

CITY MUST GET PERMIT TO MAKE RAILWAY DEAL

Solicitor Rules Council Must Apply To Legislature For Right.

TANGLE GROWS WORSE

Have No Power To Grant Spreading of Payments For Paving.

City Solicitor T. G. Meredith handed down the opinion in conference yesterday afternoon with city councillors and officials that they must seek the permission of the Ontario Legislature before they enter into any agreement whereby the latter's share of paving costs could be spread over a period of ten years.

The solicitor's opinion will be submitted to the members of the city council at their regular session Monday night next. Action with a little delay as possible is expected. The company authorities have already tendered checks for more than \$5,000, their first payment under a ten-year agreement to pay, which they claim by reason of a resolution passed in council last spring.

Those who attended yesterday's conference with the solicitor were Mayor George Weniger, Ald. L. H. Douglass, chairman of the finance committee, Ald. John Green, chairman of the board of works, Ald. Frank McKay, City Clerk Sam Baker and City Treasurer James Bell.

The solicitor and aldermen considered also the next logical proceeding, relative to the proposed purchase of the railway system and that section of bylaw 316 which provides that the people must give their one year's notice of proposal to purchase on or before March 8 next.

The city solicitor warned that while



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who was yesterday re-elected chairman of the public utilities commission for 1924.

the city could give notice to buy, it was further subject to a ratification of the people at their election next December, and if they voted in the negative after having obligated themselves with a formal notice, it would lead to a highly involved situation.

From the solicitor's opinion it is gathered that the city councillors lack the authority, within the provisions of the local improvement act, to expend money for street railway work, the same to be returned by the company at certain intervals. Permission to do this must then be sought from the Legislature, the solicitor stated, and as soon as possible.

CHURCHILL SEEKS TO DEFEAT LABOR

Liberal Opposes With Vehemence Any Union With Laborites.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Jan. 17.—Winston Churchill, former first lord of the admiralty, and one of the powers of the Liberal party, has come out strongly against a Labor government, and opposes with vehemence any union of the Liberals with the Laborites for the purpose of putting a Labor government in control.

He will tomorrow publish a vigorous open letter, in which, in characteristic outspoken terms, he paints the dangers of the advent of a Labor government with a Socialist program, and appeals to the crown an address in reply to the king's speech recording its repudiation of Socialism and its distrust of those "whose policy of a capital levy and the nationalization of the means of production, distribution and exchange has been signally defeated at the polls."

Mr. Churchill begins by stating: "The currents of party warfare are carrying us all into dangerous waters. The entrenchment in office of a Socialist government will be a serious national misfortune, such as has usually befallen great states only on the morrow of defeat or war. It will place both Liberal and Labor parties in a thoroughly false position. The Liberal party will be led into supporting the Socialists whom they have just been fighting in hundreds of constituencies."

Unlike the ordinary bowl of the tobacco smoking pipe, there have a few disks, with a very small hole at the center. They are a perfect reproduction of the opium pipes of the Orient, although used for tobacco-smoking.

VINING CHAIRMAN DEATH KNELL RUNG FOR GOVERNMENT

Is Re-elected Head of Department At Inaugural Meeting.

McFARLAND ON PARKS

Lack of Confidence

Jared Vining was re-elected chairman of the public utilities commission for 1924 at the inaugural meeting of that body yesterday afternoon.

Commissioner T. W. McFarland was re-elected head of the parks committee, and Philip Pocock to the playgrounds. Commissioner McFarland named General Manager E. V. Buchanan and Parks Superintendent E. E. Graham as his committee, while Commissioner Pocock did not set forth who would serve on the playgrounds, wishing to consider the matter more fully. Commissioners Webster and McFarland were appointed representatives to the Western Fair Board.

The commission decided to supply the necessary labor requested by the Horticultural Society, on the recommendation of the parks committee, to beautify the pipe of ground bounded by Richmond, Clarence and Bathurst streets and the L. & P. S. tracks. The society will plant plants, while the L. & P. S. have signified their intention of plowing the land, sprinkling it and keeping the grass cut.

It was also brought to the attention of the commission that the application for a \$50,000 loan by the city council for tree trimming, as a measure of unemployment relief was used up.

The commission approved of granting fire protection to the police village of Byron. This would necessitate the installation of six hydrants and their supply of water. The cost per hydrant would be about \$36. The water thus supplied would be for fire purposes only. The matter was left with the general manager to report on.

The first and second floors of the public utilities building will be paired. It was decided after a short deliberation.

General Manager Buchanan and members of the staff were authorized to attend the convention of the Municipal Electrical Union, to be held in Toronto January 23, 24 and 25.

REBEL SHIPS FIRE ON TAMPICO CITY

Gunboats Throw Town in a Panic and Then Bombard Suburbs.

Associated Press Despatch.

Tampico, Jan. 17.—Rebel gunboats bombarded the city and port of Tampico this morning.

The news of the bombardment was received in a telephone message from the observer stationed at La Barra. The message said:

At 9 o'clock this morning the rebel gunboats Tampico and Saragoca, which had prevented six ships from entering the port, fired six shots. The artillery stationed at the entrance to the port replied and the rebel vessels retired outside the range of the guns.

"Then the rebel ships directed their fire against the suburb of Varadero, located to the left of the Panuco River, destroying several Chinese houses. How many of the occupants of these houses perished is not known. An aeroplane sent up to reconnoitre identified both the rebel boats.

"At noon the ships cruised off the mouth of the Panuco River, trying to land a landing place."

The foreign residents of Tampico are in an expectant mood. There is considerable tension among the native population. Immediately after the bombardment, James B. Stewart, United States ambassador at Mexico City, and the state department in Washington requested instructions.

Some of the populace, fearful lest the rebel ships again fire on the town, have left Tampico. The port is well protected by artillery. President Obregon is being kept informed of the situation.

BRIQUETTES MADE FOR TEST PURPOSE

Are Composed of Saskatchewan Lignite and Satisfactorily Carbonized.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—A carload of briquettes made from Saskatchewan lignite is on the way from North Dakota to Ottawa, there is another on the way to Winnipeg, and still another on the way to Regina. At these points the briquettes will be distributed for testing and report to the department of mines.

The lignite, stated Charles Cammell, deputy minister of mines, this afternoon, was satisfactorily carbonized and then sent to a briquette plant in North Dakota to be made into briquettes.

MAN MISSING FOR WEEKS THOUGHT TO HAVE PERISHED

Canadian Press Despatch.

South Porcupine, Jan. 17.—Missing since he started for his shack in the bush in Evelyn township, near Connaught, Mattie Oroavi is believed to have perished when he strayed from the trail. Oroavi, who is Finnish, had attended a celebration given by some of his compatriots two weeks ago. Since then he has not been seen.

Asquith Announces, Amid Cheers, That He Will Support Labor Amendment.

LACK OF CONFIDENCE

John R. Clynes Introduces Motion and Scores Foreign Policies.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Jan. 17.—Premier Baldwin's Conservative government this evening received its death sentence at the hands of the Opposition in the House of Commons, as had been anticipated.

This came when former Premier Asquith arose and, amid the cheers of his Liberal followers and the groans of the Conservatives, announced that he would vote for the Labor motion of "no confidence" in the government presented by John R. Clynes, and would advise all his friends to do likewise.

Nothing short of a political upheaval, namely, the wholly improbable desertion of a large number of the opposition Conservatives, could save the government, which will go to the guillotine Monday evening, according to the present program.

Attacks Tory Rule.

After introducing the "no confidence" motion in the form of an amendment to the address in reply to the king's speech, Mr. Clynes scored the Tory regime, both for what it had done and for what it did not do, during the last twelve months.

The speech from the throne, he declared, was inaccurate in stating that Great Britain's relations with foreign powers remained friendly. If the relations with Russia were friendly, he asked, why had not Russia been recognized? Was it because Russia had not undertaken to pay her debts? If that was to be a bar to recognition, how about it that France had a representative in London?

"Our position abroad is weaker than ever before," he asserted. "Our influence in foreign affairs has almost disappeared. When France needed our aid it was given without stint against Germany. Our claim now to influence the peace policy is justified by the sacrifices we made and by our genuine desire for the future security of France herself."

Want Peace.

"The great war must be made a means to a great end—enduring friendship in Europe. This is only possible if Germany and France are at peace. To treat Germany now worse than Germany treated France fifty years ago is to make monstrous preparation for the next great war. Therefore we cannot longer merely watch and wait. Acts must be governed by the urgency for a settlement in Europe, built in regard for Britain's economic rights and necessities."

"We are paying our debts. We fought and sacrificed. Yet we are suffering more than the countries we defended and rescued. The limits have been reached to the price Great Britain can afford to pay. There are glimmers of hope from the American participation in the reparation question. American co-operation is not merely welcome; it is essential."

During the speech Mr. Clynes gave further inkings of Labor's intentions. Referring to the dominion trade, he said Ramsay MacDonald, who as head of the parliamentary Labor party, is the prospective prime minister, had given assurance that so far as pledges had been made they would be carried out, and the House would be given full opportunity to decide on a number of important issues raised.

Improve Trade.

Mr. Clynes' own view was that the Dominion trade showed substantial opportunities and prospects for improvement. He also emphasized the necessity for not neglecting the European market. "If we neglect the European market," he said, "we must seriously consider the problem of voluntary transfer of population on agreed terms for mutual benefit. I am satisfied that if these agreed terms can be arranged it will be better for labor in this country."

At the conclusion of his speech, Mr. Asquith, summarizing the position of himself and the Liberal Party, concluded the Laborites were the natural inheritors of the power when the Baldwin government was defeated, and that it was the duty of every patriotic man and woman to do his or her best without sacrificing principles of honor to facilitate Labor's task.

In a house constituted like the present Commons it was idle talk of the imminent danger of a socialist regime. The Laborites possessed no free license to do as they liked; they were not their own masters, but like other parties in the House were limited by parliamentary conditions. While stating these views Mr. Asquith was emphatic in pointing out that the Liberal Party was deeply and sincerely pledged to give no countenance to Socialist experiments.

After generally defending the policy of the Baldwin government, he proceeded to read from a number of addresses made by prominent Liberal candidates in the recent election, denouncing the Laborites' Socialist program as disastrous for the country. Then, pointing to the benches where Asquith, Lloyd George and other Liberal leaders sat, he exclaimed:

"What are you going to do about it? Are you going to put into power the very party whose program you thus denounced?"



JOHN L. LEWIS,

president of the United Mine Workers' Association of America, who will decide whether the Nova Scotia coal miners strike is justified under union regulations. His decision is anxiously awaited.

of the Socialist party for taking office only by the help of men holding such views of their policy."

He predicted that, while the Liberals would do Labor no good by their action, they would effectively prevent the Liberals from taking office for another hundred years.

ALBERTANS VOTE DOWN PROPOSALS FOR SEPARATION

United Farmers Declare Against Making West Independent of Canada.

OPPOSED TO BANK

Canadian Press Despatch.

Edmonton, Jan. 17.—The United Farmers of Alberta declared today that they do not desire to set up in the Western Provinces a separate British dominion. A resolution which asked the provincial government to approach the other western provinces with a view to setting up a British colony independent of the Eastern Provinces, found support from only five of six delegates.

A sub-motion which reminded members of parliament that unless the West had relief in matters of resources, tax, freight rates, etc., there was a possibility "that we may demand establishment as independent dominion under the British crown," was voted for by a score or so in the hall. Both resolutions were declared defeated in the midst of applause.

Self-determination.

H. McKenzie of Sedgewick sponsored the original motion and he claimed for Canada "the right of self-determination." He denied any motive of joining the United States. The substitute was moved by Col. C. W. Robinson of Munson, who declared that the West was being discriminated against and "that this is no bluff."

"It's only a matter of time until we are the big set of Canada and the east will be begging for our favors," said C. H. Connor of Innisfail, and another delegate compared the proposed taxation to that of a "fifteen-year-old boy whose daddy doesn't give him his own way."

A. L. Blue of Rosyth said the resolution could not be put into effect, anyway, because Canada's "king" the Senate would reject it.

The proposal that the Alberta government take steps to secure a federal character for a bank and proceed with its organization under government control was emphatically rejected late today by the United Farmers of Alberta, after President H. Wood had described the scheme as "dangerous" and as "very liable to lead to disaster."

Attacks Proposal.

Mr. Wood made a vigorous attack



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Dr. Pierce's Laboratory in Bridgeburg, Ontario.—Adv.

on the proposal, and declared that, as the government had pronounced definitely against it, and considered passing of the resolution would be a direct vote of lack of confidence in the Greenfield administration, and they would be taking a desperate chance of wrecking the government.

"This organization," said Mr. Wood, "has survived a period of stress, and now we see daylight. Do not run it blindly headlong on the rocks of destruction."

The resolution was similar to the one which the conventions of 1922 and 1923 adopted, and sought the establishment of a bank which would

be under government ownership and control but would exercise all the functions of the ordinary chartered banks, including the issue of currency. The government, through a statement presented to the convention Tuesday night, declared the plan impracticable and declined to go ahead with it.

COLLEGE STUDENT DIES AFTER WRESTLING MATCH

Associated Press Despatch.

Phillipsburg, N. J., Jan. 17.—Leo P. Mooney, 17 years old, a Phillips-

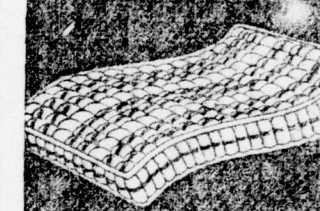
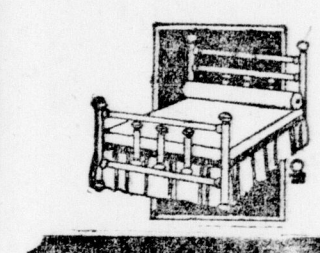
burg high school senior, died today in the Warren Hospital of a broken back, received Tuesday afternoon while engaged in a wrestling match with Jerome Miller, a classmate.

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