

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Wednesday, March 16, 1955
3:00 o'clock P.M.

The first session of the Council for the year 1954, being the 8th 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 Wednesday, March 16, 1955.

The members present were:

Alexander Raymond Hayes, of Carmacks, Y. T.
Vincent Cooper Mellor, of Dawson, Y. T.
Alec 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. Keskeith 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. A.F. Berry, V.C. Mellor and F.D. Locke addressed the Council. (See Sessional Papers No. 3, 4 and 5)

Mr. Speaker read the Orders of the Day.

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

- Bill No. 1 "An Ordinance to Provide for the Protection of Children."
- Bill No. 2 "An Ordinance Respecting Public Aid to Hospitals."
- Bill No. 3 "An Ordinance Respecting Compensation for Fatal Accidents."
- Bill No. 4 "An Ordinance to Facilitate the Enforcement of Maintenance Orders."
- Bill No. 5 "An Ordinance Respecting Witnesses and Evidence."
- Bill No. 6 "The Collection Ordinance."
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- Bill No. 8 "An Ordinance Respecting Liability in Actions for Damages for Negligence where more than One Party is at Fault."
- Bill No. 12 "An Ordinance Respecting Trespassing and Straying of Animals."

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

- Bill No. 9 "An Ordinance Respecting the Exportation of Furs."
- Bill No. 10 "An Ordinance to Provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Persons Attending Places of Amusement."
- Bill No. 11 "An Ordinance Respecting Employment Agencies."

Bill No. 13 "An Ordinance Respecting the Practice and Procedure in Civil Matters in Police Magistrate's Courts."

Bill No. 15 "An Ordinance to Provide for Allowances to Disabled Persons."

Bill No. 16 "An Ordinance Respecting the Profession of Pharmaceutical Chemist."

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

Bill No. 14 "An Ordinance Respecting Dogs."

Bill No. 17 "An Ordinance Respecting the Investigation of Accidents by Fire."

Bill No. 18 "An Ordinance to Repeal Certain Ordinances."

Bill No. 19 "An Ordinance to Amend the Interpretation Ordinance."

Bill No. 20 "An Ordinance to Amend the Marriage Ordinance."

Bill No. 21 "An Ordinance to Amend the Motion Pictures Ordinance."

Bill No. 22 "An Ordinance to Amend the Judicature Ordinance."

Bill No. 23 "An Ordinance to Amend the Gasoline and Diesel Oil Tax Ordinance."

Bill No. 24 "An Ordinance to Amend the Adoption Ordinance."

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

Bill No. 25 "An Ordinance to Amend the Yukon Game Ordinance."

Bill No. 29 "An Ordinance to Amend An Ordinance to Regulate the Hours of Labour and the Minimum Wage to be Paid in Mining Operations."

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Brown attended Council.

There was no discussion.

Council adjourned at 4:30 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

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

Whitehorse, Yukon Territory,
Wednesday,
March 16, 1955

Mr. Speaker, and Members of the Yukon Council.

I am pleased to welcome you to this the eighth session of the sixteenth wholly elective Council of the Yukon Territory.

The last fiscal year has been one of considerable accomplishment both in the fields of legislation and administration. You have held two regular sessions of Council and two special sessions of Council to deal with legislation relating to the granting of a franchise to the Yukon Electrical Company, Limited, and authorizing the water and sewer projects for the City of Whitehorse. During the sessions so far this year you have dealt with and passed ten new ordinances, thirty-one revised ordinances and eight amending ordinances, which has made a substantial contribution towards the provision of consolidated ordinances for the Yukon Territory.

During this period you have considered and approved of a number of important projects which will have far reaching effect on the ultimate growth and development of the Yukon. You have approved of two major projects for the City of Whitehorse, namely, the provision of a modern water and sewer public utility for the present City of Whitehorse, and the establishment of a new residential area for the City of Whitehorse on the east side of the Yukon River. The Federal Government has joined with us in this expansion, and is providing for the construction of a bridge across the Yukon River which will facilitate the joining of these two areas into a greater City of Whitehorse.

You have also approved the construction of a new hospital for the Yukon Territory to be located on the east bank of the Yukon River adjacent to the new townsite, this hospital being a joint venture between the Territorial Government and various departments of the Federal Government. You have also approved the construction of a new territorial hospital in the community of Mayo to serve that area.

Some notable progress has been made in the field of administration which in some measure meets the increasing demands on your government.

The school population attending territorial schools in September, 1953, was one thousand and twenty-five pupils, which increased to one thousand two hundred and thirty-five pupils by September, 1954. In order to meet this continuing demand for further school accommodation a one-room school with teacher quarters was constructed at Watson Lake; a two-room school with teachers' quarters was constructed at the community of Mayo; and a ten-room addition to the Whitehorse Public School was commenced and should be available for school purposes this spring. Accommodation for teachers has also been enlarged by the construction of an apartment block to accommodate twelve additional teachers in the City of Whitehorse, which accommodation will be ready for occupancy this spring.

Good progress was made on the construction of the Stewart Crossing-Dawson road during this last summer, so that there is now approximately ninety miles of good highway from the Stewart River Crossing to Dawson City. Some improvement was made to the Two-Mile Hill adjacent to Whitehorse.

Revenues of the Territory have been maintained and are expected to exceed

(Sessional Paper No. 1 - continued)

those of 1953-1954. I anticipate ending our fiscal year in a surplus position. This upward trend in revenues indicates a continuing expansion of general business activity in the Yukon Territory.

Mining in the Yukon evidenced an upswing in production in the silver-lead-zinc operations, and maintained the production in gold. Copper-nickel prospects have been steadily developed with a shipment of ore sent out from Quill Creek area for metallurgical tests. Further exploration work was undertaken at various locations in the Yukon, the major activities being in the Pelly River area. Exploration for oil is being undertaken in the Peel Plateau.

Last Fall your administrative offices were moved from their temporary quarters to new quarters in the Federal Building in Whitehorse, which should add to the efficiency of the administration.

At this session you will be asked to consider a number of matters which will add to and complement the accomplishments which I have just mentioned.

You will be asked to consider thirteen revised ordinances, seven new ordinances, and eight amending ordinances. You will also be asked to consider estimates for the fiscal year 1955-1956.

You will be asked to consider a public works program which will include the following projects:

- (1) A one-room school, with teacher accommodation, for the community of Keno City;
- (2) The appropriation of additional funds to complete the Stewart Crossing-Dawson road to bring the last twenty-five miles of road up to the standard of the first ninety miles;
- (3) A program to reconstruct the Sixtymile road between Dawson City and the Alaska Boundary;
- (4) To rebuild and realign the Two-Mile Hill at Whitehorse.

You will be asked to approve in principle the establishment of a Teachers' Institute for the Yukon Territory, which will meet annually at the City of Whitehorse in the Fall of each year to deal with educational matters in the Yukon Territory.

You will be asked to consider a revised basis for territorial grants to Municipalities, which will give a larger annual fixed grant to the Municipalities.

You will be asked to approve legislation authorizing the loan of territorial funds to the City of Whitehorse for the acquisition of road and public utility equipment.

You will be asked to approve a grant to Christ the King School, Whitehorse, for construction of a separate school institution in Whitehorse.

You will be asked to consider the advisability of recommending to the Governor in Council that Indians be permitted to consume beer in licensed beer parlours in the Yukon Territory.

I will be pleased to assist you in every way possible in the work as outlined to you, and will make myself available at all times during this session.

Reply to Commissioner's Opening Address

by

The Speaker

A. R. HAYES, ESQUIRE

Mr. Commissioner:

Council wishes to thank you for your presence in the Council Chamber and for the address given outlining proposed legislation and I can assure you that Council will give you its usual cooperation in any matters that may come up before it at this time.

In the first matter of Indians drinking, Council has not received copies of proposed legislation but I am glad to hear that it will be brought up at this session. Indians drink and get drunk, as you know, and I feel that for some time it has been wrong to penalize Indians for committing an act that the Council was to consider or should have considered some time ago, so I am glad this piece of legislation particularly is being brought up.

With reference to all these great projects in the Yukon, and there are many, and there will be more, perhaps the present Council may take pride in the fact that all these projects have been brought about to date without any increase in taxation.

Yukon has a brilliant future and this future depends upon mining developments. Personally, I have no doubt whatever that Yukon will continue to grow and to expand. This is the last session as far as we know - there may be another in the summer - of the present Council. Our term expires this summer.

I would like to take this opportunity, as being preferable to the closing day of Council, to go on record to express the thanks and appreciation of Councilors for the consideration they have always received from the Administrative Branch of the Yukon and from the clerical staff, and I also wish to express my personal thanks to the members of Whitehorse East, Whitehorse West, Mayo and Dawson for their kind consideration and cooperation at all times.

Address to Council

by

ALEC FRANK BERRY, ESQUIRE

Mr. Speaker:

You have I think covered the sentiments of Council with reference to the Administration. The speech from the throne covers a great number of subjects and it is very difficult with the Yukon expanding as it is, to cover all things.

I would like to suggest to the Administration, and take this opportunity to do so, that although we are revising the Ordinances, which is absolutely necessary and very good work indeed, there are things such as mine safety to be considered because mining is such an important part of the economy of the country.

In the past I have tried to get the various parties interested together. It is rather a difficult matter. I would suggest that in the interim period between this Session of Council and the next that we form something like a standing committee, to deal with subjects such as mine safety, labour legislation, education and transportation. This committee would have one member of the Administration present, and if necessary, a neutral party. In other words, something similar to a Royal Commission, and I think we in the Council could try to persuade the Administration it would be well worth voting moneys to finance same within reason. I find people must get together in a conference to really get anywhere. As a councilman I have tried to interview different parties interested and it is not the same as if you sit around the conference table and arrive at a clear decision.

In reference to Indians, I rather regret that one thing was left out, in as much as there will be an election taking place and the matter of the Yukon Indian being able to vote. It is very embarrassing I think to all of us when one of our Yukon Indians comes to you and says how is it I can vote in a Federal election and I cannot vote in a Territorial election. Surely he should be able to vote in a Territorial election even more so than in a Federal. I don't know if that can be introduced at this time, but I would suggest that this come under the formation of a standing committee to take up these matters as soon as possible.

Again in as much as this is the last meeting of the Council, I would like to express my thanks to the Administration and also to my colleagues in Council with whom I have enjoyed working very much indeed.

Address to Council

by

V. C. MELLOR, ESQUIRE

Mr. Speaker:

As already stated from the chair and from my colleague from Mayo that this may be the last session in which we, the elected bodies, may sit, I, first of all, would like to make some comments. Because as you are all aware I am acknowledged as the opposition in this Territorial Council, and at any time I am one who is always ready to oppose certain measures. At this time, Mr. Speaker, I have very great pleasure in making this remark that it is my belief the present Minister and Deputy Minister, who we are now working with, are sincere and are trying to work with the Yukon Territorial Council for the betterment of the Yukon.

As much as it may be that I am so reluctant to say that these gentlemen are not of my party, I still must give credit where credit is due, and I think that you may take my seat or you may take the seats of the rest of the members of the Council that they may be assured that they will have the backing up of the Minister and the Administration.

Now from the pleasantness to the unpleasant part of it. There are three things that I would like to bring before your attention. I am not happy at the present time with the salaries that are being paid to the Territorial servants. I have received, and no doubt other councillors have received, from the present member of Parliament the estimates and budget that was presented in the Federal House. I find that we of the Territorial Government are way out of line in the salaries as far as our Territorial servants are concerned. And I would say this, and this is no political handout, because I may not be running, we have a Territorial Treasurer and a Territorial Secretary that compare to a Head Clerk in the Department of Mines and Resources. In comparison with such, they are receiving \$400 per year to \$1500 a year less than a Federal servant. Mr. Speaker, how can you expect the Territorial servants to be good and do the best they can for the Territory if they are working alongside Federal servants who on one hand are receiving so much more than they. I am going to make this statement that the Commissioner is not to blame in this. I have in my brief case where our Commissioner presented before members of Council an increase, which I understand one member of his staff who went through the salaries of Territorial servants and I think I am right in saying that one person should not compile the salaries for a servant. I think that it should be a Board. Throughout the whole of the Territorial Administration there should definitely be an increase, so far as I am concerned, Mr. Speaker.

I have a complaint as far as the Workmen's Compensation is concerned. I am not satisfied with it nor do I believe are the employers or the employees and the Union which are now in the Yukon Territory. I am not satisfied with the Workmen's Compensation Act. If we as members of this Council can vouch for three million dollars for a sewer and water works in Whitehorse, a residential district in the western part of Whitehorse, then surely we can vouch for a million dollars from the Federal Government to back up the Workmen's Compensation Act and run it ourselves. Why do we require a servant in Edmonton looking after the affairs for the Workmen's Compensation Act which deals with the Yukon, which does not deal with the province of Alberta, and strictly deals with the Yukon. And I think that this is the time when we should take it upon ourselves to administer it ourselves, and if it requires financing, then surely we can go to the Federal Government and have a loan to back us up until we can come to the time when we will recover it. I am not very happy, Mr. Speaker, and I think that this is the time that I should bring it up. I am not very happy in the Administration of the unemployment benefits as far as the Yukon or as far as the Dawson district is concerned. Local mining unions in the Dawson district were not very happy about it, and it seems to be that when individuals write about it they were ignored. When the Union writes about it they take it that it is a right to a vote. I think we of the Yukon Council should make some resolution that an investigation should be made in the matters of the benefits as far as unemployment insurance is concerned.

If I might be allowed I will quote from Hansard, one of the bright gentlemen representative member of Parliament who made the remark at Parliament during the Yukon Act, which was presented by our Minister, and he made the remark that in five days 55 pieces of legislation were passed. I thought to myself, well, probably if the opposition are to get down to the style of the Yukon Territorial Council and get through with business instead of just messing about, probably we would have a little better way of conducting Parliament. I think myself that it was merely ignorance on the part of this member who made this statement and it also struck me very forceably that this member did not even know that Yukon was part of the Dominion of Canada. I think there are quite a few members that don't even know where the Yukon is. So that through this, Mr. Speaker, we might extend an invitation through our Minister to the members of Parliament who are ignorant of this part of the Dominion.

I would like in closing, knowing I think this would be the last opportunity to thank our Commissioner and the way in which opinions have been presented during our session of the Territorial Council. We have not always seen eye to eye and I think that should be. I concur in your remarks, Mr. Speaker, that no taxpayer can accuse us - this Council - of having raised any taxes. That is one thing we have never done. We have not believed in that. If I am not right I stand to be corrected. I think that at all times during our sittings we have given due consideration to the Yukon at heart. Maybe at times I have been razzed - I do not think that is quite the grammatical term - on the point that Whitehorse has been getting a little bit more than somebody else. And yet I will have to go on record. It does not matter to me if it is Whitehorse, Carmacks, Watson Lake, Mayo or any other place if it is for the betterment of the Yukon, then I will vote aye.

I was very pleased to hear in the speech from the throne that they are considering the Sixtymile road. I have not been rather aggressive on the Sixtymile road because the difference between my feelings towards the present Minister and the former Minister, as I stated, I have every conviction that our present Minister is going to see that it goes through.

We always expect, Mr. Speaker, more than we will receive. If we receive a little, I am thankful and I am hoping that we will still make the Stewart Crossing-Mayo Road go straight through to the Sixtymile, right through to the boundary, and I hope it will come to pass.

Address to Council

by

FREDERICK DORE LOCKE, ESQUIRE

Mr. Speaker:

I would like to first endorse the remarks of yourself, Mr. Speaker, in thanking the Administration, the Heads of all Departments and the clerical staff for the fine assistance and help they have been to this Council during their term of office. I would like also to say that I have enjoyed working this past three years with my colleagues, including the opposition, and that I think it has been a three year period in which we have learned a lot and perhaps done a little for the Yukon.

The speech from the throne mentioned a new school at Keno City. That was one of the remarks from the speech from the throne that made me very happy. Having visited that school last year, I know that the need was great and it is going to be of great benefit to the parents and children of the district. I was also happy to hear that there would be a teachers' institute in the fall of each year to undoubtedly set up a planned programme for the teachers and to help them with their work.

Mr. Mellor mentioned the Sixtymile road, something that has been discussed over a long period of time and is finally to be realized for the people of the Dawson district, and I think that as Mr. Mellor mentioned possibly there can be a chain of roads that will really open up that country and will facilitate tourist trade from the Alaska side.

I hesitate, Mr. Speaker, to remark on anything that has been said by my colleagues in answering the speech from the throne, but the member from Mayo has mentioned the subject of Indians voting. It has been embarrassing to members of the Council at various times he said. Council in the past has discussed the matter of Indians voting and nothing was done directly, but I would not say that it was wholly the opinion of Council that it was a matter that should be given much further consideration. I think that there are many more things that we can do for the Indians before having any thought of giving them a vote. In my own opinion, matters of health and education, especially matters of education should be considered. Education is something that is required before a person can go to the polls and exercise his franchise. There are a lot of people who have their franchise today lacking education going blindly to the polls and casting their vote. I think the time to consider the vote for Indians in the Territory will be when we have given them an education and have attempted to raise them to a decent level of living.

The matter of the amendment to the Liquor Ordinance with regard to Indians being served intoxicants is something that I think should be given consideration. I was the one who kicked the ball three years ago on that matter and I am still of the same opinion as I was three years ago that it is something that should be given every consideration as a just right to the native citizens, but I don't think that it is a matter of having an amendment at this session. It is a matter of a proclamation of Governor in Council. I stand to be corrected if I have that wrong. If that is the case, I hope the present Council leaves a sound opinion for the coming Council as to what is to be done. I don't think there is any doubt as to what the opinion of this Council is. They asked to have an amendment to the Liquor Ordinance brought down for this session, but I believe since then it has been found that it wasn't the proper procedure but I do hope there will be no opportunity for it to be kicked around for another three years and then handled in the same way that we are about to handle it at this time.

I would like to mention, Mr. Speaker, as I spoke a moment ago of the health of the Indians and their education, that I think the time has come for the Yukon Council to give some consideration to forming an opinion and possibly passing a resolution in regard to a more definite planned programme of health and welfare for the Yukon Territory. I think that the need is here now. The Children's Aid Society of Southern Yukon working here this past few months have become very active, and having a very good case worker, have found the need much greater than was thought and I don't doubt that possibly the need is felt in other parts of the Territory. I am going to present, Mr. Speaker, before Council at this session a brief on what has been done in the past few months by the Children's Aid Society giving the number of cases and detail of that kind.

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Whitehorse, Y.T.
Thursday, March 17, 1955
10:00 o'clock a.m.

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

Councillor Hayes asked questions regarding street lighting and the Fire Department, Mayo. (see Sessional Paper No. 6)

The following Resolution was moved by Councillor Locke and seconded by Councillor Mellor. Approved.

"WHEREAS the Cole Report has been widely read and studied by the people of the Yukon Territory and has met with great disapproval, and

"WHEREAS the criticism of this report written by Dr. William V. Smitheringale has been given wide publicity throughout the Territory and in the opinion of the Council has met with the approval of the people of the Territory;

"NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

"That we, the Yukon Territorial Council now In Session, strongly urge that the Hon. Jean Lesage, Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources, place before the Members of The House of Commons and have consideration given to the proposals of Dr. Smitheringale as set out in his submitted brief on the Cole Report."

First reading was given to the following Bills:

- Bill No. 1 - An Ordinance to Provide for the Protection of Children.
- Bill No. 2 - An Ordinance Respecting Public Aid to Hospitals.
- Bill No. 3 - An Ordinance Respecting Compensation for Fatal Accidents.
- Bill No. 4 - An Ordinance to Facilitate the Enforcement of Maintenance Orders.
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Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

- Mr. Mellor: Mr. Speaker, I would like to express certain views before going any further. I do not wish to hold up legislation but I am not one who wishes to have Ordinances passed without due consideration. We have passed, in the past, a Workmen's Compensation Ordinance and amendments to the Yukon Annual Leave Ordinance in a haphazard way and I am not in favour of passing present legislation this way; due consideration should be given at all times.
- Mr. Hayes: I object strenuously to the word "haphazard". Never, as a member of this Council, have I considered a Bill in a haphazard manner.
- Mr. Mellor: In reply to the member from Carmacks, I state it is my belief we have considered certain Bills in a haphazard way. Whether right or wrong, that is my belief. The Workmen's Compensation Ordinance was treated in a haphazard way. I can see whereby serious study should have been given, one member suggested it be laid over and I can see now why it should have been. I do not want to rush through any Ordinance and have repercussions as we have had with several.
- Mr. Locke: The member from Dawson mentioned the Workmen's Compensation Act. When this Bill came before Council at Dawson, Council was led to believe it was vital to industry and should be passed at that sitting. The intention was to bring the Act in line with the Northwest Territories. Knowing the Compensation Act was vital to the working people the Act was given consideration. However, in the opinion of some members of Council, parts were not clear and it was the opinion of this member, and also the member of Whitehorse East, legislation should be held over. As Mr. Mellor pointed out repercussions are still being felt.
- Mr. Hayes: I object to words "rush through." In my opinion nothing has been rushed through. If repercussions exist I am not aware of them.
- Mr. Mellor: I still say the Workmen's Compensation Act was rushed through in a manner that was hazardous.
- Mr. Hayes: Mr. Mellor must remember he was a party to his so-called haphazard rushing through.
- Mr. Berry: As you are aware, at every Session every piece of legislation was gone through clause-by-clause. I dislike the term "haphazard" and I do not agree with you.

Mr. Mellor: I still say we have passed legislation haphazardly. The Workmen's Compensation Act is not right and I know it and as I am responsible to a number of people I am not going to pass Bills now as we have in the past. The Workmen's Compensation Act is given as an example. I do not want to make a hash of things and if the member from Carmacks objects he has a right to do so. I may be wrong but you have to show me. I'm from Missouri.

Mr. Hayes: I do not feel this is the time to express an opinion. It should come as a request by the Speaker for the opinion of Council before adjournment.

Mr. Mellor: We, as an elective body, passed at last Session a Bill that had been drafted by the Justice Department, the Marriage Ordinance. We accepted the advice of the Legal Adviser from the Department of Justice and I state in my point of argument, how am I going to vote on an Ordinance if I do not know if it is right or wrong? I do not want a disgraceful occurrence of this, right or wrong, it has been a schamozzle and that is my opinion.

Mr. Berry: I might point out that if the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance is a schamozzle we have had two years to bring in amendments.

Mr. Hayes: You used the word "disgrace." I do not think you mean that. I believe you mean discredit. When we receive legislation from Ottawa we must assume it is legally perfect and there is no disgrace or discredit to this Council in passing it.

Council adjourned at 12:00 o'clock noon.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

Second reading was given to the following bills:

- Bill No. 1 An Ordinance to Provide for the Protection of Children.
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- Bill No. 12 An Ordinance Respecting Trespassing and Straying of Animals.

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

- Bill No. 28 "An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner to lend Money to the City of Whitehorse."

Council resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

Mr. Mellor: Bills have been presented to us after being studied by the Department of Justice. I took for granted what was placed before Council was firsthand information and proper legal phraseology. I am now informed we pass legislation, manely, the Marriage Ordinance, and it appears who you can marry or why was none of our business, yet we accepted the Legal Adviser's advice and passed the Ordinance. I now find out we are wasting a lot of time. We suggested so and so but I find out it had nothing to do with us. If we are going to sit here and do our best, then nothing

should come before this session unless the Department of Justice is fully in accord. If recommended from Justice Department and I pass a thing I do not want it to come back.

Mr. Locke: I would like to point out we received invaluable assistance from the Legal Adviser from Ottawa. With reference to the Marriage Ordinance he pointed out at the time he was not too sure about the schedule and left it to us. In my opinion he did an excellent job and should be highly commended.

Mr. Brown: The Marriage Ordinance is partly Territorial and partly Federal and the Legal Adviser, like anyone, can be in error. I feel this Council did an excellent job in passing the large volume of legislation last session and you should be proud of your efforts. I do want to say I think we should not allow our thinking to be influenced because he made a slight error.

Mr. Mellor: I was not criticizing the representative from the Dept. of Justice but I do criticize when a bill is presented to us and we have to pass legislation and I have to take the word of the person concerned and vote accordingly. What is presented we take in good faith as being right. If we have nothing to do with it it shouldn't have been presented to us.

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

"W. D. Robertson"

Clerk

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Speaker

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2. Does the Territorial Government pay for or provide street lights for any other community or settlement in Yukon Territory.
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4. What amount was paid by the Territorial Government for the services of a fire chief at Mayo, Y. T. for the twelve months ended January 31, 1955.
5. Does the Territorial Government pay for the services of a fire chief in any other community or settlement in Yukon Territory.
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7. What amount was paid by the Territorial Government for firewood for the fire chief's residence at Mayo, Y. T. for the twelve months ended January 31, 1955.
8. Does the Territorial Government provide firewood or any other type of fuel for a fire chief's residence in any other community or settlement in Yukon Territory.
9. If the answer to (8) is in the affirmative, what are the names of the communities or settlements, and what amounts were paid in each case for the twelve months ended January 31, 1955.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of the

COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y.T.
Friday, March 18, 1955
10:00 o'clock a.m.

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

Bill No. 1 - Reported progress
Bill No. 2 - Reported progress
Bill No. 3 - Without amendment
Bill No. 4 - Without amendment
Bill No. 5 - Reported progress
Bill No. 7 - Reported progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

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

Councillor Hayes' questions regarding the Mayo Fire Department and street lighting were answered. (see Sessional Paper No. 7)

Council resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

Mr. Brown introduced Dr. Proctor and Dr. Falconer.

Dr. Proctor exhibited the proposed plans for the new hospital in Whitehorse and answered numerous questions asked by the members of Council.

Dr. Proctor was questioned on the proposed hospital for Mayo and pointed out plans have not been finalized.

Council recessed at 12:00 o'clock noon.

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Members of Council asked Dr. Proctor numerous questions concerning the employment of a full-time Chief Medical Health Officer and also additional Public Health nurses. While in discussion Mr. Phelps stated that in his opinion the Yukon was not in position at present to increase the Public Health nursing service by more than one additional nurse. He also felt a local doctor could ably fill the position of Chief Public Health Officer at a substantial saving.

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Bill No. 7 - "An Ordinance Respecting Vocational Training Agreements Between the Yukon Territory and the Government of Canada" was discussed.

Mr. Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Education, attended Council.

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

Bill No. 1 - report progress
Bill No. 2 - report progress
Bill No. 5 - report progress
Bill No. 7 - without amendment
Bill No. 8 - without amendment

Council accepted the Committee's report.

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

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Clerk

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Speaker

Answers to questions asked by A. R. Hayes, Esquire

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ANSWER: \$640.00
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ANSWER: N/A.
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ANSWER: \$3,392.00. *
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- * Salary as fire chief, \$3,000.00. Paid \$1,200.00 per annum for caretaker Liquor Store, and foreman of town streets.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of the

COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Monday, March 21, 1955
10:00 o'clock a.m.

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

Council resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider
Bill No. 5.

Commissioner Brown and Mr. F.G. Smith attended Council.

Council recessed at 12 noon.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

Discussion was resumed on Bill No. 5.

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

- Bill No. 1 - Report progress
- Bill No. 2 - Report progress
- Bill No. 5 - With following amendments:
 - Section 70, subsection 2, "Commission" misspelled.
 - Delete (a) subsection 2, section 70.
 - Delete letter (b), subsection 2, section 70.
 - Section 70, subsection (3) change ten to read two.
 - Section 71, delete "every commission appointing
as a notary public a barrister or solicitor shall
remain in force until it is revoked, and"
 - Section 71, delete the word "other" (third line).
 - Section 72, subsection (1) delete "who is not a
barrister or solicitor."
- Bill No. 6 - Without amendment.
- Bill No. 9 - Report progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

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

- Bill No. 31 - "An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner of Yukon Territory to Enter into an Agreement with the City of Whitehorse respecting the Constructing of a Waterworks System and Sewage System in the City of Whitehorse and in the new Subdivision Adjacent to such City, and to Authorize the Commissioner to Enter into a Contract for the Construction of such Waterworks System and Sewage System."
- Bill No. 32 - "An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory."
- Bill No. 27 - "An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory to extend the Boundaries of the City of Whitehorse and to make an agreement with the City of Whitehorse."

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.
Tuesday, March 22, 1955
10:00 o'clock a.m.

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

Mr. Brown asked Council for approval to consider the estimates each morning for the next few days assuming there will be a number of matters to discuss that will require additional data. Mr. Brown stated: "I feel we will make better headway if we deal with the estimates in the morning and ordinances in the afternoon. This is just a suggestion for your approval."

First reading was given to the following Bills:

- Bill No. 31 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner of Yukon Territory to Enter into an Agreement with the City of Whitehorse respecting the Constructing of a Waterworks System and Sewage System in the City of Whitehorse and in the new Subdivision Adjacent to such City, and to Authorize the Commissioner to Enter into a Contract for the Construction of such Waterworks System and Sewage System.
- Bill No. 32 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory.

Second reading was given to the following Bills:

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- Bill No. 32 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory.

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bill No. 9. Commissioner Brown and Mr. T. Kjar attended Council.

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

1:30 o'clock p.m.

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

- Bill No. 1 - report progress
Bill No. 2 - report progress
Bill No. 9 - with amendments as follows:
Section 4: marginal notes to read: Stamp, tag or seal.
Section 4: to read as follows: "A permit officer shall stamp, tag or seal, with a stamp, tag or seal approved by the Commissioner, each fur or package of furs for which a permit has been issued."
Section 5: marginal notes to read: No export without stamp, tag or seal.
Section 5: to read as follows: "No person shall export any furs unless the furs are stamped, tagged or sealed as provided for in section 4."
Section 8: marginal notes to read: Destruction of seals, tags or stamps.

- Section 10.(1): delete the word "premises"
- Section 10.(2): to read as follows: "Where in the opinion of an officer the furs inspected by him are intended for export and they are not stamped, tagged or sealed as required by section 4, the officer may seize the furs."
- Section 10.(4)(b): substitute "justice" for "Judge".
- Delete section 15 in its entirety.
- Renumber section 16 as 15.
- Schedule "A": on each squirrel substitute .01 for .02.
- Schedule "B": certificate to be endorsed on permit to read as follows:

"CERTIFICATE TO BE ENDORSED ON PERMIT

(Reverse Side of Permit Form)

(The certificate below is required to be filled out and signed by the Agent of Railway, Steamship or Express Companies or Postmasters and forwarded to the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory, Whitehorse, Y. T.)

I, do hereby
 (Agent, Purser, Conductor, Postmaster, etc.)
 declare that the within described furs or pelts have been exported from the
 Yukon Territory by the within described person or firm, by
 (state whether

 by post or how otherwise)

DATED at this day of 19 ...

OFFICE
STAMP.

.....
(Agent, Purser, Conductor, Postmaster, etc.)"

- Bill No. 10 - with amendments as follows:
 - Section 5, subsection (4): the word "performances" on 3rd line to read "performance."
 - Section 9 to read as follows: "Every person authorized by the Commissioner may enter any place of amusement to ascertain if this Ordinance is complied with."
 - Section 12 to read as follows: "A person who violates a provision of this Ordinance or the regulations is guilty of an offence and is liable upon summary conviction to a fine of not more than two hundred dollars."

Bill No. 11 - without amendment.

Bill No. 12 - with amendment as follows:
 Delete section 20 and renumber succeeding sections.

With reference to Bill No. 12 Mr. Mellor and Mr. Hayes stated as follows:

- Mr. Mellor: I object to Bill No. 12 as it is impractical and when voted on I want a record of the vote taken.
- Mr. Hayes: I object in principle as the Bill creates an offence and provides for punishment without providing means for enforcing the Ordinance. If this Ordinance goes into effect April 1st and, under section 20, a person reports an animal running at large, in weakened condition, to the R.C.M.P., the police cannot carry out the provisions of the Ordinance as there are no pounds or pound keepers in Yukon.

Bill No. 13 - without amendment.

Bill No. 24 - Report progress.

Council accepted the Committee's report.

First and second reading was given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 27 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory to Extend the Boundaries of the City of Whitehorse and to make an Agreement with the City of Whitehorse.

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 23, 1955
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. 32. Commissioner Brown and Mr. W.A. Wardrop attended
Council.

Council recessed at 12:00 noon.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

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

Bill No. 1 - report progress.
Bill No. 2 - report progress.
Bill No.24 - without amendment.
Bill No.22 - with following amendment:
 section 63: "Appeals" should appear in
 marginal notes.
Bill No.14 - report progress

Council accepted the Committee's report.

The following Resolution was moved by Councillor Phelps and
seconded by Councillor Mellor. Approved.

WHEREAS the residents of Yukon can not rely upon Canadian
radio stations for their reception due to distance from broadcasting
stations and climatic conditions and are thereby deprived of the
benefits of Canadian educational, news and cultural programmes;

WHEREAS almost all residents of Yukon in outlying districts
can and do receive broadcasts consistently from United States stations,
particularly those in Alaska, and also from Russian stations;

WHEREAS residents in most parts of Yukon can not receive the
broadcasts from the Whitehorse D.N.D. station because of this
station's low power;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Yukon Council
unanimously urge the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to establish
and operate a broadcasting station in Yukon Territory with sufficient
power to serve all parts of Yukon Territory and adjacent areas.

Council adjourned at 4:55 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 24, 1955
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. 32. Commissioner Brown and Mr. H. Thompson attended Council.

Prior to discussion Mr. Mellor stated as follows:

"Mr. Chairman, before we start on the Education Vote I would like to draw to the attention of Mr. Brown re his statement made yesterday concerning the low salaries paid to Territorial employees engaged in the administration branch. Mr. Brown stated, that in his opinion, the lower brackets were in line with Federal Departments and other industry. I was unable to reply at the time, but during the adjournment I have studied the Federal House estimates respecting different classes of stenographers and in comparison with Territorial employees I find a great difference, mainly because of northern living allowance paid to Federal employees. In my opinion Territorial servants are underpaid and this should be rectified as early as possible."

Council recessed at 12 o'clock noon.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

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

- Bill No. 1 - report progress
- Bill No. 2 - report progress
- Bill No.14 - report progress
- Bill No.15 - report progress
- Bill No.16 - with following amendment:
Section 15, subsection (2), "one hundred dollars" to read "five hundred dollars."
- Bill No.17 - without amendment.
- Bill No.18 - with following amendment:
Section 1, subsection (iv), delete entirely.
- Bill No.19 - without amendment.
- Bill No.20 - with following amendment:
Section 3 amended as follows:

"3. Forms D and E in the Schedule to the said Ordinance are repealed and the following substituted therefor:

Form D

MARRIAGE LICENCE

Whereas _____ of _____ and _____ of _____ have determined to enter into the holy state of matrimony and are desirous of having this marriage solemnized in the manner prescribed by the Marriage Ordinance, I do hereby for good causes give and grant this licence, as well to them, the said parties, contracting, as to all or any clergyman or marriage commissioners, duly authorized under the said Marriage Ordinance, to solemnize or perform the same.

This licence is subject to the conditions that there are no impediments by reason of any affinity or consanguinity prior to marriage or by reason of any other lawful cause and, if any fraud shall appear to have been committed at the time of granting

this licence either by false suggestions or concealment of the truth, this licence shall be null and void to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

Commissioner of the Yukon Territory,

Issued at, in the Yukon Territory at
(time)

this day of, 19....

.....
Issuer

I hereby certify that the above named parties were married by me at in the Yukon Territory at on the day of, 19....
(time)

.....
Officiating Clergyman or Marriage Commissioner

.....
Address

.....
Religious Body of Clergyman "

- Bill No. 21 - without amendment.
- Bill No. 23 - without amendment.
- Bill No. 32 - 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

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

of the

COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y.T.
Friday, March 25, 1955
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. 32. Commissioner Brown, Mr. W. A. Wardrop and Mr. R. Thompson attended Council.

Council recessed at 12:00 o'clock noon.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

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

Bill No. 1 - With the following amendments:

Delete sub-section (e), section 2.

Subsections (f), (g), (h), (i) and (j) now to read (e), (f), (g), (h), (i)

Section 16, subsection (a), add the word "and" after "known"

Section 16, subsection (b), delete the word "and" and substitute period for semi-colon.

Delete subsection (c), section 16.

Section 34, subsection (1), to read as follows:

"Order for payment of maintenance. 34(1) Where a justice commits any child to the care of a children's aid society or the Superintendent, he may at the same time or subsequently, upon application by the society or the Superintendent, make an order for payment by the Territory of a reasonable sum, not less than four dollars per week, to the society or the Superintendent to cover the costs incurred by the society or the Superintendent in maintaining and supervising the child in any temporary home or shelter or in any foster home in which the child may be placed by the society or the Superintendent."

Section 35, marginal note, substitute "Territory" for "municipality".

Section 35 to read as follows:

"35. An order of committal under this Ordinance, in addition to directing payment by the Territory to any society or to the Superintendent to whose custody or control the child is committed of a reasonable sum, as specified in section 34, to cover the cost of maintaining and supervising the child, may also direct payment to the Territory by the parent of the child of any amount not exceeding the amount directed to be paid by the Territory."

Section 36, subsection (1) to read as follows:

"Applications for variation of order. 36.(1) At any time after an order for payment is made under section 34, the Commissioner, children's aid society or Superintendent may apply to a justice for such variation of the order already made as the circumstances may warrant."

Section 37 subsection (2) to read as follows:

"Application for extension of period. (2) The society or the Superintendent may, on giving ten clear days notice to the Commissioner, apply to the justice for an order extending the period of payment mentioned in subsection (1), and if the justice finds that there are circumstances justifying the extension of the period for which payment is to be made, he shall make an order accordingly."

Delete section 38 entirely.

Delete section 39, subsection (1) entirely.

Section 39.(2) to be renumbered 38 and read as follows:

"Right to recover from parents.

38. The Territory is entitled to recover any amount that has been expended under this Ordinance from the parents of the child in respect of whom the expenditure was incurred."

Section 40 renumbered 39 and read as follows:

"Commissioner may authorize payment.

39.(1) Where a child is committed to the care of a society or the Superintendent by order of a justice, the Commissioner may authorize a payment of a reasonable amount for the maintenance and supervision of the child to any person to whom a society or the Superintendent has entrusted the care of the child, or to any society to which the Superintendent has delivered the child and by which the child is maintained.

"Payments out of Yukon revenue fund. Saving provision.

(2) All moneys authorized to be paid under this section shall be paid out of the Yukon Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(3) No payment shall be made under this section to a society that is not conducted in accordance with the requirements of this Ordinance."

Section 41 renumbered 40 and read as follows:

"Copy of order directing payment to be forwarded to Commissioner.

40. Upon any order being made by a justice directing payment by the Territory to the Superintendent or to a children's aid society of the cost of maintaining and supervising a child committed to the care of the Superintendent or of the society, a copy of the order under which the child has been committed shall be forwarded by registered letter by the clerk of the court to the Commissioner."

Section 42 renumbered 41.

Section 43 renumbered 42.

Section 44 renumbered 43.

Section 45 renumbered 44.

Section 46(1) renumbered 45, and read as follows:

"Appeals from orders directing payment.

45. Where an order has been made under section 34 by a justice or when the justice refuses to make any order thereunder, the applicant or the Commissioner may appeal from the decision of the justice to a Judge in the manner and time that an appeal from the decision of a police magistrate in a civil action may be taken, and the Judge to whom such appeal is taken may affirm or reverse the order appealed from or make such other order as he deems proper."

Subsection (2), section 46 deleted.

Section 47 renumbered 46.

Section 48 renumbered 47.

Section 49 deleted entirely.

Section 50 renumbered 48.

Section 51(1) deleted entirely.

Section 51(2) renumbered 49.

Section 52 renumbered 50.

Section 53 renumbered 51.

Section 54 renumbered 52.

Section 55 renumbered 53.

Section 56 renumbered 54.

Section 57 renumbered 55.

Section 58 deleted entirely.

Bill No. 2 without amendment.

Bill No.14 - report progress.

Bill No.15 - without amendment.

Bill No.25 - report progress.

Council accepted the Committee's report.

Mr. Phelps gave notice that the undermentioned Bill would be

introduced for first reading at the next sitting of Council.

Bill No. 26 - An Ordinance to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance.

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.
Saturday, March 26, 1955

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

First reading was given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 26 - An Ordinance to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance.

Second Reading was given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 26 - An Ordinance to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance.

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 1 - An Ordinance to Provide for the Protection of Children.

Bill No. 2 - An Ordinance Respecting Public Aid to Hospitals.

Bill No. 3 - An Ordinance Respecting Compensation for Fatal Accidents.

Bill No. 4 - An Ordinance to Facilitate the Enforcement of Maintenance Orders.

Bill No. 5 - An Ordinance Respecting Witnesses and Evidence.

Bill No. 6 - The Collection Ordinance.

Bill No. 7 - An Ordinance Respecting Vocational Training Agreements Between the Yukon Territory and the Government of Canada.

With reference to Bill No. 7, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Locke, Mr. Berry voted for, Mr. Hayes and Mr. Mellor against.

Bill No. 8 - An Ordinance Respecting Liability in Actions for Damages for Negligence where more than one Party is at Fault.

Bill No. 12 - An Ordinance Respecting Trespassing and Straying of Animals.

With reference to Bill No. 12, Mr. Mellor voted against.

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bill No. 32. Commissioner Brown, Mr. W.A. Wardrop and Mr. H. Thompson attended Council.

Reference Vote 3, Grant re Construction Christ the King School, Whitehorse, \$87,500.00. Rev. Fr. Lynch, Rev. Fr. Monnet and Mr. Hanna attended Council and after due consideration Council unanimously approved the grant.

During discussion the following statements were made:

Mr. Locke: Dr. Proctor when talking to us a few days ago, stated the new Whitehorse Hospital would have a qualified Superintendent. I believe the Superintendent of Hospitals is intending to take a course in hospital administration at the University of Toronto. The bulk of this course will require home study. However, it will involve six weeks at the University. If he goes ahead with this scheme, will the Territorial Government assume financial aid and when completed, would he have any assurance he would be granted a position?

Mr. Brown: I feel we would be justified in granting leave of absence for six weeks and pay full salary for that period. However, we could not be expected to assume the cost of the course or transportation. I am not in a position to assure anyone he would be given the position of Superintendent on completion. However, if he qualifies and applies for the position, I would think he would have an excellent chance. It is my belief that

when Northern Health Services are ready to staff a newly constructed hospital such as the proposed hospital in Whitehorse, they are quite prepared to utilize the services of the present staff, if they can meet the qualifications.

Mr. Hayes: I am opposed in principle to financial assistance to enable a Territorial employee to take a course to improve his qualifications to enable him to apply for a Federal position.

Mr. Mellor: I agree with Mr. Hayes. If a person wishes to better himself it should be his own responsibility. However, he should be assured his position will still be open on return.

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

Bill No. 32 - Report progress.

Council accepted Committee's report.

Council adjourned at 12 o'clock noon.

"W. D. Robertson"

Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"

Speaker

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y.T.
Monday, March 28, 1955
10:00 o'clock a.m.

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

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 9 - An Ordinance Respecting the Exportation of Furs.

Bill No.10 - An Ordinance to Provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Persons Attending Places of Amusement.

Bill No.11 - An Ordinance Respecting Employment Agencies.

Bill No.13 - An Ordinance Respecting the Practice and Procedure in Civil Matters in Police Magistrate's Courts.

Bill No.15 - An Ordinance to Provide for Allowances to Disabled Persons.

Bill No.16 - An Ordinance Respecting the Profession of Pharmaceutical Chemist.

Bill No. 32. Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Commissioner Brown and Mr. W.A. Wardrop attended Council.

Council recessed at 12:00 o'clock noon.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

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

Bill No. 14 with amendments as follows:

Delete section 6 and substitute the following:

"Running at large."
6.(1) No owner shall permit a dog to run at large
(a) within an area that may be defined by the Commissioner;
(b) contrary to a by-law made by the Council of a municipality;
(c) that is of a vicious temperament or dangerous to the public safety; or
(d) while in heat.

(2) An officer may seize or kill a dog found running at large contrary to paragraphs (c) or (d) of subsection (1) of this section."

Section 8, subsection (1) to read as follows:

"Seizure."
8.(1) An officer may seize a dog from a person whom he finds violating this Ordinance."

Section 8, subsection (2), substitute "shall" for "may."

Section 9 to read as follows:

"Nuisance."
9.(1) For the purposes of this section it is declared to be a nuisance where in the vicinity of any hospital, an owner permits his dog to howl or make other noises which disturbs the peace and repose of patients in such hospital.

Complaint by two members of hospital staff.
(2) Upon complaint in writing signed by two members of the staff of a hospital setting forth the circumstances constituting a nuisance, an officer may by notice in writing served on the person alleged to be

responsible for the nuisance, require that the nuisance be abated within forty-eight hours from the time of service of the notice.

Offence.

(3) Where any person

- (a) is responsible for a nuisance under this section,
- (b) has been served with a notice under subsection (2) of this section, and
- (c) has failed to comply with the notice by abating the nuisance within forty-eight hours of the time of service of the notice

such person is guilty of an offence.

Burden of proof.

(4) On any prosecution under this section the evidence of two members of the staff of a hospital to the effect that the peace and repose of patients therein have been disturbed by noises apparently made by a dog kept by the person accused, shall be prima facie evidence that the accused is guilty of a nuisance and shall place upon the accused the burden of proof."

15 and 16.

Renumber sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 as 10, 11, 12, 13, 14,

New section 11, subsections (1) and (2) delete words "of the peace."

New section 14, substitute "one hundred" for "twenty-five."

Bill No. 25 - Report Progress
Bill No. 27 - Without amendment
Bill No. 31 - Without amendment
Bill No. 32 - Report Progress

Council accepted Committee's report.

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

Bill No. 33 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Practice of Professional Engineering."

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.
Tuesday, March 29, 1955
10:00 o'clock a.m.

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

First reading and second reading was given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 33 - An Ordinance Respecting the Practice of Professional Engineering.

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 14 - An Ordinance Respecting Dogs.

Bill No. 17 - An Ordinance Respecting the Investigation of Accidents by Fire.

Bill No. 18 - An Ordinance to Repeal Certain Ordinances.

Bill No. 19 - An Ordinance to Amend the Interpretation Ordinance.

Bill No. 20 - An Ordinance to Amend the Marriage Ordinance.

Bill No. 21 - An Ordinance to Amend the Motion Pictures Ordinance.

Bill No. 22 - An Ordinance to Amend the Judicature Ordinance.

Bill No. 23 - An Ordinance to Amend the Gasoline and Diesel Oil Tax Ordinance.

Bill No. 24 - An Ordinance to Amend the Adoption Ordinance.

Bill No. 32. Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Commissioner Brown and Mr. W.A. Wardrop attended Council.

Council recessed at 12:00 o'clock noon.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

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

Bill No. 25 - Report progress.

Bill No. 28 - With amendment as follows:

"Coming into force.

11. This Ordinance shall come into force on the day upon which the Yukon Act, chapter 53 of the Statutes of Canada 1952-53, comes into force."

Bill No. 29 - Report progress

Bill No. 30 - With amendments as follows:

Delete subsection (e), section 6(1), renumber subsections (f), (g), (h), (i), and (j) as (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i).

Section 16(2) to read as follows:

"Offence and penalty.

(2) A person who violates subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars."

Section 20, subsection (2), "(g)" to read "(f)".

Bill No. 31 - Without amendment.

Bill No. 32 - Report progress.

Bill No. 33 - Without amendment.

While in discussion on Bill No. 33, Mr. Brown stated:

"This Bill has been submitted to me in draft form and I have forwarded same to Ottawa and it is now under review by the Dept. of Justice. I have not received approval as to form or its contents. This is the reason I did not introduce or recommend this Bill to Council."

Council accepted Committee's report.

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 27 - "An Ordinance to authorize the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory to extend the Boundaries of the City of Whitehorse and to make an Agreement with the City of Whitehorse."

Bill No. 31 - "An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner of Yukon Territory to Enter into an Agreement with the City of Whitehorse respecting the Constructing of a Waterworks System and Sewage System in the City of Whitehorse and in the new Subdivision Adjacent to such City, and to Authorize the Commissioner to Enter into a Contract for the Construction of such Waterworks System and Sewage System."

Council adjourned at 4:15 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 30, 1955
10:00 o'clock a.m.

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

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 28 - "An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner to lend Money to the City of Whitehorse."

With reference to Bill No. 28, Mr. Mellor stated:

"I am not objecting to this Bill in principle and I am not against it as laid down in the new Yukon Act, but I feel that when the two municipalities came into being some time ago equipment should have been turned over in good condition. How do you expect my municipality to request a loan for equipment when it is not in a position to repay the loan. I, therefore, ask for a recorded note."

Mr. Hayes, Mr. Phelps and Mr. Locke voted for, Mr. Mellor and Mr. Berry against.

Bill No. 30 - "An Ordinance to Provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Poll Tax."

Bill No. 33 - "An Ordinance Respecting the Practice of Professional Engineering."

Bill No. 32. Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Commissioner Brown, Mr. W.A. Wardrop and Mr. N. Tate attended Council.

Committee discussed road signs. It is considered that

- (1) "passing" signs that are not necessary on some sections be moved to narrow sections of the road;
- (2) signs should be erected at three small narrow bridges with blind approach on the Whitehorse-Carmacks road;
- (3) a sign should be erected at the Carmacks ferry.

Committee discussed street lighting at Carmacks. Mr. Hayes asked if it was possible to obtain power from the Territorial Government light plant at the Carmacks garage.

Mr. Brown stated he believed the machine could carry a greater load but he would be reluctant to make it available to one community. He stated arrangements might be made to sell surplus power at a reasonable figure to the Carmacks Community Club or some entity.

Mr. Phelps stated he has not seen the plant but if for example six kilowatts were produced the fuel consumption is greater than for five, therefore, any surplus power would be produced at an added cost. He stated it would be necessary to have a transformer at each end of the line and increase voltage to 2300. This would necessitate a considerable outlay. He also stated the Territorial tax on power plants would apply to stay in line with the plant in Mayo. Mr. Phelps suggested the administration might consider selling the plant to an organization at a nominal sum and buy power for the garage.

Mr. Locke stated he is opposed to the Territorial Government going into Public Utilities and would, therefore, not want to see power sold to anyone.

All were of the opinion that Mr. Hayes should go into the matter further and attempt to come up with an arrangement whereby Carmacks would have power available for lights.

Council recessed at 12:00 noon.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

Committee resumed discussion on Bill No. 32.

The Chairman of the Committee presented the report of the Committee on the following:

- (a) Bill No. 25 - Report progress.
- (b) Bill No. 32 - Report progress.
- (c) Commissioner's Reference No. 1 (Sessional Paper No. 8)
Committee unanimously approve.
- (d) Commissioner's Reference No. 2 (Sessional Paper No. 9)
Committee unanimously disapprove. Mr. Mellor stated: "My objection is that it is the responsibility of the Federal Government and they should finance it. I am in favour of a mine rescue station as I believe it is necessary but I am opposed to the Territorial Government sharing a portion of the cost. It is pushing something on us that is not our responsibility."
- (e) Commissioner's Reference No. 3 (Sessional Paper No. 10)
Committee unanimously approve.

Council accepted Committee's report.

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

Bill No. 34 - "An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory."

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

Bill No. 35 - "An Ordinance to Amend the Government Liquor Ordinance."

Council adjourned at 5:10 o'clock p.m.

"W. D. Robertson"

Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"

Speaker

Reference to Yukon Council - No. 1

Re: Boy Scouts World Jamboree

Brigadier H.W. Love, District Commissioner of the Boy Scouts Association, has requested the Territory to give financial assistance to the Boy Scouts Association of the Yukon to send two Scouts to the World Jamboree to be held August 18th to 28th this summer at Niagara Falls.

The Whitehorse District Council of Boy Scouts is responsible for scouting in Carcross, Watson Lake, Mayo and Dawson City, and their financing is by way of public contribution. Financial campaigns were held in 1952 and 1954, and their funds are fully committed to Boy Scout work in the Yukon this year.

Arrangements have been made for the British Columbia-Yukon contingent to the Jamboree to travel by special train from Vancouver for an equalized fare which includes travel from all parts of the Territory and Province to Vancouver to join the special train. This fare is \$161.50 per Scout.

I recommend Council's approval of an expenditure of territorial funds of \$323.00 to provide transportation for two Scouts from the Yukon Territory, funds to be provided out of Sundry Account under the General Vote.

Reference to Council - No. 2

Re: Mine Rescue Station

Consideration has been given to the provision of a Mine Rescue Station for the Yukon Territory to serve all operating mines with major mine rescue equipment.

It is now proposed to consider only the provision of mine safety equipment, and the following arrangement is recommended for your consideration:

- (1) That each producing mine in the Yukon Territory be required to:
 - (a) Provide one-half hour breathing apparatus sufficient to deal immediately with a mining accident, or until two-hour breathing apparatus can be taken to the mine in case of a major accident;
 - (b) Retain or train a sufficient number of employees at the mine who are qualified to use and maintain the mine rescue apparatus;
 - (c) That the Yukon Territorial Government purchase two-hour breathing and ancillary mine rescue apparatus to be placed at the Calumet Mine of United Keno Hill Mines, Limited, providing
 - (i) That United Keno Hill Mines, Limited, will arrange for its proper housing and care;
 - (ii) That the apparatus will be available for use at any other mine in the Mayo-Keno area where an accident might occur;
 - (iii) That the United Keno Hill Mines, Limited, and Mackeno Mines, Limited, reach a satisfactory agreement for retaining and training crews qualified to use and maintain the apparatus which will remain the property of the Yukon Territorial Government;
 - (iv) That the Federal Government reimburse the Yukon Territorial Government for one-half its expenditure in purchasing such apparatus, and for the replacement of parts and refills.

It is estimated that the cost of equipment required to be purchased by the Territorial Government will amount to \$5,857.80.

Reference to Council - No. 3

Re: Whitehorse General Hospital

The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Whitehorse General Hospital has requested an appropriation in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the installation of a storage tank and pressure system for the hospital water supply.

The water pressure in this hospital has been poor, although pressure at the source has been adequate. It is considered that the line is scaled sufficiently to substantially reduce the supply of water.

During most of the winter there was no water on the second floor of the building, and occasionally difficulty was encountered on the first floor.

It is considered that the installation of a tank and pressure system would be less costly than digging up the water main.

As this is a capital expenditure the Hospital Board has requested the Territorial Government to provide funds to pay for this installation.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Whitehorse, Y. T.
Thursday, March 31, 1955
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 Bills:

Bill No. 34 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory.

Bill No. 35 - An Ordinance to Amend the Government Liquor Ordinance.

Second Reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 34 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory.

Bill No. 35 - An Ordinance to Amend the Government Liquor Ordinance.

Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole. Commissioner Brown and Mr. F.G. Smith attended Council.

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

Bill No. 25 - Without amendment.
Bill No. 26 - Without amendment.
Bill No. 32 - Report progress.
Bill No. 34 - Report progress.
Bill No. 35 - Without amendment.

Commissioner's Reference to Council No. 4 (See Sessional Paper No. 11). Council concurred generally with sections 1, 3, and 5 of a letter signed by Messrs. Russell and LePage. Council recommended the Commissioner issue a Regulation whereby all trucks and truck trailers with the exception of pickups be equipped with Rock Guards.

Council accepted Committee's Report.

Council recessed at 12 o'clock noon.

1:30 o'clock p.m.

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 25 - An Ordinance to Amend the Yukon Game Ordinance.

Bill No. 26 - An Ordinance to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance.

Bill No. 35 - An Ordinance to Amend the Government Liquor Ordinance.

Mr. Locke requested an opinion of Council. He spoke on behalf of the Southern Yukon Children's Aid Society. He outlined the excellent work being done by the Society and the immediate need for a paid case worker due to an increase in cases. The case worker would be paid by the Children's Aid Society but suggested Council consider placing \$2,000.00 in the supplementary estimates to cover 50 percent of the salary of the case worker up to a maximum of \$2,000.00.

Council approved.

A Resolution recommending an increase in salary of the Territorial Treasurer moved by Councillor Phelps, seconded by Councillor Berry was read to Council. Approved. (See Sessional Paper No. 12)

A Resolution with respect to the salaries of Territorial Government employees moved by Councillor Mellor, seconded by Councillor Locke was read to Council. Approved. (See Sessional Paper No. 13)

A Resolution with respect to construction of a dormitory building at Whitehorse for educational purposes moved by Councillor Locke, seconded by Councillor Mellor was read to Council. Approved. (See Sessional Paper No. 14)

A Resolution tendering thanks to Mr. Hullahd, Superintendent of Education, moved by Councillor Phelps, seconded by Councillor Mellor was read to Council. Approved. (See Sessional Paper No. 15)

A Resolution concerning the right of Indians to drink beer in taverns in the Yukon Territory moved by Councillor Locke, seconded by Councillor Mellor was read to Council. Approved. (See Sessional Paper No. 16)

Council adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

"W. D. Robertson"

Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"

Speaker

Reference to Yukon Council - No. 4

Re: Motor Vehicle Ordinance

Consideration has been given to re-writing the Motor Vehicle Ordinance in order to qualify the types of vehicle licences issued for trucks and public service vehicles. It has been impossible to rewrite this Ordinance in time for this session of Council.

The Transportation Bureau of the Whitehorse Board of Trade have recommended that action be taken this spring to clarify these matters according to brief attached hereto.

It is not considered possible to bring forward amendments to the Vehicle Ordinance at this late date, nor has the Administration had adequate time to amply analyze and consider the requests made. It is believed that the recommendations made by the Transportation Bureau are meritorious and should be given careful consideration.

Assuming that after careful study agreement is reached on certain principles, it is doubtful if administrative action could be taken in time to give effect to them for the beginning of this licence year. Parts of the recommendation, however, might be implemented during the year by regulation.

In order to attempt to change the provisions of the Ordinance and Regulations at this time it would be necessary for the Council to approve an amendment granting the Commissioner very wide powers to be exercised by Regulation.

C O P Y

Whitehorse, Y. T.
March 10, 1955.

PROPOSED

Mr. W.G. Brown,
Commissioner Yukon Territory,
Whitehorse, Y.T.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of a special Committee of the Transportation Bureau of the Board of Trade, the following suggestions were raised for your consideration. It is hoped that some action can be taken at this session of the Yukon Council, as it is felt that the following recommendations will not only prove beneficial to the transport operators in the Territory, but will also result in increased revenue for the Territorial Government.

The Committee's suggestions are as follows:

1. That no Public Service Vehicle licenses be re-issued without the applicant first showing a Territorial Government business license and also, providing some proof of a place of business or an Agent acting on behalf who has a place of business.
2. In order to secure a business license, an applicant should be able to show he is solely engaged in the truck transportation business and that his livelihood depends on same. The applicant should also show that adequate cargo insurance is carried to protect the customer, also that adequate P.L. and P.D. insurance is carried. It was brought to the attention of our Committee that in at least one instance last year, a vehicle operated the greater part of the year with neither license nor insurance.
3. That unlicensed trucks entering the Yukon Territory from Alaska, British Columbia and Alberta, be issued with permits only. Said Permit entitles the operator to one trip only, and this trip to be completed within thirty days. Cost of permit to be 1/12 of the annual license. No license plates should be issued these operators, and plates should only be issued to outside haulers when proof of an annual contract haul has been submitted. Through haulers from the United States to Alaska may be issued with monthly permits at 1/12 of the annual license with no restrictions as to the number of trips per month. The foregoing should have the proviso that they have no off or on loading privileges in the Yukon Territory.
4. That vehicles operating as Public Service Vehicles in the Whitehorse, Dawson and Mayo areas be issued with "T" plates only provided they can show they have a City Business License and be issued with a tag or sticker denoting a local transfer service. These vehicles should not be permitted to operate on the highways beyond a distance of 25 miles from the aforementioned points. Vehicles up to and including one ton pickups require only car license plates unless used as a commercial vehicle in which case the foregoing requirements should be met.
5. It is suggested that signs be erected at Watson Lake and the Alaska Border advising trucks to contact nearest R.C.M.P. detachment for license particulars, and also that the R.C.M.P. be empowered to issue the Permits.
6. It is also suggested that the minimum fine for infraction of licensing regulations be \$75.00 to discourage operators from attempting to risk operating without the necessary Permit or License.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) R. Russell
" A.R. LePage
Chairman.

Resolution

WHEREAS the salaries of the heads of the principal Territorial Government departments have been raised to \$7,200.00 per year;

AND WHEREAS the salary of the Territorial Treasurer has not been increased;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Wardrop has given excellent service in the position he now holds for six years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Council recommend that the salary of the Territorial Treasurer be increased to \$7,200.00 effective 1955-56 fiscal year.

Resolution with respect to the Salaries of
Territorial Government Employees

WHEREAS this Council considers that salaries being paid to Territorial Government employees are less than the salaries being paid to Federal Civil Servants in respect of equivalent or similar duties;

AND WHEREAS Federal Civil Servants are being given certain perquisites, such as housing at a low rate;

AND WHEREAS it is considered by Council that it is to the advantage of the Government of the Territory to have on its staff capable, loyal and permanent employees;

THEREFORE we, the Council, of the Territory hereby resolve that the Commissioner be requested to make a thorough review of all the salaries, scales and perquisites given to Territorial employees with a view to bringing their wages more into line with the Federal Civil Servants.

Resolution with respect to Construction of
a Dormitory Building at Whitehorse for
Educational Purposes

WHEREAS legislation has been passed at this session to enable the Commissioner to enter into an agreement with the Federal Government in respect to vocational training classes;

AND WHEREAS it is not practicable or economically feasible to institute vocational training courses in any of the schools of the Territory except the Whitehorse School;

AND WHEREAS this Council thinks it very desirable that all students in the Territory have an equal opportunity to take advantage of vocational training facilities;

THEREFORE we, the Council, hereby resolve to request the Commissioner to give consideration to the question of the erection of a dormitory building in Whitehorse for use by students living in other parts of the Territory.

Resolution

WHEREAS the Yukon Council learns with deep regret that the Superintendent of Education has tendered his resignation effective at the termination of the present school term.

WHEREAS Mr. HULLAND has in our opinion given twenty-six years of faithful and efficient service to the Yukon Territorial Government.

NOW THEREFORE this Council wishes to go on record and express its entire satisfaction with Mr. HULLAND's long years of service and express its grateful thanks for this co-operative loyalty.

Resolution

WHEREAS it is considered by this Council that Indians should be given the right to drink beer in taverns in the Yukon Territory;

AND WHEREAS a Bill to amend the Government Liquor Ordinance has been passed at this session of Council which would permit Indians to drink beer in taverns;

THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Commissioner be requested to ask the Minister that the Governor in Council give early consideration to the issuance of a proclamation bringing into force section 95 of the Indian Act giving the right to Indians to drink beer in taverns in the Yukon Territory.

(e) The figure that I quoted earlier, the loss the Territory was taking under the present set-up of \$13,578.12 per year, was based on 25 teachers in the City of Whitehorse. We have been warned that from present forecasts of pupil increase, we may expect to be employing anywhere from 35 to 50 teachers in the next 10 years. If these new teachers take advantage of the living quarters as at present supplied by the Territory (and they would indeed be foolish if they did not) then the succeeding Councils can expect to be faced with capital expenditures of \$90,000.00 every few years and larger annual subsidies for rents. If, on the other hand, rents and wages are increased along the lines I suggest, we may encourage enough teachers to find their own houses so that our present accommodations will suffice.

Now I would like to try to answer one of the objections which I am sure will be raised, that is teachers along the highway. Well, first of all they pay \$30.00 per month now. They will receive \$30.00 per month in extra wages which leaves them \$10.00 per month the poorer. Now we all have noticed accounts up to \$50.00 per month for janitor service. With the type of accommodation we have been building recently - oil furnaces - propane or oil stoves - running water and electric lights - there just isn't too much janitor work to be done. I suggest that we pay the highway teachers from \$30.00 to \$50.00 per month for doing their own janitor work and then both the Territory and the teachers will be better off."

Computations of Rental Costs on Yukon Government Teachers' Residences

Residences built or otherwise acquired within last five years

		Cost	
Whitehorse "A"	13 teachers	\$44,000.00	
Whitehorse "B"	12 "	90,000.00	
Dawson	5 "	30,000.00	
Mayo teachers' quarters	2 "	6,200.00	
Mayo principal's "	1 "	6,000.00	
Watson Lake	1 "	5,000.00	
Teslin	1 "	3,500.00	
Carcross	1 "	4,000.00	
Totals	36 "	\$189,200.00	

<u>No. of teachers</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Av/Cost Month Light</u>	<u>Av/Cost Month Fuel</u>
5	Dawson	\$71.40	\$76.50
18 & 13	Whitehorse	91.63	100.00
3	Mayo	50.00	46.00
Cost/teacher/month	Dawson	Light \$14.28	Fuel \$15.30
" " "	Whitehorse	" 5.10	" 7.70
" " "	Mayo	" 15.85	" 15.30
Depreciation @ 5% on buildings		\$9,560.00	
At 36 teachers, depreciation charge/mo			\$22.10
Maintenance @ 2% on buildings		3,784.00	
At 36 teachers, maintenance charge/mo.			8.70
Interest on money @ 3 7/8%		7,330.50	
At 36 teachers, interest charge/mo.			16.90
Average cost for lighting/teacher/mo.			8.20
" " " heating/teacher/mo.			<u>10.60</u>
Cost of teachers residences/teacher/mo.(12 mo.)			\$66.50
The teachers have been paying \$30.00 per month rental			<u>30.00</u>
Net Loss/teacher/month to Territory			\$36.50

While considering Vote No. 4, Mr. Phelps asked if a Library grant on the basis of 50% for books and periodicals purchased during the year would be granted Watson Lake, Teslin and Haines Junction if they decide to open a library.

Mr. Brown stated it is the policy to assist all libraries in the Territory on the above mentioned basis. He stated it is difficult to arrive at a figure for different areas and was of the opinion a definite formula should be adopted.

With reference to Vote No. 6, Council recommends that the purchase of fire fighting equipment for Haines Junction at a cost of \$625.00 purchased without specific vote be taken from Vote No. 8 Sundry.

Council accepted 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.
Saturday, April 2, 1955
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. Commissioner Brown attended Council.

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

Bill No. 32 - Without amendment
Bill No. 34 - Without amendment

Council accepted Committee's report.

Third reading was given to the following Bills:

Bill No. 32 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory.

Bill No. 34 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory.

A Resolution concerning Territorial assistance to assist communities in certain municipal activities moved by Councillor Berry, seconded by Councillor Locke was read to Council. Approved. (See Sessional Paper No. 17)

The Commissioner addressed Council. (See Sessional Paper No. 18)

Mr. Speaker addressed Council. (See Sessional Paper No. 19)

Councillor Locke addressed Council. (See Sessional Paper No. 20)

Council prorogued at 11:45 a.m.

"W. D. Robertson"
Clerk

"A. R. Hayes"
Speaker

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS it is the opinion of Council that the Territorial Government should assist communities in certain municipal activities, such as fire protection, streets and sidewalks.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in future estimates funds be found for this purpose.

Commissioner Brown

Members of the Legislative Council:

I am now advised you have completed your deliberations and have dealt with all matters brought before you. I wish to congratulate you for the careful consideration given to these important matters and I am pleased to advise you I have assented to the following legislation which you have passed:

- Bill No. 1 - An Ordinance to Provide for the Protection of Children.
- Bill No. 2 - An Ordinance Respecting Public Aid to Hospitals.
- Bill No. 3 - An Ordinance Respecting Compensation for Fatal Accidents.
- Bill No. 4 - An Ordinance to Facilitate the Enforcement of Maintenance Orders.
- Bill No. 5 - An Ordinance Respecting Witnesses and Evidence.
- Bill No. 6 - The Collection Ordinance.
- Bill No. 7 - An Ordinance Respecting Vocational Training Agreements Between the Yukon Territory and the Government of Canada.
- Bill No. 8 - An Ordinance Respecting Liability in Actions for Damages for Negligence where more than One Party is at Fault.
- Bill No. 9 - An Ordinance Respecting the Exportation of Furs.
- Bill No.10 - An Ordinance to Provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Persons Attending Places of Amusement.
- Bill No.11 - An Ordinance Respecting Employment Agencies.
- Bill No.12 - An Ordinance Respecting Trespassing and Straying of Animals.
- Bill No.13 - An Ordinance Respecting the Practice and Procedure in Civil Matters in Police Magistrate's Courts.
- Bill No.14 - An Ordinance Respecting Dogs
- Bill No.15 - An Ordinance to Provide for Allowance to Disabled Persons
- Bill No.16 - An Ordinance Respecting the Profession of Pharmaceutical Chemist.
- Bill No.17 - An Ordinance Respecting the Investigation of Accidents by Fire.
- Bill No.18 - An Ordinance to Repeal Certain Ordinances.
- Bill No.19 - An Ordinance to Amend the Interpretation Ordinance.
- Bill No.20 - An Ordinance to Amend the Marriage Ordinance.
- Bill No.21 - An Ordinance to Amend the Motion Pictures Ordinance.
- Bill No.22 - An Ordinance to Amend the Judicature Ordinance.
- Bill No.23 - An Ordinance to Amend the Gasoline and Diesel Oil Tax Ordinance.
- Bill No.24 - An Ordinance to Amend the Adoption Ordinance.
- Bill No.25 - An Ordinance to Amend the Yukon Game Ordinance.
- Bill No.26 - An Ordinance to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance.
- Bill No.27 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory to extend the Boundaries of the City of Whitehorse and to make an Agreement with the City of Whitehorse.
- Bill No.28 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner to lend Money to the City of Whitehorse.

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- Bill No. 30 - An Ordinance to Provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Poll Tax.
- Bill No. 31 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner of Yukon Territory to Enter into an Agreement with the City of Whitehorse respecting the Constructing of a Waterworks System and Sewage System in the City of Whitehorse and in the new Subdivision Adjacent to such City, and to Authorize the Commissioner to Enter into a Contract for the Construction of such Waterworks System and Sewage System.
- Bill No. 32 - An Ordinance for granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory.
- Bill No. 33 - An Ordinance Respecting the Practice of Professional Engineering.
- Bill No. 34 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory.
- Bill No. 35 - An Ordinance to Amend the Government Liquor Ordinance.
- Bill No. 36 - An Ordinance to Amend the Motor Vehicles Ordinance.

I now declare this Council closed until such time as by Proclamation Council is again convened for the transaction of Territorial business.

April 2, 1955

Councillor Hayes

Mr. Commissioner:

Council tenders its thanks to you and the Heads of all Departments for valuable assistance and for information so readily given, and also to the clerical staff, particularly the young lady who has looked after our typing. Her copy has been remarkable for its lack of error in punctuation and spelling.

It seems highly improbable that we five will ever sit together again in Council. It has always been a pleasure to work with the four members from Dawson, Mayo, Whitehorse East and Whitehorse West and the duties of the chair have been made easy due to your knowledge of proceedings and your cooperative help. It also seems definite that Mr. Locke will not again be a member of the Yukon Council, which will be a loss to his constituents and to all Yukoners, particularly those who have benefited so much from his extensive knowledge of social welfare problems.

Whatever the fortunes of the future may hold, Mr. Commissioner, I wish you, Mr. Locke, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Berry and Mr. Mellor all that is good.

Councillor Locke

Mr. Commissioner, Members of Council:

I know that it is not usual for a Member, other than the Speaker of the Council, to address Council after the Commissioner has prorogued Council but I know that this will be my last opportunity to address the Members of Council as I will not be in a position to run for Council again since I am leaving the Yukon Territory. I want to take this opportunity to say that the experience of the past three years as a Member of Council, the period where you begin to learn a little about it, has been a gratifying experience and I hope that the Yukon Council of the future will receive that experience as I have and will use it to the best benefit for the people of the Territory. It has been a pleasure to work with this Council, it has been a pleasure at all times to have dealings with the Administration, and I hope that the next Council of the Territory will do its very best for the Yukon