

TOWNSHIPS TAKE OVER 75 MILES OF ROADWAY

Mileage of Middlesex County System Is Reduced To 415 Miles.

PLAN TRAFFIC CENSUS

Ten Miles in Caradoc To Remain Under County Jurisdiction.

Seventy-five miles of Middlesex county road system reverts back to township control today as the result of a bylaw passed by the county council last night, which lopped off the roads advocated by the Ontario department of highways. This leaves the Middlesex county road system with 415 miles instead of 490 miles.

The members of the advisory board of the department of highways, supposed to arrive at 10 o'clock in the morning, did not arrive till late noon. They were guests of the county council at lunch.

Departmental Representative. Hon. Finlay Macdonald, M.L.A., West Elgin, and Deputy Minister of Highways S. L. Squires were the only speakers for the department, and explained that the department had made it up to link up the various county road systems so that they would be of greater benefit to all.

It was proposed to take 85 miles of road, but the claims of Caradoc to reconsideration were considered by the committee behind closed doors, and it was finally agreed to restore the twelfth sideroad from Christina to Mt. Carmel as a county road.

Mr. Squires stated that the 50 per cent grant the county was now entitled to receive would date from the beginning of the present year, while the roads deleted from the system as a result of the passing of the bylaw will get a 40 per cent grant and will remain under the control of the county for the remainder of the year.

Elliott Opposes.

Councillor Tom Elliott was the only member of the council to oppose the resolution that the county accept the recommendations of the highway department regarding the designation of county roads. Other councillors voiced some objections, but were content with the fact that the county would be able to take care of the greater portion of major traffic.

"We have listened to your requests, and if there is more than a normal traffic on these roads, the only thing to do is to take a traffic census," said Mr. Squires. The committee has therefore decided to take a census on four or five roads.

"We have added ten miles to the system, and we are relocating the entrance of the Pond Mills road into London, and add the twelfth sideroad, Caradoc township, into Stratford."

Cumbersome System.

Mr. Squires was the first speaker of the afternoon. He felt that the board had the right to explain to the council the highway department attitude towards county roads. Middlesex has developed many fine roads, and was fortunate to have Charles Talbot as county engineer.

County roads are becoming more and more cumbersome, and it was decided to realign county systems. The government felt that every man was entitled to good roads, and that important roads should have first consideration.

"Traffic today is not local," said Mr. Squires, "and we are inviting the motorist to go farther afield."

"I wouldn't attempt to guess the traffic 10 years hence, but I know that in the last year the traffic on a number of roads has increased 2,000 per cent. It appears that motor cars have become essential to the majority of people. Our motor receipts already exceed those of last year by thousands of dollars."

Mr. Squires asked the councillors to forget that they represented townships, and look at the road system from a county standpoint. It was a question of time, Mr. Squires declared. The time would come when there would be a car for every six people in the province, and it would come within five years. The traffic on the roads would be increased, and it would be considered now.

Relieves Rural Districts.

The main object was to relieve the

Red Hot July Days Hard On the Baby

July—the month of oppressive heat; red hot days and sweltering nights; in extremely hot little ones, diarrhoea, dysentery, colic and cholera infantum carry off thousands of precious little lives every summer. The mother must be constantly on her guard to prevent these troubles, or if they come on suddenly to fight them. No other medicine is of such aid to mothers during the hot summer as Baby's Own Tablets. They regulate the bowels and stomach, and an occasional dose given to the well child will prevent summer troubles, or if the trouble does come on suddenly will banish it. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.—Advt.

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Some \$170,000 had been invested in the last ten years, 40 per cent being contributed by rural dwellers.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald said he hoped the councillors would approve of the changes the department proposed for Middlesex and would pass on them favorably. It was estimated that Middlesex has been asked to reduce 17 per cent, while the average throughout Ontario was 24 per cent. This was due to the fact that London, a large city, was the centre of Middlesex traffic.

It was necessary to reclassify the roads, Mr. Macdonald declared, so that there would be no overlapping in provincial, county and township roads.

"If the county systems are to survive they can only do so by minding their own business," said the speaker. "It is necessary that you say you must accept our plans, but we think it is the best we can do. If you can point out where your roads can be improved your will and your requests will prevail, providing you have reasonable arguments."

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Mr. Muir told Mr. Elliott that if he could guarantee 500 vehicles a day on the road it would be retained.

Wants Guarantees.

J. N. Sullivan, Adelaide, asked that the road from Hickory Corners to Stratford via Adelaide township be continued as a county road. Mr. Muir replied that there had been a mistake made in making the map. It had been the intention of the committee to have this highway as a county road.

Councillor Pike asked Mr. Squires whether the road referred to the Sarnia gravel road and the fourth line road, the latter a market road linking Wyoming, Watford, and London.

Mr. Squires replied that while the tourist traffic was of value to the province, the people who were paying for the roads were entitled to first consideration.

Mr. Pike expressed himself as being satisfied with this, and took it as meaning that the department was in favor of the fourth line as a provincial highway.

Members of the committee which met last night were Messrs. Macdonald, Squires, A. M. Rankin, M.L.A., Frontenac, T. Mahoney, M.L.A., London, and R. C. Muir, chief engineer.

QUESTION OF FARES UP BEFORE L. P. S. COMMISSION

Another hardy perennial is due to bloom on Monday morning, when the London railway commission holds its regular monthly meeting. For about ten years there has been an annual discussion on the possibility of reducing excursion fares to the port, and Monday's session is stated, with the question opened up once more.

Considerable data has been acquired since last year in the hope that it might be shown that reduced fares are possible.

ONE DOG OUT OF SEVEN IMPOUNDED, HAS TAG

Seven dogs barking and jumping at pedestrians on Craig street yesterday afternoon were landed in the pound by Inspector George Tustin within an hour. Only one dog had a tag, the inspector stated.

The dog was named "Bert" and was taken to the pound by Mr. Tustin who says they are liable to be shot owing to sheep killing dogs being at large.

DEAD, NOT STOLEN.

A cow owned by an Indian brave on the Muncie reserve reported to have been stolen, was found dead in the woods, Constable Nelson of the R. C. M. P. states.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY REAL ESTATE

187 HIGH—Five-room house, bathroom, furnace, 40 ft. by 150, garden, young fruit trees, cash or part payment.

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DIED.

WOOLVERTON—At Grimby, on July 10, Edgar Judson Woolverton, aged 64.

Buried at the family plot, Grimby.

GIRL FATALLY INJURED.

Hamilton, July 11.—Ellen Williams, aged ten, daughter of George and Mrs. Williams, 14 Fullerton avenue, was fatally injured by an automobile driven by Andrew Clark, 59 Harrison avenue, this morning, when the car was run down at the corner of Barton and Lesning streets.

CONDITION OF WORKMAN IS REGARDED AS GRAVE

The condition of William Eaton, 206 Parkmount road, Toronto, who was struck on the abdomen by a piece of marble while working on the new Brescia hall building yesterday, is grave. St. Joseph's hospital authorities said at noon.

Mr. Eaton is still semi-conscious and the exact extent of his injuries is unknown.

Orangeman of 71 Years To Ride Horse Thirty-Six Miles Today

Special to The Advertiser. Guelph, July 10.—One of Guelph's prominent Orangemen, Major H. D. Merewether, and veteran of many fights of July passed, who on Wednesday is the city's sanitary inspector and acting relief officer, will, despite his advanced age of 71 years, perform an unusual feat tomorrow, when he will ride the county marshal's traditional white charger on the eighteen-mile

"CLUB" S BANNED, COURT MEETS \$125

Owner and Four Other Men Are Fined by Local Magistrate.

Police efforts of several months to break a bitter gang of O. T. A. enemies, with headquarters at 369 Regent street, were rewarded this morning, when the proprietor of the "euchre club" was fined \$25 and costs for keeping a disorderly house, and four of his last night associates were similarly levied for being frequenters. The penalties were imposed by Deputy Magistrate Gladman.

The early morning roundup of revellers, all of whom were fined, included Alfred Hill, 57, 569 Regent street, keeper; James Fox, 56, 403 Pall Mall street; George Porron, 53, South street; John Matthews, 34, 25 Kitchener avenue; William McDowell, 36, 317 Pall Mall street.

All of the patrons of the suburban club are of whom were fined, including Chief Birrell said. To impress the court with their status he brought Sergt. Oakley to the box to relate the details of the club's activities. Not since four months ago, when nine men were collected, has the club yielded such substantial objects for judicial research, but the sergeant remarked that weary-legged patrons have been picked up within a few blocks of the club proper on several occasions.

Last night's roundup was conducted by Constables Berryman, Ayres and Ryckman, who preliminary to the raid at midnight and 2 a.m. saw the "wagon" all playing a vital part. The members sat about in court this morning with the exception of the host, Mr. Hill, whose bright red sweater moved about the box as he encouraged his pals to be of good heart.

Porron was the only one who deigned to give evidence and he did not make much headway with Chief Birrell and his records. "Jes" an ordinary little game of "euchre" was Porron's view of the affair in which constables say free-for-all, rubbing alcohol and furniture throwing figured.

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Dr. Wood In Washington To Study Labor Problems

Former Professor at University of Western Ontario Now At Oregon.

DEVELOPS LIBRARY

Dr. Louis Wood, who has been spending the past few weeks in London, left last night for Washington, where he will spend some time carrying on research work at the department of labor there. Dr. Wood, who was formerly a member of the university of Western Ontario staff, is now in charge of the labor division of the department of economics at the state university of Oregon. He is specializing in labor problems which are being stressed in the western universities.

Since taking over his work at Eugene, in which the university is located, Dr. Wood has been supervising the gathering of material related to labor subjects with the object of developing at the university of Oregon, one of the best research libraries in that field, on the Pacific coast.

It is in connection with this work that he is now making a visit to Washington and New York, and to come into closer touch with the leading labor officials and government offices relating to labor.

The department of economics of the university of Oregon is exceptionally large, nearly five hundred students registering in that department alone last year, with a large proportion making close studies of labor problems. The student body is very cosmopolitan, students enrolling from China, the Hawaiian Islands, South America, and other parts of the world. One student had been sent out by the Chinese government and another by the government of Peru to study labor legislation in the United States.

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