

RESTORATION OF SALARY CUTS AND PURCHASE OF SPRAYING APPARATUS ENDORSED BY FREDERICTON COUNCIL

Ald. B. R. Ross Launches Verbal Attack Against City Police Commission--Practice Of Paying Employees During Absence Criticized

Recommendations of Committee Adopted

THE approval of the previous recommendation to restore salary reductions, and the decision to purchase spraying equipment to protect the trees from destruction by insect pests were the highlights of last evening's sitting of the Fredericton City Council.

Ald. B. R. Ross, the stormy petrel of the civic board of governors, hurled verbal spears in the direction of the Fredericton Police Commission, describing the group as being "all powerful." Ald. MacMillan strongly criticized the practice of paying salaries to civic employees during periods of absence whether for sickness or other reasons. The meeting, interspersed by verbal flare-ups, was attended by the entire board with the exception of Ald. Doohan, who is out of the city. It was brought in the discussion regarding traffic matters that the Police Commission and not the aldermen were the all powerful body which controlled traffic. Mayor Kitchen suggested the aldermen consult the Police Commission and ask that body to fix the traffic matters.

Adopt Measures

Recommendations passed at Monday night's committee were adopted. The two measures mentioned in the opening paragraph were among the important motions passed by the committee, while the recommendation of the special committee relative to the "Daylight Saving Time" question was also unanimously adopted.

The Council also ratified the appointment of Major E. C. Armstrong to the board of assessors, replacing Arthur Thompson, who is tendering his resignation. A motion was also passed authorizing the Fire Chief to attend the Maritime Fire Chiefs' convention in Charlottetown July 13-14.

In connection with the action regarding the protection of trees, Mayor G. Willard Kitchen explained that R. E. Balch, entomologist Federal Department of Agriculture, said that either the banding of trees or the purchase of necessary spraying equipment would be sufficient to combat the insect menace. It was decided to purchase the spraying apparatus.

Traffic Matters

Ald. Mundle introduced the matter relative to congested traffic condition on Queen street. He referred to the present programme of widening the street, pointing out that this was not sufficient to insure satisfactory conditions. He urged that a "deadline" be placed on the section of Queen street being widened so that cars would be properly parked and not interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic. Ald. Mundle further stated that he and another member of the Council had been considering the matter and that they favored the "deadline" proposal as a favorable one.

Ald. Ross inquired the name of the other member who objected to the

present system of parking. Ald. Mundle replied that Ald. McKnight was the alderman in question who concurred with his views. Ald. McCaughy joined in the discussion, referring to the improvement affected by the widening of the street but also pointing out that parking regulations were not entirely satisfactory.

"All Powerful"

Ald. Ross, addressing his remarks to Ald. Mundle, suggested that Ald. Mundle, who is a supporter of the police commission which is in charge of traffic matters, refer the matter to that body, which Ald. Ross described as being "all powerful." He then asked if Ald. Mundle was making a motion regarding the deadline proposal.

Ald. Mundle then moved that the roads and streets committee be given authority to make arrangements regarding the "deadline." Ald. McKnight seconded the motion.

Speaking in a somewhat satirical vein, Ald. Ross stated that the Council was wasting its time passing such a motion, contending that on many previous occasions city officials had put off carrying out the wishes of the Council due to outside influence. He stated that the work on Queen street was held up last year because City Engineer MacKay "didn't see fit to do it because certain 'outside' people didn't want it done."

Speaking on the matter, Mayor Kitchen told the Council that the police commission handled all matters relative to traffic and suggested that the "deadline" matter be referred to them. "That is all that is necessary," the chief magistrate said.

"Do you think so?" replied Ald. Ross.

Ald. Mundle then changed his motion to coincide with the suggestion offered by the mayor. The matter was then dropped without further discussion.

Receive Pay

One of the bombshells of the meeting was hurled by Ald. MacMillan, who inquired as to the city's attitude regarding the payment of salaries to civic employees, including clerical workers, during time-off on account of sickness or for other reasons. "Do they receive their full pay or are they docked?" the alderman inquired. Mayor Kitchen replied that they receive their salaries.

"That is not business," Ald. MacMillan retorted, contending that any employee who loses time for any reason should be "docked." He cited instances when railroad workers who lose time from work are "docked" accordingly.

"You are not consistent with the stand you took last evening," remarked Ald. Ross, referring to the fact that Ald. MacMillan supported the recommendation for the restoration of salary cuts to city employees. Ald. MacMillan replied that he wanted to "be fair" and believed that the increase was due the employees at this time.

Continuing further, Ald. MacMillan stated that each employee was entitled to pay for every hour of work but should not receive pay for time absent.

"You walked out for a month and we never docked you," interrupted Ald. McCaughy, addressing his remarks to Ald. MacMillan.

The Mayor, joining in the discussion, pointed out that officials of the city often attend Council sessions, using their own time and not receiving pay. He expressed himself as disapproving the idea suggested by Ald. MacMillan.

Ald. Ross made reply to the Mayor's remark about city officials attending Council meetings. He referred to several meetings which, he said, were not attended by department officials. He contended that Fredericton is about the only city where such conditions exist.

"Aldermen are forgotten men," continued Ald. Ross, contending that they haven't much to say regarding affairs in the city.

Ald. R. T. Forbes was opposed to the opinion of Ald. MacMillan, arguing that a person on "straight salary basis" should not be docked during time off, under ordinary circumstances.

ITALO-GERMAN MOVE PUTS EUROPE AT MERCY OF A SPANISH 'INCIDENT'

As the 'Non-Intervention' Collapses, the Chance of Getting Aliens From Spain Goes Altogether

PARIS, July 6.—Europe last week had another of its now periodical diplomatic crises arising from the Spanish civil war. Although the danger of a general European conflict again was averted, the situation may truly be described as more precarious than ever.

Little of the polite and hypocritical action of non-intervention by the powers in the Spanish civil war remains. Using the failure of Great Britain and France to act collectively with them against the Valencia government for an alleged attack on the German cruiser Leipzig by submarines of the Spanish republic, Germany and Italy have withdrawn from the system of international control. But the position now is more serious than it was when the two Fascist powers took similar steps after the bombing of the Germany pocket battleship Deutschland off Ibiza in May. For now the withdrawal of the Rome and Berlin governments may be declared to be "definite."

Their action not only endangers the entire system of non-intervention, so painfully built up since last August, but also eliminates all prospects of getting the foreign combatants out of Spain, which has been sought as the prelude to joint mediation by the powers with a view to bringing the civil war in the Iberian Peninsula to a close.

These hopes—perhaps they were only illusions—are now blasted. Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler's announcement that he will take no other reprisal for the unprovoked charge of a torpedo attack against the Leipzig has removed for the present the danger of international complications. But the situation remains tense. Although Germany and Italy have proclaimed their retirement from the control system, nevertheless both countries are rushing more warships to Spanish waters. This is the development that has both Downing Street and the Quai d'Orsay worried.

The grave danger now is that the German or Italian warships could provoke or even invent an incident that would give them a pretext for open intervention in Spain on the side of General Francisco Franco. For since these two powers have withdrawn from the control system, they no longer are bound by the restrictions of collective action, and may act on their own initiative. If they did so, the fat would be in the fire. For with their lines of communication in the Mediterranean threatened, neither England nor France could permit the Fascist government to establish themselves in the peninsula.

According to the French press, it was a severe warning to this effect by the two western democracies that exercised a restraining influence on

ces. "I would not countenance such an idea," he said.

The discussion was then dropped and the meeting adjourned.

Der Fuehrer at the eleventh hour Wednesday, and caused him to cancel his original intention of taking naval measures against the Valencia government. Although the Berlin government has been persuaded to abandon such dangerous action nevertheless at no time since the Spanish civil war began was the danger of its spreading into a general European conflict so serious as it is today.

Why have the war clouds over Europe that only a week ago looked as if they were passing become again so black? "Le Temps" finds the reason in "the struggle of contradictory influences which is being pursued in Berlin between the more active elements of National Socialism and the more moderate elements of the directing circles of the Reichswehr and German diplomacy."

Hitler is torn between the opposing counsels of moderates such as his aristocratic Foreign Minister Baron Konstantin von Neurath, Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, Reichsbank president, and the Reichswehr leaders, who urged him to carry on the policy of co-operation with the powers of Western Europe, and extremists such as Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda and Public Enlightenment; Colonel General Wilhelm Herman Goering, Aviation Minister, and the Nazi radicals who are all for the policy of adventure.

A week ago the Neurath-Schacht group had the upper hand when the German Foreign Minister was going to London to confer with the British Foreign Minister, Anthony Eden, on an agreement for the recall of foreign combatants, and even a new Locarno pact seemed within the realm of possibility. Then suddenly, almost overnight, the situation was altered. The Neurath visit was canceled by the Wilhelmstrasse.

French commentators think that events in Europe were responsible for this change in the barometer. They believe that General Francisco Franco's capture of Bilbao, the wholesale execution of key men in the Soviet Army by Josef V. Stalin, and the downfall of the Blum government were all exploited by Nazi extremists who told Hitler that now or never was his time to strike. For 24 hours it was touch or go whether the advocates of the policy of "adventure" would not win Hitler over.

That at the very last moment they did not do so may be ascribed in part to the unwonted promptness with which the French Cabinet crisis was settled by the formation of the Chautemps Cabinet. Still more decisive was the grave warning given in Berlin by the British and French Ambassadors, who pointed out to the Wilhelmstrasse the serious consequences that would arise from Hitler's unilateral intervention—a warning which, if part of the French press is to be believed, was reinforced by a similar "demarche" on the part of the American Ambassador in Berlin, William E. Dodd.

YORK MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CONVENES IN REGULAR SITTING HERE

Appoint Committee To Make Study Of Reports

Meeting Continues

The appointment of a committee to examine the report of the secretary-treasurer and the auditor was the feature of the opening session of the summer meeting of the York County Municipal Council which convened in the courthouse here yesterday afternoon. A full board was present when the meeting was called to order by the chairman, Warden Frank Coburn. Rev. J. A. Linton, pastor of George Street Baptist Church, conducted the opening prayer in the absence of Rev. Gerald Guion, minister of Brunswick Street Baptist Church, chaplain of the municipal body.

Following brief remarks by Rev. Mr. Linton, the warden welcomed the councillors, expressing pleasure at seeing them all in attendance. He complimented the board for its efficient operation, and urged the members to "keep up their good work" so that York County may retain its present fine financial condition.

Secretary-treasurer John S. Scott presented his report and was also heard in a few remarks. His report

as well as the financial report will be further considered at today's session.

One of the matters brought up at the opening meeting was in connection with the late Ephraim Myshrahl, who passed away in the Municipal Home last spring. According to Councillor J. F. Dougherty, Kingsclear parish, the man had made the usual sworn statement prior to his admission to the home that he did not possess any money or property. However, investigation after the man's death revealed that he had a bank deposit of \$800 last summer. Examination of his bank book after death revealed that all but the sum of \$27 had been withdrawn from the account. There were rumors heard, Councillor Dougherty said, that certain people had received the money from Mr. Myshrahl. These, however, were untrue, the councillor continued, pointing out that he had made a personal investigation but was unable to ascertain who received the money. He explained that he introduced the matter to the council so that the situation might be cleared up. It is likely that the matter will be further discussed.

The following councillors were appointed to report on the report of the secretary-treasurer: R. Manzer, chairman, Dr. B. W. Robertson, S. L. Dobie.

Central Kingsclear

Eldon Cliff of Newport, R.I., is spending his vacation with his aunt Miss Cliff and his brother Wilmet at their home, McKinley's Ferry.

Our school closed on Wednesday morning, June 30th. On Wednesday afternoon the teacher Miss Irene Goodine and pupils, went to the Experimental Farm by bus and held an enjoyable picnic. Games and amusements were enjoyed and a picnic supper was partaken of in the hall. The party returned home about seven o'clock.

Rev. H. Rowley preached his farewell service here on Sunday, June 27th. A large number attended the service. Mr. Rowley is taking charge of a pastorate at Centerville in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Young, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Davis of Brockway and Kilburn Young of McAdam Jct., were visiting Mrs. H. W. Kilburn on Sunday.

Miss Anna Cliff and Mrs. Lloyd Burnett were calling on Mrs. Frank Kilburn one day recently.

W. McLean of Prince William was visiting Frank Kilburn on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hughes and family of Millinocket, Maine, are visiting Misses Fanny and Estella Fox.

Whitehead, R. S. Graham, John Dougherty, W. B. Ebbett, Arthur Wetmore, F. A. Young, B. O. Waugh, C. McKnight, W. Stannix, S. G. Wright, J. V. Norrad, H. T. Swan and H. D. Dobie.



"It makes a man think," SAID MR. PICOBAC

"Well," remarked Les, proprietor of the leading two-chair barber shop of Essex Centre as Mr. Picobac walked in, "did you hear the Coronation Broadcast?"

"I certainly did," replied Mr. Picobac, exhaling a fragrant cloud of smoke as he took a luxurious seat in one of the two chairs. "And I wouldn't have missed it for worlds. I tell you it makes a man think."

"And what does it make you think?" asked Les, removing Mr. Picobac's pipe and laying it on the shelf under the mirror.

"Well, it makes me think how proud I am to be British... to be born a subject of the British Crown. And what's more, we are the most democratic people in the whole wide world, and we've got the most democratic king. God Save The King!"

"Hear, hear," said Les, tucking in the towel.

Mr. Picobac chuckled. Then realizing that shaving operations had interrupted a mild... cool... sweet Picobac smoke, he stiffened to attention.

"Give me a quick one, Les," commanded he. "I've got important business down street this morning."



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