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**Propose \$70,000 Budget**  
**Warden Hodgson Rules York Manor Budget To Include Heating Cost**

**Director Of Welfare Advises Building New Home For County Aged**

County Council continues its February Session on Tuesday of next week, following the ruling of County Warden William Hodgson (which was supported by John Perry, Reeve of Vaughan Township, and carried by county members), that a breakdown of the \$70,000 budget as requested by the York Manor Commission be prepared in itemized detail by February 17.

The commission had delivered most of its report, when county council member, Mrs. Caroline Ion, rose to ask why the York Manor budget was not itemized and the cost of each item shown on the report, when other committees supplied such details. Reeve Fred Armstrong, former chairman of the commission and this year one of the directors for the Home, said, "That's the way it has always been."

Difficulty in ascertaining whether the budget would be large enough to include repairs and additions to the heating system, which has been publicized through press and radio since the January session of council, brought the request that the committee "rise and sit again" on this matter at a later date, before council determines if it will approve the budget.

Following a storm of protest from the county after it was disclosed that heating facilities were inadequate at York Manor, the commission engaged a professional engineer to test the heating system and the conclusion of his report is as follows:

(a) The oil burner boiler capacity is adequate to maintain the heat in the building, but has no reserve (in extremely cold or windy weather).

(b) Oil firing the third boiler would provide adequate reserve capacity and emergency stand-by.

(c) The present controls for the burners are independent and should be interconnected for proper operation.

(d) In general, the radiation is adequate but certain areas (the first floor lounge for example) require additional units.

(e) While no attempt was made to check the circulation of the system, it was noted that most radiators were heating, indicating that water circulation was satisfactory.

It was following this report the request came for a \$70,000 budget and Mrs. Ion asked for an itemized account.

Deputy-reeve S. Tinker of Richmond Hill rose to ask that clause 7 and clause 8 of the report, pertaining to the farm budget of \$18,000 and a requested, but undisclosed wage scale for both the workers at York Manor and the farm — be included in the breakdown.

Mr. Armstrong withdrew from the committee and stalked back to his desk to protest having to compile such a report in four day time. He said it would be impossible to get figures for a heating system by then and requested two weeks' time. Warden Hodgson remained obdurate however, and Reeve Perry stood

every step to see that such a situation does not take place again."

**Advised Building 10 Years Ago**  
Mr. L. E. Ludlow, Director of the Old Age Branch Department of Ontario was introduced to council members by the chairman and in his opening remarks on York Manor said, "I attended a meeting of the Manor committee ten years ago and presented a program for caring for the aged. I said then more additional facilities were needed." Mr. Ludlow pointed out the building was erected in the 1800's and two wings were added, one in 1897, the other in 1927... but nothing has been done since, although a new wing was proposed in 1949 and a committee was appointed to investigate a three-year building program.

The speaker said he would like to see county council proceed with the building of a new home. The present York Manor, he said, is not fire proof and could not measure up to requirements, even minimum requirements of the Ontario Fire Marshall. The Home does not have enough accommodation now and certainly will not have enough for the future, since it is anticipated the population will double itself by 1976 — and men and women have a longer life-expectancy, and a need for adequate and comfortable housing in their old age.

"You have the site, the grounds and many current assets, which would seem to put you well on the way to your objective." He concluded with the promise, "If you do decide to build a new Home, we will do everything we can to assist you."

**WILLOWDALE:** Metro Planning Director M. Jones said suburban dwellers want two incompatible things — private home areas and fast travel — and when they can't get them they beat the planners over the head.

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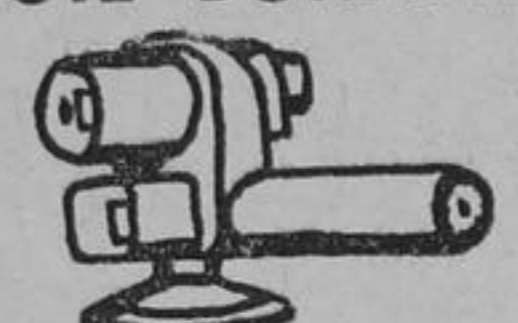
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