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LARGE DEBT CASES

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AN AVERAGE CUT

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MONEY BY LAWS CARRY

(Tuesday's Daily.) Nine money-by-laws authorizing the expenditure of a total of \$386,500 for various purposes in the city were carried yesterday by large majorities. About 1,600 ratemayers voted, and the number of votes cast against the laws was small. Some apprehension existed regarding the fate of by-law 162, providing for the cost of the traffic floor on the C.P.R. high level bridge, but only 47 votes were cast against it.

The authorization of the expenditure of the \$386,500 makes up the balance of the \$650,000 block of debentures sold recently by the city. Part of the money will be used to pay for work already done and already contracted for and part for new work to be done this year.

The following were the results of the voting yesterday on the various by-laws: By-law 161-A by-law to provide for the raising of the sum of \$42,500 to pay part of the cost of erecting a traffic floor on the high level bridge. For, 1072; against, 47.

By-law 162-A by-law to provide for the raising of the sum of \$30,000 to meet a deficit on the sale of certain debentures. For, 987; against, 41.

By-law 163-A by-law to provide for the raising of the sum of \$30,000 to supplement the sum of \$40,000 raised by the sale of street rails and other street railway material. For, 992; against, 110.

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STRATHCONA NEWS

HON. MR. CUSHING SPEAKS TO STRATHCONA COUNCIL

(From Wednesday's Bulletin.) Another step was taken last night at the Strathcona City Council meeting in the negotiations between the South end city and the local government leading to the installation of a government telephone system in Strathcona. The matter has been under consideration for some time, and Mayor MacLeod has been most active in the negotiations with the government. Last night Premier Rutherford and Hon. Mr. Cushing, minister of public works, were present, and the question was given a brief discussion. Mr. Cushing outlining in a brief speech what the provincial authorities were willing to do.

The discussion was opened by the Mayor, who stated that the proposition that had passed between himself and the department. In the following, Mr. Cushing outlined the terms of the agreement, which he stated were most liberal and replied to by Hon. Mr. Cushing.

Q.—Would the government consider the question of installing government phones in Strathcona?

A.—How soon?

A.—Cannot state definite date.

Q.—The maximum rates for towns in the province are \$30 for business phones and \$15 for residence phones.

Q.—Would Strathcona patrons have direct and prompt connection with Edmonton if Edmonton had a separate system?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Would Strathcona have to pay for the maintenance of any rival or long distance or any portion thereof, and, if so, what proportion?

A.—Strathcona's connections would be chiefly with long distance lines, and the rates would be regulated according to the long distance rates of the Strathcona exchange would not be taxed for keeping up these lines.

Q.—Would the government keep the system in repair and up-to-date?

A.—Yes.

The rules of procedure were then suspended, in order that the members of the council might be present.

Hon. Mr. Cushing being called upon, said the answers to the mayor's letters about indicated where the government stood on the matter. It was hoped to have government telephones installed in almost all the towns of the province. The government was not looking for the phone system to pay dividends, they only wish to establish it on such a basis that it would take care of itself without being a tax on the general revenue.

After ten years is supposed to be the life of a phone system, so provision should be made for the renewal of the system. All, therefore, that had to be provided for was interest on the loan and the cost of the system.

The Mayor, in the opinion of the speaker, would amply cover these, and they might be lowered. The rates would be the same as in the case of a municipal system. Negotiations are now on with the telephone company, and the system will be taken over the business would be greatly facilitated. Should the city be unable to install the system, the government installation work would be commenced almost at once, as men and material are ready to go.

The Premier spoke, upon being asked to speak, said that the government would be glad to see the matter of telephones, that any good system recommended would, in all probability, be installed. Later on, the Mayor pointed out that the City of Edmonton had been given a franchise to install a rotary telephone system in Strathcona. If Edmonton did not install the rotary system, the franchise would be given to Strathcona from her contract with Edmonton.

This view was sustained by the city solicitor, Mr. James, and a question by Alderman Sheppard, the Minister of Public Works stated that the government would be glad to see the matter of telephones, that any good system recommended would, in all probability, be installed. Later on, the Mayor pointed out that the City of Edmonton had been given a franchise to install a rotary telephone system in Strathcona. If Edmonton did not install the rotary system, the franchise would be given to Strathcona from her contract with Edmonton.

METHODS OPENING SERVICES (From Monday's Bulletin.) The installation of the new Methodist church was opened yesterday with large attendances in the morning, afternoon and evening. Rev. Dr. Daly of Wetaskiwin preached at the two regular services, and at the afternoon Sunday school service addresses were given by J. R. Lavell and Mr. G. W. Dale. The attendance at all the meetings was large, the spacious new basement being well filled. At the close of the evening service a plea from the pastor for large collections resulted in a goodly sum being secured. Already over \$9,000 has been paid in towards construction operations. It is expected that the main auditorium will be opened in about a month. It is expected that a number of outside clergymen will be in attendance.

A WOMAN MISSING (Tuesday's Daily.) A number of people from a village down the river, who have been searching both Edmonton and Strathcona for the past week for a woman who left her home in the village, have been unsuccessful. The woman is thought to be working in one or other of the cities. The aid of the police was secured and she was finally located at the home of her mother in Strathcona. She had been employed for some days. Her friends expressed anxiety for her and she was eventually persuaded to return home.

IMPROVING C.P.R. TERMINUS

(From Monday's Bulletin.) Since the old C.P.R. railway station and baggage shed have been removed from their old site, an agitation has been begun to beautify the C.P.R. right of way between the new station and Whyte avenue. The Strathcona Chronicle discussing the question says:

"The old station having now been removed the opportunity occurs of making arrangements to beautify the first advent of spring Strathcona may have a railway terminus of which the city and its citizens may be proud. The artistic new building which has been erected is an attractive feature which cannot fail to impress oncomers. There is, however, an opportunity of making the C.P.R. station still more attractive by laying out the site of the old station and planting a few trees or shrubs. First impression are invariably difficult to remove and nothing would be more fitting than for the traveller on alighting from the train at the University City to find well-kept, well laid out, and artistic surroundings. We understand that the C.P.R. would be inclined to lay out their right of way frontage to Whyte avenue, provided the city undertook the upkeep. We could not imagine a better investment for the city than the few dollars that the upkeep would cost. Just consider the number of people that pass through Strathcona and have little opportunity of forming any opinion of the city except from the station surroundings. They are rushed across to Edmonton, and Strathcona must inevitably be judged in their mind by the little they could see from the station platform, and the transfer bus platform. That little might be made artistic. We trust the city council will approach the C.P.R. on the subject at once."

J. J. Stullis, who has spent the winter months at Riviere Qui Parle, has returned to the city.

F. Scarlet, recently employed in the city electric light department, has returned to the city after a visit to his home in Edmonton.

The Wanderers hockey team, with a large number of supporters, went south this morning and will play the Olds team at Lacombe tonight for the amateur championship of the province.

F. W. Peters and the other C.P.R. officials, with E. H. Macklin, manager of the Winnipeg Free Press, were passengers south this morning after a day's visit to Edmonton and Strathcona. The officials looked over some contemplated C.P.R. improvements with the Strathcona city council yesterday afternoon.

Robert Turnbull has returned from a few weeks' trip to Eastern Canada, where he has been on a business and pleasure visit.

The fire and light committee of the city council have issued notices that the instance of the opposition to the new electric light department, has been paid at once or the current will be cut off, and in future all arrears must be paid by the 15th of the month in which the account is rendered.

It is reported from Clover Bar that C.N.R. right of way officials are buying up the right of way for the construction of a line between Fort Saskatchewan and Strathcona.

(From Monday's Bulletin.) The pulpit of Knox Presbyterian church was occupied on Sunday morning by Rev. Mr. Short, of Dayland. The Presbyterian pulpit at the latter place was taken by Rev. Mr. Fleming.

Milton McLeod, of Calgary, spent Saturday and Sunday in Strathcona and Edmonton. In Strathcona he was the guest of Eric McLean and in Edmonton of his brother, Murdoch McLeod, deputy provincial treasurer.

Largely attended meetings were held by the Church of Christ at the Strathcona hall yesterday. Addresses were given by Messrs. Brown and Richmond.

Mrs. A. T. Spohn and child returned yesterday afternoon from a two months' visit to friends in Ontario.

Samuel Gombol, head of the American Federation of Labor, had advised the union men in this city to vote. It will carry here, it will spread through the country, embracing at once the American Federation of Labor and the head of the American ship, the Northwestern Farmers 1,000,000, the Socialist party 600,000 and 1,000,000 members.

It is declared that the campaign has been carried on quietly in one hundred cities, which are now being visited.

The hours of the city schools were changed this morning from 8.30 to 8.00 a.m. and 3.30 to 3.00 p.m., and children and teachers were compelled to make a half hour, earlier start to-day than during the winter months.

Mr. Lewis of Revelstoke, B.C., spent Sunday in Strathcona the guest of his brother, R. P. Lewis. Mr. Lewis has not been in the city since last year ago, when he was a resident. Needless to say he sees enormous strides along the line of progress.

"The Tyranny of Tears," so successfully performed at Edmonton last week, will be put on at Strathcona the latter part of this week.

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