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### POLICE MAY HAVE NEW HEADQUARTERS

Option Secured for Administration Building on Albert Street.

#### NO MORE JAIL

Structure Would Contain Ample Room to Care for Remand Cases.

It is proposed to build a new administration building for the police department and court rooms, thus relieving the congestion in the city hall. When the board of police commissioners met yesterday afternoon, Mayor Church suggested that Chief Grasset and two of the police commissioners visit cities in the United States with a view to ascertaining ideas for the erection of new quarters. Police offices are at present cramped, and in some cases it has been found necessary for the inspectors of the detective office to interview persons in the corridors, owing to lack of proper offices. Col. Grasset is not very favorable at present to the city going to the expense of erecting new offices. He is of the opinion that there is sufficient room in the city hall.

There is plenty of space for offices on the top floor of the hall, he says, that could be made suitable for police quarters. It was necessary, however, stated the chief, to repair the roof in different places where the rain is said to come thru.

The morality department are short of office space, and at the rate of speed morality cases are coming in daily, Inspector Gregory is unable to have complainants interviewed as often as he would like.

Option Secured. Members of the board of control and Property Commissioner Chisholm favor the proposal that a new building should be erected. Before the war it was the intention of the city to erect a police building. The suggestion was brought up some months ago, and an option was secured on property in the vicinity of the new registry office on Albert street.

In the event of the commissioners and Chief Grasset, who report on the matter, being favorable to the suggestion, a large building will be constructed. It will be headquarters of all the police offices. The police and women's court rooms, as well as the assize and county court rooms, will also be contained. A large drill room for training constables, and a section fitted to do away with one of the downtown police stations. The top floor would be fitted with cells, and prisoners on remand could be held there in detention. This would also solve the Toronto Jail problem, and that institution could be done away with.

Site Central. The Albert street site would be central, and police officials say it would be an ideal spot for such premises. It would do away with the old West Dundas street division, which would be moved down to the new building. This property on Dundas street is owned by the city and is valuable.

Judge Morson, one of the commissioners, is leaving the city on a hunting trip in a few days for a holiday of two weeks, and it is likely that the matter will be held in abeyance until he returns.

Increased Wages. Substantial increases in wages to men on the force will be recommended by the commissioners. Just how much will be granted has not been decided.

A letter from a citizen complaining of the lack of police patrols was dealt with by the board. The commissioners intend increasing the force, and hinted that in all likelihood by next year it would be up to a strength of 1000 men. Until more men are taken on, nothing can be done toward shortening the beats. Twenty-five applicants will appear before Deputy Chief Dickson this morning. If they are successful in passing the requirements according to the department rules, they will be taken on for training immediately.

The commissioners sanctioned the motion of the benefit fund, that \$51,000 be invested in the Victory Loan.

Albert Mould, Merion street, applied for a license to operate a jitney service on North Yonge street from Farnham avenue to the city limit. Mould intended charging a fee of five cents each way. The application was forwarded on to the board of control. A license was granted to taxi drivers for a motor stand on Scott street, near the King Edward Hotel. On the recommendation of a majority of members of the benefit fund, the commissioners, after a brief conference, agreed to grant P. S. Langtry a pension. Langtry resigned owing to ill-health.

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#### USED TO SMALLPOX

Controller McBride Sees No Reason Why East End Should Object to Reception Hospital.

It was suggested yesterday by Controller McBride that the new reception hospital be built in the Don Valley, north of Winchester street, on the site of the smallpox hospital. He declared that if the people would stand for a smallpox hospital, they would not mind a psychiatric home. Controller Robbins, as the champion of the east end, objected to the idea, and expressed his determination to fight the idea as "hard as ice."

#### CHARGED WITH SHOPLIFTING.

On charges of shoplifting, Leonard Poot, Bond street, and Frank Norson, 275 West King street, were arrested in a York street pawnshop yesterday afternoon by Detectives Newton and Sookett. The boys are alleged to have stolen tools from a departmental store and were trying to sell them.

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### NEW Y.W.C.A. SCHOOL

Old Morrison Home Becomes Training Ground for Association's Secretaries.

One of the outstanding events in the history of the Dominion Council of the Y.W.C.A. took place yesterday afternoon in the opening ceremonies and dedication of their new headquarters at 604 Jarvis street. A large turnout marked the occasion.

The new property of the association is among the old homes of Toronto, having belonged to the late John Morrison, and will be used now as a training school for Y.W.C.A. secretaries. The old house seemed rejuvenated by the decorations of flowers and lights. Principal O'Meara offered the opening prayer, followed by reading of Scripture by Professor McLaughlin of Victoria University, the closing prayer being said by Rev. Dr. G. C. Pidgeon. Lady Falconer, president of the council, welcomed the gathering in a brief speech, and said that the work of the war had made them stronger to carry on the specific work of the association, with the result that the headquarters had been acquired sooner than had been anticipated.

The new quarters are starting out with a staff of thirty-five, and the house has been divided into thirty rooms to meet the requirements. Miss H. S. Saunders is secretary, and Miss H. E. Lane has been appointed dean of the training school, and will reside in the building.

### HARBOR MEMORIAL

Contract Awarded for Bronze Statuary to Toronto Firm.

Final arrangements for the erection of the Harbor war memorial have been made by the sub-committee appointed for the purpose in June last, under the chairmanship of J. A. McLaren, with Frank Wickson as architectural adviser and referee.

Mr. McLaren and Mr. Wickson have visited Montreal on different occasions and have succeeded in securing the services of G. W. Hill of Montreal as sculptor. Mr. Hill is the author of the celebrated Sir George Etienne Cartier monument recently unveiled by the King by cable connection between England and Montreal and erected at a cost of \$100,000. The committee, therefore, feels itself very fortunate in securing the services of so prominent a Canadian artist to do the work. The monument will consist of a granite base with a seven-foot bronze statue of a soldier in the act of going over the top, rifle in hand. The site will be the lawn in front of the collegiate institute, close enough to the street line to enable the public to read the names of the seventy pupils who died in the war, the names to be cast in solid bronze.

The contract for the erection has been awarded. The bronze work of the statue may be done in Belgium, where the figures of the Cartier monument had to be hidden during the war. It is just possible that a bronze statue may be given this work to do it satisfactory arrangements can be made. The statue will be ready for erection in the spring.

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### DON RIVER BOULEVARD

Parks Commission Ordered to Submit Plan for Beautification of Riverdale District.

The board of control, with a view of improving the Riverdale section of the city, where quite 100,000 people live, yesterday passed the following instructions to the parks commissioner:

"That the parks commissioner bring down immediately a report showing his plan of improvements for the Don River and ravines from the harbor improvements to the northern city limits, providing for a boulevard, acquisition of C.N.R. yards from the government, and securing of ravines on right of way of the belt line to the northern city limits for a boulevard scheme and driveway similar to the civic program on the Humber River."

### Transportation Commission Scheme Ready for Discussion

The scheme for the formation of a transportation commission will be presented in the rough to the board of control by the mayor on Thursday. It is understood the general idea is to appoint a commissioner of transportation with an advisory committee of three members of the council to manage all the transportation undertakings of the city. After the scheme has been fully debated and settled by the council it will be submitted to the citizens for approval by vote in January next.

### HEARST WITHOUT FARMERS' TIDINGS

Parliament Buildings Lively With Discussion Over the New Premier.

There are many eyes and thoughts directed today on the historic meeting of the Farmers and Labor men in Toronto, when the big question relating to the premiership of the Province of Ontario is expected to be decided. There was little else discussed at parliament buildings yesterday, even the civil servants—many of whom are already posing as good farmers or claiming descent therefrom—displaying the keenest interest in the live subject as to who is to be their next "big boss." "The next government is going to be run by the civil service for a time, at any rate," one ventured to remark, but he was evidently somewhat ignorant of the ruling spirit of the average Farmer.

Cabinet Meets Once More. There was another meeting of the cabinet yesterday afternoon, but, as expected, nothing was available upon which to enlighten the public on the prevailing political topic. Sir William Hearst and his colleagues are just about as ignorant as any other citizen, except those in the Farmers' inner-circle, of what is going on or what is about to happen. They can only, like the rest of us, await the developments upon which hangs so much.

The Farmers continue to keep their own counsel in a manner that might well be envied by some of the old political hands. They have said little upon which anything can really be built. This attitude of dignified silence has, of course, led to setting all the prophets and political seers busy, and in the multitude of guesses one of them may eventually hit somewhere near the mark. Meanwhile the Farmers are smiling at the number and character of the visions indulged in, and gazing on with the solution of their own problems.

Hearst in the Dark. It can safely be said that Sir William Hearst has not yet received even a note from the Farmers, although he has already expressed his willingness to assist them by any means at his disposal. They could scarcely be expected to ask him for any guidance, but they will no doubt appreciate his offer. The Farmers have enough confidence in their own ability to pull thru and to get a safe footing in Queen's Park.

The education department is keeping up its good reputation for providing the newspapersmen with stories, but outside of this there is practically nothing doing. Dr. Cody, to give credit where it is due, has a far better nose for news, and appreciation of the value of publicity for his department than any of his colleagues. It may be hoped that his successor will follow in his train.

Attorney-General's Attitude. The attorney-general was busy little man, running about the buildings yesterday, although it could not be seen that he was doing anything in particular. He was asked what his opinion, if any, he proposed taking with regard to the protest against the referendum ballots, and contented himself with the more or less philosophical reply: "I haven't even looked at it yet." Mr. Lucas, by the way, is reported to be among the best financially fixed of the members of the cabinet and to have quite a bit "salted away." This is not surprising. He draws \$6,000 a year as attorney-general, \$4,000 as hydro-electric commissioner, and those, with his \$1400 seasonal allowance, make up the respectable picking of \$11,400.

Furthermore, he is not by any means regarded as an extravagant man. It was mentioned in this column the other day that there might be some doubt, with the multitude of parties, as to who would lead the opposition. Be that as it may, it is freely stated that there will be no opposition leader's salary to quibble over. The Hearst government, in the dying hours of the session, fixed the sum at \$5000 per annum, but the Farmers are more than likely to cut it by a like amount. Retrenchment and economy are to be two of their foremost watchwords.

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