

County Council Claims Injustice

County Council Disapproves of Paying Salaries and Expenses of County Officials Appointed by Government — Reduce Grants

According to the view of several members of the York County Council a great injustice is being done the county in that, although the government appoints the sheriff, jailer and registrar of deeds, the county has to pay them. This question arose at yesterday's session of the council out of a letter read by the Warden from the county jailer asking that the county supply him with a uniform. Amid great indignation the members of the council refused to even consider the matter and began to question the fairness of the county having to pay the salaries and expenses of government appointees. Councillor Newton Dunphy and Councillor John Doherty requested the county solicitor, Arthur McP. Limerick, to explain to the council why such an arrangement had to be tolerated by the county. The solicitor agreed to look into the matter and report to the council at a later date. "It is an outrageous situation and the county should see that something is done about it," said Coun. Doherty. "The county should keep control of what it has and not let others take control from them," he asked.

The council led by Councillor Geo. W. Estey, also showed a tendency to reduce their grants to institutions, knocking an original suggested grant to the Evangeline Home, Saint John, from \$200 to \$100 and allotting the Canadian National Institute for the Blind a grant of \$200 as against \$50 asked for.

Councillor Hiram Manuel, who had threatened at the morning session to bring a copy of The Daily Mail with him and read an account of the jail conditions, inadvertently brought the wrong papers to the city with him and

announced regretfully that he would have to postpone his reading. Following the appointments of the bylaws, sheep claims and administration of justice committees and some discussion of the committees' meetings, the council adjourned.

J. W. Gillespie, representing the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, Maritime Division, Halifax, addressed the council briefly, describing the work of the institute and thanking the council for their support in the past. He pointed out that the institute did not deal with blind children of school age, but solely to urge re-education of people who have lost their sight after reaching the age of 21. For many years York county has generously donated \$150 annually, he said. He pointed out that there were now forty blind people in the county of York and urged that a larger grant be made to bring the grant up to the proper proportion. He said there were at present 330 blind people in New Brunswick and a total of 1,003 in the Maritime provinces.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Gillespie for his address.

A letter from Jailer H. H. Maston, asking for a uniform to distinguish him as a jailer was read by Warden Cameron.

No Uniform

Coun. John Doherty thought it was outrageous for the county to furnish the jailer with a uniform. "If the government appoints the jailer they should supply him with a uniform," said Coun. Doherty.

On a motion the council decided not to take any action in the matter.

Coun. Newton Dunphy, Douglas, requested the county solicitor to explain to the council how it is that

the government appoints the sheriff and jailer while the county pays the bill. Solicitor Limerick said he would look into the matter.

Coun. Doherty was of the opinion that the county has been suffering an injustice in having to pay for the sheriff, jailer and registrar of deeds while they have nothing to do in appointing them. He thought it was an unfair situation and should be remedied.

By-Laws Committee

Coun. Cameron appointed the by-laws committee as follows: Councillors Graham, Estey, Doherty, Wright, Grant, Whitehead and Barry.

Letters of Condolence

On motion by Warren B. Ebbett, seconded by Coun. Dunphy, the council appointed Councillors Ebbett, Coburn, Dobie and Grant to draft a letter of condolence to be sent to the family of the late Coun. Matthew Briggs.

On motion by Coun. Fred Young, seconded by Coun. Frank Saunders, the council also decided to send a letter of condolence to the family of the late Thomas Wetmore, former councillor.

Rent Due

Coun. Doherty explained that there was a sum due the county for rent of rooms in the Court House during the two elections last summer. This amount, which was \$4 per room for 8 rooms, and \$5 per room for 10 rooms, had not yet been paid, he said. He thought the matter should be investigated to see if it could not be paid.

Justice Committee

The warden appointed the administration of justice committee as follows: Councillors Robertson (chairman), Dobie, Malone, Gould, Nason, Stannix and Coburn.

County secretary treasurer John S. Scott, explained to the council that for the past fifteen years it has been the custom to turn the money from the election booths over to the janitor for cleaning up. He explained that the janitor had never received anything for this work from the appropriation of the county.

He said that so far no money has been paid for the booths for the provincial election and assured the council that no amount of any description has been paid for these booths. Thos.

Davidson, the janitor, had not received the amount either.

Coun. John Doherty thought the government should pay as well as any one else. He was also of the opinion that the council should protect the janitor to the extent of making an effort to collect the money for him.

"Wig-Wag" Committee

Coun. Robert Graham suggested that the committee appointed at last session to investigate the paying for a wig-wag signal on the C.P.R. crossing at Harvey, make a report.

Coun. Coburn, chairman of the committee was granted time to confer with the other members of the committee.

Sheep Claims Committee

The sheep claims committee was appointed as follows: Councillors Ebbett, Estey, Doherty, Gould, Waugh, Gaynor, McKnight, Wetmore, Graham, Whitehead, Grant, Malone, Young, Manzer and Dobie.

Coun. Doherty thought it odd that so many organizations should use the court house for meetings or other purposes without paying the county for them. He thought it should be looked into.

Coun. Doherty in re-opening the question of The Daily Mail's reports of county jail conditions, asked Coun. Manuel to read the piece he threatened in the morning to read from The Daily Mail.

Coun. Manuel regretted he had by mistake placed the wrong papers in his grip when he came. The matter was set over for awhile.

A motion by Coun. Malone, seconded by Coun. Stannix to grant \$200 to the Evangeline Home in Saint John was defeated 13-10. A revised motion to grant \$150 was also defeated 12-11. The motion was passed for a grant of \$100.

A motion was carried granting the Canadian National Institute for the Blind \$150.

The council adjourned to 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

SKATES

We grind them, Hone them, Repair them, and put them on KEYS MADE — LOCKS REPAIRED GRAMAPHONE REPAIRS — SATISFACTION GUARANTEED — CLARENCE MILLS 84 Regent St. Phone 960.

ABATTOIR WOULD LIMIT THE SALE OF MEAT TO ONLY TWO KINDS, SAYS HEALTH OFFICER

Dr. J. M. Cameron Explains Situation from Health Standpoint to County Council Committee — Attorney General, C. F. Bailey, G. Willard Kitchen and Peter Neugard Also Speak.

The establishment of a public abattoir in the county will limit the sale of meat to only two kinds, it was explained by Dr. J. M. Cameron, district medical health officer, as he addressed a committee meeting of the York County Council in the County Court House last night. According to board of health regulations it would not be permissible, if an abattoir were established, for anyone in the county to operate a slaughter house or to make a practice of travelling from farm to farm for the purpose of slaughtering stock, Dr. Cameron said. Thus, the only two kinds of meat that could be sold in the county would be the government inspected meat slaughtered in the abattoir or the meat killed by the farmer himself on his own premises.

The medical health officer thought, however, than an abattoir would guarantee a better brand of meat for the public, and from a health standpoint would be an excellent thing for the community. He did not think that it would have any ill effect on the farmers.

C. F. Bailey, superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Farm, Hon. J. B. McNair, K.C., attorney general and county solicitor, G. Willard Kitchen, who acted on the City of Fredericton Committee to look into the abattoir matter, and Peter Neugard, promoter of the scheme, all addressed the meeting briefly. They all spoke strongly in favor of the abattoir and seemed to think that it would be a boon to the meat industry in this county. Councillor B. O. Waugh, chairman of the county abattoir committee, acted as chairman of the meeting.

Dr. Cameron

Dr. Cameron addressed the meeting briefly on the method of meat inspection. He pointed out that meat can carry certain diseases. He said we have been lucky in New Brunswick in

not having any outbreak of diseases contracted from bad meat. There have been outbreaks in Maine and in Nova Scotia.

One important factor, he pointed out, is the cooling of the meat immediately after slaughter. In the past the health department has been very lenient regarding the conditions in slaughter houses. It is important that meat be slaughtered under sanitary conditions and our present slaughter houses have a long way to go to become perfect, he said.

If the council is to look with favor on the abattoir it is necessary that they consider whether the meat will be consumed in the province or shipped out of the province for consumption. He advocated a federal meat inspector rather than one appointed and paid by the abattoir company itself. If this is not done he thought the local board of health should appoint and pay the inspector, making him responsible to the board of health.

He thought also that the site of the proposed abattoir should be approved by the board of health and that the plans of the building should also be presented to the board of health for approval.

He particularly pointed out that the establishment of a municipal abattoir would not prevent a farmer killing his own meat.

The farmer's meat is not inspected unless it is killed at the abattoir, Dr. Cameron said.

The establishment of an abattoir would also automatically put all other slaughter houses out of business.

As the regulations stand the selling of meat killed on a farm in stores would not be prevented. He added, however, that the department of health would pass regulations to prevent this.

Only two types of meat would be allowed sold in the county if an abattoir is established.

Coun. Briggs

Coun. Briggs stated that such an arrangement would be entirely unsatisfactory in his parish. Dr. Cameron assured the committee that, although he was not interested in the economic angle of the proposition, he thought the establishment of an abattoir would certainly guarantee a better brand of meat for the public.

Mr. Bailey

Mr. Bailey declared that he could not think that any board of health would prevent a farmer selling his meat in the city.

Mr. Bailey, although in sympathy with the county butchers who would be put out of business by the establishment of the abattoir, he thought that the rigid inspection of meat would eventually result in better prices being received for the meat. The quality would certainly be improved thus causing a greater demand, he thought.

He mentioned the fact that a cold storage plant would be necessary with the abattoir and advised them to erect a good one if they are going to have

one. He advised them to consider the matter carefully and not to throw the matter out without first considering the question. He pointed out that there were many whom the abattoir would benefit.

The Attorney General

Mr. McNair announced that he was appearing entirely in a private capacity in speaking of the matter. He thought the matter should be considered much more thoroughly, and that such a condition as the one which would exist in Coun. Briggs' parish where a county butcher would be put out of business, should be remedied.

Speaking personally he thought the council should encourage the scheme. He said they could support it much in the same way the city of Fredericton did by saying they would give a grant providing a proper scheme of financing was arranged and that the operation of the scheme was satisfactory to the council.

If we expect to ever ship meat out of this area we should certainly have better facilities than we have today, he said. We should try to do something for agriculture—countries have built themselves up on agriculture, and there is no reason why New Brunswick cannot do something for herself along this line.

Mr. Kitchen

Mr. Kitchen speaking as a private citizen, touched on the matter briefly. He pointed out that there was a large quantity of western beef coming into the province every year because people preferred it to the local meat. This was because the western beef was government inspected. He thought that the establishment of an abattoir would do much for the province and county.

Mr. Neugard

Mr. Neugard on the invitation of Coun. Waugh, offered more information. (Continued on Page Seven)

Plenty of Time for an Overcoat

Assortments Are Still Good. The cold months are yet ahead of us.

It's a good time now to buy. Our prices are not too high for Good Coats.

Royal Stores, Ltd.
J. P. FARRELL, Manager

APPLES ... AS YOU LIKE 'EM

McINTOSH REDS
CORTLANDT
NORTHERN SPY
BISHOP-PIPPIN
GOLDEN RUSSETT
CANADA BALDWIN
STARKS and
COOKING VARIETIES

Fancy and
Domestic
Pack

Standard
Barrels
Boxes or
Hampers

HAWKINS FRUIT & PRODUCE Co.
LIMITED
STRICTLY WHOLESALE

New Community Plate Silver

BEGIN THE NEW YEAR RIGHT
SET YOUR TABLE WITH
COMMUNITY PLATE

Save Money by the Quantity Discount Plan

26 Piece Set in Cameo Gift Case \$28.50
Open Stock Price 32.50
Saving on Set 4.00

Other Sets in Proportionate Savings

Shute & Company

Buy Community Plate for a Beautiful Table

MILL HARDWOOD SAWED ANY LENGTH DRY KINDLING SAWED ANY LENGTH

For True Winter Comfort at
LOW FUEL COST

RICHARD DUNN

Phone 623

Sylvia Pattern

IN SILVER PLATE

1847 Quality

IN STOCK NOW FOR XMAS

COLWELL & JENNINGS Ltd.
THE HOME FURNISHERS

Sunbeam Mixmaster

MAKES COOKING, BAKING, GETTING MEALS EASY
DOES EVERYTHING ELECTRICALLY—NO HAND WORK

You'll never know how easy cooking can be—how much better and faster—until you own the Mixmaster.

It is simply amazing how many things it will do for you. No end to its usefulness.

James S. Neill & Sons, Limited
FREDERICTON'S BIG HARDWARE STORE

HOT OIL AND SCALP TREATMENTS

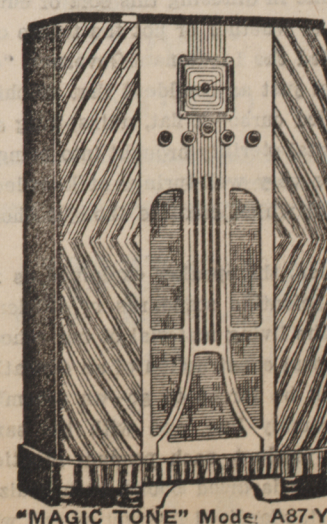
Attended to personally by Mrs. Young

Now is the time to get your Hot Oil and Scalp treatments before time for your spring Permenants. Mrs. Young will also attend to your hair bleaching and hair dying. Now is the time to make your appointment.

MRS. YOUNG'S BEAUTY SHOPPE

PHONE 735

78 YORK ST.



How is your old radio?
NOT QUITE UP TO PAR

Why Not Trade In For a
"Magic Tone"
General Electric

See Our Advance Styles—New Lines—New Features—New Low Prices. Up to and including Jan. 10th, 1936 We Will Allow \$25. For Your Old Radio. The Balance on Easy Terms. Why Not Phone 1327-21 Today for Demonstration.

L. K. WHITNEY,
Local Distributor