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the Town of Cobourg; they obtained much valuable information regarding the Public Health Unit now in operation in the United Counties of Durham and Northumberland, a full report of which will be presented later on in the Session.

He mentioned the unfortunate accident in which the North River Bridge between the Townships of Tay and Matchedash had been damaged by an overload of highway machinery; he realized the loss of this bridge would greatly inconvenience the residents of that locality, but the County Road Committee would try to keep them from being too isolated and would re-build the bridge in the spring.

Most of the County Roads are in good condition, due to the open fall, and the Committee have spent practically all of their appropriation.

The Reforestation Committee carried on a fairly extensive program and planted many trees during the year; a more detailed report would no doubt be submitted at a later date.

He congratulated the County Property Committee on the installation of new benches in the Court Room--these are quite comfortable and not nearly so noisy as the chairs. He also referred to the loud speaker system which had been set up in the Council Chamber for this Session, and hoped that the Committee would see fit to have it retained.

The County Home was presenting quite a problem; it was hard to obtain materials and consequently the \$14,000 appropriated for improvements to the Home had not yet been spent. The maintenance costs had increased considerably, and the Board of Management were finding it very difficult to keep within their usual appropriation of \$25,000 per year.

The Department of Game and Fisheries have declared an open season for the taking of deer in Simcoe County on Dec. 4, 5 and 6, and according to the information he received, no dogs will be allowed; the licenses will be issued by the local clerks and will be honoured anywhere in the County. There will also be a sufficient number of Game Wardens on hand to make it an orderly hunt.

The name of the County Library Association, which has been doing splendid work, has been changed to the "County Library Co-operative", and in his opinion this was very unnecessary. There will now be seven directors instead of nine, and the Council will be required to appoint these directors at the January Session; the old Association will carry on in the meantime. The directors will consist of the Warden and three members of the Council; the others may be selected from anywhere in the County, and may also be members of the County Council, but he did not approve of this latter provision.

He informed the members that the Children's Aid Society had cut their debt of last year by \$2,200 and were making an earnest effort to keep within their budget. A full report would be presented later.

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He stated that Miss Louise Colley, Recreation Director, would be addressing the Council later on in the week, and the Council would have to decide if the Recreation Committee was to be a permanent organization; he did not think it would be too satisfactory if they were going to ask for a grant each year.

~~An amendment to the Highway Improvement Act~~

In travelling around the Province he noticed that other counties had spent considerable money in advertising, and he suggested that more money be used in advertising Simcoe's importance.

In conclusion, he was satisfied he expressed the sentiments of all the members in congratulating County Clerk J. T. Simpson and Mrs. Simpson, who recently celebrated their Golden Wedding.

Warden Harvey said he was glad everything had gone so smoothly during his term of office.

The Warden then presented the following communications and accounts, and they were referred to their respective committees:

Letter from F. W. Armstrong, Clerk of Perth County, with the resolution of his Council requesting an increase in the bonus paid on cattle affected with tuberculosis.

Account for \$42.00 from the Township of Adjala as the County's share of the cost of spraying Leafy Spurge.

Communication from John D. MacLeod, Director, Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch, Department of Agriculture, requesting that the County Weed Inspectors be authorized to make a survey of the County to locate all grain fit for seeding next spring.

Letter of appreciation from R. B. Cumming for the Simcoe County Scholarship Prize which he was successful in winning.

Report of the Boiler Inspector on the condition of the boiler in the Court House.

Notice from P. M. Scott, Public School Inspector for Centre Simcoe, of the number of members to be appointed to the Board of Education for the new Barrie High School District.

Telegram from the Deputy Minister of Education, giving approval to the County By-Laws to dissolve the present Barrie and Midland High School Districts and establish new High School Districts in these areas.

Request from Mrs. Marguerite Brooks, Newton Robinson, that the County pay her son's fees while attending the Central Technical School in Toronto.

Enquiry from the Clerk of Alliston as to the number of members required on the Board of Education of the new Alliston High School District and when they should be appointed.

Account from the Secretary of the Flos High School Board for the education of County pupils attending that High School during 1946.

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Account for \$60.00 from L. Ransom, R.R.#2 Tottenham, for non-resident fees for his son at Central Technical School, Toronto.

Request from Mrs. D. R. Smith, Severn Park, regarding the payment of fees for her son at a vocational school in Toronto and board for her daughter attending High School.

Resolution from the Council of Welland County, requesting the Provincial Government to assume the full cost of education.

Notice from the Council of Tossorontio Township of the appointment of a member to the new Alliston High School Board.

Communication from the Blue Water Highway Association, giving notice of the dates of the annual meeting.

Renewal of the County of Simcoe Compensation Policy No. 124315, on County employees, from the A. E. Wilson Co.

Account from the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto, for the maintenance of Murray Golden, Camp Borden.

Communication from the Home for Incurable Children, Toronto, regarding the maintenance of Marilyn Shaw, Creemore.

Accounts from the following training schools for the maintenance of wards:

St. John's Training School	\$409.50
St. Mary's Training School	57.50
Ontario Training School for Girls, Cobourg	185.50
Ontario Training School for Boys, Bowmanville ..	385.50
Good Shepherd Industrial Refuge	42.50

Communication from the Secretary-Treasurer of St. Peter's Infirmary, Hamilton, regarding an increase in the per diem rate.

Resolution from Wentworth County Council, requesting the Ontario Government to increase their grant to Hospitals for Incurables.

Replies from several counties with reference to this Council's resolution requesting the Department to provide more hospital accommodation.

Communication from W. G. Carson, Chief of Police at Orillia, requesting instructions regarding James Brown, a wanderer.

Resolution from the Council of Haliburton County, asking the Province of Ontario to contribute not less than 80% of the cost of Children's Aid work.

Report of the Grand Jury on the condition and management of the County buildings at the sitting of the Supreme Court in September.

Communication from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Ontario Municipal Association, regarding County membership in the Association.

Communication from the Department of Health in connection with the agreement between

the County and Mrs. Louie

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Mrs. Louie Beacom, Creemore, and the County, regarding the maintenance of indigent patients in her Private Hospital.

Communications from the Towns of Orillia, Midland and Collingwood, requesting an increase in the amount rebated to them from the Public Health Service levy.

Communication from the County Library Association, reporting on the work of the County Librarian.

Request from R. N. Bibb, Secretary of the Barrie Branch of the Canadian Legion, for permission to address the Council soliciting campaign funds.

Copy of Adjustment of Assets and Liabilities of the Improvement District of Wasaga Beach, from the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Summary of replies from counties to questionnaire regarding hospital contributions.

Report from the Treasurer of the Town of Orillia on wartime housing and the additional taxes collected on new building construction in the Town.

Resolutions from the branches of the Women's Institute, approving of a Health Unit for the County of Simcoe.

Resolution from the Council of Lincoln County, requesting that legislation be enacted to have uniform enforcement of the sanitary laws of the Province.

Notices of accidents on County Roads from the following:

- Muskoka Construction Co. - North River Bridge, townline of Tay and Matchedash.
- C. W. Schnieder, Toronto - County Road in Tiny Twp., between Perkinsfield and Balm Beach.
- Albert Hamelin, Perkinsfield - Balm Beach road in Tiny Township.
- Aberdeen Mino, Moonstone - Shield's Hill, townline of Tay and Matchedash.
- Rev. J. A. MacInnis, Orillia - Old Barrie Road, Oro Township.
- Charles Large, Perkinsfield - between Perkinsfield and Midland, Tiny Township.
- J. J. Joyce, Toronto - bridge at Lots 13 and 14, Concession 2, Tiny Township.
- O. G. Breedon, Hawkestone - Dalston road, Oro Township.
- Miss M. Frogley, Toronto - south of Perkinsfield, Tiny Township.
- John Gillanders, Toronto - Big Bay Point road, Innisfil Township.

Communication from J. A. P. Marshall, regarding rebate on expenditure on County Road System up to the end of August.

Accounts for school taxes on reforestation properties from the following municipalities:

Essa	\$	Sunnidale	\$15.73
Flos		Tecumseth	2.46
Innisfil	1.70	Tiny	70.05
Medonte	55.65	Tossorontio	27.30
Orillia		W. Gwillimbury	2.28
Oro	54.50	Vespra	
		Penetang	6.58

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Patterson,

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Seconded by Councillor Benson,

That the Report be laid on the table for future consideration.

Moved by Councillor Cumming,

Seconded by Councillor Curry, and ordered,

That Councillor F. Hunter be granted leave of absence for to-day as he is attending the Nomination Meeting in his township.

Moved by Councillor Lockhart,

Seconded by Councillor Wilson, and ordered,

That leave of absence be granted Councillor D. Banting to act as pallbearer at a neighbour's funeral this afternoon.

Moved by Councillor Brown,

Seconded by Councillor Middleton, and ordered,

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of paying the hospital account of Mrs. Synnott at Mrs. Park's Nursing Home, as per the attached statement, provided that Nottawasaga Township pay their usual share of 50%.

Moved by Councillor Lawrence,

Seconded by Councillor Cumming, and ordered,

That the Agriculture Committee consider the advisability of having the County co-operate as a whole in taking action to control the Warble Fly menace in the County.

Moved by Councillor Tudhope,

Seconded by Councillor H. Banting, and ordered,

That Councillor McMaster be granted leave of absence from to-day's session.

The Warden announced that the prizes for the Weed Essays would be presented at the morning session on Tuesday, and requested the Reeves of the municipalities where the students reside to be responsible for his or her presence.

He also announced that it had been suggested that the prize-winners of the County Historical Competition be invited to attend the session on Tuesday morning, and although they had received their prizes, in his opinion their achievements should be recognized and in that way a greater interest in the early history of the County would be created. The Council approved of these prize-winners being invited to attend.

Moved by Councillor Patterson,

Seconded by Councillor Benson, and ordered,

That the Council adjourn until 10 A.M. Tuesday.

J. Simpson
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

D. A. Laracy
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Warden, County of Simcoe

SECOND DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,
November 25th, 1947.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment at yesterday's session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and adopted.

The Warden presented the following communications and accounts:

Account from Mrs. Louie Beacom, Greemore, for the maintenance of Fred Cross, a patient in her Private Hospital.

Communication from the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, requesting the names and the population of the Police Villages in Simcoe County.

Letter from Richard Coffey, Tecumseth Township, regarding the payment of fees for students attending a Technical School in Toronto.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee re the Old Coloured Church in Oro Township was presented and read. A poem written by Mr. Wm. R. Best, Edgar, depicting the early settlement of escaped slaves, the erection of the church and the people who worshipped there, was also read.

Moved by Councillor Cumming,

Seconded by Councillor Tudhope, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted, and that Mr. Best's poem be written in the minutes and preserved in the records of the County Council.

The Warden announced that the prizes for the winners in the Weed Essay Competition would now be presented, and requested the County Weed Inspectors, C. D. Raikes and J. H. Dunn, to introduce the prize-winners. They are as follows:

- First Prize - Carl Rogerson, S.S.#17 Tecumseth, R.R.#2 Alliston.
- Second Prize - Brian McCague, S.S.#1 Essa, Alliston.
- Third Prize - Addie Ball, S.S.#17 Medonte, R.R.#2 Coldwater.
- Fourth Prize - Lois McGinnis, S.S.#8 Flos, Crossland.
- Fifth Prize - Larry De Wilde, S.S.#4 Sunnidale, New Lowell.
- Sixth Prize - Joanne McKinnon, Prince of Wales School, Barrie.
- Seventh Prize - Gordon Perrault, St. Mary's School, Midland.

The Warden made the presentation and congratulated each on his fine showing, and wished them success in the future.

The first three prizes were contributed by the County Agriculture Committee, and the last four by the Weed Inspectors personally.

The Warden then requested Mr. J. A. Gibson, Public School Inspector for East Simcoe, to introduce the prize-winners in the Simcoe County Centenary Historical Scholarship Examination, for which competition is held annually in connection with the Entrance Examinations. Mr. Gibson introduced the winners as follows:

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Group 1 - Schools with three teachers or less

First Prize - Ann Lawrence, Creemore	\$50.00
Second Prize - Gary Hewson, Duntroon	35.00
Third Prize - Jas. Stewart, Bond Head	25.00
Fourth Prize - Elizabeth Gilroy, Cookstown	15.00

Group 2 - Schools with four or more teachers

First Prize - Aldine Lawrence, Orillia	50.00
Second Prize - Mary McNabb, Orillia	35.00
Third Prize - Lois Payne, Orillia	25.00
Fourth Prize - Yvette Muir, Orillia	15.00

Grand Championship Awards

First Prize - Aldine Lawrence, Orillia	30.00
Second Prize - Ann Lawrence, Creemore	20.00

The Warden congratulated the students, who are all attending High School, and in wishing them success he advised them to not give up their study of the history and geography of this very historic County.

Mr. Gibson referred to the importance of the Historical Examination, and stated that from his observation he found it created interest not only in the school but in the home regarding the early history of the County. He was sure this competition was very worthwhile.

Moved by Councillor McCracken,
Seconded by Councillor Tudhope, and ordered,

That owing to a traffic accident on a hill north of Bradford, which prevented Councillors Evans and Turner from arriving in Barrie in time to attend the Council session yesterday, they be granted leave of absence from same.

Moved by Councillor Brown,
Seconded by Councillor Middleton, and ordered,

That the Council adjourn until 10 A.M. on Wednesday.

J. Deception
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

S.A. Stasny
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Warden, County of Simcoe

THIRD DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,
November 26th, 1947.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment at yesterday's session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillors Bowerman, Brokenshire and D. Hunter.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and adopted.

The Warden presented the following communications and accounts:

Notice from Christina Rowat, Elmvale, of an accident to her car on the County Road opposite Lot 3, Concession 4, Flos Township.

Communication from the Gilford Women's Institute, approving of a Public Health Unit for the County of Simcoe.

Account from D. F. MacLaren, County Solicitor, amounting to \$818.47.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on FINANCE was presented and read.
Moved by Councillor Curry,

Seconded by Councillor Desroches, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on FINANCE was presented and read.
Moved by Councillor Tudhope,

Seconded by Councillor Pottage, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 3 -- of the Standing Committee on FINANCE was presented and read.
Moved by Councillor Taylor,

Seconded by Councillor Wood, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on ROADS & BRIDGES was presented and read.
Moved by Councillor Orton,

Seconded by Councillor Tudhope, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

The Warden informed the Council that Mr. A. Mowat, Provincial Inspector of Public Libraries, and Miss Audrey Gray, County Librarian, were present, and he invited them to address the Council.

Mr. Mowat in addressing the Council said he was pleased with the invitation to attend the session, for although he was acquainted with some of the individual members of the Council he never had the opportunity of previously appearing before them. He stated that the purpose of this visit was to request the Council to continue their support of the County Library. There were twelve organized County Libraries in the Province, and they were responsible for more books being distributed to the rural areas;

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by co-operation in purchasing and distributing books this valuable reading material was distributed much more cheaply than it could otherwise be done, and he was satisfied that the reading of good books played a great part in adult education.

He informed the Council that at the recent Session of the Legislature an amendment had been made to the County Libraries Act whereby the name of County Library Associations was changed to County Library Co-operatives. It also provided that the County Council appoint a Library Board, composed of the Warden, three members of the Council and three others who may or may not be members of Council. He stated that in this County complaint had been made that the Board was too small for the size of the County, but he suggested that the new Board carry on for a year and if, at the end of that time, it was thought advisable, the Act could be amended and the number of members on the Board increased. The present Board would carry on until the new one was appointed. On being asked why the name had been changed, he took responsibility for this being done and gave his reasons. It was suggested that the Council might pass a by-law at this Session, approving of the appointment of a new Library Board.

Miss Gray informed the Council that the increased County grant made it possible to increase the number of schools which were receiving books from 60 about a year ago to 131 at the present time, and the library service was increased in many other ways.

Warden Harvey thanked Mr. Mowat and Miss Gray for their addresses.

Judge Harvie appeared before the Council and referred to the dates set for the Sessions of the County Judge's Criminal Court and the non-jury Sessions of the Supreme Court. As the dates are fixed now, these courts occasionally clash in this County and in the other larger counties in the Province; for instance, the Session of the County Judge's Criminal Court commences on Monday, Dec. 1st, and Justice Wells who is in Barrie now, presiding at the Session of the Supreme Court, informs him that he will not be through with his cases by that date, and if the County Council had to be in session next week it would be awkward to provide accommodation for all three. He suggested that the dates for the June and December sittings of the Criminal Court might be advanced to April and October, but he was advised by one of the Council members that April would be a very inconvenient month for farmers to attend as jurymen.

The Warden appointed Councillors Bowerman and Evans to confer with Judge Harvie and draft a resolution to the Attorney General, suggesting changing the date of these courts.

Councillor Middleton informed the Council that he had been advised that a deputation from his township would attend the session to-day, requesting an addition to the County Road System, but they had not put in an appearance and he asked if it would be satisfactory if they attended to-morrow's session. The Warden, with the approval of

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the Council, informed him that they would be glad to receive the deputation.

R. N. Bibby, Secretary of the Barrie Branch of the Canadian Legion, addressed the Council and stated that their branch had recently purchased a building on Owen Street for new quarters for the Legion; they were making alterations and renovating at the present time in order to have a memorial for the boys and girls from Simcoe County who served in His Majesty's forces in the last Great War. He stated that he had attended meetings of other local councils, asking for donations to assist the Legion in their work, and had received many favourable replies. He requested a contribution from the County Council to assist in providing this necessary accommodation.

The Warden assured Mr. Bibby that his request would receive the careful consideration of the Council.

At this point Councillor Patterson asked the Warden to leave his seat on the dais, and he read the following address:

"To Warden D. K. Harvey:-

This being the last Session of the County Council for the year 1947, and this Session also brings to a close your duties as Warden of Simcoe County.

We, the members and officials, feel that we cannot depart without expressing our appreciation for the able and efficient and courteous manner in which you have presided over the various sessions of the Council during the year.

You have done your duty to the entire satisfaction of us all, and you have carried out in a most efficient and capable manner such other duties which you, as Warden of this County, have been called upon from time to time to perform.

The honour you sought and which was unanimously bestowed on you by your fellow members you have upheld in a most dignified and responsible manner, which commands not only the respect and admiration of this Council but of all the citizens of the County as a whole.

During the year 1947 progress was made in all administrations of the County Council, but particular mention should be made to the establishment of High School Areas. This is a step for the betterment of education in our County. To further advancement of agriculture, two Weed Inspectors were appointed, and the residents of this County will no doubt reap the benefit in the years to come.

Mention should be made of the tablet erected in the rotunda of the Court House, giving the names of those from Simcoe County who made the supreme sacrifice in World War 11. This tablet will be a memorial and will remain in the Court House to the memory of those who gave their lives for the survival of us all.

This year, on November 20th, Princess Elizabeth was united in marriage to Lieut. Phillip Mountbatten. This was an occasion of great rejoicing, and the people of the British Empire are happy with this union.

We hope, sir, that you will continue your interest in municipal and public affairs, and no doubt the experience gained will be a great benefit to you in so doing, and that your future life will be all that you may hope it to be.

On behalf of the members and officials of this County we wish to present you with this gift of a watch, and we hope that you will cherish and keep it for all time."

Councillor E. Miller presented Warden Harvey with a wrist watch.

The Warden thanked the Council for the address and splendid gift, and said they would always be prized by him. He thanked all for their assistance during his term of office.

Moved by Councillor Evans,

Seconded by Councillor Turner, and ordered,

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That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of passing a by-law to set up a County Library Co-operative.

Moved by Councillor F. Hunter,

Seconded by Councillor McMaster, and ordered,

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of passing a by-law in accordance with Chapter 108, Section 91, s.s.(5), regarding the payment of mileage instead of per diem to jurors attending the several courts in this County.

Moved by Councillor Tudhope,

Seconded by Councillor Orton, and ordered,

That the Roads & Bridges Committee consider the advisability of giving a donation to the Barrie Fire Brigade for their prompt action and attention to the Simcoe County Shed which was recently partially burned.

Moved by Councillor Taylor,

Seconded by Councillor Eplett, and ordered,

That the Roads & Bridges Committee consider the advisability of cutting down the hill on Concession 9, Tiny, between Balm Beach and Perkinsfield.

Moved by Councillor Lockhart,

Seconded by Councillor H. Banting, and ordered,

That the Roads & Bridges Committee consider the advisability of recommending to this Council that they take over and assume responsibility for that part of the 8th Concession of Innisfil Township from the eastern boundary of the present County Road No. 21 to the lake, and also that portion of roadway commencing at the eastern boundary of County Road No. 21.A., thence northerly along the 25th sideroad to the 14th Concession of the said Township and thence easterly along the said 14th Concession to the lake.

Moved by Councillor Gowanlock,

Seconded by Councillor Reed, and ordered,

That the Agriculture Committee consider the resolution from Wentworth County regarding the amount to be paid to the owners of cattle condemned in the T.B. test.

Moved by Councillor Lockhart,

Seconded by Councillor Wilson, and ordered,

That the Roads & Bridges Committee consider the advisability of erecting Stop Signs on all County Roads in the Township of Innisfil, and furthermore that they endeavour to have the ditches and roadsides cleaned up on that portion of County Road in the Village of Belle Ewart, in Innisfil Township.

Moved by Councillor E. Miller,

Seconded by Councillor Clark, and ordered,

That the County Clerk be instructed to advise individuals or deputations who

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ask for appointments to be heard by the Council that they shall be limited to two speakers, and that the total time allotted shall not exceed 15 minutes for any one deputation.

Moved by Councillor Postage,

Seconded by Councillor Wood, and ordered,

That Councillor Brokenshire be granted leave of absence to-day on account of the roads being blocked and the snow-plow not getting through.

Moved by Councillor Cumming,

Seconded by Councillor Tudhope, and ordered,

That the Reeves and Deputy-Reeves from the several newly-formed High School Districts submit names to the Education Committee for their consideration in making appointments to the High School District Boards, the names to be left with the Chairman of the Education Committee before 12:30 on Thursday.

Moved by Councillor Tudhope,

Seconded by Councillor Woodrow, and ordered,

That the Special Committee re the old Coloured Church in Oro Township be requested to convey to Wm. R. Best, Edgar, the thanks of the Council for his valuable assistance in furnishing a list of the family names of the early worshippers in the church, and for the poem he wrote vividly depicting conditions in the early days, and also that they recognize his services in some tangible way.

Moved by Councillor Brown,

Seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,

That the Council adjourn until 10 A.M. Thursday.

J. Whippson
Clerk, County of Simcoe

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Warden, County of Simcoe

FOURTH DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,
November 27th, 1947.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment at yesterday's session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillors Bowerman and McCracken.

The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

The Warden presented the following communications and accounts:

Letter from F. A. Lashley, Agricultural Representative, with a list of the prize-winners from South Simcoe at the Royal Winter Fair.

Letter of thanks from Judge Harvie for the privilege of attending the Royal Winter Fair and enjoying the association of the Warden and Council.

The Warden announced that Miss Louise Colley, Director of Recreation Programs, wished to report on the work of that association during the past year. She enlarged on the various activities of the association, and thanked the Council for their generous grant which enabled the work to be carried on.

The Warden thanked Miss Colley for her report.

Councillor C. Parker stated that he would introduce a resolution requesting the Council to take over the financing of the recreational activities of the County.

Miss Margaret MacLachlan, Supervising Nurse, reported on the work of the Public Health Service of the County. The service provided for a staff of six nurses, but it was impossible to secure that number and at the present time there were only three permanent nurses on the staff and a temporary one from the end of September to the end of December. She reported on the number of children examined, but was sorry that the follow-up program of the service could not be carried out.

The Warden thanked Miss MacLachlan for her exhaustive report.

Mr. Mills, Secretary of the Ontario Trustees and Ratepayers Association, was requested by the Warden to address the Council. He explained the work of his organization and complimented the Council on the progress made along educational lines in the County.

He was thanked by the Warden for his address.

C. H. Naphtali, Superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, gave a report on the Society's work in the County during the year. He referred to many instances which were responsible for the increased cost of the Society, and stated that the Board of Directors of the Barrie Association, as well as the public of Ontario generally, were altogether in favour of Government assistance for this work.

The Warden thanked Mr. Naphtali for the information he gave the Council.

C. D. Raikes and J. H. Dunn, County Weed Inspectors for North and South Simcoe, presented reports on their work during the past season. They had made considerable

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progress in organizing the various municipalities and having municipal councils cut and destroy weeds along the roadsides. Each reported that next year they would be compelled to put more "teeth" in carrying out the provisions of the Act.

The Warden thanked the Inspectors for the work they had accomplished this year and for their reports.

Moved by Councillor C. Parker,

Seconded by Councillor Wood, and ordered,

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of making Recreational Direction part of the County's services, under a Committee appointed from the County Council, and that they also consider paying the estimated deficit of \$68.02 for the year 1947.

Moved by Councillor Desroches,

Seconded by Councillor Downer, and ordered,

That the Roads & Bridges Committee consider the advisability of recommending to the Council that they add to the present County Road System that portion of road in the Township of Tiny commencing at the northern boundary of County Road No. 6, where said County Road turns in an easterly direction towards Penetang, thence northerly along the sideroad between Lots 13 and 14 to the intersection of the present County Road at Concession 15, and thence northerly along the present roadway to Thunder Bay.

Moved by Councillor E. Miller,

Seconded by Councillor Downer, and ordered,

That Councillor McCracken be granted leave of absence from to-day's session to attend the funeral of a friend and neighbour.

Moved by Councillor Brown,

Seconded by Councillor Wood, and ordered,

That the Council adjourn until 10 A.M. Friday.

J. Simpson
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

D. A. Lashley
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Warden, County of Simcoe

FIFTH DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,
November 28th, 1947.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment at yesterday's session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillor Lovering

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and adopted.

The Warden presented the following communications and accounts:

Resolution from the Council of Elgin County, favouring the nationalization of Hospital Sweepstakes.

Statement of prize-winners at the Royal Winter Fair from S. L. Page.

REPORT NO. 4 -- of the Standing Committee on FINANCE was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Mitchell,

Seconded by Councillor Wood, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 5 -- of the Standing Committee on FINANCE, and the accompanying By-Law, were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Wilson,

Seconded by Councillor Downer, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted and that the By-Law presented herewith be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Shepherd,

Seconded by Councillor Lockhart, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a first time be read a second time.

By-Law read a second time.

Moved by Councillor D. Hunter,

Seconded by Councillor McCracken, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a second time be read a third time.

By-Law read a third time.

Moved by Councillor Eplett,

Seconded by Councillor Widdis, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a third time do pass, be engrossed by the Clerk, and signed and sealed by the Warden.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on ROADS & BRIDGES was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McCracken,

Seconded by Councillor Patton, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on COUNTY PROPERTY was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Middleton,

Seconded by Councillor Brown, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on EDUCATION was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McMaster,

Seconded by Councillor Percy, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Lockhart,

Seconded by Councillor Wilson, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on SIMCOE COUNTY HOME was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McMaster,

Seconded by Councillor Patterson, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on REFORESTATION was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McMaster,

Seconded by Councillor J. Parker, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on AGRICULTURE was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Downer,

Seconded by Councillor J. Parker, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on AGRICULTURE was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Reed,

Seconded by Councillor Maw, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee re COUNTY MAPS was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Brown,

Seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee on COUNTY PROPERTY was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Middleton,

Seconded by Councillor Clark, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Consultative Committee re HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Tudhope,

Seconded by Councillor Pottage, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE, which was laid on the table at Monday's session, was again presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Gowanlock,

Seconded by Councillor Lockhart, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

The Warden informed the Council that Eric Simpson, County Assessor, wished to report on some features of his work. Mr. Simpson stated it was nearly 2½ years since his appointment, and although a number of municipalities had completed a new assessment, others had not made any move whatever, in fact, a few of them asked when he went to their meetings, "What is that fellow doing around here?" In the municipalities which had held a second Court of Revision since the completion of their assessment there were very few appeals and very little criticism, which showed that the ratepayers were fairly well satisfied with the valuations which had been made. He stated that in some municipalities he had been unable to locate a copy of the Assessment Act for the use of either the Council or the Assessor. During the recent Session of the Legislature amendments had been made to the Assessment Act, and copies of the Act, with the amendments, were now available and could be secured from the Department of Municipal Affairs. Fifteen municipalities had completed or were working on the new system, but the other sixteen had not made any start. The Amendment Act now requires assessors to commence their work in January, and in his opinion it would be a good arrangement if assessors were to report to the council monthly on the progress of their work and return the roll promptly on Sept. 30th. He also suggested that it would be an improvement if the Standing Committee on Equalization could meet occasionally and discuss matters with the County Assessor and others.

A number of questions were asked by members of the Council and answered by the Assessor.

The Warden thanked Mr. Simpson for his report and information.

Warden Harvey announced that S. L. Page, Agricultural Representative for North Simcoe, wished to report for the Committee on Soil and Land Use. Mr. Page reported that the soil survey had been completed in most of the County, and a map had been prepared, copies of which were available. A written report was being prepared, but it might not be available for a couple of years. The report of the Soils Committee of this

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County, which was prepared about three years ago, was still very much in demand; enquiries were continually being made for it and the recommendations it contained were followed by other counties. He congratulated the present Soils Committee on the work that was being done, and recommended to the Council that it be continued and its members composed of both township and town representatives.

The Warden thanked Mr. Page for his valuable information.

Judge Robb of Dufferin County, Judge Harvie of Simcoe County, Judge McCuaig, recently appointed to Elgin County, and Ex-Warden C. D. Stewart, being in the chamber, the Warden invited them to seats on the dais.

The Warden then stated that D. H. Coleman, County Treasurer, had an announcement to make.

Mr. Coleman read a letter, addressed to County Clerk and Mrs. J. T. Simpson, from the Province of Ontario, and signed by the Provincial Secretary and Messrs. A. W. Downer, J. D. McPhee and Geo. G. Johnston, the local Members in the Ontario Legislature, congratulating them on the occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary and expressing the wish that they would both enjoy further anniversaries.

The Clerk was entirely taken by surprise, but on behalf of himself and Mrs. Simpson thanked those who were responsible for the kind message.

Judges Robb, Harvie and McCuaig, and Ex-Warden Stewart, joined with the Province in their congratulations, and expressed their pleasure at attending the Council and renewing old acquaintances.

E. C. Drury, who is in charge of preparing a history of the County, reported on the progress that had been made up to the present, and was sorry he did not have time to prepare a more detailed report on account of pressure of court business. He outlined what had been done, and urged upon the Reeves and Deputy-Reeves of the townships the importance of having their clerks report to him early in the new year on any important incidents that they had been able to secure. He recommended that all municipalities form committees and get all the information possible. The questionnaire that had been sent out to the township clerks was suitable for townships, because the information from them was fairly uniform, but the various towns had individual experiences and he had made special visits to most of them and had committees set up which were securing valuable information regarding their early history. Up to the present there had not been a great deal of the grant spent, which was voted by the Council, but he trusted the Council would renew it for 1948. He would present a more formal report at the January Session.

The Warden thanked Mr. Drury for his report, and congratulated him on the progress made.

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Moved by Councillor E. Miller,

Seconded by Councillor Clark, and ordered,

That the Clerk be instructed to write to Ex-Warden Todd, who is confined to his bed, and express the regrets of the Council that he is ill and wish him a speedy recovery.

Moved by Councillor J. Parker,

Seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,

That Councillor Bowerman be granted leave of absence from yesterday's session on account of illness.

Moved by Councillor E. Miller,

Seconded by Councillor Orton, and ordered,

That Councillor Lovering be granted leave of absence from to-day's session as he was unable to get here on account of snow-blocked roads.

Moved by Councillor Evans,

Seconded by Councillor McCracken, and ordered,

Whereas for the past number of years, owing to the pressure of heavy court lists, the Supreme Court sittings have been conflicting with the December sessions of the County Court,

And whereas, in any event, bad weather and road conditions frequently work great hardship to farmers called for jury service,

Be it therefore resolved that this County Council recommends that proper amendments be made to the County Courts Act to fix the date for the Fall County Court jury sessions for the first Monday in November, instead of the first Monday in December, and, if necessary, to advance the Spring jury sittings accordingly.

The Council further recommends that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Attorney-General of the Province of Ontario, and to all county councils, requesting their endorsement.

Moved by Councillor Evans,

Seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,

That the County of Simcoe establish a full Health Unit in the year 1948, and that the Public Health Committee for the County proceed with the necessary organization of same, and that the Department of Health for Ontario be notified of this action.

Moved by Councillor Wood,

Seconded by Councillor Brown, and ordered,

That Councillor Mitchell be granted leave of absence from yesterday's session on account of illness.

Moved by Councillor Clark,

Seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,

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That the Clerk be authorized to advertise for tenders for printing the minutes of the Sessions of the Council for 1948.

Moved by Councillor Evans,

Seconded by Councillor Benson, and ordered,

That the sincere congratulations and good wishes of the Council be extended to our worthy Clerk and his good wife on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. We would like to suggest that if their recipe for happy and successful married life could be obtained, and made public and followed, we would have no more domestic problems and life would be beautiful.

Moved by Councillor Johnston,

Seconded by Councillor Truman, and ordered,

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of giving the Town of Orillia a refund of all monies paid for extra assessment which was added to its roll for war-time housing since June, 1947, in view of the fact that no payments have been made by any other municipality.

Moved by Councillor Benson,

Seconded by Councillor Evans, and ordered,

That Rule 66 be suspended to permit the motion of Councillors Johnston and Truman being received.

Moved by Councillor E. Miller,

Seconded by Councillor Patterson, and ordered,

That the Council adjourn until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Council resumed as per adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

REPORT NO. 6 -- of the Standing Committee on FINANCE was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Brokenshire,

Seconded by Councillor Turner, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on EDUCATION was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McMaster,

Seconded by Councillor Percy, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

Dr. McKelvey and Mrs. McKelvey, Governor and Matron of the Simcoe County Home, and Ex-Warden Banting, were invited by the Warden to seats on the dais.

Dr. McKelvey reported on their work at the Home and stated that they had found the work very interesting; considerable changes had been made, but there were many

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more needed. He hoped that a year hence he would be able to make a satisfactory report.

Ex-Warden Banting expressed his satisfaction at being again invited to a seat on the dais. He was always glad to meet his old associates, and wished them all the compliments of the season.

Moved by Councillor Evans,

Seconded by Councillor Bowerman, and ordered,

That the County Clerk be instructed to acknowledge the kind letter of His Honour Judge Harvie, in which he expresses his thanks for the invitation to join the Warden and members of Council on their visit to the Royal Winter Fair, and to assure him that he is always welcome at any gathering of the Council and that his suggestions and comments to the Council are always gratefully received and respectfully considered.

Moved by Councillor Benson,

Seconded by Councillor Johnston, and ordered,

That the account of the Sick Children's Hospital, for 31 days maintenance of Murray Golden, be paid at the rate of \$2.25 per day, on condition that the Department of Veterans Affairs refund the amount paid by the County.

Councillor Patterson stated he had a pleasant duty to perform, and presented Mrs. Flora Downard, stenographer in the County Treasurer's office, who was recently married, with a writing desk and lamp.

Mrs. Downard graciously thanked the Warden and members of the Council for the very beautiful present, and said she always enjoyed working for the County and that was why she was still here.

Councillor Patterson expressed the thanks of the Council to the Warden for the courteous and efficient manner in which he had presided over the Sessions of the Council during his term of office.

The Warden thanked the Council for their kindnesses and loyalty to him during the year, and trusted that in some small way he had satisfied their expectations.

Moved by Councillor Patterson,

Seconded by Councillor Benson, and ordered,

That the Council now adjourn sine die; Happy to meet, sorry to part and happy to meet again!

J. Simpson
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

L. W. Middleton
.....
Warden, County of Simcoe

MINUTES
OF THE JANUARY SESSION, 1948, OF THE
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE
COUNTY OF SIMCOE

FIRST DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,
January 19th, 1948.

The Council met pursuant to statute and by-law of the County Council.

The following members, having filed their Certificates of Election and Declarations of Office with the County Clerk, took their seats at the Council Board for 1948:

ADJALA Twp. - Jos. K. Parker, Reeve, Mono Mills.

ALLISTON Twp. - W. J. Cunningham, Reeve, Alliston.

BARRIE Town - Geo. W. Clark, Reeve, Barrie; Jas. Hart, Deputy-Reeve, Barrie.

BEETON Village - W. Lloyd Lilly, Reeve, Beeton.

BRADFORD Village - Chas. T. S. Evans, Reeve, Bradford.

COLDWATER Village - Ernest G. Miller, Reeve, Coldwater.

COLLINGWOOD Town - Norman W. Bush, Reeve, Collingwood; John C. Allison, Deputy-Reeve, Collingwood.

CREEMORE Village - Geo. H. Shepherd, Reeve, Creemore.

ESSA Twp. - Louis E. Truax, Reeve, R.R.#1 Angus; W. J. Wood, Deputy-Reeve, Alliston.

FLOS Twp. - G. Walter Middleton, Reeve, R.R.#1 Elmvale; Wm. Maw, Deputy-Reeve, Minesing.

INNISFIL Twp. - Clifford Lockhart, Reeve, R.R.#5 Barrie; Robt. Eldridge, Deputy-Reeve, Cookstown.

MATCHEDASH Twp. - Noble Lovering, Reeve, R.R.#1 Coldwater, Ont.

MEDONTE Twp. - Boyd Miller, Reeve, R.R.#1 Hillsdale; Fisher Ganton, Deputy-Reeve, Hillsdale.

MIDLAND Town - W. H. Taylor, Reeve, Midland; Alex McIntosh, Deputy-Reeve, Midland.

NOTTAWASAGA Twp. - Jas. Patton, Reeve, R.R.#3 Creemore; Fred Vancise, Deputy-Reeve, R.R.#4 Stayner.

ORILLIA Town - Hugh Johnston, Reeve, Orillia; A. H. Tudhope, Deputy-Reeve, Orillia.

ORILLIA Twp. - Wm. C. Gowanlock, Reeve, R.R.#4 Orillia; Wilbur Reed, Deputy-Reeve, R.R.#3 Orillia.

ORO Twp. - John A. Woodrow, Reeve, R.R.#2 Oro Station; Smith Campbell, Deputy-Reeve, Oro Station.

PENETANG Town - W. R. Benson, Reeve, Penetang; Thos. Morris, Deputy-Reeve, Penetang.

PORT McNICOLL Village - Geo. Patterson, Reeve, Port McNicoll.

STAYNER Town - Clarence Wood, Reeve, Stayner.

SUNNIDALE Twp. - C. E. Lawrence, R.R.#1 New Lowell; Jas. C. Buis, Deputy-Reeve, R.R.#3 Stayner.