

COUNTY COUNCIL AVERSE TO ASSESSING ON INDEBTEDNESS PARISHES—CONSIDER FURTHER

Coun. Gaynor Moves to Have Parishes Assessed in Respect to Indebtedness Rather Than According to Valuation

Three separate motions concerning the assessment of parishes in the County of York were set on the table yesterday for consideration at the July session. A motion by Councillor Robert Graham to have the parishes assessed for 25 percent of the indebtedness, an amendment to that motion by Coun. James Barry to have the 25 per cent changed to 10 per cent, a motion to have the town of Devon assessed for the total indebtedness to the county, and a motion by Coun. W. J. Gaynor to have all parishes assessed in respect to indebtedness rather than according to valuation, were all given the six months' joist. A standing vote was taken on Coun. Gaynor's motion and he objected to it on the grounds that the representatives of the towns of Marysville and Devon should not have voted. Further discussion will be given the matter today.

Dr. J. M. Cameron, district medical health officer, addressed the council on the health regulations in the county, and following the adoption of the valuations of the parishes the council adjourned.

The acting solicitor ruled that Coun. W. J. Gaynor's motion yesterday was ultra vires. The motion was to give the secretary treasurer power to add 25 per cent to the assessment of the parish of Douglas.

Coun. Robert Graham moved a resolution that the council order that an assessment be made against each

parish to the amount of 10 per cent of the indebtedness of each of such parishes respectively to the county. The resolution was seconded by Coun. Frank Saunders, Prince William.

Coun. C. L. Grant thought the resolution, if passed, infringed on the rights of the councillors. Coun. Geo. Estey also opposed the resolution.

Coun. W. J. Gaynor strongly favored the resolutions while Coun. Frank Coburn thought some effort should be made to collect delinquent taxes and that a move in the right direction was being made.

Coun. James Barry moved an amendment that 6 per cent be put in the place of 10 per cent. Coun. George Estey seconded the motion. On motion by Coun. Doherty seconded by Coun. Manuel the council decided to lay the matter on the table until the July session.

Coun. Robert Graham moved that an assessment be made by the county against the town of Devon for the full indebtedness of the town to the county. The motion was seconded by Coun. Saunders.

Coun. H. D. Dobie explained that the town would pay if given time and Coun. Doherty spoke on behalf of the town saying that this motion should not be put through any more than the other motion. He moved that the motion be laid on the table until the July session. The motion, seconded by Coun. Norrad, was carried.

Dr. J. M. Cameron, district medical health officer, addressed the council on the health regulations in the county. He explained that the N. B. Dairy Products Commission regulated the health condition of milk in the towns of Devon and Marysville and in Fredericton.

He pointed out that the inoculation clinics conducted throughout the county by the health department had been very successful.

The New Brunswick Tuberculosis Association has donated \$100 to each medical health officer to be used in paying expenses of X-rays of poor patients in the county.

He said the \$100 would soon be gone and that the hospital has agreed to continue charging only the \$3 flat rate for X-rays which does not even cover the cost of making the X-rays. The hospital would continue to operate the X-ray at this cost if the county would pay for the X-rays themselves.

Coun. Robertson explained that the \$500 grant from the county to the hospital covered the cost of X-rays. If this were the case the matter would be looked after in that way, Dr. Cameron said.

The death rate from tuberculosis last year in York county amounted to 37.3 per 100,000 of population, Dr. Cameron said.

Mrs. Harry Maston, wife of the jailer, was given the contract for washing and mending cloths at the price of \$50 for the year.

Coun. Gaynor moved that the interest on the county bonds be assessed to the various parishes in respect to their indebtedness and not according to their valuations. Coun. Wm. Nason seconded the motion.

The motion by Coun. Doherty to have the original motion set on the table until the July session was carried, but vote was objected to by Coun. Gaynor on the grounds that the Devon and Marysville delegates should not have voted. The matter was left to today for discussion.

Votes of thanks were extended to the press for their accounts of the jail and other matters.

Coun. Rowley Manzer moved that a resolution be passed by the council that in view of the declaration by Mayor Clark, the building and finance committee, Dr. J. M. Cameron and others, that the York county jail is in a satisfactory condition and compares favorably with other jails in the province. The motion was seconded by Coun. Coburn and carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS RE FUTURE CONDUCT LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

Committee in Blanket Suggestion For All Branches of Agriculture in N.B.—Dairying Dealt—Agricultural Education

Recommendations governing the future conduct of the livestock industry in this province were among the most important resolutions handed down by committees at the annual conference of staff members of the New Brunswick Department of Agriculture with representatives of the Federal Department of Agriculture stationed in this province. Hon. A. C. Taylor, Minister of Agriculture, occupied the chair.

The conference, which has been in session for the past four days, concluded yesterday morning with discussion of committee reports. Beside those affecting livestock, the recommendations embodied in reports bore upon every phase of agriculture practiced in the Province.

The report of the livestock committee, presented by Stanley Wood, Provincial Livestock Superintendent, recommended a survey of the purebred mares as a step toward stimulating horse breeding in the Province.

The livestock committee further recommended that the Government consider legislation designed to control the entry of cattle to this Province from other countries and from the remaining Provinces of the Dominion. Such a measure would be directed particularly toward suppressing contagious abortion among cattle.

The stamp of approval was also placed upon the sow unit policy announced by Hon. Mr. Taylor some time ago. The sow unit policy has been adopted as a means of developing production on a basis of carload lots. It will be promoted in districts.

Coun. Frank Coburn stated that The Daily Mail carried slanderous statements regarding jail conditions. "I respect the county of York and I do not think such statements should be broadcast by the papers," he said. "If the news can't get into the press any better than it does we should do away with reporters and hold our meetings by ourselves," he said.

adapted to this phase of agricultural expansion.

The livestock committee pointed out the need for an extension policy in the control of animal parasites. Particular reference was made to warble fly and bots in horses and to internal parasites in sheep and hogs.

Existing livestock policies were endorsed. These included the bonusing of bulls to Agricultural Societies and methods designed to develop the sheep and swine industries. Dominion Livestock Branch policies pertinent to the loaning of bulls and the organization and maintenance of ram clubs were approved and their continuance requested.

Dairying

The dairy committee, headed by J. R. Sutherland, was in favor of the policy previously outlined by the dairymen of the Province for the adoption of a compulsory grading system. This provides for the purchase of cream by the creameries on a quality basis. Reservations provide that this arrangement be carried out in a manner fair to both creameries and producers.

Recommendations aimed at sanitary trucking of cream and livestock products were also made by the dairy committee.

Existing policies regarding herd improvement, the horticultural and poultry industries were approved by the committees having those topics under consideration. Of particular interest to poultrymen was the discussion of methods of raising the health standard of day-old chicks.

O. C. Hicks, superintendent of the soils and crops division, reported the soils and crops committee as interested in increased production of fodder grains for livestock feeds and also in specialty crops for cash crop purposes. A survey of canning crop possibilities in New Brunswick was also urged.

Agricultural Education

The need of continuing and increasing agricultural education as a means of improving the status of the farmer was a basic note which ran through most of the discussions of the conference.

WILD HERDS ARE NO MORE

Rancher Recalls Early Exploits

AMARILLO, Texas, Jan. 11—The herds of wild mustangs which loped across Texas prairies half a century ago are no more, and "mustanging"—the herding of the wild horses into corrals—is a lost art.

Wild mustangs were a serious problem for early-day ranchers, a thrilling experience for those who sought to capture them, and valuable mounts for those who caught and tamed them.

Tanah McQueen of Amarillo, claims credit for rounding up the last big herd of mustangs in the West in 1888. McQueen had a method of his own, and worked alone. Following a herd he said he always remained in sight. Day in and day out he stayed where the horses could see him, until they became accustomed to his presence. Finally, apparently convinced they could not shake him off, the mustangs would submit to being herded into a corral.

His Last Job

McQueen did not try to keep the horses moving, prevent them from grazing, or keep them from water. Just staying in sight was his way. His last "mustanging" job was when he was employed by the LX and JA ranches.

Immediate views on the matters of details were in many cases divergent but in a broad way all speakers were in agreement as to the importance of scientific methods in the agriculture of the future. A progressive attitude toward agricultural education was taken by Hon. A. C. Taylor, Minister of Agriculture, when he criticized the work of the past as follows:

"In the past we have been dealing with individuals rather than with groups". The Minister elaborated upon his statement by saying that community improvement must be the aim of the future. Assistance rendered to one man here and another there was ineffectual in raising the standard of an entire community. He thought junior club work most important and stated that all branches should be improved and encouraged.

"Field days", stated Hon. Mr. Taylor, "offer something really constructive in that they afford concrete examples to attending farmers. Pamphlets may or may not be read but demonstrations cannot escape the attention of those present at a field day".

C. F. Bailey, superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton, mainly supported the views expressed by the Minister of Agriculture. He offered the suggestion of a series of two and three day short courses throughout the Province to act as feeders to the regular agricultural schools.

ches to catch a bunch of horses that had defied all attempts at capture.

As McQueens tells it: "I sighted the herd about sunup. When I rode over the ridge, the leader saw me. He stood motionless for a minute, then there was a snort and he was off. The first race brought us up against the drift fence of the Fryling-Pan ranch. It was about a 25-mile run.

"I was riding a horse I had caught out of a wild bunch and he enjoyed the run, I didn't try to keep up with the herd, just kept in sight. The mustangs stood at the drift fence until I got up pretty close, then they swung and raced back to Goodnight drift-fence. That run was between 40 and 50 miles, and it was getting late when they swung around a lake down there."

Another Race

McQueen said the horses started grazing, but looked up often to see him sitting motionless on his horse. When it became absolutely dark, he returned to his chuck wagon, but the first light of dawn found him on a fresh horse in full view of the herd.

"There was another case," he continued, "but they didn't run so far. Don't believe they were not still wild. Just let a rattler sing, or some other rider come in sight and they were off on another run."

After six and a half days McQueen says he drove the herd into a corral. McQueen said it was a mistaken idea that all wild horses were fine animals. Most of them, he pointed out especially those in the last few bunches on the plains, were not worth the trouble it took to catch them.

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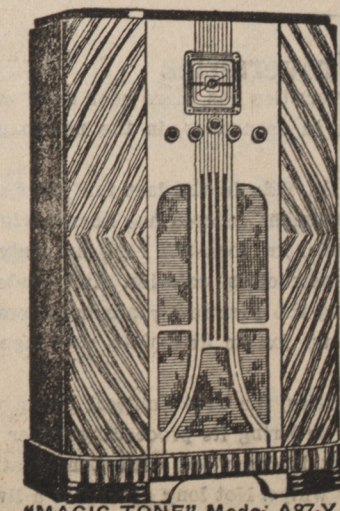
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