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# REVISION OF ROAD SYSTEM HAS FULL CONSIDERATION

County Council Takes No Definite  
Action on the New Proposal

The receipt of a new and official map from the department of public highways showing proposed revision of Lambton county road system together with a covering letter brought on another discussion of the subject at Wednesday afternoon's meeting of the county council. No definite action was taken, however, the councillors deciding to lay the matter over for further consideration after a motion and an amendment had been offered.

The motion, in substance, was that the council hold a special meeting at a date to be fixed by the department, which a representative of the government would attend to explain some of the details of the scheme.

One of the major points on which official information was lacking was whether or not the county would be permitted to complete the program mapped out for this year or be required to take up the new system at once.

The covering letter received with the map set out, among other things, that the government would pay a subsidy of 50 per cent under the new system and that it would be advisable for the county to pass an approving bylaw at this session.

Reeve Fred Eastman of Arkona inquired if the county would be able to go on until the end of the year with the program mapped out in the event that it was decided not to adopt the new system. No one could give a positive reply on that point but county clerk John Huey said he believed that the county was obliged to adopt the new scheme.

County road superintendent John McCallum was invited to give the council some enlightenment on the question. He said that pursuant to the resolution of the council earlier in the week he had communicated with the department of highways regarding the possibility of having a representative come to Sarnia before the end of the session. The deputy minister was away from the office at Toronto at the time but he finally got in touch with one of the engineers and the latter suggested that if the council could hold a special meeting about the week after next a representative would probably be able to attend. The department would fix a definite date.

Speaking of the project revision of the system, Mr. McCallum said that the county system would be reduced about 15.7 per cent. The original aggregate mileage of the system was 542 miles and under the change the county would retain 288.4 miles of the present plan and would have added 23.2 miles heretofore not in the system.

The superintendent added that he would like to map out a new system and if it met with the approval of the council, submit it to the department and he was sure that the latter body would give it consideration. Under the new scheme the county was losing two of the principal roads, nine and eleven. He believed that the council could approach the department and ask for the retention of those two roads and the request would be taken under advisement. Road eleven ran in Brooke and road nine in Dawn, Sombra and Sarnia. He felt satisfied that the council would be allowed to carry out its 1925 program to completion.

**Special Meeting**

Reeve Ben Muma of Warwick said he could not see why it was necessary to call a special meeting and add to the expenses of the county. He was of the opinion that the new plan could be started the first of next year.

Reeve Thomas Burnley of Plympton favored equalization of mileage for each township. He felt, however, that the plan submitted by the department would eventually be adopted.

Warden Hackett said that Lambton county was not the only county which was not altogether satisfied with the proposed change. Other counties seemed to be dissatisfied.

Deputy reeve Edwards of Moore pointed out that the program for the year had been mapped out and the appropriation set and a change at this time would bring about disorganization.

Reeve Robert Hair of Forest then proposed that a special meeting of the council be called at a date to be set by the department. In view of the fact that the council had, by resolution, requested the department to send up a representative, it would only be the fair and courteous thing to do to call a special meeting, he said.

After stating that he was not in favor of calling a special meeting any more than anyone else, Reeve Connolly of Watford said that he felt the subject was important enough to warrant a special meeting.

Reeve R. F. Rickett, of Alvinston said that the only information which seemed to be required was whether or not the council could carry out the program laid out for the year. That could be obtained by communication and he did not see the necessity for a special meeting.

Reeve Ed. Armitage, of Sombra had no complaint with the new plan proposed by the department.

Reeve Eastman of Arkona then proposed an amendment that the communication from the department be laid over for further consideration.

No vote was taken on the motion or amendment but the councillors unanimously agreed to defer the matter until later in the session.

**Bridge Repairs**

The roads and bridges committee presented a report recommending that the Napier bridge in Brooke and Metcalfe townships be recovered with white oak planks at an estimated cost to Lambton of \$350 and that the Aberfeldy bridge on the townline of Brooke and Euphemia be recovered with a concrete floor and also repainted. Reeve Loosmore of Brooke was named as commissioner for the Napier bridge and Reeve Barron of Euphemia, commissioner for the Aberfeldy job. The council concurred in the report. Notice of bylaws to provide for the two bridge jobs was subsequently given.

First and second readings were given to a bylaw to fix the remuneration of the jail turnkey and to grant aid to the beekeepers association.

The council adjourned to Friday. Thursday was taken for a trip to Detroit as the guest of Warden Hackett. This day's outing has become an annual institution at the June sessions.

**Routine Business Disposed of and Councillors Went Way Homeward**

The Lambton county councillors closed their June session at noon Friday with the completion of unfinished routine business and a few social amenities. No reply was received to the telegram dispatched Thursday afternoon to the deputy minister of highways for Ontario inquiring whether the county would be able to carry on with the roads program already prepared in view of the proposed revision.

A resolution expressing appreciation and thanks for the trip to Detroit as his guest on Thursday was tendered to Warden Hackett on motion of Reeve Fred Eastman of Arkona, seconded by Reeve R. F. Rickett of Alvinston. In reply the warden said he was glad to know that the councillors had enjoyed the trip as he certainly had a good time.

Just prior to adjournment J. Deyo of Sombra complained of the ferryman over the creek at Beecher.

Reeve W. W. Miller of Moore was selected as chairman by Warden Hackett when the council went into committee of the whole on bylaws.

**Jail Surgeon**

Dr. T. Bradley was named county jail surgeon in succession to the late Dr. William Lorie when the blank in that measure was reached. He has been acting in that capacity since the death of the former surgeon.

The Ontario board of agriculture for Lambton was granted the usual sum of \$500 for the year in another bylaw and a donation of \$25 was made to the Queen Mary Hospital for consumptive children.

The fund for the payment of grand and petit jurors for 1925 was fixed at \$2,500.

The remuneration of W. G. Gilbert newly appointed jail turnkey was set at \$800 with \$100 additional for caretaking service.

Aid for certain continuation classes in the county was fixed as follows: Alvinston, \$250; Oil Springs \$250; Arkona \$150; Florence \$100.

## INWOOD

Miss Brewer of London is visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Atkin.

Mrs. Black and son Billy of Detroit are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wallis.

Mr. John McDonald of Bothwell was a visitor of Dr. and Mrs. McLean on Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McCabe spent Sunday near Bothwell.

Mrs. Olive Marchbank of Oil Springs spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. John Barrett.

Mrs. Robert Downie is spending a few days in Windsor.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dawson with Mrs. J. R. Richardson motored to Anglin Monday afternoon attending Confirmation service in the Anglican church.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Johnston of Camlachie spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. Henry Johnson.

Mr. Neil McVicar, who has been attending the Michigan State University at Ann Arbor is spending holidays at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagelstein, Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Trovhill motored to the lake (Bright's Grove) on Tuesday last.

Mrs. A. Wilks underwent an operation at St. Joseph's hospital, London on Friday of last week. We are glad to say she is doing nicely.

Mr. William Gordon of West Lorne and Miss Wilson of Cleveland, O., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. Lloyd.

The Inwood branch of the East Lambton Women's Institute held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. (Dr.) H. McLean on Tuesday, May 26th. The president, Mrs. McLean, occupied the chair. The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Albert Atkin; 1st vice-president, Mrs. M. Crawford; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Trovhill; sec.-treas., Mrs. W. A. Graham; cor. sec., Mrs. (Dr.) Urie; directors, Mesdames R. J. Richardson S. S. Courtwright, J. R. Richardson S. S. Courtwright, pianists, Mesdames R. Chapman, Wallace, and Miss Grace Pratt.

Mr. Fletcher of the Royal Bank in town spent Sunday at his home in Appin.

Mr. F. J. Robinson was in Inwood on Friday.

Mr. Gault and the Misses Parker of Watford spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Courtwright.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman of Bothwell spent Sunday with Mrs. Coleman's brother, Mr. Robert Dudley.

Mrs. L. A. McLellan of Detroit spent a few days lately with Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Courtwright.

Mrs. Trovhill spent Saturday in London.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Anderson and family spent Sunday in Sarnia.

Mrs. Annie Duggan of Oil Springs is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Courtwright.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Ferguson of Glencoe and Mrs. Ferguson of Detroit spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnston.

The Inwood Presbyterian church social will be held on Friday, June 19th, instead of June 23rd, as previously announced.

Members of the Women's Institute turned out on the afternoon of June 4th in spite of the hot weather to hear Miss Slicer of Kitchener who gave a very instructive address and was enjoyed by all present.

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## COUNCILLORS PLAY BALL

Lambton county councillors lost their dignity and a lot of perspiration on Thursday evening when teams captained by warden Joe Hackett and reeve Fred Eastman of Arkona matched forces in a softball tilt on the campus of the Sarnia collegiate and technical school. From the fragmentary details which came to light Friday it was revealed that the warden's nine triumphed by a count of 13 to 7. It was at Wednesday's session that the challenge to combat was hurled at the warden's desk by Reeve Eastman and the presiding officer's reply was "I'm game." Seven o'clock was fixed as the hour and the challenger advised that he had secured the loan of necessary equipment. The program was carried out as scheduled. Although the winners modestly declined to enlarge on their triumph it appeared that what the challenger needed was a better team as well as equipment. Warden Hackett took up the mound duties for his own nine with Scott receiving. Eastman went on the receiving end of the battery for the challengers and he had two batters serving them up. Reeve Miller of Moore started but was chased to cover in the first frame and Gammon finished up. Reeve Thomas Burnley of Plympton declined to talk for publication but teammates said he was a second Babe Ruth with the bat and an Eddie Collins in the field. There were no casualties.

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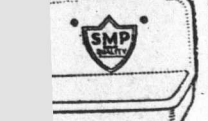
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