

NEWS FROM NORFOLK COUNTY

PATRIOTIC ASSOC'N MET

Annual Meeting of Norfolk County Organization Held Last Night

SPLENDID REPORT

Members Appreciate Great Public Services of Secretary McKiee

Simcoe, Jan. 24.—(From Our Own Correspondent)—The annual meeting of the Norfolk County Patriotic Association was held in the county room last evening.

Reserve Clubbing. The reserve fund—part of allowance held back had increased \$1,000 during the year and now amounts to over \$20,000.

Discharged soldiers are given their share on application and are invariably glad that some saving has been made to help tide over till they get back into employment.

Since Oct. 15th, \$115,000 has been distributed. The work has been done with absolute impartiality. Errors when detected or reported have been corrected.

Up to Dec. 31st last the office cost has been only \$113.97 or less than 1 per cent though headquarters allows 4 per cent.

Items of this expenditure are: wages \$719.00, Printing \$32.05, Postage and War Stamps \$301.72.

Recruiting Fund. There is still on hand \$188.09 of the 133rd recruiting fund.

Emergency Fund. Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1917, \$1234.16. Bank interest \$26.92. Disbursements \$15.00.

Balance Dec. 31st, \$1246.08. The monthly distribution throughout the year has averaged \$3432 against \$6000 granted to the fund.

There has been a slight falling off in distribution throughout the year. The secretary stated that he expected in future to have, through the Soldiers' Aid Commission, advice in advance concerning the arrival of returning soldiers.

Norfolk Not Lagging. Questions from members elicited the fact that Norfolk is paying her full share into the fund, \$2.22 per capita of population against \$2 added for the whole Dominion for 1918.

Mr. McKiee Asks to be Retired. At the conclusion of a most exhaustive report on the work of the McKiee asked to be relieved of the work. He had never thought that the war would hang on so long when he undertook the job.

The question of pensions. The last half hour of the meeting was spent in a lively discussion of the Pension question. So many adjustments have been made and there have been so many changes in pensions—generally increases—allowed that the general impression is current that the returned men are being dealt with rather superficially and occasionally perhaps too liberally comparatively speaking, but usually too little is stipulated.

Much Business Transacted. Simcoe, Jan. 24.—Council resumed sitting at 2 p.m. Warden Jno. L. Buck in the chair. Members all present.

Communication. (1) From the treasurer, Statement showing \$1266.18 balance on hand in the bank and the following arrears of taxes.

Charlotteville \$150.44, Houghton 21.94, Middleton 206.81, Townsend 79.57, S. Walsingham 135.87, N. Walsingham 205.53, Windham 94.33, Woodhouse 13.31, Delhi 244.72, Port Dover 359.13, Waterford 18.68.

Retired to Finance Committee. (2) From A. H. Cook, M.D., of Port Dover, account \$59.50 for examination of insane. To Finance Committee.

(3) From the clerk of Windham, for care of unknown child at \$5 a week, \$130.00. Finance.

(4) From Guy R. Marston enclosing letter and claim of \$5.25 for repairs to cutter damaged by contact with a stump fence on the East quarter township of Townsend between concessions 10 and 11—W. Mason, claimant—Roads and Bridges.

Great War Veterans Ask for Aid. Messrs. Harry French and Robert Rawling of the G. W. V. Association of Simcoe, introduced by Deputy-Reeve Langford of Simcoe addressed council with a view to getting financial aid in the matter of receiving returned soldiers and carrying on their work—Committee of whole.

Good Roads Report. Supt. Guy R. Marston C. E. read his first report on the system. See elsewhere.

Frank Reid, chairman; Geo. Williamson, Treasurer and J. D. McIntosh, officer of the Children's Aid Society interviewed council regarding grant and board allowance for wards of society—Committee of whole.

Auditors of Criminal Accounts. A by-law appointing His Honor Judge Bowles, Wm. Hambley and Geo. J. McKiee a board of audit of criminal audit accounts was put through its various stages and passed.

High School Trustees. The resignation of T. D. Duncombe as trustee of Waterford High school was accepted and J. M. Forbes was appointed for the balance of his term of office. The following trustees were appointed:—Committee of whole.

Simcoe—Wm. Sutton. Port Rowan—W. H. Meek. Waterford—A. J. Gould. Port Dover—John S. Martin.

A by-law to borrow to the extent of \$100,000 to carry on the public service of the county on the public by chairman Duncombe of the finance committee and passed.

O. H. Duncombe Chairman of Committee of Whole. Council went into committee of the chair.

Good roads expenditures. Grant to Sick Children's Hospital Toronto, the former was passed on and the bill June session, the clerk asked for data as to the percentage outside children and Toronto city children treated therein. There was strong opinion expressed that the county should first look to the interests of the sick and neglected at home.

NORFOLK GOOD ROADS SYSTEM

Lengthy Report Submitted by Mr. Marston—The Big Expenditure Under the Old System

Simcoe, Jan. 23.—Supt. Guy R. Marston presented an exhaustive and well written report to the County Council yesterday with regard to a Good Roads system. With the enclosed forms and tabulated statements required to be sent by the Council to the Minister of Public Works when making application for the Government grant. The following are extracts.

Distribution by Township. The following is a schedule showing the Equalized assessment of the various townships together with the road mileage assumed and also the road mileage if it were calculated exactly according to the equalized assessment.

Table with columns: Township, Equalized Assessment, Miles Assumed, Equalized Amount. Rows include: Township, 2,900,000; Woodhouse, 2,100,000; Middleton, 1,500,000; S. Walsingham, 1,150,000; N. Walsingham, 975,000; Houghton, 725,000.

I do not think it wise to adhere too strictly to the proportion according to the equalized assessment as these highways should be for the benefit of the whole county and should be improved with this object in view and while this schedule is drawn up somewhat on this line, I am of the opinion that the variation of cost in building these roads will modify this considerably.

It is necessary to maintain the system and keep the same in a proper state of repair, I have collected information as to the statute labor that was required to be done on the roads which have been assumed and have also taken from the financial statements of the various townships the amounts expended on roads and bridges during the last three years and struck an average to arrive at a fair rate. It is assumed that a proportional part of this was expended on the roads taken over and I have calculated this in accordance with the road mileage assumed and the road mileage of the Township referred to.

Big Expenditure on Old System. The following schedule shows the total amount of Statute labor in the County, the number of days on the County System, the average Total of Road and bridge expenditures, and the roads which have been assumed and the mileage taken over by the County.

Table with columns: Township, Statute Labor, Days on Road System, Average Expenditure. Rows include: Township, 4770; Windham, 4194; Charlotteville, 3550; Woodhouse, 3200; Middleton, 3206; S. Walsingham, 2002; N. Walsingham, 2238; Houghton, 1390.

This shows a total of 24,078 Statute labor days in the county and a Total Expenditure of \$21,159 on roads and bridges, reckoning the statute labor day at the commutation rates of the various townships the amount of money spent on the roads by statute labor is \$31,831 annually, which added to the general expenditure on roads and bridges gives a total of \$53,990 expended yearly on all the roads in the County.

Estimated Maintenance for 1918. On the roads assumed by the County Road System the number of statute labor days is 6678 and if this is commuted according to the average commutation rate the work represents an expenditure of \$3995.00.

Owing to the fact that this commutation rate is below the average paid to the various villages by the various Municipalities, this may be discussed I consider with great advantage.

Necessary Work Already Done. Since the by-law came into force various works have been completed, and owing to the urgency of certain work the organizing of the System

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FIRE TRUCK WELL TESTED

Made Run Through Snow Under Most Adverse Conditions

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Simcoe, Jan. 23.—At 11 o'clock yesterday a call was sent into the fire department from the residence of Artley Ploek, Orchard avenue.

It was but a chimney fire and no damage done, but the chemical truck made her way through the snow up West street, under the most adverse conditions. Arriving near the scene in advance, by another car, the chief was destined for some time by a dog which came out and challenged his right to proceed.

A clause in the present dog-by-law authorizes the police to direct that this and all such cars be kept off the streets. There are a few clauses in the present by-law with which, apparently very few are familiar.

The funeral yesterday of Rev. J. Parker Bell was attended by the following clergymen: Rev. J. A. McLachlan, president of the Conference; Rev. G. E. Bradshaw, of Galt; Rev. Wray R. Smith, of Brantford; Rev. Thos. Boyd, Ridgeway; Rev. Thos. Voaden, Teeterville; Rev. H. H. Bobb, Townsend; Rev. Henry Brand, Pt. Dover; Rev. Snider, Old Windham, besides the resident clergy. Rev. McLachlan had charge of the service at the church. Addresses paying high tribute to the splendid life work of deceased were delivered by Rev. Boyd, a life-long friend, by Rev. Bradshaw, who, through his ministry, was led to enter the work of new church, and by the pastor, Rev. J. H. McBain. The bearers were all clergymen.

Buried in a Strange Land. There was an unusually marked feeling of sympathy throughout the town yesterday in the matter of the sudden demise and funeral here of the wife of Corp. L. H. Holman, who an unexpected death came as a shock here.

A native of London, England, and only a couple of months out in this Canada, of which she had heard so much, and had loved so much that she wedded a Canadian soldier lad and bade good-bye to home and parents, for this far away from home and sympathetic friends in Ottawa and Simcoe testified their concern in floral offerings—so young, so far from home—and their sympathies reached across the broad Atlantic in silence.

Bon companions of a few years since, of her popular husband carried the casket to the grave. They

were Lorne McCall, Bruce Whistler, Arthur Stevens, Geo. Lea, Frank Ryerse and Ormond A. Ryerse.

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A SENSATION IS CREATED By Bolsheviki Delegate in Great Britain Practically Urges British to Start a Revolution

London, Jan. 23.—Correspondents of London newspapers reporting the Labor Congress at Nottingham dwell upon a speech by Litvinoff, the Bolsheviki envoy in Great Britain, and especially a passage which one newspaper describes as an incitement to revolution in this country.

The Daily Mail correspondent says that the feature of the evening meeting was a sensational violent appeal by Litvinoff to British workers to leave off negotiations and follow the example of Russia. He added that the peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk had made more history in three weeks than the three years of the war.

"If peace does not result," he said, "then revolution is inevitable, and let me hope, perhaps, somewhere else will bring the war to an end." There was "terrific applause" at this speech, says the correspondent.

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