1934, and that the title of "Deputy" be altered to that of "Assistant".

A lengthy discussion followed.

Councillor Brady proposed, as an amendment, and Councillor Scott seconded that the whole matter be re-considered.

The following voted for the amendment:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Mahony, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Scott. Total 14.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lynch, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 18.

The Chairman declared Councillor Brady's amendment defeated, and, after some discussion, Councillor Blaney proposed, as a further amendment, that one "Special Assistant" be appointed from the Council's Staff, if qualified, and that the Council consult with the Board of Health regarding extra assistance, and, if such is necessary, that provision be made for it.

Councillor Scott seconded.

The matter was put to a vote, resulting as follows:-

For Councillor Blaney's amendment:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Mahony, McCrea, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 17.

Against the amendment:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lynch, Myles, McClafferty, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, and O'Donnell (Brian). Total 15.

The amendment was then put to the Meeting as the substantive motion, and carried by the same voting.

The Council decided to ask for sanction to the continuance of the employment of Mr. Patrick Dawson as a special Assistant, pending the making of the permanent appointment.

1073/34. DEVELOPMENT OF TURBARIES IN THE BUNCRANA AREA, AND
CONDITION OF ROADS LEADING THERETO.

A letter dated 21st September, 1934, No. P.F.669, was read from the Turf Development Board, Ltd., 10, Hume Street, Dublin, stating that the Board had under consideration the question of the development of turbaries in the Buncrana Area, and, from information available, it would appear that the County Roads traversing the townlands of Bauville, Keeloges, Tullydish Upper and Lower, and Owenkilloe, were not in a satisfactory condition to bear the traffic which will result from the increased production of turf in the Buncrana District. The Board requested the Council to take the necessary steps to have the roads put into such a condition that they would be able to bear satisfactorily any increased traffic which would result from the production of large quantities of turf in the district.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor.

1074/34. FAILURE OF CERTAIN RATE COLLECTORS TO SATISFY THE
DEPARTMENT AS TO THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF IRISH.

Letters were read from the Local Government Department, Nos. 2A, 18A, and 23A, forwarding for the information of the Council copies of letters issued to Mr. William J. Crampsey, Mr. John McGinley, and Mrs. Ellen Dorrian, Rate Collectors, in regard to the result of an examination recently held by the Local Appointments Commissioners for the purposes of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Orders, 1928 to 1934. As these Officers had failed to satisfy the Minister as to their knowledge of Irish within the time allowed by the Orders, the posts should now be declared vacant, and the necessary steps should be taken to have them filled. Pending new appointments, the Officers concerned might continue to act in a temporary capacity.

The Secretary stated that the Officials mentioned were at present collecting the rates for the year ending 31st March, 1935.

A discussion arose on the advisability of asking Officials over a certain age to study the Irish language, and, on the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor McCleafferty, it was decided to request the Ministry to sanction the appointments of these Officials temporarily, without requesting them to undergo any test in Irish.

1075/34. IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Doherty, Dunmore, Carrigart, Hon. Secretary, Downings Pier Committee, enclosing a report of a Meeting of the Committee held on the 21st September.

The Committee requested the Council to have the following improvements carried out at Downings:-

- (1) Provision of two flights of iron steps.
- (2) Plastering the cracked portions of the Pier front.
- (3) Provision of a new lamp for the pier head, as the lamp previously supplied could not be fixed to the standard.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1076/34. MEMBERSHIP OF DOWNINGS PIER COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Doherty tendering his resignation from membership of the Downings Pier Committee.

1077/34. APPLICATION FOR SIXTY EMPTY TAR DRUMS.

A letter was read from Mr. James J. O'Donnell, Kincasslagh, applying for 60 of the tar drums being used in that district.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1078/34. CLAIM FOR DAMAGES TO A CAR OWING TO THE CONDITION OF THE ROAD FROM LUNNIAGH TO DUNGLOE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Solicitor, Dungloe, claiming £20 damages and 5/- costs on behalf of Mr. Owen Coyle, Lunniagh, Derrybeg, in respect of an accident which occurred to Mr. Coyle's car on the 18th September. The car was coming from Lunniagh to Dungloe with a load of passengers, and, on going into a pot-hole, went over a large stone lying in the middle of the road, and broke the petrol tank. If the amount claimed was not paid before the 26th September, proceedings would be instituted without further notice.

A report from Assistant Surveyor M. J. Dawson was read in the matter.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned, pending further inquiries.

1079/34. SUPPLY OF ELECTRIC LIGHT TO GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Glenties Electricity Supply Co., Ltd., offering to supply electricity to Glenties Courthouse from the 1st October, 1934, to the 31st March, 1935, at 10/- per installed lamp.

On the motion of Councillor Houston seconded by Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to agree to pay the same rate for electricity consumed in the Courthouse, as was being paid by the other consumers in Glenties.

1080/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926 - FAILURE OF VETERINARY INSPECTORS TO FURNISH PRESCRIBED REPORTS.

A telegram was submitted from the Department of Agriculture stating that no reports had yet been received from the Veterinary Inspectors concerned regarding the cases mentioned in the Department's letter of the 10th August. The Veterinary Inspectors should be requested to furnish the reports immediately, with an explanation.

The Council unanimously decided again to call on the Inspector concerned to furnish the reports with the required explanation.

1081/34. POLES IN BALLYBOFEY CARRYING ELECTRIC WIRES.

A letter was read from Mr. James McMenamin, Glenfinn Street, Ballybofeigh, regarding the poles carrying electric wires in Ballybofeigh, which were stated to be his property. He stated that some time ago the Assistant Surveyor told him that the Railway Crossing was the terminus of the road over which the County Council exercised control. The poles in question were erected a distance of 40 yards from the Crossing gates, and, in view of the Surveyor's statement, were not on Council property. He was willing to do anything in the matter that was necessary, and he suggested that Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, be asked to call with him so that the situation might be remedied to the satisfaction of all concerned.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor.

1082/34. PORT AN DUIN AGUS CAMUS MOR.

Do leigheadh litir ó Roinn Tailte agus Iascaigh, Flas Chilldara, Baile atha Cliath, faoi dhata 21adh Meadhon Fómhair, 1934, B/50/7, i dtaobh na n-oibreach atá críochnuighthe ag Oifig na n-Oibreach bPuiblí ag Port an Duin agus Camus Mor, agus ag iarraidh ar an gComhairle Conndae anois geallmhaint a thabhairt go gcoimeadfar an ceibh i dtreo mar is ceart agus is coir in a leithid de chas.

Shocrúigh an Chomhairle fiafrughadh de'n Roinn ce'n ait a bhfuil an ceibh seo suidhte.

1083/34. APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER FOR GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Rev. John Cunningham, C.C., Glenties, notifying the Council of the death on the 23rd September of Mr. Patrick Kennedy, Caretaker of the Courthouse at Glenties, and requesting that his daughter, Miss Rose Kennedy, be appointed in his place.

On the motion of Councillor Houston seconded by Councillor Byrne it was unanimously decided to appoint Miss Kennedy to the position.

1084/34. WIDENING OF THE CALABAR RIVER.

Councillor **McClafferty** proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council request the Board of Works to have the Calabar River widened as all the oats that were cut were carried away by the recent floods. These people are suffering heavy losses by the floods spreading over their land every year, and will not be able to pay rates or annuities if something is not done."

1085/34. MR. WILLIAM McDEVITT OF THE COUNCIL'S OFFICE STAFF.

Councillor Lynch proposed:- "That Mr. William McDevitt, J.P., of the County Council's Office Staff, be called upon to resign his Justiceship of the Peace or his position in the Council Office, within one month from the date of this Meeting."

Councillor McDaid seconded.

Councillor Scott proposed, as an amendment, that the Council express disapproval at Mr. McDevitt's action in the past, and give him a direction that in future he does not officiate at any Petty Sessions Court either in Strabane or elsewhere during office hours.

The amendment was then put to the Meeting, and the following voted for it:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, O'Boyle, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 12.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 15.

This amendment having been defeated, Mr. E. Clarke, Solicitor, Strabane, appeared before the Council and asked to be heard on behalf of Mr. McDevitt.

Councillor Lynch objected to Mr. Clarke being heard.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor Myles seconded that Mr. Clarke be heard.

Councillor Lynch proposed, as an amendment, and Councillor McDaid seconded that Mr. Clarke be not heard.

On a show of hands the amendment was defeated by 12 votes to 11.

Mr. Clarke then addressed the Council on Mr. McDevitt's behalf, and stated he was prepared to give an undertaking that Mr. McDevitt would not again act as a Magistrate during Office hours.

Councillor Scott appealed to Councillor Lynch to withdraw his motion, but, on Councillor Lynch's refusing, Councillor Scott proposed, as a further amendment, that consideration of the matter be adjourned sine die.

Councillor Myles seconded.

The amendment was defeated by 13 votes to 10, and Councillor Lynch's motion was, accordingly, declared carried.

1086/34, TECHNICAL TEACHERS, AND KNOWLEDGE OF IRISH.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell proposed, and Councillor O'Boyle seconded:- "That the Technical Teachers of this County be given a limited time to qualify in Irish."

The motion was passed; Councillor Scott dissenting.

1087/34. ROAD FROM DERRY TO BUNCRANA, BETWEEN THE THREE ROADS SOUTH-WEST OF FAHAN CHAPEL, AND THE THREE ROADS AT FAHAN CHAPEL.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor Michael O'Donnell seconded:- "That the road from Derry to Bunrana between the Three Roads south-west of Fahan R. C. Chapel and the Three Roads at Fahan R. C. Chapel, about 60 perches in length, in the townland of Crislaghmore, Electoral Division of Fahan, and County Electoral Area of Bunrana, be declared a County Road."

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, stated that the road complied with the requirements of Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925, and the Secretary stated that the required month's public notice had been duly given.

The motion was passed unanimously.

1088/34. PRICE PER TON ALLOWED FOR BROKEN STONES.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell proposed, and Councillor Walsh seconded:- "That 4/- per ton for 2" broken stones delivered on the roadside is considered sweated labour, and that no less than 5/- be offered."

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"Mr. Kearney reports that he put up bills inviting tenders for stones. There are two grants in this neighbourhood, a small grant of less than £1,000 near Kincasslagh, and a substantial grant of £2,000 at Loughanure. The men at Kincasslagh all tendered for stones at 4/- per ton, and there was not enough money to make contracts for all who applied.

The Loughanure men tendered and stated they would supply stones at whatever price he was giving; a few wanted 5/- per ton. He cannot find the money to pay this price. Some thousands of tons of stone were put out along the roadside contrary to the Assistant Surveyor's instructions. These stones are lying there for almost a year to the great inconvenience of the travelling public. If he is to take all the stones which have been put out he can only do so with the money available at his disposal. Should any further fiction arise regarding this work, application may be made to have the money for the Loughanure Grant transferred to Kincasslagh, and the men who have put out stones without authority made remove these before an accident occurs."

After a lengthy discussion the resolution was passed, but to be applicable only to the money being expended in the Rosses District.

1089/34. CONDITION OF THE ROADS IN THE UPPER AND LOWER ROSSES AREAS.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell proposed:- "That the County Surveyor be asked to make a special survey of the roads in Upper and Lower Rosses, and see for himself the condition, and report to the Council at next Meeting."

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

I am quite well aware of the condition of the roads throughout the Rosses. Their present state is due to their being starved when their upkeep was a district charge. Now that the County-at-large is responsible for these roads five times the amount is being expended on them. They are having the same sum per mile per year expended on them as the other roads throughout the County, viz. £13 :10 for County Roads, and £65 for Main Roads.

If Councillor O'Donnell can induce the Council to increase this amount for this area he will have done good work. Last year, the Board of Works expended approximately £4,000 in this area on Minor Relief work. If the money for this work was devoted to the improvement of County Roads, as already suggested in a previous report, it would be a great boon to this neighbourhood, and would bring about a much-needed improvement to the County Roads throughout the Rosses."

1090/34. "WHITE CROSS ROAD" BETWEEN ANNAGRY AND RANAFAST.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council ask the Board of Works to make a sum of money available to complete what is known as "White Cross Road" between Annagry and Ranafast."

1091/34. AUGHAVOY COUNTY ROAD.

Councillor Hannigan proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council apply for a grant for work on the Aughavoy County Road."

1092/34. SITES FOR LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

Councillor Lynch proposed and Councillor McDaid seconded:-
"That a great injustice has been done to Mr. Paul Doherty, Ballyloskey, Carndonagh, in selecting cottage sites on a farm he rented for years from Mrs. Otto. We call on the Board of Health to remedy this injustice, even at the eleventh hour by selecting suitable sites elsewhere, or, in the event of their not being able to do so, to fix up the sites so that the field, the only valuable one on the farm, will not be rendered useless."

The matter was referred to the County Board of Health.

1093/34. WAGES OF ENGINE-DRIVERS AND FLAGMEN.

Councillor Lynch proposed:- "That the scale governing flagmen's wages be scrapped, in order to bring them all on the one pay level, namely, £2 per week."

The Chairman ruled the motion out of order, on the grounds that a rescinding motion requires to be signed by six members of the Council, in accordance with the Standing Orders.

1094/34. DAMAGE TO ROADS AND BRIDGES BY THE RECENT FLOODS.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

I have to report that considerable damage has been done to roads and bridges in the areas of Assistant Surveyors Dawson and O'Reilly. In other areas damages of a minor character have taken place. Recent cloud-bursts have caused considerable flooding, with much destruction. Some of the roads have been closed to traffic. The money available from the Contingency Fund would be unable to make good the damage, but the Council could permit the expending of the balance of the money as far as it will go pending a reply from the Local Government Department to the motion of which Councillor Mahony has given notice."

Councillor Mahony proposed, Councillor Scott seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the Government be requested to give a special grant to enable the Council to renew and repair a number of bridges and roads damaged by the recent excessive floods, the cost of which is estimated at £3,000."

1095/34. OLD TIMBER AT RATHMULLAN PIER.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Office of Public Works, dated 5th September, 1934, stating that several inquiries had been made locally whether the old timber at Rathmullan Pier would be available for sale. The local Pier Committee suggested that a sufficient quantity might be reserved for the renewal of the decking of the dolphins. They wished to know if the Council required any of it for this purpose.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to request the Board of Works to use the old timber for the purpose of decking the dolphins.

1096/34.

ROAD WORKS SCHEME, 1935/36.

Councillor Cole proposed:- "That this Council instruct the County Surveyor to include the following works and roads in the 1935/36 Road Works Scheme:-

- (a) To make 80 perches of a new road at Collon, and cutting through hill on road from Carndonagh to Clonmany; cost, £150.
- (b) To remove 13 feet from Market House at Carndonagh in order to remove dangerous corner; cost, £200.
- (c) To clean 320 perches of drain known as Carey's drain on road from Carndonagh to Clonmany; cost, £60.
- (d) To keep in repair for three years 300 perches of the road from Craignahorna to Hilltown, with 60 tons of 2" stones yearly; cost not to exceed £12 annually."

The Chairman ruled that these motions could only be dealt with at the Annual Road Works Meeting.

1097/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF BOATSLIP ALONGSIDE THE OLD PIER AT MALIN HEAD.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 31st August, 1934, W.1/12/34, stating that the Minister was satisfied that the erection of a boatslip alongside the Old Pier at Malin Head was desirable in the interests of the local fishing industry. Before deciding in the matter he would be glad to be informed if the Council would be prepared to assume responsibility for the future maintenance of the slip if constructed from public funds.

Councillor Cole proposed, and it was unanimously resolved that the Council agree to take over the slip; subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

1098/34. MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES - FORMER RURAL DISTRICTS OF STRABANE NO. 2 AND DERRY NO. 2.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 23rd August, 1934, acknowledging the receipt of an extract from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 31st July last on the subject of the allocation of Minor Relief Grants in County Donegal, and stating that due consideration would be given to the areas which were referred to. Advertisment was also made to an extract from the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 24th April last, and it was stated that the Parliamentary Secretary would be glad to be furnished with a copy of the statement containing the figures regarding Home Assistance referred to therein.

1099/34.

CONDITION OF IVY BRIDGE, CLOGHAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 21st August, 1934, RM/7, stating that a memorial purporting to be signed by various local residents had been received from Mr. Michael McMenamin, Cloghan, in reference to the condition of Ivy Bridge in the locality. It was stated that representations had been made to the Council from time to time as to the need for alterations, and it was also stated that the bridge was overgrown with shrubs and ivy, which hindered the view of the adjacent turns. A report was requested from the County Surveyor as to the conditions, with information as to any decisions by the Council on the representations alleged to have been made to them.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter had been dealt with.

1100/34.

LETTERKENNY COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Courtkeeper, Letterkenny, stating that the dock in the Courthouse required alterations, and portion of the spouting was blown down by the storm.

The matter was referred to the Co. Surveyor for a report.

1101/34. ALLEGED FLOODING OF PREMISES IN BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from Mr. R. S. Magee, Solicitor, Strabane, complaining, on behalf of Mr. John Scarffe, Main Street, Ballybofey, re the flooding of his dwelling-house caused by the raising of the roadway above the level of the footpath. If the matter was not attended to immediately proceedings would be instituted.

The Co. Surveyor reported as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

The Assistant Surveyor for this area reports that the door-step of Mr. Scarffe's house is about a foot lower than the kerb. The footpath is about 11 feet wide, and all the rain falling for a distance of 30 yards on this path flows towards Mr. Scarffe's house. The complaint, however, is that the water flowed over the kerb from the street. It is possible that the flooding on the 25th August last was caused by the open track on the carriageway and the banking up of the earth for the purpose of laying a sewer caused the water to be confined to one side of the street, which may have risen higher than the kerb, and flowed across the footpath into the house."

The Council noted Mr. Caffrey's report.

1102/34. EXPENSES OF ANNUAL REVISION OF VALUATION.

A letter was read from the Valuation Department applying for £115 being a moiety of the expenses in connection with the annual revision of valuation.

The Council ordered payment of the amount.

1103/34. MR. JOHN BOYLE, SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTOR, GLENTIES AREA.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 17th September, 1934, L.3874-34, asking the Secretary to obtain and furnish immediately a certified extract from the Registry of Births as to the age of Mr. John Boyle, Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector, Glenties District.

The Secretary stated that the matter was having attention.

1104/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LOANS UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS - JOHN MCCARRY, MORASS, TAMNEY.

An application was submitted from Mr. John McCarry, Morass, Tamney, for a loan of £30 for a period of 35 years under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

Mr. McCarry gave the names of Messrs. Wm. B. Lecky, N.T., Rosnakill, and Hugh Fullerton, Rosnakill, as his sureties.

The reports of the Council's Solicitor and Surveyor were considered satisfactory.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required loan.

1105/34. APPLICATION FOR LOANS UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS - MICHAEL GALLAGHER, LEHNAHOORY, KILMACRENAN.

An application was submitted from Mr. Michael Gallagher, Legnahoor, Kilmacrenan, for a loan of £100 for a period of 35 years under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

Mr. Gallagher gave the names of the following as his sureties:- Messrs. John Sweeney, Knockbrack, Ballynashannagh, and Thomas Sheerin, Drumfah, Ballynashannagh.

The reports of the Council's Solicitor and Surveyor were considered satisfactory.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required loan.

1106/34. APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS - NEAL MCGREADY, MOUNTCHARLES.

An application was submitted from Mr. Neal McGready, Mountcharles, for a loan of £200 for a period of 35 years under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

Mr. McGready gave as his sureties the names of the following:- Messrs. Con Doherty, Letterfad, Letterbarrow, Donegal, and James McGready, Contractor and Grocer, Frosses, Inver.

The reports of the Council's Solicitor and Surveyor were considered satisfactory.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required loan.

1107/34. APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS - JOHN DOHERTY, KILLYCREAN, LETTERKENNY.

A letter dated 25th August, 1934, was read from the Council's Solicitor in connection with the application of Mr. John Doherty, Killycrean, Letterkenny, for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

The Solicitor reported that a first Mortgage was held on the holdings of this man by the Agricultural Credit Corporation, and that the Council could only obtain a second Charge. He thought that the Council would be perfectly safe in accepting this, provided satisfactory collateral security was forthcoming.

The Council unanimously decided to accept a second Charge, with substantial collateral security, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government.

1108/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES AND RENEWALS OF LICENCES UNDER THE POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT.

Applications for licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act were received from the following:-

Peter Stewart, Kilmacrenan.
Bernard McGill, Arranmore.
Michael Gallagher & Sons, Cotteen, Derrybeg.
Andrew McGlinchey & Co., Buncrana.
George Maxwell, Braide, Glencolumbkille.
M. M. Andrews, Donegal.
Patrick Cannon, Malinmore.
Thady Gallagher, Glenties.
Greeve Bros., Knocknagarron, Convoy.
J. P. Speer, Letterkenny.
Edward Friel, Termon.
Michael McGlynn, Meenagoland, Ballinamore.
George Wilkin, Carrigans.
John F. McElroy, Malinmore.

Applications for renewals of licences were received from the following:-

Patrick Kelly, Gortahork.
R. B. Neville, Pettigo.
J. J. Byrne, Cashel, Glencolumbkille.

The Council unanimously decided to issue the licences in each case.

1109/34. SURVEYORS' REPORTS ON APPLICATIONS FOR LOANS UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, returning the file in connection with the application of Neal McGready, Mountcharles, for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, and stating that he found he had no time at present for this extraneous work.

The Council decided to accept the reports in this case from the Assistant Surveyor.

1110/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO PAY CERTAIN ACCOUNTS.

A letter was read from Mrs. Cecilia Friel, Merchant, Pollaid, Ballylar, applying to have new Paying Orders issued in the following cases where the original Paying Orders were now out of date:-

Road Work Paying Order No. 586.....	£2 : 10 : 4.
Road Work Paying Order No. 2569.....	£1 : 3 : 2.
Credit Note Paying Order No. 4476.....	4 : 8.
Credit Note Paying Order No. 4587.....	1.
Credit Note Paying Order No. 6074.....	4 : 6.
Road Work Paying Order No. 14115.....	£2 : 10 : 4.
Road Work Paying Order No. 15075.....	5 : 0.
Road Work Paying Order No. 17201.....	1 : 0.
Road Work Paying Order No. 22628.....	10 : 0.

A letter was also read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Flagman, Breaker No. 17, applying to have a new Paying Order issued in lieu of Paying Order No. 7811, for £2 : 16 : 4, which was now out of date.

The Council unanimously decided to apply to the Department for sanction to the issue of new Paying Orders in the above cases.

1111/34. AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH ERECTION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTING STANDARDS IN BALLYBOFEY.

On the motion of the Chairman, it was unanimously decided to execute, under Seal, Agreement with Mr. Patrick McNulty, Ballybofey, re wayleave for erection of electric lighting standards.

1112/34. REQUEST FOR RE-CONSTRUCTION OF PIPE ON WATER-TABLE ON HILL ROAD AT BREE, MALIN HEAD.

A letter was read from Mr. David McCandless, Bree, Malin Head, drawing attention to the necessity for re-constructing on the water-table on the Hill Road at Bree a pipe about 1½ feet square and 9 feet long.

The Co. Surveyor reported as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

The pipe referred to it seems is for the private use of the owner of the field adjacent to the road. The Assistant Surveyor reports that owing to the water-table being filled up the recent rains have damaged the road, and the person who is responsible for filling up the drain should be responsible for the cost of making good the damage."

The Council noted the Co. Surveyor's report.

1113/34. NUISANCE AT DUNFANAGHY PIER.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, stating that the question of the alleged nuisance at Dunfanaghy Pier had been referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

1114/34. BRIDGE ON ROAD BETWEEN DRISTERMAN AND GLENEELY CHURCH.

A letter was read from Mr. George McCandless, Milltown, Gleneely, drawing attention to the bridge between the village of Dristerman and Gleneely Church. One of the arches was badly blocked with earth and growing bushes and was rapidly getting worse.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor.

1115/34. BREACH ON ROAD BETWEEN MOUNTARGUS AND STRAHAN BRIDGE, REDCASTLE.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Mullan, Secretary, Drung Fianna Fail Cumann, complaining that no steps had been taken regarding the breach on the road between Mountargus and Strahan Bridge, which was referred to the Co. Surveyor some time ago.

The matter was again referred to the County Surveyor.

1116/34.

ROAD IN FRONT OF LETTERBRICK NATIONAL SCHOOL.

A letter was read from Mr. Laurence Keating, N.T., Ballinamore, complaining that the road in front of Letterbrick School had been raised with the result that the entrance to the School was now two yards below the surface of the road. He hoped the matter would receive immediate attention, and thus save the Council being mulcted in heavy damages.

The Co. Surveyor reported as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

The Assistant Surveyor for this area reports that this School is about ten feet below the level of the road. The side of the road had got badly worn and had to be side-filled. He intended getting a fence built from the bridge wall adjacent to the School gate. The School gate itself is ten feet away from the side of the road."

The Council noted the Co. Surveyor's report, and decided to take no action in the matter.

1117/34.

SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS AT GADDYDUFF NATIONAL SCHOOL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, stating that the question of sanitary arrangements at Gaddyduff National School was a matter for the school authorities.

1118/34. OPENING OF ROADWAYS IN BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR IN CONNECTION WITH SEWERS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, stating that the Board had drawn the attention of their Engineer to the opening of the roadways in connection with the Ballybofey and Stranorlar Sewers.

1119/34. ILLNESS OF MR. PATRICK DAWSON, ASSISTANT SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, dated 3rd September, stating that his Doctor had ordered him into hospital for medical treatment.

Mr. Michael J. Dawson stated that his father would be able to resume duty next week.

1120/34.

BURNING OF TURF IN BOILERS.

A letter was read from the Irish National Assurance Co. stating that, in their opinion, it would be in no way injurious to the Boilers to burn turf in them, but except when the engines would be engaged in light work it would be very difficult to keep up steam pressure. Turf varied considerably in quality, and except good hard turf would be used, they feared that the trial would be hopeless.

1121/34. AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35 - EMPLOYMENT OF CASUAL LABOUR.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Kerry County Council, Tralee, enclosing copy of the following resolution passed by his Council:-

"That the Kerry County Council ask the Minister to amend the Act to read that any farmer who gave employment for nine months of the year 1933 get the benefit of the Act; also where a farmer employs labour in seasonal employment that he gets benefit in relief of rates for such employment."

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

1122/34. APPLICATION TO LAY PIPE ON ROAD FROM CLOGHAN STATION CROSSROADS TO DORRIAN'S BRIDGE.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Marley, Cloghan, asking permission to lay down a galvanised pipe about 12" deep on the road from Cloghan Station Crossroads to Dorrian's Bridge.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1123/34.

FOOD AND DRUGS PROSECUTIONS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting that the Food and Drugs prosecution against William Travers was disposed of at Donegal Court on the 7th September, when the case was dismissed under the Probation of Offenders' Acts, with 15/- expenses, and £1 : 1 : 0 costs.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting that the Food and Drugs prosecution against John McGroarty was dismissed under the Probation of Offenders' Acts at Donegal Court on the 7th September, with 15/- expenses and £1 : 1 : 0 costs.

1124/34. COLLISION OF TAR BOILER AND BREAD LORRY NEAR MOUNTCHARLES.

A letter was read from Messrs. E. & J. Tighe, 30, High Street, Sligo, stating that one of their bread lorries came into collision with a tar boiler outside Mountcharles at 2 a.m. on the morning of the 30th August. The lorry was out of order and was being towed home by one of their breadvans. The first van got past the obstruction safely, but the lorry collided with the tar boiler. There was no lamp lit on the boiler nor was there a watchman on duty.

The Secretary stated that the County Surveyor had reported that owing to the collision damages amounting to £6 had been done to the Council's tar boiler, and that he had made a counter-claim against Messrs. Tighe's Insurance Company for that amount. He had received a cheque in discharge of the claim that morning.

In the event of any further action, the Council decided to refer the matter to the Law Committee.

1125/34.

INSURANCE OF COUNCIL'S ROAD PLANT.

The Secretary reported that the Council had a third-party Policy as required by the Road Traffic Act, 1933, which covered all the plant in the County except the tar boilers.

The Council unanimously decided to have the tar boilers included in the policy.

1126/34. SHROUGHAN ROAD, FALCARRAGH. MAP NOS. 476 AND 568.

A letter was read from Mr. Dan Curran, Secretary, Father Stephen's Fianna Fail Cumann, Shroughan, Falcarragh, requesting the Council to take immediate action to have some money expended on the Shroughan Road to B. Curran's, Falcarragh. Heavy lorry traffic had destroyed this road, and if steps were not taken by the Council to repair it, he would have to get the signature of the local M.O.H., Dr. McDonald, to refer it back again before the Council.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report from his Assistant for the district in question:-

"The road referred to is part of 2nd class, Map No. 568, and part of 3rd class, Map No. 476; length, 1120 perches; yearly expenditure per Contractors' tenders, £17:8:0; tonnage of stone per year, 130 tons.

The average width of carriageway does not exceed 11 feet, and surface is metalled on bog foundation. If year's stone is spread to give each ton to cover two lineal yards of the road, that gives 260 lineal yards metalled each year, leaving 2,900 unmetalled. This means that at the present rate it will take over 12 years to metal the full length of road complained of, and as traffic is likely to increase with the coming years, it is going to be very difficult to maintain roads of this class with expenditure allowed at present.

The first thing required is to widen road, which entails getting adjoining land-owner's consent (in my experience, mostly a difficult matter), extending of present bridges and culverts, and thoroughly paving and surfacing the road. Steam-rolling would also be required.

My estimate is approximately, £1,000."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1127/34. DAMAGE TO CLOTHING THROUGH SPARKS FROM A TAR BOILER.

Letters were read from Mrs. Thompson and Miss G. Blackburn, Castlefin, complaining of damage to their clothing through a tar boiler, and claiming compensation.

The Secretary stated that the Insurance Co. had settled the claim.

1128/34. CLAIM FOR NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Waugh, Drimagra, Frosses, stating that there was a sum of £3 : 6 : 8 due to him for road work since November, 1932. If not paid immediately he would institute proceedings.

A report was read from the Assistant Surveyor in which he stated that the claim had been settled.

1129/34. ALLEGED CLAIM FOR PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick D. McDermott, Ballinaboe, Gleneely, claiming payment for stones supplied by him to the Council.

A letter was read from the Assistant Surveyor stating that he had interviewed Mr. Patrick D. McDermott regarding the matter complained of, and Mr. McDermott stated that the letter was a forgery.

1130/34. COMPLAINT RE ROAD LEADING TO SHORE AT BALLYHEERIN.

A letter was read from Mr. Dan Griffin, Muineagh, Ballyheerin, asking to have a piece of pitching done on the road leading to the shore at bog, which was in a very dangerous condition.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1131/34. APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROADWAY AT BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles James McBride, Ballybofey, applying for a refund of his deposit lodged in connection with the opening of a roadway.

The County Surveyor stated that the road had not been closed satisfactorily.

1132/34. UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK IN THE KILCAR DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Furey, Castlecarn, Kilcar, complaining of the allocation of road work in his district.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1133/34. CONDITION OF BURTONPORT-KINCASSLAGH ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. James Campbell, Burtonport, complaining of the condition of the Burtonport-Kincasslagh Road, which was in a dangerous condition. If his car suffered any damage he would hold the Council responsible.

The Assistant Surveyor reported that the condition of the road was due to extra traffic on it owing to the increased production of turf in the district, and that he had rolled in the yearly quantity of metal.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor.

1134/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR GOODS SUPPLIED TO THE COUNCIL.

A letter was read from Mr. T. J. McBride, Merchant, Bunbeg, enclosing account for £38 : 0 : 8, which he stated he had already furnished. Unless payment was made within seven days he would hand the matter to his Solicitor.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1135/34.

CONDITION OF MOUNTCHARLES STREET.

A letter was read from Mr. H. Lenaghan, Secretary, Mountcharles Public Health Committee, complaining of the condition of Mountcharles Street, which required steam-rolling and tarring. At present it was in a very dangerous condition.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Mountcharles Street would have been re-surfaced before now if the proposed sewerage scheme had been carried out. It is not so very long ago since a water supply was installed and the streets were torn up. If there is no possibility of the sewers being laid in the immediate future the work of re-surfacing the road could be carried out next year. Meanwhile, a surface-man is constantly kept employed on the street, and there is nothing to cause any danger to the travelling public."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1136/34.

ROAD FROM BALLYMORE TO MAIN DUNFANAGHY ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles St. G. Orpen, Rockfield, Ballymore, complaining of the condition of the road from Ballymore to the Main Dunfanaghy Road. He also suggested that the road be continued, running past Ballymore to Marble Hill Strand, through Breaghy, Parkmore, and Knockduff. He pointed out the advantage to the County of having good roads from a tourist point of view.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report from his Assistant for the District in question:-

"Re letter from Mr. Orpen re road from Ballymore to the Main Road to Dunfanaghy. I beg to state that I have had this road put into a good state of repair lately with the only material I have available, pit gravel.

About half the length is rolled, and the remaining half at the Ballymore end is still in need of proper surfacing, which will be done as soon as possible.

Mr. Orpen's suggestion to continue the road via Knockduff and Parkmore to Breaghy would involve the making of a complete new road nearly a mile in length, and would cost approximately £1,000."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1137/34.

TITLE DEEDS OF CHARLES J. COYLE, LURGANBOYCE, RATHMULLAN.

A letter was read from Messrs. Osborne & Co., Solicitors, Milford, applying for the loan of the title deeds of Charles J. Coyle, Lurganboyce, Rathmullan, which were held by the Council in connection with his Housing Loan.

The Council unanimously decided to lend the Deeds against Messrs. Osborne's undertaking to return them.

1138/34.

APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Letterkenny, suggesting the appointments of Gardai Maurice McBride, Clogher, and Michael Burke, Falcarragh, as Food and Drugs Inspectors, in place of Gardai Whelan and Thornton, who had been transferred from the County.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to make the appointments suggested.

1139/34.

CLAIM FOR 14/- ALLEGED TO BE DUE FOR TWO DAYS' CARTING.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Solicitor, Dungloe, claiming on behalf of Mr. Anthony O'Donnell, Chapel Road, Dungloe, a sum of 14/- due to his client for two days' carting.

The Secretary stated that there were two persons of this name, one of whom had obtained in error monies owing to the other, and that criminal proceedings had been instituted.

A refund of 5/- had been made by one of the parties to the Council.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for investigation.

1140/34. APPLICATIONS FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF CONTINGENCY FUND.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund:-

Letterkenny Area.

To repair parapets of Keenaghan Bridge, Map 1135.....£2:0:0.

Lifford Area.

To clean out arch of a bridge on Road No. 1148.....£1:0:0.

Aileach Area.

To repair pipe on Road No. 925.....£2:0:0.

Glenties Area.

Re-placing broken planks on Glenamohill Bridge, No. 1233.....£2:10:0.

Building pipe at Northern Bank, Dungloe, No. 1032, T.72.....£4: 0:0.

The application was granted unanimously..

1141/34. DATES OF HALF-YEARLY MEETINGS FOR PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

The following dates were fixed for the half-yearly Meetings for payments to Road Contractors:-

Ballyshannon..... Saturday, 3rd November, 1934.

Donegal..... Monday, 5th November, 1934.

Dunfanaghy..... Thursday, 25th October, 1934.

Dungloe..... Tuesday, 6th November, 1934.

Glenties..... Wednesday, 7th November, 1934.

Kilcar..... Tuesday, 6th November, 1934.

Inishowen..... Monday, 5th November, 1934.

Aileach..... Tuesday, 6th November, 1934.

Letterkenny..... Saturday, 3rd November, 1934.

Lifford..... Wednesday, 31st October, 1934.

Milford..... Wednesday, 7th November, 1934.

Stranorlar..... Friday, 2nd November, 1934.

1142/34. LORRY TRAFFIC ON ROADS IN BUNCRANA URBAN AREA.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Buncrana Urban District Council; requesting, on behalf of the Buncrana Urban Council, the Council's lorries to use the Main Road and not St. Mary's Road, which was unfit for heavy traffic.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1143/34. REQUEST FOR COMPLETION OF BOG ROAD AT BELCRUIT, KINCASSLAGH.

A memorial was submitted from a number of residents of Kincasslagh applying for a grant to complete a connecting road which had been started and almost finished to give them access to their turf on Belcruit Mountain.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for consideration when allocating future Minor Relief Schemes.

1144/34. RIGHT-OF-WAY AT MAGHERAROARTY, GORTAHORK.

A letter was read from Mrs. Mary A. Sweeney, Magheraroarty, Gortahork, asking to have a right-of-way from the County Road to her house made up to enable her to bring building materials to the house.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1145/34. APPLICATION FOR REMUNERATION FOR ACTING AS COUNTY M.O.H. DURING THE ABSENCE OF DR. O'DEAGHA ON HOLIDAYS.

A letter was read from Dr. Michael O'Farrell applying for remuneration for acting as County M.O.H. during the absence of Dr. O'Deagha on holidays this year.

The matter was referred to the Board of Health.

1146/34. APPOINTMENT OF AN ASSISTANT COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

Councillor Baxter referred to the proposed resignation of one of the Assistant County Medical Officers of Health, and he proposed that the Council recommend the Board of Health not to fill the vacancy should this arise.

Councillor Friel seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

1147/34. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.

Owing to pressure of business, the Council adjourned until their next Meeting consideration of the following items:-

1. Letter from the Department of Agriculture dated 31st August, 1934, W.1/12/34, stating that the Minister has had under consideration the question of the re-conditioning of Rosbeg Pier. Before deciding in the matter he wished to be informed if the Council would be prepared, in the event of the improvements being carried out from public funds, to assume responsibility for the maintenance of the Pier.
2. Letter from the Department of Agriculture dated 14th September, 1934, D.2/74/11, stating that the Minister observed that the Council gave an unconditional undertaking to accept responsibility for the future maintenance of the improvement works at Bundoran Harbour, and that the County Surveyor agrees that the construction of the groyne has been carried out in a substantial manner. Accordingly, he considers that the Council should now take over formally the maintenance thereof, without further delay, in accordance with their undertaking. The question of additional works or improvements at this place is one for separate consideration, and should not be interwoven with the matter now under reference.
3. Letter from Mr. R. C. Young, Culdaff, suggesting that a warning-sign be placed at the bottom of the Knockhill Road at Culdaff. There have been several narrow shaves at this point this year, and unless something is done it is only a matter of time until there is a serious accident.
4. Letter from Mr. John Boyce, Strand, Carrigart, applying for a licence under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts on condition that no other licence will be issued in the town of Carrigart.
5. Letter from Mrs. Mary F. McNelis, Straleel, Carrick, complaining that she has been summoned for adding water to milk, although she sold it as it came from the cow.
6. Report by the Secretary re amounts due by the Urban District Councils.
7. Report by the Secretary re Housing annuities due.
8. Report by the Secretary re rents and wayleaves due.
9. Quotations for insurance of Council's workmen under the Workmen's Compensation and Employers' Liability Acts.
10. Letter from a number of residents of Kilraine, Glenties, applying for a new road from the limestone quarry road in Kilraine, which branches off the main Donegal-Glenties Road eastward by way of the house of James Furey, Upper Kilraine, and thence still eastward to the house of Patrick Boyle, Upper Kilraine. The total length will not be more than $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and the cost is estimated at £100.
11. Letter from Mrs. Kate Byers calling attention to Contract Road No. 47, 640 perches from Brenter to Tievedoocy, and stating that the Contractor is not putting a good quality of metal on it.
12. Letter from the Council's Solicitor reporting that he has had no reply from Mrs. Anne Duggan, Ruskey, Manorcunningham, to his letter enclosing fresh agreement for execution.
13. Letter from the Council's Solicitor enclosing copy of letter from Mr. James Steele, Ruskey, Manorcunningham, stating that he will sign no Agreement until he gets back to the Irish Land Commission, as the land is no use to him so long as the County Council hold it.

14. Letter from the Irish National Assurance Co. drawing attention to certain repairs, which their Engineer reports are necessary, to the Boilers in Carndonagh and Letterkenny Courthouses.
15. Letter from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, stating that if a sample of milk was to be taken from Ellen Ward, Tory Island, the Inspector must travel to the Island by boat. This would entail expenses of travelling amounting to 10/-, and before instructing the Inspector further he asks for authority for this expenditure.
16. Letter from Mr. C. Loughrey, Shrove, Greencastle, for Mrs. Higginbottam, notifying his intention of erecting a new boundary wall beside the public road in front of a new house recently erected by Mrs. Higginbottam, and inquiring if he will be allowed part cost of same.
17. Letter from the Secretary, Federation of Saorstát Industries, 17, Dame Street, Dublin, complaining that certain instances have occurred where Public Bodies of Saorstát Éireann have passed over Saorstát Architects, Engineers, and Contractors, and have placed their orders with foreign Engineers, foreign Architects, or foreign-owned or controlled firms, which is not as it should be. The Council's support in the matter is solicited.

1148/34.

PURCHASE OF COKE FOR COUNCIL OFFICES.

The Secretary stated that an Official from the Turf Development Board had agreed that turf would not be suitable for use in the Central Heating apparatus installed in the County House, and he, therefore, applied for permission to purchase the usual quantity of coke, 20 tons.

The Council instructed the Secretary to invite tenders for the supply of 20 tons of coke.

Confirmed.

E. Mahony

Chairman.

30th October, 1934.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1934.

1149/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors Mahony (presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cannon, Cole, Cregan, Friel, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Lynch, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McDaid, McGrenra, McIvor, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, and Walsh.

1150/34.

A P O L O G I E S.

Apologies for inability to be present were submitted from the Chairman (Councillor McFadden), and Councillor Magee.
Councillor Scott apologised for the absence of Councillor Wagentreiber.

1151/34.

C O N D O L E N C E.

The Acting Chairman (Councillor Mahony) proposed that the Council extend their sympathy to the relatives of the late Mr. Hugh Quigley of the Council's clerical staff.
The resolution, with which the Secretary associated himself on behalf of the staff, was passed in silence; all the members standing.

1152/34.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 25th September, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

1153/34.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 25th September, 1934, was unanimously adopted.

1154/34.

R E P O R T O F S H E E P D I P P I N G C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor seconded by Councillor Gallen the report of the Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting held on the 25th September, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

1155/34.

R E P O R T O F P I E R S C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor O'Boyle the report of the Piers Committee Meeting held on the 25th September, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

1156/34.

R E P O R T S O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the reports of the Sub-Finance Committee Meetings held on the 25th September and the 9th October, 1934, were adopted unanimously.

1157/34.

R E P O R T O F S C H O L A R S H I P S C O M M I T T E E.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor MacCreadie the report of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 26th October, 1934, was unanimously adopted.

1158/34.

QUARTERLY LIST OF PAYMENTS.

The Quarterly List of payments was submitted and considered seriatim. Payment was recommended in each case.
Mrs. S. J. Hunter, former Union Official.

Councillor Baxter adverted to the balance of pension due to the estate of Mrs. Sarah Jane Hunter, deceased, a former Union Official, and he proposed that it be paid to her only daughter, Mrs. Mary Buchanan, 40, Benwarden Avenue, Waterside, Derry, on the usual Letter of Indemnity.

The proposal was adopted unanimously.

Prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

Councillor Scott adverted to the expenditure incurred in taking samples under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, and he suggested that the Gardai be instructed to take as few samples as possible.

Councillor Baxter protested against the annoyance caused to traders who were prosecuted for selling butter which contained more than the prescribed quantity of water. He stated that the merchants could only sell the butter as they received it, and that it was unfair to take samples during the summer period.

Amount of expenditure incurred in Quarterly List of Payments.

Councillor Lynch protested against the List of Payments being passed without comment, and he stated that when the question of road workers' wages was raised, there was always an outcry against any increase.

The Chairman ruled Councillor Lynch out of order.

1159/34.

SEEDS AND FERTILISERS (SUPPLY) ACT, 1932.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th September, 1934, Circ. G.89/4/34, asking for an explanation of the discrepancy in the particulars regarding the Seeds and Fertilisers (Supply) Act, 1932, supplied in reply to their letters of the 15th February, 1933, and the 9th May, 1934.

1160/34.

RATE COLLECTORS' BONDS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd September, 1934, G.119700/34, returning the Personal Surety Bonds of Collectors John McGinley, Eamonn Ward, Charles Dawson, and John Gillespie, the form of which had been approved, and pointing out that in future no reference to divisions of the High Court should be made in the Warrant of Attorney.

1161/34.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 29th September, 1934, enclosing Payable Order for £8,250 in respect of the Agricultural Grant, 1934/35.

1162/34.

PUBLIC HEALTH CONGRESS AND EXHIBITION.

An invitation was submitted to the Public Health Congress and Exhibition to be held in London in November.

1163/34.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 1st October, 1934, G.127522/34, sanctioning Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £90,000 on the accounts of the Donegal County Council up to the 31st October.

The Secretary stated that continued Overdraft accommodation of £90,000 would be necessary until the end of November.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £90,000 until the 30th November.

1164/34. SAORSTAT MANUFACTURERS OF HOUSE-BUILDING MATERIALS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 20th September, 1934, H.123030/34, Ilgh., forwarding copy of the Second Edition of a List prepared by the Department of Saorstat Eireann Manufacturers of House-building materials and appliances.

1165/34. PROSECUTIONS UNDER THE SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

Letters were read from the Department of Agriculture asking to be informed of the result of proceedings brought under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts against William Travers, Commercial Hotel, Donegal, John McGroarty, Bridge Street, Donegal, Patrick H. Doherty, Bridge Street, Carndonagh, Daniel McGettigan, Moville, Michael McGlinchey, Buncrana, Denis Grant, Buncrana, and Denis Brennan, Buncrana.

The Secretary stated that the matter had received attention.

1166/34. HOUSING GRANT AWARDED TO NEAL BOYLE, GRAUGHBOYLE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th October, 1934, H.124309/34, Dun na nGall., stating that the Housing Grant in the case of Neal Boyle, Graughboyle, Certificate of Approval, Form No. 1, No. 35, had been reduced to £35.

1167/34. TECHNICAL TEACHERS AND KNOWLEDGE OF "IRISH."

A letter was read from the Chief Executive Officer, Co. Donegal Vocational Education Committee, stating that the Council's resolution regarding Technical Teachers and knowledge of Irish was considered by his Committee and marked "noted."

1168/34. LOAN FOR THE PURCHASE OF ROAD MACHINERY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th October, 1934, R/RB/7, stating that a payment of £329 :10 : 6, being an instalment of the sum of £6,440 set apart from the Trunk Road Grant for the purchase of Road Machinery, and raised by loan by the Donegal County Council, was made to the County Treasurer on the 2nd October.

1169/34. APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER FOR GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 5th October, 1934, G.130455/34, Dun na nGall., forwarding Query Forms for completion in connection with the appointment of a Caretaker for Glenties Courthouse.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 20th October, 1934, G.136442/34, Dun na nGall., stating that the Minister raised no objection to the appointment of Miss Rose Kennedy as Caretaker of the Courthouse at Glenties.

1170/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR REPAIR OF AUGHAVOY COUNTY ROAD.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 12th October, 1934, stating that the Council's application for a grant for the repair of the Aughavoy County Road had been referred to the Local Government Department.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 17th October, 1934, R/RU/7, referring to the Council's application for a grant for the repair of the Aughavoy County Road, and stating that no relief grants were at present being allocated to Road Schemes. The application had been noted for consideration at a later date.

1171/34. SAMPLES TAKEN UNDER SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS BY AN OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 16th October, 1934, L..3318/34, stating that an Officer of the Department, acting on instructions, obtained on the 15th September, 1934, four samples of butter at Raphoe, which, on analysis, were found to be genuine.

1172/34. SALES AND RE-PAYMENTS OF SAVINGS CERTIFICATES IN DONEGAL.

The following report was received from the Central Savings Committee of the sales of Saorstad Savings Certificates in County Donegal during August, 1934:-

Sales..... £1,051.
 Already invested..... £271,007.
 Total..... £272,058.
 Re-payments to end of month. 81,356.
 Balance remaining..... £190,702.

The Gross sales represented an investment of £1 :15 : 8 per head of the County population, and the number of Saving Associations working in the County was 75.

1173/34. MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO RAILWAY PROPERTY, TELEGRAPH POLES, ETC.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th October, 1934, Circ. No. 93/34, asking for a return giving particulars of the Malicious Injury Claims of which notice had been given up to the 1st October, and which, from their nature, appeared to be connected with a campaign of road outrages (cutting down trees, telegraph poles, and wires, and interference with Railway property.)

1174/34. EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH CERTAIN RATE COLLECTORS MAY QUALIFY IN IRISH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 18th October, 1934, G.130454/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., stating that the Minister sanctioned an extension of time within which Collectors Crampsey, McGinley, and Mrs. Dorrian would be required to qualify under the Gaeltacht Orders, 1928 to 1934, to the June 1935 examination. The 1935/36 warrants should not be issued to these Collectors until the prior sanction of the Minister had been obtained.

1175/34. DEDUCTIONS FROM THE SALARY OF THE LOCAL TAXATION OFFICER UNDER THE LOCAL SERVICES (TEMPORARY ECONOMIES) ACT, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 18th October, 1934, MT/218, asking for particulars of the deductions made under the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934, from the salary of the Local Taxation Officer and of other Officers of the Council engaged in Motor Taxation work.

1176/34. AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35 - EMPLOYMENT OF CASUAL LABOUR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 20th October, 1934, G.131164/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., regarding the Agricultural Grant, 1934/35, and stating that the suggestion in connection with the employment of casual labour had been noted for consideration in next year's Bill; this year's scheme was now in operation and could not be amended.

1177/34. COUNCIL'S APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR REPAIR OF BRIDGES, ETC.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 20th October, 1934, R/RG/7, acknowledging the receipt of the Council's resolution asking for a grant of £3,000 for repairing a number of roads and bridges damaged by the recent floods, and stating that the Grants already notified to the Co. Council for the current financial year amounting to £34,047 could not be increased.

1178/34. SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th October, 1934, H.127485/34, stating that the application of Mr. Henry Doherty, Meendoran, Clonmany, for an advance under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts was being considered, and a further communication in connection therewith would be issued as soon as possible.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th October, 1934, H.97548/34, Dun na nGall., sanctioning the making of the following advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:-

Joseph Deery, Dromoney, Letterkenny.....£100.

Edward McLaughlin, Listillion, Letterkenny.....£100.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th October, 1934, H.131163/34, stating that the decision of the Council to accept reports in connection with applications for loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts from the Assistant Surveyor had been noted.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th October, 1934, H.131162/34, referring to the provisions of Section 2 of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act, 1899, and stating that the question of the acceptance of a Second Charge on the holdings of Mr. John Doherty, Killycreen, Letterkenny, was a matter in which the County Council should be guided by the advice of their Solicitor.

1179/34. MR. W. J. McFEELY, V.S., BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th September, 1934, P.H.117756/34, Dun na nGall (Sd.), stating that he had instructed Dr. J. D. McCormack, Medical Inspector, to hold an inquiry on oath at the Courthouse, Ballyshannon, on 9th October into charges brought against Mr. W. J. McFeely, M.R.C.V.S. of irregularities in the performance of his duties as Veterinary Inspector in the South Donegal Area under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 5th October, 1934, P.H.117756/34, Dun na nGall (Sd.), stating that it would be necessary for the Secretary to attend at the Inquiry in Ballyshannon into the charges brought against Mr. McFeely, M.R.C.V.S., and to produce any relevant documents.

1180/34. SALARY AND TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF THE COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 2nd October, 1934, P.H.92654/34, Dun na nGall (Ae.), referring to the charges against the Grant-aided services in respect of the salary and travelling expenses of the County Medical Officer of Health, and stating that they considered it would be more satisfactory if the Council submitted a claim to the Board of Health in respect of the proportion of such salary and travelling expenses recoupable by the latter immediately after the close of each half of the financial year.

1181/34. LONDONDERRY AND LOUGH SWILLY RAILWAY.

Councillor O'Boyle moved:- "That the Council ask the responsible Minister to continue a measure of financial assistance to the Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway on the grounds that the withdrawal of such assistance will result in a stoppage of the Railway services and the consequent isolation of that populous area from Letterkenny to Dungloe, on the western seaboard, because the roads in the Dungloe, Burtonport, and Kincasslagh Areas are still unsuitable for heavy motor or 'bus traffic."

Councillor Scott, in supporting the resolution, stated that the Buncrana and Carndonagh areas would also be affected.

He appealed to the merchants and traders of the County to give the railway more support.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

1182/34.

CO-ORDINATION OF THE COUNTY ENGINEERING SERVICES.

The following letter dated the 27th October, 1934, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department:-

"A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to refer to your letter (1072/34) of the 1st instant forwarding copy of the Minutes of Proceedings of the Donegal County Council on the 25th ultimo concerning the co-ordination of the County Engineering Services; and to say that the Minister regrets to learn that the Council and the County Surveyor have been unable to arrive at an agreed scheme. It will be conceded that the re-arrangement of the Engineering Services of the County has occupied an undue amount of time and correspondence since Mr. Steadman's resignation now well over eighteen months ago. The Minister feels that the Council must be equally anxious to adjust the outstanding difficulties, and he had hoped that long ago the Council would have recognised that a continuance of the unsatisfactory position was detrimental to the engineering services of the County. Mr. Caffrey is anxious to make the scheme of unification a success but unless a Surveyor is given the assistance he requires he is handicapped at the outset in carrying any scheme through. The Minister believes that, granted adequate and suitable assistance, Mr. Caffrey will place the engineering services upon a sound basis and that the Council and the Board of Health will find the scheme a substantial improvement on the former arrangements. Apart from the fact that the carrying out of road work in the County is at present being seriously impeded, the Minister understands from the Office of Public Works that large expenditure on Minor Schemes is contemplated for Donegal, but that owing to the intimation received from the County Surveyor, due to the inadequate engineering arrangements in the County, the notification of the money available and of the works to be carried out has had to be withheld. It is further understood that the Office of Public Works have already issued the lists to all other County Councils. The position, therefore, is that large Grants specially provided for the relief of unemployment have to be withheld from the County. This entails not only loss to the unemployed but interferes with the carrying out of useful works. Last year a large sum was expended in the County on Minor Relief Schemes. This year the programme of such works for Donegal is even more extensive. The Minister has reviewed the entire correspondence which has passed between him and the Council and he is definitely of opinion that the Council should, without further delay, or modification, adopt the findings of the Engineering Services Committee set out in their Minute of the 21st August last. Unless this is done the deadlock will continue and the Council should realise that the whole question of Minor Schemes and Road Fund Grants will also be reviewed. In any such review the Minister fears that he will have no option but to cancel the Road Fund Grants. If Minor Schemes can be carried out at all, delay and otherwise avoidable expense must curtail the extent of the benefits which the schemes and expenditure were designed to confer.

Mise, le meas,
(Signed) E. P. McCarron,
RUNAIDHE. "

Councillor Baxter proposed that the matter be put on the Agenda for the next Meeting of the Council.

Councillor Gallagher seconded.

Councillor Scott proposed, as an amendment, that the letter be considered.

Councillor Brady seconded.

On a show of hands Councillor Baxter's proposal was defeated by 15 votes to 13.

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CO-ORDINATION OF THE COUNTY ENGINEERING SERVICES (CONTINUED.)

Councillor Scott then proposed that the Council fall in with the suggestions made in the Department's letter, and adopt the recommendations of the Engineering Services Committee made at their Meeting on the 21st August last.

Councillor Blaney seconded.

Councillor Baxter proposed, as an amendment, that the Council adhere to their decision reached at their Meeting on 25th September.

Councillor Gallagher seconded.

After some discussion Councillor Baxter withdrew his amendment, and Councillor Scott's proposal was put to the Meeting.

The voting resulted as follows:-

For Councillor Scott's proposal:-

Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Crerand, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Mahony, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (B.), O'Donnell (M.), O'Neill, Scott, and Walsh. Total 21.

Against the proposal:-

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Gallagher, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lynch, Myles, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle. Total 11.

The Chairman declared the proposal carried, and to implement the Council's decision it was decided to advertise for next Meeting for two Assistant Surveyors at a salary of £250 per annum.

As the Council was debarred from making the temporary appointments for a longer period than six months, it was decided to make them only for this period.

1183/34. NON-PAYMENT OF MONEY DUE TO ANTHONY O'DONNELL (A.),
CHAPEL ROAD, DUNGLOE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Solicitor, Dungloe, asking for immediate payment of the sum due to his client, Anthony O'Donnell (A.), Chapel Road, Dungloe, together with his costs. Unless paid before 1st November proceedings would be instituted against the Council.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor to certify the payment due to Mr. O'Donnell.

1184/34. PORTSALON AND DUNTINNY DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 26th October, 1934, 4297-34, stating that they regretted to note that the Council continued to refuse to carry out the statutory duties imposed on them in connection with the Portsalon and Duntinny Drainage District, and they now desired to inform the Council that they would proceed to seek the aid of the Court for an Order against the Council to enforce the due performance of the duties imposed on them by the Final Award. They also requested the remittance of the sum of £440 : 17 : 9, being the amount of the Council's contribution, with accrued interest amounting to £91 : 5 : 11 within seven days.

Councillor Baxter proposed that the Board of Works be informed that the Council had no desire to evade payment, but that they wished to have the work properly completed before taking it over.

Councillor Blaney seconded, and he suggested that the Council agree to contribute an extra sum, if necessary, on the same basis as in the original Scheme.

1185/34. AVENUES ON THE ARDS ESTATE.

Councillor MacCreadie referred to the Council's previous refusal to take over the Avenues on the Ards Estate, and he stated that the Council were under a misapprehension as they considered that they were privately owned.

He proposed that the County Surveyor include the cost of the maintenance of these avenues in the Provisional Road Works Scheme for 1935/36, and that a Consent Form be sent to Very Rev. Father Coleman for completion, if necessary.

He stated that he would lodge the necessary Notice of Motion declaring the roads in question to be County Roads.

1186/34. RESIGNATION OF DR. CATHERINE M. O'BRIEN, ASSISTANT COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

The following resolution was submitted from the Co. Board of Health:-

"That the filling of the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Catherine M. O'Brien, Assistant County Medical Officer of Health, be deferred, and that the matter of the County Medical Scheme be considered by a Joint Committee of the ten members of the Board of Health, with ten other members of the County Council (to be selected by the Council) at a special Meeting to be held at Lifford on a date, within the next fortnight, to be fixed by the Co. Council."

The Council unanimously approved of the resolution, and decided to appoint two members from each County Electoral Area.

The following members were then appointed:-

Buncrana Area:-	Councillors Kavanagh and Lynch.
Donegal Area:-	Councillors McShane and O'Neill.
Glenties Area:-	Councillors Brian O'Donnell and Walsh.
Letterkenny Area:-	Councillors Crerand and McGrea.
Milford Area:-	Councillors Baxter and McGrenra.

The Council agreed to hold the Meeting at 10.30 a.m. at the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny, on the morning of the 12th November, 1934.

1187/34. PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ROAD TO CONNECT THE CARN AND CORREFRIN COUNTY ROADS.

Councillor Hannigan proposed:- "That a new County Road be constructed which will connect the Correfrin and Carn County Roads."

The matter was adjourned until the Annual Road Works Meeting, and Councillor Hannigan was informed that the necessary map and Consent Form would require to be lodged.

1188/34. REQUEST FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD AND BRIDGE TO CONNECT THE TOWNLAND OF ALTANEERIN UPPER WITH THE CO. ROAD AT CRAGHEY.

A letter was read from Councillor Mahony enclosing petition from a number of residents of Altaneerin, Breenagh, for the construction of a road and bridge to connect the townland of Altaneerin Upper with the County Road at Craghey. Owing to the recent heavy floods the townland in question was almost completely cut off from the outside world.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a request that they consider the matter when allocating Minor Relief Schemes in the future.

1189/34. PROPOSED PAYMENT OF GRATUITY TO THE RELATIVES OF THE LATE NURSE M. A. McMENAMIN, NURSE IN STRANORLAR WORKHOUSE.

Councillor Blaney proposed, Councillor McClafferty seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council requests the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to sanction the making of an ex-gratia payment of £175 to the relatives of the late Nurse M. A. McMenamin, whose position in Stranorlar Workhouse was abolished under the Amalgamation Scheme."

1190/34. ROAD LEADING FROM PORTSALON TO BALLYMAGOWAN, VIA FANAD HEAD, KINDRUM, AND ROSSNAKILL.

Councillor Blaney proposed, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the road leading from Portsallon, via Fanad Head, Kindrum, Rossnakill, to the Three Roads at Ballymagowan, be scheduled as a Main Road."

1191/34. PROPOSED DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE COUNTY ROADS.

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Cole was proposed by him:-

"That the following roads be declared County Roads:-

- (1) The new road from Tiernaleague to Glebe, in the Electoral Division of Carndonagh.
- (2) The new road from Golan Bridge to Cregnahorna Bog in the Electoral Division of Carndonagh.
- (3) The new road from Foxhole to Foxhole Bog, in the Electoral Division of Glenegannon.
- (4) The new road from Ballymena, Culkenny, to Culkenny Bog, in the Electoral Division of Carthage.
- (5) The new road from Bengorms to Bengorms Bog, in the Electoral Division of Carthage.
- (6) The new road from Keenagh Three Roads to Coolourt Three Roads, through the townland of Knockamany, in the Electoral Division of Ardmalin."

The Assistant Surveyor reported that No. 1 crossed the Railway Line at Tiernaleague; that Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5 were cul-de-sac roads, and that No. 6 had been made under a Minor Relief Scheme.

The Secretary stated that the required month's public notice had been duly given.

Councillor Byrne proposed:- "That 340 perches of the road leading from the end of the Contract Road at the Three Roads, Cloghernagore Upper and Meenachullion, to Condry McDevitt's house, Cloghernagore Lower, in the Electoral Division of Glenleighan, be declared a County Road."

The Secretary stated that the required month's public notice had been duly given.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"There are ten proposals for the taking over of existing right-of-ways, seven on the Agenda, and those others I have received recently. As the taking over of any of these will involve the Council in the expenditure of money over what they expend for the maintenance of the existing roads, and as it has already been resolved that no works be considered where the expenditure of money is involved, these proposals should be adjourned until consideration of the Road Works Scheme. It can then be ascertained if these new proposals can be dealt with after the maintenance of the existing roads is provided for."

The Council decided to adjourn consideration of the proposals of Councillors Cole and Byrne until the Annual Road Works Meeting.

1192/34. RE-CONDITIONING OF ROAD LEADING FROM DOWNINGS TO MELMORE, BETWEEN CLONTALLAGH AND GORTNALOUGHOG.

Councillor Blaney proposed:- "That the Council consider the question of the re-conditioning of the road leading from Downings to Melmore between Clontallagh and Gortnaloughog. This road is in a bad state of repair. Water is continuously running over it, washing away the fine surface material, and leaving bare the hard, rough paving-stones."

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1193/34. REQUEST TO HAVE WALL-STEADS OF OLD MILL AT CARRIGANS DEMOLISHED.

Councillor Michael O'Donnell proposed and Councillor Lynch seconded:- "That the Council instruct the County Surveyor to take immediate steps to have the wall-steads of the old Corn Mill at Carrigans demolished, as at present they constitute a very grave danger to life and property."

The County Surveyor stated that he had no power to do as suggested; he could only serve a notice asking the owners to have the walls removed.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1194/34. COMPLAINTS RE UNFAIR ALLOCATION OF ROAD WORK.

Councillor Michael O'Donnell proposed:- "That in all cases of road improvement, preference be given to the unemployed of the respective districts, and that horses be substituted for motor power in the carrying out of these schemes."

Councillor O'Donnell complained that outside labour was brought into his district. Several other Councillors made the same complaint.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a special report.

1195/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR ROAD FROM LETTERMACAWARD TO DOOCHARY AND GLENDOWAN ROAD.

Councillor Walsh inquired what progress, if any, had been made regarding getting a special grant for the Lettermacaward to Doochary and Glendowan Road.

The Secretary stated that beyond receiving a formal acknowledgment of the Council's resolution, nothing had since been heard of it.

Councillor Walsh then proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the Government be again asked to give a special grant for this road. (907/34, 31/7/34.)

1196/34. MR. JOHN MCGINLEY, RATE COLLECTOR.

Councillor McClaafferty proposed:- "That the Council request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to re-consider his decision in the case of Mr. John McGinley, Rate Collector, who has been dismissed for not qualifying in Irish. This man is now over 60 years of age and it is unreasonable to expect that he could learn the language. We, therefore, ask the Minister to reinstate him, as he has given satisfaction to the Council since his appointment."

The motion was passed unanimously.

1197/34. REQUEST FOR CLEANING OF DRAIN FROM BALLYNESS TO BRIDGE AT BALLINA, FALCARRAGH.

Councillor Cannon proposed:- "That the drain which runs from McElhinney's, Ballyness, to the Bavan River (Bridge at Ballina) be cleaned. The drain is 300 perches long and is causing all the adjoining land to become useless. About £40 would do the necessary work."

The matter was referred to the Board of Works for inclusion in any future Minor Relief Schemes.

1198/34. ROAD FROM SMULLIN'S TURN TO LOWER KILLULT, FALCARRAGH.

In the absence of Councillor Cannon, the following Notice of Motion standing in his name was proposed by Councillor Baxter:-

"That the Council apply for a grant of £30 for the repair of about 100 perches of road from Smullin's turn to Lower Killult. This road is almost impassable at the present time owing to the abnormal weather conditions."

The matter was referred to the Board of Works for consideration when allocating Minor Relief Schemes in the future.

1199/34. DAMAGE TO ROAD FROM CROLLY TO THORR OWING TO FLOODS.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell proposed:- "That the County Surveyor be asked to make a small sum of money available to have the Crolli-Thorr Road put into decent shape, as this road has suffered severely from the recent floods."

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1200/34.

PRICE ALLOWED FOR BREAKING OF STONES BY HAND.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell proposed:- "That in all future Road Grants where metal has to be broken by hand no less than 5/- per ton be offered to the workers; that the tender system be discontinued, and that the Surveyor in charge be careful in the distribution of tonnage and labour."

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"With regard to this resolution I must point out that grants for improvement of Main Roads are given ostensibly for the purpose of re-constructing these roads for the benefit of motorists. The money provided comes out of the Road Tax Fund. My duty is to see that the work is carried out efficiently and economically. I cannot, therefore, allow myself to be restricted as to how the money is to be expended."

The matter was left in the hands of the County Surveyor.

1201/34. REQUEST FOR COMPLETION OF CERTAIN ROADS IN THE ROSSES AREA.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell proposed:- "That the Board of Works be asked to complete the following roads:-

- (a) The Road from Deevagh-Meenderrynasloe to Loughmure-Dungloe.
- (b) The Road from Meenaweal Road to Stranerva.
- (c) The Road from Loughagher to Thorr."

The Council decided to request the Board of Works to include the completion of these roads in their Minor Relief Schemes.

1202/34.

HIRE OF MACHINERY FROM OUTSIDE THE COUNTY.

Councillor Baxter proposed:- "That the Council do not, in future, hire any Road Machinery from outside the County such as Rollers, Stonebreakers, Granulators, or Tar Boilers, when any in the County is available."

The motion was passed unanimously.

1203/34. PROPOSAL TO UTILISE SERVICES OF PERSONS IN RECEIPT OF UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE.

Councillor Baxter proposed, Councillor McClafferty seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council ask the responsible Minister of the Government to co-operate with the Council in utilising the services of those who are presently in receipt of Unemployment Assistance Benefit, on the lines of the Council providing supervision, tools, and materials, and the Government on their part to provide the list of names of those who are eligible in the various districts, and get some useful work done for the money at present being paid out."

1204/34. REQUEST FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM DRIMNAWARK TO TIEVEMORE, PETTIGO.

Councillor Brady proposed, Councillor Myles seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That, in view of the special circumstances prevailing in the Lettercran District, owing to which the residents have from time to time to cross the border to reach Pettigo, their market town, we request a special grant for the construction of a road from Drimnawark to Tievemore, which would enable those people to reach Pettigo, without leaving Free State territory. The construction of this road would facilitate 100 families."

It was decided to send copies of the resolution to the Office of Public Works and the Revenue Commissioners for their attention.

1205/34.

PRESENT ROAD CONTRACTS SYSTEM.

Councillor Gallen proposed:- "That a Committee be appointed to consider the present Road Contracts System, and to make such recommendations to the Council in connection therewith as they may think fit."

The matter was referred to the Joint Committee of twenty members appointed in connection with the re-organisation of the County Medical Scheme.

1206/34. STOPPING-PLACE FOR OMNIBUS TRAFFIC IN DONEGAL TOWN.

Letters were submitted from Mrs. M. J. Gallen, Donegal, and Mr. William Travers, Commercial Hotel, Donegal, regarding the stopping-place in the town of Donegal for omnibus traffic.

Councillor Gallagher proposed and Councillor O'Neill seconded:- "That the Donegal County Council request the Commissioner of the Garda Siothchana to make a bye-law under the Road Traffic Act, 1933, directing all omnibus traffic to and from the town of Donegal to stop at the edge of the footpath on the side of the Diamond, known as Mrs. Gallen's side, in the said town of Donegal."

Mr. James Dunleavy, Solicitor, Donegal, appeared before the Council in support of the motion and on behalf of Mrs. Gallen.

Mr. F. Gallagher, Solicitor, Donegal, opposed the motion on behalf of Mr. Travers.

Councillor Lynch proposed, as an amendment, and Councillor Scott seconded that the Council take no action in the matter.

The amendment was put to the Meeting, and the voting resulted as follows:-

For the amendment:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cannon, Cole, Crerand, Friel, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McClafferty, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Donnell (B.), O'Donnell (M.), Scott, and Walsh. Total 18.
Against the Amendment:- Councillors Baxter, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCrea, McIvor, McShane, O'Boyle, and O'Neill. Total 12.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried, and it was then put to the Meeting as the substantive motion and carried by the same voting.

1207/34. REQUEST FOR REPAIR OF JETTY AT PORT VAUGH, DUNAFF.

Councillor Friel proposed, Councillor Brady seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council ask the Board of Works for a free grant of £100 to repair a jetty at Port Vaugh, Dunaff. This small Pier was used by the Board about 22 years ago for the convenience of fishermen and nothing has been done to it since then."

The Council decided to request the Board of Works to include this work in their Minor Relief Schemes.

1208/34. REQUEST TO HAVE DRAIN ON ROAD FROM RASHENNY TO TORNABRATLEY, CLONMANY, CLEANED.

Councillor Friel proposed and Councillor Cole seconded:- "That the Council ask the Board of Works for a grant of £50 to clean and sink a drain, and blast a rock 50 yards in length between Rashenny and Tornabratley. Sixty-six perches of a new road would also require to be made at this place."

The Council decided to request the Board of Works to include this work in their Minor Relief Schemes.

1209/34. REQUEST FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CEMENT FOOTPATHS IN VILLAGE OF CLONMANY.

Councillor Friel proposed and Councillor Cole seconded:- "That this Council ask the Board of Works for a grant of £150 to make cement footpaths in and leading from the village of Clonmany to St. Mary's R.C. Church."

The Council decided to ask the Board of Works to include this work in their Minor Relief Schemes.

1210/34. REQUEST FOR ERECTION OF WARNING-SIGN NEAR CULDAFF.

A letter was read from Mr. R. C. Young, Culdaff, suggesting that a warning-sign be placed at the bottom of the Knockhill Road at Culdaff. There had been several narrow shaves at this point this year, and unless something was done it was only a matter of time until there was a serious accident.

The County Surveyor stated that he would include a sum in the next Provisional Road Works Scheme for the erection of warning and danger signs.

1211/34.

ROSBEG PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 31st August, 1934, W.1/12/34, stating that the Minister had under consideration the question of the re-conditioning of Rosbeg Pier. Before deciding in the matter he wished to be informed if the Council would be prepared, in the event of the improvements being carried out from public funds, to assume responsibility for the maintenance of the Pier.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 16th October, 1934, W.1/12/34, asking for a reply to their letter of the 31st August inquiring if the Council would be prepared to assume responsibility for the maintenance of Rosbeg Pier, in the event of improvements being carried out from public funds.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor for a report.

1212/34.

BUNDORAN HARBOUR.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 14th September, 1934, D.2/74/11, stating that the Minister observed that the Council gave an unconditional undertaking to accept responsibility for the future maintenance of the improvement works at Bundoran Harbour, and that the County Surveyor agreed that the construction of the groyne had been carried out in a substantial manner. Accordingly, he considered that the Council should now take over formally the maintenance thereof, without further delay, in accordance with their undertaking. The question of additional works or improvements at this place was one for separate consideration, and should not be interwoven with the matter now under reference.

On the motion of Councillor Myles seconded by Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to take over the works as completed as from the 1st November, 1934.

1213/34.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES UNDER THE POISONS AND PHARMACY ACTS.

Applications for licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts were received from the following:-

Robert McCausland, Milford.

McDonagh & Co., Carndonagh.

James Devenny, Newtowncunningham.

The following report was submitted from the Garda Authorities in connection with the application of Mr. McCausland:-

"I have received notice in connection with this man's application to you for a licence for the sale of poisons, and wish to inform you while the local Gardai have no objection to the grant of a licence in this case, they are of opinion that the public would not suffer any inconvenience by its refusal.

There is a chemist residing next door to the applicant, and I understand that he stocks and sells all the necessary preparations required by the public."

On the motion of Councillor Baxter the applications were granted in each case.

1214/34. APPLICATION BY MR. JOHN BOYCE, CARRIGART, FOR A LICENCE UNDER THE POISONS AND PHARMACY ACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. John Boyce, Strand, Carrigart, applying for a licence under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts on condition that no other licence would be issued in the town of Carrigart.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Boyce that he could only have a licence unconditionally.

1215/34.

PROSECUTION FOR ADULTERATION OF MILK.

A letter was read from Mrs. Mary F. McNelis, Straleel, Carrick, complaining that she had been summoned for adding water to milk, although she sold it as it came from the cow.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1216/34.

AMOUNTS DUE BY THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS.

The Secretary reported that the following amounts were due by the Urban District Councils in respect of the period ended 30th September, 1934:-

Buncrana..... £1,772 :11 : 9.
 Bundoran..... £527 : 8 :10.
 Letterkenny..... £1,110 :18 : 6.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Buncrana Urban District Council that the Council would insist on immediate payment of the balance due for the year ended 31st March, 1934.

1217/34.

DEFAULTING HOUSING ANNUITANTS.

The Secretary reported that the following persons owed the amounts stated in respect of the period ended 31st March, 1934:-

Thomas Griffith, Main Street, Donegal.....	£6	: 1	: 4.
Patrick Doherty (Taylor), Glenmakee, Collin.....	£7	:13	: 2.
Patrick Doherty, Malin Street, Carndonagh.....	£8	:18	: 0.
Bernard Bradley, Drumskeellan, Ture.....	£26	:14	: 0.
John Doherty (Hollow), Ballyloskey, Carndonagh.....	£26	:14	: 0.
Mrs. Mary Maloney, Malinbeg, Glencolumbkille.....	£2	:13	: 4.
Daniel Ward, Ballycallon, Ballynashannagh.....	£31	: 9	: 0.
Daniel McEleney, Tiernaleague, Carndonagh.....	£3	: 2	: 2.
Patrick McNelis, Tullybeg, Ardara.....	£2	:19	: 3.
Edward Shiels, Jun., Rooskey, Clonmany.....	£15	: 1	: 6.
Bernard Curran, Derryconnor, Meenlaragh.....	£8	:18	: 0.
Miss Mary A. Coll, Meenderrygamph, Gweedore.....	£5	:19	: 6.
Daniel Coyle, Moyagh, Ramelton.....	£8	:18	: 9.
Charles J. Coyle, Lurganboyce, Rathmullan.....	£11	:16	:10.

The Council decided to instruct the Secretary to call on the parties concerned to lodge the amount owing within ten days.

1218/34.

RENTS AND WAYLEAVES.

The Secretary reported that all rents and wayleaves were paid up to date.

1219/34.

PLOT OF GROUND AT DONEGAL RENTED BY MR. JOSEPH O'DONNELL.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph O'Donnell, Tircconnail Street, Donegal, stating that he had no further use for the plot of ground belonging to the Council which he rented some years ago.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter until next Meeting, and, in the meantime, the County Surveyor was instructed to make a special report in the matter.

1220/34.

INSURANCE OF WORKMEN UNDER THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACTS.

Quotations were submitted from a number of Insurance Companies for the insurance of the Council's workmen under the Workmen's Compensation and Employers' Liability Acts.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor seconded by Councillor Brady the Council unanimously decided to continue acting as their own insurers until the end of the financial year.

1221/34.

APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD IN KILRAINE, GLENTIES.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Kilraine, Glenties, applying for a new road from the limestone quarry road in Kilraine, which branches off the Main Donegal-Glenties Road eastward by way of the house of James Furey, Upper Kilraine, and thence still eastward by the house of Patrick Boyle, Upper Kilraine. The total length would not be more than $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and the cost was estimated at £100.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a request that they make provision for this work when allocating Minor Relief Schemes in the future.

1222/34. CONTRACT ROAD FROM BRENTER TO TIEVEDOOEY.

A letter was read from Mrs. Kate Byers, calling attention to Contract Road No. 47, 640 perches from Brenter to Tievedooey, and stating that the Contractor was not putting a good quality of metal on it.

The Co. Surveyor stated that the Contractor's attention had been called to the matter.

1223/34. COUNCIL'S FARMS AT RUSKEY, MANORCUNNINGHAM.

The Council adjourned consideration of the following letters until their next Meeting:-

Letter from the Council's Solicitor reporting that he had no reply from Mrs. Anne Duggan, Ruskey, Manorcunningham, to his letter enclosing fresh agreement for execution.

Letter from the Council's Solicitor enclosing copy of letter from Mr. James Steele, Ruskey, Manorcunningham, stating that he would sign no Agreement until he got back to the Irish Land Commission, as the land was no use to him as long as the County Council hold it.

1224/34. BOILERS IN CARNDONAGH AND LETTERKENNY COURTHOUSES.

A letter was read from the Irish National Assurance Co. drawing attention to certain repairs, which their Engineer reported were necessary to the Boilers in Carndonagh and Letterkenny Courthouses.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1225/34. EXPENSES OF TRAVELLING TO TORY ISLAND TO OBTAIN A SAMPLE OF MILK FROM A SUPPLIER ON THE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, stating that if a sample of milk was to be taken from Ellen Ward, Tory Island, the Inspector must travel to the Island by boat. This would entail expenses of travelling amounting to 10/-, and before instructing the Inspector further he asked for authority for this expenditure.

The Council considered that it was now too late in the season for the Inspector to visit Tory Island.

1226/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF BOUNDARY WALL ON PUBLIC ROAD AT SHROVE.

A letter was read from Mr. C. Loughrey, Shrove, Greencastle, for Mrs. Higginbottam, notifying his intention of erecting a new boundary wall beside the public road in front of a new house recently erected by Mrs. Higginbottam, and inquiring if he would be allowed part cost of same.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Loughrey that the Council had no objection to his erecting a boundary wall provided he did not encroach on the public road, and that no remuneration could be allowed.

1227/34. PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT OF SAORSTAT FIRMS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Federation of Saorstat Industries, 17, Dame Street, Dublin, complaining that several instances had occurred where Public Bodies of Saorstat Eireann had passed over Saorstat Architects, Engineers, and Contractors, and had placed their orders with foreign Engineers, foreign Architects, or foreign-owned or controlled firms, which was not as it should be. The Council's support in the matter was solicited.

The Council noted the letter.

A letter was also read from Mr. Alexander Wallace, The Foundry, Letterkenny, soliciting the Council's foundry work.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor with instructions to invite tenders from this firm in future.

1228/34. COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF LANDS BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Secretary submitted copy of Compulsory Purchase Order made by the County Board of Health and confirmed by the Minister for Local Government under the Labourers Acts, 1883 to 1931, and the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1932.

The Secretary also submitted a notification from the Land Values Reference Committee, Room 110, Courts of Justice, Dublin, of the appointment of Mr. George Hewson, 51, Merrion Square, Dublin, as Official Arbitrator to assess the compensation payable in respect of lands to be acquired under the Donegal Co. Board of Health Labourers Acts Compulsory Purchase Order, 1933.

1229/34. APPLICATION FOR USE OF CERTAIN COURTHOUSES.

A letter was read from the Co. Board of Health applying for the use of the Courthouses at Donegal, Buncrana, and Glenties, for sittings of the Arbitrator appointed in connection with the Labourers' Acts Schemes.

The Council unanimously granted the application.

1230/34. CLAIM FOR PAYMENT FOR LAYING OF CONCRETE FOOTPATH IN CARNDONAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Neil Gibbons, Pound Street, Carndonagh, applying for payment for £7 expense incurred by him in laying a concrete footpath in front of his premises in Pound Street, Carndonagh. The work was done in the time of the late Mr. McLaughlin, Assistant Surveyor.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Gibbons that the claim was Statute-barred.

1231/34. APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD ON INNISFREE ISLAND.

A letter was read from Mr. James O'Donnell, Inisfree, Burtonport, applying, on behalf of the ratepayers of Innisfree, for a relief grant for the making of a new road on the Island.

The matter was referred to the Board of Works for inclusion in their Minor Relief Schemes.

1232/34. REQUEST FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ROAD THROUGH THE TOWNLAND OF ROSHIN, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Drimano, Killybegs, drawing attention to the hilly nature of the road leading from Killybegs to Drimano, which was too steep for either horse or motor traffic. They requested that a new road be constructed through the townland of Roshin, which would simply mean an extension of the existing road, with necessary alterations, for four or five hundred yards.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for inclusion in their Minor Relief Schemes.

1233/34. CONDITION OF CREGGAN ROAD, BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Creggan, Ballybofey, drawing attention to the condition of the Creggan Road, which was almost impassable.

The County Surveyor stated that this was not a County Road.

1234/34. CLAIM FOR PAYMENT FOR ROAD METAL SUPPLIED TO THE COUNCIL.

A letter was read from Mr. Daniel Hegarty, Drimnahoe, Letterkenny, complaining of not being paid in full for road metal supplied.

The Co. Surveyor stated that the matter had been dealt with.

1235/34. DEATH OF MR. HUGH QUIGLEY, CLERK IN THE OFFICE OF MR. CAFFREY,
COUNTY SURVEYOR, AND RE-ORGANISATION OF MR. CAFFREY'S
OFFICE STAFF.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

I very much regret to have to report that my Clerk, Mr. Hugh Quigley, died on the 30th September. He was in the Office until the 22nd. On the 24th he was taken ill, and had to go to Hospital, where he died a few days later.

I should like to pay this tribute to his memory.

Mr. Quigley was of an unassuming and gentle disposition. He was a faithful servant of the County Council, having been in their employment for thirty-five years. For the past ten years he had been in my Office. I always found him diligent and willing in carrying out his work. Although he had suffered much he never complained, and always was in punctual attendance. His Office books were written up to the day he was taken ill, and he left everything in proper order.

Mr. Andrew Heron of the Northern Division Survey Office has been carrying out the entire work since Mr. Quigley's death. I shall, therefore, be glad if an arrangement is made for Mr. Heron's remuneration, and steps taken to re-organise the Office."

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Joint Committee appointed in connection with the re-organisation of the County Medical Scheme, and, in the meantime, to appoint Mr. John F. Quigley, a son of the late Mr. Hugh Quigley, temporarily, as from the 1st November.

1236/34. BOG ROADS AND TURF TRAFFIC.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"Gentlemen,

The increasing development of the peat industry should be seriously considered by the Co. Council. I have learned that approximately £100,000 will probably be expended this year on the development of bogs throughout those areas in which turbary predominates. As Donegal contains large areas of bog, it is to be assumed that some of this money will be expended here. My object in bringing this matter before you is not the winning of turf, as this is a **commercial** transaction which will be profitable to those interested, but rather to point out to you that many of your roads will suffer in direct proportion to the extent of this industry. As there is so much public money about to be expended in giving individuals an opportunity of making profits, it should be the aim of the Council to see that the ratepayers are not to be exploited for the benefit of a few.

As the turf must be taken from the bogs to the nearest Railway Station for distribution this will cause extraordinary traffic which will result in many of your County Roads being destroyed. There is an area in another County where peat development was intensified last year. The result has been that 10,000 tons of turf cannot be removed owing to the condition of the County Roads leading from the bogs. Now, that this Board is expending such large sums why should not sufficient of this money be expended on the County Roads over which the turf will be taken?

At the last Meeting of the Council, a letter came before you from the Turf Development Board asking to have certain roads put into a suitable condition for this traffic. Your reply to this should be that the necessary money for this work should be given as a grant to the County Council to enable these roads to be put into a suitable condition to withstand this extraordinary traffic. If this reasonable request is not complied with, the Council should introduce proceedings against all persons using lorries on these roads for the purpose of taking the turf to the Railway Station. By this means the cost of the repairs required to the roads, through this traffic, could be recovered without loss to the ratepayers."

The Council decided to send a copy of the County Surveyor's report to the Turf Development Board.

1237/34.

DOWNINGS PIER.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"I have made an inspection of Downings Pier and investigated the matters the Piers Committee referred to. Already there are three sets of steps. The extra two sets asked for are for the purpose of enabling the fishermen to get on to the Pier from their boats at low tides when there are many boats moored alongside the sea wall. These steps will require to be sunk into the surface of the Pier face to prevent injury to the boats. The estimated cost of this work, together with other repairs, is £20. It would, however, be more economical to carry out the work during the summer months.

With regard to the complaint about the lamp at the Pier-head, I discussed this matter with the Harbour Master who informed me that he has no difficulty whatever with the lamp. He fixes it every night and removes it in the morning."

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Piers Committee.

1238/34.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"My attention has been directed by Mr. Kelly to the condition of the first arch on the Lifford side of this bridge. I found on inspection that the sheeting of the arch has sagged considerably, and the indication of a crack in the road surface over the arch.

Some years ago warning notices were posted on each approach to the bridge limiting the loads passing over it to a fixed amount. These notices are now missing and should be restored.

Owing to the importance of this structure it is imperative that no delay takes place in securing the arch."

The Council decided to allow Mr. Caffrey a sum of £5 to cover the cost of the required notices, and to consider the matter at their next Meeting.

1239/34.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Chief Executive Officer, Co. Donegal Vocational Education Committee, stating that Mr. John O'Neill, Meenatottan, Dungloe, had resigned from membership of the Vocational Education Committee.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor McClafferty it was unanimously decided to appoint Mr. Charles Sweeney, ex-N.T., Moville, on the Vocational Education Committee.

1240/34.

SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle it was unanimously decided to appoint Rev. Daniel Sweeney, C.C., Kincasslagh, a member of the Scholarships Committee.

1241/34. ROAD BETWEEN BAVIN THREE ROADS AND GORTALIA THREE ROADS,
ON ROAD FROM KILLYBEGS TO KILCAR.

A letter was read from Mr. Francis Hegarty, Gortalia, Kilcar, complaining of the condition of the road leading from Killybegs to Kilcar, between Bavin Three Roads and Gortalia Three Roads. The recent floods have rendered it almost impassable.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1242/34.

COMPLAINT RE FLOODING OF LANDS AT HORN HEAD, DUNFANAGHY.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McKinley, Muntermellan, Horn Head, Dunfanaghy, complaining of the flooding of his lands and the destruction of his crops through flooding, and asking to have a drain cleaned.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1243/34. REQUEST FOR INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION AMENDING THE FRANCHISE SYSTEM.

A letter was read from Mr. Con O'Donnell, Glenties, asking to have the following matter put on the Agenda:-
 "That the Donegal County Council request the Executive Council to introduce legislation or an amending Bill to the Constitution as all those born in the twenty-six Counties since the Free State was set up will be disfranchised when they reach the age of 21 years."
 The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1244/34. COMPLAINT RE FLOODING OF LAND THROUGH FALLING OF BANK OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Mr. Andrew Ward, Lunniagh, Derrybeg, complaining that on the Trunk Road at Lunniagh Crossroads about 40 yards of the bank has fallen in on the waterway on his property, blocking the water, and causing it to spread over his land.
 The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1245/34. APPLICATION FOR DRAINAGE OF LAND IN MEENACROSS DISTRICT, GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. James McGinley (James), Kinnakillew, Glencolumbkille, applying, on behalf of the tenants of the townland of Kinnakillew, to have about 38 acres of land in the Meenacross District drained.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. McGinley that the Council could not now receive applications for drainage works under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928, as the Act had lapsed.

1246/34. GATEWAY ENTRANCES ON MAIN STREET, BUNCRANA.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, applying to have the gateway entrances on the Main Street and Railway Road, Buncrana, properly made up as they were at present in a dangerous state.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1247/34. NUISANCE AT DUNFANAGHY PIER.

A letter was read from the Co. Board of Health stating that the question of a nuisance at Dunfanaghy Pier had been referred back by the Board to the Council who appeared to be the responsible authority. It was estimated that it would cost about £30 to have the rubbish removed.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1248/34. APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF DEPOSITS LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROADWAYS.

Letters were read from Dr. Sean O'Deagha and Mrs. Agnes Dunleavy, Meenahalla, Glenties, applying for a refund of the deposits of £2 lodged by them in connection with the opening of certain roadways.

The matters were referred to the Co. Surveyor.

1249/34. HOUSING ANNUITIES OWING BY MR. B. BRADLEY, DRUMSKELLAN.

A report was submitted from the Council's Solicitor regarding the Housing Annuities due by the late Mr. B. Bradley, Drumskillan, Ture.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter until their next Meeting.

1250/34. COMPLAINT RE CLOSING OF RIGHT-OF-WAY.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Houton, Ballyhealion, Malin Head, complaining that the right-of-way from the public road to his farm had been closed up with wire, and stating that he could not see his way to pay any rates until the matter was remedied.

The County Surveyor stated that this was not a matter for the Council.

1251/34. APPLICATION FOR NEW ROAD FROM CROAGH TO BALLYMENA ROAD, CULKENNY, MALIN.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Ballymena, Culkenny P.O., Malin, applying to have a new road made from Croagh to Ballymena Road, a distance of 142 perches, to give them access to their homes. (Map No. 48, Road No. 104.)

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for consideration when allocating future Minor Relief Schemes.

1252/34. COMPLAINT REGARDING WALL SUPPORTING ROAD AT CLONMANY.

A letter was read from Mr. F. J. Harkin, Estate Agent, Shipquay Street, Derry, referring to previous correspondence regarding the wall supporting the road at Clonmany, and stating that his clients, the Loughrey family, would institute legal proceedings if the work of repairing the wall was not started by the 15th October.

On the advice of the County Surveyor the Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

1253/34. APPOINTMENT OF SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTOR FOR THE GLENTIES DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 3rd October, 1934, L.3874/34, stating that it was observed from the extract from the Registry of Births that Mr. John Boyle, Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector, was over 56 years of age, and that he was ineligible in view of the conditions specified in the advertisement for appointment as Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector in the Glenties Area. In the circumstances the Minister for Agriculture had revoked his approval to the appointment of Mr. Boyle as conveyed in the Department's letter of the 4th June, 1934, and requested that steps be taken to appoint another person in his place.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th October, 1934, L.3874/34, stating that it had been observed that the Department's letter of the 3rd October regarding Mr. John Boyle would not be considered by the County Council until the 30th October, and pointing out that no recoupment could be made in respect of any salary paid to Mr. Boyle subsequent to the 3rd October.

The Secretary reported that when the letter from the Department was received, Mr. John Boyle had

- (1) Ninety-four notices posted fixing the time and place of dipping; and had
- (2) dip distributed to five centres;
- (3) he was in the middle of the first and second Autumn Dipping, which had to be carried out within ten days;
- (4) the work in the district could not be completed without his co-operation, and he would refuse to co-operate with an outsider;
- (5) he had three barrels of dip on hand, and expense would be incurred in their removal; and
- (6) he was making arrangements for the erection of a Council tank which was being transferred from Crolly Station to a district adjoining the Glenties District.

The Secretary stated that in order that the work in the district would not be at a standstill, he had appointed Mr. Patrick Boyle, with whom Mr. John Boyle was prepared to co-operate, until the Meeting that day.

On the motion of Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Brady the Council unanimously decided to approve of the appointment, and to continue Mr. Patrick Boyle until the end of the season.

1254/34.

HACKNEY CAR-OWNERS.

A letter was read from Mr. Con O'Donnell, Glenties, inquiring if there was any bye-law or regulation to prevent hackney car-owners living in country districts from coming into towns to attend incoming trains, thereby depriving people who live in towns by this class of work of their source of livelihood.

The Secretary stated that there was no such bye-law.

1255/34. AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH COUNCIL'S ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the Irish Tourist Association, O'Connell Street, Dublin, enclosing Agreement, in duplicate, for completion by the Council in connection with their annual contribution to the Association.

The Council unanimously decided to execute the Agreement, under Seal.

1256/34. MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the County Councils' General Council, 4, Cavendish Row, Dublin, stating that a Meeting of the General Council would be held on the 6th December, and asking to be notified of any items which the Council desire to have included on the Agenda.

The Council decided to refer the matter to their representatives on the General Council.

1257/34. AWARD OF ANNUAL INCREMENTS TO CERTAIN OFFICIALS.

The Secretary reported that annual increments were due to Mr. Daniel Kelly and Miss M. Doogan of the Council's Office Staff, and that he had pleasure in stating that these Officials continued to give every satisfaction.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Cole it was unanimously decided to grant the increments in each case.

1258/34. SLAUGHTER OF BULL THE PROPERTY OF MR. THOMAS A. CAMPBELL, TULLYOWEN, ST. JOHNSTON.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 3rd October, 1934, T.3299-34, enclosing copy of letter received by them from Mr. Thomas A. Campbell, Tullyowen, regarding a bull which he reported to the Garda Síochána at Carrigans on the 27th July as showing definite clinical signs of tuberculosis. No report appeared to have been received from the Local Authority's Veterinary Inspector in the matter.

The following explanation was submitted from Mr. P. McGlinchey, the Council's Veterinary Inspector for the district:-
"Your letter of the 4th inst. duly received enclosing copies of letters from the Department of Agriculture and from Mr. T. A. Campbell, St. Johnston, re a suspected case of tuberculosis stated to have been reported to me in July last. In reply, I beg to state that the report in question sent from your Office has not been delivered to me. The first intimation I received of this case was the enclosed letter from Mr. Campbell forwarded to me some days after the animal's death. Apparently, this letter was delivered first to another person and was opened before it reached me.

As you are aware, the Bovine Tuberculosis Order does not provide for compensation except in those cases where the animals are first examined by the Veterinary Inspector, pronounced by him to be suffering from tuberculosis in one of the forms of the disease specified, and ordered by him or by the Local Authority to be slaughtered.

The certificate referred to by Mr. Campbell has not, according to my information, been issued by a Veterinary Surgeon but by a layman. Consequently, I have not as yet got any convincing proof that the death of the animal in question was due to tuberculosis."

The Council decided to forward a copy of the Inspector's explanation to the Department of Agriculture.

1259/34. SLAUGHTER OF COW THE PROPERTY OF MR. J. BROWNE,
TIEVECLOGHER, BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from the Sergeant, Garda Siothchana, Ballybofeey, dated 9th October, 1934, stating that on 3rd September he reported a suspected case of tuberculosis on the premises of Mr. John Browne, Tieveclogher, and that on 5th September, he received an acknowledgment, but so far the Council's Veterinary Inspector had not visited Mr. Browne's animal.

The following explanation was submitted from Mr. P. McGlinchey, the Council's Veterinary Inspector for the district:-

"I have visited Mr. Browne's premises and examined the cow that has been reported. In my opinion the animal is not suffering from tuberculosis in any of the forms specified in the Order.

I have forwarded the necessary report forms to your Office, and also copies to the Department of Agriculture."

The Council decided to accept the explanation, and to forward a copy of it to the Department of Agriculture.

1260/34. CONTRACT FOR ROAD FROM CHARLES BROWN'S, BALLINAGRATH,
TO THE CROSSROADS AT CROW'S, EDEDINFAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Dominick McMonagle, Meenachuit, Glenties, stating that he did not intend to act any longer as Contractor for the road from Charles Brown's, Ballinagrath, to the Crossroads at Crow's, Edeninfagh.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1261/34. CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF ACCOUNT OF £38 : 0 : 8 ALLEGED TO
BE OUTSTANDING.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas McBride, Merchant, Bunbeg, stating that no attempt had been made since the Council's last Meeting to settle his account for £38 : 0 : 8, and inquiring if the Council wished to be involved in legal proceedings. (1134/34.)

The Secretary was instructed to ask Mr. McBride to submit Official Orders for the goods for which he claimed payment, and to inform him that payment would be made on receipt of these.

1262/34. APPLICATION OF MR. JAMES HARKIN, OURT, GLENEELY, FOR A
LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael D. White, Solicitor, Carndonagh, applying for a refund of the sum of £2 : 2 : 0 lodged by Mr. James Harkin, Ourt, Gleneely, in connection with his application for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor stating that Mr. Harkin's title to the property had not been registered under the Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Act, 1891, and was not capable of immediate registration.

The Council decided to refund Mr. Harkin his deposit.

1263/34. FORM OF DOCUMENT TO BE PREPARED IN CONNECTION WITH LOANS
BEING GRANTED UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's instructions to prepare the necessary legal documents to protect the Council's interests in connection with the applications for loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts of Messrs. Edward Friel, Manus Loughrey, Edward MacLaughlin, and Joseph Deery, and stating that he was unable to prepare the documents until the outstanding question of the form of security had been dealt with by the Local Government Department.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to request the Local Government Department to expedite this matter.

1264/34.

ROAD FROM BALLYMORE TO THE MAIN DUNFANAGHY ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles St. G. Orpen, 30 & 31, Kildare Street, Dublin, C.17, acknowledging the receipt of Minute No. 1136/34 regarding a complaint made by him in connection with the condition of the road from Ballymore to the Main Dunfanaghy Road. He stated that the road referred to in the Minute was not the one of which he complained, and he enclosed a sketch on which the road complained of was marked in red.

The Co. Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"The road to which Mr Orpen refers No. 323. This is a cul-de-sac road leading from the Main Road towards the sea. It is a third-class County Road for which a sum of £10 :16 : 0 yearly is expended on its upkeep. There is no fund available from which the money can be taken for improving such roads other than the annual sum voted each year for its maintenance."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1265/34. DANGEROUS CORNER AT JUNCTION OF EDNAHARNAN-ILLISTRIN, AND LETTERKENNY-KILMACRENNAN ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. F. W. MacNamara, Illistrin, Letterkenny, again complaining of a dangerous corner at the junction of the Ednaharnan-Illistrin and Letterkenny-Kilmacrenan Roads, and stating that the matter was one which deserved immediate attention.

The County Surveyor stated that this matter would be dealt with at the forthcoming Provisional Road Works Scheme.

1266/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. Vincent Duffy, Carrickmaquigley, Greencastle, complaining that Mr. Denis McGee, Carrickmaquigley, and he had not been paid for work done on the Redcastle-Drung Relief Grant in March and April last.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for his attention.

1267/34. EQUIPMENT FOR FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, enclosing a list of equipment required by the Food and Drugs Inspector at Milford, and asking to have it supplied.

The Council decided to purchase the required equipment.

1268/34. APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, asking to have Garda Timothy Roddy, Milford, appointed as Food and Drugs Inspector in place of Sergeant Boyle who had been transferred from the district.

The Council decided to appoint Garda Roddy.

1269/34. APPLICATIONS FOR EXTENSIONS OF TIME TO PAY CERTAIN ACCOUNTS.

Applications were received from the following persons for the issue of new Paying Orders in lieu of the originals which were now out-of-date:-

<u>Name of Applicant.</u>	<u>Amount.</u>
Miss Mary McNulty, Port Road, Dunfanaghy.	2/-.
Mrs. Susan McGettigan, Ballindrait, Bunbeg.	2s/2d.
The Cashier, National Bank, Moville, on behalf of Mr. George Cavanagh, Carrowhugh, Greencastle.	7s/2d.

The Council decided to apply to the Department for an extension of time in which to make the payments.

A letter dated 26th October, 1934, R/RM/7, was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, sanctioning an extension of time for the issue of fresh Paying Orders in a number of cases, and stating that applicants should be careful in future to obtain payment within the prescribed time of any account due out of the Poor Rate, and that the Minister would not be prepared to grant an extension of time in any further case unless in very exceptional circumstances.

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1270/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF BOATSLIP ALONGSIDE THE OLD PIER AT MALIN HEAD.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries Branch, W.1/57/34, dated 18th October, 1934, stating that they would be glad to be informed as to what were the views of the County Surveyor relative to the proposed erection of a boatslip alongside the Old Pier at Malin Head. (1097/34 C.C.)

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Co. Surveyor for a report.

1271/34. PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF BOATSLIP AT DOWNINGS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries Branch, dated 10th October, 1934, W.1/26/34, stating that the Minister for Agriculture was not in a position to promise that as a matter of course a substantial part of the construction cost of the proposed boatslip at Downings would be met from public funds. The Council was referred to a letter addressed on the 27th June last to Mr. Patrick Doherty, ex-Co.C., Carrigart, in which it was stated that before a definite pronouncement could be made in the case, the Minister would require to know whether the Council were quite satisfied that the work as planned would meet local requirements, and as to what were the financial proposals of the Council in the matter. When furnished with this information the Minister would be prepared to accord the project very careful consideration.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Piers Committee.

1272/34. POOLAWADDY BOATSLIP.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 10th October, 1934, stating that they noted that the Council had deferred the taking over of Poolawaddy Boatslip, Arranmore, for future maintenance until certain alterations had been carried out, and suggestion that Mr. Kearney or the Co. Surveyor should arrange to meet their Engineer, Mr. McNeill, in the matter.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Piers Committee.

1273/34. PROPOSED ERECTION OF BEACONS IN THE CHANNEL AT THE ENTRANCE TO ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries Branch, dated 10th October, 1934, W.1/21/34, referring to the County Surveyor's report relative to the proposed erection of beacons in the channel at the entrance to Arranmore Island, and stating that it was understood that the Commissioners of Irish Lights neither erected nor maintained any beacons, lights, or other aids to navigation which would be serviceable only for fishing vessels or small open boats, the class of craft that the beacons proposed would serve. The Minister for Agriculture had been informed that the proposed beacons would require no maintenance for many years, except, possibly, occasional lime-washing, and he was unable to see on what grounds the Council need hesitate to accept responsibility for the maintenance of the beacons after erection.

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle seconded by Councillor Mahony the Council unanimously decided to give the required undertaking.

1274/34. BOATSLIP CONSTRUCTED ON INISHMEANE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 25th September, 1934, 12981/34, stating that the works at Inishmeane Island Boatslip which the Council undertook to maintain have been completed, and the question of the extension of these works is a matter which must be considered separately, and which does not affect the undertaking given by the Council on the 30th August, 1932. The Council was, accordingly, requested to give immediate effect to the terms of their undertaking to assume the care and maintenance of the completed works.

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle seconded by Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to give the required undertaking,

1275/34.

IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT AT RATHMULLAN PIER.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 13th October, 1934, 22586/34, stating that representations had been made to them for additional works at Rathmullan, i.e. re-decking the dolphins at the Pier. The main scheme of improvements at Rathmullan Pier, estimated to cost £7,900, was approaching completion at a sum slightly below that figure, allowance being made for the sale of the surplus plant and timber. If the repair of the decking of the dolphins was carried out the surplus timber could be used for the purpose, and the total cost of the entire works would probably be about £8,250. The Government Grant for the works now nearly completed was limited to £5,000, and if the Council decided to have the repair of the dolphins carried out it would be necessary for them to defray the additional cost involved.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter until their next Meeting.

1276/34.

CARROWCANNON DRAINAGE DISTRICT, FALCARRAGH.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 10th October, 1934, 420/34, stating that they proposed to issue the Final Award for the Carrowcannon Drainage Scheme on the 10th October after which date the duty of maintaining the district would fall to the Council. Since the completion of the works Mr. C. H. McEnaney of Ray, Falcarragh, had been employed as caretaker. He had been constantly engaged on the maintenance of the channels, a very necessary work as the district was torrential and discharged directly into the Atlantic. Should the Council decide to continue the employment of a caretaker they could recommend Mr. McEnaney as a suitable man for the work. The wages paid to him hitherto were 25/- a week except when it had been found necessary to employ extra help when he received 35/- a week whilst acting as charge hand.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter until their next Meeting; the Co. Surveyor, meanwhile, to report on the matter.

1277/34.

CLAIM FOR NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES TAKEN FROM QUARRY AT PRIESTFIELD, MALIN.

A letter was read from Mrs. Matilda Starrett, Priestfield, Malin, applying to be paid for stones taken out of her Quarry for the building of a wall, and also for payment of 15/- costs incurred by her in claiming the monies due to her from last year. She also claimed to be paid for the stones taken at the rate of 6d. per ton for the coming year, as this rate was being paid to others in the locality.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1278/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK PERFORMED.

A letter was read from Mr. D. Cullen, Rosemount, Letterkenny, applying for balance of wages due to him.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1279/34.

CONDITION OF "BACK STREET", BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from Dr. Sean O'Deagha, Co. Medical Officer of Health, stating that his attention had been directed to the condition of "Back Street", Ballybofey, the bad surface and defective drainage of which gave rise to serious complaint, especially in regard to the dwelling-houses and premises of Mrs. Lynch. He understood that the road was "declared" a County Road a few years ago, and he requested that the Council should take the necessary steps to have the required improvements carried out.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1280/34.

ROAD FROM BURTONPORT TO KINCASSLAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. James Campbell; Burtonport, again complaining of the condition of the Burtonport-Kincasslagh Road, and stating that only the usual quantities of turf were carried over the road this year, and stating that the screening used on the road was nothing but mud and clay.

A further letter was read from Mr. Campbell stating that the Glenahilt portion of the road had been considerably improved since he wrote his previous letter, and that if similar improvements were carried out to the remaining portion of the road and the other roads in the locality anxiety would be relieved amongst the motorists in the district.

The Co. Surveyor stated that the matter had been dealt with.

1281/34. COMPLAINT RE BEING UNDERPAID IN RESPECT OF ROAD CONTRACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. John Lafferty, Fiherna, Culdaff, stating that he had been paid short for the years ending March, 1933, and March, 1934, in respect of his Road Contract No. 171, Map No. 101. For the year ending March, 1933, he raised 53 tons of stones for which he had not been paid, and for the year ending March, 1934, he raised 77 tons and was only paid for 65 tons.

The matter was referred to the Co. Surveyor for investigation.

1282/34. CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR LOSS OF HEIFER.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh McCloskey, Mineholes, Glentogher, Carndonagh, claiming £3 compensation for the loss of a heifer which fell down the Council's quarry at Glentogher and was killed. The quarry was badly protected and was dangerous for cattle grazing convenient.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1283/34. ROAD FROM MAGHERACORRAN BURNDALÉ STEPS TO CROSSROADS AT MAGHERACORRAN, CONVOY.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Magheracorran, Convey, petitioning the Council for the repair of about 150 perches of a road leading from Magheracorran Burndale steps to the Crossroads at Magheracorran. The road was in a deplorable condition and was not suitable for vehicular traffic.

The Co. Surveyor stated that the road was not a County Road.

1284/34. BOUNDARY WALL OF AUGHNAHOO NATIONAL SCHOOL, PETTIGO.

A letter was read from Rev. P. MacCormack, C.C., Pettigo, stating that part of the boundary wall of Aughnahoo School next the road had collapsed due to the rolling of the road some seven years ago, after which the wall took a definite lean. About £10, he estimated, would repair the damage.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

1285/34. RELIEF WORKS REQUIRED IN THE PETTIGO DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. J. E. McKenna, N.T., Aughnahoo, Pettigo, enclosing a list of relief works which it was desired should be carried out in the Pettigo District to alleviate unemployment.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

1286/34. MR. WILLIAM McDEVITT OF THE COUNCIL'S OFFICE STAFF.

A letter was read from Mr. William McDevitt stating that he resigned his Commission as a Justice of the Peace on the 23rd October, 1934. (1085/34.)

1287/34.

LANDING ACCOMMODATION AT INVER.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 19th October, 1934, W.1/78/34, referring to the recommendation of the Piers Committee as to the provision of landing accommodation at Inver, and stating that the Minister understood that adequate facilities already existed at Port, a short distance from Inver, and that the sea approach to Inver was not so good. In the circumstances the Minister could not see that any good purpose would be served by incurring the expense of sending down an Engineer to inspect and report upon the proposal.

The matter was referred to the Piers Committee.

1288/34. PROPOSAL TO DISPENSE TEMPORARILY WITH THE SERVICES OF EXISTING SURFACE-MEN.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, forwarding copy of the following resolution passed by the Board on the 15th October:-

"It was unanimously decided to recommend to the Co. Council that, if possible, they temporarily dispense with the services of existing surface-men, and take on for a period others who are unemployed and receiving or seeking Home Assistance."

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"I should like to point out that surface-men are skilled workers on the roads. The County Council fully appreciate this when they pay these men 1/- per week more than the ordinary labourers, and also provide them with waterproof coats and hats. To take these men away from their work for any length of time and substitute other men with no knowledge of such work would be a retrograde step and cannot be recommended."

Councillor O'Boyle proposed that the Council adopt the resolution of the Board of Health and Councillor Gallen seconded.

Councillor Baxter proposed, as an amendment, and Councillor MacCreadie seconded that no change be made.

The amendment was put to the Meeting and the following voted for it:- Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Cannon, Cole, Crerand, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGrenra, and McShane. Total 15.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Brady, Byrne, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, McDaid, McIvor, O'Boyle, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, and Walsh. Total 14.

Following this voting, the amendment was put to the Meeting as the substantive motion, and the following voted for it:-

Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Cole, Crerand, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGrenra, and McShea. Total 14.

The following voted against it:-

Councillors Brady, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Lynch, McDaid, McIvor, O'Boyle, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, and Walsh. Total 14.

This vote was challenged and a poll was again taken resulting as follows:-

For the amendment as the substantive motion:- Councillors Baxter, Cole, Crerand, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, McCrea, MacCreadie, McGrenra, and McShea. Total 13.

Against the amendment as the substantive motion:- Councillors Brady, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Lynch, McDaid, McIvor, O'Boyle, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, and Walsh. Total 14.

Following the taking of this vote, the Chairman proposed that consideration of the matter be adjourned until next Meeting, and this course was agreed to.

1289/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF ROADS IN THE ARDAGH, ST. JOHNSTON DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. R. W. Cunningham, Ardagh, St. Johnston, drawing attention to the disgraceful state of the roads in his district. They could be improved by having the water-tables cleaned and screenings put into the holes. Owing to the condition of the roads he recently had a spring broken in his car.

The Co. Surveyor reported that the roads in the district were in fairly good order, and the Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1290/34. CLAIM FOR DAMAGES TO CAR ON ROAD AT LUNNIAGH, DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Solicitor, Dungloe, claiming £20 damages and 5/- costs on behalf of Mr. Owen Coyle, Lunnyagh, Derrybeg, in respect of an accident which occurred to Mr. Coyle's car on the 18th September.

Consideration of the matter was again adjourned.

1291/34. PROSECUTIONS UNDER SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

The following reports were submitted from the Council's Solicitor on proceedings brought under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts in the following cases:-

Daniel McGettigan, Merville:-	Case dismissed with 14s/6d expenses to the Council.
P. H. Doherty, Buncrana:-	Case dismissed without costs.
Denis Grant, Buncrana:-	Case dismissed without costs.
Michael McGlinchey, Buncrana:-	Case dismissed with £1 :16 : 0 expenses to the Council.
Denis Brennan, Buncrana:-	Case dismissed with £1 :16 : 0 expenses to the Council.

The Council noted the reports.

1292/34. CLAIMED FOR NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick D. McDermott, Ballinaboe, Gleneely, stating that he had been underpaid for 28 tons of stones supplied by him, and asking to be paid the balance immediately.

The Assistant Surveyor stated that McDermott's father had been paid for the stones in question.

1293/34. REQUEST TO HAVE RIVER IN THE LETTERCRAN, PETTIGO, DISTRICT CLEANED AND DRAINED.

A letter was read from Rev. P. MacCormack, C.C., Pettigo, on behalf of the farmers and ratepayers of Lettercran, asking to have the River Termon in the townlands of Lettercran, Tievemore, and Cullion cleaned and drained, as it was causing considerable damage to the surrounding lands by flooding, and had also rendered the road from Lettercran to Pettigo impassable.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for consideration when allocating further Minor Relief Schemes.

1294/34. REQUEST FOR NEW ROAD IN UPPER CRANAGUIGGY, CROLLY.

A letter was read from Mr. Eddie Ferry, Upper Cranaguiggy, Crollly, asking to have a new road made from the Loughkeel Road to Upper Cranaguiggy. About £100 would complete the road which was very badly needed, as at present it was necessary to walk through bogs and mountains for over a mile.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for consideration when allocating further Minor Relief Schemes.

1295/34. REQUEST FOR ERECTION OF SIGN-POSTS IN THE ST. JOHNSTON DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Philip Doherty, Secretary, Public Health Committee, St. Johnston, asking to have the following works carried out:-

- (1) Removal of sign-post from old School and erection thereof at St. Baithin's new School.
- (2) Erection of sign-posts on St. Johnston Main Street - one at the Post Office and one at the A.O.H. Hall.
- (3) Erection of sign-posts on the Main Derry Road - one at the cottages at Dundee and the other above the Custom hut.
- (4) Erection of sign-post on the Main Derry Road between St. Johnston and Carrigans at Stevenson's corner, showing the way to Newtowncunningham and Buncrana.
- (5) Widening of Stevenson's corner on the road from St. Johnston to Derry.
- (6) Cleaning of gully-traps and vennels in the village of St. Johnston.

The Council decided to refer the matters to the Co. Surveyor.

1296/34, COMPLAINT RE ROAD IN CARNAGARVE, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. William Glackin, Carnagarve, Moville, complaining of the bad state of a piece of road in Carnagarve. The water-table needed to be cleaned, a pipe required to be sunk, and the adjoining wall needed to be built with stones and cement in order to prevent the flooding of his property.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1297/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF ROAD FROM THE THREE ROADS AT GARGRIM TO GORTNAGLAGAN.

A petition was submitted from the ratepayers of the Bonnyglen District for the widening and repair of the road from the Three Roads at Gargrim to Gortnaglagan. The surface of the road was at present in a wretched condition and two vehicles could not pass each other. There was also a dangerous corner known as "The Slope" which needed to be removed.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1298/34.. APPLICATIONS FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF CONTINGENCY FUND TO REPAIR DAMAGES CAUSED BY RECENT FLOODS.

Mr. Caffrey applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund:-
Milford Area.

To repair Cranford Bridge, Road No. T.72, 673, Main Road.....	£260.
" Carrick Bridge, "	£15.
" Five-ope pipe, Map No. 516, Co. Road.....	£10.
" Four-ope pipe, Road No. 515A.....	£10.
" two pipes on Road No. 396.....	£10.
" a two-ope pipe on Road No. 333.....	£10.
" a breach on Road No. 333.....	£10.
" sea-wall on Main Road No. L.77, 691.....	£10.
" road surface of Nos. 670, 741, and 594, Co. Roads.....	£10.
" pipe on Road No. 208.....	£10.
" surface of Road No. 330.....	£10.
" surface of Road No. 731A.....	£10.
" pipe on Road No. 656.....	£10.
" surface of Road No. 511.....	£10.
" surface of Road No. 397.....	£10.
" surface of Road No. 397a.....	£10.
" surface of and pipe on Road No. 327.....	£10.
<u>Dunfanaghy Area.</u>	
To repair six-ope pipe on Road No. T.72, 471, Main Road.....	£10.
" Bridge and road on Road No. 318, Co. Road.....	£10.
" Bridge on Road No. L.130, 800 Main Road.....	£7.
" Bridge and Road on Road No. 634, County Road.....	£10.
" Bridge and Road on Road No. 636, County Road.....	£10.
" Bridge and Road on Road No. 799, County Road.....	£10.
" Bridge and Road on Road No. 642, County Road.....	£10.
<u>Inishowen Area.</u>	
To repair Bridge on Road No. 554, County Road.....	£2.
" Bridge on Road No. 142, County Road.....	£2.
" Bridge on Road No. 237, County Road.....	£2.

Mr. Caffrey's applications were granted unanimously.

1299/34.

ROAD FROM LETTERKENNY TO RAPHOE BETWEEN CROSSROADS AT
CARRYGAWLEY AND CONVOY ROAD NEAR THE OLD FOUNDRY.

A memorial was submitted from a number of ratepayers for the repair of the road from Letterkenny to Raphoe between the Crossroads at Carrygawley and the Convoy Road near the Old Foundry. The memorial stated that the present condition of this road rendered it impassable.
The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works.

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Confirmed.

Mr. Wm. J. Allen

*Chairman of Lp. Council,
27th November, 1934.*

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 27TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1934.

1300/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Mahony, Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cannon, Cole, Crerand, ~~Friel~~, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Lynch, Myles, McCrea, MacCreadie, McDaid, McGrenra, McIvor, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh.

1301/34.

A P O L O G Y.

An apology for inability to be present was received from Councillor McClafferty.

1302/34.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the 30th October, 1934, were confirmed unanimously.

1303/34.

REPORTS OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the report of the Meeting of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 30th October, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

The Secretary adverted to an error in Minute No. 418/34 of the Meeting of the Sub-Finance Committee held on the 21st November, 1934, where the word "collected" appeared instead of "uncollected," and with this amendment the report of the Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott.

Councillor Gallen protested against the system of Credit Notes, and it was agreed to refer the matter to the next Meeting of the Sub-Finance Committee.

1304/34. REPORT OF MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE RE COUNTY MEDICAL SCHEME AND COUNTY SURVEYOR'S CLERICAL STAFF.

The Council considered the report of the Joint Committee Meeting held on 12th November, 1934, regarding the County Medical services and the re-organisation of the County Surveyor's clerical staff.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report in connection with the re-organisation of his clerical staff:-

"As Mr. Andrew Heron has been carrying out the entire work of the Office for the past two months, and as the Department have approved of the appointment of Mr. John F. Quigley, I beg to suggest that Mr. Heron be placed in charge of the clerical side of the Office. His duties will be considerably increased, and his responsibility at least doubled.

With regard to Mr. Quigley, I understand he has had two years' training in an Engineering School. He should, therefore, prove useful in the Office.

With these arrangements it is to be hoped that the Office work will be carried out efficiently."

Councillor Scott proposed that the portion of the report relating to the transfer of a clerk from the Secretary's Office to the County Surveyor's Office be adjourned for six months, and that Mr. J. F. Quigley act in the County Surveyor's Office for this period.

Councillor Scott's proposal was unanimously agreed to.

Councillor ~~Scott~~ proposed and Councillor Mahony seconded that the portions of the report of the Joint Committee dealing with the County Medical Scheme and Road Contracts be adopted.

This proposal was also agreed to; Councillor MacCreadie dissenting to the recommendation against the appointment of an Assistant County Medical Officer of Health in place of Dr. O'Brien.

1305/34.

REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the motion of Councillor Scott the report of the Meeting of the Scholarships Committee held on the 21st November, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

1306/34.

PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

The Secretary submitted the list of proposed payments to Road Contractors for the half-year ended 30th September, 1934, as certified by the County Surveyor.

A discussion was initiated by Councillor Lynch on the question of the payments to Road Contractors who had not completed their work when it was inspected by the Assistant Surveyor, but who had completed it since then.

Councillor Lynch proposed that these Contractors be paid, but the proposal was ruled out of order by the Chairman, and, on the motion of Councillor Mahony, payments were ordered as certified by the County Surveyor.

1307/34.

PORT AN DUIN AGUS CAMUS MOR, OILEAN TORAIDHE.

Do Leigheadh litir ó Roinn Talmhaíochta faoi dhata 25adh Deire Foghmhair, W.1/69/34, ag radh go bhfuil an ceibh ata luaidhte 'san litir faoi dhata 21adh Meadhon Foghmhair suidhte i bPort-a-Duin, Oilean Toraidhe. (1082/34.)

1308/34.

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS - DELAY IN MAKING ADVANCES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Housing Section, dated 1st November, 1934, H.74689/34, Dun na nGall., stating that the Minister had sanctioned the making of an advance of £70 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts to Mr. Henry Doherty, Meendoran, Clonmany.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Housing Section, dated 3rd November, 1934, H.131772/4/6/34, Dun na nGall., sanctioning the making of the following advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:-

Neal McGready, Mountcharles, £100.

Michael Gallagher, Legnahoor, Kilmacronan, £100.

The Minister was unable to sanction an advance of £30 to Mr. John McCarry, Morass, Tamney, as advances could only be made to persons purchasing houses or erecting new ones.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Housing Section, dated 15th November, 1934, H.149280/34, Dun na nGall. H.B.F., enclosing for the Council's attention a letter received by them from Mr. Henry Doherty, Meendoran, Clonmany, in connection with the delay in obtaining a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

Several members of the Council complained of the delay in making advances under the Acts, and it was decided to request the Deputies for the County to interview the Minister for Local Government and Public Health in the matter.

1309/34.

COMMITTAL OF CHILDREN TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A notification was submitted from the District Court Clerk, Stranorlar, that an application would be made at Stranorlar District Court on the 7th November to have a child named Joseph Kelly, Meenalig, Cloghan, committed to an Industrial School.

A further letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Stranorlar, stating that the father of Joseph Kelly entered into recognisances to be responsible for the good conduct of the child for a period of three years.

1310/34. HOLDINGS RATED IN THE NAME OF MR. MICHAEL BEATTY,
CARROWMENA, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Housing Section, dated 22nd October, 1934, H.136847/34, Dun na nGall., asking to be furnished with full particulars of the lands and buildings rated in the name of Mr. Michael Beatty, Carrowmena, Moville, who had applied for a grant under the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Acts, 1932 and 1934.

1311/34. EXTRA CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH CHECKING OF
CREDIT NOTES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 3rd November, 1934, G.142752/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the payment of a sum of £5 to the Rate Inspector in respect of clerical assistance required by him in connection with the checking of Credit Notes presented by ratepayers during the period ended 31st October, 1934.

1312/34. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th November, 1934, G.147881/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., sanctioning continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £90,000 on the Council's accounts to the 30th November.

The Secretary stated that Overdraft accommodation of £85,000 would be required until the end of December.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for sanction to continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £85,000 until the 31st December.

1313/34. EXPENDITURE OF £24 ON THE PREPARATION OF THE TWELFTH
REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th November, 1934, G.142744/34, Dun na nGall. Se., inquiring whether details regarding the expenditure of £24 on the preparation of a Register could now be furnished.

1314/34. REPORTS OF PUBLIC ANALYST.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 10th November, 1934, P.H.151952/34, Ilgh. (H.), asking to be furnished with copies of the reports received from the County Analyst for the quarters ended 30th June and 30th September, 1934, with a statement as to the action taken in respect of samples which, on analysis, were found to be adulterated.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th November, 1934, P.H.153899/34, Dun na nGall. H., asking to be notified of the result of the legal proceedings instituted in the case of articles, which, on analysis, were found to be adulterated.

1315/34. APPOINTMENT OF MR. JOHN F. QUIGLEY AS A TEMPORARY CLERK IN
THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 10th November, 1934, R/RS/7, enclosing Query Forms for completion in respect of Mr. John F. Quigley.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 19th November, 1934, R/RS/7, sanctioning the temporary appointment of Mr. John F. Quigley as clerk in the County Surveyor's Office at remuneration of £2 per week for a period not exceeding six months.

1316/34.

COST-OF-LIVING STATISTICS.

A circular letter dated 9th November, 1934, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing for completion forms showing rents of houses in certain areas in connection with the compilation of statistics to determine the cost-of-living.

1317/34.

MOTOR TAXATION ACCOUNTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 9th November, 1934, MT/210/7, asking for verification of the transfer of £118 : 14 : 4 shown as having been transferred on the 4th November to the credit of the Central Motor Taxation Account at the National City Bank, Ltd.

1318/34. WORKS REFERRED TO BOARD OF WORKS FOR INCLUSION IN THEIR MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 12th November, 1934, stating that the works, which the Council, at their Meeting on 30th October, referred to them would be duly considered in connection with any future Minor Relief Schemes for which funds might be made available.

1319/34.

MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES, 1934/35.

The Secretary submitted lists of Minor Relief Schemes forwarded for execution to the County Surveyor, and amounting to £12,610. Councillor Scott protested against the total ignoring year after year of the former Strabane No. 2 and Derry No. 2 Rural Districts, and he proposed:-

"That the Commissioners of Public Works be requested to give some consideration in future allocation of relief funds to the former Strabane No. 2 and Derry No. 2 Rural Districts, and that the attention of the Commissioners be drawn to their letter of the 23rd August last, H.W., wherein it was stated that due consideration would be given to the claims of these Areas."

Councillor Gallen seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle **proposed** that the County Surveyor be consulted in future before the money was allocated, because a lot of it had been spent in districts where it was wasted.

Councillor Gallen seconded the motion, which was also passed unanimously.

1320/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD FROM LETTERMACAWARD TO DOOCHARY AND GLENDOWAN ROAD.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 12th November, 1934, R/RG/7, referring the Council to their letter of the 11th August last in connection with the application for a special grant towards the improvement of the road from Lettermacaward to Doochary and Glendowan Road.

Councillor Walsh proposed that the County Surveyor be instructed to forward the necessary report.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

1321/34.

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th November, 1934, G.151987/34, Dun na nGall., stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the issue of fresh Paying Orders to Miss Mary McNulty, Mrs. S. McGettigan, and Mr. George Cavanagh, in lieu of the original Paying Orders which were out of date.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th November, 1934, G.150650/34, Dun na nGall. Se., sanctioning the employment of Mrs. Mary McNulty as a temporary Clerk in the Offices of the Council until the 30th June, 1935, with remuneration at the rate of £2 per week.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd November, 1934, G.155605/34, Dun na nGall. (Se.), stating that the sanction conveyed in the Department's letter of the 9th November might be applied retrospectively to Mrs. McNulty's employment as from the 1st September last.

1323/34. COUNTY SURVEYOR AND MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 14th November, 1934, A.J.B., stating that their reply to the Secretary's letter of the 3rd September last had been held over pending discussions with the Local Government Department as to Mr. Caffrey's continuing to act for them on Minor Relief Schemes. As this matter had been satisfactorily arranged it would not be necessary to consider the alternative proposals set forth in the extract from the Minutes of the Council Meeting.

1324/34. SHEEP DIPPED DURING SUMMER AND AUTUMN DIPPING PERIODS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 15th November, 1934, L.4903-34, asking for particulars of the number of sheep dipped during the Summer and Autumn Dipping periods, and enclosing forms for the purpose.

1325/34. SALARY OF MR. FRANCIS MCKAY, ACCOUNTANT TO THE COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 25th October, 1934, G.136556/34, Dun na nGall. Se., stating that the Minister could not sanction the new scale of salary fixed by the Council for Mr. Francis McKay, Accountant. It was recognised, however, that the increments of the existing scale were exceptional, and might reasonably be revised. The Minister had consented to annual increments of £10 being allowed to the Accountant in future, and to Mr. McKay's salary being advanced to £320 per annum as from the 25th September, 1934. He would proceed by three further increments of £10 to £350 per annum, the first of such increments to take effect as from the 25th September, 1935.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to refer the matter again to the Local Government Department, with the request that they sanction the immediate increase of Mr. McKay's salary to £350 per annum.

1326/34. RATE COLLECTOR JOHN MCGINLEY, AND KNOWLEDGE OF IRISH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th November, 1934, G.151989/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., referring the Council, in reply to their resolution, to the Department's letter of the 18th October, in which sanction was conveyed to an extension of time within which Rate Collector John McGinley would be required to qualify under the Gaeltacht Orders, 1928 to 1934. According to the records of the Department Mr. McGinley had not yet reached the age of 50 years. (1196/34.)

1327/34. MR. SCOTT, MANUAL INSTRUCTOR UNDER THE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell called attention to the position of Mr. Scott, an Officer of the Vocational Education Committee, whose services had been terminated on the grounds that he had not qualified in the Irish language.

He was personally aware that Mr. Scott was doing everything possible to qualify, and he thought it was most unfair that an Official who had given the County nine years of splendid service should be so treated.

The Council unanimously decided to request the Vocational Education Committee to continue Mr. Scott's services.

1328/34. PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM DRIMNAWARK TO
TIEVEMORE, PETTIGO.

A letter was read from the Office of the Revenue Commissioners, Dublin Castle, dated 16th November, 1934, C. & E, 627/127/34, acknowledging the receipt of extract from the Council's Minutes regarding the proposed construction of a road from Drimnawark to Tievemore, Pettigo, and stating that as the proposed road would be entirely in the Saorstad no action in the matter fell to be taken by them. (1204/34.)

1329/34. HOUSING CERTIFICATE ISSUE TO MR. CHARLES BONNER, BALLYARGUS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th November, 1934, H.34258/34, Dun na nGall. H.B.F., stating that the Certificate of Approval No. 02865 issued to Mr. Charles Bonner, Ballyargus, Redcastle, in respect of the erection of a house had been cancelled, as he did not intend to proceed with the erection of the house in question.

1330/34. THE LATE MR. HUGH QUIGLEY, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Mrs. Quigley, The Diamond, Lifford, thanking the Council for their kind message of sympathy on the death of her husband.

1331/34. LOCAL SERVICES (TEMPORARY ECONOMIES) ACT, 1934.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 16th November, 1934, G.710/34, stating that the statement furnished in reply to their Circular letter of the 16th August last in regard to Section 18 (1) of the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934, did not suffice for the purpose in view as it did not contain particulars as to the estimated amount of salary payable during the current local financial year in the cases of Officers employed by the Council under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

1332/34. SWORN INQUIRY INTO CHARGES OF IRREGULARITY AGAINST MR.
W. J. McFEELY, V.S.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th November, 1934, P.H.155381/34, Dun na nGall. (AB.), asking to be furnished with the account of Mrs. Higgins, Home Assistance Officer, in respect of her services in connection with the Sworn Inquiry held at Ballyshannon on the 9th October into charges of irregularity against Mr. McFeely, V.S.

1333/34. SALES OF SAVINGS CERTIFICATES IN COUNTY DONEGAL.

The following report was read from the Central Savings Committee on the sales, etc. of Savings Certificates in Co. Donegal during September, 1934:-

Sales.....	£208.
Already invested.....	£272,058.
Total.....	£272,266.
Re-payments to end of month.....	82,124.
Balance remaining invested.....	£190,142.

1334/34. DEDUCTIONS TO BE MADE FROM THE SALARY OF THE PUBLIC ANALYST
UNDER THE LOCAL SERVICES (TEMPORARY ECONOMIES) ACT, 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th November, 1934, P.H.149502/34, setting out the amount to be deducted from the salary of Miss Phyllis Ryan, Public Analyst, under the Local Services (Temporary Economies) Act, 1934.

1335/34.

PARTICULARS OF COUNCIL'S INDEBTEDNESS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th November, 1934, Circ. No. 115/34, enclosing form for particulars of the indebtedness of the Council at the 30th September, 1934.

1336/34.

PROPOSED PAYMENT OF GRATUITY TO THE RELATIVES OF THE LATE NURSE M. A. McMENAMIN, STRANORLAR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 20th November, 1934, P.151988/34, Dun na nGall. (Sc.), stating that the Minister was not aware of any provision in the Law empowering the Council to make a payment to the relatives of the late Miss M. A. McMenamin, formerly Nurse in Stranorlar Workhouse.

1337/34.

PROPOSED ERECTION OF DISPENSARY BUILDING AT DUNGLOE.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health, proposed, and Councillor Scott seconded:-

"That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum not exceeding £1,550 for the purpose of erecting a Dispensary building at Dungloe."

Councillor Baxter proposed, as an amendment, and Councillor McIvor seconded:-

"That the Council do not approve of the borrowing of the amount."

After a lengthy discussion, Councillor Blaney proposed a further amendment that the matter be referred back to the Board of Health, and this was agreed to.

Councillor Baxter intimated that his acceptance of Councillor Blaney's amendment was not to be taken as an approval to the expending of any sum on the erection of a Dispensary, but with a view to ascertaining if Dispensary premises could be rented.

1338/34.

REQUESTS TO HAVE ROADS SCHEDULED AS MAIN ROADS.

Councillor McGrenra proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Minister for Local Government be requested to schedule as a Main Road the road from the Three Roads at Carrickscanlon to the Barony Mearing at Lough Barra on the Letterkenny-Glendowan-Doochary Road."

Councillor Walsh proposed and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Minister for Local Government be requested to schedule as a Main Road the road leading from Dungloe to Letterkenny, known as the Glendowan Road."

1339/34.

WIDENING OF RIVER AT MEENDERRY, FALCARRAGH.

In the absence of Councillor McClafferty the following Notice of Motion standing in his name was proposed by Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Baxter, and unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council request the Board of Works to widen Meenderry River from Paddy McGee's, Meenderry, to Shane McGarvey's, Oldtown, Falcarragh."

In support of the resolution it was stated that there were 36 tenants whose lands were subject to flooding every season as a result of the condition of the river.

1340/34.

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

Councillor Cole proposed, Councillor McIvor seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council authorise the County Surveyor to make an estimate of the cost of supplying water to Carndonagh Courthouse."

1341/34.

PROPOSED DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE COUNTY ROADS.

Consideration of the following Notices of Motion was deferred until the Annual Road Works Meeting:-

Notice of Motion by Councillor Walsh:- "That 506 perches of the road from the Dungloe-Lettercaugh Road to Bunawack be declared a Co. Road."

Notice of Motion by Councillor Walsh:- "That 100 perches be added to the Dungloe-Croveigh Road and declared a County Road."

Notice of Motion by Councillor Walsh:- "That 320 perches of road between Lettercaugh and Thorp, through the townland of Loughagher, in the Electoral Division of Croveigh, be declared a County Road."

Notice of Motion by Councillor Walsh:- "That 260 perches of an extension from the end of the County Road at Sheskinarone to the Dungloe-Crollly Road be declared a County Road."

Notice of Motion by Councillor Walsh:- "That 480 perches of the road between James McGattigan's of Dooey and the Crossroads at Derlaght, in the Electoral Division of Lettermacaward, be declared a County Road."

Notice of Motion by Councillor Brian O'Donnell:- "That 160 perches of the road between Edward Gallagher's of Meencorwick, in the Electoral Division of Magheraclogher, and James McCole's of Loughagher, in the Electoral Division of Croveigh, be declared a County Road."

Notice of Motion by Councillor McClafferty:- "That the road known as the Greenhill Road from the Three Roads at Anne Boyle's, Lower Ray, Falcarragh, to the Three Roads at Heathfield Gate, in the townlands of Lower Ray and Greenhill, in the Electoral Division of Crossroads, be declared a County Road."

1342/34.

EXPENDITURE IN A SUBSEQUENT YEAR OF AMOUNTS VOTED FOR NEW WORKS AT AN ANNUAL ROAD WORKS MEETING OF A PREVIOUS YEAR.

Councillor Gallen proposed, Councillor Brady seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That in cases where a sum of money has been or may be passed for a new work at an Annual Road Works Meeting, but not expended owing to the opposition of a land-owner or other cause, the amount may be re-voted at a subsequent Annual Road Works Meeting, and that the amount so re-voted shall not be deemed to be in excess of the sum annually set apart for new works."

1343/34.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

Councillor Friel proposed:- "That the Council request the Minister for Local Government to introduce the necessary legislation to change the existing arrangements whereby members of the Council are only paid Travelling Expenses when they attend five Meetings out of six in the half-year, and that in future, payments be made quarterly for the Meetings actually attended, and that the rate per mile be sixpence."

Councillor Lynch seconded the resolution which was passed unanimously.

1344/34.

FARMS AT RUSKEY, MANORCUNNINGHAM, THE PROPERTY OF THE COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting that he had no reply from Mrs. Anne Duggan, Ruskey, Manorcunningham, to his letter enclosing fresh Agreement for execution.

A letter was also read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing copy of letter from Mr. James Steele, Ruskey, Manorcunningham, stating that he would sign no Agreement until he got back to the Irish Land Commission as the land was of no use to him as long as the County Council held it.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor it was unanimously decided to ask Mrs. Doogan and Mr. Steele to vacate the farms; failing which the Council would ask the Board of Health to discontinue payment of Home Assistance.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 14th November, 1934, R/RS/7, stating that the Minister had sanctioned the proposals of the Council at their Meeting on 30th October in reference to the Engineering Services of the County as set out in the Engineering Services Committee's report of the 21st August, 1934, subject to the modification in regard to the period of employment of the two temporary Assistant Surveyors. Query forms were enclosed for completion by the persons appointed to the temporary positions.

Applications were considered from the following persons for the positions of temporary Assistant County Surveyors:-
 Francis Gerard Colgan, B.E., 54, Upper Leeson Street, Dublin.
 William John Bernard Doherty, B.E., B.Sc., Churchtown, Carndonagh.
 Joseph Dunne, Cottian, Kilmacronan.
 Martin Earner, B.E., Barna, Co. Galway.
 Thomas Francis Elmes, B.E., c/o Mrs. Ryan, 2, Castle Avenue, Thurles.
 Peter Paul Hoey, B.E., B.Sc., 1, Chord Terrace, Drogheda.
 Francis Patrick Holland, B.E., "San Antonio", Salthill, Galway.
 John Noel Lock Hutton, B.E., Lee House, Prospect Row, Cork.
 Edward Lennon, A.M.I.C.E.I., 4, Belgrave Tce., Rathmines, Dublin.
 Joseph B. Monaghan, B.E., B.Sc., Fairview Hotel, Mullingar.
 John Augustine Mulreany, B.E., Thre Green, Killybegs.
 Gordon Thomas Myles, B.E., B.A., Ballard, Clogher, Co. Tyrone.
 John Peter Naughten, B.E., Bothar na Tragha, Galway.
 Patrick Joseph O'Malley, B.E., Brideswell, Athlone.
 Patrick Joseph Quinn, B.E., New Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe.
 Arthur Herbert Robinson, B.E., B.A., 2, New Brighton, Monkstown, Dublin.
 Councillor Scott proposed that Mr. William J. B. Doherty be appointed for one of the positions, and Councillor MacCreddie seconded.

Councillor Brady proposed that Mr. John A. Mulreany be appointed for the second position, and the Chairman (Councillor McFadden) seconded.

There being no other proposals, the Chairman declared Messrs. Doherty and Mulreany appointed.

1346/34. PLOT OF GROUND IN DONEGAL RENTED BY MR. JOSEPH O'DONNELL.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph O'Donnell, Tirconnaill Street, Donegal, stating that he had no further use for the plot of ground belonging to the Council which he rented some years ago.

The Co. Surveyor reported as follows:-

"With reference to the plot of ground recently rented to Mr. Joseph O'Donnell, Donegal, which he now states he has no further use for, I wish to point out that a window has been put in the wall of Mr. O'Donnell's property adjacent. This window overlooks the plot in question. Furthermore, the wall of the plot adjoining what is known as the "New Row" has been removed. As this plot of ground is useless for building purposes, the creation of an ancient light may not be of much moment. I think, however, the Council should require that the plot be handed back in the same condition as it was taken over, and that Mr. O'Donnell should be asked to remove the window and restore the wall."

The Council unanimously decided to adopt Mr. Caffrey's report.

1347/34. HOUSING ANNUITIES DUE BY THE LATE MR. B. BRADLEY, DRUMSKELLAN.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting that he had been informed that Mr. Bernard Bradley, Drumskeellan, Ture, died about 12 months ago, and that his widow had promised to pay the amount due not later than the 1st November.

The Secretary stated that six half-yearly annuities, amounting to £26 :14 : 0, were owing by the late Mr. Bradley.

On the motion of Councillor Cole it was unanimously decided to request the widow of the late Mr. Bradley to pay one-half of the amount due before the end of January next.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 13th October, 1934, 22586/34, stating that representations had been made to them for additional works at Rathmullan, i.e. re-decking the dolphins at the Pier. The main scheme of improvements at Rathmullan Pier, estimated to cost £7,900, was approaching completion at a sum slightly below that figure, allowance being made for the sale of the surplus plant and timber. If the repair of the decking of the dolphins was carried out the surplus timber could be used for the purpose, and the total cost of the entire works would probably be about £8,250. The Government Grant for the works now nearly completed was limited to £5,000, and if the Council decided to have the repair of the dolphins carried out it would be necessary for them to defray the additional cost involved.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Loughrey it was unanimously decided to request the Board of Works to carry out the necessary repairs to the dolphins; the cost to be borne by the Board of Works and the County Council in the same proportion as the cost of the original works had been borne.

Councillor Baxter stated that it was not anticipated that the Council's share of the cost would exceed £100.

1349/34.

CARROWCANNON (RAY RIVER) DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 10th October, 1934, 420/34, stating that they proposed to issue the Final Award for the Carrowcannon Drainage Scheme on the 10th October after which date the duty of maintaining the district would fall to the Council. Since the completion of the works Mr. C. H. McEnaney of Ray, Falcarragh, had been employed as caretaker. He had been constantly engaged on the maintenance of the channels, a very necessary work as the district was torrential and discharged directly into the Atlantic. Should the Council decide to continue the employment of a caretaker, they could recommend Mr. McEnaney as a suitable man for the work. The wages paid to him hitherto were 25/- per week, except when it had been found necessary to employ extra help when he received 35/- per week whilst acting as Charge Hand.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"This river has been cleaned and in places widened and straightened from about 300 yards on the upstream side of the Main Road to the sea, a distance of about two miles. As I was instructed to make a report on its present condition, I beg to state that on my inspection, I found considerable damage has been caused by floods. This damage is much in evidence on the upstream side of the bridge. A stone facing, built to prevent erosion, has been carried away, and a considerable portion of the river bank with it. The river is now rapidly eroding the concave side of the bend at this place and threatens to do considerable damage to a turnip field if some means are not taken to protect the bank at this place.

At a bend 100 yards further down stream the bank has been faced with stones grouted with cement. This wall is very much damaged and it will be but a short time until it is carried away too.

On the upstream side of the road there is an accumulation of approximately 200 cubic yards of gravel in one place and 150 cubic yards in another, which impede the flow of the water. The bed of the river would also require cleaning on the upstream side.

On the downstream side of the Co. Bridge there are ten large deposits of gravel varying from 100 cubic yards to 500 cubic yards. In three places these deposits have reduced the river's breadth by one-half. In addition to these obstructions a considerable accumulation of gravel is apparent in the river bed.

A considerable amount of work has been carried out in improving the river's course. Two bridges have also been erected, one a foot-bridge and the other a cart-bridge. I was surprised to find that these bridges are of timber. One would have thought that in carrying out a scheme of such magnitude concrete bridges would have been erected. The life of a timber structure, owing to our variable climate, is of very short duration.

To remove the present obstructions in the river and to put its course in a condition somewhat similar to what it was left in after the improvements were carried out, I estimate a sum of £300 would require to be expended on it.

With reference to the suggestion that a caretaker be employed, I fail to see what one man could do to keep the channels clear. It is quite apparent from its present condition that the efforts of one man are impotent. What I should think would be more effective is to have periodic inspections made, and a gang of men be requisitioned at the least sign of either an accretion or an erosion to deal with these. By order that the flow of the water may not be retarded in any place. By doing so, the flow of the river will tend to keep the course free of any obstruction."

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to send a copy of the report to the Board of Works, and to request them to put the Scheme in order before asking the Council to take it over.

1350/34.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, reported as follows:-
 "Further to my report last month on this structure I have had warning notices erected on each approach to the bridge. I estimate the cost of strengthening the defective arch at £100."

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded that the County Surveyor arrange to have the necessary repairs carried out, on condition that the Tyrone County Council pay one-half of the cost.

1351/34. ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE PROPOSED FOR ROADS FOR 1935/36.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"At a special Meeting on the 10th November, 1931, to consider the Road Estimate, it was unanimously agreed that a sum of £65 per mile be allowed for the upkeep of the Main Roads and £13 :10 : 0 per mile for the upkeep of the County Roads.

This amount per mile was expended during the year 1931/32.

The following year, after the Road Works Scheme had been prepared on this basis per mile, the Surveyors were asked to reduce the total amount by £5,000. They were assured that this reduction was to be for one year only. It was found, however, that a similar reduction had to be made for the current year. If the full amount agreed to was expended without any reduction in 1931/32, why was it necessary that the proposed expenditure should again be reduced by £5,000 in the two subsequent years? Has the cause of this reduction been now removed, or am I to assume that there is a possibility that after I have had the work of preparing the Road Works Scheme at the £65 - £13 :10 per mile rates, I shall be asked again to make a reduction. If any reduction has to be made I would ask the Council to effect a reduction from some of the other services than that of the roads. You all know that the maintenance of the roads provides considerable employment, and that the money earned by the workmen circulates throughout the County. Furthermore, the amount expended in this County on road upkeep is the lowest rate per mile compared with all the other Counties, so that any further reductions should be avoided.

My estimate, which is based on the £65 per mile for Main Roads and £13 :10 for County Roads is as follows:-

Main Roads.....	£38,610.
County Roads.....	£41,931.
Improvements.....	2,520.
Urban Districts.....	1,000.
Contingencies.....	1,800.
Direction and Warning Signs.....	100.

Total..... £85,961.

Councillor Lynch proposed that the County Surveyor be given the full amount for which he asked.

Councillor Scott seconded.

Councillor Mahony proposed, as an amendment, and Councillor Myles seconded that the estimates be reduced by £5,000 to the same figures as last year.

After a lengthy discussion the amendment was put to the Meeting, and defeated, on a show of hands, by 16 votes to 10.

Councillor Lynch's motion was then put to the Meeting and the voting resulted as follows:-

For the motion:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Cannon, Cole, Crerand, Friel, Gallagher, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, MacCreadie, McDaid, McGrenra, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, Scott, and Walsh. Total 22.

Against the motion:- Councillors Baxter, Byrne, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCrea, McShane, O'Brien, and Magentreiber. Total 10.

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

1352/34.

ENGINEERING STAFF OF THE COUNTY.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"I beg to report that in regard to the recent changes made by the adoption of the co-ordination of the County Engineering Services, I am transferring two of the Assistant Surveyors, Messrs. John J. Caffrey and Thomas J. O'Reilly, into the Office.

Now that Assistant Surveyor Kearney has decided to take over the extra duties of Public Health work, in addition to that of his work on the roads, this completes the re-organisation of the Engineering Staff."

The Council unanimously approved of the County Surveyor's report.

Tributes were paid to the work of Messrs. J. J. Caffrey and O'Reilly by Councillors Scott and Brady.

Councillor Mahony stated that it should be a condition of the new appointments that the appointees be obliged to reside in the County.

It was pointed out that there was already a resolution on the books to this effect.

1353/34.

SURFACE-MEN.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, enclosing a copy of the following resolution passed by the Board at their Meeting on the 15th October:-

"It was unanimously decided to recommend to the Co. Council that, if possible, they dispense temporarily with the services of existing surface-man, and take on for a period others who are unemployed and receiving or seeking Home Assistance."

A letter was read from the surface-men of the County asking the Council to make no alterations in the terms of their employment.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter sine die.

1354/34.

CLAIM IN RESPECT OF DAMAGE TO CAR ON DUNGLOE-DERRYBEG ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Solicitor, Dungloe, claiming £20 damages and 5/- costs on behalf of Mr. Owen Coyle, Lunniagh, Derrybeg, in respect of an accident which occurred to Mr. Coyle's car on the 18th September.

The Secretary stated that the Council's Insurance Co. was dealing with this matter.

1355/34.

DATE OF DECEMBER MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCIL.

The Council decided to have their next Meeting on Tuesday, the 18th December.

1356/34.

DATE OF ANNUAL ROAD WORKS MEETING OF COUNCIL.

The question of fixing a date for the Annual Road Works Meeting was adjourned until the December Meeting.

1357/34.

QUORUM FOR MEETINGS OF TENDERS COMMITTEES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to fix two as the quorum for Meetings of the Road Tenders Committees.

1358/34. JOINT COMMITTEE OF COUNTY COUNCIL AND BOARD OF HEALTH APPOINTED TO CONSIDER THE COUNTY MEDICAL SCHEME AND THE RE-ORGANISATION OF THE CO. SURVEYOR'S OFFICE STAFF.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to apply to the Minister for Local Government to have the Joint Committee of the County Council and the Co. Board of Health made an "Authorised Committee" under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925, for the purpose of the payment of Travelling Expenses in respect of the Meeting held at the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny, on the 12th November, 1934. (1186/34 C.C.)

1359/34. COST OF PREPARATION OF THIRTEENTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

The Secretary applied for a sum of £25 to cover the cost of the preparation of the Thirteenth Register of Electors.
The application was granted unanimously.

1360/34. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, 1934.

The Secretary applied for a sum of £50 to clear off the balance of expenses in connection with the Local Government Elections, 1934.
The application was granted unanimously.

1361/34. ADVANCE TO REGISTRATION OFFICER IN CONNECTION WITH PREPARATION OF THIRTEENTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

An application was received from the Registration Officer for an advance of £400 in connection with the preparation of the Thirteenth Register of Electors.
The application was granted unanimously.

1362/34. PROPOSAL TO PAY A SUM OF £20 TO DR. O'FARRELL FOR HIS SERVICES AS ACTING COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, stating that the Board had recommended the Council to pay a sum of £20 to Dr. Michael O'Farrell for his services as Acting County Medical Officer of Health during the absence of Dr. O'Deagha on vacation.
The Council unanimously approved of the recommendation of the Board of Health.

1363/34. PROVISION OF SURFACE-BOXES IN DONEGAL TOWN.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, enclosing extract from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 15th October regarding surface-boxes in connection with Donegal Water supply. They requested the Council to provide surface-boxes.

The Co. Surveyor reported as follows:-

"The provision of surface-boxes to individual house-holders whose water supply is taken from the main water pipe in the street forms no part of the duty of a County Council. Each house-holder desiring to have a water supply from the Public Authority has to provide, at his own expense, the coupling, lead pipe, stop-cock, and surface-box in addition to the labour of opening the road, laying the pipe, and restoring the road surface. For the Council to provide any of these or to carry out any of the work at the expense of the ratepayers would render the Council liable to surcharge by the Auditor."

It was decided to forward a copy of the Co. Surveyor's report to the Board of Health.

1364/34. OBJECTION TO ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR LABOURER'S COTTAGE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, enclosing extract from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 15th October regarding acquisition for Labourer's Cottage of land rented by Mr. Paul Doherty, Ballyloskey. In a letter before the Board from Mr. Brian Douglas it was pointed out that Mr. Doherty was only the caretaker or Agent of the farm from which the plot had been acquired, and that he was already the owner of two farms on neither of which it was proposed to build a cottage.

Councillor Lynch took exception to the interference of Mr. Douglas in this matter.

1365/34. LETTERKENNY COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Letterkenny, stating that his Office was affected with smoke when the wind was in certain directions. The Office was also used as a Jury Room during Circuit Courts.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1366/34. CONDITION OF ROADS IN THE DUNKINEELY DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Gallagher, Killultan, Dunkineely, complaining of the condition of the Castlesound Road. He also complained that his dwelling-house was in great danger of being washed away by the sea.

Councillor McShane called attention to the condition of the road leading to Ballysaggart Pier in the same neighbourhood.

The matters were referred to the County Surveyor.

1367/34. CONDITION OF ROAD BETWEEN PORTNOO AND ROSBEG.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of the Rosbeg Area complaining of the condition of the Main Road between Portnoo and Rosbeg. The surface was in a deplorable condition and there were some very bad turns.

The Assistant Surveyor reported that the road, which was a County Road, was in good order, and that the heaps of stones had been rolled in.

1368/34. COMPLAINT RE DAMAGE TO ROAD AT INCH LEVEL BY FLOODING.

A letter was read from Mr. Samuel Buchanan, Inch Level, Burt, complaining of the condition of the road leading from his house to the County Road.

The Assistant Surveyor reported that the matter had been attended to.

1369/34. CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

The Secretary submitted the following report:-

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

If it is desired that I be responsible for the clerical administration of the Minor Relief Schemes, as in the last two years, it will be necessary to provide me with extra clerical assistance.

The Schemes this year are heavier in starting than last year, and the pressure of work will, therefore, be greater.

I would suggest that three Clerks be allowed from the 26th November, 1934, until the 31st March, 1935, at 30/- per week."

It was unanimously decided to allow the required assistance.

1370/34. COMPLAINT OF DAMAGE BY FLOODING AT RAPHOE.

A letter was read from Messrs. David Wilson & Co., Solicitors, Raphoe, complaining on behalf of Mr. James Nelis of the flooding of his house property on several recent occasions, and threatening legal proceedings against the Council for raising the roadway when last improved to such a height as to divert all water to their client's side of the street and in times of heavy rain to flood his premises.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1371/34. ROAD FROM GLENAHILT TO MEENBANAD CROSSING.

A letter was read from Mr. James N. Ward, Road Contractor, Clougheriller, Burtonport, denying allegations made about the condition of the road from Glenahilt to Meenbanad Crossing. He stated that the road was in good order and that the local motor-owners, but one, were satisfied with its condition.

The Council noted the letter.

1372/34. COMPLAINT RE DAMAGE TO LANDS BY FLOODING.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Doohin, Lower Meenacladdy, Meenlaragh, complaining of damage to his lands by recent flooding, and asking for assistance in his loss.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1373/34. APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS - PATRICK GALLAN, RAILWAY STREET, KILLYGORDON.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Gallan, Railway Street, Killygordon, applying for a loan of £300 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

The Council's Solicitor's report on the title was considered satisfactory, and the reports from the Council's Surveyor were also considered satisfactory.

Mr. Gallan gave as his sureties the names of Messrs. Patrick McGinn, N.T., Killygordon, and Edward McMenamin, Killygordon.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required loan, subject to satisfactory Bank references being produced in respect of the proposed sureties.

1374/34. APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS - MR. DANIEL McDERMOTT, SLIEVEBAWN, MALIN HEAD.

An application for a loan of £200 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts was received from Mr. Daniel McDermott, Slievebawn, Malin Head.

The Council's Solicitor reported that the title in this case was not one which met the requirements of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

The Council ordered a refund of the deposit of £2 : 2 : 0 lodged by Mr. McDermott.

1375/34. APPLICATION FOR LOAN UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS BY MR. JOHN MCCARRY, MORASS, TAMNEY.

The Council ordered a refund of the deposit of £2 : 2 : 0 lodged by Mr. John McCarry, Morass, Tamney, in connection with his application for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, and whose application had not been sanctioned by the Minister for Local Government.

1376/34. SYSTEM ADOPTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUPPLY OF STONES.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doogan, Meenderrygamph, Gweedore, asking to have the same system adopted for delivering stones on the road between Gweedore and Dungloe as was in force before. He wished to have a standard price per cubic yard or ton fixed, so that every person might earn a share of the money.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1377/34. GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY'S SUMMER TOURS IN WEST DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Tour Manager, G.N.R. (I.), and L.M.S. (N.C.C.), stating that in their tours next season they would like to include the west coast of Donegal from Rossapenna to Donegal via Gortahork, Gweedore, Dungloe, Glenties, Ardara, Killybegs, and Mountcharles, but they could not use Gweebarra Bridge as its use was restricted to vehicles not exceeding three tons in weight. The weight of the coaches used on the tours was over 6 tons. They wished to know if they could use this bridge, or, if not, could they go from Glenties to Dungloe, via Doochary. They wished to include also the Atlantic Drive at Downings, and they complained that the condition of the road between the Gweedore Hotel and Dungloe was rather soft.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1378/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR TURF SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Paddy O'Donnell (Biddy), Loughtinny, Meenmore, Dungloe, complaining of not being paid for turf supplied to the tar boiler and roller while working on Dungloe Main Street.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1379/34.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Councillor Gallen resigning his seat on the Vocational Education Committee.

A letter was also read from Councillor Brady tendering his resignation from the Vocational Education Committee.

The Secretary read Section 11 of the Vocational Education Act, 1930, and it was decided to refer the resignations to the Vocational Education Committee.

1380/34.

MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Councillor Brady tendering his resignation from the Mental Hospital Committee.

The resignation was accepted with regret, and it was decided to declare the seat vacant, and to fill it at next Meeting.

1381/34. APPLICATION FOR RETURN OF DOCUMENTS LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH A HOUSING LOAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Louis Walsh, Solicitor, Glenties, applying for return of Deed of Charge signed by Mr. Michael Browne, Drumnasillagh, Glenties, in connection with his application for a loan under the Housing Acts which had not been given.

The Secretary stated that the Council had incurred costs amounting to £5 : 10 : 0 in this case, and, before surrendering the Deeds, he asked for a direction.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Council's Solicitor for his advice.

1382/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF UPPER BALLAGH ROAD, MALIN.

A letter was read from Mr. Lynn Colhoun, Ballagh, Malin, complaining of the condition of the Upper Ballagh Road from Glacknabrade inwards. The road metal that has been supplied to the road for years was nothing better than clay, and the road was nothing better than a mudpath.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1383/34. APPLICATION TO LAY OVERGROUND TELEGRAPHIC LINE.

A letter was read from the Engineer-in-Chief, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, applying for permission to lay an overground telegraphic line along Lackenagh Road from Acre Crossroads to Nead-na-Ge, Burtonport.

The application was granted on the condition that in the event of it being found necessary at any future date to remove the poles, the cost of removal, except in so far as State-aided schemes and schemes authorised by an Act of the Oireachtas are concerned, to be borne by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

1384/34. CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF ACCOUNT OF £38 : 0 : 8 ALLEGED TO BE OUTSTANDING.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas McBride, Merchant, Bunbeg, stating that the outstanding account due to him was in respect of goods got by Gangers and men in charge of the Council's work, and that no Official Orders were given to him. Payments had been made in many instances without orders, and he could not see why such documents were now insisted upon. He wished to have the account investigated by the Assistant Surveyor.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor. (1134/34, 1261/34.)

1385/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McHugh, Cranford, complaining that he had not yet been paid for work done seven weeks ago at Cranford Bridge.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1386/34.

CLOSING OF PUBLIC ROADWAYS WITHOUT AUTHORITY.

A letter was read from Mr. James Kelly, Carndonagh Electric Supply Co., Carndonagh, stating that he had found it necessary to close the road at Chapel Street, Carndonagh, and to divert the traffic to Bridge Street. He had the advice of Sergeant Meehan and Mr. O'Neill, the Assistant Surveyor, and he advertised the matter in the "Derry Journal."

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"The closing of public roads without authority has become so frequent by persons carrying out water and sewerage schemes that I have been obliged to take drastic steps to prevent this. At present, there are three public roads closed without any authority whatever.

Under Section 29 of the Local Government Act, 1925, before a public road is closed, the Council must apply to the Minister for Local Government for permission, and an advertisement in the press notifying the public of the intention of the County Council to close a road is issued. If there is no opposition to the closing of the road, another advertisement is inserted stating the length of time the road will be closed, and pointing out alternative routes.

As the County Council would be liable for any damage that may occur to any person or property through the unauthorised closing of a road, it is my duty to take such steps as I may consider necessary to prevent any Contractor or other person from closing any road without authority."

The Council noted the report and adjourned consideration of the question of instituting proceedings against Mr. Kelly.

1387/34.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - APPLICANT, CAPTAIN BOYTON.

A letter was read from Messrs. David Wilson & Co., Solicitors, Raphoe, inquiring if the Council would authorise their Solicitor to agree to an application by Captain Boyton to have a Malicious Injury Claim in respect of damage to his car withdrawn without costs. The claim was in respect of damage to the car on the day of the County Council Elections, and Captain Boyton had succeeded in having the damage partially repaired for less than £5.

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to agree to a withdrawal of the claim without costs.

1388/34.

CONDITION OF ROAD THROUGH CASTLECOOLEY, BURT.

A letter was read from Mr. William Buchanan, Bridgetown, Bohillion Upper, Burt, complaining of the condition of the road from "Tound" through Castlecooley, past Bridgetown. He stated that he was a large ratepayer and was entitled to a decent road.

The Assistant Surveyor reported that the matter had been attended to.

1389/34.

CLAIM FOR £2 FOR COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGE TO LANDS AT KEENAGH, MALIN.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas J. Smyth, Carndonagh, advertizing to Minute No. 550/34 regarding to Minute No. 550/34 regarding his claim for £2 on behalf of Miss Rebecca Boggs in respect of compensation for damage done to her lands at Keenagh, and stating that nothing had since been done in the matter.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was being dealt with.

1390/34.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE.

A letter was read from Mr. Bryan Gallagher, Upper Leabgarrow, Arranmore, complaining that he had not yet been paid for work done on Illion for Ganger Green.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1391/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER - COW THE PROPERTY OF MR. MICHAEL GALLAGHER, MONESS, ST. JOHNSTON.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 5th November, 1934, L.4844-34, drawing attention to the unsatisfactory circumstances connected with a cow suffering from tuberculosis, the property of Mr. Michael Gallagher, Moness, St. Johnston. The case was reported to the Gardai on the 13th September and again on the 3rd October, and as late as the 24th October, the premises had not been visited by Mr. McGlinchey, the Council's Veterinary Inspector. Reports were requested from the Council on the 21st and 28th September, but none had since come to hand. The Department wished to have explanations from Mr. McGlinchey and the Secretary, whom, they presumed, realised the responsible nature of the duties devolving upon him as Clerk to the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

The following letter, dated 25th November, 1934, was submitted from Mr. McGlinchey in the matter:-

"I send herewith the necessary reports in the case of a cow the property of Mr. Michael Gallagher, Moness, St. Johnston. Shortly after this case was first reported, the owner sent a message to me that his cow was improving, and he was of the opinion she suffered from "Stomach Founder" and not Tuberculosis, and requested me not to trouble going to see the animal. I did not then visit the place, but I examined the cow to-day, and could not find any trace whatsoever of tuberculosis. She evidently got an attack of Foreign Body Pneumonia, caused, in my opinion, by some of the medicine getting into her lungs while she was being treated for Stomach trouble. This caused a temporary cough from which she has now almost completely recovered."

The Council instructed the Secretary to forward a copy of Mr. McGlinchey's explanation to the Department.

1392/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER - COW THE PROPERTY OF MR. W. H. KNIPE, LETTERKENNY.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 31st October, 1934, stating that on the 13th November, 1933, a report on Form T.L.2., bearing the name of Mr. McGlinchey, V.S., was received in the Veterinary Research Laboratory, Dublin, purporting to show that a milch cow, the property of Mr. W. H. Knipe, Letterkenny, was slaughtered on the 9th November, 1933. Specimens of the lesions from the animal were received with the report. No further reports, as required by the terms of the Order, were received, notwithstanding the long period that had elapsed since the case was first dealt with. The Department wished to have the necessary steps taken so that Mr. McGlinchey would forward these additional and requisite reports without delay.

The Secretary stated that on receipt of the letter he immediately communicated with Mr. McGlinchey, and that he understood the required reports had since been furnished.

1393/34. SUSPECTED CASE OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ON THE PREMISES OF MR. JAMES McNULTY, DOOISH, BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th November, 1934, asking for the necessary report on Form T.3. in connection with a suspected case of Bovine Tuberculosis on the premises of Mr. James McNulty, Dooish, Ballybofey.

The Secretary stated that on receipt of the letter he immediately communicated with the Veterinary Inspector, from whom the necessary reports were awaited.

1394/34. SUSPECTED CASE OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ON THE PREMISES OF MR. PATRICK RODDEN, KILMACRENNAN.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th November, 1934, asking for the necessary report on Form T.3. in connection with a suspected case of Bovine Tuberculosis on the premises of Mr. Patrick Rodden, Kilmacrennan.

The Secretary stated that on receipt of the letter he immediately communicated with the Veterinary Inspector, from whom the necessary reports were awaited.

1395/34.

**COMPLAINTS ALLEGING NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF MR.
PATRICK MCGLINCHY, V.S.**

27/11/34

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 5th November, 1934, L.4797/34, drawing attention to further instances of serious neglect on the part of Mr. McGlinchey, one of the Council's Veterinary Inspectors, in carrying out his duties under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order. Out of 15 cases reported from the 17th August, 1933, to the 17th September, 1934, Mr. McGlinchey had failed to visit or report on 12 of the cases. In 20 cases of animals slaughtered during the same period there was a delay in submitting reports in the cases from 5 weeks to nearly 12 months. In 2 cases there was a delay, in one of almost a month, and in the other of over two months, between the dates of the Gardai reports and the visits of Mr. McGlinchey to the premises concerned. In at least four cases, animals reported within the same period, had died, whilst no visits were paid to the premises on which they were located. Deaths occurred within a period of 3 weeks to 3 months after the dates of the reports. In one case an animal was reported 4½ months ago. The premises had not yet been visited by Mr. McGlinchey and the animal was still said to be on the premises. The foregoing particulars disclosed a most unsatisfactory state of affairs, and immediate explanations were required from Mr. McGlinchey and the Secretary. Attention was further drawn to the practice between Mr. McGlinchey and Mr. McGeady of doing duty for each other. They wished to know if this procedure had been sanctioned by the Clerk to the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

The following report, dated 25th November, 1934, was received from Mr. McGlinchey:-

"In reply to your letter of the 7th inst., with enclosed letters from the Department of Agriculture alleging neglect and delay on my part in visiting cases reported under the Tuberculosis Order, I wish to state that I have now visited all the cases referred to for which I have received reports, and I have forwarded the necessary forms to your Office, and copies of same to the Department of Agriculture.

There have been delays, no doubt, on my part in visiting some of those cases, but owing to the very small salary paid for this work, and the fact that there is no extra allowance for Travelling Expenses, one feels inclined, especially in the extreme parts of the district, to postpone the cases until a number of them can be dealt with on the same run.

I wish again to point out to the Council that there is almost as much work under the Diseases of Animals Acts in my area of East Donegal, as there is in the other four divisions of the County combined, but so far there has been no extra allowance or no increase of salary since I was appointed eight years ago.

My duties under the Diseases of Animals Acts are:-

- (1) To attend 75 fairs each year for inspection purposes.
- (2) To deal with all the cases of tuberculosis, and suspected cases of tuberculosis in the area.
- (3) To deal with all the cases of sheep scab and suspected sheep scab in the area, and to supervise the Sheep Dipping Scheme.
- (4) To deal with all the other cases of contagious diseases scheduled under the Diseases of Animals Acts that may, from time to time, arise in the district, such as Mange in horses, mange in cattle, etc.

For all this work I receive the grand total of £2 : 0 : 4½ per week with no extra allowance for Travelling Expenses, no matter how much additional work has to be carried out.

Under the old scale of fees for Veterinary Inspectors carrying out this work in pre-war days and continued until 1926, I would have earned approximately £400 per year for the number of cases I have dealt with each year since my appointment.

When the Council and the Department consider all these circumstances, I think they cannot reasonably expect the work to be carried out very promptly.

27/11/34

COMPLAINTS REGARDING NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF MR. PATRICK
McGLINCHEY, V.S. (CONTINUED).

I respectfully suggest that if the Council can see their way to recommend an increase of salary commensurate with the work, time, and responsibilities involved, and the considerable risk in dealing with these Contagious Diseases, or a satisfactory allowance for Travelling Expenses, I shall undertake to have the work carried out promptly."

The Secretary stated that each letter received from the Department and each report was referred to the Veterinary Inspector immediately it was received.

Councillor Scott proposed that the Council inform the Department that they were quite satisfied that there was no negligence on the part of the Office, and this was unanimously agreed to.

The Council decided to forward a copy of the explanation received from Mr. McGlinchey to the Department.

1396/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER - DEATH OF A PEDIGREE BULL,
THE PROPERTY OF MR. THOMAS A. CAMPBELL, TULLYOWEN.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 5th November, 1934, L.4845-34, drawing attention to the unsatisfactory circumstances connected with the death of a Pedigree Bull, the property of Mr. Thomas Campbell, Tullyowen, St. Johnston. On the 27th July Mr. Campbell reported the animal as suffering from tuberculous emaciation to the Gardai at Carrigans. Three weeks later, as no visit had been paid to the premises by the Veterinary Inspector, Mr. Campbell again reported the case to the Gardai. The bull died on the 27th August and the carcass was removed to the premises of the Derry Refining Co., and Mr. Campbell held a letter stating that the carcass showed that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis. During all this time Mr. McGlinchey paid no visit whatever to the premises of Mr. Campbell. Representations had been received from Mr. Campbell on the question of compensation, and he had stressed the fact that he complied with the terms of the Order. The case was notified to the Secretary by the Gardai and acknowledged by him on the 30th July. An explanation was requested from both Mr. McGlinchey and the Secretary who was responsible for seeing that the duties devolving upon the Local Authority's Veterinary Inspectors were properly carried out.

A letter was also read from Mr. Thomas A. Campbell, Tullyowen, St. Johnston, applying for compensation in respect of the bull referred to.

The Secretary stated that on receipt of the Department's letter he communicated with the Veterinary Inspector.

A copy of the Veterinary Inspector's explanation was forwarded to the Department on the 6th November.

The Secretary stated that this case was reported by him to the Veterinary Inspector on the 30th July, but Mr. McGlinchey now stated that he did not receive the notification. No second report was received from the Gardai.

1397/34. SUSPECTED CASE OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ON THE PREMISES OF
MR. JOHN LUCAS, UPPER CAVAN, KILLYGORDON.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th November, 1934, asking for the necessary report on Form T.3. in connection with a suspected case of Bovine Tuberculosis on the premises of Mr. John Lucas, Upper Cavan, Killygordon.

The Secretary stated that on receipt of the letter he immediately communicated with the Veterinary Inspector, from whom the necessary reports were awaited.

1398/34. SUSPECTED CASE OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ON THE PREMISES OF
MRS. SARAH HASTINGS, LETTERGULL, ST. JOHNSTON.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th November, 1934, asking for the necessary report on Form T.3. in connection with a suspected case of Bovine Tuberculosis on the premises of Mrs. Sarah Hastings, Lettergull, St. Johnston.

The Secretary stated that on receipt of the letter he immediately communicated with the Veterinary Inspector, from whom the necessary reports were awaited.

1399/34. SLAUGHTER OF A COW THE PROPERTY OF MRS. ELIZABETH M.
KELLY, CONVOY.

A letter dated 6th November, 1934, was read from Mrs. Elizabeth M. Kelly, Convooy, stating that in February last she reported a case of a diseased cow. The Inspector had the cow slaughtered the same month, but she had heard nothing about the matter since.

The following explanation in the matter was received from Mr. McGlinchey:-

"In reply to your letter of the 7th inst. re the case of a cow, the property of Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly, Convooy, I wish to inform you that the animal in question did not suffer from tuberculosis. I did not order the animal to be slaughtered but as the cow was useless I offered to do a post-mortem, if the owner had her slaughtered at her own risk. This she did, and I examined the carcass, but did not find any trace of tuberculosis. Another disease, Actinomyces, was the trouble. I explained this to Mrs. Kelly at the time."

The Council noted the Inspector's explanation.

1400/34. SLAUGHTER OF A NINE-YEAR OLD YELLOW SHORTHORN COW, THE
PROPERTY OF MR. JOHN HOLMES, BALLYBEGLEY, MANORCUNNINGHAM.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 13th November, 1934, T.4887/34, adverting to the slaughter of a nine-year old yellow Shorthorn cow, the property of Mr. John Holmes, Ballybegley, Manorcunningham, and stating that it was observed from Mr. McGlinchey's remarks on Form T.13. that specimens of the lesions found on post-mortem examination of the slaughtered animal were not forwarded by him to the Veterinary Research Laboratory in accordance with the instructions, and asking that an explanation be submitted from Mr. McGlinchey in the matter.

The Secretary stated that on receipt of the letter he communicated with the Veterinary Inspector from whom the necessary explanation was awaited.

1401/34. SLAUGHTER OF COW, THE PROPERTY OF MR. ALFRED HOLMES,
BALLYBEGLEY, NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 20th November, 1934, T.4979/34, transmitting for the attention of the Council copy of a letter received from Mr. Alfred Holmes, Ballybegley, Newtowncunningham, relative to the payment of compensation in respect of a cow his property alleged to be slaughtered in April last by Mr. McGlinchey, the Council's Veterinary Inspector.

The Secretary stated that on receipt of the letter he communicated with the Veterinary Inspector from whom the necessary explanation was awaited.

1402/34. ROAD BETWEEN BAVIN THREE ROADS AND GORTALIA THREE ROADS ON
ROAD FROM KILLYBEGS TO KILCAR.

A letter was read from Mr. Francis Hegarty, Gortalia, Kilcar, denying the signature to a letter read at last Meeting complaining of the condition of a road.

The Council noted the letter. (1241/34.)

1403/34. APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS TIME-KEEPER ON DRAINAGE SCHEMES.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Begley, Toome, Ballylar, applying for position as time-keeper on Drainage Schemes for the Fanad Area.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Begley that there were no vacancies.

1404/34. DEPOSIT LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROADWAY.

A letter was read from Messrs. Edward Quigg & Co., Malin Road, Moville, applying for a refund of £3 lodged in connection with the opening of a road in James Street, Moville.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1405/34. COMPLAINT RE ROAD AT CARROWBEG, CARROWMENA, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Carrowbeg, Carrowmena, complaining of the condition of the road from Morris's to Wallace's.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1406/34. COMPLAINT RE INADEQUATE PAYMENT IN RESPECT OF QUARRY DAMAGE.

A letter was read from Mrs. Matilda Starrett, Priestfield, Malin, returning Paying Order for 6/- which the Council so generously sent her for quarry damage, as she considered it quite inadequate. She also wished the Council to pay 15/- to Mr. White, Solicitor, for collecting monies due over a year ago.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor with instructions to investigate the matter.

1407/34. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO PAY ACCOUNT.

An application was received from Messrs. Thomas Swan & Co., Buncrana, for the issue of a new Paying Order in lieu of Paying Order No. 540, dated 10th April, 1934, value 3s/6d, in favour of Mr. Denis O'Donnell, Cregnahorna, Carndonagh, which was out-of-date.

A letter was also read from Mr. Charles Doherty, Moneydarragh, Gleneely, Moville, applying to have a new Paying Order issued in lieu of Paying Order No. 486, dated 10th April, 1934, value 10/-, which was out-of-date.

The Council decided to apply to the Department for sanction to an extension of time in which to make these payments.

1408/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES UNDER THE POISONS AND PHARMACY ACTS.

Applications for licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts were received from the following:-

Falcarragh Co-operative Society, Ltd., Falcarragh.

Buncrana Co-operative Agricultural Society, Ltd., Buncrana.

John Kelly, General Merchant, Buncrana.

John Montgomery, General Merchant, Dunfanaghy.

John Boyce, General Merchant, Strand, Carrigart.

The Council unanimously decided to grant licences in each case.

1409/34. MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A report was received from the Council's Solicitor on the Malicious Injury Claims heard at the last Sittings of the Circuit Court.

The Council noted the report.

1410/34. APPLICATIONS TO BE REGISTERED UNDER THE EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875.

Applications were received from the following persons to be registered under the Explosives Act, 1875:-

Patrick Gallen, Clonmany.
 Mrs. M. J. Gallen, Donegal.
 J. Durnin & Sons, Inch Island.
 Mrs. E. M. O'Doherty, Malin.
 Messrs. McDonagh & Co., Carndonagh.
 Templecrone Co-operative Society, Ltd., Dungloe.
 Thomas Campbell, Ardara.
 Daniel O'Callaghan, Kindrum.
 Doe Co-operative Agricultural Society, Creeslough.
 John Montgomery, Merchant, Dunfanaghy.
 W. H. Raitt, Merchant, Stranorlar.
 M. M. Andrews, Merchant, Donegal.
 Henry Kee, Merchant, Ballybofey.
 E. J. O'Murphy, Ballybofey.
 George E. McCrea, Pettigo.
 Iniskeel Co-operative Society, Ltd., Glenties.
 Patrick Cassidy, Carrick.
 R. H. McDowell, Milford.
 Messrs. J. Irwin & Co., Donegal.
 Neal Faulkner, Culdaff.

The Council unanimously decided to register each of the applicants.

1411/34. BRIDGE ON ROAD BETWEEN MOVILLE AND GLENEELY.

A letter was read from Mr. Alexander Butler, Claggan, Moville, drawing attention to a dangerous bridge on the road between Moville and Gleneely, and the Sheskin Bridge.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1412/34. COMPLAINT RE DAMAGE TO LANDS BY CATTLE BEING DRIVEN ACROSS THE NORTHERN BORDER.

A letter was read from Major R. L. Moore, Cliff Lodge, Ballyshannon, complaining of damage done to his lands by cattle being driven at night across the Northern Border. He wished to know (1) what compensation the Council were willing to give him, or (2) what reduction they would make in the rating of his lands, and (3) what protection he could be afforded in future from a repetition of such illegal acts.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Major Moore that the Council had no jurisdiction in the matter.

1413/34. ROAD LEADING OFF BALLYSHANNON-BELLECK ROAD, AND GOING THROUGH TOWNLAND OF CLOGHORE.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Cloghore, Ballyshannon, complaining of the condition of the road leading to their homes. The road branched off the Main Ballyshannon-Belleek Road, and was about half-a-mile in length and accommodated 12 families.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a request that they include this work in their Minor Relief Schemes.

1414/34. TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACT, 1934.

A Circular Letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th November, 1934, No. 114/34, regarding the Town and Regional Planning Act, 1934.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned until next Meeting.

1415/34. COMPLAINT RE OPENING OF CULVERT AT BELCRUIT, KINCASSLAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Daniel J. Boyle, Belcruit, Kincasslagh, complaining of the opening of a culvert as a result of which his lands had been damaged.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1416/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR STONES SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick D. McDermott, Ballinaboe, Gleneely, denying the statements made at last Meeting by the Assistant Surveyor that his father had been paid for stones supplied to the Council, and asking to be paid the amount due to him immediately.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor with instructions to make a special investigation of this claim. (1294/34 C.C.)

1417/34. DELAY OF COUNCIL'S VETERINARY INSPECTOR IN VISITING COV OF COLONEL W. D. SWINEY, MOYAGH.

A letter was read from Colonel W. D. Swiney, Moyagh, Ramelton, complaining that the Council's Veterinary Inspector had not yet visited the animal reported to him on the 15th November.

The Secretary stated that the Veterinary Inspector had since attended the animal.

1418/34. TRANSFER OF OLD JAIL SITE TO COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH.

An application was submitted from the County Board of Health for the transfer of the Old Jail Site for the building of houses.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen it was unanimously decided to make the transfer as required.

1419/34. MALINBEG BOATSLIP.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Jones, Malinbeg, complaining that the winch at Malinbeg Boatslip broke on the 9th November. He stated that he would hold the Council responsible for any damage done to his boats thereby. He stated that he had reported the matter to the Assistant Surveyor.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1420/34. APPLICATION FOR PROVISION OF PROTECTION WALL.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Barker, Ballyhenry, Ramelton, stating that his dwelling-house was in danger of being swept away by the tide. He requested the Council to provide some protection for the house which was situated at Drumherrie, Ray.

The Assistant reported that the Council had no liability in this matter.

The Council approved of the Surveyor's report.

1421/34. APPLICATION FOR RE-CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGE AT KEELDRUM MINES, GORTAHORK.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Upper Keeldrum Mines, Gortahork, asking the Council to provide a grant for the re-building of the bridge at the Mines which was carried away by the recent floods.

They also wished to have the road leading through the Mines re-constructed.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1422/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF ROAD NO. 1718 FROM FROSSES TO TULLYNAGLADE.

A letter was read from Rev. F. Sheridan, Adm., Frosses, on behalf of the ratepayers of the Frosses Area, complaining of the deplorable condition of Road No. 1718 from Frosses to Tullynaglade. The road, which served a large number of families, was almost impassable.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1423/34. MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS - SAMUEL WOODS AND PATRICK MURRAY.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor stating that the costs in connection with the Malicious Injury Claims of Samuel Woods and Patrick Murray had now been taxed. The amount in the case of Woods had been reduced from £99 :16 : 7 to £85 :12 : 7, and in the case of Murray from £23 :12 : 11 to £18 :15 :11.

1424/34. APPLICATIONS FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF THE CONTINGENCY FUND.

The Co. Surveyor applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund:-

<u>Donegal Area.</u>	
To repair side of road injured by river, Map No. 2019.....	£8.
<u>Letterkenny Area.</u>	
To repair road damaged by flooding, Map No. 1130.....	£10.
<u>Lifford Area.</u>	
To repair road damaged by flooding, Map No. 1415.....	£5.
To repair road damaged by flooding, Map No. 1272.....	£4.
<u>Aileach Area.</u>	
To repair road damaged by flooding, Map No. 1083.....	£10.

The applications were granted unanimously.

1425/34. APPLICATION FOR REPAIRS TO PIPE ON ROAD LEADING TO MAIN DERRY ROAD.

A letter was read from Mrs. Mary A. Northey, Carrowmore, Glentogher, asking to have repairs carried out to a pipe on the road leading from her house to the Main Derry Road. The pipe had not been repaired since the time of the late Mr. McLaughlin, Assistant Surveyor.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1426/34. EMPLOYMENT OF MR. CHARLES MONAGLE, BACKMOUNTAIN, BALLYGORMAN.

Councillor Lynch introduced Mr. Charles Monagle, Backmountain, Ballygorman, whom, he alleged, had been victimised by the County Council. His Road Contract on the Malin - Malin Head Road had been broken, and, according to the terms of a previous resolution of the Council, Contractors were to get first preference in the appointment of surfacemen.

The County Surveyor gave instructions to the Assistant Surveyor, who was present, to arrange to employ Mr. Monagle the following day.

(865/34.)

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Confined.

Monagle

Chairman,

18th December, 1934

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1934.

1427/34.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:- Councillors
McFadden (presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cole, Friel,
Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kavanagh, Kelly, Loughrey, Lynch, Magee,
Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McDaid, McShane, McShea,
O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill,
Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh.

1428/34.

A P O L O G Y.

An apology for inability to be present was received from
Councillor McCrea.

1429/34.

C O N D O L E N C E.

On the motion of the Chairman the Council extended their
sympathy to Mr. Patrick J. Cannon, a member of their clerical
staff, on the death of his uncle.

1430/34.

C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S.

On the motion of the Chairman, the Council extended their
congratulations to Councillor Magee on his recovery from his
recent serious illness.

1431/34.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the Minutes of the last
Meeting of the Council held on the 27th November, 1934, were
confirmed unanimously.

1432/34.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor
Brady the report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 27th
November, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

1433/34.

R E P O R T O F P I E R S C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Myles seconded by Councillor
O'Boyle the report of the Piers Committee Meeting held on the 27th
November, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

1434/34.

R E P O R T O F S C H O L A R S H I P S C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

On the motion of Councillor Scott the report of the
Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 11th December, 1934,
was adopted unanimously.

1435/34.

R E P O R T O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G H E L D O N
27TH NOVEMBER, 1934.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor
Brady the report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the
27th November, 1934, was adopted unanimously.

1436/34. REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
11TH DECEMBER, 1934.

Councillor Mahony proposed the adoption of the report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 11th December, 1934.

Councillor Brady seconded.

In proposing that the report be referred back in so far as it related to the continuance of the Credit Note system (Minute No. 475/34 S.F.C.), Councillor Gallen stated that he considered the system to be harsh, unconscionable, and he questioned if it was legal. He agreed that it was an efficient instrument for collecting the rates, but he stated that there was such a thing as soulless efficiency, which could become a tyranny.

The Government should introduce de-rating of agricultural land, and if they were not in a position to do so, the rates should be funded until such time as the present economic trouble was at an end.

Councillor Scott seconded Councillor Gallen's amendment, and stated that the results achieved were due to the honesty of the ratepayers.

Councillor Mahony and the Secretary stated that the success of the Rate Collection in the County this year was due to the Credit Note system.

After some further discussion, Councillor Gallen's amendment was put to the Meeting and the following voted for it:- Councillors Byrne, Friel, Gallen, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, McShane, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), Scott, and Walsh. Total 11.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Cole, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Lynch, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McDaid, McFadden, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Wagentreiber. Total 19.

The Chairman declared the amendment lost, and Councillor Mahony's motion on being put to the Meeting was carried by the same voting.

1437/34. ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Royal Institute of Public Health inviting the Council to send representatives to their Annual Conference in Harrogate in June next.

1438/34. HOUSING (FINANCIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACTS,
1932 AND 1934.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th November, 1934, H.144078/34, Dun na nGall., regarding the application of Mr. Patrick Gill, Monreagh, Burnfoot, for a grant under the Housing Acts, 1932 and 1934, and inquiring the wages paid to Mr. Gill together with a statement as to the lands and buildings rated in his name.

1439/34. AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A notification was submitted of the issue of £4,125 in respect of the Agricultural Grant, 1934/35.

1440/34. ROAD TRAFFIC BYE-LAWS ORDER, 1934; MADE UNDER ROAD
TRAFFIC ACT, 1933.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 22nd November, 1934, RV/221/31, enclosing a copy of the Road Traffic Bye-Laws Order, 1934, made under the Road Traffic Act, 1933.

1441/34. NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT, 1930.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 20th November, 1934, 23411/34, asking to be furnished with a note of the activities of the Committee set up under the National Monuments Act, 1930.

1442/34.

LOAN FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO RATHMULLAN PIER.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 26th November, 1934, stating that the amount of the expenditure charged to the loan for improvements to Rathmullan Pier during the half-year ended 30th September, 1934, was £120, and the balance outstanding at that date in respect of the amount charged to the loan was £2,241 : 2 : 6.

1443/34.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS OF LETTERKENNY MENTAL HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th December, 1934, enclosing copy of the Auditor's Report on his audit of the accounts of the Letterkenny Mental Hospital for the two half-years ended 31st March, 1934.

1444/34.

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.

Letters were read from Deputies McMenamin and Joseph O'Doherty stating that they would be glad to take any action in connection with the delay in making advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts which the Council considered necessary.

1445/34.

NUMBER OF CLAIMS TO EMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCES ADMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE AGRICULTURAL GRANT, 1934/35.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th December, 1934, G.24/12/34, inquiring the number of claims to employment allowances admitted wholly or partially.

1446/34.

INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ROADS IN MAIN ROAD SCHEDULE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 7th December, 1934, R/RD/7, acknowledging the receipt of the Secretary's letters of the 8th November and the 4th December, and stating that the matters had been noted for consideration when the question of the revision of the Main Road Schedules generally was undertaken.

1447/34.

EMPLOYMENT OF EXTRA CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 7th December, 1934, R/RM/7, stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the employment of the necessary extra clerical assistance, not exceeding three persons, in connection with Minor Relief Schemes, and enclosing Query Forms for completion in respect of the persons proposed to be appointed.

1448/34.

REPAIRS TO SHEEP DIPPING BATHS AT FOXHALL AND ALTIDUSH.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 30th November, 1934, L.4367-34, stating that the Minister for Agriculture would offer no objection to the expenditure of £1 : 1 : 0 incurred in connection with repairs to the catching-pens at the Council's Dipping Stations at Foxhall and Altidush.

1449/34.

SALARY OF MR. F. MCKAY, ACCOUNTANT TO THE COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 10th December, 1934, G.165725/34, Dun na nGall. Se., stating that the Minister was of opinion that the revision of Mr. McKay's remuneration sanctioned in October was, having regard to all the circumstances, reasonable, and he was not prepared to consent to Mr. McKay being advanced to the maximum of his scale immediately as the Council proposed.

1450/34. POSITION OF CLERK TO LETTERKENNY OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Old Age Pensions Branch, dated 26th November, 1934, F/C/11/34, Letterkenny, inquiring what steps had been taken to fill the position of Clerk to the Letterkenny Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, and the rate of salary attached to the position.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Old Age Pensions Branch, dated 1st December, 1934, F/C/12/34, Letterkenny, enclosing Circular Letter and copy of the Old Age Pensions Committees (Clerks) Order, 1932, and drawing special attention to Articles 4 and 5 of the Order.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Old Age Pensions Branch, dated 13th December, 1934, F/C/12/34, Letterkenny, stating that the Minister was advised that a Pension Sub-Committee was not a Local Authority within the meaning of Section 70 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

1451/34. RATES ON AGRICULTURAL LAND (RELIEF) BILL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th December, 1934, Cir. No. 24/20/34A., transmitting a copy of the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Bill as introduced.

1452/34. POSITION OF RATE COLLECTION - LETTER FROM DEPARTMENT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th December, 1934, Circular No. 119/34, stating that in a number of Counties the position of the Rate Collection was still far from satisfactory and was not improving at the rate it should. Where a Collector had not already lodged sums equivalent to the first moiety he should be called on to do so not later than the end of the present month, and warned that, if he did not comply, the Council would require evidence that he was using every means in his power to get in the rate. If it was made plain to the Collectors that the Council would not tolerate dilatory methods, the Minister felt sure that the position would improve.

Councillor Scott suggested that the Minister be asked to send a copy of this letter to his own Constituency.

1453/34. RATING POSITION OF APPLICANTS FOR HOUSING GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th December, 1934, Circular No. 117/33, referring to the Department's circular of the 21st December last in which it was indicated that as and from that date the Minister would consider the withholding or refusing of grants to persons where rates were shown in arrears. The Minister hoped that adequate steps were being taken to ensure that on receipt of the Certificate of Approval the rating position of each applicant was examined, and that the Department's attention was drawn to any cases of applicants in arrears with rates or seriously unpunctual in payment thereof.

1454/34. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th December, 1934, G.165724/34, Dun na nGall. Fa., stating that the Minister sanctioned continuance of Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £85,000 on the Council's accounts up to the 31st December.

The Secretary stated that he had no information as to what amount of Agricultural Grant he would receive before the end of December, and he found it necessary to apply for continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £90,000 from the 1st to the 31st January.

Out of £81,398 of Agricultural Grant due to the County for the current financial year only £22,844 had been received up to the present.

The Council unanimously decided to apply for continuance of Overdraft accommodation of £90,000, and to ask the Department to forward a substantial instalment of the Agricultural Grant as soon as possible.

1455/34. REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF ADDITIONAL EMPLOYMENT OFFICES IN COUNTY DONEGAL.

Councillor Cole proposed:- "That the Council again request the Government to have an Unemployment Office set up in Carndonagh for the convenience of the people of Carndonagh, Malin, Gleneely, Culdaff, Moville, Quigley's Point, Redcastle, and portions of the Clonmany District."

Councillor Friel objected to the reference in Councillor Cole's motion to the Clonmany District, and he stated that they were making arrangements locally.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell proposed that the Government be requested to set up an Employment Office at Annagry.

The Chairman (Councillor Michael Og McFadden) proposed that an Office be also established at Kilcar.

The three resolutions proposed were passed nem con.

1456/34. PILING OF STONES ON PUBLIC ROADS.

Councillor Myles proposed, Councillor MacCreadie seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the County Surveyor be requested to arrange for places on each road where metal is being put up for repairs, so that these piles of stones may not project on the road, causing inconvenience to traffic."

1457/34. ROAD FROM DERRYBEG ROAD TO TOWNLAND OF SLEECHAN.

A letter was read from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle enclosing a petition for a grant to repair and part build the road from the Derrybeg Road to the townland of Sleafghan. About fifteen families had been unable to get home their turf this year owing to the condition of this road.

The County Surveyor stated that the road was a County Road, and that the Board of Works could take no action in the matter.

Mr. O'Boyle stated that he understood from the Assistant Surveyor that the road was not a County Road, and that was his reason for applying for a grant.

The matter was adjourned until next Meeting; the County Surveyor in the meantime to make inquiries regarding the road.

1458/34. TURBARY ROAD LEADING FROM MULLAGHDUFF-ANNAGRY ROAD THROUGH DRIMNACART MOUNTAIN TO CONNECT MULLAGHDUFF-DRIMNACART ROAD.

A letter was read from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle enclosing a petition for a grant from the ratepayers of Braide, Calhame, Carrickfin, Drimnacart, Mullaghduff, and Rannhyual for the repair of the turbary road leading from the Mullaghduff-Annagry Road through Drimnacart Mountain to connect the Mullaghduff-Drimnacart Road. This was the most important turbary road in the Lower Rosses Area, and served over 60 ratepayers.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a request that they include the repair of this road in any future Minor Relief Schemes.

1459/34. SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Councillor Lynch resigning his seat on the Scholarships Committee.

Councillor Scott appealed to Councillor Lynch to re-consider his decision, but Councillor Lynch refused.

1460/34. SURPLUS TURBARY AT DUNAGARD AND MEEDANMORE BOGS, IN THE ELECTORAL DIVISION OF ARDMALIN.

Councillor Lynch proposed, Councillor Cole seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council ask the Government to divide up the surplus turbary at Dunagard and Meedanmore Bogs, so that the people of Ballygorman may have a fire."

1461/34. COMPLAINT RE GANGERS EMPLOYED ON MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES.

Councillor Friel proposed:- "That this Council instruct the County Surveyor and his Assistants not to employ as Gangers on Minor Relief Schemes men who are so well off that they are ineligible for Unemployment Assistance Benefit."

Councillor Kavanagh seconded.

Speaking to his motion, Councillor Friel stated that the most deserving men were not getting jobs as gangers.

Several Councillors made suggestions for the amendment of the motion, but Councillor Friel refused to accept them.

Councillor Baxter then proposed as an amendment to Councillor Friel's motion that each case be dealt with on its merits.

Councillor Myles, in seconding Councillor Baxter's motion, stated that if the main object of Minor Relief Schemes was merely to distribute money it could be done through other channels, but if value were to be obtained for the money expended it was most important that efficient gangers be employed.

Councillor Baxter's amendment was then put to the Meeting and the following voted for it:-

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cole, Hannigan, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McDaid, McFadden, McShane, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Neill, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 23.

The following voted against it:-

Councillor Friel. Total 1.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried, and on being put to the Meeting as the substantive motion, was carried by the same voting.

1462/34. PRESENT ROAD CONTRACTS SYSTEM.

Councillor Friel proposed:- "That this Council discontinue the arrangement whereby the lowest tender is accepted from Road Contractors as this system means much cutting of the price allowed for maintaining the roads, and, consequently, the work will be unsatisfactory, and the roads will suffer as a result."

Councillor Friel was referred to a recent report of the Meeting of the Joint Committee which had dealt with this matter, and he withdrew his motion.

1463/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR COMPLETION OF BOG ROAD BETWEEN BUNCRANA-CARNDONAGH ROAD AND OLD GREEN ROAD LEADING THROUGH LARGYBRACK MOUNTAIN.

Councillor Friel proposed, Councillor Cole seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That this Council ask the Board of Works for a free grant of £70 to complete 60 perches of a Bog Road (part of which is already made) between the road leading from Buncrana to Carndonagh, and the Old Green Road leading through Largybrack Mountain. About 50 people would be served by this road to obtain their turf supplies."

1464/34. APPLICATION FOR GRANT FOR NEW ROAD FROM BUNCRANA-CLONMANY ROAD INTO MINADUFF AND ROOSKEY.

Councillor Friel proposed, Councillor Cole seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That this Council ask the Board of Works for a free grant of £100 to make a new road into Minaduff, Rooskey, Clonmany, from the Main Road between Clonmany and Buncrana. This road would serve 10 families, and it would need to be one mile long. There is no road there at present."

1465/34. PRESENT SYSTEM OF EMPLOYMENT OF TEMPORARY CLERKS.

Councillor Friel proposed:- "That this Council instruct their Secretary to employ all temporary clerical assistance through the Labour Exchange in future, as at present a lot of people who get this work are not needy and could do without it."

Councillor Houston seconded.

Councillor Cole proposed that the matter be left in the Secretary's hands, and Councillor Kavanagh seconded.

Councillor Cole's amendment was put to the Meeting and the following voted for it:-

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Byrne, Cole, Gallen, Kavanagh, Mahony, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClaafferty, MacCreddie, McFadden, McShane, O'Boyle, O'Brien, O'Neill, Scott, Wagentreiber, and Walsh. Total 21.

The following voted against the amendment:-

Councillors Friel, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McShea, O'Donnell (Brian), and O'Donnell (Michael). Total 9.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried, and on being put to the Meeting as the substantive motion, it was carried by the same voting.

1466/34. AMOUNT TO BE LEVIED FOR LIBRARY COMMITTEE IN THE COMING FINANCIAL YEAR.

A letter was read from the County Librarian asking the Council, on behalf of his Committee, to transfer to the Committee the proceeds of a rate of one penny in the £ in the coming financial year so that the Committee might qualify for a special grant of £900 from the Carnegie Trustees.

Councillor Wagentreiber proposed that the request of the Library Committee be granted.

Councillor Mahony proposed that a rate of $\frac{3}{4}$ d. in the £ be levied.

Councillor Scott seconded.

Councillor Wagentreiber withdrew his motion in favour of that proposed by Councillor Mahony.

Councillor Mahony's motion was passed; Councillor Friel dissenting.

1467/34. LETTERKENNY COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. H. C. Cochrane, Sheriff, Lifford, enclosing copy of letter received from the District Court Clerk, Letterkenny, asking to have certain rooms in Letterkenny Courthouse fixed up for use by the County Registrar during Sittings of the Circuit Court.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1468/34. CARNDONAGH HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Board of Health, stating that his Board had instructed him to deny the statements made at a recent Meeting of the County Council regarding Carndonagh Hospital.

Councillor Lynch repeated the allegations made at a previous Meeting of the Council in connection with this Hospital.

Councillor Gallen submitted figures showing that the Board of Health had expended more money on the Hospital at Carndonagh since it came under their control than had been spent previously by the local Board of Guardians.

1469/34. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES UNDER POISONS AND PHARMACY ACTS.

Applications for licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts were received from Messrs. Harry Doherty, Patent Medicine Stores, Main Street, Buncrana, and P. J. Devlin, General Merchant, Castlefin. The applications were granted unanimously.

1470/34.

APPLICATIONS TO BE REGISTERED UNDER THE EXPLOSIVES
ACT, 1875.

Applications were received from the following persons to be registered under the Explosives Act, 1875:-

John Boyce, Strand, Carrigart.
William Kelly, Main Street, Moville.
Patrick J. Devlin, Castlefin.
P. Kelly, Gortahork.
Francis Graham, Ballyshannon.
P. Conlan & Co., Ltd., Bundoran.
William McDermott, Mall, Ramelton.
William Magee & Sons, Ballybofey.
P. Kelly, Kerrykeel.
Basil McGrea, Ramelton.
Campbell & Co., Raphoe.
James Kernan, Manorcunningham.

The Council unanimously decided to register each of the applicants.

1471/34.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 14th December, 1934, R/RS/7, stating that the Minister sanctioned the appointments of Messrs. W. J. B. Doherty and John A. Mulreany as temporary Assistant County Surveyors for a period of six months at remuneration of £5 : 5 : 0 per week with usual travelling expenses, subject to Mr. Doherty being employed in the Southern Area and Mr. Mulreany in the Northern Area.

The Council noted that the remuneration sanctioned by the Ministry was at a higher rate than that previously proposed by them. (1345/34.)

1472/34.

FARMS AT RUSKEY, MANORCUNNINGHAM, THE PROPERTY OF THE COUNCIL.

Adverting to Minute No. 1344/34, the Secretary stated that Mrs. Anne Duggan, a tenant of one of the Council's farms at Ruskey, was £15 : 0 : 0 in arrears in connection with the payment of the rent, and that Mr. James Steele, the tenant of the other farm, was still in arrears to the extent of £10 : 10 : 0.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to give them three months to pay up the arrears. (1344/34 C.C.)

1473/34.

PLOT OF GROUND IN DONEGAL RENTED BY MR. JOSEPH O'DONNELL.

The Secretary stated that no reply had yet been received from Mr. Joseph O'Donnell, Tirconnail Street, Donegal, in connection with the Council's request for the removal of a window and the restoration of a wall on plot of ground rented to him in Donegal. (1346/34.)

Consideration of the matter was further adjourned.

1474/34.

MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

Councillor Blaney proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded the appointment of Councillor William McGrenra as a member of the Mental Hospital Committee in place of Councillor Brady, resigned.

Councillor Friel proposed the appointment of Councillor Lynch, but the latter refused to allow his name to go forward.

There being no other proposal, the Chairman declared Councillor McGrenra appointed.

1475/34.

TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACT, 1934.

A Circular letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th November, 1934, No. 114/34, regarding the Town and Regional Planning Act, 1934.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor with a request that he submit a report to the Law Committee on the provisions of this Act.

1476/34. REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN FOOTBRIDGE AT CASHLIN, BURTONPORT.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 23rd November, 1934, 61888-34, inquiring if the Council would undertake to construct and maintain a concrete footbridge with a span of 15 feet at Cashlin, Burtonport, to the satisfaction of the Irish Land Commission who would be prepared to contribute a sum not exceeding £100 for the purpose.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

1477/34. ARDARA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Ardara Town Commissioners, asking the Council to re-consider their decision of the 27th February last refusing to grant an increase of rent for Ardara Courthouse.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1478/34. REQUEST TO HAVE BRIDGE BUILT AT CASHELARD ON ROAD NO. 2055.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward McCauley, Cashelard, Ballyshannon, asking to have a bridge built at Cashelard on Road No. 2055. The building of the bridge would be a great benefit to the people who used the road and also to those whose lands were flooded.

The Co. Surveyor reported as follows:-

"The Assistant Surveyor for this area reports that the road referred to is never flooded after heavy rains. The building of a bridge, therefore, is unnecessary. The lands adjacent are often flooded but this is a matter for the owners to remedy. This is due to the low gradient in the stream which could be remedied to some extent by blasting a rock in the tail drain from the County pipe to the limestone cliff into which the stream disappears. The pipe on the farm road and the one also on the County Road would require to be re-built. This is work which the farmers concerned should do for themselves."

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1479/34. FOOD AND DRUGS PROSECUTION - PATRICK MCCORRISTON, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting that the prosecution under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts against Patrick McCorriston, Moville, had been disposed of, and the Defendant was convicted and fined 6d. with 4s/6d Court costs, and 10s/6d Analyst's Fee.

The Council noted the report.

1480/34. MR. P. A. MCGEADY, V.S. - KNOWLEDGE OF IRISH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 27th November, 1934, stating that following presumably on previous resolutions of the Council, representations had now been made by Mr. P. A. McGeady, V.S. in connection with his position under the Gaeltacht Orders. The full circumstances of the case had already been considered and the Minister saw no reason why any concession should be granted. Mr. McGeady did not present himself for any of the nine half-yearly examinations held since his appointment in April, 1929. The position of this Official was in all respects indefensible, and there should, accordingly, be no further delay in moving for the appointment of his successor.

Councillor Blaney proposed, Councillor Scott seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that Mr. McGeady be given until the June, 1935, Examination to qualify in Irish.

1481/34. CONDUCTING OF CORRESPONDENCE WITH GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS
IN IRISH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 27th November, 1934, pointing out that the County Council, in 1929, decided that correspondence in Irish should be initiated with the Department as from the 1st January, 1935. The Council's consideration of individual cases could not, therefore, be disassociated from the wider issues affecting the position in administration of the language in the County. It was now obvious that the Council's staff as a whole would not be qualified to give the County Secretary the assistance necessary to give effect to such a decision. The Secretary had a knowledge of Irish suitable for general administrative requirements but he should not be expected to undertake the responsibilities of translation on a wide field of matters other than those in which he was immediately concerned. Briefly the position was that the recruitment of a local staff qualified to give effect to the arrangements had failed to come up to qualifications and it was difficult to see in what manner the Council intended to make their resolution operative. In view of the generally lenient attitude shown to cases of failure under the Gaeltacht Order examinations it was considered that there should now be forthcoming a clear statement of the general programme the Council had in view. It would be well if the position were considered with the Board of Health to which the general considerations set out above also applied.

The Secretary submitted the following report:-

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

By resolution of the 26th March, 1929, it was decided that as from the 1st January, 1935, all correspondence with the Local Government Department be conducted in the Irish language. To implement that resolution, I propose to conduct all correspondence with this Department in Irish in future.

With a view to promoting the use of the language further, I intend also, in the absence of express instructions to the contrary, and in accordance with the spirit of the resolution, to use Irish:-

- (1) in correspondence with all Government Departments;
- (2) in correspondence with semi-Government Departments such as the Electricity Supply Board and the Turf Development Board;
- (3) with our own Officials who have qualified under the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928;
- (4) with our own Subsidiary Committees where the Chief Executive Officer is proficient in the language;
- (5) with all persons who have obtained Grants for the erection or reconstruction of houses under the Housing (Gaeltacht) Acts, and
- (6) with all persons who initiate correspondence with us in Irish.

I suggest also that Irish be used for the following:-

Names of Committees; Headings for Notices of Motion; formal notices in the Gaeltacht, such as Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads; Revision of Valuation, and names on steam-rollers.

When new Printing Contracts have been taken and when the existing supplies of stationery are exhausted for Paying Orders, Credit Notes, Advice Notes, Transfers to Subsidiary Bodies, Sheep Dipping Certificates, Receipts, Valuation Certificates, and Motor Licences, I suggest that the new forms be printed in Irish.

I see no reason why the Scholarship Schemes, both Secondary and University, should not be printed in Irish for the year 1935/36 and all subsequent years, and why applications should not be submitted in this language.

The advertising of all appointments in the Gaeltacht in Irish would, I believe, be a useful step.

CONDUCTING OF CORRESPONDENCE IN IRISH WITH GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS
(CONTINUED).

With a view to further extending the use of the language in the Gaeltacht, the anomaly of printing the Registers of Electors in English should be gradually removed. Each Rate Collector in the Gaeltacht who is qualified to do so, should be required, commencing with the Register for 1936/37, to re-enter in Irish the names of all Electors in one Electoral Division each year until his entire district is re-written.

When next appointing Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees for the Gaeltacht, the personnell should, as far as possible, be Irish speakers, and an instruction should be issued to them to perform their duties entirely through the medium of the language.

For the Council itself, all correspondence in Irish will require to be entered on the Agenda in Irish, and also the Minute relating thereto. Similarly, Notices of Motion lodged in Irish should be dealt with in Irish throughout.

To enable me to carry out this programme, it will be necessary to obtain a typewriter with the Gaelic script.

The conduct of the Meetings generally and the issue of the Agenda and Minutes in the Irish language will, I am afraid, have to be adjourned until a majority of the members are capable of transacting the business in the native tongue."

Councillor Scott proposed that the whole matter be considered by a Joint Committee of the County Council and the Board of Health.

Councillor Myles seconded.

Councillor Baxter proposed, as an amendment, that the matter be adjourned for twelve months, and that, in the meantime, a Committee be appointed to consider what avenues could be explored to further the use of the Irish language in the County.

Councillor McClafferty seconded.

The Chairman (Councillor Michael Og McFadden) proposed, as a further amendment, that the Secretary's report be adopted, and that a Committee of the County Council and the Board of Health be appointed to consider what further steps could be taken to extend the use of the language.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell seconded.

Councillor Scott objected to the Chairman's amendment, as it incorporated his motion.

Councillor Baxter's amendment was put to the Meeting, and the following voted:-

For the amendment proposed by Councillor Baxter:-

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Byrne, Cole, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Myles, McClafferty, Mahony, MacCreadie, McShane, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 15.

Against the amendment:-

Councillors Brady, Friel, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McFadden, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 14.

As a result of this voting, Councillor Baxter's amendment became the substantive motion.

The Chairman's amendment was then put to the Meeting and the voting resulted as follows:-

For the Chairman's amendment:-

Councillors Brady, Friel, Hannigan, Houston, Kelly, Lynch, McDaid, McFadden, McShea, O'Boyle, O'Donnell (Brian), O'Donnell (Michael), O'Neill, and Walsh. Total 14.

Against the amendment:-

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Byrne, Cole, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Magee, Mahony, Myles, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McShane, O'Brien, Scott, and Wagentreiber. Total 15.

The Chairman's amendment was declared defeated, and Councillor Scott withdrew his proposal in favour of Councillor Baxter's, which was then declared passed.

The following members were then proposed for appointment on the Committee:-

Councillor Michael Og McFadden.

" Blaney.

" Brian O'Donnell.

" Michael O'Donnell.

1482/34. CLEANING OF THE MAIN ROADS IN BUNDORAN URBAN AREA.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Bundoran Urban Council, enclosing account for £210 in respect of contribution for cleaning the Main Roads in the Bundoran Urban Area for the three years ended 31st March, 1934, at £70 per annum.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

1483/34. POSTING OF NOTICES ON DOOR OF CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doherty, Courtkeeper, Carndonagh, complaining that Bailiffs and Process-Servers were destroying the door of Carndonagh Courthouse with posters.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to instruct the County Surveyor to have a notice-board erected at this Courthouse.

1484/34. APPLICATION FOR MAKING OF NEW ROAD FROM DROMORE (KILLYMARD PARISH) TO THE ROAD AT EDRIM GLEBE.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Lenaghan, Secretary, Mountcharles Public Health Committee, asking the Council to include in the Minor Relief Schemes the making of a piece of new road from Dromore (Killymard Parish) to the road at Edrim Glebe. Part of the road was made several years ago, and they desired to have it completed now.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a request that this work be included in any future Minor Relief Schemes.

1485/34. LANDING-PLACE CONSTRUCTED AT INISKEERAGH ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries Branch, dated 22nd November, 1934, W.1/96/34, asking the Council to record by resolution that they have taken over and are assuming responsibility for the future maintenance of the landing-place at Iniskeeragh Island in accordance with their former resolution of the 19th December, 1933.

On the motion of Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle seconded by Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to accept responsibility for the maintenance of this Pier as from the 1st January, 1935.

1486/34. COUNTY SOLICITOR'S BILL OF COSTS.

The County Solicitor's Bill of Costs amounting to £623 :15 : 0 was submitted.

On the motion of Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to execute the Requisition to Tax, and to appoint Mr. J. H. Barry, Solicitor, Donegal, to represent the Council on the taxation.

1487/34. MALINMORE BOATSLIP.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries Branch, dated 24th November, 1934, W.1/50/34, stating that the Minister for Agriculture had been informed by the Commissioners of Public Works that the following work was necessary to the boatslip at Malinmore:-

(a) Rock removal, levelling sides, and bed, etc.	Estimated cost.....£129.
(b) Concrete surface repairs to the existing slip.	Estimated cost.....£46.
(c) Repairs along the top of the concrete breakwater.	Estimated cost.....£7.

Of these, (b) and (c) were items for which the Council was clearly liable under the head of Maintenance. That part of the Co. Surveyor's report of the 28th August last which referred to a sum of £10 as being needed for repairs to this boatslip was not understood.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1488/34. REQUEST FOR GRANT TO COMPLETE BOLTYFREE BOG ROAD, CLOGHAN.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in the townlands of Boltyfree, Stranabrattoige, Cloncleagh, and Kilraine, Cloghan, asking the Council to apply to the Board of Works for a further grant of £150 to complete the Boltyfree Bog Road.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to refer this matter to the Board of Works with a request that they consider this matter when allocating future Minor Relief Schemes.

1489/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF ROAD IN MALINMORE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of Malinmore complaining of the condition of the road from the bridge at John Gillespie's to Robert McKee's. No repairs had been carried out to the road for 27 years.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1490/34. COMPLAINT RE RATE OF PAYMENT FOR ROAD METAL SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from a number of Contractors of Derryloughan, Doochary, who supplied road metal to the Council for the road between Glenties and Stranorlar, asking to have the rate of payments made to them increased to 5/- per ton for screened and broken stones and 4/- per ton for sand. Until they received payment after the material had been rolled in and tarred, they understood that they were to have been paid at these rates.

The County Surveyor reported as follows:-

"On investigating this case I have learned that no contract was given by the Assistant Surveyor for river gravel. He states that the prices paid for river gravel were 4/- per ton and 5/- per ton for 2" quarried stone. The price agreed on for sand was 2s/6d per ton. This grant is almost completed and the money expended."

Councillor Houston stated that the workers should have been paid at the rate of 4s/4d per day at least.

The County Surveyor stated that they were at present being paid more than this amount.

1491/34. ROAD LEADING TO LIMESTONE QUARRY AT CROAGHS, CUMMEEN, CLOGHAN.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers of The Croaghs, Cummeen, Cloghan, asking to have the road leading to the Limestone Quarry repaired.

On the motion of Councillor Byrne it was unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a request that they consider this matter when allocating future Minor Relief Schemes.

1492/34. COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF LANDS IN BALLYSHANNON FOR HOUSING.

A Notice was submitted from the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners intimating their intention of acquiring compulsorily for the purpose of the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous) Provisions Act, 1931, certain parts of the public roadway at Ballyshannon.

Mr. Caffrey, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"With reference to your letter of the 28th November, I inspected the map referred to at the Town Commissioners' Office in Ballyshannon. This map shows where lands are to be acquired in Bachelor's Walk and West Port Streets for housing purposes. It is shown on the map that the acquisition of the lands include from the centre line of public road in each case. As this is a mere formality I do not consider an objection necessary."

The Council noted the Co. Surveyor's report and decided to take no action in the matter.

1493/34. REQUEST FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BOG ROAD AT KINGARROW, FINTOWN.

A letter was read from a number of residents of Kingarrow, Fintown, applying for a grant for the construction of a bog road through the lands of Mrs. Bridget Houston, Kingarrow.

The Council unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works for inclusion in their Minor Relief Schemes.

1494/34. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE POSITION OF SHORTHAND-TYPIST IN THE COUNTY SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.

The Secretary submitted particulars of certain candidates for the position of Shorthand-Typist in the County Surveyor's Office, who were not born in County Donegal.

Each of the candidates was considered eligible and allowed to compete.

1495/34. FEMALE OFFICIALS - RETIREMENT ON MARRIAGE.

The Council unanimously decided to insert the following clause in the conditions of appointment of all female Officials in the future:-

"The appointee will be required to resign her position on marriage, and in the event of retirement on marriage a gratuity will be payable on the basis of one month's salary for each completed year's service, subject to a maximum of one year's salary."

1496/34. PURCHASE OF TYPEWRITER FOR CO. SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.

The Secretary was authorised to purchase a typewriter for the County Surveyor's Office.

1497/34. APPLICATION TO OPEN ROADWAY AT MURROE, DUNFANAGHY.

A letter was read from Messrs. Gallagher Bros., Murroe, Dunfanaghy, asking for permission to open the roadway for the purpose of installing a water supply to their slaughter-house.

The application was granted subject to Messrs. Gallagher lodging a deposit of £2, which will be refunded on the restoration by them of the roadway to its former condition.

1498/34. CARETAKER OF WHITEPORT BOATSLIP, ARDARA.

A letter was read from Mr. Sean O'Gallagher, Townmalaghan, Barnesmore, stating that he was at present working as a Ganger on Minor Relief Schemes, and he had appointed Peter Boyle, Cloughboy, Ardara, to act as substitute caretaker of Whiteport Boatslip during his absence.

The letter was noted by the Council, and they decided to inform Mr. Gallagher that he would be liable for payment to his substitute.

1499/34. MINOR RELIEF GRANT ALLOCATED FOR SHORE ROAD AT GLASSAGH, DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Cumann De Valera, Glassagh, Derrybeg, asking that any Grant for the Shore Road at Glassagh be expended on extending the road from the river to the sands. He also complained of the way the Contractors spread the tonnage on this road.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1500/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR CARTING DONE ON ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Solicitor, Dungloe, applying for £4 : 8 : 0, in respect of eleven days' carting due to Mr. Frank Duffy, Annagry, together with 5/- costs of his letter.

The Assistant Surveyor, who was present, stated that he was investigating this claim, and that the Solicitor was agreeable to wait until he had done so.

The Council adjourned the matter until their next Meeting.

1501/34. MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - BURNING OF "HARVEY HALL",
 DESERTEGNEY, BUNCRANA.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th November, 1934, G.154563/34, Dun na nGall. Pg., transmitting for attention copy of letter received from Mr. Michael McRory, Magheraban, Linsfort, Bunrana, regarding a Malicious Injury Claim in connection with the burning of the "Harvey Hall" in the Parish of Desertegney.

In his letter Mr. McRory stated that the claim was not defended by the Council, and that no valuer had been sent to estimate the damage. He also stated that the amount awarded was excessive.

The Council's Solicitor submitted the following report:-

"I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 30th November with enclosures as therein.

If you refer to my General Report on the result of Malicious Injury Claims disposed of at the Michaelmas Sittings, 1934, you will see that in this case a sum of £330 was claimed for the alleged malicious destruction (by fire) of the "Harvey Hall" and contents, at Linsfort, in the Parish of Desertegney, on the 7th February, 1934. There was a decree for £155 :11 : 9, with £5 expenses and costs when taxed, the total to be levied off the County-at-large. The £155 :11 : 9 was made up as follows:- £135 in respect of the buildings proper and £20 :11 : 9 in respect of the contents (furniture and fittings).

The statement in Mr. McRory's letter that the claim was not defended by the Council is, as you are aware, without foundation. Mr. Richard McGonigal, Barrister-at-Law, appeared in Court on behalf of the Council, and was fully instructed and briefed by me. Mr. McRory's allegation that no one was sent to value the property, on behalf of the Council, is also untrue, as I had the building examined by Mr. Wm. J. Doherty, Architect and Engineer, who acts for the Council in all such matters. Mr. Doherty prepared an estimate and attended Court, and, as a matter of fact, it was on his figures that the Decree was based.

I must confess I fail to understand the first two sentences of the second paragraph of Mr. McRory's letter, and, therefore, it is impossible for me to discuss same. I take it, however, that whatever the writer may have meant to convey will be answered by a short statement of the evidence of ownership and malice. I have already dealt with the question of value by stating that the Court accepted the figures of the Council's Architect.

As to ownership, Canon Duncan gave evidence to the effect that, while he was stationed as officiating Clergyman (Protestant) in the District, he built the Hall for Parochial purposes, for which it was afterwards used. When he was being transferred, he had the building vested for Parochial purposes in Trustees - whom he named, and of whom he himself was one.

On the question of malice it was proved that what was described as a "Blueshirt" Dance was held in the building on the 2nd February, 1934, and that a similar dance was to have been held in it on the 9th February, 1934. The building was burned on the night of the 7th February, 1934, and this would appear effectively to dispose of the suggestion of accident advanced by Mr. McRory in the concluding sentence of the first paragraph of his letter - "Everyone knows that the dance Hall always gets cleaned up on the night before the dance is held", as "the night before" had not arrived.

Some young men (all Catholics) were produced, who gave evidence to the effect that, when returning from a local dance about 1 or 1.30 o'clock a.m. they saw light in the Hall that looked like fire. On approaching they noticed five or six men coming from the direction of the Hall; these (latter) men were inside the Hall grounds, and they called upon the others to halt, and when they had halted, directed them to return the way they had come. In a few minutes, however, they were re-called, and, when about six yards from the gate leading to the Hall, they were again halted, ordered back a short distance (five or six yards), again halted, and kept there for about half an hour. Whilst halted on the roadway they saw five men, one of whom carried what looked to be a tin can, go in the direction of the Hall. Before they were allowed to proceed the fire in the Hall was well advanced.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - BURNING OF "HARVEY HALL",
DESERTEGNEY, BUNCRANA, (CONTINUED).

Before the hearing I had the benefit of a consultation with the local Superintendent and the Garda Officer who had investigated the circumstances out of which the claim arose, and all information at their disposal was made available to me.

In my opinion the case was proved conclusively, and I think we were extremely lucky to get off with a Decree on our own figures.

If you require any further or more detailed information, please let me know, as, if necessary, I believe I could obtain, on payment of the usual scrivenery charges, a copy of the official stenographer's notes of the evidence.

I think it is most unfair of Mr. McKory to come along at this stage and attack the Council, even the statements made in his letter were true. He appears to be a man of some education and intelligence; he was well aware that a claim was being made against the Council and that the Guards were seeking all the information they could get; he also knew the local Councillors and the Council's Solicitor, and, in these circumstances, it would appear to have been much more to the point had he placed all the information he now claims to possess, but does not even yet disclose, at the disposal of the Council, rather than make a belated and wholly unwarranted attack upon the Council."

The Council decided to forward a copy of the report to the Department.

1502/34. REQUEST FOR GRANT TO RE-BUILD EMBANKMENT IN THE TOWNLAND
OF CORVEEN, DERRYBEG.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McFadden, Corveen, Derrybeg, complaining of the flooding of lands in the townland of Corveen, and inquiring if a grant could be obtained to re-build the embankment.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a request that this matter receive consideration when future Minor Relief Schemes are being allocated.

1503/34. APPLICATIONS BY MR. CAFFREY FOR AMOUNTS OUT OF
CONTINGENCY FUND.

Mr. Caffrey applied for the following amounts out of the Contingency Fund:-

Stranorlar Area.

To repair pipe on Road No. 1313, Co. Road.....£1 : 0 : 0.
To repair two pipes on Road No. 1378, Co. Road.....£4 : 0 : 0.

Glenties Area.

To repair road damaged by floods, Road No. 1610a.....£15 : 0 : 0.
To re-build retaining wall on Main Road No. T.72.1367...£15 : 0 : 0.
To re-build retaining wall on Main Road No. L.130.1034...£5 : 0 : 0.
To repair Chapel Strand Pier, Arranmore.....£15 : 0 : 0.
To repair Leabgarrow Pier, Arranmore.....£15 : 0 : 0.

Letterkenny Area.

To repair pipe on Map No. 1040.....£6 : 0 : 0.
To repair two pipes on Map No. 1042.....£8 : 0 : 0.
To repair retaining wall on Road No. L.74.1178.....£10 : 0 : 0.

Inishowen Area.

To re-place broken planks on Bridge on Map No. 145.....£2 : 0 : 0.

The applications were granted unanimously.

1504/34. COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR ROAD METAL SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mr. Frank Boyle, Loughanure, Annagry, complaining that he had not yet been paid for road metal supplied for the Dungloe-Loughanure Road last summer.

Councillor Brian O'Donnell stated that this matter had now been settled.

A letter was read from Mr. William Synott, Crahan, Malin, applying for permission to repair an old fence and erect a new one on his lands adjoining the County Road.

Permission was granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

1506/34. COMPLAINT RE NOT BEING EMPLOYED ON ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Breslin, Lecamy, Moville, complaining that Ganger Denis Doherty refused him work on the roads, and that he was giving work to farmers and farmers' sons. He had no land and lived only one mile from the work.

The County Surveyor reported that this man was now employed on Minor Relief Grant No. 139.

1507/34. ROAD STARTED BY THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION IN THE TOWNLAND OF MEENFORMLA, ELECTORAL DIVISION OF GLEN.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Shiels, Meenformla, Glen, inquiring when the road through the townland of Meenformla was going to be started. The road was mapped out two years ago and nothing had since been heard of it.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Irish Land Commission, who, it was stated, had started the road.

1508/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER - COWS THE PROPERTY OF MR. ROBERT J. SAYERS, KILLYCREEN, RAMELTON.

A letter was read from Mr. Robert J. Sayers, Killycreen, Ramelton, stating that in June last he reported two cows to the Council's Veterinary Inspector, who, after some time, examined them, and stated they would have to be slaughtered. He had heard nothing in the matter since, and the cows were still on the farm.

The following report was submitted from Mr. P. McGlinchey, V.S.:—"In reply to your letter re above I would like to refer you to my reports on same forwarded to your Office some time ago (copies of which I also sent to the Department.) You will see from these reports that when I examined these cows in June last they did not come within the provisions of the Tuberculosis Order for slaughter. I examined these two cows again last week, and I have subjected them to a Tuberculin test. If it is found that they are qualified for slaughter, I will have them dealt with as soon as possible."

The Council noted the report and considered it satisfactory.

1509/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER - COW THE PROPERTY OF MR. WILLIAM NEELY, DRUMERDAGH, MANORCUNNINGHAM.

A letter was read from Mr. William Neely, Drumerdagh, Manor-cunningham, stating that Mr. McGlinchey, the Council's Veterinary Inspector, slaughtered a cow of his twelve months ago, and he had not yet received any compensation.

The following report was submitted from Mr. P. McGlinchey, V.S.:—"In reply to above I wish to state that I did not give any order, either verbal or written, to Mr. Neely to slaughter the cow in question, nor did I slaughter the animal. This gentleman called here one day, and asked me to visit an old cow of his that was down and unable to rise. He asked me to try and get her in if possible under the T. B. Order. I replied that I would examine the animal, and if I found that she was a proper case for slaughter I would have her dealt with under the T.B. Order. I examined the cow but could not find any symptom of tuberculosis whatsoever, but found symptoms of senile decay and liver disease. I explained this to the two young men in charge and told them I had no authority to slaughter or to order slaughter of the animal, and asked them to convey that message to Mr. Neely on his arrival home. The cow was useless and beyond recovery, and I said to these young men that when she died or if Mr. Neely wished to slaughter her on his own responsibility I would call and make a post-mortem of the carcass to satisfy the owner. I happened to be in that district the following day and called at his place. The cow was dead and was opened, but I could not say now whether the animal died or was killed by the owner. However, I examined the carcass and did not find any trace of tuberculosis, and said so very definitely to the men in charge. Some of the farmers and cowkeepers expect that for the purposes of compensation the Veterinary Inspector should certify tuberculosis where it does not exist."

The Council considered Mr. McGlinchey's explanation satisfactory.

1510/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER - COW THE PROPERTY OF MR. THOMAS
P. MURRAY, AGHAHULL, RAMELTON.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas P. Murray, Aghahull, Ramelton, stating that on the 16th June last Mr. McGlinchey, the Council's Veterinary Inspector, examined a cow of his and ordered her to be slaughtered. He had the cow slaughtered by a butcher, but the Inspector never returned, and although he wrote to him he received no reply. He asked the Council to allow him the appropriate compensation for the animal.

The following report was submitted from Mr. P. McGlinchey, V.S.:—"This was in my opinion a definite case under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order, and I ordered the slaughter of the cow in question. The necessary reports are being forwarded to your Office and to the Department."

The Council considered the report satisfactory.

1511/34. SUSPECTED CASE OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ON THE PREMISES OF MR.
ALEXANDER WRAY, DOORABLE, MANORCUNNINGHAM.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 23rd November, 1934, asking to be furnished with Form T.3. in connection with a suspected case of Bovine Tuberculosis on the premises of Mr. Alexander Wray, Doorable, Manorcunningham.

The Council's Veterinary Inspector reported that the necessary forms had since been furnished to the Department.

1512/34. SUSPECTED CASE OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ON THE PREMISES OF MR.
DANIEL LAFFERTY, STRANORLAR.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 23rd November, 1934, asking to be furnished with Form T.3. in connection with a suspected case of Bovine Tuberculosis on the premises of Mr. Daniel Lafferty, Stranorlar.

The Council's Veterinary Inspector reported that the necessary forms had since been furnished to the Department.

1513/34. SUSPECTED CASE OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ON THE PREMISES OF
WILLIAM CARRE, ASYLUM ROAD, LETTERKENNY.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 23rd November, 1934, asking to be furnished with Form T.3. in connection with a suspected case of Bovine Tuberculosis on the premises of Mr. William Carre, Asylum Road, Letterkenny.

The Council's Veterinary Inspector reported that the necessary forms had since been furnished to the Department.

1514/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926 - COW THE PROPERTY OF
MR. W. H. HUNT, GWEEDORE.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 28th November, 1934, T.5200/34, stating that on the 5th November a sample of milk taken from a cow the property of Mr. W. H. Hunt, Gweedore, was received at the Department's Veterinary Research Laboratory from Mr. P. McGlinchey, Letterkenny. Microscopic examination of the sample of milk revealed the presence of bacilli which might or might not be tubercular, but, in the circumstances, the Veterinary Inspector for the district should be instructed to have the animal slaughtered if he considered it came within the provisions of the Bovine Tuberculosis Order.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Hunt had appointed Mr. James McKendrick, Letterkenny, to value the cow, which was considered a very valuable one.

The Council approved of the appointment.

1515/34. BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER - COW THE PROPERTY OF MRS. KATIE SHERIDAN, KILLLOUGHCARRON, CREESLOUGH.

A letter was read from Mrs. Katie Sheridan, Killoughcarron, Creeslough, dated 23rd November, reporting that she had in her possession a cow suspected to be suffering from tuberculosis, and asking to have the cow examined by the Council's Veterinary Inspector.

A further letter dated 28th November was read from Mrs. Sheridan stating that the Veterinary Inspector had not yet visited her premises.

The Secretary stated that the Veterinary Inspector had since visited Mrs. Sheridan's premises.

1516/34. CARROWCANNON (RAY RIVER) DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 28th November, 1934, 420/34, enclosing sealed and certified copy of the Final Award in connection with the Carrowcannon (Ray River) Drainage District, together with sealed and certified copy of the Map referred to in the Award. Under the provisions of the Final Award the duty of maintaining the Drainage Works in good repair and condition is imposed on the County Council.

The Secretary read the Final Award.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor O'Neill it was unanimously decided to adjourn the matter until next Meeting; the Secretary, in the meantime, to make inquiries regarding the basis of the Council's contribution.

1517/34. INSTRUCTRESSES EMPLOYED BY THE LATE CONGESTED DISTRICTS BOARD.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Late Congested Districts Board Instructresses Organisation, drawing the attention of the Council to the conditions under which these Instructresses were now employed by the Department of Lands and Fisheries, and soliciting the Council's aid in enabling them to have their positions made permanent, and their years of service taken into account for pension purposes.

Councillor Scott proposed, Councillor Kavanagh seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the Council support the claims of these Instructresses.

1518/34. COMPLAINT RE INTERFERENCE WITH PROPERTY IN CARRYING OUT A MINOR RELIEF SCHEME.

A letter was read from Messrs. John Boyce and James O'Donnell, Meenacross, Cranford, drawing the attention of the County Surveyor to interference with their property through the carrying out of a Minor Relief Scheme.

The following report in the matter was read from the Assistant Surveyor, Mr. P. Dawson:-

"John Boyce, Meenacross, gave his consent to the making of road, M. R. Grant No. 68, 1933/34, and both Boyce and O'Donnell were given constant work until its completion.

There was no such thing as neglect on the Ganger's part. The present complaints are made owing to their not being employed on the Supplemental Grant, No. 157. The men are now being engaged under different rules."

As Minor Relief Schemes are carried out by the Board of Works, the Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1519/34. COMPLAINT RE FLOODING IN THE TOWNLAND OF LOWER MEENACLADDY, MEENLARAGH, GORTAHORK.

A letter was read from Mrs. Margaret O'Brien, Lower Meenacaddy, Meenlaragh, stating that great damage had been done to her land by flooding from the river running through the townland, and asking to have the matter remedied.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works, with a request that they make provision for this work in any future Minor Relief Schemes.

1520/34. APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS GANGER ON ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. F. J. McGrath, Carntressy, Pettigo, applying for position as ganger on road work in the Pettigo District.

The Assistant Surveyor reported that the number of gangers on the list very much exceeded the number of vacancies.

1521/34. APPLICATION FOR RETURN OF DOCUMENTS LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH A HOUSING LOAN.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor regarding Minute No. 1381/34, in which an application was considered from Mr. Louis Walsh, Solicitor, for the return of Deed of Charge signed by Mr. Michael Browne, Drumnasillagh, in connection with his application for a Housing Loan. The Solicitor advised, that, in his opinion, the Council had a good lien on Mr. Browne's papers in respect of the costs incurred, and that the documents should be retained until the sum involved had been discharged.

Councillor Houston suggested that the documents should be surrendered.

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to adopt the Council's Solicitor's advices.

1522/34. GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY'S SUMMER TOURS IN WEST DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Tour Manager, G.N.R. (I.) and L.M.S. (N.C.C.), Road Tours, 11-13, Donegall Place, Belfast, stating that it would be appreciated if they could have the Co. Surveyor's decision regarding their Summer Tours in West Donegal at the earliest possible date.

The County Surveyor stated that he had dealt with the matter.

1523/34. COMPLAINT RE DESTRUCTION OF FENCE IN TOWNLAND OF KNOCKAGAR, ELECTORAL DIVISION OF EANYMORE.

A letter was read from Mr. James Dunlevy, Solicitor, Donegal, complaining, on behalf of Mr. Daniel Kearns, Drumkeelan, Donegal, of the destruction of a fence on his farm of land in the townland of Knockagar where a new road was being made by the Council. The fence had been cut down without any permission or notice, and unless a proper arrangement was made with his client, he intended to take an action for damages.

The County Surveyor stated that this work was being carried out under a Minor Relief Grant.

The matter was referred to the Board of Works.

1524/34. COMPLAINT RE CONDITION OF ROAD FROM BOGSTOWN TO TRABRACKIN, QUIGLEY'S POINT.

A letter was read from Mr. James Margery, Tromaty, Quigley's Point, complaining of the condition of the public road commencing at James Steele's of Bogstown, Quigley's Point, and terminating at his house at Trabrackin, Quigley's Point. The road at present is in an impassable condition.

The Co. Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"The road complained of was previous to the present contract what was known as an "occasionally-repaired" road. For years nothing in the way of repairs was done to it and in consequence it got run down. The present contract money is not sufficient to bring it back into a reasonable condition. The existing contract terminates in March next, and it is being renewed at a larger sum and greater tonnage."

The Council noted Mr. Caffrey's report.

1525/34. ROAD LEADING TO LETTERMACAWARD ROBERTSON SCHOOL.

A letter was read from Rev. R. E. Devlin, The Rectory, Portnoo, complaining of the condition of the road leading to Lettermacaward Robertson School. The road had not been repaired for several years and was now overgrown with whins and briars and washed away in places by the floods.

The County Surveyor stated that the road was not a County Road.

On the motion of Councillor O'Boyle it was decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works with a request that they consider this work when allocating future Minor Relief Schemes.

1526/34. REQUEST TO HAVE ROAD STARTED LAST YEAR AT LACKBEG, BURTONPORT, COMPLETED.

A letter was read from Mrs. Sarah Sharkey, Lackbeg, Burtonport, asking to have the road started last year at Lackbeg, Burtonport, completed. Horse traffic was impossible on it in its present condition, and the people of the townland were going knee-deep in soft earth on it.

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Board of Works, by whom the work was started.

1527/34. COMPLAINT RE FLOODING OF PREMISES OF MRS. ANNIE NEE, LETTERKENNY.

A letter was read from Mr. James Malseed, Solicitor, Letterkenny, complaining on behalf of Mrs. Annie Nee, Lower Main Street, Letterkenny, of the flooding of Mrs. Nee's premises and the destruction of a large quantity of goods and perishable stuffs on the night of the 25th October. The flooding was caused by the overflow of a stream running behind his client's premises. The stream came from outside the Urban Area. He asked the Council to put the stream in such a state of repair as to prevent further flooding.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor, with instructions to make a special investigation of this complaint.

1528/34. COMPLAINT RE DESTRUCTION OF FENCE IN DRUMOGHILL, TERMON.

A letter was read from Mr. James Malseed, Solicitor, Letterkenny, complaining of the destruction by the Council's workmen of a march ditch on the lands of Mr. John Murray, Drumoghilla, Termon. Unless the Council restored the ditch and repaired the right-of-way within one week, he would have to take proceedings in the Circuit Court for damages.

The County Surveyor stated that the fence had since been restored.

1529/34. WILD BIRDS' PROTECTION ACT, 1894.

A letter was read from Mr. Brian McRory, Mountcharles, requesting the Council to recommend the Minister for Justice to afford some protection to rare species of birds in County Donegal, and setting out a list of birds which were in need of protection.

The Council decided to request the Minister for Justice to take the necessary steps to protect these birds.

1530/34. MR. MC.GEADY, V.S., MILFORD - ABSENCE FROM DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. P. A. McGeary, V.S., Milford, stating that he would be absent from his district for a week as from the 12th December, and that he had appointed Mr. P. T. Begley, M.R.C.V.S., to act during his absence.

The Council approved of the arrangement.

1531/34. PROPOSED MAKING OF NEW ROAD FROM DRUMKEEN TO ARTIKELLY, CONVOY.

A letter was read from Mr. M. O'Boyle, Raphoe, asking to have the proposed new road from Drumkeen to Artikelly put on the Agenda for the next Council Meeting.

A letter was also read from Rev. W. Lynagh, C.C., Drumkeen, supporting the claims of some of his parishioners for a good road to and from their houses from Artikelly to Drumkeen.

A deputation also appeared before the Council in support of the claim for a road.

Mr. Fitheroe, one of the land-owners, also appeared before the Council, and stated that he was prepared to give a certain portion of ground for the road, but not the portion required by the applicants.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

1532/34. VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Chief Executive Officer, Co. Donegal Vocational Education Committee, stating that there were two vacancies on his Committee caused by the disqualification through non-attendance of Councillors Brady and Gallen.

Councillor Mahony proposed that Mr. Kenny J. Brennan, Dungloe, be appointed to fill one of the vacancies.

The Secretary pointed out that by a previous resolution of the Council, the vacancies were confined to members of the Council, and Councillor Mahony withdrew his motion.

Councillor Scott proposed the appointment of Councillor Blaney for one of the vacancies, and Councillor Kavanagh seconded.

Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle proposed the appointment of Councillor Brian O'Donnell for the second vacancy.

There being no other proposals, the Chairman declared Councillors Blaney and O'Donnell (Brian) appointed.

1533/34. PETTIGO COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Denis McGrath, Cashelinney, Pettigo, applying for the use of Pettigo Courthouse for Meetings of the Gaelic League every Monday night.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. McGrath that the Council had the Courthouse rented for Court purposes only, and that he should apply to the **Agent**, Mr. S. C. Ross, Glaslough, Co. Monaghan.

1534/34. PLOT OF GROUND ON OLD JAIL SITE, LIFFORD, LEASED TO MESSRS. CHARLES O'DOHERTY & SON, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Messrs. Charles O'Doherty & Son, Lifford, asking to have Lease completed for their plot on the Old Jail Site, Lifford.

A letter was also read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing Lease.

It was decided to refer the plan of the plot given to Messrs. O'Doherty to the County Surveyor with a view to ascertaining if the measurements given were correct; the Deed to be completed at next Meeting.

1535/34. APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF DEPOSITS LODGED IN CONNECTION WITH OPENING OF ROADWAYS.

Letters were read from Mr. James Dunlevy, Main Street, Donegal, and Mr. John Wilson, Plumber, Quay Street, Donegal, applying for a refund of the deposits lodged by them in connection with opening of public roadways.

The letters were referred to the County Surveyor.

1536/34.

DATE OF ANNUAL ROAD WORKS MEETING.

The Council unanimously decided to fix Thursday, the 17th January, 1935, as the date of their Annual Road Works Meeting.

1537/34.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS FOR THE OFFICE STAFF AND THE
ENGINE-DRIVERS AND FLAGMEN.

Councillor Scott proposed that the Office Staff be allowed Christmas Holidays from the afternoon of Saturday, 22nd December, until Thursday morning, 27th December.

Councillor Baxter seconded, and proposed that the Engine-drivers and Flagmen be also included in the resolution.

The proposal was agreed to.

1538/34.

ELECTRICAL PLANT AT LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

The Secretary reported that the Electrical plant at Lifford Courthouse had now been repaired by the manufacturers, and it was a matter for the Council to decide whether they should put the Engine in use again or continue purchasing light from Messrs. A. Gallagher, Ltd.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

1539/34.

PORT AN DUIN AGUS CAMUS MOR, OILEAN TORAIDHE.

Do leigheadh litir ó Roinn Talmhaíochta faoi dháta lladh Mí na Nodlag, 1934, i dtaobh na h-oibre ata críochnuighthe le bliain ag an gceibh i bPort-a-Duin agus ag an gceibh i g'Camus Mor, Oilean Toraidhe, agus ag radh gur mhaith leis an Aire Talmhaíochta deimhniú d'fhaghail go bhfuil an Comhairle Conndae toilteanach an da cheibh ud do choinhead suas mar is ceart. Do chailleadh £525 : 8 : 9 leis an da ait.

Ní reidhteochadh an Comhairle go gcoingbheochadh siad suas na ceidhthe seo, toisc comh deacar agus ta se dul isteach le n-a mbreathnughadh de bharr buirbhe na fairrge idir an oilean agus an tír mhor, agus de bharr nach bhfaghann an Comhairle Conndae ratai ar bith ó'n Oilean.

1540/34.

ERECTION OF HOUSE AT BALLYHASKEY, NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM,
BY MR. WILLIAM McFADDEN.

Councillor Michael O'Donnell applied on behalf of Mr. William McFadden, Ballyhaskey, Newtowncunningham for permission to erect a house within the legal distance from the centre of the roadway on the site of an old house.

The Council decided to grant the application on the usual conditions, i.e. an Agreement to be signed by Mr. McFadden undertaking to remove the house at any time he might be called upon to do so; the Agreement to be drawn up by the Council's Solicitor and the costs to be borne by Mr. McFadden.

1541/34.

EMPLOYMENT OF MR. CHARLES MONAGLE, BACKMOUNTAIN,
BALLYGORMAN.

Councillor Friel adverted to Minute No. 1426/34, re Mr. Charles Monagle, Backmountain, Ballygorman, and in which it was decided that Mr. Monagle be employed on Minor Relief Schemes. Councillor Friel stated that the man had only been employed for six days.

The Chairman ruled that Notice of Motion should have been given to the Meeting before the matter could be discussed.

1542/34.

GREETINGS OF THE SEASON.

At the conclusion of the Meeting, Councillor Mahony, who occupied the Chair, extended the Season's greetings to all the members.

Councillor Scott suitably replied, and thanked the Chairman for the courtesy and patience with which he had conducted the Meeting.

1543/34: RESOLUTIONS FROM THE COUNTY CLARE COMMITTEE OF
AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Clare Committee of Agriculture, enclosing copies of the following resolutions passed by his Committee at a Meeting on the 3rd November:-

(1) "That the Government be requested to draft a scheme whereby able-bodied persons, who are in receipt of Unemployment Benefits, will be employed on some re-productive work, such as Re-afforestation, Drainage, etc."

(2) "That now is an opportune time for the Government to re-consider the whole question of the payment of Bounties on cattle exported from An Saorstát with a view to ensuring that the farmers of the country who raise the cattle get full benefits from such Bounties."

Councillor Scott proposed and it was unanimously resolved that the first resolution be amended to read as follows:-

"That the Government be requested to introduce legislation to provide employment for able-bodied persons in receipt of Unemployment Benefit on some re-productive work, such as re-afforestation, drainage; etc."

With this amendment, the resolutions were adopted unanimously.

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Confirmed.

Wm. Fadden

Chairman of Co. Council

29th January, 1935.