

## Deputation Asks County Council To Consider Unemployment Situation

Placed Merits of Paving Before That Body Yesterday Afternoon and Vote on Rescinding of Motion Passed Last January Will Likely Be Taken Today. Hon. Leopold Macaulay and Other Officials of Government Spoke Tuesday Night.

A deputation of about 40 from Durham waited on the County Council at Owen Sound yesterday afternoon to place before them the unemployment situation as it exists in this county and to request that the motion passed last January requesting the Provincial Government to do no paving here this year be rescinded. As a result it is likely the vote will be taken some time today and on it will depend whether or not paving is gone ahead with and the plant of the Consolidated Sand & Gravel Co. here opened for operations. To date the plant has not turned a wheel this summer and without a continuation of the paving programme will in all probability remain closed.

Heading the deputation were Messrs. Peter Ramage and Dr. J. F. Grant. The former presented figures to show that paving was not as big an expenditure as many might think and the latter placed the condition of the working men and their desire for work before the council. The working men of Durham wanted work, not direct relief.

### Minister Addressed Council

On Tuesday night Hon. Leopold Macaulay, Provincial Minister of Highways, met the Council and delivered quite a lengthy address, which is reported in the Sun-Times as follows:

Hon. Leopold Macaulay, Provincial Minister of Highways, Deputy Minister R. M. Smith, Chief Engineer A. A. Smith and Chief Engineer of Municipal Roads R. C. Muir were in the city on Tuesday evening and conferred with the Grey County Council regarding road matters. For two hours the council heard addresses by these officials, setting forth the stand of the province in road matters and asked questions regarding the work. Nothing however was done as regards the coming to any decision as to whether or not the council will approve of any paving work being done on provincial roads in the county this year, this matter being left over for discussion at a later date. Hon. Mr. Macaulay assured the council that his department would not undertake any such work without their consent and approval.

Hon. Mr. Macaulay outlined three principles to be followed in road matters this year: to keep down taxation, to maintain the present road systems of the province, since he declared it would be poor economy to allow the existing roads to go to pieces, and to take steps, without unduly burdening the taxpayers, to provide employment.

Chief Engineer of Municipal Roads R. C. Muir appealed to the council to grant an additional \$2,500 to the Owen Sound Suburban Area Commission to enable them to carry out their programme of maintenance work, along with the minimum of construction already planned. The Commission was considering reducing the mileage under their control unless they received a bigger appropriation he declared.

Although there was a great deal of discussion about road matters the matter of paving this year was only dealt with and that briefly by three councillors. Reeve W. I. Field of Collingwood township declared that the great question was "Where are we going to get the money to pay for it?" if paving was undertaken. All the councillors would like to see more good roads in Grey county but the taxpayers are hard hit, he declared.

"If we are going to chase the farmers off their farms, what is this county and the province going to come to?" he asked, stating that the farmers could not afford to pay for paving this year.

Reeve Brigham of Hanover declared that the main question was to try to help the unemployed by creating construction work. The towns and villages suffered most in this respect, he asserted.

Pointing out that it had been stated 77 Grey county men would be employed if paving was undertaken this year, Reeve Lembke of Sullivan stated that it would be cheaper to feed them than to raise \$40,000 for road construction and by this taxation "put 77 men where they (the unemployed) are."

Hon. Mr. Macaulay pointed out that the materials to be used in construction represent labor, but Reeve Lembke was convinced that roadwork would not relieve the lot of the working man to any great extent.

Hon. Mr. Macaulay In commencing his address to the council Mr. Macaulay stated that the object of the conference was to exchange viewpoints on road matters.

Roads are not as popular today as a few years ago because now they must be paid for but statistics show that the traffic has not diminished. The consumption of gasoline in the first six months in 1932 is over 6 per cent greater than during the same period in 1931, although the number of motor licenses has dropped eight per cent. A great many of the activities of city, town village and country are wrapped up in the roads and the trend is towards the highway transportation. In the future it will be necessary to devote a considerable portion of the taxpayers' money to roads if Grey county is to keep pace with other parts of the province, since the need for roads is as great as ever.

Hon. Mr. Macaulay sounded a note of optimism when he stated that, although Canada and Ontario are at present passing through a great crisis, it must be borne in mind that greater resources and sounder institutions exist today than ever before. All should have faith in the future, he declared.

The present system of financing roads in the province is not likely to be changed for some time, in the minister's opinion. He pointed out that in 1931 the counties authorized the spending of 50 per cent more for roads than did the province. The province paid the counties \$5,500,000 more than the counties paid the province for road work, this in spite of the fact that the province's revenue, especially from succession duties, dropped considerably, while the counties' revenues are steady, he claimed.

In concluding he stated that he failed to see the advantages of postponing all work until next year.

Deputy Minister Speaks Deputy Minister R. M. Smith then outlined three plans for paving work in the county this year. There are 62 miles of unpaved provincial highways in the county, nine miles between Thornbury and Collingwood, fourteen miles between Chatsworth and Durham, 28 miles south of Chatsworth on number 10 highway and 11 miles between Durham and Hanover. The last mentioned was in fairly good condition, he stated, and the work was not possibly as pressing as on the other three roads.

The Department has received several requests from Owen Sound and other municipalities to develop a winter road to Toronto and the Meaford highway was the most suitable route, he declared.

He informed the Council that the province had found it absolutely necessary to pave seven miles near Shelburne on No. 10 highway in the swamp. Only a mile of this work will affect Grey County, but the materials for the work are likely to come from Grey. In concluding, Mr. Smith pointed out that highway construction costs are approximately 25 per cent lower this year than in other years.

Mr. Smith, in answer to a question by Reeve W. L. Taylor of Osprey, stated the Council should figure out the amount of paving they would approve on the basis of \$4,000 cost to the county per mile, this to be payable in July of 1933. He did not believe any plan to distribute the cost over a number of years to be feasible. On an asphalt paving job about a hundred men would be employed, and where material had to be provided even more men would find work. Hon. Mr. Macaulay pointed out that the contracts call for at least 75 per cent, home labor.

Mr. Smith declared that, although some 25,000 men were employed in road work throughout the province last year, this year only 5,000 men are so employed. Answering a question by Reeve W. H. Hunter of Egremont he stated he quite appreciated the fact that Grey County owes between \$32,000 and \$34,000 for paving on the Durham road, which the province has not yet asked the county to pay. He stressed the importance of tourist traffic.

Questioned by Reeve McCauley of Fiesherston as to which provincial highway in Grey County he considered the busiest he said No. 6, to Guelph. Next he placed the Meaford highway, on account of summer traffic, and lastly number 10 highway. Although this was the direct route to Toronto, the local traffic was not as heavy as on No. 6, he explained.

Suburban Road Question Mr. R. H. Muir then appealed to the Council to grant an additional \$2,500 to the Owen Sound Suburban Area Commission, thus giving the Commission an additional \$10,000 to spend, the county only paying a quarter of the cost of the Commission's work. He stated that the city of Owen Sound had "always played the game" and pointed out that the Commission's ap- (Continued on page 5.)

## TUESDAY'S RAINFALL WAS WELCOME VISITOR

Hay and Grain Crops Were Beginning to Show Effects of Long Drouth, and Welcomed Rainfall Came Just in Time.—Has Been Dry Season Since Growth Started.

The rainfall of Tuesday of this week was about the most welcome thing this section of the country has experienced for a good many days, and as a result of the dry, hot spell, both hay and grain crops were beginning to show the effects of lack of moisture. On Tuesday a total of .35 inches, or a little more than one-third of an inch, fell, the first since the 11th of the month, when a fall of .03 inches was recorded, hardly sufficient to lay the dust. By weeks the rainfall since the 1st of May has been:

Week of May 5, .29 inches; May 12, 1.71; May 19, .36; May 26, .04; June 2, .33; and June 5, .38. During the week of June 16, there was no rain at all. The total rainfall here since the 1st of May is 3.46 inches, and while a considerable fall over a short period, is not nearly sufficient on the light land of this section, which could stand a fairly good rain nearly every day.

As this is being written (Wednesday) the barometer stands at 29.2, with the probability that the rain is not yet over.

## LOCAL ODD FELLOWS HELD BIG NIGHT

Teams From Owen Sound and Paisley Participated in Degree Work Last Friday Evening.—Rebekah Lodge Served Refreshments at the Close.

The hot weather of last Friday night did not deter a large number of the members of Grey Lodge of Odd Fellows from turning out to an exemplification of the second and third degrees in the lodge rooms here, when the work was put on by teams from outside. The work of initiation into the second degree was taken by a team from Paisley, while that of the third was exemplified by a team from Owen Sound. It would have been hard to choose between either of these teams, as their work was very much above the average, and the local members were more than delighted with the evening's work.

Following the degree work was a session of short addresses by visitors and members of the local lodge, and the serving of light refreshments by the Rebekahs concluded a most enjoyable evening.

## WORK HARD, SPEND, DUNNING'S ADVICE

Former Minister of Finance in King Government Addressed Rotary Club at London Monday.—False Economy Warned Against.

A new formula by which to better business conditions in Canada was proposed to the London Rotary Club at Monday's luncheon by Hon. Charles A. Dunning, former Minister of Finance for Canada and now president of the Ontario Equitable Life.

Let every man and woman work to earn every honest dollar possible. Then spend it to maintain to the best of their ability a decent standard of living and to insure that that standard shall be enjoyed by the family after the breadwinner is gone. By that means, Mr. Dunning believes the wheels of industry will most speedily reach a normal gait.

Without criticizing the honest purposes of people who proposed plans for basic changes in existing economic system, or without even passing unfavorable judgment on the plans proposed, Mr. Dunning said that this was not the time to experiment. He argued also against the extreme chauvinism and narrow nationalism, which he said has characterized the post-war era and left each nation trying to live within itself. For 150 years the world had been building business on a basis of international trade, he said, and that experience could not be suddenly wrong. He hoped for a measure of success from international trade parleys, but pinned his faith to the Empire economic conference—not for a magical revival of business, but for a reforestation on a broad and more lasting basis.

## HOCKEY DANCE TOMORROW

The annual street dance of the Durham Hockey Club is being held here tomorrow (Friday) night. As in the past, good music will be provided for both round and square dancing. It is expected a big crowd will be on hand.

## Water Users Must Obey Regulations

Success of Local System Dependent Upon Co-operation of Users With Public Utilities Commission If Lowest Rates to Be Enjoyed.—Sections of Public Utilities Act Given Below for Guidance of Local Users.

"Anyone using town water for watering lawns, gardens or washing cars, from hose connections inside the house will be charged lawn tap rates. Water for lawn, garden or car washing may only be used from 6 to 8 a.m. and 6 to 9 p.m."

This is the finding of the local Public Utilities Commission and is passed on to users of town water in Durham for their consideration. Speaking to the Chronicle Secretary Elvidge said that those measures were necessary if the local waterworks system was to be a success, and he pointed out that in too many cases users of water were not obeying the law, and were allowing their lawn and garden taps to run over too long periods. There was only one end to this—the raising of the rates—as the waterworks must be made to carry its own costs, and these costs could be collected from only one source, the users of the system.

Below we give sections of the Public Utilities Act as it affects the Durham system, and we trust water users will read them and thus keep themselves from any liability of prosecution for innocently breaking any of the rules and regulations.

### Section 13, Public Utilities Act

Every person who (a) Wilfully hinders or interrupts, or causes or procures to be hindered or interrupted, the corporation, or any of its officers, contractors, agents, servants or workmen, in the exercise of any of the powers conferred in this Act:

(b) Wilfully lets off or discharges water so that the same runs waste or uselessly out of the works;

(c) Being a tenant, occupant or inmate of any house, building or other place supplied with water from the waterworks, lends, sells, or disposes of the water, gives it away, permits it to be taken or carried away, uses or applies it to the use or benefit of another, or to any use and benefit other than his own, increases the supply of water agreed for, or improperly wastes the water;

(d) Without lawful authority wilfully opens or closes any hydrant, or obstructs the free access to any hydrant, stopcock, chamber, pipe, or hydrant chamber, by placing on it any building material, rubbish or other obstruction;

(e) throws or deposits any injurious, noisome, or offensive matter into the water or waterworks, or upon the ice, if the water is frozen, or in any way fouls the water or commits any wilful damage, or injury to the works, pipes, or water, or encourages the same to be done;

(f) Wilfully alters any meter placed upon any service pipe or connected therewith, within or without any building or other place, so as to lessen or alter the amount of water registered;

(g) lays or causes to be laid any pipe or main to communicate with any pipe or main of the waterworks, or in any way obtains or uses the water without the consent of the corporation; or (h) washes or cleanses cloth, wool, leather, skin of animals, or places any noisome or offensive thing, or conveys, casts, throws or puts any filth, dirt, dead carcase or other noisome or offensive thing, or bathes in any lake, river, pond, creek, spring source or fountain which is the source of supply for such waterworks within such area as may be fixed or defined by order of the Department of Health, or causes, permits or suffers, the water of any sink, sewer or drain to run or to be conveyed into the same, or causes any other thing to be done whereby the water therein may be in any way tainted or fouled.

Shall for every such offence incur a penalty not exceeding \$20 or may be imprisoned, without the option of a fine, for any term not exceeding one month. R.S.O. 1927, c. 249, s. 13.

## STORES OPEN NEXT THURSDAY

Friday of next week is Dominion Day, and coming after the local half-holiday, the Durham merchants have decided on keeping open, not only on Wednesday night, but Thursday afternoon as well. It was felt that the stores being closed from Thursday noon to Saturday morning would be too great an inconvenience to the general public, hence the change. This change is for next week only.

## OWEN SOUND RINK CAPTURED PRIZE

Annual Bowling Tournament Held Here Last Thursday.—Twenty-one Rinks Competed All Prizes Going to Out-of-town Competitors.

Durham's annual lawn bowling tournament is over for another year, this annual event having been held on Thursday of last week. In all, 21 rinks took part in the play, a perfect day adding much to the enjoyment. Rinks were present from Hanover, Elora, Brussels, Paisley, Mount Forest, Walkerton, Chesley, Dundalk. The play was on the plus and minus system with the following results:

Wilkinson, Owen Sound, won first, and the woollen blankets, with 4 wins and a plus of 20; Downing, Paisley, second with 3 wins and a plus of 20 to annex the knives and forks; Eildt, Walkerton, third, 3 wins and plus of 18, for the sweater coats. The fourth went to Shoemaker of Paisley, who got the silk scarves. His score was 3 wins and a plus of 17.

The tournament was one of the best yet held here, and, with about the right number of rinks was completed shortly after 10 o'clock.

The ladies of the club served lunch during the afternoon and evening.

## ANNUAL DECORATION SERVICE SUNDAY

Odd Fellows to Hold Annual Service at Cemetery at 3 o'clock, When Large Crowd is Expected.

The date for the holding of the annual Decoration Day service of Grey Lodge, I.O.O.F., has been set for Sunday afternoon next at 3 o'clock, when the brethren will assemble in Durham cemetery to decorate the graves of deceased brethren. Given good weather, this annual service, which each year draws larger crowds than before, is expected to be bigger than ever this year, and the public are invited to join with the members of the Order. The members are asked to assemble at the hall at 2 o'clock.

## ENGAGED AS TEACHER

The High School board has engaged the services of Mr. Irvine Sharpe for the coming year in place of Miss Phippen, resigned, who has secured a position in her home school near Kingston.

## TAKEN TO OWEN SOUND

A man giving his name as Joe Fletcher, Ottawa, was picked up on the street here Tuesday night by Chief Scott and lodged in the local lock-up. When searched, Fletcher, who was possessed of quite a large-sized jag, was found to have in his possession a bottle of rubbing alcohol. Owing to the illness of Magistrate Spereaman, he was taken to Owen Sound and will appear before Magistrate Spereaman on Friday, charged with B. L. C. A.

## MIMICO HOSPITAL GRADUATION

At the recent graduation exercises of Mimico Hospital, the names of Misses Janet Annabel Frazer, Mount Forest, Mary McKerrall and Maude B. Sprung, Owen Sound, were among those of the class.

## MAPLEWOOD CEMETERY BEE

The annual bee at Maplewood Cemetery was held on Tuesday, June 14, and a good number turned out to help. Much work was accomplished and many improvements through the cemetery show the benefit derived from the bees. The grass which had attained a great height was cut, raked up and hauled away.

Levelling and seeding of the old school ground took a lot of time, but is in good shape now and is ready to be surveyed out into lots.

A big improvement shows to advantage on the several lots that were taken down and re-seeded. These lots had got too high and were rough and weedy. About eight or nine inches of sod and earth was taken off and hauled away.

The trustees are greatly indebted to those who have so diligently and carefully attended their own lots.

The board of directors of Maplewood are trying a plan to work out perpetual upkeep on certain lots and at present have made a good start. Any plot holders interested may get particulars from any of the officials.

## TEMPERATURES FOR PAST WEEK

	8 a.m.	Max.	Min.	Rain
Thursday	71	86	57	—
Friday	70	92	57	—
Saturday	72	84	64	—
Sunday	72	87	64	—
Monday	74	89	61	—
Tuesday	72	80	66	.35
Wednesday	68	70	58	.03

## Wedding Anniversary Banquet At Mulock

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. MacDonald Are Honored by Family and Friends on the Occasion of Their Thirtieth Anniversary.

History repeats itself. This was so on Saturday afternoon last when Mr. and Mrs. A. C. MacDonald, after thirty years of wedded life, found themselves again referred to as the bride and bridegroom. The occasion was a banquet held in their honor and tendered them by their son and daughter to commemorate the happy wedding day.

At 5.30 p.m. eighteen guests sat down to partake of a sumptuous repast which was perfectly arranged and served on tables suitably decorated. A three-story wedding cake occupied its proper place, before the bride, reminding her no doubt of another wedding cake long since forgotten by all but herself. At the correct time the cake was illuminated by thirty bright candles and was photographed before the bridegroom of thirty years was called upon to extinguish them in the time-honored way.

At this juncture the toastmaster, Rev. J. Galloway, called the guests to order and asked Miss Ulva MacDonald and Miss Jean Ledingham to perform pleasing tasks. The former presented her mother with a beautiful bouquet of roses and peonies, while the latter entered laden with gifts which were placed on the table to be opened by the happy recipients. These, an exquisite silver tea service and tray, and other valuable gifts, were eloquent expressions of the respect and esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald are held by relatives and friends. At the same time letters of greeting and congratulations were read expressing the good will of many friends and relatives, who by reason of distance were unable to be present. Rev. Galloway in making the presentation read to Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald an address which in the warmest terms spoke of their success as parents, their high esteem as neighbors and their valuable service, which, during all their life-time, they have given to the Christian church. Mr. MacDonald, in replying, thanked all and hoped that he and his wife might have health and strength to continue the many activities enjoyed by them in the past.

Toasts were then the order of the hour when many amusing anecdotes were exchanged. Rev. Galloway, the toastmaster, called for the following: To the 30-year Bride and Bridegroom, proposed by Mr. Jas. Ledingham, of Dornoch, and replied to by Mr. MacDonald; a leap-year toast to all poor bachelors, a number of whom were present, was proposed by Mrs. Robt. Ledingham of Durham, and responded to by Mr. Lachie McKechnie, of Glenelg; a toast to the family of the honored couple, proposed by Mr. Robt. Ledingham, was responded to by the son, Mr. John MacDonald, who recalled to the enjoyment of the guests some amusing family experiences.

The company afterward adjourned to the lawn where several photographs of the group and of the bridal pair were secured. The remaining hours of the evening were happily spent in music and singing and in the interchange of memories recalling to all events and folks of by-gone days.

Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald were married on June 18, 1902, at Dornoch, Ontario, where the bride (nee Miss Marjorie Ledingham) resided, being a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Ledingham. Mr. MacDonald is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hector MacDonald and a life-long resident of Mulock. Of the marriage there are two children, who are well-known members of the community, John, a student of McMaster University and at present pastor of the New Toronto Baptist church, and Ulva, a graduate of the commercial department of the Hanover high school, at home.

The honored couple have borne the passing of the years remarkably well and enjoy splendid health as they pursue the many duties of home and community calling upon them.

The happy event was brought to a close in a manner characteristic of the home in which it was held when all joined in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

That inherent, inescapable urge to fish that makes men leave home is worth a lot of money to the New Brunswick Government. On one day the Government sold fishing rights on 33 stretches of famous trout and salmon waters for \$57,013.50. These fishing privileges were purchased largely by ritzy fishing clubs.