

York County and Suburbs of Toronto

THREE TOWNSHIPS WOULD CO-OPERATE

Just Waiting for the City to Make Satisfactory Terms.

REEVES INTERVIEWED CAN GO RIGHT AHEAD

All Agree Arrangement is Necessary — Are Willing to Confer.

Some time ago there was a conference held between the city and the reeve of the townships adjoining Toronto to see if any plan could be formulated by which the townships could join in a general scheme to provide for the development of the suburban districts, by laying out highways, sewerage, water supply and transportation in one big system. This conference was the outcome of Ald. Morley S. Wickett's suggestion that a metropolitan area be formed but nothing definite resulted as many considered the boundaries of the area suggested too wide to be effective.

Subsequently W. F. Maclean, M. P., suggested that the townships of Scarborough, York and Etobicoke alone unite with the city in planning for the future. The idea met with much favor generally, and the reeves of the three townships considered it much more feasible than the larger scheme. Nothing has been done yet, however. The last conference was adjourned indefinitely and the chairman has not convened another meeting.

Present developments in York, Etobicoke and Scarborough all point to the necessity for some action being taken, but the townships are waiting for the city to act in the matter.

Scarboro's Needs.

Reeve Cornell of Scarborough realizes the necessity for something being done. "At the last meeting," he said, "I considered the advisability of having a general survey made but we could not arrive at any conclusion. In certain sections of the township we need water and sewerage, and while Scarborough's needs are not so great as those of York Township, the necessity increases every year."

Reeve Syme, when interviewed on the matter said: "I think the township do? We have been waiting to hear from the city. The whole question is so broad that it is impossible for us to act alone in the matter. It's the city's business. As I've said before, we are holding the township in trust for the city, and if we did go ahead and do anything ourselves, it's ten chances to one that the whole business would have to be scrapped."

Who's to Pay?

"How about employing an expert?" asked the reporter. "Who's to pay the expert?" countered the reeve. "He would have to be a city expert. I would have to work in conjunction with the city officials."

"That was the trouble at the last meeting. It was suggested that a survey be made, but the question at issue arose. Who was to pay for it?" "Would you favor paying the fair share of the cost of any special work of that kind, if the other municipalities were willing?" he asked.

"Yes, I would. I know that something has to be done, but we can't act without the city's aid."

Small Municipalities. Reeve Silverthorne of Etobicoke also favors the proposition, but he thinks it essential that small municipalities such as Mimico, Toronto and Weston be included in the combination. These places are developing small improved areas of their own and anything that the township agrees to do must affect them.

ELORA PIONEER DEAD

RESIDENT OF TORONTO

Funeral of the Late J. G. Somers Takes Place to Mount Pleasant Today.

The funeral will take place today at Mount Pleasant cemetery of the late J. G. Somers, who died at his home 291 King Street west on Wednesday at the ripe age of 90 years.

The late Mr. Somers was a native of England, coming from Somersetshire to Canada about 45 years ago. He became engaged in the clothing business in Brantford, where he married Prudence McLean Harley, sister of the late Archbishop Harley, ex-M.P. deceased him about eight years ago.

Shortly after his marriage he moved to Elora, being one of the pioneers of that town, and for forty years he conducted one of its finest clothing stores, moving to Toronto when he retired from business.

A member of the Methodist Church, he took a great interest in its affairs, and at the time of his death he was a dist. church, being closely identified with the society as well as identified with the society connected with it.

Mr. Somers is survived by two sons, Harry B. and Charles E.; Somers of Fanny E. and six daughters, Miss Mrs. G. L. Wilson; Mrs. C. E. Land, Toronto; Mrs. G. H. Croft, Toronto; Mrs. G. A. Wallace, Toronto; and Mrs. G. B. Mittelberger, St. Catharines.

VEGETABLE GROWERS MEETING ARRANGED

The farm of Mr. Lesman, East Toronto, will be the next meeting place of the Ontario Vegetable Growers' association on June 8. This was agreed on by members in order to have a better turnout of the members in the district. The subjects for discussion will be general farming and greenhouse work.

POLICE COURT.

Six people were remanded for sentence on paying the costs of the court day afternoon at G. H. Clark yesterday. The charges were: Charles Jones, trespassing on G.T.R. tracks, since Monday there have been 28 people convicted on this charge.

RECEIVED CHEQUE FOR GOOD ROADS

Government Paid Share of York County Program Completed.

CAN GO RIGHT AHEAD

Financial Arrangements Made for This Season's Work.

York County receives from the Ontario government today a cheque amounting to \$35,000. This, according to the system of co-operation in the county highway system goes to the good road account of York. It is the first and last sum of money coming from the provincial treasury until the end of the year and comprises the government share in the road program just completed. As for the new highway scheme outlined by the commissioners all work must be carried on by them independently until the season ends, when one-third of \$200,000 will be advanced.

Provincial Highway Engineer McLean explained yesterday the complicated system of York County road plans and how it was that the government cheque came at these intervals. He stated that according to custom the provincial money was advanced at the close of a season's work and that on the original York \$300,000 program the last cheque had been paid last year.

The county had then wanted approval of a similar expenditure but while this was under consideration had proceeded to do work amounting to \$100,000. Hon. Dr. Reame finally decided to approve this, and accordingly the \$35,000 cheque is forthcoming today. At the same time it was made known that \$200,000 will be spent. It is out of this sum that the expense of the new program will be met.

BEACHES PARLIAMENT NOW BEING ORGANIZED

Election on June 15 — Members Will Represent Churches.

Great interest is being taken by the young people of the Beaches in the formation of the Beaches Parliament, which was organized a few weeks ago. The main idea of the parliament is to weld the young people's societies at the Beaches into a closer union and fellowship, and to aid young people in their efforts to improve their community, and to qualify themselves by practical experience to express their opinions in public. It will also enable them to become acquainted with the laws governing the civic, provincial and national assemblies. The membership of the parliament will consist of twelve representatives of the young people's societies connected with the various churches at the Beaches.

The chairman of the Ministerial Association of the Beaches will act as patron to the parliament, and it will be his duty to make the opening speech at each session. The officers will include a premier, secretary of correspondence, secretary of records, secretary of finance, and the cabinet, which will consist of the above officers and three members to be elected.

It has been decided to hold the elections on June 15, and the opening session will commence in the second week of October.

H. B. GIBSON INJURED AT ORILLIA STATION

G.T.R. Brakeman Fell Below Box Car—Leg Had to Be Amputated.

H. B. Gibson, a brakeman on the G. T. R., while working on a shunting train at Orillia yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, fell between a box car and received such injuries to his leg that it had to be amputated below the knee at the Orillia Hospital. The injured man is about 24 years of age, and lives with his wife and five children in Allandale.

ENGINEER SURVEYING DANFORTH EXTENSION

New Route Straight Projection of Original Street Line.

Engineer Gibson was busy yesterday surveying the extension of Danforth avenue to the Kingston road, a little further north than the last survey was made. The latest route will be a direct extension of Danforth avenue on a straight line, and it will join the Kingston road at the Sandow Park property.

WESTON

Tennis enthusiasts of Weston held a meeting at Westminster Presbyterian church last night and a tennis club was organized. Harold Lindsay was elected president, E. Pearen vice-president and L. Hewgill treasurer. A secretary has not been appointed, but it is understood that these officers will meet in the meantime to discuss the affairs of the club. Posts and nets are already provided, so that a start for the season will be made at once.

WOULD PLEDGE ALL CANDIDATES

Members of B. I. A. Want Hours of Voting Extended One Hour.

NEWS OF EARLS COURT

Commissioner Claims That Rounding Corners is Local Improvement.

The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the Central Branch, B. I. A., in Little's Hall last evening: "Resolved, that in view of the fact that the present hours of voting do not give the workingman any convenient opportunity to exercise his franchise in the municipal elections without loss of time and money, we ask the candidates at the next election to pledge themselves to do their utmost to bring about the extension of the hours of voting from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m." Moved by G. W. Hunt, second by R. J. Kirk. A motion was also passed requesting the attendance of Thomas Wilcox and Charles E. Lacey at the next meeting to explain charges made against the B. I. A. and other matters.

In the matter of rounding the corners of Dufferin street and Davenport road, a letter was received from Commissioner Harris as follows: "As the rounding of the corners which you propose is likely to be of purely local benefit, we cannot make a recommendation for same on the part of the city. If you could circulate a petition among the property owners in the vicinity which they have signed as a local improvement, and forward it to the committee of works, I would then be glad to recommend in favor."

With reference to the sidewalks on Dufferin street, we may say that we have made recommendations for foot concrete walks to be laid next to curb, with a 24-inch curb at the back of same. This curb will effectively prevent earth from slipping from the embankment to the walk.

C. Pascoe read a report in the World of the meeting of the ratepayers' central body in the Labor Temple on Tuesday. He said that Mr. Wilcox emphatically denied the statement attributed to him by the Telegram, made in connection with the removal of Frank Postoffice to Mr. E. Lacey's store; also statements made at the Labor Temple regarding the B.I.A. at the Labor Temple.

W. Carter said he was present at the Oakwood ratepayers' meeting and heard the remarks made by Mr. Wilcox, and claimed that the latter's statement was substantially correct. Several other members expressed their views, and much indignation was expressed.

Joint Picnic.

A letter from the Sons of England regarding the appointment of delegates to organize a joint picnic was discussed. The following were appointed: Messrs. R. Kirk, W. Carter, J. Lindo, W. Downes.

Committee Meeting.

A piano recital by the pupils of the Misses Somerville, Robson and Minnie, assisted by Harold McKenney, vocalist, will be held at the Junction College of Music on Saturday night, May 16, at 8:30 p.m. The debutante will take part.

The deputation appointed by the committee of the North Eastcourt and Fairbank Ratepayers' Association to meet the members of the Township Council and go over the Township records, will meet at Earls Court on Saturday night, May 16.

A dance and progressive euchre party was given last evening in St. Clair Elks hall, in which Mackenzie and Mann were the winners, which they unloaded upon the Canadian National Railway.

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Mackenzie and Mann Asserted to Have Enriched Private Coffers.

CALLED MENDICANTS

"Trail of Corruption" From Coast to Coast Was Alleged.

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tal railway which should be paid for by the Canadian people, but should be their personal property. He did not call them "mendicants," but professional mendicants, who were ways begging money from a people in nearly every capital a brazen and persistent lobby.

From Exploitation. "Let us take a trip of inspection from Montreal to Port Arthur. We start with the famous tunnel and the real estate exploitation in that neighborhood which has cost these two a million dollars. But their terms in Montreal are in the name of a terminal company. Just as at Port Arthur, the terminals, the hotel and the elevators belong to some other corporation in Vancouver and Victoria. These two men are worth \$50,000,000, yet they call upon parliament to pay their debts and complete the road."

Mr. Bennett then ridiculed the so-called security taken by the government. For example, he said the Bay of Quinte Railway Company. That corporation had no assets. It had not earned running expenses since 1908, and instead of providing a security of \$1,000,000, it had a liability upon the government of \$1,000,000.

Mr. Bennett then read from the last annual report of the Canadian Northern company had a surplus of \$1,000,000 in cash and \$18,000,000 on land account. Where had the surplus gone to? Solicitor-General Meighen: "On equipment account?"

Mr. Bennett disputed this statement, and a colloquy ensued between the two. Mr. Bennett said that he had heard the latter say that he had a public investigation under oath to ascertain whether what Mr. Lash had told Mr. Meighen was true or not. If that investigation were made, he would be glad to see the results. He would like to know the truth, and so do the people of Canada."

This was followed by another duologue in connection with the member for Calgary, who had been speaking respecting the equipment account, and also the telegraph lines and express business. Mr. Bennett said that he knew his case, but he would not dispute it at that time. Finally Mr. Bennett insisted that the Canadian Northern railway be sold to the people of Canada.

Mr. Bennett then went on to say that Mackenzie & Mann should be eliminated from the Canadian Northern railway. If they were unwilling or unable to go on with the work, let all the management of the railway be taken over by the government. He said that Mackenzie & Mann were not fit to manage the railway, and that they were a burden upon the government.

Mr. Bennett then took up the history of the C.N.R. Prairie Lands Company, a Toronto corporation, in which Mackenzie & Mann had stock worth \$1,000,000, which they unloaded upon the Canadian National Railway at \$12 a share. It was by such devices, they said, that Mackenzie & Mann grew rich while the road went bankrupt. "Is there anybody," he asked, "who would be so bold as to believe that Mackenzie & Mann were working 18 hours for nothing? If there were such a thing, the government service as a law officer of the crown."

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SCHOMBERG MAN'S ENTRY WINS BLUE RIBBON AT BRADFORD SHOW

James Leonard's Mare, "Borland Queen," Awarded First Prize in Sweepstake For Best Imported or Canadian Bred Animal — Second Annual Show Exceeds Directors' Expectations.

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BRADFORD, May 14.—The second annual horse show held here today in the local skating rink surpassed even the expectations of the promoters, the entries being over one hundred per cent. more than the initial show last year. There were nearly two hundred entries all told. It is the hope of present all of the north of the province, and this year the entries covered the territory from Barrie to Woodbridge.

James Leonard's Borland Queen won the most coveted entry, when she was awarded first prize in the sweepstake for the best mare or gelding of any age, either imported or Canadian-bred. There were ten other contestants in this class, the winner of which is a three-year-old, won second prize at the winter show at Toronto last November in a similar class, and took first prize at Schomberg last year. Another horse worthy of note is Betty Montrose, owned by W. G. Farley of Barrie. It is a two-year-old mare, and has been exhibited in several shows and does not know what defeat is.

The first attraction at the opening was a parade of decorated automobiles. T. E. Bell of Bradford was awarded first prize in this class, decorated in white and yellow tissue paper with a canopy over the body.

Judging Results. The results of the judging are as follows: Imported heavy draught stallion, "The Hammer," John A. Boag & Son, Queensville. Pair of horses, mares or geldings, any age in harness—P. M. Pairs, Bradford. Three-year-old mare or gelding shown on halter—J. W. G. Farley, Bradford. Two-year-old filly or gelding, Canadian-bred, shown on halter—J. W. G. Farley, Bradford. Yearling, either sex—J. Isaac Speers, Thornton. James Banting, Bradford; J. W. Park, Edmonton, Alta., and Miss Emily and Miss Janet, both of Whitby.

The funeral takes place tomorrow at 2 p.m. to Union Cemetery, Whitby.

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WARD SEVEN NEWS

The York County Orange Lodge will hold their regular monthly meeting on Saturday afternoon in St. James' Hall. The annual banquet of St. John's Church choir was held last night in the parish house, Dundas street. About sixty members were present. Rev. T. P. Smith presided as chairman, and an excellent program was provided. The Young Ladies' Sodality of St. Cecilia's Church, Annette street, are holding a grand concert and musical festival this evening in the church hall, corner Annette street and Pacific avenue.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

John Smith, a painter living at 242 Church street, attempted to commit suicide in his room at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon, by cutting his throat with a razor. The man was found unconscious on the floor of his bedroom by a son, who summoned the police. Smith was conveyed to St. Michael's Hospital, where it is stated his condition is critical.

DUNNING'S HOTEL

27 KING WEST. Fish Specials—Baked Rhode Island Shad, Shad Roe with Bacon Sea Beans, Mince, Fresh Sea Salmon, Fresh Cod, Soft Shell Crabs, Live Lobster (To order).

WINNER OF SWEEPSTAKE PRIZE



Borland Queen (Canadian bred), owned by James Leonard of Schomberg, winner at Bradford Horse Show of sweepstake prize for any age mare or gelding, imported or Canadian bred.

DEATH OF TREASURER OF ONTARIO COUNTY

Funeral of Late Donald McKay Will Take Place Tomorrow.

Donald McKay, treasurer for Ontario County, died at his home in Whitby, after a long and serious illness, at the age of 76. He was appointed treasurer of the county about 25 years ago, and previous to that he was a general merchant in Saintfield. Mr. McKay was a member of the Presbyterian Church of the Massey, Order, but of late years had not taken an active part in lodge affairs.

The late treasurer is survived by his widow, three sons, Ambrose, Salt Lake City; Dr. James and Dr. John, Marion, Ind., and three daughters, Mrs. W. Park, Edmonton, Alta., and Miss Emily and Miss Janet, both of Whitby.

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A new picture of the canyon corner of King and Yonge. The Toronto ball players parading in triumph across the field. Starting racing pictures from the old country. Installation of 150 officers of the Good Templars. An English training farm for girls coming to Canada. Beautiful photos of fascinating Toronto girls who danced in the May Day festival.

The girls of Brown School on "the Hill." Leaside military manoeuvres. City champions from Howard school.

THE PAGES FOR WOMEN

Next Sunday's colored Sketches illustrate the bride's trousseau. Other feature stories interesting to the women readers are: Some of the extremes from Paris, with fantastic illustrations. The art of satisfactory salad making, with a dozen recipes. How to select and care for the refrigerator. Making a home of one room. Woman and her nerves. Your garden and mine—grandmother's favorites.

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