

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Thursday, March 18, 1954.
3:00 o'clock p.m.

The first session of the Council for the year 1954, being the fifth session of the Sixteenth Wholly Elective Council of the Yukon Territory, was convened in the Court Room, Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, at 3:00 o'clock p.m. on Thursday, March 18, 1954.

The Members present were:

Alexander Raymond Hayes, of Carmacks, Y. T.
Vincent Cooper Mellor, of Dawson, Y. T.
Alex Frank Berry, of Mayo, Y. T.
John Livingston Phelps, of Whitehorse East, Y. T.
Frederick Dore Locke, of Whitehorse West, Y. T.

Mr. A. R. Hayes, Speaker, directed that the Rev. J. T. Hesketh offer prayers for the guidance of the Members of Council concerning their deliberations.

The Commissioner addressed the Council outlining the legislation which he proposed to place before the Council at this Session. (see Sessional Paper No. 1)

Mr. Speaker replied to the address of the Commissioner. (see Sessional Paper No. 2)

Messrs. V. C. Mellor, A. F. Berry and F. D. Locke addressed the Council (see Sessional Papers No. 3, 4 and 5)

Mr. Speaker read the Orders of the Day.

Mr. A. F. Berry, seconded by Mr. Fred Locke, read a resolution concerning a visit of the Honourable Jean Lesage, Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources, to the Yukon. (see Sessional Paper No.6)

Mr. A. F. Berry gave Notice that the undermentioned Bills would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Bill No. 1 - "An Ordinance Governing the Safe Operation of Mines in the Yukon Territory".

Bill No. 4 - "An Ordinance to authorize the City of Whitehorse to Construct Waterworks and Purification Systems and Sewage Disposal Plants and to Borrow Money Therefor".

Mr. F. D. Locke gave Notice that the undermentioned Bills would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

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Bill No. 3 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Legitimation of Children".

Mr. John L. Phelps gave Notice that the undermentioned Bill would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Bill No. 5 - An Ordinance to amend the "Amusement Tax Ordinance".

Mr. V. C. Mellor gave Notice that the undermentioned Bill would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Bill No. 6 - An Ordinance to amend the "Motor Vehicle Ordinance".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Brown attended Council.

There was no discussion.

Council adjourned at 3:50 o'clock p.m.

"W. D. Robertson"

Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"

Speaker

Opening Address By

Wilfrid G. Brown, Esquire

Commissioner of the Yukon Territory

At The

Fifth Session of the Sixteenth Wholly Elective Council of
the Yukon Territory

Whitehorse, Yukon Territory

Thursday, March 19, 1954

Mr. Speaker, and Members of the Yukon Council:

I am pleased to welcome you to this fifth session of the Sixteenth Wholly Elective Council of the Yukon Territory.

I am hoping that by the time the next session of Council is called the new Federal building will be completed and the spacious accommodation provided in it for the Territorial Court will be available for your session. More commodious accommodation than that which presently exists is certainly desirable, and I am hopeful that we will be able to hold further sessions under more appropriate surroundings.

I am confident that you will join with me and with the people of the Yukon in expressing our great pleasure in learning that His Royal Highness, the Duke of Edinburgh is planning to visit the Territory this year. We are deeply grateful to be honoured by His Highness by the inclusion of the Territory in his itinerary.

The last year has been one of continued activity in new mineral exploration, with extensive new stakings having been made in the areas of Quill Creek, Kluane Lake District, Giltana Lake area, Big Creek northwest of Carmacks, and Van Gordon Creek on the Pelly River. Further development work was also undertaken in the McMillan River area and the Hyland River area. These activities indicate a continuing interest in the mineral potential of the Territory. A general level of economic activity leads me to continue to believe that we are justified in having confidence that this year will be another year of satisfactory conditions.

Maintenance work on the Whitehorse-Mayo highway has been carried out in a most satisfactory manner under arrangements made last Spring, and in general the highways being maintained by your Government have been well looked after. Good progress has been made in the construction of the Dawson-Stewart road, and further progress will be made this year.

The Territory suffered a severe epidemic of poliomyelitis during this last summer, and a number of victims of this dread disease are still receiving medical and hospital care.

Increase in school population during the last year has placed a severe strain on our present facilities. Proposals to help overcome this situation will be placed before you for your consideration at this session. Increased enrolment and additional facilities will place an increasing burden on our Territorial finances. Some thought should be given during the coming year to new means and additional methods of raising a greater portion of the costs of education as a direct tax, so that the same may be considered for implementation for the fiscal year 1955-1956.

No new taxes, other than minor adjustments to existing fees for vehicle trailers, are being requested for the next fiscal year.

The following Ordinances and amendments to existing Ordinances will be submitted to you for your consideration:

- The Mining Safety Ordinance
- The Assignment of Book Debts Ordinance
- The Legitimation of Children Ordinance
- The Whitehorse Sewer and Waterworks Ordinance
- An amendment to the Amusement Tax Ordinance
- An amendment to the Motor Vehicle Ordinance
- An amendment to the Municipal Ordinance
- The Appropriation Ordinance

This last year has been one of some progress in providing an improved public service for the Territory, and further efforts will be made during the coming year for further improvement. The Members of Council have been most considerate and helpful in the many difficulties that have been encountered, and I wish to assure the Members that this assistance has been greatly appreciated by myself and all others concerned.

I wish you well in your deliberations, and will make myself available to you at all times should you feel that I may be of assistance.

Reply to Commissioner's Opening Address

by

The Speaker

A. R. HAYES, ESQUIRE

Mr. Commissioner:

Council wishes to express its thanks to you for your presence in the Council Chamber and we appreciate your offer of assistance and will gladly avail ourselves of it during the course of the Session.

I believe you, Mr. Commissioner, and the members from Whitehorse and Mayo will all join with me in an expression of pleasure that our good friend from Dawson, Mr. Mellor, was able to be with us after a recent illness and we are glad to see that he is completely recovered.

I had intended to end my reply to the speech from the Throne at that point, therefore, I made no notes, but another matter of information received now makes it necessary to refer to one other matter and the information is of such recent date that I was not able to prepare notes for it.

Introducing the subject I would like to quote from the Yukon Act and, according to the new Yukon Act which has received the Royal assent, this particular paragraph is exactly the same as that of the old Act. "The Commissioner in Council may make Ordinances for the Government of the Territory in relation to the following classes of subjects namely, the establishment and tenure of territorial offices and the appointment and payment of territorial officers".

This was mentioned at the last Session of Council and my reason for introducing it again at this moment is not the same as it was at the last Session. The Yukon Council, the elected Council of the Yukon, will not permit any abrogation of its powers by any appointed servant of the Crown in Ottawa without at least taking notice. That puts it in diplomatic talk but in Yukon talk we will not give up any of the powers we possess without a fight. My reason for mentioning this at this time is Councillors have limited opportunity to get their views on record, one, the speech in reply to the Throne, and another manner in which they can do so is in debate at the second reading of any given Bill. I think this is the proper time to introduce the subject or to mention it, and I believe the persons to whom I refer in Ottawa will take notice of these remarks and know to whom and to what I refer. The matter may come up for further discussion at the second reading of this certain Bill but other members may have something to say about it now, I don't know.

That is all I have to say at the moment, Mr. Commissioner, I just repeat my thanks to you and to say that every Session of this Council has been held without acrimony and I am quite sure this one, and future ones, will too.

ADDRESS TO COUNCIL

by

V. C. MELLOR, ESQUIRE

Mr. Speaker:

On the subject of Council and Councillors I think I am going to have things to say. As member for the Dawson Electoral District, at the Fall Session in my address to Council I criticized the wasting of time through the interference by certain Civil Servants in the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources. We are the Elected Representatives chosen by the electors and this interference by the Servants at Ottawa have made the Councillors a laughing stock for the whole of the Yukon. Perhaps Ottawa would like to see the Yukon revert to its former condition of Government by Commissioner and Commissioner's Regulations. It is a well known fact that the last Council was a "One Man Council" and that one member voted a perfunctory "yes" to all bills the Commissioner placed before him, and returned as soon as possible to his home, that may have suited the Administration and Ottawa, but it was not good enough for the Yukon. This Council takes its duties and obligations seriously. There is nothing perfunctory about our duties and every individual item received careful consideration.

Ottawa seems ever anxious to use the Northwest Territories as an example for its dealings with the Yukon when it suits its purpose to do so, but pays a complete disregard to precedent when following such a precedent already established in Northwest Territories would be of benefit to the Yukon and Yukoners.

The Commissioner cannot or will not on recommendations passed by Council, act on his own, but must refer them to Ottawa when the Director will give his casting vote of "yea" or "nay". If this treatment by Ottawa of recommendations and resolutions passed by Council continues to prevail, then it is time for a radical change to take place and that the Electors of the Yukon be allowed to choose their own Commissioner and one who is not in the Civil Service.

In the Dawson District we have a new era of gold placer mining. The bench gravel in the Dawson area has produced approximately \$10,000,000. This was achieved almost entirely by the Yukon Gold Company with its water from the Twelve Mile River. This was brought by ditches and flumes, was syphoned across the Klondike Valley at Bear Creek and across Bonanza Creek at No. 25 below Discovery. Furnishing gravity water to the high levels is a costly and uncertain process whether the supply comes from the immediate vicinity or from a distance.

During the season 1953 the Yukon Consolidated Gold Corporation demonstrated that the gravel and bedrock on Paradise Hill could be profitably mined with four pumps operating on different levels, capable of furnishing three thousand gallons of water a minute to the nozzles. During certain periods there wasn't sufficient water flowing in the creek to provide a full head for the pumps. This seriously curtailed the production without decreasing the costs.

Last fall a huge dam was constructed on Creek Claim No. 17A on Hunker Creek immediately below the canyon and well below the hydraulic operation. This will provide an immense settling basin for the sediment which is carried in suspension from the hydraulics. The water will be re-circulated and an ample supply is assured.

A reconditioned four stage Kingsford pump directly connected to a 1200 H.P. motor capable of delivering 6,000 gallons of water a minute against a vertical 500 ft, has been installed directly below the dam. This

will assure a steady stream of water one hundred percent greater than the maximum of the former pumps.

It may be the concept of some of the old timers will be realized. They predicted that when the Golden Harvest from our creeks and valleys had been reaped and power from the company's hydro-electric plant on the Klondike River was available, the remaining gravel on the adjoining hills and benches, estimated by some to have as great a gold content as did the gravel in the creeks, and will be dredged or piped to the lower levels. No one today is in a position to place a time limit on our Dawson placers. Gold will be flowing there in a steady stream for many decades. With this in mind the powers that be in Ottawa must change their opinion about Dawson being a city of the past and realize that we in Dawson and district are still part of the Yukon.

The following statement shows the gold production in the Dawson area in the years 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953. Figures shown are taken to the nearest 1000.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Royalty Paid</u>	<u>Approx. wt. in ozs.</u>	<u>Approx. Value</u>
1950/51	\$ 43,700.00	116,500	\$ 3,495,000.00
1951/52	35,600.00	95,000	2,800,000.00
1952/53	35,800.00	95,000	2,850,000.00
1953/54	29,000.00	77,000	2,250,000.00
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TOTALS	\$144,100.00	383,500	\$11,395,000.00
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Four Year Average:	\$ 36,025.00	95,875 ozs.	\$ 2,848,750.00
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I think, Mr. Speaker, that Statement alone must show the Department of Northern Affairs and other parts of the Yukon that we in Dawson are still producing.

Once more, Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of Dawson, I will ask you and my fellow colleagues to give the Dawson district your kind and sympathetic considerations during any Legislative matters that may come before you.

ADDRESS TO COUNCIL

by

ALEC FRANK BERRY, ESQUIRE

Mr. Speaker:

I wish to compliment the Administration on the great improvement in conditions at the Carmacks Garage. In comparison to a year ago it is indeed a pleasant change.

From past experience as a member of this Council and listening to the speeches of my colleagues, I am firmly convinced that most of our legitimate complaints regarding the Administration would be eliminated if the status of the Yukon Commissioner was raised to the same rank as the Northwest Territories, nor can I see any reason why this should not be so.

Surely the Yukon Territory with its present expansion and future potential, calls for a trend towards residential administration rather than by remote control from a department in Ottawa called "Northern Administration" whose main purpose appears to be to make the Yukon Territory uniform with the Northwest Territories in everything except the rank of Commissioner, who unfortunately at present has to consult this Department of Northern Administration before going to higher levels.

This places our Commissioner in a most unenviable position, because we Councillors in order to do our duty, must press our demands. On many occasions he is quite sympathetic to our requests, yet cannot act the way he would like to.

Another point is that promotion to this rank would be conducive to any civil servant becoming more interested in our Territory, instead of looking at the position of Yukon Commissioner as a stepping stone to Ottawa.

Inasmuch as we are a Territory it is freely admitted that the Federal Government must have representation in our administration, particularly in regards to finance, but in matters of policy the Commissioner should not have to pass any barriers to reach the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources.

ADDRESS TO COUNCIL

by

FREDERICK DORE LOCKE, ESQUIRE

Mr. Speaker:

I have listened with interest to the replies of the member from Dawson and the member from Mayo to the speech from the Throne and naturally concur wholeheartedly with their statements as to the stand of our Administration in connection with Ottawa and hope that at some future date, not too far in the future, there shall be a change brought about to rectify that condition.

In reply to the speech from the Throne, I am very pleased that Mr. Commissioner has mentioned Education. It has been with some alarm that in this past year I have watched what I think is a deterioration in our standard of education. The reasons for deterioration are not necessarily the fault of the Administration. The growing population has gone beyond normal growth and we have not been able to keep up with that growth. However I believe, and I am pleased as I say, to find it mentioned in the speech from the Throne, that we must set some standard in our educational system and not cut corners and say that this will do for this year and get by for this year with this, and next year we'll see what we can do about it. The education of our children is a very important matter, an important time in their lives and a responsibility of the people whether it be through their Council or their Administrative Government.

This last week I had an opportunity of visiting Mayo district. While there I visited and looked at five schools. In all of those five schools only one of them could be called a school of a standard fit to send children to. Now I know, and I am not criticizing the Administration, that that was a condition that came upon us, but I do hope that the Administration in the future will make a thorough survey of our educational system and will set some standard to go by. Not only a standard for the policy of educational curriculum and so forth, but a standard of building that our children throughout the Territory, whether they live in Mayo, Dawson, Carmacks or Whitehorse, will be going to.

In the case of the Mayo district, when I say I visited so many schools, three of those schools in Mayo were housing fifty-seven pupils. We are heating three buildings, supplying electricity for fifty-seven pupils. Undoubtedly the cost of maintaining those schools over a period of four or five years would be a large portion of capital expenditure in building a new school. On hearing the speech from the Throne, I trust that possible consideration is being given to putting new schools in various places, possibly Mayo might be one of the places.

On the matter of standard of curriculum, undoubtedly consideration should be given to what we pay our teachers. To come into this North country we must have something better to offer than just an established wage they would receive outside. We must have some form of a housing program and a slightly higher scale of wages in order to induce the best in teachers, or at least the best we can acquire in teachers. In our Whitehorse school in particular, to mention that one school, we should have in a school of that size, in order to have a good administration and good handling of the children, at least four male teachers. We don't have those teachers because we have no accommodation to offer them, we have no inducement for them to leave positions outside to come to our country to teach.

I hope that, as it is mentioned in the speech from the Throne, the Administration will make a thorough survey of the Department of Education,

will look into the possibility of changing the scale of wages, and will set a definite standard in school buildings; that we will be able to reach a level to give decent housing, decent school conditions and a decent and proper curriculum to our children. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

RESOLUTION

The Council of the Yukon Territory in regular meeting assembled, resolves that:

WHEREAS, we this Council has been advised that the Honourable Jean Lesage, Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources, will be visiting the Yukon Territory during the summer of 1954,

AND WHEREAS, the Members of the Yukon Territorial Council, on behalf of the people of the Yukon, are most desirous of extending a most cordial welcome to the Honourable Jean Lesage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Council requests that they be given an opportunity of meeting with the Minister, and showing and discussing with him the places of importance and interest in the Territory.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Friday, March 19, 1954
10:00 o'clock a.m.

The Speaker assumed the Chair and read the Orders of the Day.

Councillor Mellor asked six questions concerning various previous resolutions.

Councillor Phelps gave notice that the undermentioned Private Members Bill would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Private Bill No. 1 - An Ordinance Granting a Beer License to Gordon Crum and Norman Mytron of Teslin in Yukon Territory.

First reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 1 - "An Ordinance Governing the Safe Operation of Mines in the Yukon Territory."

Bill No. 2 - "An Ordinance to Make Uniform the Law Respecting Assignment of Book Debts".

Bill No. 3 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Legitimation of Children".

Bill No. 4 - "An Ordinance to authorize the City of Whitehorse to Construct Waterworks and Purification Systems and Sewage Disposal Plants and to Borrow Money Therefor".

Bill No. 5 - An Ordinance to amend the "Amusement Tax Ordinance".

Bill No. 6 - An Ordinance to amend the "Motor Vehicle Ordinance".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Brown attended Council.

Mr. George Black, representing Yukon Brewery Holding Co., requested an amendment of Chapter 14 of the Ordinances of the Yukon Territory, 1952 Second Session, as follows:

"Chapter 14 of the Ordinances of Yukon Territory 1952, second session, is amended by inserting between the word "make" and the word "beer" in the third line of Section 1 thereof the words "intoxicating liquors including", and by inserting between the word "beer" and the word "is" in the sixth line of Section 1 the words "manufacture, compound and make intoxicating liquors".

Council recessed at 10:30 a.m.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed discussion.

Second reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 1 - "An Ordinance Governing the Safe Operation of Mines in the Yukon Territory".

Bill No. 2 - "An Ordinance to Make Uniform the Law Respecting Assignment of Book Debts".

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Bill No. 5 - An Ordinance to amend the "Amusement Tax Ordinance".

Bill No. 6 - An Ordinance to amend the "Motor Vehicle Ordinance".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Brown and F. G. Smith attended Council.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

- (a) Bill No. 1 - reported progress
- Bill No. 2 - reported progress
- Bill No. 3 - without amendment
- Bill No. 4 - without amendment
- Bill No. 5 - without amendment
- Bill No. 6 - with amendment. 3(b) to read \$25.00
3(d) to read \$100.00
- (b) The Whitehorse Public Library requiring additional space requests their application for the office now occupied by the Territorial Government situated above the Liquor Store be given consideration.

Council recessed at 3:40 p.m.

3:50 o'clock p.m.

Committee resumed discussion.

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Mr. Locke gave notice that Bill No. 3 would be given third reading at the next sitting of Council.

Mr. Berry gave notice that Bill No. 4 would be given third reading at the next sitting of Council.

Mr. Phelps gave notice that Bill No. 5 would be given third reading at the next sitting of Council.

Council adjourned at 4:45 o'clock p.m.

"W. D. Robertson"
Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"
Speaker

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Saturday, March 20, 1954
10:00 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker assumed the chair and read the Orders of the day.

First reading was given to the following Bill:

Private Bill No. 1 - "An Ordinance Granting a Beer Licence to Gordon Crum and Norman Mytron of Teslin, in Yukon Territory".

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 3 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Legitimation of Children".

Bill No. 4 - "An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Whitehorse to Construct Waterworks and Purification Systems and Sewage Disposal Plants and to Borrow Money Therefor".

Bill No. 5 - An Ordinance to amend the "Amusement Tax Ordinance".

Second reading was given to the following Bill:

Private Bill No. 1 - "An Ordinance Granting a Beer Licence to Gordon Crum and Norman Mytron of Teslin, in Yukon Territory".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Brown and Mr. R. N. Cameron, Yukon Brewery (Holding) Company Limited, attended Council.

Council recessed at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

11:10 o'clock a.m.

Committee resumed discussion of Private Bill No. 1 and reported as follows:

Mr. Brown: Mr. Speaker, with your permission I would like to express certain views which I have in regard to the principle underlying this Bill.

As Members of Council are aware, the Administration has been endeavouring to exercise a degree of control over the number of licenses granted for Beer Parlours, both in municipalities and along the Highways of the Yukon. The present Regulations provide for a limited number of licenses for both Beer Parlours and Cocktail Lounges in the municipalities of the Yukon, and also restrict the issue of beer licenses to one license for each location along the Alaska Highway.

At the same time an effort has been made to improve the accommodation which is offered to the public by establishing minimum standards of room accommodation and public facilities. This has been done to encourage the construction of better accommodation for the travelling public, and the restriction on the number of licenses has been an encouragement of this program of better accommodation in that it affords some protection to the individual who is prepared to invest his

funds in this type of venture.

The introduction of a private Bill to grant licenses in contravention of this general principal may, and I feel that I should point out at this time, that it may completely undermine the attempt to control the number of licenses in the Yukon, and it will undoubtedly create a situation where application for licenses and the granting of licenses will depend more on the amount of pressure that individual or popular groups in areas place on Members of Council for private Bills of this nature, rather than a compliance with a policy of control of licensed outlets.

I am fully aware, Mr. Speaker, that the Members of this Council are entirely within their rights and have authority to introduce this Bill and deal with it, and the objections I am raising are not to the procedure being followed, or to the right of Council to deal with it, but I feel it incumbent upon myself to warn the Council that the adoption of this procedure may create considerable administrative difficulty in the future in endeavouring to exercise any control on the number of licenses in the Territory.

The application of the two men referred to in the Bill has been before me for consideration for some time, and as a formal objection has been filed with me by the present license holder in Teslin, it will be necessary for me, under our present Regulations, to hold a Hearing and have the matter dealt with on the basis of application and the objections raised at the Hearing. I cannot commit myself at this time as to what the decision in this matter will be, but I wish to assure you that it will be dealt with solely on its merits without direction or influence from any source or quarter.

I realize that these two young men are very popular in the community of Teslin, and they have, I believe, constructed premises and accommodation which will comply with the requirements of the Regulations, and I believe that this application should be dealt with on its merits under the existing Regulations and policy of the Administration.

Mr. Hayes:

Mr. Commissioner used the term "political implications". I don't know whether there are any political implications mixed up with this thing - I have no knowledge of them - but if there are any perhaps the opposition also has some political scores.

Now in applying for a license a man cannot go to the Commissioner or to Council and say - will I be given a license if I get this place ready at very big expense - thousands of dollars, probably up to twenty thousand dollars. He has no assurance whatever that he will be given a license after he has complied with all the Regulations. I think that is wrong.

The Commissioner spoke of ramshackle buildings; that no license would be granted to any person in ramshackle buildings. And Mr. Commissioner also said about the information he has on hand. I want to ask if that information includes a report from the License Inspector, because the Bill before us states that the Government Liquor Ordinance and Regulations have been complied with in every respect, that is, I take that to mean that the buildings will pass inspection and they they

are suitable for the granting of the license.

Now, insofar as the upsetting of the structure, I think that was Mr. Commissioner's term, although there are separate acts for beer parlours and cocktail licenses, Dawson has three cocktail licenses and I'm quite sure it hasn't the population to support them. And Mayo has had, probably still has, two beer licenses and I doubt whether there are enough people in Mayo to qualify under the population clause. There is another application for cocktail bar at Haines Junction - I don't think that has sufficient people but I do think that these places are entitled to the licenses and this particular one at Teslin. I've never been to Teslin in all my thirty-odd years in Yukon, but I take it that, as the Bill says, the Regulations have been complied with in every other respect; that these buildings are suitable for the granting of a license; and the sponsor of the Bill, I take it, is prepared to sponsor the occupant; he must believe that they are suitable applicants to hold a license at Teslin.

Mr. Mellor: The reason I am supporting this Private Bill, the main reason, is more or less a protest in the manner in which the Administration in Ottawa has ignored at all times during my term, up to date, as a Councillor for the Yukon, any of the wishes or desires on any recommendations or resolutions that have been passed by this Council.

This Bill would never have been introduced whatsoever had the Administration taken the advice and the recommendations from this Council at its last previous Sessions. This matter was discussed very earnestly and great thought was given regarding Liquor Regulations and the issuing of licenses.

This is not the first case that has been before us, we have had cases before in Council. We have had matters placed before the Director from the Commissioner's chair and our wishes have been, as I have stated before, absolutely ignored. If, as a Councillor, I have to sit here and accept everything that is place before me in any Bill whatsoever by the Commissioner, who is directed by his Department to do so, then we may as well get out of Office completely.

We have, and I think I can speak on behalf of the other Councillors, sincerely tried to co-operate and work with the Commissioner at all times but that has not counted one iota. We are still being by-passed, and as far as my remarks that I make at the present time are concerned, I still think that we'll be by-passed. I don't like to see an issue forced, I don't think it should be done. I think that at all times Council should try and get along with the directions that are given to them from the powers that be but, as the saying goes, there is a time when the worm must turn and this is the time when one worm is starting to turn and as far as this Bill goes, the vote from the Dawson representative, it will be Yes.

Mr. Brown:

I wish to reply to the remarks of Mr. Hayes. I think possibly what I previously said has been misunderstood. If so, I regret that fact. I did not intend to imply that this particular applicant did not come up to the standards required by the Ordinance or Regulations; I merely dealt with the basis of the Regulations for the purpose of clarifying the standards which we are trying to achieve and the reasons why, initially, the policy has been at least so far to limit, have some limitation, on the number of beer outlets.

I don't wish to go into that further at this time because I think the matter is fully understood by the members of Council. This particular applicant has buildings that do come up to the standards required. The problem I was faced with was, firstly, did they comply with the requirements in respect to ownership of land, and secondly, was there justification for granting two licenses in one community.

I may so that I have no, and I want it recorded, I have no instructions from outside anywhere as to whether I should grant this or not grant it. I have been instructed to deal with it on its merits and, whatever I do, I must assume responsibility for it. I don't want any thought to be permitted that I am being influenced or directed by anybody in the matter.

I have been honestly endeavouring to find a solution to this problem and until I had a Hearing as required by the Ordinance in view of the legal protest filed, I have been unable to deal with the matter. What my findings would be I, of course, wouldn't say at this moment because I have no conclusions on the matter. But I dealt with this only on a matter of principle and not on detail with this particular application. The only reason why I spoke of the Bill at all was the principle of Private Bills for licensing outlets.

Mr. Locke:

Dealing with Private Bill No. 1 there was some discussion at the last Session of this Council regarding licenses for beer parlours to establishments on the Alaska Highway and I felt that the general feeling of Council at that time was a restriction of one beer parlour to a community; but on the Alaska Highway it is pretty hard to use the word "community" because there are licenses issued now to places that could not be considered communities, they are stopping places on the Highway.

I believe that, as Mr. Hayes stated in his remark, the cart is before the horse on the issuing of beer licenses. We expect good accommodation, suitable accommodation, for tourists on the Alaska Highway and yet we will not grant a license until a building is completed, inspected and so forth, and then there is a restriction that if somebody has a license within a certain distance of this establishment, the establishment now requesting the license cannot be granted one. I think that in order to have the proper type of accommodation on the Highway, and I might say I don't think in a good many cases we have the proper type on the Highway today, in order to induce people to put up better accommodation on the Highway that the matter of beer licensing should have some form of free enterprise. If there are two licenses on a lively spot along the Highway where there is possibly some community in close connection - a good deal of travel - it should be a matter of each one receiving their share. If a man puts up a suitable establishment along the Highway

and has no beer license, he has to depend entirely on his rentals and so on to keep his establishment above water and its pretty difficult business.

As far as this particular Bill is concerned, Mr. Mellor pointed out in his remarks that he was voting yes to the Bill on the principle of past experience in having matters vetoed or turned down by Ottawa after Council had given an opinion. I feel somewhat the same way on this Bill and I am going to support the Bill on similar grounds as I feel that it was the opinion of Council at the last Session that the restriction be lifted and the granting of licenses be handled on that basis.

Mr. Berry: Mr. Locke more or less stated his own views regarding the Highway situation and I concur with him that the Highway is a different set up to other communities in the Territory. People travelling on the road should be catered to and, therefore, I support his statements.

I agree very much with Mr. Hayes illustration of the expenditure coming first and the license being granted afterwards. I do believe that should be man be willing to invest twenty thousand dollars or more to erect good accommodation, he should have some assurance that he is going to receive a license first. In this case I will support the Bill.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the Report of the Committee as follows:

- (a) Private Bill No. 1 - without amendment
- (b) Bill No. 1 - reported progress
- (c) Bill No. 2 - reported progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Mr. J. Phelps gave notice that the undermentioned Private Bill would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Private Bill No. 3 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Council of the Yukon Territory".

Mr. V. C. Mellor gave notice that the undermentioned Bill would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Bill No. 8 - "An Ordinance Respecting Scientists and Explorers".

Mr. Berry gave notice that the undermentioned Bill would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Private Bill No. 2 - An Ordinance to amend "An Ordinance Granting Permission to the Yukon Brewery (Holding) Company Limited to Manufacture, Compound and Make Intoxicating Liquors".

Bill No. 9 - "An Ordinance to Provide for Change of Name".

Council adjourned at 1:00 o'clock p.m.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Monday, March 22, 1954
10:00 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker assumed the chair and read the Orders of the Day.

Councillor Mellor's questions concerning various previous resolutions were answered. (See Sessional Paper No. 7)

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Brown and Mr. L. Higgins attended Council.

Council expressed opinion for the guidance of the Commissioner as follows:

- (a) the price of beer in beer parlors and cocktail lounges was discussed. Mr. Higgins outlined the situation from the standpoint of laid-down cost in all three areas and the ensuing profit to the licensee. The concensus of opinion is that beer should be 60¢ (sixty cents) in cocktail lounges and 50¢ (fifty cents) in beer parlors. The price of 60¢ as submitted in cocktail lounge price lists should be adhered to.
- (b) banquet permits were discussed insofar as having to apply for a permit five days in advance. All Councillors were in agreement that five days be changed to twenty four hours.

First reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 8 - "An Ordinance Respecting Scientists and Explorers".

Bill No. 9 - "An Ordinance to Provide for Change of Name".

Bill No. 10- "An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Services of the Territory".

Private Bill No. 2 - An Ordinance to amend "An Ordinance Granting Permission to the Yukon Brewery (Holding) Company Limited to Manufacture, Compound and Make Intoxicating Liquors".

Private Bill No. 3 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Council of the Yukon Territory".

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 6 - An Ordinance to amend the "Motor Vehicle Ordinance".

Private Bill No. 1 - "An Ordinance Granting a Beer Licence to Gordon Crum and Norman Mytron of Teslin, in Yukon Territory".

Second reading was given to the following Bill:

Private Bill No. 2 - An Ordinance to amend "An Ordinance Granting Permission to the Yukon Brewery (Holding) Company Limited to manufacture, compound and make intoxicating liquors".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Private Bill No. 2 - without amendment

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Third reading was given to the following Bill:

Private Bill No. 2 - An Ordinance to amend "An Ordinance Granting Permission to the Yukon Brewery (Holding) Company Limited to manufacture, compound and make intoxicating liquors".

Second reading was given the following Bill:

Private Bill No. 3 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Council of the Yukon Territory".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Private Bill No. 3 - without amendment

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Third reading was given to the following Bill:

Private Bill No. 3 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Council of the Yukon Territory".

Council adjourned at 11:50 o'clock a.m.

2:40 o'clock p.m.

Third reading was given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 2 - "An Ordinance to make Uniform the Law Respecting Assignment of Book Debts".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 2 - without amendment

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Second reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 8 - "An Ordinance Respecting Scientists and Explorers".

Bill No. 9 - "An Ordinance to Provide for Change of Name".

Bill No. 10 - "An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Services of the Territory".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The Commissioner remarked that the following is a review of the proposed Scientists and Explorers Ordinance:

Section by section, as compared with the Ordinance which it is proposed to replace, being Chapter 4 of the Ordinances of 1935:

New Ordinance

Old Ordinance

Section 1

Section 1 - Identical

Sections 2 and 3 (new) - these sections provide the conditions under which the Commissioner may issue licences.

Section 4 (new)

Section 5

Section 2 and 3 - the provision for summarily ejecting a person entering the Yukon Territory for scientific or exploration purposes without a permit has been deleted from the Ordinance. The authority for including a provision of this sort is very doubtful indeed and it is, therefore, thought better to leave it out, depending on the penalty section to take care of offences by fine and imprisonment.

Section 6 (new) has the effect of giving the Commissioner power to exempt a person or class of persons from the necessity of taking out a licence for scientific or exploration purposes.

Section 7 - imposes duties on every licensee to make a report to the Commissioner of the work undertaken and to notify the R.C.M.P.

Section 4 (d)

Section 8 (new) gives the Commissioner power to dispose of specimens collected.

Section 9 (new) gives the Commissioner power to make regulations to carry out the purposes of the Ordinance.

Section 10

Section 5 - identical as to content.

Section 11 - repeal of the old Ordinance.

The Commissioner remarked the following explains the Change of Name Ordinance:

This Ordinance is new to the Territory, there not having been any provision concerning the changing of names except as provided for in the Adoption Ordinance and the Vital Statistics Ordinance. It provides for a procedure whereby an application may be made to the Court by a Canadian citizen, resident in the Territory for at least one year prior to the date of application. By this Ordinance the Court will be empowered to make such order as is just within the framework of the Ordinance.

Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

(a) Bill No. 8 - delete section 6 and renumber remainder of sections.

(b) Bill No. 9 - without amendment

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Third reading was given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 9 - "An Ordinance to Provide for Change of Name".

The Council recessed at 4:00 o'clock p.m.

4:15 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed discussion.

Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 10 - report progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Councillor Mellor gave notice that the undermentioned Bill would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Bill No. 12 - An Ordinance to amend "The Yukon Game Ordinance".

Council adjourned at 4:50 o'clock p.m.

As the Courtroom will not be available on the morning of March 23rd, Session is adjourned until 1:30 o'clock p.m. on March 23.

"W. D. Robertson"

Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"

Speaker

YUKON TERRITORIAL COUNCIL

Questions asked by V. C. Mellor, Esquire

1. Question: What action has been taken on Council's recommendation that the Sanitary Inspector's salary be divided among the other votes in order that a true picture of the expenses of each department may be seen?

Answer: As 75% of the Sanitary Inspector's time is spent on health and sanitation work, it was not considered that any point would be gained by allocation of the balance of salary to other departments on the basis of occasional service. It is also to be noted that funds were not provided for this purpose in other votes for year 1953-54.
2. Question: What action has been taken on Council's recommendation that the Superintendent of Hospitals, where regular payments have not been kept up, at the end of 95 days be placed in Small Debt Court.

Answer: Effective March 4th, arrangements were made with a member of the hospital staff on a part time basis to make collections of all old accounts. At this time a survey of the accounts are being prepared and collections are being made. Where every normal effort has failed to effect collections, a report will be submitted to the Administration to institute the necessary legal action against delinquent accounts.
3. Question: What amount of money from the Game Department Travelling Expense Account was used to import Elk on Council's recommendation?

Answer: Amount expended \$714.79.
4. Question: What action has been taken on the Commissioner's Reference No. 9, Council Session Friday, October 30, 1953, concerning Sixty-Mile Road, the entering into a construction program and the maintenance of the road this season?

Answer: Supply Bill will indicate the extent to which the Commissioner intends implementing the recommendation, within the funds available.
5. Question: The amount allocated in 1954-55 Estimates.

Answer: The amount allocated in Supply Bill is \$9,493.00 for improvement together with portion of other funds for maintenance.
6. Question: What action has been taken by the Department of Roads, Bridges and Public Works to clear the brush and trees overhanging the road between Dawson and Flat Creek Hill, this being a hazard to the safety of the public.

Answer: Late in the fall of 1953, three men were engaged on the clearing project for approximately two weeks. It is planned that as soon as weather conditions warrant, there will be further done on this project, dependent on amount available in Supply Bill.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Tuesday, March 23, 1954.
1:30 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker assumed the chair and read the Orders of the Day.

Councillor Mellor asked questions regarding playground equipment.

The Bill referred to as Private Bill No. 3 in Votes & Proceedings is now changed to read "Bill No. 13".

First reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 11 - Supplementary Supply Bill

Bill No. 12 - An Ordinance to amend "The Yukon Game Ordinance"

Second reading was given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 12 - An Ordinance to amend "The Yukon Game Ordinance"

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Brown and Mr. W. A. Wardrop attended Council.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 12 - without amendment

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Third reading was given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 12 - An Ordinance to amend "The Yukon Game Ordinance"

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Grants: Vote 74 - This was discussed and it was decided the principle of matching grants on the acquisition of new books and magazines be adopted for libraries and that as a temporary expedient to assist the Whitehorse Library, an additional grant of \$500.00 be made this year, assuming an exact amount is put up by the municipality.

Council recessed 4:15 o'clock p.m.

4:25 o'clock p.m.

The Committee gave consideration to Bill No. 10.

Chairman reported progress on Bill No. 10.

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Council adjourned at 5:05 o'clock p.m.

"W. D. Robertson
Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"
Speaker

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Wednesday, March 24, 1954
10:00 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker assumed the chair and read the Orders of the Day.

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bill No. 1.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 1 - report progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Council recessed at 11:05 o'clock a.m.

11:20 o'clock a.m.

Mr. F. Locke gave notice that the undermentioned Bills would be introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council:

Bill No. 14 - An Ordinance to amend the "Hours of Labour Ordinance".

Bill No. 15 - An Ordinance to amend "The Fair Wages Ordinance".

Council recessed at 12:05 o'clock p.m.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed discussion giving consideration to Bill No. 10.

Commissioner Brown, W. A. Wardrop and Mr. T. Kjar attended Council.

While in discussion Mr. Mellor stated as follows:

"Mr. Chairman, Members of Council, as far as the grants to municipalities I am opposed to the cut. I am speaking for the Municipality of Dawson; I am at a loss as to how the municipality can balance its budget. I am opposed to making any resolution regarding this matter for the simple reason resolutions have, in the past, and I've every reason to believe, will continue to be ignored."

Chairman reported progress on Bill No. 10.

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Council adjourned at 5:00 o'clock p.m.

"W. D. Robertson"
Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"
Speaker

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Thursday, March 25, 1954
10:00 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker assumed the chair and read the Orders of the Day.

Councillor Mellor's questions regarding school playground equipment were answered. (see Sessional Paper No. 8)

First reading was given to the following Bills:

- Bill No. 14 - An Ordinance to amend the "Hours of Labour Ordinance".
Bill No. 15 - An Ordinance to amend "The Fair Wages Ordinance".

Second reading was given to the following Bills:

- Bill No. 14 - An Ordinance to amend the "Hours of Labour Ordinance".
Bill No. 15 - An Ordinance to amend "The Fair Wages Ordinance".

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Brown attended Council.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

- (a) Bill No. 14 - without amendment
(b) Bill No. 15 - without amendment

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

- Bill No. 14 - An Ordinance to amend the "Hours of Labour Ordinance".
Bill No. 15 - An Ordinance to amend "The Fair Wages Ordinance".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole

While in discussion the following questions were asked:

- Mr. Mellor: Mr. Chairman, on what authority has this school tax been imposed, the ten mill rate?
Mr. Hayes: Mr. Chairman, what is the maximum mill rate permitted by the Ordinance?
Mr. Brown: Mr. Chairman, the answer to both questions is contained in Section 39 of the Taxation Ordinance, 1952 Council Session, first session of the year, which reads as follows:

"39. Upon the enactment by the Commissioner in Council of an Ordinance granting to the Commissioner certain sums of money to defray the expenses of the public service of the Yukon Territory for the year, the Commissioner shall determine upon and levy a rate or rates of so much on the dollar of the assessed value of the lands or improvements or the lands and improvements within the Yukon Territory which are not exempt from Territorial taxation under the provisions of this or any other Ordinance of the Yukon Territory".

In other words, when the Estimates are approved by Council it is the duty of the Commissioner under this Ordinance to levy a tax sufficient to raise the funds which the Council has approved for expenditure purposes.

Mr. Hayes: According to the Commissioner's reply there is no maximum mill rate for property tax. Are we to understand that the Commissioner can impose any tax whatever to meet grants voted in this Council which, in the first place, are proposed by the Administration?

Mr. Brown: The answer is, there is no limit set in the Taxation Ordinance. The total revenue to be derived from property tax is shown in the Estimates brought before the Council.

Mr. Hayes: I take it from the Commissioner's reply that the levied assessment tax is made according to the amount of money required for any purpose whatever. I am still asking if there is anything in the Act placing a maximum mill rate or is there not?

Mr. Brown: There is no limit under the section of the Act which I have just read to you and as far as I know there is no limit under any other section of the Act with regard to taxation. For your information, I might say, Mr. Chairman, that I was under the assumption that the Council were aware of the additional 10 mill tax that was placed, and should have been placed, a year ago.

Mr. Mellor recommended that playground equipment for public schools should come out of the Educational Vote and not from the Welfare Fund.

The Chairman reported progress on Bill No. 10.

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Council recessed at 12:10 o'clock p.m.

1:45 o'clock p.m.

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole

Commissioner Brown, Mr. W. A. Wardrop and N. S. Tait attended Council.

Mr. Mellor asked the following questions:

Mr. Mellor: Mr. Brown, regarding the Dawson-60-Mile Road, in the estimates you have \$9,493.00. Am I correct in surmising that \$9,493.00 is for the maintenance of the road? If the answer is in the affirmative, then what action has been taken regarding entering into a construction program for the 60-Mile road. I do not see anything in the Capital Vote.

Mr. Brown: There has been no Capital amount voted for the 60-Mile road. We did put in the amount of \$7,000.00 to improve two or three potholes on the 60-Mile road and the balance of the total of the Vote was for maintenance of the road. For construction of those parts mentioned in last years Council we will have have to distribute approximately \$5,000.00 for correction of the potholes and \$4,700.00 odd for maintenance.

Mr. Mellor: Further to my question, can you recall at the Session last Fall a reference submitted by you on the program of \$150,000.00 for the construction of the 60-Mile road. I stated as a member for Dawson, that I would ask that \$20,000.00 be provided in the Spring estimates for the maintenance of the 60-Mile road and the repairing of certain mudholes in order that there could be no funds diverted from the completion of the Dawson-Stewart Crossing Road. In the Capital Account the construction of the road from Flat Creek Hill to Dawson has been eliminated. Could you give me an answer to that please?

Mr. Brown: Yes, Mr. Mellor, the reason that additional funds have not been placed in the estimates for further construction of roads or further maintenance, other than those in the estimates, is that we haven't the revenue to pay for them.

Mr. Mellor: From which fund are you going to provide for the correction and up-keep of the mudholes on the 60-Mile road?

Mr. Brown: The only funds we have are the funds set up covering the maintenance of the Dawson district.

Mr. Mellor: Is it the intention of the Administration to complete the construction of the Stewart Crossing-Dawson road as outlined by the Federal Engineer and surveyor?

Mr. Brown: The answer to that question is that it is the intention of the Administration when funds are available.

Council recessed at 3:50 O'clock p.m.

4:00 o'clock p.m.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 10 - report progress.

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Council adjourned at 5:00 o'clock p.m.

"W. D. Robertson"
Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"
Speaker

YUKON TERRITORIAL COUNCIL

Questions asked by V. C. Mellor, Esquire

1. (a) Question: Was playground equipment purchased for the Whitehorse Public School?

Answer: Yes

(b) Question: If the answer is in the affirmative from what vote was the money taken and the amount?

Answer: Vote No. 10-66-161, amount \$873.01.

2. (a) Question: Has any amount been committed for playground equipment for any other school?

Answer: Yes, Mayo school.

(b) Question: If in the affirmative what amount?

Answer: \$562.00

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Friday, March 26, 1954
10:00 o'clock a.m.

the Day. Mr. Speaker assumed the chair and read the Orders of

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Council. Commissioner Brown and Mr. W. A. Wardrop attended

The Committee recessed at 11:55 o'clock a.m.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed discussion.

Council. Commissioner Brown and Mr. W. A. Wardrop attended

Councillor Phelps, seconded by Councillor Mellor, read a resolution concerning Municipal Grants to the City of Dawson and the City of Whitehorse. (see Sessional Paper No. 9) Approved.

Councillor Mellor, seconded by Councillor Locke, read a resolution concerning the purchase of playground equipment for public schools. (see Sessional Paper No. 10) Approved.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 10 - report progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Council adjourned at 4:45 o'clock p.m.

"W. D. Robertson"
Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"
Speaker

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS representations have been made to the Members of this Council by the City of Dawson and the City of Whitehorse that they are unable to finance their municipal obligations under the present Administration policy of progressive reduction in municipal grants,

AND WHEREAS it has been established to the satisfaction of this Council that the City Councils of Dawson and Whitehorse have not at any time entered into an agreement or have they approved of the Territorial Administration's policy in this regard,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

that the City Councils of Dawson and Whitehorse are requested to submit their financial statements and other evidence of their financial difficulties to the Commissioner for examination in order to determine the amounts of further municipal grants required for inclusion in the Supplementary Estimates of the 1954 Fall Session to meet unavoidable deficits in their budgets.

(Sessional Paper No. 10)

March 26, 1954.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Members of the Council feel that a definite policy should be arrived at by the Administration regarding the purchase of playground equipment for public schools,

THEREFORE be it resolved as follows:

that playground equipment for public schools should be met by funds from the Education Vote and not from the Welfare Fund.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Saturday, March 27, 1954
10:00 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker assumed the chair and read the Orders of the Day.

On direction of the Speaker the following Minutes of Council were read and approved:

1. The Council authorizes and empowers the Commissioner to set aside out of the revenue for the fiscal year 1953-1954, a sum of \$100,000.00, to be placed in a Special Trust Account, and to be retained therein until voted by Council for replacement of Territorial Road equipment.

The Commissioner is further authorized and empowered to transfer out of revenue for the fiscal year 1953-1954, a further sum of \$75,000.00 to be placed in the said Special Trust Account, and to be retained therein until voted by Council for the replacement of public buildings of the Territorial Government.

2. The Commissioner is empowered and authorized to set aside in a Special Trust Account the balance of funds collected under the Special Liquor Tax, and made available for community welfare work, and not expended as at March 31st, 1954, to be available during the fiscal year 1954-1955 for community welfare.
3. The Council authorizes and empowers the Commissioner to set aside out of the revenue for the fiscal year 1954-1955 a sum of \$100,000.00, to be placed in a Special Trust Account, and to be retained therein until voted by Council for replacement of Territorial Road equipment.

The Commissioner is further authorized and empowered to transfer out of revenue for the fiscal year 1954-1955 a further sum of \$75,000.00 to be placed in the said Special Trust Account, and to be retained therein until voted by Council for the replacement of public buildings of the Territorial Government.

Third reading was given the following Bill:

Bill No. 8 - "An Ordinance Respecting Scientists and Explorers".

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 1 - report progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Second reading was given the following Bill:

Bill No. 11 - Supplementary Supply Bill

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 10 - report progress

Bill No. 11 - report progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Council adjourned at 11:15 o'clock a.m.

"W. D. Robertson"
Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"
Speaker

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Monday, March 29, 1954
10:00 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker assumed the chair and read the Orders of the Day.

Councillor Berry, seconded by Councillor Mellor, read a resolution concerning the adoption of a Territorial flower. (see Sessional Paper No. 11) Approved.

Councillor Locke, seconded by Councillor Mellor, read a resolution concerning cost of living bonus for male teachers. (see Sessional Paper No. 12) Approved.

Councillor Berry, seconded by Councillor Locke, read a resolution concerning Federal funds spent in the Northwest Territories and Yukon Territory. (see Sessional Paper No. 13) Approved.

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee as follows:

Bill No. 10 - with recommended amendments
to schedule as follows:

Vote No. 1 - no amendment

Vote No. 2 - no amendment

Vote No. 3 - be amended to read: \$250.00
Dawson and \$250.00 Kluane
Lake School be shown in
schedule 6-3 for the purchase
of playground equipment.

Vote No. 4 - be amended to read: \$200.00
be allocated to the fencing
of a cemetery at Watson Lake.

Vote No. 5 - no amendment

Vote No. 6 - no amendment

Vote No. 7 - no amendment

Vote No. 8 - no amendment

Vote No. 9 - with amendments as follows:

- (a) that E. Whitehouse's salary be shown as \$5,400.00 per annum.
- (b) remove provision for handy man at Carmacks Garage.
- (c) that salary of the foreman at Carmacks Garage be shown as \$5,400 per annum.
- (d) that the position of parts-man at Carmacks Garage be abolished.

Vote No. 10- be amended to read: that \$1,500 be shown to provide for the purchase of a fire escape for the Whitehorse General Hospital. This amount to be a transfer from the \$34,000 for the Watson Lake School.

With reference to Vote No. 7 a motion was made and defeated whereby travelling expenses of the Game Director be reduced from \$1,600 to \$1,000.

With reference to Vote No. 9 - Council recommends that the policy of the Territorial Government be to contract all road construction and as much maintenance as possible.

Council recommends the Administration investigate the feasibility of farming out all equipment repairs with a view to closing Carmacks Garage.

Council recommends provision be made to join the access road in Teslin to the new location of the Alaska Highway. Also the program for the 60-Mile road be entered into.

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Third reading was given the following Bills:

Bill No. 10 - "An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Services of the Territory".

Bill No. 11 - (Supplementary Supply Bill) "An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Services of the Territory".

The following opinions of Council were expressed:

Mr. Mellor: Mr. Speaker, I would like to recommend that the printing, other than Ordinances, for the Yukon Territorial Government, be placed with firms in the Yukon. I also wish to record my protest for the large cuts in the Bill of Supply for the Dawson District, the amounts that have been taken away from the construction and maintenance of roads. I quite realize that the Commissioner has a very hard time to balance the Budget, but I cannot see why the Dawson District should be sacrificed for other parts of the Territory.

Mr. Locke: Mr. Speaker, during this present Session, the Department of Education and educational policy have been given a great deal of consideration. In view of this fact, it is hard to understand why the Administration has not informed Council of a matter of importance to the Department of Education and the Territory. I refer to the dismissal of the Superintendent of Education. It could be the reason we were not informed was that there was little to justify the speedy dismissal of a public servant with twenty-four years of faithful service, except a directive from Ottawa to do so. The Directors of the Department at Ottawa are civil servants and, as such, should fully realize the position of a senior public servant in a case such as this. Dismissal without a fair hearing at which the Administration would have to justify his dismissal and at which he would be given an equal opportunity to present his case, is something that these gentlemen in Ottawa, as civil servants, would not tolerate for one moment. Why, then, should they be in the position to effect the dismissal of a man with twenty-

four years service without consideration being given to the years of service without such a hearing. It is time that the Public Service Ordinance had some teeth put in it to give our public servants honest and fair protection for their security. Regardless of the merits of any case of dismissal, the person concerned should be given an opportunity of a fair hearing if he so desires. I do not think that any one person should be in the position to effect the dismissal of a Department Head without such a hearing. If a dismissal is fully justified it will be ratified by such a hearing, and if it is not justified the reasons will be shown and the public servant given the protection which is his just right.

As for the merits, in the dismissal of the Superintendent of Education, I have followed Mr. Hulland's record for the twenty-four years he has served the Territory and I believe I am qualified to speak of his record. He came to Whitehorse twenty-four years ago as principal of the Whitehorse school. His record as principal of that school was excellent. Under probably not the best of conditions his pupils passed with high averages; the standard of education was kept at a high level; the extra curricular activities of the students was also kept at a high level and the people, the parents of the students, felt that this was due to a large extent to the efforts of the principal of the school.

I have followed the standards, the method of education, in the Territory to some extent. As a member of the Parent Teachers Association, prior to becoming a Councillor, I was taking a keen interest. Since becoming a member of this Council I have been chairman of the Educational Committee and have also taken a keen interest. I have also sat with the local school committee in Whitehorse in an advisory capacity at meetings which were also attended by the Superintendent of Education in an advisory capacity. I have found on various occasions, when meeting with Mr. Hulland, nothing but full cooperation and an attempt to settle or straighten out any affairs that were brought before him in the line of education.

I fully realize that there have been some difficulties in the Department but I do not think that these difficulties that have arisen can be held as a detriment to the Superintendent. The occasions that have probably fostered trouble have been due to many things. One thing that must be taken into consideration is the rapid expansion of the Department. The Superintendent, while he was in Dawson, was in a very bad position as far as the supervision of these departments was concerned due to the fact that the growth and expansion was at the opposite end of the Territory and only could be controlled by correspondence and the occasional trip that he could make. The matter of the school in Dawson, which is probably one of the reasons that the Administration feel they are justified in his dismissal, bring to my mind another point.

A few days ago the Commissioner, in remarks to this Council, admitted the situation in Dawson was a bad one and at the time said that he felt that we should screen more carefully the teachers that we were sending out to the schools. Realizing the difficulty in obtaining teachers, partially due to the wage scale and the conditions under which we operate, the Commissioner must realize that it isn't possible to screen teachers that we send out to our schools. We are lucky if we do get enough teachers to fulfill the positions we have open. If, at the last minute, we receive applications for positions that are open, there is no opportunity to screen and pass back on the record, look into the details, before fulfilling the position. Time is an important element. Schools open at a certain date and if they open without the staff that is necessary it makes it very difficult for the children to complete their year and have passing marks at the end of the year.

On an overall picture, having worked with Mr. Hullah and knowing his record and his faithfulness to the Territory, I can see no good reason for his dismissal. I feel that if there was a good reason for his dismissal that I do not know of, or the other Council members do not know of, that we, as elected Council of the people of the Territory, considering we were in Session, should have been told the reason and an explanation given and the whole matter cleared up.

Mr. Berry:

Mr. Speaker, the chairman of the Educational Committee has presented the case regarding the Superintendent of Schools in a very good manner and I just wish to say that I concur in every way with his statements.

Mr. Mellor:

Mr. Speaker, I wish to go on record, I concur with the remarks of the chairman of the Educational Committee.

Mr. Hayes:

I wish to relinquish my chair to the Deputy Speaker as I wish to speak as a private Member.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to concur with the remarks in connection with the dismissal of Mr. Hullah. The method of dismissal of Mr. Hullah is technically correct, but it was done in a deplorable manner as it was not discussed with Mr. Hullah or the Members of the Council.

In the letter that was sent to Mr. Hullah, Mr. Commissioner used the expression "you are aware I have not been satisfied for some considerable time in the manner in which the schools in the Territory have been administered by you". I would like to point out that Mr. Hullah has been employed by the Territorial Government as Superintendent of Schools and as high school principal for twenty-four years and the Commissioner has not been in the Territory for any considerable length of time, therefore, I do not believe that his reasons for the discharge were due to his dissatisfaction. I believe the instructions to discharge Mr. Hullah came from some other source. As the Members of Council already know, a protest has been sent to the Minister in Ottawa and I sincerely hope that he will revise the situation and withdraw Mr. Hullah's discharge.

With further reference to Mr. Brown's letter to Mr. Hulland, as Commissioner he used this expression: "And I think you have possibly done the best you could in dealing with these problems". I think the word "possibly" is simply adding insult to injury and should not have been used in that letter. Further on, the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory tells Mr. Hulland that he is prepared to offer him the job of school principal in Dawson for one year until they find out if he performs his duties under the new Superintendent of Education. I think that, too, was unnecessary and adding insult to injury. Mr. Brown states "I personally feel that you can make a further contribution to education in the Territory". This Council is quite sure that Mr. Hulland can make a further contribution to education in the Territory and I think Mr. Brown contradicts himself when he says that he is dissatisfied with the manner in which Mr. Hulland has carried out his duties.

With reference to offering the principalship to Mr. Hulland in Dawson, that position has already been filled and, therefore, the present principal in Dawson may consider this as his discharge.

Mr. Hulland, as Mr. Locke said, has never had the opportunity to answer the charges made against him. In the Civil Service no one man can discharge any Civil Servant. In the Federal Civil Service they have a Civil Service Commission which protects the interest of the employees, including Deputy heads and all grades up to Deputy Minister. I think that we should have the same sort of deal in the Yukon whereby teachers and other employees of the Territorial Government may have some assurance that they will not be discharged in a peremptory manner in order to suit some person who recommends it.

Council adjourned at 12:15 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Mellor: Mr. Speaker, I wish to have recorded the error in connection with Bill 230 of the Federal House regarding the remuneration paid to the Yukon Councillors.

I would like to make a statement in comparison as follows: in 1920 members of the Federal House received \$2,500.00 per year, Yukon Council \$600. In the same year members of the Federal House received a raise of \$4,000 and the Yukon Councillors still remained at \$600. In the year 1945 members of the Federal House received \$2,000 free from income tax. We, of the Yukon Council, did not receive in any shape or form income tax reductions as regards to our indemnities. This made the Federal members of Parliament a total of \$6,000 per year and the Yukon Councillors remained at \$600 a year. In 1951 the Councillors of the Yukon Territory were raised to \$1,000 per session indemnity and this amount has remained so. The only difference has been that it required two sessions of Council in the year which brought their indemnity to \$2,000, a fair sum in my estimation.

This year members of the Federal House received \$4,000, bringing them to \$10,000 a year, \$2,000 being free from income tax. The new Yukon Act reduces the indemnity of Yukon Councillors to a

maximum of \$1,000 a year for two sessions. That will require approximately six weeks, or one quarter the time members spend in the Federal House in Ottawa each year. As a comparison, Mr. Speaker, I would like to quote the different provinces. A member of the legislative assembly in Toronto is paid \$3,900 for approximately six weeks service; a member of the legislative assembly in British Columbia is paid \$3,000 per session, or \$6,000 generally for two sessions per year. The duties of all, including members of Parliament, are similar but by what strange process of thought do members of Parliament decide that they are worth ten times as much per annum as a Yukon Councillor for only four times the amount of weeks spent in Ottawa; or that an Ontario MLA is worth almost four times as much as a Yukon Councillor for the same amount of time spent in Session; or that a British Columbia MLA is worth six times as much as a Yukon Councillor for services that occupy him about the same number of weeks annually.

Such fallacious reasoning does not tend to improve my respect for the mental powers of the members of Parliament or help me to accept their justifications for boosting their indemnities about 66 percent and reduce the Yukon Councillor by 50 percent. We have at no time asked for a raise in the indemnities of the Yukon and I think that consideration should be given to the Bill before it is assented to by powers.

Mr. Locke: I listened with interest to Councillor Mellor's remarks concerning the new Yukon Act and the cut in sessional indemnity that is to be brought about when this Act is enforced. I concur with Mr. Mellor that the present Council has not looked for an increase but feels that the amount as set down in the old Act was a fair and just indemnity. If it is expected in the future to have a representative group in the Yukon Council it is only natural that the indemnity should be held at the level that it was heretofore.

Mr. Berry: After hearing the remarks of the members from Dawson and Whitehorse, I can only say that I concur with all the statements made and I am sorry to think that we were not even consulted in this matter; that is a policy I do not like.

Mr. Hayes: Thank you, gentlemen. I wish to relinquish the chair to the Deputy Speaker so that I may speak as a private member.

Mr. Mellor mentioned that the maximum indemnity was \$1,000 for two sessions. This is not correct. We had three sessions last year and will have three sessions this year, and there is nothing to stop the Administration from calling six sessions for that same \$1,000, or twelve sessions - one each month. It is true, as mentioned by previous speakers, that the Yukon Council has not sought an increase but we should not suffer a decrease in the light of increasing cost of living in the Yukon.

There is quite a disparity between the expense allowance for the members of Council in the Northwest Territories and Yukon. In the new Bill 230 Yukon members are to receive \$15.00 per day and the Yellowknife members \$25.00 per day. In my opinion, and I believe that the other members will concur, the Yellowknife Councillors are underpaid and should be brought up to our level which existed before the introduction of this new Bill 230. That's all on that point.

I would like to speak about the Public Health Nurse, Miss Driver. I think she has done a wonderful job, most conscientious in her duties, and I think she is overworked. I think an arrangement could be made with the Sanitary Inspector to accompany Miss Driver on winter trips. On one trip last winter she came to Carmacks, onto the Pelly, picked up a sick person and returned to Carmacks, arriving at 10:00 at night in a temperature of 30 below zero and then on to Whitehorse alone, a total of 360 miles in one day in sub-zero temperatures, under driving conditions that were horrible. I was in to Whitehorse that day and I know what the roads were like. I think Mr. Cameron, the Sanitary Inspector, should be instructed to go out of his way to make his trips comply with those of Miss Driver instead of Miss Driver seeking mounted policemen and bartenders to accompany her on these trips, as she has done in the past.

In the matter of tax assessments in the Yukon Territory, I think there should be a maximum rate. I believe this is standard in the provinces and I do not think the Administration or the Territorial Treasurer or any one else should have the authority, as they have apparently under the present Ordinance, to increase taxes as much as they wish to meet the demands of the Budget. I think a limit should be imposed at the next session of Council.

I listened with interest to the remarks of Mr. White when he outlined conditions regarding the Elsa School and while the per capita per pupil cost may be high I think that Elsa school should receive more assistance from the Territorial Government than it does. They pay huge taxes and they can expect to pay more, and undoubtedly will, and I think they should receive more help.

We have not heard anything of the Bear Creek bus this session but I think the Government should buy a new bus for Bear Creek. Regardless of the technicality of any agreement that was made a year ago, or ten years ago, under which a private company undertook to provide for the upkeep of this bus, it is a well known fact that the bus is 20 years old or more and has outlived its usefulness. I think the Territorial Government should make provision at the Fall Session to provide a new bus for Bear Creek.

With respect to automobile licences; an unhappy situation has arisen when a well known businessman in Whitehorse, worth probably a quarter of a million dollars, cannot buy a new licence simply because his insurance was issued in the United States and he is unable to supply or provide a certificate and if he did so the certificate would be of no value because the present Ordinance says such certificates may come only from a province or the Territory.

I think, too, that the Ordinance should be changed this fall. If a motorist can produce an insurance policy in good standing he should be issued a licence if he has the policy and the date shows that the policy has not expired.

Nothing has been mentioned about the Free Gold road this Session. At the last Session of Council a petition was put before the Speaker of Council by Mr. Emil Forrest. Actually the petition was out of order; it was received much too late. It was signed by one man who was not a resident of the Carmacks district and he was seeking appropriation of funds for the repair of the bridge across the Nordenskiold. Had the Speaker decided the petition was out of order the interpretation put upon that decision would have been incorrect and unfavourable, therefore, the petition was accepted on the last day of Council and a recommendation was made by Council that an inspection of the bridge be made by the Engineer and, if that inspection was favourable, the work should be done. I have personal knowledge that the inspection was made but I do not know what the report was and no work was done. Information given at this Session has shown that the Nordenskiold bridge and the Free Gold Road is the responsibility of the Federal Government. At the same time recommendations are made for appropriations for partly mine roads and partly recreational roads, and this is a recreational road. It is used a lot for hunting in the Fall and is used by the Indians in the summer during the salmon fishing season and they rely to a large extent on these salmon for their actual living. We have a cemetery across this river that we hope to have fenced some day and for these reasons I think that the Nordenskiold bridge and the Free Gold Road should be given some consideration at the Fall Session with a view to a supplementary estimate for their upkeep. At least three different mining companies may start up operations at an early date, two of them, I believe, will within the year. In the meantime one of these mining companies has undertaken the temporary repair of this bridge and I hope it will be usable during this coming summer and I also hope that Council will try to provide funds for the bridge next Fall.

Commissioner addressed Council. (see Sessional Paper No. 14)

Mr. Speaker addressed Council. (see Sessional Paper No. 15)

Council prorogued at 4:00 o'clock p.m.

"W. D. Robertson"
Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"
Speaker

Sessional Paper No. 11)

March 29th, 1954.

RESOLUTION

That the Pasque Flower, commonly known as crocus, be adopted as the Territorial flower of Yukon.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS it is necessary for good administration and supervision to have on the staff of Whitehorse High School and other Territorial schools some male teachers, and

WHEREAS the cost of living in the Territory is extremely high due to the shortage of proper living accommodation, resulting in the impossibility of attracting qualified male teachers to the Territory

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved as follows:

until such time as a definite policy has been evolved by the Administration for the supplying of living accommodation to male teachers that single and married male teachers not supplied with housing be given a cost of living bonus similar to that given to Federal Civil Servants.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS it is important that the Yukon Council should have all available information regarding finance for the future renewal of the Tax Rental Agreement

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Commissioner make every effort to supply Council with a comparative statement of the amount of Federal and Territorial funds spent in the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territory, the above information required for the 1954 fall session.

Members of the Legislative Council:

I am now advised that you have completed your deliberations for this Session. I wish to commend you for the sincerity and diligent manner in which you have applied yourselves to the various problems which came before you.

I am pleased to advise you that I have given my assent to the following Ordinances:

- Bill No. 2 - "An Ordinance to Make Uniform the Law Respecting Assignment of Book Debts"
- Bill No. 3 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Legitimation of Children"
- Bill No. 4 - "An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Whitehorse to Construct Waterworks and Purification Systems and Sewage Disposal Plants and to Borrow Money Therefor"
- Bill No. 5 - An Ordinance to Amend the "Amusement Tax Ordinance"
- Bill No. 6 - An Ordinance to Amend the "Motor Vehicles Ordinance"
- Bill No. 8 - "An Ordinance Respecting Scientists and Explorers"
- Bill No. 9 - "An Ordinance to Provide for Change of Name"
- Bill No. 10 - "An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Services of the Territory"
- Bill No. 11 - Supplementary Supply Bill - "An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Services of the Territory"
- Bill No. 12- An Ordinance to Amend "The Yukon Game Ordinance"
- Bill No. 13- "An Ordinance Respecting the Council of the Yukon Territory"
- Bill No. 14- An Ordinance to Amend the "Hours of Labour Ordinance"
- Bill No. 15- An Ordinance to Amend "The Fair Wages Ordinance"

I have also given consent to:

- Private Bill No. 1 - "An Ordinance Granting a Beer Licence to Gordon Crum and Norman Mytron of Teslin, in Yukon Territory"

With regard to Private Bill No. 2 - "An Ordinance to amend "An Ordinance Granting Permission to the Yukon Brewery (Holding) Company Limited to Manufacture, Compound and Make Intoxicating Liquors" - I am reserving this Bill for the assent of the Governor-in-Council.

As there are no other matters to be brought to my attention I now declare this Council closed until such time as by Proclamation you are again convened for the transaction of Territorial business.

Mr. Commissioner:

Council tenders its thanks to you for your co-operation and help which has in this Session, as in all others, been given with the greatest willingness. You have never considered your own time when we have requested your presence in the chamber for any purpose, and this we appreciate.

An unfortunate incident came before the notice of the public during the course of this Session and Council learned of it through the columns of the Public Press or by hearsay, and as a result, we feel a certain amount of resentment. I refer to the abrupt firing, and that is the only word to describe it, of the Superintendent of Schools for Yukon. Council is of the opinion that, in this instance, you have not acted on your own initiative and that you are now, and will be the recipient of criticism which should rightly be directed towards others. It is one of the unpleasant burdens of your office, and will remain so as long as the Commissionership of Yukon is a Civil Service appointment.

In my reply to the Speech from the Throne I said that the deliberations of Council had always been conducted without acrimony and that I believed they would be this time. I am happy to say that they have and that you have personally helped Council one hundred percent each time a request for help was made.

Nevertheless, before adjourning for lunch today I made remarks that were intentionally acrimonious. I am sure that the intent of my remarks was understood by all who heard them, and by those who will later read them. The Superintendent of Schools is a valued, experienced servant and each individual member of Council has, and has had for twenty years or more, a realization of the value to Yukon students, teachers and parents, of Mr. Hlland as a teacher and an administrator. This discharge should be recalled and his services should be retained.

May Council also tender its thanks to Mr. Robertson, our new Council Clerk who has handled his part of the sessional proceedings with dispatch; to Mr. Smith, our legal adviser; Mr. Wardrop, the Territorial Treasurer, who finds funds from a none apparent source, and to Miss Woodcock for her usual efficiency in transcribing unintelligible tape recordings from a poor machine that should be replaced immediately.

Thank you, Mr. Commissioner, and thank you, gentlemen, the members from Dawson, Mayo and Whitehorse East and West, for your considerate help.