

CITY IS ALLOWED TO PAY SALARIES HAS NO FEAR OF ANY DISCLOSURES

Legislative Committee in Favor of Payment of Transportation Board. Former Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines Courts Publicity.

The private bills committee of the legislature yesterday by a vote of 22 to 10 decided that the members of the Toronto transportation commission must be paid. This was the only change which the committee made in clause 1 of the bill which deals with the taking over of the Toronto railway system when the franchise expires next year.

The clause giving council power to take over the administration of the city railroads to the commission when appointed passed without debate. It is doubtful however if the clause will pass from their present management until after 1921 inasmuch as such a change would probably mean an increase in the fares.

Without discussion the committee passed clause 1, providing for the establishment of the commission. On the second clause, that the commission consist of three ratepayers appointed by the council on the recommendation of the board of control, Dr. Stevenson of London wanted the nomination to come from the council as a whole. "If labor is in favor of public ownership then provide that there should be a representative of labor on the commission," said he.

"The people have voted on the principle of this bill," said Mayor Church. "The board of control are virtually the cabinet of the city. They are representing the Trades and Labor Council, James Simpson said that also that council could not agree with the bill in its entirety. It did not want to jeopardize the principle of public ownership."

Mr. Simpson again pressed for members of the commission to be paid. Mr. Geary said that was not provided for when the people voted. "Two of the controllers, Controller Gibbons and myself, on the platform stood in favor of having the commission," said Controller Ramsden. "The committee almost unanimously decided in favor of payment."

"Transportation facilities in Toronto call for something to be done immediately," said Hon. Thomas Crawford, in pleading for the clause that the city may entrust operation and management of lines of motor buses and any other method of underground and overhead local transportation, and it passed.

DEMOBILIZATION COST "Y" \$2,000,000

Total Expenditure Last Year Exceeded Income by Over Half a Million.

A complete audited statement of finances for 1919 has been issued by the National Council of Y.M.C.A.'s of Canada. The statement covers the services of the National Council in France, England, Belgium, Germany, Scotland, Holland, Northern Russia, Siberia and Canada, in all of which places it served Canadian men and boys. Notwithstanding the fact that actual hostilities ceased in 1918, the statement shows that over \$2,000,000 was required to carry on the Y.M.C.A. program with the troops during demobilization. The work of the regular departments—boys, industrial, physical, student, rural, railroad, etc.—cost \$250,000. The total expenditures for the year exceeded the receipts by some \$550,000, and the balance on hand as at Dec. 31, 1919, is shown as \$400,822.57, all of which balance has been earmarked by the National Council for further military service in Red Triangle Clubs, hospitals, camps, barracks and at ports, etc. The balance referred to represents the last of the "association's" military fund which have been made up from two sources, viz, public subscriptions and gross canteen proceeds. The budget for further military service is, therefore, provided for, but the 1920 regular work budget of \$236,095 will be raised by subscription during 1920.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS.

The estate of the late William Dixon Fisher, wholesale lace importer, has been valued at \$74,598. Subject to a bequest of \$200 to his sister, deceased left his personal effects and a life interest in the residue of his estate to his widow, Mrs. Lena Fisher. On the death of the widow, legacies of \$500 are to be paid to each of deceased's grandsons, Osborne and Allan, and the remainder of the property to his daughter, Mrs. Phyllis Brooks.

By the will of the late Mrs. Margaret Flavell Milner, wife of Prof. W. S. Milner of Toronto University, Lady Flavell, a sister-in-law of deceased, receives her jewellery, and her husband all articles of personal, domestic or household use, except the grandfather's clock, in which he is to have a life interest. On his death the son inherits, but should he predecease, the professor inherits absolutely. A number of legacies to friends and relatives are also made.

The \$33,321 estate left by the deceased Henry Ward, public school inspector, will be divided equally between his two daughters, Alice Marsart and Hazel Eivira Ward.

By the will of the late G. Plunkett Magann, railway contractor, his widow, Mrs. Grace Magann, receives a life interest in his \$13,438 estate, so long as she remains unmarried. On her death or remarriage the children inherit equally.

Three children of the deceased William Grummitt share equally in the \$4,010 estate left by him.

STREET CAR TRAFFIC GROWS. There has been a steady increase in the traffic, both on the city and Toronto Street Railways for the past three months, and if the traffic for the remainder of the year keeps pace, the street railway company will have exceeded by the end of the year, ten million more people than in 1919. The company's receipts, it is estimated, will reach over seven and a half millions for this year, which would make an increase of about \$500,000 over last year.

Men who weigh their words write:

His Majesty the King, Buckingham Palace.

At the recent Jubilee demonstrations in London the King sent the following message to General Booth at the Albert Hall:

On the occasion of the Jubilee of the Salvation Army I heartily congratulate you and its members on the mighty achievements of a system founded half a century ago by your distinguished father. By its works of love and mercy, both in peace and in war, the Salvation Army has become honored and endeared to the hearts of the nations of the world. George R. I.

Rt. Hon. D. Lloyd George, P.C., O.M., M.P.

I learn with the deepest interest of the Salvation Army's Self-Denial Campaign in connection with which a world-wide appeal for a special fund will be made to carry out important schemes for extending the Army's work of social welfare throughout the Empire. The record of the Army's great achievements is visible in the face of many an honorable citizen who, without the helping hand of the Army, might never have discovered his own worth, and in the materially brightened and spiritually quickened life of thousands of poor people in their struggle against the misfortune of economic conditions. The efforts which you are making to assist in the proper housing accommodation of the working classes are meeting a national need. Your work will strengthen, in all our great task of building up after the ravages and sufferings of the war, a greater, freer and happier Empire as a partner in the Brotherhood of Nations.

Hon. Beniah Bowman, Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, Ontario.

The work of the Salvation Army has always appealed to me, and has had my deepest sympathy. I thoroughly realize that the practical work being accomplished by the Army is bringing about a great improvement in social conditions where the same is most needed.

Rt. Hon. A. Bonar Law, P.C., M.P.

No words of mine are necessary to recommend to the public the work carried on by the Salvation Army in this country and throughout the world, or to render our great services if rendered during the war.

I have every hope that your appeal will meet with generous and ready response, which may enable you not only to continue but also to widen the scope of your work.

Hon. N. W. Rowell, President Privy Council.

I need hardly say that I consider the important social work which the Army is carrying on, particularly at a time like this. It expresses the Christian spirit of brotherhood, and that spirit was never more needed than today.

Hon. J. A. Calder, Dominion Minister of Immigration and Colonization.

The beneficent work of the Salvation Army throughout the world includes activities of great variety and complexity, calling for much self-denial on the part of your followers. The work and sacrifices entailed they have cheerfully undertaken. The public, on the other hand, I feel certain will do their part by supporting the Army's efforts financially, as it is obvious that the work cannot be carried on successfully without sympathetic and generous public support.

I sincerely trust, therefore, that the Jubilee Appeal will meet with that large measure of success it so richly deserves.

Sir Robert Falconer, President Toronto University.

I hope that your effort will prove successful. The recent Forward Movement of the Protestant Churches has been such a success that a similar effort on behalf of the Salvation Army should bring in good results. At this time the efforts of all our religious organizations are greatly needed to keep pure the life of this growing Dominion.

Sir John Willison.

For many years I have known something of the work of the Salvation Army. From the first it has had my sympathy and admiration. Surely there is no finer social and religious movement in Canada.

Those who have had opportunities to investigate and judge of The Salvation Army's Christian and social activities are most generous in their commendation of the purpose of the Jubilee Self-Denial appeal.

The Salvation Army Self-Denial Week is an annual reconsecration of the principle upon which its entire structure was founded and has grown.

We commend to your observation the letters below. They reflect the opinion of thousands of others.

W. F. Richardson, Commissioner.

Sir George Foster, Acting Prime Minister.

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Leader of Dominion Opposition.

I have through personal observation seen something of the service the Army is rendering humanity, not only in Canada and the United States, but also in Europe and the Orient. Every extension of its beneficent influence means the substitution, in some degree, of light for darkness, of joy for sorrow, of faith for fear, in individual lives and in the lives of communities as well. This is the only sure path to personal happiness and to industrial and international peace.

Sir Edmund Walker, President Canadian Bank of Commerce.

I have had some opportunity of knowing the excellent work which has been done in many countries of the world by the Salvation Army, work which I believe could not have been accomplished by any other existing organization. I wish you success in every effort you may make to extend your sphere of usefulness.

Hon. Sir Henry C. Drayton, Dominion Minister of Finance.

It is not necessary for me to wish you complete success. The large measure of public confidence which the Army has always enjoyed, and which has been so remarkably enhanced on account of its war activities, assure a ready response to any appeal which the maintenance and extension of its work may make necessary. Considered only from the standpoint of national economic advantage, the many-sided activities of the Army appeal to me as an investment returning large dividends to Canada.

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Hon. Justice William Renwick Riddell.

He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord—the security is absolutely safe, and there is no one so destitute as not to be able to make an investment.

Hon. Justice W. A. Logie.

It affords me great pleasure in testifying to the work of the Salvation Army, which I had an opportunity of observing in this district during the war.

The devotion of the Salvation Army chaplains detailed for work among the troops was an example and an inspiration to all.

It was a privilege to operate with them, so whole-hearted was their service and devotion to the spiritual welfare of the soldiers.

The Salvation Army has no warmer friends than the officers and men of the C. E. F.

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The Salvation Army Jubilee Self-Denial Appeal Objective—Canada East Territory \$500,000 Objective—Toronto \$150,000 May 15th to 22nd