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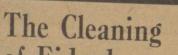
MAYOR IS UNSHAKEN

Clashes Sharply With M.O.H.—City Solicitor to Make Report.

Ald. Risk introduced a large deputation of citizens interested in social welfare work to the Board of Control yesterday, all of whom were desirous that Prof. J. A. Dale, of Toronto University, should be appointed head of the Public Welfare Branch of the Health Department as recommended by Dr. Hastings, M.O.H. Among the speakers were Rev. Canon Lawrence Skey, Rev Father Minchan, Rev. Salem Bland, Rev. F. J. Moore, Mrs. Andrew Glen, James T. Gunn, C. L. Burton and Mrs, J. W. Bundy. They claimed to express the views of church organ-imities in Participation of the sale of izations, the Brotherhood Movement, labor organizations, and the Local Council of Women which embraced all women's organizations. The general trend of their remarks was that Prof. Dale had been very much maligned, owing to the fact that he had presided at the Scott Nearing meeting in Massey Hall when the latter expressed some revolutionary ideas and theories. The members of the deputation de-clared Prof. Dale was not a revolu-tionary nor an extremist, but a loyal British subject, who was an author-ity of social welfare matters and who believed that progress in so-cial welfare work could be made only by the process of evolution. They further declared the Professor was a keen searcher after truth, and a critical analyst of existing so-cial conditions who was most earn-est in his desire to render service to humanity by improving the sta-tus of the under-privileged and im-provident elasses. In order to ac-complish his purpose and to acquire a true knowledge of actual condi-tions, he had to mingle, and did mingle freely, with all classes of the community. That was the reason he had presided at the Scott Nearing meeting; not with any thought of endorsing the views of the speaker. Canon Skey, who had attended the meeting, denied that Prof. Dale had called for cheers for Scott Nearing or approved his sympathetic refer-ences to the Russian Soviet. Mayor Maguire informed the de-putation that Prof. Dale's name was that Prof. Dale had been very

Mayor Strongly Opposed. Mayor Maguire informed the de-putation that Prof. Dale's name would never have been sent on to Council if the Nearing meeting had taken place earlier. As Mayor of the city, he had no intention of allow-ing any employes in the civic service to support Bolshevistic theories and revolutionary doctrines. Scott Near-

ing any employes in the civic service to support Bolshevistic theories and revolutionary doctrines. Scott Near-ing was no friend of Canada or the British Empire, and endeavored to keep the United States from taking part in the Great War. Not only that, but the man had been fined \$3,000 for publishing seditious pro-



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proved. Dr. Hastings Angry. Then trouble started in real earn-sets Mayor Maguire said the Doc-tor's recommendation was not in order and should not have been made until he had consulted the Finance Commissioner and himself. Dr. Hastings retorted he was head of the Health Department and had the sole right to say whom he would employe. The control of social ser-vice work was a branch of the health work and he intended to engage the was the greatest expert on social service work on the Continent. He entirely disagreed with the Mayor's view that he had to consult anyone in regard to the matter. He had consulted the City Solicitor on the matter and that gentleman said he absolute jurisdiction. Mayor Maguire intimated the City Solicitor had advised him differenti-y. Then the doctor became augry and declared he was not going to be in a minority in regard to any man-ner concerning the management of the Health Department. It was pointed out to him, that has its o bers Sorre how bray wisd will ance made name God, of Ever how up.

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and declared he was not going to be in a minority in regard to any man-ner concerning the management of the Health Department. It was pointed out to him, that when the Social Service Commission was abolished, and its duties were transferred to the Health Depart-ment, he was directed to make a complete reorganization of the staff and work and was given a free hand. That task having been completed in 1921, he had nothing more to do but see that the new organization functioned properly. Now, he was proposing another reorganization functioned properly. Now, he was proposing another reorganization that no one has asked for. Further, he was proposing to set up a theor-ltical organization for a practical organization, and to place at its head a man who would devote only part of his time to the work. That man also stipulated that he was to name his assistant. In so doing he was inaugurating a new policy, something beyond his powers. Dr. Hastings challenged the ac-curacy of these statements, but was immediately confronted with the minutes of Council which expressly stated "That in reference to the grants to hospitals and charities and matters of policy, he be assisted by an advisory board composed of the Mayor and Finance Commissioner, who will make their recommenda-tions to the Board of Control for their approval." Vict the your can happ child kind custo clean temp hom one schoo

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their approval." Coldsti Mayor Maguire said those were the facts. The City Solicitor had advised him that it was clearly the intention of the City Council that matters of policy should be referred to the Advisory Board and that ac-vice would be acted upon. The Dale appointment and that of his assistant would not be approved, but would have to stand over until Finance ple, una

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to the Advisory Board and that ad vice would be acted upon. The Dale appointment and that of his assistant would not be approved, but would have to stand over until Finance Commissioner Ross returned to duty. Dr. Hastings again objected, but was met with a new obstacle, as Controller Gibbons said one of the chief reasons for abolishing the old Social Service Commission was that the work had increased to such an extent that it was imperative it should receive constant attention. The members of the old Commission could not devote their whole time to the work, so Council made the change. Now Dr. Hastings wanted to revert to the part-time plan. Con-troller Gibbons said he was strongly opposed to part-time in every way and would not vote for the Dale ap-pointment under such conditions. Controller Singer was inclined to support Dr. Hastings, and for a while it looked as though the issue would be forced to a vote, when Controller Hiltz expressed the opin-ion it would be better to let the mat-ter stand to give the City Solicitor an opportunity to go into the matter very carefully again. It was decided the Board should meet on Monday morning to consider the matter and decide whether or not it be reported to Council. age, and ple, una ple, its Excelle Lady cord. livered of a lo Univers Caul So the eve

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