

County Council Backs Belleville-Whitney Connection

HASTINGS WILL BENEFIT IF MISSING LINK CLOSED WARDEN EMBURY SAYS

Many Speakers in Favor of and Only One Against Plan Advocated First by Belleville—Co-operation Between Municipalities Already Seen—Details and Text of Resolution.

The importance of linking up Belleville and Whitney by rail has been seen by Hastings County Council, which today passed a resolution in favor of the proposal.

Mr. Burns moved, seconded by Mr. Ray—"That the County Council of the corporation of the County of Hastings urge upon and request the Government of Canada and the Canadian National Railways to take immediate steps to have direct railway connection established between the city of Belleville on the main line of the Grand Trunk Ottawa-Parry Sound branch of the Grand Trunk Railway, that is to say to have the former railway track between the villages of Madoc and Eldorado relaid and reconstructed and the track between the village of Maynooth and Whitney constructed and completed."

Warden Embury said this county was favored with having a railroad running its full length. If the missing link between Madoc and Eldorado and a gap of four miles were filled in, there would be direct connection with Ottawa. To get to Ottawa from the north would take two days unless a man travelled 52 miles by motor.

Mr. Airhart wished to know how these benefitted the entire county. The western municipalities feared worse service than ever, if everything were switched through Belleville.

"It makes a great difference to Madoc village," said Mr. Burns. Madoc bussed the incomplete railway. If the missing link were filled between Madoc and Eldorado, it would save a detour of 32 miles in shipping of lumber.

Mr. Kells declared the fuel question was a burning one in Madoc district and accordingly favored the resolution.

There is no intention of cutting out the C. O. R. branch through Marmora, said Mr. Ray, seconder of the motion. He saw no possibility of the C. N. R. moving their shops to Belleville.

"The more railway tracks we have the better," said Reeve S. B. Wright, of Deloro. He declared he first favored Mr. Airhart's view but had changed his mind. He could see no possibility of the extra line cutting out the C. O. R.

MOTHERS' PENSIONS PROPOSALS

The County Council suggests certain changes in the Mothers' Allowances or recommendation of the special committee:

"That the recommendation of the reeve of the municipality in which the applicant resides shall be attached to each application before it is considered by the local board; that the members of the local board and secretary receive remuneration for services and that the regulations be so amended so as to include a mother with one child eligible for compensation. The report was signed by W. A. Reid, C. B. McGuire and Thos. J. Naylor.

During the year 1920 Hastings County expended on approved county roads the sum of \$168,725.53 made up as follows:—

Provincial county roads, maintenance and repairs, \$75,827.38; county roads, Bogart's bridge construction, \$8,187.14; maintenance and repair \$87,548.46; machinery, \$12,179.99; superintendence, \$4,982.06

Bancroft Lock-up.
Mr. Carnew, County Attorney, wrote regarding the council providing adequate accommodation at Bancroft for the retention of prisoners.

ASK PROTECTION ON FLOURSPAR

The flourspar industry of Hastings finds its great problem in the absence of a permanent market under present conditions, said Mr. William Cross, of Madoc, appealing to Hastings County Council Thursday afternoon for a resolution in favor of a five dollar per ton duty on the U. S. product, which occasionally is dumped into Canada to the hazard of the big industry of Hastings. Flourspar is admitted into Canada free while the U. S. imposes a duty of \$1.50 per ton. Recently the flourspar interests of that country launched a campaign in favor of a \$5.00 duty. Such conditions as these have virtually killed the Canadian industry.

Favors \$5.00 duty on Flourspar.

Mr. Cross asked that the council pass a resolution memorializing the Dominion Government at its next session to place a duty of five dollars per ton on flourspar admitted from the United States. Canada will take the flourspar that can be manufactured in this country he said.

Support of the proposal was given by Mr. Chas. Rollins. Mr. J. H. Clare said that it was an important

Warden Embury stated that it was necessary to have a lock-up in the village. There was a lock-up in the town hall at Bancroft which was recently destroyed by fire. The village feels that it is not its duty to provide a lock-up. The communication was referred to ways and means.

A memorial from the County Council of Northumberland and Durham was concerned in. "That whereas the expenditure for county roads has assumed huge proportions on account of high standard of roads demanded by the department of highway and whereas the Federal Government is now assisting the Province to the extent of 40 per cent, the construction of Provincial highways, be it therefore resolved that the Provincial Government be requested to relieve municipalities from further financial assistance towards said provincial highways and that the clerk be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to the department of highways, Toronto.

Also that a copy be sent to other county municipalities."

County Council went on record as regretting the absence of Reeve Walsh, of Tyendinaga, through illness.

Council passed a resolution that that body memorialize the Finance Minister at Ottawa urging that at the next session of parliament to pass legislation imposing a duty of \$5.00 per ton on flourspar and that copies flourspar is admitted into Canada free while the U. S. imposes a duty of \$1.50 per ton. Recently the flourspar interests of that country launched a campaign in favor of a \$5.00 duty. Such conditions as these have virtually killed the Canadian industry.

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A DELEGATE.

Comrade Dr. R. W. Tennant has been appointed delegate of the Belleville branch of the G.W.V.A. to the Canadian National Frouting Association's annual meeting at the Carlisle Hotel, Toronto, on Feb. 8. The G.W.V.A. is a member of the association on account of the speed tests at the June 4th celebrations.

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On motion of Mr. Sills, seconded by Mr. Vermilyea council went on record regarding the aims of the greater Albert College as follows:

"We, the members of the County Council of Hastings, have heard with pleasure the progress that is being made towards the erection of a new Albert College on the fifty-acre site on the bay front given by the city of Belleville and assure the Board of Albert College of our sympathy in this great scheme in every way consistent with the best interests of the County of Hastings."

Small Roads Should Not Be Neglected in Favor of Highways.

Ask 40 Per Cent. Grants.
Council decided on motion of Mr. Clare, seconded by Mr. Moore to forward the following resolution to the Hon. F. C. Biggs, Minister of Public Works, regarding the Highway Act and grants on bridges of a certain length:

"Whereas it has come to the attention of this County Council that the Municipal Act of Ontario at present describes all bridges on boundary lines between counties and all bridges of 100 feet and over in length as county bridges, and whereas, under the present Highway Act the provincial government does not assist in the building or the maintenance of these bridges unless situated on approved county roads, we, the County Council of Hastings County humbly pray that the Highway Act be so amended that all bridges described as County bridges under the act, wherever located will draw the usual 40 per cent government assistance.

"Further, that whereas, this county has many miles of county roads which have never been approved by the department of highway and bridges, which bridges owing to their length are not county bridges under the act, the act be so amended that the county will receive the same assistance on these as townships do on their roads and bridges, namely 20 per cent."

Assess as Refiners, Not Distillers.
Col. W. N. Ponton, K. C., offered a suggestion to the County Council regarding the assessment of the alcohol plant at Corbyville as a manufactory instead of a distillery.

The Canadian Industrial Alcohol Co. thought they should be put on the same basis as other industries in the same line of activity with regard to assessment, namely assessment at the rate of sixty per cent. The company are refiners and not distillers for they make only commercial alcohol and not a drop of whiskey for beverage purposes.

They have a large extensive farm, they have led Canada and the United States. Six chemical experts of McGill University are now working on a system to employ alcohol in the place of petrol. Col. Ponton predicted that if the plant remained here it might be in time grow ten times as large.

Germany has 14,000 agricultural distilleries in Germany 6,000 used potatoes only. They are consuming money and are enriching the land with the mash from the potato.

The Corbyville plant is supplying 48 different industries with commercial alcohol. There is a possibility that the works might be moved.

Col. Ponton urged the county council to use every effort to retain the company in Hastings and in Ontario.

He suggested the passing of a resolution or the appointment of a committee to deal with any problems regarding the distillery assessment.

Mr. Vermilyea said the company was paying on a basis of 150 per cent, and competing with industries paying on only 60 per cent. The law directs the imposition of 150 per cent. Company officials had said it was unfair and rendered competition impossible. Still the assessors had to carry out the law.

Mr. Sills thought the assessors could fairly assess the company as manufacturers and not as distillers. This would solve the difficulty and would impose the 60 per cent. assessment and not 150 per cent.

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CUTTING ICE AT WATERTOWN.

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CAUCUS AT TORONTO

Minister's Administration of Department Criticized—Rural Men Talk.

(By Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Jan. 28.—Supporters of the Drury Government met in caucus at the parliament buildings this morning. Hon. F. C. Biggs was called upon to explain the policy of his department concerning public highways. Rural members criticized the administration not so much on account of the money expended but because they were not satisfied that the government was doing sufficient along the lines of improving small roads.

Two More Hospitals Now Under His Care

(By Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Jan. 28.—Hon. H. C. Nixon this morning stated that although the cost of maintenance will be lower estimates for his department will not be lower than last year. This is due to the provincial secretary having two more institutions under his care, the Speedwell Hospital at Guelph, and the Cobourg hospital.

Bellevillians Visit the Trenton Rebekahs

Visitors Also From Oshawa, Smith's Falls, Hawkeock at Big Instal. lation.

Thursday, January 27th, will be an evening long remembered by the members of Quinte Queen Rebekah Lodge No. 135 I.O.O.F. of Trenton. At the commencement of the meeting Sister E. Johnson, N.G., welcomed the large number of visitors present from Belleville, Oshawa, Hawkeock and Smith's Falls. After conducting the regular business, there were eleven candidates in waiting to learn the teachings of the Rebekah Degree.

The Degree Staff of Oshawa Lodge No. 3 under the captaincy of Brother W. Caverly exemplified the degree in a manner which brought congratulations from all present. The principal officers of the staff were Sister Poltas, N.G., Sister Shaw, P. N. G., Sister Knox, V.G. and Sister Spencer, Chaplain. After the initiation, the installation of officers took place, being conducted by Past District Deputy President Sister B. Deveney owing to illness of District Deputy Sister I. Geddes. Sister E. Robertson acting as D.D. Grand Marshall. The officers of Trenton Lodge are: N. G., Sister E. Johnson; V. G., Sister R. Gaddes; Rec. Sec., Sister C. Pearce; Financial Secretary, Sister E. Jordan; Treasurer, Sister M. Ellis; Warden, Sister M. Thow; Conductor, Sister F. Miller; R.S.N.G., Sister B. Deveney; L.S.N.G., Sister E. Harris; R.S.V.G., Sister F. Roberts; L.S.V.G., Sister M. Harvey; Chaplain, Sister R. Stacey; I.G., Sister N. Keller; O.G., Sister M. Milne.

A number of the visitors gave short addresses after which the Trenton members served refreshments in abundance. Dancing and sociability then held sway till time arrived for the visitors to leave to catch their trains, all expressing one thought, namely: Trenton Rebekahs are excellent entertainers.

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HOME FROM WINDY CITY; ROTARY TRANSPORT ARRANGED

Capt. W. E. Schuster and Mr. Gordon Moffat returned from Chicago today where they had been in conference with the Chicago executive of Rotary in relation to educational transportation for delegates to Edinburgh, Scotland, who plan to attend the annual convention of world Rotary Clubs. Applications for accommodation for 2,000 rotarians have been received. The delegates will sail from New York on the new Cunard liners, "Cameronia" and "Sythia." During their stay in Chicago, Capt. Schuster and Mr. Moffat were the guests of Mr. R. Fisher Chapin, Vice-President of the Union Press Co., of Chicago.

QUEBEC TO STOP EXPORT OF LIQUOR TO ONTARIO

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 28.—The government intends to take over the whole trade, wholesale and retail, but will not go into the export business and no one else is to be granted any sort of license. That means that the Ontario man will have to get his stuff direct from Britain.

Boys Flee Shelter for the Third Time

For the third time two boys, wards of the Children's Aid Society, are at large. These are the lads who left before Christmas and were found near Shannonville. One had a wearing a toque with a green striped sweater, the other a black coat and white check cap. They are Jimmy Sargeant and Fred Clarke aged 10.

Chief Made Happy By Return of Dog; Gone for 2 Weeks

Chief Kida is a happy man today for his Airedale terrier has been recovered. It has been a merry chase for the past two weeks the police have had for the valuable animal and many clues have been followed but until this morning, they led nowhere as the animal was so timid that she ran at the slightest attempt to catch her. Sergt. Harman proved himself the best dog-catcher on the force by his capture of the terrier at the C.N.O.R. depot. He traced "Tricks" from the opera house corner to the station and there without any extra coaxing got his glove on the dog's collar. The animal was brought to the police depot where she is in safe keeping. She is rather thin from her two weeks' privations as a wandering dog.

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LAW CAN'T HELP IN OWN VIOLATION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Thirty citizens who buy bottles labelled "champagne" only to discover the contents to be "kickless" cider, have no legal redress, District Attorney Laskey has ruled. Mr. Laskey says that the Volstead Act and the law could be invoked to aid in its own violation.

M'ALL MISSION ORGANIZED HERE

Auxiliary at Belleville is Launched at Meeting in Y. M.C.A.

MR. BROKESHIRE TALKS

A meeting of the McAll Mission of France, was held at the Y. M. C. A. last evening. Mr. R. B. Wiseman presided. Owing to the many other attractions there were not very many present but the meeting was none the less interesting and profitable. The organization of the local auxiliary was completed at this meeting. Rev. Mr. Brokenshire, the Canadian Field Secretary, was present and addressed the meeting and gave many useful suggestions. The name of the organization is to be "The Belleville McAll Auxiliary," and the following is a complete list of officers:

Hon. Pres.—Rev. Mr. Marshall.
President—Mr. R. B. Wiseman.
Vice-Presidents—Mrs. F. S. Deacon, Mr. A. A. Affleck, Mr. John Cook.

Sec.-Treas.—Mr. C. S. Clapp.
Executive—Mr. E. P. Frederick, Mr. John Elliott, Mr. H. Post, Mr. Wm. McIntosh, Mr. Charles Ostrom, Mr. Frank Thompson.

Together with the pastors of the various evangelical churches. The auxiliary will be glad to welcome any new members upon the payment of fifty cents annual fee. The first regular meeting will be held in March, or which sufficient information will be given.

3,500 BOTTLES SEIZED.
ST. CATHARINES, Jan. 28.—Twenty-five hundred bottles of whiskey were seized by temperance officers near Beausville during the night.

A Grand Rapids evangelist alleges that "woman are to blame for all the sin in the world."

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Going back to his hotel there was an evening train to leave by it. Edin attractions, but he could not and was anxious to get a packet, moreover he spent time he spent away from. There were not many passengers at the station and he found compartment, where he remained until he got tired at corner of the blind, looked and there a light ran through the darkness and as the express sped smoothly that was a the jolting it had been Canada. Indeed, except for when they raced across a the confused flashing pass as they swept through a could hardly be imagined on board a train. There ever, not much to be seen took out the packet.

It looked somewhat but he examined it carefully cover did not seem to have moved. It could not have been placed by another, but original address was the knew Carmen's hand. It was a seal which he did could have been tampered sides, the man had only five minute or two, and if he it, would probably have something out instead of putting thing in. Foster decided it mistaken about its size as ed it to his pocket.

Then he wanted a cigarette took out the case he had in his coat. Since he had been in Montreal, he had no record of his adventure on and he wondered whether ever he be able to restore it and speculated hapfully the man. As the matter name, it was strange that he communicated with him at vor, as he had promised, obviously not been attended cause there had been nothing in the Canadian newspaper thing was puzzling, but as did not concern Foster much thought about something else. It was late when he saw Newcastle and went to a hotel was fog and rain next morning saw very little of the to seemed filled with smoke. transer that carried him of dingy buildings and the lights twinkled, he got corner of a narrow street back into the haze. After the address on the packet, ed into the gloom beside the tall, sooty buildings. The pavement, and here and the stood beneath an opening wall. The buildings were warehouses, but there were had brass plates and lights the upper windows. By a found the number he entered a dirty arch, inside few names were painted on Graham's was not there, so he up the steps to inquire at office he reached.

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