

# ALIENS TO BUILD BRANDON ROAD

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## Interned Prisoners Must Work On Highway From City to Sewell Camp

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Arrangements are completed at Brandon for the construction, by interned alien laborers there, of a road 20 miles in length between Brandon and Sewell camp, at an estimated cost between \$10,000 and \$20,000.

A meeting was held at the Wheat city Monday, at which the Dominion government had the municipalities of Elton, Cornwallis, Norfolk and Brandon city were represented. Major Hawker, of the alien internment department, intimated, on behalf of the government, that the scheme would meet with full approval at Ottawa.

It is estimated that the road would cost \$1,200 a mile for gravel, or \$800 a mile for earthwork, under ordinary circumstances. Under normal conditions, labor on such work would cost as least \$1.50 a man per day.

The provincial government has not as yet been approached on the matter. As soon as an agreement can be reached by the interested municipalities as to the apportionment of cost, the provincial government will be asked to provide the engineering work as its share in the project.