

COUNCIL ADOPTS SUPERVISION PLAN

Middlesex Body, On Close Vote, Backs Provincial Government Scheme.

DEFICIT IS CUT

Middlesex county councilors three months to the four weeks last night when it came to a vote on the Ontario government policy of forcing rural municipalities to give the province a grant of 30 per cent of township road costs.

The council finally decided to give the government proposition a trial, the deciding vote being cast by Warden McPherson, a Liberal of the old school.

Chief among the opponents of the government measure, which goes into effect this year, were A. C. Hodgins, Marshall, the government engineer, and R. T. Roycraft and J. N. Sullivan, moved earlier in the week that the council go on record as being opposed to the government policy regarding road superintendents. The matter was referred to the highway committee, which brought in a resolution last night that be taken.

Committee of Whole.

Mr. Roycraft then asked for committee of the whole on the report, and Austin Winter was asked to take the chair by the warden.

"I may be in favor of the present government, but I'm not in favor of their law regarding road superintendents," declared Mr. Roycraft. "The last three years in our township (Biddulph) the work has been passed on an being government engineers," continued Mr. Roycraft. "Why should we have a road superintendent at a salary of \$1,000 or more when the township money that \$50, I refuse to accept this new law, 30 per cent or otherwise, and I'm asking the county council to back me up."

"The reserves have been looking after the business in good shape, and it hasn't been costing us much," declared J. N. Sullivan. "My expenses have never been over \$50 a year for the past three years. I won't say that I've been overpaid."

Councillor Tom Elliott, who usually proceeds to turn the well-known Elliott guns on Messrs. Roycraft and Sullivan.

Urges Fair Trial.

"I think it is a step in the right direction," declared Mr. Elliott. "Put your work under one management. I believe every township should try it out. If it isn't successful, we can talk to the government then. I think it is good business."

"In five years' time our municipalities will be represented by a county and a township overseer," retorted Mr. Sullivan. "That's what has happened in the United States."

"I am pleased with Mr. Elliott's stand," declared J. S. Cousins, reeve of Westminster township. "We calculate in our township that a road superintendent will be a road force."

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CROSS WORD PUZZLE NO. 93

Cross-word puzzlers will find here a number of words pertaining to Christmas. It is not too hard for the novice, nor too easy for the experienced puzzler.

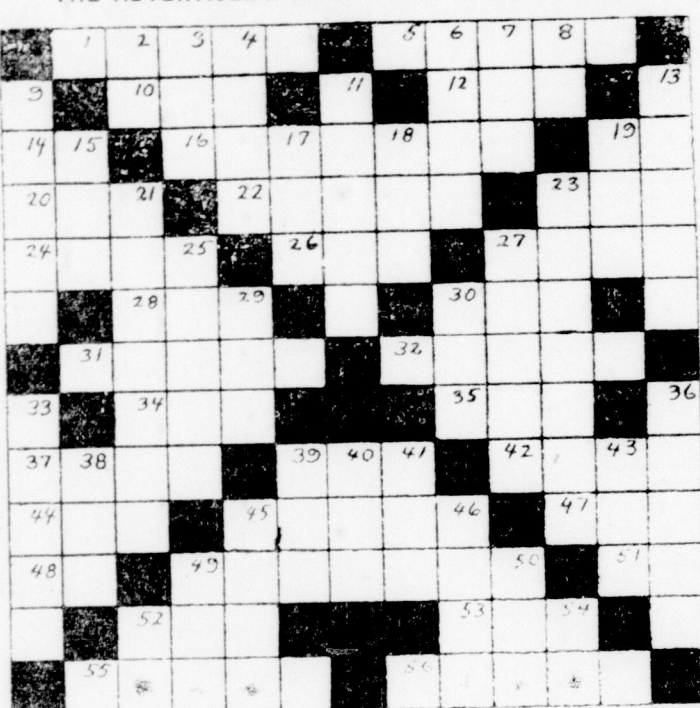
Each word reads from left to right (horizontal) or downward (vertical) according to position. Lettered in correctly, words that cross will interlock.

Each number in the white squares also refers to a definition in the accompanying table.

Each definition suggests a word possessing the exact number of letters to fit the white spaces allotted to it.

Each white space is to receive one letter only. Words start only in numbered squares.

THE ADVERTISER'S DAILY CROSS WORD PUZZLE.



HORIZONTAL.

1 Symbol of Christmas (4)
5 Part of window (4)
10 Proseman (6)
12 Canadian implement association (10)
14 End of Christmas letter (4)
16 Christmas decorations (8)
19 McGonagall (8)
20 Energy (slang) (6)
22 East Indies (6)
23 A slant (cab) (4)
24 Physician (slang) (6)
26 Fragment of Christmas pie (6)
27 Beverage (6)
28 Devour (6)

VERTICAL.

2 Forever (6)
3 At once (4)
4 To make go (4)
6 Pain (4)
7 Relative (contraction) (6)
8 Exclamation (4)
9 Adjunct of Christmas dinner (6)
11 Given for debt (6)
13 Golf ball's starting point (6)
15 Cavalry award (6)
17 Men's Christmas gift (6)
18 Body of water (6)
19 Principal (6)
21 Christmas enjoyment (6)
23 Beverage (6)
24 Called after too hearty Christmas dinner (6)
25 Received at Christmas time (6)
26 Christmas gift for good little girls (6)

SOLUTION TO NO. 92.

C O N V E N I E N T
H M E L O D Y H
L O T A R E B E
O R B M A B A R
R A I N R O O M
O T T O H O B O
F O E P K N A S
O R V O I R B T
R B I L L E T A
M I S C O N D U C T

The high constable reported that it had not, and he believed that the government had decided to take no steps in the matter.

The council granted \$250 to the Salvation Army rescue home, and \$1,000 to the Children's Shelter. The tender for all county printing was awarded to Evans Bros., Stratford.

Asks Allowance.

A letter from Miss Maudie Harris, former jail matron, asking for a superannuation allowance was referred to the finance committee.

Deputation from the western fair asked a grant of \$250 for the calf competition. The request was promised consideration.

Byron village trustees appeared in person and asked the council to protect children on the Pipe line road in the vicinity of Springbank Park.

The trustees declared that the auto traffic was so heavy in summer months that protection near the amusement park was an absolute necessity. The deputation consisted of R. M. Miller, Jos. Cassidy and Alex. Graham. This matter also will be looked into by the council.

A grant for the London humane society was requested by W. Wallace and E. H. McKone. Action will be taken later in the week.

On the suggestion of Duncan Gordon, reeve of Delaware, the entire council will inspect the jail today at 10 o'clock.

Institute Asks Grant.

R. W. Wilcox representing the Canadian National Institute for the blind, asked for a grant to that institution.

Public School Inspectors J. H. Sexton and Thompson gave their reports for the year.

Mr. Sexton stated that teachers' salaries in West Middlesex totalled \$110,755, with 2,347 pupils attending or a cost of \$48 per pupil. Eighty-two per cent of pupils trying entrance examinations passed with flying colors, the inspector stated.

Some 105 teachers were employed in West Middlesex during 1924, with an increase in the number of male teachers.

Education Costs.

The cost of education in East Middlesex last year was \$198,000, Mr. Thompson said. Of this amount \$23,000 was used in building two new schools.

Alex. Campbell, inspector of the House of Refuge, Stratford, asked that power be delegated to some individual to discharge inmates and collect board from those in a position to pay. He pointed out that since the bylaws had been revised no one had this power. Action was promised by the House of Refuge committee.

COUNCIL IS COMPLETED.

Listowel, Jan. 29.—Robert Ronalds on Tuesday obtained 84 more votes than A. E. Rennie in the election for councillor. Mr. Ronalds had 301 votes and Mr. Rennie 217. It was necessary to hold this election as only five of those nominated at the regular nomination meeting qualified.

Photo by Sanders.

Saturday Ends Our Business Year

With a Store Full of Sale Events

Tomorrow, the last day of the month of sales and the last day of our business year is our announcement of more than usual significance. On every floor and in every department without exception the price tickets announce reductions which are most unusual.

Saturday will be a good day to shop for only a few of the year-end clearings will be announced in the newspaper ads.

Blankets and Comforters In Saturday Clearance

COTTON FILLED COMFORTERS—See Window



13 only large size Cotton-Filled Comforters, covered in silkoline; one-quarter off, at... \$3.68 each

7 only large size Cotton-Filled Comforters, covered in silkoline, with saten borders, at... \$5.58 each

Down Filled Comforters

17 only Down-Filled Comforters, large size, extra well filled; serviceable colorings. Clearance Sale price at... \$10.38, \$12.38, \$13.48 and \$14.58

12 only Down-Filled Comforters, in all-satin tops and saten and satin borders; large sizes; excellent colorings. \$16.88, \$18.68, \$20.58 and \$21.38

BLANKET COMFORTABLES, ONE-THIRD OFF

12 only heavy Cotton Comfortables, plaid designs; easily laundered. Clearance Sale price... \$4.98 and \$7.38 each

WOOL BLANKETS, SALE PRICE, \$9.38 PAIR

25 pairs only at less than last season's price, and fully 30 per cent below next shipments; double bed size, 64x84 inches. A fine, fleecy blanket. Sale price... \$9.38 pair

Fourth Floor.

SATURDAY SPECIALS IN WASH GOODS SECTION

COMFORTER CHINTZ—A full yard wide, new imported cloth in a host of patterns and designs, about 20 different to select from, in conventional, floral and other pretty designs. You will hardly fail to find what you require in this new and varied assortment. Sale price... 24c yard

Comforter Batts for full-sized Comforters for this day only, at 84c, \$1.29

PERCALES—A beautiful cloth of excellent quality, in this season's newest colorings and designs. Colors are guaranteed fast. This fabric is gaining favor rapidly for the making of house dresses, bungalow aprons and for children's wear; lovely designs and colorings; 36 inches wide, 39c

INDIAN HEAD—In a wonderful range of colors, which are guaranteed fast. This is a lovely finished cloth, most suitable for dresses, etc. This fabric is of excellent quality and finish; American manufacture, and carries the name on the selvage. It will be a very popular dress cloth for the coming spring; 36 inches wide. Price... 75c

ANDERSON GINGHAMS—A new shipment of this imported Scotch Gingham, in about 50 different patterns and designs, ranging from the popular baby check to the newest in stripes and broken check designs; 32 inches wide... 40c yard

VOILES—A special range of colors in this season's goods; a really good voile of a very fine weave and finish; suitable for ladies' wear; recommended for infants' and children's clothes, etc.; 38 inches wide, 50c yard

Main Floor.

IN THE MEN'S SHOP, SATURDAY

Clearance Sale Men's Suits, \$19

English tweeds, worsteds, suits taken from our regular stock and reduced to clear them out before the new stock arrives; \$19.00 is a very low price for suits of this quality. Do not miss this opportunity to save many dollars on one of these suits

tomorrow... \$19.00

SALE OF HIGH-GRADE HAND-TAILORED SUITS, \$29.00

Leishman and other high-grade suits, from regular stock and reduced one-third to one-half price. Finest imported fabrics; light and dark shades. Excellent value tomorrow... \$29.00

SALE JUVENILE SUITS Nearly One-Third to One-Half Price, \$3.95, \$5.95

Boys 4 to 7 years.

Smart Juvenile Suits in smart styles for small boys; grouped and reduced to clear... \$3.95

4 to 7 years clearing at... \$5.95

SHEETS AND PILLOW CASES

Made free this week. Order yours Saturday.

SMALL MANSION REPAIR

LIST OF SPECIALS FOR YOUR SATURDAY CANDY TREAT

100 pounds assorted Chocolates, hard and soft centers. Special value at... 34c pound

Chocolates by the box, Pineapple and Nut Crunches, fancy rich Creams and Cherries in liqueur. Special price... 98c box

Sharp's Super-Kreem Toffee, the popular imported English sweet, packed in airtight tins, 25c and 35c

Assorted Chocolate Bars... 6 for 23c

Candy Circle, Main Floor.

Outstanding Values For Month-End Sale In Linen Section

58-Inch Union Kitchen Damask, 79c Yard

A quality you can buy with every confidence for good hard wear. This lot offered Saturday is the last shipment from special price contract and is priced at 25 per cent below regular. Get a share tomorrow for kitchen cloths or breakfast use. Will bleach in a few washings; two pieces only; plain and broken dice. Special... 79c yard

Big Special Bath Towels, 59c Each

Your choice of all white or large blue check in lovely quality two-ply yarn, generous size and woven from lovely soft absorbent yarns that will dry and launder well. About 15 dozen in the lot. Special at... 59c each, \$7.00 dozen

18-Inch Double Damask Table Napkins, \$4.75 Dozen

A superior quality in smaller size, which is proving a very popular seller; another special lot for tomorrow, rose design; 15 dozen only... \$4.75 dozen, or \$2.38 per half dozen

Plain Hemstitched Scarfs Specially Priced

Fine quality pure Irish linen, finished in superior spoke hemstitch, with the never French corners. These are lovely for general use, and at tomorrow's prices should sell quickly.

Size 18x36, special, 95c. Size 18x45, special, \$1.15 each.

Main Floor.

FLANNELETTE GOWNS, SPECIALLY PRICED, \$1.39

Through the remaining months of winter you'll appreciate the comfort of these Flannelette Gowns. There are ten dozen on sale, made of soft white flannelette, Mother Hubbard style with double yoke at back; long sleeves and high and V-shaped neck; trimmed with hemstitching, tucks and embroidery. Sizes 36 to 44 bust. Special, \$1.39

Second Floor.

Clearance From Toilet Goods Counter POWDER PUFFS, MANICURE PIECES AND OTHER ARTICLES AT HALF PRICE

Fancy Crepe de Chine and Maltese Lace-Trimmed Handkerchiefs, with wool powder puff attached. Half price... 39c, 87c, \$1.12, \$1.49

Ebony and Ivory Manicure pieces, Cuticle Knives and Cuticle Pushers, less than half price... 19c

Roger and Gallet's Brunette Rouge Powder. Special price... 19c

Toilet Roll-ups in various sizes, less than half price... 39c, 59c, \$1.95

Shampoo Powders, Egyptian henna, otto of roses, otto of violet... 3 for 25c

Toilet Counter, Main Floor.

Shirts, Underwear, Hosiery In January Clearance Sale

SHIRTS

Manhattan, Arrow, Welch-Margetson and other high-grade lines; madras, percales, zephyrs, repps, broadcloths. Do not miss these values tomorrow. In various groups... 98c, \$1.98, \$2.49, \$2.98

WINTER WEIGHT UNDERWEAR

Combinations, Watson's Elastic Ribbed Union Suits, excellent winter weight; sizes to 40. Clearing at... \$2.95

SALE OF ENGLISH "BROGUE" SOCKS

Ribbed All-Wool English Socks, in heather shades. Remarkable value at... 49c

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One-Third to One-Half Off

Browns, greens, white and other color combinations... \$2.49

YOUR MID-DAY LUNCHEON

Quick Service, 11:30 to 2:30. Special Course Dinners, 49c and 65c. Restaurant—Fourth Floor.