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Page 10: Where Mr. J. O. Livesey introduced two notices of motion both motions should have been preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair" in parenthesis.

The first notice of motion by Mr. J. O. Livesey should have the words "only within the Canadian Alaska boundary" deleted and the following inserted after the words "travelling" - "on the Alaska Highway within, but not beyond the Canada Alaska boundary".

Page 14: Both motions introduced by Mr. J. O. Livesey should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair" in parenthesis.

Motion for the production of papers by Mr. J. O. Livesey No. 3. in the fourth line should have the word "road" inserted before the word "rights".

After the motion by Mr. Livesey, Motion for the production papers No. 3, the words "Motion carried" should be followed by the words "Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair" in parenthesis.

Page 15: Motion No. 2 in the sixth line should have the word "same" struck out and the words "said request" inserted.

Page 18: Motion No. 6 in the fifth line after the word "candidate" insert the words "for the Territorial Council".

Page 20: Motion No. 7 in the fourth paragraph in the ninth line before the word "library" insert the word "public".

Page 27: Notice of motion by Mr. J. O. Livesey should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair" in parenthesis, then followed by the words "Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair" in parenthesis.

Page 29: Mr. McKamey's first notice of motion "Zinc" should read "Sink".

Page 29: Mr. J. O. Livesey's motion for the production of papers should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair". After the words "Motion carried" insert the words "Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair", in parenthesis.

Page 32: Mr. J. O. Livesey's notice of motion should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair" and followed by the words "Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair", in parenthesis.

Page 33: Mr. J. O. Livesey's motion No. 13 should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair" in parenthesis.

Page 35: Mr. J. O. Livesey's motion should be followed by the words "Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair" in parenthesis.

Page 36: Mr. J. O. Livesey's notice of motion should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair", in parenthesis.

Mr. J. O. Livesey's motion No. 14 should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair", in parenthesis.

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- Page 43: Second question by Mr. Smith for "Toke" read "Tok".
- Page 44: Mr. J. O. Livesey's Motion No. 19 should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair" in parenthesis.
- Page 46: Conclusion of the debate on Motions 19, 20, 21 and 22 made by Mr. Livesey should be followed by the words "Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair" in parenthesis.
- Page 49: Mr. J. O. Livesey's motion No. 25 should be preceded by the words "With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair" in parenthesis.
- Conclusion of the debate on Motions 25 and 26 by Mr. Livesey should be followed by the words "Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair" in parenthesis.
- Page 61: Mr. Livesey's speech, end of line 7, paragraph 3, the word "political" should be inserted before the word "football".
- Page 19: The following words should appear at the bottom of the page before the words "The question was put to the House" - "Several Members rose in protest. Mr. Speaker called for order and asked that Council respect the House in all matters".
- Page 19: The words "Mr. Speaker voted against the motion" on the penultimate line should be deleted and replaced by the words "Mr. Speaker voted in the negative and explained that he was doing so because it was customary in circumstances such as these where there was evidence of serious disagreement."
- Page 15: The following words should be added at the foot of the page "Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Wednesday, November 25th, 1959."
- Page 17: The words "Mr. Speaker" preceding the remark "Why \$300.00 Mr. Collins" to be deleted and replaced by "Mr. J. O. Livesey (With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair)"
- Page 18: The words "Mr. Speaker" preceding the words "This problem..." to be deleted and replaced by "Mr. J. O. Livesey (With the Deputy Speaker in the Chair)".
- Page 37: Mr. Livesey's motion No. 14 in the second paragraph line 9 the words "and maintenance costs" to be inserted after the words "capital costs".
- Mr. Livesey's motion No. 14 in the second paragraph line 11 the words "the need for same, location, size, type or standard, and all" to be inserted before "as well as".
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of the  
COUNCIL OF THE YUKON TERRITORY

Wednesday, 18th November, 1959  
3.00 o'clock p.m.

The third Session of the Eighteenth Wholly Elective Council of the Yukon Territory was convened in the Council Chambers at 3.00 o'clock p.m. in compliance with the Proclamation of the Commissioner under date of 2nd November, A.D. 1959, the Members having previously been sworn and taken the Oath of Allegiance.

The Members of the Council were called to order by Mr. Speaker.

On the request of Mr. Speaker the Clerk of the Council escorted the Commissioner to the Council Chambers. The Commissioner delivered the following address :

Mr. Speaker  
and Members of Council

It is my sincere pleasure to again welcome you to a Council session and place before you the several items of legislation you are asked to consider. Additionally there are other matters of concern to the Territory which I hope to discuss with you. Undoubtedly Members of Council have also many matters for review and debate apart from those submitted by the Administration. Needless to say my own services are at your disposal as well as those of Territorial and Federal officials of our Department.

Since the previous session the programs of revenue and expenditure then approved have been, with few exceptions, carried out. The uncompleted items are, in the main, applicable to highway reconstruction projects which, because of weather conditions combined with lateness of start, could not be commenced at the proper time. Certain financial arrangements have now been concluded with the Federal Government which will permit advantage to be taken of our short working season and, as well, provide immediate funds for the carrying out of the work.

While revenues have shown a favourable upswing they are by no means keeping pace with the demands made upon them in the fields of education, health, welfare and social assistance. The sparseness of population in the Territory, the lack of secondary industries and the very low assessment value of much of the occupied land and buildings is a marked hindrance to the provision of funds for essential services in both territorial and municipal areas of authority. The situation, as a whole, embodies serious implications for the immediate future. The necessity for sober consideration of remedial action will engross our attention to an increasing degree as the maintenance and operating costs incidental to increasing capital expenditures become a matter of outlay.

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In the field of child welfare it is noticeable that the bulk of services required is by families of Indian or part Indian blood. For instance, of ninety-four children taken into care by the Children's Aid Society in a twelve month period, fifty-two were of Indian status, one was Indian of white status, and thirty-six were part Indian. Only five were actually white. In view of the proportion of Indian to white population in the Territory the above figures indicate a problem condition in the lives and economy of our Indian and mixed population, in particular those portions now concentrating in the areas of major settlements.

The expenditures of various Departments of the Federal Government continue to buttress the economy of the Territory. While no marked mining expansion has occurred during this year, intensive charting and exploration of mineralized areas has continued. The most gratifying result of this was the discovery last August of gas and oil in the Eagle Plains area. This was particularly heartening as it will undoubtedly lead to an enlargement of operations in that portion of the Territory.

The "Roads to Resources" program of the Federal Government, which includes the bridges over the three great rivers bisecting the Whitehorse-Keno highway and similar structures elsewhere will, it is hoped, be continued at an accelerated pace in the coming year thus more firmly cementing the partnership of effort existing between the Federal and Territorial Governments and private enterprise. Without doubt the future of the Yukon depends on the assessment and development of her mineral resources with much of the essential groundwork expenditures beyond the means of the investing public. I am pleased also that my Minister is diversifying this program by assistance to the smaller projects in actual operation or development to that stage. The construction of the Nordenskiöld bridge, gateway to the Mount Freegold area, and contributions in other areas of the Territory, has infused new hope and energy in those concerned with these lesser but far from unimportant projects.

The Yukon was signally honoured this year by the week-end visit of Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness the Prince Philip. Both assured me of their real pleasure in the visit and in particular Her Majesty expressed keen regret at being unable to visit Dawson and Mayo. The Queen was delighted with the gift of the people of the Territory, presented by Mr. Speaker, and His Royal Highness deeply appreciative of his nightly fishing trips on which he was accompanied by members of the Yukon Fish and Game Association. As Co-Ordinator of the Royal Tour for the Yukon I would like to take this opportunity of thanking members of the various committees and organizations whose efforts assured the success of the visit.

Mr. Speaker, and Members of Council, you are asked to consider the following items of legislation during this session and such other matters as may be submitted to you :

Bill No. 1 - An Ordinance Respecting Municipalities

Bill No. 2 - An Ordinance to Provide for the Imposition and Collection of Taxes on Real Property in the Yukon Territory.

Bill No. 3 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Commissioner to Grant a Franchise to The Yukon Electrical Company, Limited, for the Distribution of Electrical Power in the Area of Watson Lake, in the Yukon Territory.

Bill No. 4 - An Ordinance to Provide Hospital Insurance for Residents of the Yukon Territory.

Bill No. 5 /.....

- Bill No. 5 - An Ordinance to Amend the First Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-1960.
- Bill No. 6 - An Ordinance to Amend the Appropriation Ordinance 1959-1960.
- Bill No. 7 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Additional Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory. (Second Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-1960).
- Bill No. 8 - An Ordinance for Granting to the Commissioner Certain Additional Sums of Money to Defray the Expenses of the Public Service of the Territory. (Third Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-1960).

I thank you Mr. Speaker and members of Council.

Mr. Speaker Mr. Commissioner I would like to thank you for your very informative address and assure you that all matters will receive their proper attention from Council.

I would also like to welcome all members of Council once again and I hope that this session will be both inspiring and successful. I thank you.

Mr. C. Taylor I beg to move that the address of the Commissioner be taken into consideration tomorrow, Thursday the 19th.

Mr. J. Smith Seconded.

Motion Carried.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, for leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance Respecting Municipalities".

Motion Carried.

Mr. G.O. Shaw I beg to move that Council adjourn until 10 a.m. Thursday the 19th.

Mr. R.L. McKamey Seconded.

Mr. Speaker This Council stands adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Thursday, 19th November, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. Speaker then read to the Council a letter from the Board of Trade inviting Members of Council to lunch at the Whitehorse Inn on Monday 23rd, November.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Councillor McKamey, that following Bill be introduced:-

Bill No. 2 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF TAXES ON REAL PROPERTY IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the following Bill be introduced:-

Bill No. 3 AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER TO GRANT A FRANCHISE TO THE YUKON ELECTRICAL COMPANY LIMITED FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICAL POWER IN THE AREA OF WATSON LAKE IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that the following Bill be introduced :-

Bill No. 4 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE HOSPITAL INSURANCE FOR RESIDENTS OF THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that the following Bill be introduced:-

Bill No. 8 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY. (Third Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60).

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that the following Bill be introduced:-

Bill No. 7 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY. (Second Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60).

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor/.....

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the following Bill be introduced:-

Bill No. 6. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that the following Bill be introduced:-

Bill No. 5. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60.

Motion carried.

There followed a general discussion concerning a schedule of the business to be considered by Council.

Mr. C. D. Taylor In view of size of such Bills as that concerning municipalities could Council break into small committees for discussion to complete the consideration of such Bills more quickly.

Council did not agree with this suggestion since these matters required the attention of the Committee of the whole.

Mr. C. D. Taylor When should a day be set for the discussion of Bill No. 4 (Hospital Insurance). I believe that Mr. Orange of the Department of Northern Affairs will be coming from Ottawa to address Council on this Bill.

Mr. G. O. Shaw The discussion on Bill No. 4 should take place whenever Mr. Orange is available. Council agreed.

Mr. G. O. Shaw When is the most convenient time for the discussion of Bill No. 3 (Franchise to Yukon Electric)

Mr. C. D. Taylor Yukon Electrical Co. Ltd. should be informed to have their witnesses available. I propose that the discussion of Bill No. 3 take place on Monday, November 23rd, at 2pm. Council agreed.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move that the morning sessions be devoted to discussion in committee of Bill No. 1 (Municipal Ordinance) until consideration of this Bill is completed. Agreed.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Bill No. 2 (Taxes on Real Property) be discussed on Tuesday, November 24th, at 2pm. Agreed.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Bills Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 (Appropriation Ordinances) be discussed on Wednesday, November 25th, at 2pm. Agreed.

There followed a general discussion on the proper presentation of petitions to Council. Petitions must be presented in writing to the Clerk of the Council. No discussion shall take place on petitions not properly filed.

Mr J. Smith/.....



Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that first reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 1 AN ORDINANCE RESPECTING MUNICIPALITIES

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that first reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 2 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF TAXES ON REAL PROPERTY IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that first reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 3 AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER TO GRANT A FRANCHISE TO THE YUKON ELECTRICAL COMPANY LIMITED FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICAL POWER IN THE AREA OF WATSON LAKE, IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that first reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 4 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE HOSPITAL INSURANCE FOR RESIDENTS OF THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that first reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 5 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that first reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 8 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE YUKON TERRITORY. (Third Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60.)

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that first reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 6 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60.

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw/.....

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that first reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 7 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY. (Second Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60.)

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I move that the House adjourn until 2pm. this afternoon. Agreed.

2 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker called Council to order.

Mr. Speaker I remind you of the situation arrived at this morning, when we decided that at 2pm. we would discuss the matter of the change in the electoral districts here in the Yukon Territory.

May I suggest that during this morning I received a letter from the Commissioner to the Speaker of the Council, covering a certain number of subjects upon which he would like to come before Council when we are in Committee of the Whole, so that when discussions do take place he will have a chance to listen to the discussions as they come up and to give us his viewpoint on these various matters. The matter of the electoral districts is one of those. May I suggest that the Clerk of the Council advise the Commissioner that we are going to discuss this matter this afternoon and ask him to attend Council.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I move that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss the division of the electoral districts.

Mr. J. Smith Seconded.

Motion carried.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker We have had discussion with respect to the electoral districts. I would now like to have a report.

Mr. J. Smith We have discussed the matter of the redistribution of the electoral districts. No conclusion has been arrived at. The matter has been put forward to the first available morning for discussion.

Council adjourned at 4 o'clock p.m. to discuss certain motions for presentation at this session.

Friday 20th November, 1959  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that the following Bill be given a second reading :-

Bill No. 1 AN ORDINANCE RESPECTING MUNICIPALITIES

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that Council go into Committee to discuss Bill No. 1, An Ordinance Respecting Municipalities.

Motion carried.

Council resolved into Committee to discuss Bill No. 1.

12 o'clock noon.

Committee reported that Bill No. 1 had been dealt with up to and including Section 37, with certain sections held in abeyance for further discussion.

Council adjourned until 2.00 p.m.

2 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker called Council to order.

Mr. Speaker We adjourned at 12 noon after discussing Bill No. 1 in Committee of the Whole. It was previously decided that we would discuss money Bills 5, 6, 7 and 8 and a motion to go into Committee of the Whole and for the Speaker to leave the Chair for that purpose is now in order.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I move that second reading be given to

Bill No. 5 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60.

Bill No. 6 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60.

Bill No. 7 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY.

Bill No. 8 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY.

Mr. R. L. McKamey Seconded.

Motion Carried.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss these Bills.

Mr. R. L. McKamey Seconded.

Motion carried.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and asked if the Committee had anything to report.

Mr. J. Smith We have dealt on the basis of second reading with Bills No. 5, 6 and 7. As Bill No. 8 was included in the total motion we will not be able to complete the work we set out to do until a future date, at which time we can consider all these Bills.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Mr. F. H. Collins, Commissioner, Mr. K. MacKenzie, Territorial Treasurer, and Mr. G. Starr, Territorial Engineer, attended Council during the discussion on the Supply Bill.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Saturday, November 21st.

Saturday, 21st November, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I wish to give notice of a motion, seconded by Mr. McKamey, concerning the deletion of a certain item from the Supply Bill.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that Council resolve into a Committee of the whole to consider the Municipal Ordinance. Agreed.

12 o'clock noon.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair. The committee reported having considered the Municipal Ordinance up to Section 85.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. on Monday, November 23rd, 1959.

Monday, November 23rd, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. J. Smith I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council a motion concerning a request from the Catholic Rate Payers of Whitehorse for financial assistance from the Territorial Administration to expedite the extension of Christ the King School to accomodate High School grades.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council a motion concerning a request from the Baptist Rate Payers of Whitehorse for separate school facilities.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council a motion concerning the sale and distribution of securities.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this session of Council a motion concerning the establishment of a small debt court in Dawson and other communities in the Territory.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council a motion concerning a loan to the City of Dawson for the purpose of rehabilitating the Dawson Community Hall.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I wish to give notice of a motion for the production of papers containing information showing why Canadian citizens should be required to check and report at the Customs and Immigration checking station at Milepost 1202 when travelling only within the Canadian Alaska boundary.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I wish to give notice of a motion for the production of papers containing information as to why rights of way held and controlled by the Department of National Defence, continue to be so held, and in evidence, inside the boundaries of new townsites and prospective future municipalities in the Territory.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey,

Motion for the production of papers No. 1. that Council would appreciate the tabling of all correspondence, wires, communications etc. pertaining to the Department of Northern Affairs

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decision to delete the honorarium noted by Council in the 1959/60 budget and subsequent supplementary estimates.

Motion carried.

Mr. C. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that second reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 3. AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER TO GRANT A FRANCHISE TO THE YUKON ELECTRICAL COMPANY LIMITED FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICAL POWER IN THE AREA OF WATSON LAKE IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that second reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 4. AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE HOSPITAL INSURANCE FOR RESIDENTS OF THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that second reading be given to the following Bill:-

Bill No. 2. AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF TAXES ON REAL PROPERTY IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Council resolve into a Committee of the whole to consider the Municipal Ordinance, Bill No. 1.

Council resolved into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker later resumed the Chair.

Committee reported having considered the Municipal Ordinance up to Section 104.

Council adjourned until 2.00 p.m. at 12.00 noon.

2 o'clock p.m.  
Monday, 23rd November, 1959.

Mr. Speaker called Council to order.

Mr. Speaker According to our previous arrangements we have left this afternoon for special discussion with respect to Bill No. 3 "An Ordinance to authorize the Commissioner to grant a Franchise to The Yukon Electrical Company Limited for the Distribution of Electrical Power in the area of Watson Lake, in the Yukon Territory." What is the pleasure of the house.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I move that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Seconded.

Motion carried.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Franchise with Commissioner F. H. Collins and Mr. E. King of The Yukon Electrical Company Limited.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and asked if the Committee had anything to report.

The Committee reported Bill No. 3, without amendment.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Bill No. 3 be now given third reading.

Bill No. 3 AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER TO GRANT A FRANCHISE TO THE YUKON ELECTRICAL COMPANY LIMITED FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICAL POWER IN THE AREA OF WATSON LAKE, IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Mr. C. D. Taylor Seconded.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss Bill No. 8.

Mr. C. D. Taylor Seconded.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss Bill No. 8. Commissioner F. H. Collins was in attendance.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and asked if the Committee had anything to report.

The Committee reported Bill No. 8 with the following amendments :

Delete the words "AND WHEREAS it appears that certain of the said sums are recoverable as set forth in Schedule "B", "

Section No. 2. Delete the words "forty-seven" and insert in their place the words "twenty-two".

Section No. 3 Delete section No. 3 and insert in its place :

"3. The due application of all monies expended pursuant to Section 2 shall be duly accounted for."

Schedule A. Delete all items under Vote 9 and insert in their place.

"9. Roads, Bridges & Public Works

Materials and Supplies 70,000.00 "

Correct total to read \$522,759.00

Schedule B. Delete.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I move that third reading be given to

Bill No. 5 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60.

Bill No. 6 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60.

Bill No. 7 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY.

Mr. R. L. McKamey Seconded.

Motion carried.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Tuesday the 24th November, 1959.



Tuesday, November 24th, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this session of Council a motion concerning the Elections Ordinance.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this session of Council a motion concerning library facilities in the City of Whitehorse.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that:-

Motion for the production of papers No. 2.

It is respectfully requested that all papers, documents, communications or other material containing information be presented to Council, that would in any way show why residents of the Yukon Territory or other Canadian citizens should be required to check and report at Milepost 1202, on the Alaska Highway, during the hours when the Customs and Immigration checking station is open, or required to refrain from travelling past such point when such checking station is closed, while exclusively confining their travel activities within and not beyond the Canadian Alaska boundary on the Alaska Highway.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that:-

Motion for the production of papers No. 3.

It is respectfully requested that all papers, documents, letters or other information, be presented to Council that in any way show cause relative to any reason why rights of way held and controlled by the Department of National Defence, continue to be so held, and in evidence, inside the boundaries of new townsites and prospective future municipalities in the Yukon Territory.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that:-

Motion No. 1.

as the Catholic Rate Payers of Whitehorse have requested Council to recommend to the Territorial Administration that financial assistance be given them (the Roman Catholic Rate Payers) to expedite the extension of Christ the King School facilities to accommodate High School grades, that Council acknowledge receipt of said request and act upon it as promptly as possible.

Motion carried.

...../Mr. C. D. Taylor

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that :

Motion No. 2 as the Baptist Rate Payers of Whitehorse have requested Council to recommend to the Territorial Administration to create separate school facilities, that Council acknowledge receipt of same and act upon it as promptly as possible.

Motion carried.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue discussion on the Municipal Ordinance and to begin discussions on the Taxation Ordinance.

Council adjourned at 12 noon in Committee of the Whole

2 o'clock p.m.

Committee of the Whole continued discussions on the Taxation Ordinance. The following persons took part in the discussions:

Commissioner F. H. Collins

Mr. C. McLeod ) Yukon Consolidated  
Dr. Paul Kavanagh ) Gold Corporation

Mr. N. Gritzuk ) United Keno Hill  
Mr. N. McGeachy ) Mines Limited.

Mr. Frank Schoepel ) White Pass & Yukon Route.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

Progress on Bill No. 1 to Section 107

Progress on Bill No. 2.

Wednesday, November 25th, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I wish to give notice of a motion for the production of papers concerning financial statements of major mining companies in the Yukon Territory.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that  
Motion No. 3. it is the opinion of Council that legislation respecting the offering to the public, sale and distribution of securities is an immediate need in the Yukon Territory.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Before speaking to the motion perhaps we could hear any comments the Legal Advisor has to make.

Mr. D. S. Collins There is obviously a need in the Territory for legislation on the sale of securities. I cannot see, however, that an Ordinance on this matter can be prepared to put before Council any earlier than Spring, 1961. The main problem is really an administrative one. The normal procedure is for a Registrar of Securities or a Securities Commission to be appointed. The legislative side of the question is comparatively straightforward. Presumably such legislation for the Yukon would be uniform with that across Canada, for example like that in Ontario, or Saskatchewan, both recently revised. Taking into account the time required to draft such legislation and the administrative problem involved 1961 is the earliest we can expect to bring such legislation before Council, though perhaps some suggestions on the administrative side of the question might be ready for Council's consideration in the spring of 1960.

Mr. G. O. Shaw In proposing this motion I had in mind the protection of the public from shysters, the protection of the name of the various industries in the Territory and the protection of the reputation of the Yukon. The absence of such legislation presents a wonderful opportunity for shysters to exploit the public. The public will become loathe to invest its capital and the Territory will suffer the subsequent loss of investment in sound enterprises. It seems surprising that this matter has not been brought up before and that now it will be over a year and a half before legislation can be introduced to regulate this matter. Perhaps in the meantime some sort of interim legislation could be introduced that would prevent this sort of exploitation pending fuller legislation.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I think that this requires good and complete legislation or none at all. This situation has been going on for fifty years and can wait for the legislation suggested by the Legal Advisor. If the need is considered to be that urgent perhaps some arrangement could be made for one person to work concentratedly on the drafting.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I was not suggesting poor legislation only

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some form of control, some regulation for example making certain acts in this matter of a criminal nature.

Mr. D. S. Collins This would not be possible.

The question was put to the House.

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that

Motion No. 4. it is the opinion of Council that a Small Debt Court be established in Dawson and such other populated communities in the Territory as require same and that the local Justices of the Peace in each of the communities be appointed small debts official to preside over such courts.

Mr. G. O. Shaw In proposing this motion I would draw to your attention the situation at the moment. The only small debts court is in Whitehorse. It is obviously not worthwhile travelling to Whitehorse, or hiring the services of a lawyer, to recover sums of \$25.00 to \$50.00.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I would like to ask the Legal Advisor a question. Why was it that the J.P. in Mayo who had the power to rule on small debt issues had that power taken from him some time ago?

Mr. D. S. Collins He did not have that power but was merely advised that he was out of line in acting in that capacity. J.P.s never have had the authority to act as small debts officials in the Territory. Under the Yukon Act judicial officials must be appointed by Governor in Council. The position had been anomolous for some time, during which it had been assumed that J.P.s had the powers of small debt officials. This position was most undesirable since it meant that every small debt case during that period could be upset. I asked Justice for legislation on this matter. But Ottawa did not feel that there was sufficient need since the matter was provided for in the Judicature Ordinance. If small debt officials were wanted it was for the Commissioner to say where and when he wanted them appointed. The Commissioner felt that all J.P.s should be appointed small debt officials. This suggestion was also vetoed by Ottawa on the grounds that J.P.s were not capable of dealing with small debt matters. I disagree with this. We are still pursuing the matter. J.P.s seem to be the best people to deal with small debt issues. In areas like Dawson and Mayo there is a real need for an official to deal with questions on liabilities less than \$300.00

Mr. Speaker Why \$300.00 Mr. Collins?

Mr. D. S. Collins At present the figure is \$200.00 in the Yukon Territory. Normally it is \$300.00

The question was put to the House.

Motion carried.

...../Mr. G. O. Shaw.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that

Motion No. 5. ~~It~~ it is the opinion of Council that the Territory should make a loan to the City of Dawson in the amount of \$11,000.00 for the purpose of rehabilitating the Dawson Community Hall, and that this loan be repaid by setting an amount not less than \$1,000.00 per year against the grant from the liquor tax which is normally paid to the City of Dawson.

Mr. G. O. Shaw This Hall was built around 1900 by the Arctic Brotherhood. No work has been done on it since then. In order to repair it to last for say another twenty years the City would require an amount in the neighbourhood of \$11,000.00 which it could not find in a lump sum. The liquor tax grant each year was always in excess of \$1,000.00. Dawson was not asking for extra money, merely a loan on the understanding that payment would be made each year against the liquor tax grant.

Mr. R. L. McKamey This same problem exists in Mayo. I would suggest that Council resolve into the Committee of the whole to discuss this question.

Mr. Speaker This problem exists elsewhere too, in my own constituency for example.

Mr. J. Smith This question is much wider than the issue of the loan to Dawson. I suggest that it is a question of general dissatisfaction at the distribution of the liquor tax grant. I suggest that this matter be deferred until Monday next when it can be discussed in Committee of the whole with Commissioner Collins present.

The question was put to the House. Council agreed to defer the matter until discussion in Committee on the following Monday at 2 p.m. with the Commissioner in attendance.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that

Motion No. 6. it is the opinion of Council that the Election Ordinance should be amended prior to the next Territorial election so as to make provisions enabling a candidate to stand for election in an electoral district of the Territory notwithstanding that the candidate is ordinarily resident in another electoral district in the Territory.

Mr. C. D. Taylor In proposing this motion I would remind you of the proposals I made at the last session of Council aimed at ensuring that we have as many able people as possible to assist in the legislature of the Territory. I suggested then three points; that Indians be allowed to vote; that British subjects be allowed to vote; and finally, that all those eligible to vote should also be able to stand for election. Only the third of these suggestions was rejected. Again I am trying to broaden the basis of the elections to Council. The Yukon is now the only part of Canada where we restrict candidates from going into other districts for election.

...../Mr. J. Smith.

Mr. J. Smith I have compared the position here with that in other parts of Canada. Right across the country in all provincial elections there is no residential restriction of the type that exists here. I would like to make a few points on the issue, by using a few hypothetical cases. If I were to go to Dawson to contest the seat there, feeling that my own in Whitehorse was not strong enough, I would find very little support there from local residents who would be supporting Mr. Shaw. If I were to be moved to Dawson by my company I would not be able to contest my seat in Whitehorse, nor, probably that in Dawson, since I would have insufficient residential qualifications. A further disadvantage of the situation as it stands at present is that if Mr. Taylor, or I myself, should move from one part of the City of Whitehorse to another, we might well disqualify ourselves from contesting and holding our present seats.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I do not agree with this motion while the present system of government is <sup>in</sup>existence in the Territory.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Nor do I agree with this motion. It requires a resident of the district concerned to <sup>be</sup>representative of that district in Council. Only a local man will understand the problems that arise there.

Mr. J. Smith This is exactly my point Mr. Shaw. The local man has everything to gain with his constituents in competition with an outsider. On the other hand, don't you think that the constituent has the right to choose for himself.

Mr. G. O. Shaw There is always the danger of a powerful orator swaying the public mind.

Mr. J. Smith This is an attempt to broaden the basis of the legislative function. The voter in the Territory is an intelligent voter. The average percentage turnout to any election in the Territory points out his great interest in elections. Nothing but good can come of this motion if approved by Council.

Mr. R. L. McKamey This motion is premature for the present situation in the Yukon. Later when politics play a greater part in Council it might be useful, but meantime not necessary.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I wish to repeat my conviction that only a resident of the electoral district can really understand and represent the problems of his locality to Council.

Mr. J. Smith We have a great responsibility to the Federal Government with regards to our recommendations in connection with the Yukon Act. Our recommendation for two further members of Council will be further substantiated by such a provision as this before us now.

The question was put to the House.

The House was divided. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Smith voting for the motion. Mr. Shaw and Mr. McKamey voting against the motion. The Speaker exercised his casting vote as provided in S.O. 10 of the Rules of Council. Mr. Speaker voted against the motion.

Motion defeated.

...../Mr. C. D. Taylor.

Mr. C. D. Taylor

I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that

Motion No. 7.

Whereas tentative plans are being made to establish a library for the convenience of the people of the Territory, and

Whereas it may become necessary to construct a library depot at the City of Whitehorse, and

Whereas the Whitehorse Chapter of the I.O.D.E. have for the past 43 years sponsored and managed a public library in the City of Whitehorse and district notwithstanding that for the past 15 years this project has been carried out under considerable difficulty due to the lack of appropriate quarters, and

Whereas the Whitehorse Chapter of the I.O.D.E. are desirous of continuing with the sponsorship and operation of the public library for the citizenry of Whitehorse and district and are prepared to contribute the sum of \$4,000.00 towards the capital cost of construction of a library depot provided space therein is made available to the said Chapter for the purpose of operating a library for the use of the citizenry of Whitehorse and district,

in the opinion of Council should a library depot be constructed in the City of Whitehorse and should the Whitehorse Chapter of the I.O.D.E. contribute the sum of \$4,000.00 towards the capital cost of construction thereof, the said Whitehorse Chapter be allowed to occupy space in the depot for the purpose of providing a public library for the use of the citizenry of Whitehorse and district.

Mr. C. D. Taylor

In speaking for this motion I must say that it is the work of voluntary organisations such as the I.O.D.E. that has kept the community spirit alive in the Territory in the past. The \$4,000.00 is a sum kept in trust by the Territorial Government which was insurance paid when the old library was burned down. This sum was hardly enough to build a new library for a community such as Whitehorse. The possibility of a library depot being built in Whitehorse as a centre for the Territory provides an excellent opportunity for this money to be used. The idea would be that if a new building were constructed then the I.O.D.E. would be allowed a wing or room for use as a library for the City of Whitehorse.

Mr. J. Smith

I agree with Mr. Taylor that these ladies should be given every encouragement to carry on this work. A grant of \$15,000.00 has been made by the Canada Council for operational costs only. These library facilities when introduced will be of great benefit to the whole Territory.

The question was put to the House.

Motion carried.

...../Mr. G. O. Shaw

Mr. G. O. Shaw I propose that Council resolve into a Committee of the Whole to discuss the Taxation Ordinance.

Council resolved into a Committee of the Whole to discuss the Taxation Ordinance.

Council adjourned at 12 noon in Committee of the Whole.

2 o'clock p.m.

Committee of the Whole continued discussion on Bill No. 2. Commissioner F. H. Collins was in attendance.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

Progress on Bill No. 2

Mr. J. Smith I move that first reading be now given Bill No. 8, as amended.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Seconded.

Mr. J. Smith I move that second reading be now given Bill No. 8, as amended.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Seconded.

Mr. J. Smith I move that third reading be now given Bill No. 8,

Bill No. 8 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Seconded.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I bring to Council's attention the desirability of completing the Municipal Ordinance at as early a date as possible. This is highly desirable from the point of view of the two municipalities that we have in the Territory as they have election data that they have to get. I merely bring this to Council's attention as it is quite important to the two municipalities concerned.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Thursday the 26th November, 1959.



Thursday, November 26, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council a motion concerning child welfare in the Yukon Territory.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that

Motion for the production of papers No. 4. it is respectfully requested that a financial statement covering the gross, net and capital depreciation of United Keno Hill Mines, Yukon Consolidated Gold Corporation Placer Mines or any other Company attempting to avoid Territorial taxation on capital stock or productive machinery be presented to Council.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Do we have the right or authority to ask to see these papers. Are they Federal or Territorial companies?

Mr. J. Smith Personally I do not see what there is to gain from seeing this material. But they are public and not secret and as such we can see them.

Mr. D. S. Collins I am afraid that we do not have a statement for Y.C.G.C. since they have never complied with our Companies Ordinance. For United Keno Hill Mines the most recent information was published in September, 1958. I would prefer to bring this information down to Council myself, Members can then read it from the file concerned.

Mr. J. Smith May I ask how Yukon Consolidated Gold Corporation have been allowed not to comply with our Ordinance?

Mr. D. S. Collins The situation has its roots in 1923 when Y.C.G.C. was first incorporated. Older companies such as this were registered under the Federal Companies Act, which now also states that they must comply with Territorial legislation too and become registered under the Companies Ordinance of the Territory. It seems that in this particular case the company was never informed that they should be registered under the Territorial Ordinance, a situation which I shall remedy now.

Mr. J. Smith I think that Council is satisfied provided that by the next session of Council we could perhaps have a report that our Ordinance is being complied with.

The question was put to the House.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Municipal Ordinance.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue discussion of the Municipal Ordinance.

...../Mr. Speaker

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

Progress on Bill No. 1 to Section 129.

Council adjourned at 12 noon.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussing a request from the Catholic Ratepayers of Whitehorse for financial assistance from the Territorial Administration to expedite the extension of Christ the King School to accommodate High School grades, and the request from the Baptist Ratepayers of Whitehorse for separate school facilities.

The following persons took part in the discussion:

Commissioner F. H. Collins

Father B. Studer, O.M.I., Catholic Episcopal Corporation

Reverend H.C. Montgomery ) Yukon Baptist Missionery  
Reverend E. Hill ) Society.

Mr. James A. Hanna, representing the Catholic Ratepayers of Whitehorse.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

We have been in Committee of the Whole to hear various witnesses in connection with the request for the extension of separate school facilities.

The Committee reports progress and asks that a day certain be set for continuation of these discussions.

Agreed that Tuesday afternoon the 1st December, 1959, be set aside for further discussion on this matter.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Friday the 27th November, 1959.

Friday, 27th November, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. J. O. Livesey, with the Deputy Speaker in the Chair:- I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that

Motion No. 8.           in view of the serious situation in the Municipality of the City of Whitehorse and other communities with respect to neglected children and other allied and unresolved problems, be it resolved, that in the opinion of this Council, that this entire question be once again reviewed, and that a day be set to discuss the question and hear witnesses.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith           I move that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Municipal Ordinance.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue their discussion on the Municipal Ordinance.

Mr. Speaker later resumed the chair. Committee reported having discussed the Municipal Ordinance, with certain sections held in abeyance for further discussion, up to Section 148.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussing a brief from the Children's Aid Society. The following persons took part in the discussion :

Commissioner F. H. Collins

Mrs. R. F. Bryant - President, Children's Aid Society  
Mr. N. Gritzuk     - First Vice-President, Children's Aid Society

Mr. H. Murphy - Superintendent of Child Welfare.

It was agreed that this matter would be further discussed and that a representative of the Indian Affairs Branch of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration would be asked to attend.

Council continued in Committee of the Whole. Discussion took place on Hospital Insurance, with the following persons in attendance :

Commissioner F. H. Collins

Mr. R. J. Orange of the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee / .....

Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

We have been in Committee since the resumption of business this afternoon and have heard from representatives of the Children's Aid Society and also from Mr. Orange of the Department of Northern Affairs on the matter of Hospital Insurance. The Committee reports progress.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor,

Motion No. 9 that Council ask Mr. Collins, Commissioner of the Yukon Territory to direct a question to the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources for the purpose of obtaining information relative to the question before the House relating to whether the total cost of Indian hospitalization will be borne by the Federal government or not, and whether or not this information will be made available to Council at this session. In addition Council requires a full reply to Motion No. 27, passed at the First Session 1959, relating to a Hospital Insurance scheme.

Motion carried.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Saturday the 28th November, 1959.

Saturday, 28th November, 1959  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. C. D. Taylor gave notice of a Motion re a Brief from the Ministerial Association.

Mr. J. O. Livesey (with the Deputy Speaker in the Chair) gave notice of a Motion re stationery for use by Councillors.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue discussion on the Municipal Ordinance.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair

Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

Bill No. 1 - Progress to Section No. 191

Council adjourned at 12.00 o'clock noon.

Monday, November 30th, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. Speaker What are the opinions of Members on the discussion of the Separate Schools question. I gather that a further brief is to be presented to Council. Are we to go ahead with the discussion set for Tuesday afternoon. Or should we set another day so that the three or more other parties can prepare and present their views. Councillors may feel that we should go ahead as planned with the discussion of the Roman Catholic Ratepayers brief and set an additional day for further representations.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I shall be making a motion today on a brief from the Whitehorse Ministerial Association on this matter. I feel that it would be better to postpone the discussion of all these petitions so that all parties concerned can prepare their case to set their views before Council on the same day.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I have no objection to postponing this discussion. The presentation of <sup>all</sup> sides of the case on the one day would help us to reach a fuller understanding of the problem.

Mr. R. L. McKamey We should postpone the discussion. I never was in favour of railroading Christian rights. The more time given the better.

Mr. Speaker Should we then still have the discussion already set for Tuesday afternoon with another day set for further discussion of these other briefs.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Mr. Speaker I suggest that we delay this discussion until we have the full case before us. The issue will then be as clear as it can be.

Mr. Speaker Is there a motion on the matter?

Mr. C. D. Taylor I move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that <sup>we</sup> postpone the discussion on separate schools until Friday afternoon.

The House agreed.

Mr. J. Smith May I suggest that we now use Tuesday afternoon to continue discussion of the Municipal Ordinance.

Mr. McKamey Why not the Taxation Ordinance.

Mr. J. Smith I move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that we devote Tuesday afternoon to further discussion of the Municipal Ordinance, provided that no matter of more immediate importance arises.

The House agreed.

...../Mr. Shaw

Mr. G. O. Shaw I suggest that we devote Thursday afternoon to discussing various matters with the Commissioner.

The House agreed.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I wish to give notice of a motion for the production of papers concerning predator control.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I wish to give notice of a motion for the production of papers with reference to the Yukon Act.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that

Motion No. 10.

as the Whitehorse Ministerial Association have presented a brief on the question of separate schools, and as it appears that other parties wish to make representations on the same matter, the whole question be held over for discussion on Friday afternoon as agreed earlier this morning.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that

Motion No. 11

Whereas the honourable Members of the Yukon Legislative Council as presently constituted, aware of their responsibilities to the Electorate of the Yukon Territory, have shown, and are continuing to show, a keen and sincere interest in the social, cultural, economic, educational and other problems as they may affect the conduct of their affairs respecting the better welfare of the Territory, and

whereas this interest has increased the necessity to correspond frequently with the constituents of their respective electoral districts as well as public officials, officers of the Territorial and Federal Administrations, business social and other organisations, and

whereas such official correspondence should show correct identification in order to agree with socially accepted practice,

be it resolved that the Administrative Branch of the Government of the Yukon Territory supply in adequate quantities to each Member of Council letterhead and envelopes as well as other necessary stationery bearing, in printed or other form, the Yukon Shield and the words "Yukon Legislative Council", in addition to any other words as may be deemed to be both requisite and necessary.

Motion carried.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue discussion of the Municipal Ordinance.

Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12 o'clock noon until 2p.m.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council re-convened in Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussing Liquor Tax and continuing discussion on the Taxation Ordinance. Commissioner F. H. Collins was in attendance.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

We have been in Committee of the Whole since we convened at 2.00 o'clock so as to hear from Commissioner Collins with regard to ways and means of possible re-construction of the Liquor Tax and further on the Taxation Ordinance, on which we can report progress up to Section 45.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10.00 o'clock Tuesday the 1st December, 1957.

Tuesday, December 1st, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council a motion concerning the construction of a Zinc Float Plant.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I wish to give notice of motion for the production of papers concerning the per capita cost of education in the Whitehorse Schools.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I wish to give notice of motion for the production of papers concerning Indian children and Indian children of white status in schools in the Yukon Territory.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that  
Motion for the production of papers No. 5. it is respectfully requested that information be supplied regarding action, or if any has been taken, relative to my letter of July 31st, 1959, to Mr. F. H. Collins, regarding predator control.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that  
Motion for the production of papers No. 6. there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence, telegrams and documents of all kinds exchanged between any person or persons and the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources in the Yukon Territory, or between any other department of the Federal or Territorial governments that would in any way show the exact nature of any change, whether contemplated, suggested or otherwise, that would alter, erase or substitute or otherwise amend any portion of the Yukon Act as presently constituted.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I move that the House resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Municipal Ordinance.

Council Resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue discussion of the Municipal Ordinance.

Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12 o'clock noon.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council reconvened in Committee of the Whole.

Mr Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported having dealt with the Municipal Ordinance up to and including Section 293 with certain deletions.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Wednesday, December 2nd, 1959.



Tuesday, December 2nd, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that

Motion for the production of papers No. 7 . it is respectfully requested that the following information be presented to Council: a breakdown of the per capita cost of education in the Whitehorse schools in the Yukon Territory.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that

Motion for the production of papers No. 8. it is respectfully requested that the following information be presented to Council: the number of Indian children and Indian children of white status belonging to each and every religion supporting school in the Yukon Territory.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that

Motion No. 12 in the opinion of this Council the Dominion Government and the Territorial Government should participate in the investigation of the economic and financial aspects and feasibility of constructing a sink float plant for small operators mining copper ore in Whitehorse and adjacent areas.

Mr. R. L. McKamey A sink float plant is a plant constructed to refine ores down to concentrates that are economical to ship out. Numerous high grade copper zones exist in the Territory though there has not been too much development work to date. Some work has been done on these metamorphic deposits. A small operator could mine them more easily than a large company. Such a plant constructed in Whitehorse could lead to the growth of smaller mining companies in the area, in Carmacks, Haines Junction, Carcross, Johnson's Crossing and in the Kathleen Lake area.

A larger mining company did go in to do development work on the property at Kathleen Lake, but they gave it up because of the small tonnage. It is not certain just what tonnages were proved but local capitalists carried on the development work and turned up considerable size ore body of which they hauled out 900 tons to Haines, Alaska, to be shipped out to Japan. There is no reason why this same type of deposit could not be mined in the Whitehorse district if a sink float plant was constructed to mill ores from these smaller deposits.

Another point is that if the Federal and Territorial governments did finance the investigation of such a scheme it may provide winter work and solve some of this problem.

...../Mr. C. D. Taylor.

Mr. C. D. Taylor May I ask Mr. McKamey two questions. First, what would the capital expenditure of such a scheme be. Second, what can these various types of ore be reduced to.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I do not have any figures here, but I am investigating costs and should have something to show to Council tomorrow.

This ore can be reduced to a 25% concentrate. If it is chalcopyrite concentrate then it would carry about 30 - 33% of copper ore. If it is bornite your 25% concentrate would be possibly 50 - 65% copper.

Mr. G. O. Shaw In seconding this motion I must say that I think it a very good idea. Good for the Territory as a whole as well as for the small mining company. Large companies usually require many millions of dollars for their type of operation. This plant would make it possible and worthwhile to process these smaller bodies of ore in a more economical manner by smaller operators.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I suggest that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Hospital Insurance Ordinance with Mr. Orange and the Commissioner.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole.

Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12 o'clock noon until 2 p.m.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council reconvened in Committee of the Whole for discussion on the Taxation Ordinance. The following people took part in the discussion:

Commissioner F. H. Collins

Mr. R. Marshall of W.H.T.V.

Mr. E. King of Yukon Electrical Co. Ltd.

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Committee of the whole reported as follows: We have been in Committee since 10.30 a.m. this morning. We have heard from Mr. Orange concerning the hospital insurance scheme. This afternoon we have heard from Mr. King and Mr. Marshall, and have had further discussion on the Taxation Ordinance up to Section 68.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. December 3rd, 1959.

Thursday, December 3rd, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. Speaker There is a hospital meeting this afternoon which the Commissioner must attend. We will therefore not be having the discussion with him that we had planned. The member from Whitehorse East, Mr. Taylor, will also be away at this meeting. What does Council feel about the program for this afternoon.

There followed a general discussion on the afternoon's program. Mr. Taylor expressed the wish that Council continue discussion of the Municipal Ordinance saying that he would rejoin Council as soon as possible. It was finally decided to continue discussion of the Municipal Ordinance.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council a motion concerning the lease and sale of Crown lands.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Municipal Ordinance.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue their discussion of the Municipal Ordinance.

Council adjourned in Committee of the Whole at 12 o'clock noon.

2 o'clock a.m.

Council reconvened in Committee of the Whole to continue discussion of the Municipal Ordinance.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported as follows:

Our labours are beginning to bear fruit, we have been through the Municipal Ordinance once. We have been in Committee of the Whole since 10.30 a.m. and report progress.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Friday, December 4th, 1959.

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Friday, December 4th, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey, that,

Motion No. 13. in the opinion of Council, the methods employed relative to the lease and sale of Crown lands in the Yukon Territory are arbitrary, archaic, over prolonged, dilatory, unfathomable and unrealistic in nature and scope. Therefore, be it resolved that the Administrative Branch of the Government of the Yukon Territory advise the appropriate Federal Government department in Ottawa of the present dissatisfaction with the methods now being employed and ask that a new, streamlined and up to date system be established forthwith to facilitate adequate and necessary land settlement in the Yukon Territory.

Mr. J. O. Livesey In proposing this motion I am bringing up a problem that has existed for years. This question has been discussed before. I seem to remember it being discussed in the Whitehorse area some time ago. When are we going to be provided with a reasonably simple, clear cut program concerning this matter of land settlement. One of the reasons why our population is so small is that there is always difficulty when someone attempts to procure a small portion of land. Small business men need land in the Territory. Land is required for grazing for horses. Big game hunters need to make hay for horses. There are people who would like to come into the Territory to settle to farm and to establish agriculture here. Most of the time such people meet considerable difficulty in getting land. Final settlement is only reached after three years, by which time most of these people have given up hope and gone elsewhere. Arguments with the lands branch can go on for months and months. I have letters on file showing that there is a continual cross-fire between people wanting land and the department concerned. One case in particular I might mention is that of an American, an immigrant who wanted to settle in the Territory, buy land and open up a gas station. There must be some way of settling this matter. There should be some program set up by the Government and set out in clear terms that such people can follow. This would help to avoid this loss of people and revenue to the Territory.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I quite agree with Mr. Livesey, on this matter. Past governments have had very little laid down in the way of a policy on this matter. There are so many people who want to get a piece of ground. These difficulties fall into three categories. Land in the Municipalities, land in the smaller communities and the larger problem of land in the unorganised open areas.

In the first group I would say that there is no real problem in Dawson. The present system works well enough in Whitehorse too. We now have the Riverdale subdivision where you can buy land for building a home.

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If you want to buy land to build a home in other communities in the Territory in Watson Lake or Haines Junction it is practically impossible. Stakes and expenditure take too long - about three years. Though great progress is being made in the new subdivisions. At present a man can come into the Territory, see a piece of land that he wants and buy it for \$300.00 to \$400.00. The Territorial Government also sees that provisions are made for other developments elsewhere. For example, at Flat Creek and Johnson's Crossing land has been purchased by the Territory as provision for future townsites.

It is on open ground that the greatest problem exists. There is a case of a man who for twelve years has been trying to buy open ground for grazing near a Territorial road. He is asked for \$16.00 an acre for this land. There is nobody here to whom he can direct his enquiries. He is referred to Ottawa every time. A man who has to take big financial risks, for example someone wishing to invest money in a motel, should not be required to wait some three years before he can call the land his own. We should invite such people in and encourage such people who are prepared to make investments, not send them elsewhere.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I am in agreement with this suggestion of streamlining the land situation. It would be a ridiculous state of affairs in the mining industry if we had to go to Ottawa to record mining claims. The Federal Government plans to develop the North. I think that this suggestion is in accordance with this plan. If the Territory is to be developed then we must have more people here. At present development is in and around Whitehorse. But it is important that people settle in areas outside of Whitehorse where, in fact, this land problem is worse than elsewhere. It is almost impossible to get a piece of property outside of Whitehorse in these unorganised areas, in the very places that we want people to settle. If this is what they have in mind back in Ottawa we might as well set about it in the right way.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I am not too well acquainted with this land problem. In Dawson the supply of land exceeds the demand at the present time. But this situation could change and I have no doubt that it will. When it does there must be a clear and well stated policy over the purchase of land. It is not as if we were short of it up here. It is no good having some 207,000 square miles of land if you can't put it to some use. People are not going to buy if it takes three years before they can call it their own.

Mr. J. O. Livesey We must make some attempt to solve this problem. We have an over abundance of land. I can't understand why there are always these objections in the way of people who want to buy land. If it is not the amount of land you require there is always something else that is disagreed with. As if there was not enough land rather than this over abundance. There are people who are holding land for speculation and not using it. While others who want land for homes can't get it. What we want is a permanent land settlement which will encourage permanent settlement of the Territory by reliable people who will put down roots. This sort of program could bring many more permanent citizens into the Territory.

Motion carried.

...../ Mr. J. Smith.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council re-convened in Committee of the Whole for further discussion on the separate school problem. The following persons took part in the discussion:

Commissioner F. H. Collins

Rev. J. B. Milne, representing the Whitehorse Ministerial Association.

Flight Lt. P. Nyznik, representing the Whitehorse Elementary High School Parent Teachers' Association.

Miss D. McMurphy, representing the Yukon Teachers' Association.

Mrs. M. Alford, representing the Parent Teachers' Association of Christ the King School.

Reverend E. Hill, representing Yukon Baptist Missionary Society.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported progress on the Municipal Ordinance and the separate school problem.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m., Saturday 5th December, 1959.

Saturday  
5th December, 1959  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. J. O. Livesey (with the Deputy Speaker in the Chair) gave notice that he would introduce at this session a resolution concerning separate schools.

Mr. J. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. C. Taylor, that Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the Municipal Ordinance.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported progress on the Municipal Ordinance.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m., Monday, 7th December, 1959.

Monday, December 7th, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council motions concerning the Tourist Traffic, the cost of living, reforestration, and predator control.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council motions concerning the site of Robert Service's cabin, the Whitehorse sewer and water system, and the sale and use of alcohol in restaurants.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council motions concerning a nursing station at Haines Junction, Highways signs regulations, the Vocational School, the Alberta and British Columbia Commissions on Education, fire arms in the possession of persons under 14 years of age, and the matter of obtaining a report on radioactivity in food consumed in the Yukon Territory.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith,

Motion No. 14. the following resolution as an opinion of Council:

whereas the Yukon Legislative Council have prior to and during the present Session been made aware of the intense and sincere interest of the people of the Territory with respect to education, its phases and environs, and especially as the same may affect the children and young people resident in the Yukon, and

whereas the Council as a whole have received, and are continuing to receive, the views and opinions in varying degree and form of ecclesiastic leaders of faiths, both Roman Catholic and Protestant, Parent Teacher Associations, representatives of industry and other vitally interested organizations, groups and individuals, and

whereas such representations have clearly shown the need for a complete and unbiased study of the entire complex problem, and

whereas it is well understood that under our democratic system of government all men are entitled to freedom of choice in relation to thought, word, creed and doctrine, and

whereas it is a matter of irrefutable fact that schools have been established in the Yukon Territory that are known as Public as well as Separate Schools and it is clearly evident that there is an immediate need for expansion of classroom and other facilities to meet the growing needs of extra pupils in both these schools, and

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whereas it is further evident that the complexities involved in this most necessary expansion are both numerous and varied and by virtue of their very nature demand that decisions be made that will affect the present financial structure and economy of the Territory relative to the establishment of new schools, or additions to established schools, their maintenance, staffing, location and other vital matters such as preparedness for future development in the field of education, a constructive, balanced program to cover the needs of at least another ten years, as well as a review of the present territorial system of education, the adoption of possible changes that agree with the findings and results of various Royal Commissions both in Alberta and British Columbia as well as other Provinces in Canada,

therefore, be it resolved, that a Commission be established, the members of which shall be drawn from a Canadian university or other like institution as may be found to be both necessary and expedient in order to immediately proceed with an investigation to ascertain all the relevant facts in relation to the overall needs of the Territory in the field of education for the next or following ten years; to establish the estimated revenue required to meet both the capital costs of all suggested new buildings or additions to schools already in existence, as well as other matters pertinent to, and found to be both required and necessary, in order to solve the present problem in an equitable, fair, just and realistic manner, in relation to the needs of both Public and Separate schools in the Yukon Territory.

The Commission shall, in addition to the task of preparing and filing a full report, be required to bring in recommendations. The report shall be in the hands of the Speaker of the Yukon Legislative Council not later than thirty days prior to the day during which the said Council shall commence the Spring Session of Council in the year of Our Lord, 1960;

and further be it resolved that the Commission shall comprise three male or female members, and one member shall represent the Roman Catholic minority, and shall be one of the three members of the Commission as herein indicated; and further,

that the Federal Government of Canada be requested to contribute fifty percent of the monies required to complete the said investigation.

Mr. J.O. Livesey Mr. Speaker, and Honourable Members of Council:

First of all, in bringing this resolution before you, for the purpose of discussion and debate, for the benefit of the general public, and all those deeply concerned with the outcome of our decision here this morning, I think that it should be clearly stated, that our decision, whether based on the contents and general structure of the motion before you, or not, when finally decided in this House, will be in the form of an "Opinion of Council", only, and cannot be otherwise under the terms and conditions as set forth in existing law.

We are not, as yet, a Provincial Legislative Assembly, we are a group of elected Yukon Canadians, keenly interested in the better welfare of this Territory, attempting to show that we are entitled to more responsibility in government, which should come as a result of our undivided attention to what we may each consider to be our duty on behalf of the people of the Territory, and by



attempting to make responsible decisions that will bear fruit over the years to come.

I think that you will agree with me when I say that we make no claim to being experts in each and every field of government and in consequence earnestly pray, that the decisions we do make will be those decisions that are required, decisions that are just, equitable and fair to all, leaving out none who may have cause to think that they have been unjustly treated. This is a most difficult and trying task.

During the drafting of the resolution, consideration was given to the many and varied views and opinions of all those who so generously gave of their time in order to appear before the committee as witnesses, and to the expressed thoughts and views of Members of Council.

The substance of the resolution I feel, points to the complex problem before us, and shows the need for a complete review of all the many and varied difficulties involved. An immediate piecemeal decision that may cover only a small portion of the problem, although temporarily satisfactory, may later lead us into an untenable position, and thwart or bog down any orderly advance in the field of education. It is therefore imperative that we proceed with caution and obtain all the facts, in order to be able to make a sound decision.

I feel that we should accept without question, the fact that we do have both public and separate schools here in the Territory, and that it is not a question of deciding between two types of schools, so much as it is a question of meeting the requirements of each in a fair and equitable manner.

During the recent months all Councillors have collected a voluminous file, covering the many and varied views and opinions of residents relative to the question of education, and a further review of same, would not at this time serve any useful purpose, I would therefore Mr. Speaker, like to rest the question at this point in order to hear the opinions of my fellow colleagues in Council.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I suggest that Council adjourn at this point to make an inspection of the two schools concerned.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I feel that such an inspection would not make much difference to the question though I have no objection to it if that is what Council wishes.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I do not think that we can go ahead without taking all the facts into consideration. There is no doubt that there is an immediate need to see these schools.

Mr. J. O. Livesey If we are not aware of the overcrowding in both these schools now we never shall be.

The House did not agree with Mr. McKamey's suggestion.

Mr. C. D. Taylor Speaking in support of this motion I must say that I was born in the Territory and received most of my education here at a time when one school consisted of only two classrooms. As the years have gone by the population has grown with many different colours creeds and nationalities coming into this pioneer Territory. At one time there were only two religions in the area and a person of Chinese birth was not allowed in the country. With the war and the terrific drive towards the North a great mixture of people have come in whom we were at first not prepared to accept. Now we are settling down to set up a very definite program. These people came here because it was free and we must have it remain that way. This is not just a local Whitehorse problem nor even a Yukon problem, as you could have heard yesterday on the radio in the discussion on the Commissions on education in Alberta and Manitoba. The commentators were very learned chaps. We in the Territorial Council were not chosen because of our education but because the people of the Territory had the assurance that whatever we did would be for their benefit. No honest opinion can be laid down without the guidance of someone with the know how to suggest a solution. This problem can only be solved by people who know education and its history.

A heavy financial burden could fall on us if the wrong decisions were made. If our main industry were to fail or our armed services program to change we may be left with a very difficult program to face and to finance. A good program is all very well but we should not put a debt around our necks that we won't be able to handle. If we can get a more complete picture before making this decision for our children by going to someone who knows more about this than we do then we should do so.

Mr. R. L. McKamey We need school facilities now. Not in 1962. The procedure that Council is proposing is simply a way of getting off the hook. By 1962 there will be a new Council in. A Commission would not likely be formed until February or March, 1960. Money would have to be appropriated here and in Ottawa. The Commission's report would take at least eight months to be complete, otherwise I do not think it worth having. This takes us to February or March of 1961. There will a new election in the Fall with a new Council and possibly new members elected. We are leaving the question hanging in the clouds. The question was put to us. Now we are not going to give an answer. We are trying to avoid giving an answer. We have had the various requests and petitions placed before us. We are supposed to be the judge. It has been mentioned in correspondence with Northern Affairs that this Council was to make a decision on these schools.

Another point that we should consider is that these schools are overcrowded. The Indian School by 100 pupils. They expect 120 more in the Spring. What happens then? Do they double up? What happens if there is a fire? Remember what happened recently in a fire in a school in Chicago.

The Deputy Minister for Northern Affairs has agreed to build a school up at the Air Base, bearing the full cost, for additional facilities to the existing Christ the King School. This School has been left hanging in the clouds because we have not given them a definite decision. Give them the benefit of a "no". They cannot negotiate elsewhere until they have a definite decision from us. The Department of Northern Affairs have to make their 1961 estimates. Construction could not begin until the summer of 1961. This resolution will put this school back by at least two years.

Christ the King P.T.A. have referred to the "urgent need" to relieve this overcrowding. The Yukon Teachers' Association have stated that a critical evaluation of this situation is "imperative". The Ministerial Association have "strongly urged" us to consider this question. Does this all mean nothing?

The Catholics have 61 new students for 1960. Statistically speaking we can expect 122 in 1961 (to support this- they have already had 100 baptisms this year). We are ignoring facts, not taking them into consideration.

Mr. G. O. Shaw My residence is 350 miles from Whitehorse. I was most surprised to learn that these schools were so over crowded to the extent that there are 350 more pupils than we have accomodation for. Since I arrived here I have had various groups of people, all with a very good cause, approach me to ask if I would support this or that. The whole thing has become so complex that I find it difficult to make a decision one way or the other. A's program must obviously be carried out, but then B's case was very well presented. Finally I came to the conclusion that I was not qualified to vote yes or no, one way or the other, until we had some recommendations from people who were qualified to judge in the matter. This is not a problem we can solve at once. Mr. McKamey says that we are evading the issue, that we are not making a definite decision. I quite agree with him. I do not feel qualified to make a decision. I feel that under the terms of this resolution the Commission can get to work very soon. We do not have to accept the reccommendations of the Commission, but we will have their report on the many angles of the problem.

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Mr. Speaker then resumed the Chair from the Deputy Speaker.

Mr. J. Smith I am pleased to second this motion. I have the highest respect for the opinions expressed against it but I feel that the greatest merit lies with the resolution. We are faced with a very difficult situation and I think it a good idea that the public should know why. This matter has been tossed back and forth between every department concerned for approximately the last two years. Up until now all that has transpired is an exchange of letters between the Catholics, Indian Affairs in Ottawa, Northern Affairs and the Department of Education. A great deal of damage has been done. These people have all been backed into a corner until the only way out was to toss the ball to the Territorial Council. If they had intended us to make a decision then they should have kept us informed of developments. Public school issues have never been decided by Council before. They should be glad that they have here five Councillors who are not going to be stampeded into a decision.

We have been told that double shifts are undesirable. Even if they are undesirable they can be done until we get the problem back into the hands of those responsible. We can only recommend a course of action to the Administration where the responsibility belongs. At this point I would like to clear up in peoples' minds the fact that Council can only recommend. We are only a legislative body and certainly not a judicial body as some people imagine. Our ability to deal with this problem has been put out of all proportion to what we can actually do. All these petitions are quite sincere but it just can't be done.

We have to adjudicate in this very difficult matter. No representation has told Council how we are to find the money for all of this, nor how we are going to raise the school tax. This remains to be answered. The Roman Catholics are the only people who have offered to put a plug nickel in. Further no representation has offered any solution to the whole problem, only made piecemeal suggestions which is no solution at all. 40% of the population in the Territory is now under 19 years old. This means that we have two children to every three adults. Estimating it at \$300.00 to educate one child for a year this would mean that every adult should pay \$200.00 a year in taxes for education alone to pay for the maintenance of the present facilities which everyone agrees is inadequate. How much of this do we actually pay ourselves and how much does the Dominion Government pay? The Dominion Government is going to have a lot to say about how this money is spent. We are going to have to come up with some good and sound recommendations or we will have a very poor reception.

I would remind Council of the 45% of the population who have not been able to present their views here. This 45% is producing goods that are the excuse for the very existence of Whitehorse. They have not been able to bend the ear of Council. No one can tell me that the school facilities beyond Whitehorse are near perfect. 55% of the population of the Territory is in the Whitehorse area and we have heard almost too much from them at this Session.

Material by the earload has been presented to Council. The more we read the more confused we become. But I must bring up one further point in this whole question. We

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must not overlook the fact that those Roman Catholic and Protestant parents who wish to send their children to public schools have a statutory right to do so. Such rights must not be prejudiced, which could very easily happen.

It is not for us to decide on the expediency of the moment. We were not appraised of school construction plans. It was not until the people in Ottawa who normally deal with these matters decided that they could not deal with it any longer that we were called in. It is Ottawa's responsibility not ours.

Separate schools are part and parcel of the educational system of the Territory. I am not opposed to them. They are two parallel institutions in the system. We must find the common ground on how to deal with the taxpayers money in this matter.

We cannot make proposals without someone making it their business to find out what is the solution. I am in full agreement with and happy to second this resolution.

Motion carried.

Council then resolved into Committee of the whole to discuss the Municipal Ordinance.

Committee of the whole adjourned at 12 noon until 2.00 p.m.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council re-convened in Committee of the Whole to discuss miscellaneous matters with Commissioner F. H. Collins.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported as follows:

We have been in Committee of the Whole since roughly 11.15 this morning. Since then we have dealt with further changes in the Municipal Ordinance. This afternoon we have had Mr. Commissioner in attendance and have dealt with various matters on his letter to us of November 19th.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Tuesday, 8th December, 1959.

Tuesday, December 8th, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order with Mr. Livesey, Mr. Smith, Mr. McKamey and Mr. Shaw present.

Mr. G. O. Shaw

I beg to move, seconded by Mr. McKamey,

Motion No. 15

that Commissioner Collins be requested to attend Council in the Committee of the Whole to discuss matters of predator control on Tuesday, December 8th, the day set aside in Council in the discussion of private members motions.

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw

I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith,

Motion No. 16

that information be supplied Council, or if the information be not available, then a survey be conducted in the Yukon Territory at Whitehorse, Dawson, Mayo and points North and South on the Alaska Highway to show the relationship between the cost of living in the Yukon as compared with the national cost of living index.

Mr. G. O. Shaw

I feel that such an index is necessary for business people up here. Elsewhere people have such a yardstick. It would be very useful here.

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw

I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that

Motion No. 17

whereas the Yukon Territorial Government and private enterprise are making every effort from a physical and financial point of view to encourage tourist travel within the Territory, and

whereas it has been recognised and established that tourism is the second most important industry in the Yukon Territory, and

whereas it would appear to be most necessary and highly desirable that both the Yukon Territorial Government and the Federal Government, wherever possible and reasonable, make every attempt to remove any form of restriction that in fact are to be found detrimental to the encouragement of this very important industry, and

whereas the facilities at the ports of entry in the Yukon Territory, controlled by the Custom and Immigration authorities appear to restrict the free movement of traffic, especially during the summer months to which emphatic objections have been taken by the travelling public,

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therefore, be it resolved that in the opinion of this Council the port of entry at Mile 1202 on the Alaska Highway should be open for business for twenty four hours each day during the summer months, and that the port of entry at the Canadian-American border known as Little Gold on the Sixty Mile Road be open for business for sixteen hours each day during the months of June, July and August.

Mr. G. O. Shaw If a tourist happens to be a little late on the Alaska Highway when having to cross a port of entry he sometimes has to wait for four to eight hours before he can proceed. This seems ridiculous. The Little Gold port of entry is way up on a mountain sixty miles from Dawson on the Sixty Mile road. The late tourist has no choice but to wait up there, where there is nothing at all, or travel back to Dawson. There is a twenty four hour ferry service there for the benefit of tourists. We can either cut the ferry service down to coincide with the hours of entry at the border, which I would not recommend, or we should have the port of entry open longer. Some people go on through the Little Gold port without realizing that they should report there. On arriving in Dawson they are charged with illegal entry. There is goodwill lost amongst well-meaning people. There was even a case of a member of the legal profession from Whitehorse being charged with illegal entry. Local people are doing all they can to increase tourist traffic, the Territorial Government is doing the same. It is highly desirable that the Federal Government should do the same thing.

Mr. J. Smith Do both these places work in accordance with their American counterparts?

Mr. G. O. Shaw Yes they do work in conjunction. But two wrongs don't make a right. There is too a difference in time between Alaska and the Yukon. I have made a visit to Anchorage and returning I had to stay overnight at Toke Junction the American port of entry because we arrived after 10 o'clock at night. The next day we travelled on to Dawson leaving after 8 o'clock in the morning. If we had been tourist we might well have taken our time, fished and looked around. It is only 150 miles to the Canadian customs, but a tourist might well arrive just too late to get through, confused by that one hour's difference. Three months is not an unreasonable time to ask them to be open. We have a letter from Mr. Sims saying that they are willing to cooperate but that the traffic does not warrant more personnel up there. I think that if you provide the facilities then the business will catch up with you. When people are endeavouring to get tourists and our Government is well aware of this. The Federal Government must see this too.

Mr. J. Smith What kind of hours would you find at the U.S. customs at Toke Junction?

Mr. G. Shaw From 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., the same as the Canadian Customs. Little Gold is only open in June, July and August. Then the office moves into Dawson, since the road closes soon after that. As far as I can see they might just as well be in Dawson all the time instead of way out on the Sixty Mile Road. If there is going to be any smuggling done it will be done anyway when the Customs people move into town. If they are going to be way out there they should give more service.

...../Mr. D. S. Collins

Mr. D. S. Collins Toke Junction works for both entries over the Alaskan border.

Mr. G. O. Shaw The Americans will have to follow if the Canadian Government gives the lead.

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Livesey, that

Motion No. 18

it is the opinion of Council that a plan of reforestation be implemented within the Yukon Territory, particularly along and adjacent to highways; and that on unoccupied Crown lands no permits for green wood or green timber be issued except for selective cutting within five hundred feet of the limits of either side of any main highway.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I am proposing this motion because of the devastated appearance along the highways of places where there have been fires or where wood cutting has been carried on. In most of the other provinces that have timber resources they require a certain amount of reforestation when granting permits. It is not practical to try to reforest throughout the whole Territory. But it might be possible to start along the areas seen by the tourist. It grows one of the country's resources, stops erosion, increases animal life and helps to prevent floods. I feel that some small plan should be started along the highways and the same applies to the issuing of timber permits.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw

Motion No. 19

that, in the opinion of Council, an amendment should be made to the regulations contained in the Highway Signs Regulations, being part of the Motor Vehicles Ordinance, and Commissioner's Order 1959-52, that came into force on the 21st day of July, 1959. It is hereby proposed that subsection (d) of section 9. of the said Highway Signs Regulations be revoked, and the following inserted as an amendment:- "Within fifteen feet of the shoulder of any highway"

Mr. J. O. Livesey Last spring proposals about the necessity of control on signs along the highways were made and submitted to the Commissioner. Control was suggested by way of having an Inspector of signs. However, a Commissioner's Order came out that in no way agreed with our suggestions. In most cases along the Alaska Highway and other highways under Territorial control and maintenance we do not have any very wide ditches. They are covered by brush which grows to tremendous heights. So that if you put a sign up thirty feet off the shoulder of the highway you put it in an area where there is high brush and it is much too far away to be seen. Most signs that we have at the moment are less than 30 feet from the highway. I feel that fifteen feet is quite sufficient.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Perhaps there will be too many signs. Perhaps thirty feet is too far away. But fifteen feet might be too close. Could not the regulations be made flexible to take different circumstances into consideration.

Mr. J. O. Livesey There are not likely to be too many signs. If

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there were it could be a problem. But it seems that/it is commercial signs that are considered to be obstructing the highway. How do those who maintain these roads get around their own signs. If it ever came to the point that these signs were objectionable then the regulations can be changed.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I think that it is necessary to have signs that can be seen. Along the Alaska Highway a wonderful attempt has been made to clean out all the ditches and backslopes. I have noticed a section just out of Whitehorse where there are signs every hundred yards. Here the ditches and backslopes have not been cleaned out because you would have to move all the signs to do so. D.N.D. remove all their own signs and then replace them when cleaning out. I am in favour of this motion if there was some way of compromising so that owners of signs agreed to move them once a year when the ditches were being cleaned out.

Mr. D. S. Collins The regulations provide for the removal and replacement of signs. Before there were no such provisions. Sometimes the signs were removed but not replaced. Often signs were not removed and the ditches not cleaned. This whole question of how far from the shoulder of the highway signs should be is quite a problem.

Mr. G. Shaw Perhaps there could be some way of notifying the owners of signs. They can then take them down so that maintenance crews can carry out their duties.

Mr. D. S. Collins There is provision in the Regulations that seven days notice should be given. The moot point is the distance from the shoulder of the highway.

Mr. R. L. McKamey Does Mr. Livesey agree with the removal of these signs by road maintenance crews?

Mr. D. S. Collins He must be since he has not asked for an amendment to the section which provides for removal and replacement.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I am in full agreement with those Regulations which give those who maintain the roads the right to do so.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor,

Motion No. 20. that in view of the necessity for this Council to look over and review the plans that have been presented to us, and information from the Commissioner of the Territory that the architects would be pleased to discuss such pertinent matters with Council as may be found desirable, and that time should be allowed for travelling to Whitehorse of the architects; a time and date should be set to discuss the Vocational School question during this Session.

Mr. J. O. Livesey This is just to decide what should be done about this question that was brought to our attention by the Commissioner.

It was decided to postpone discussion on this matter until the Commissioner was present in Committee.

...../Mr. J. O. Livesey

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that  
Motion No. 21. in the opinion of Council, the Administrative Branch of the Government of the Yukon Territory be requested to procure for each Member of Council a report on Education from each Royal Commission with respect to the provinces of Alberta and British Columbia when such reports become available.

Mr. J. O. Livesey This is merely to make sure that we get a copy of these reports.

Mr. J. Smith The Alberta report will be printed and available on January 9th, 1959. The cost, so that Administration may know what they will be expending on Council's behalf, is \$3.00 per copy.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that  
Motion No. 22. in the opinion of Council the Administrative Branch of the Government of the Yukon Territory be requested to obtain a report covering the extent or presence of radioactive substances such as Strontium 90 and Carbon 14 that are being absorbed by residents of the Yukon Territory through the consumption of food such as milk and cheese on sale in the Territory.

Mr. J. O. Livesey There are reports on this covering practically all the provinces in Canada. It is just a matter of taking samples of milk and cheese, which appear to be those foods which are more likely to contain this, and ascertain whether they do contain any radioactive substances. We should know just where we stand with regard to radioactivity here in the Territory. Nothing has been done about it so far and it would be of great benefit to know just what the position is.

Mr. G. O. Shaw If this matter has been well examined in other places in Canada they might as well add the Yukon Territory to their surveys. Most statistics on Canada entirely leave out the Yukon.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I am in agreement with the suggestion. It can do no harm at all. I know that people are interested in this matter and it is most contraversial in my own electoral district. In the past two years there have been eight or nine cases of people flown out for cancer treatment when up until recently we had not heard of cancer here. With all this talk about Strontium 90. this survey could do no harm.

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I move that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Municipal Ordinance.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole.

Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12 noon until 2 p.m.

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2 o'clock p.m.

Council re-convened in Committee of the Whole for discussion on Predator Control, Nursing Station at Haines Junction, and Firearms in the possession of persons under fourteen years of age. Commissioner F. H. Collins and Mr. A. J. Reeve were in attendance.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

We have been in Committee of the Whole since approximately 11 a.m. We have dealt with certain aspects of the Municipal Ordinance and we have had Mr. Commissioner along with Mr. Reeve for discussion on three members motions. We have also had discussion with Mr. Commissioner re Motion No. 14.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. 9th December, 1959.

Wednesday, December 9th, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this Session of Council motions concerning the streets of Keno, improvements at Mayo, and the hospital rates at Mayo.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that

Motion No. 23 it be resolved that in the opinion of Council those certain lands south of Whitehorse, the boundaries of which have been agreed upon by the Yukon Administration and the Whitehorse Board of Trade, commonly referred to as the Robert Service Park, should be set aside for orderly development under a park program.

Mr. C. D. Taylor The Board of Trade committee on this park has met with the Commissioner who has agreed with them. I am now asking for a vote on this in Council.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Is this land Crown land?

Mr. C. D. Taylor Yes it is. The name, Robert Service Park, is at the moment for reference purposes only. It is not to be named at this time.

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that

Motion No. 24 in the opinion of Council consideration should be given to finding ways and means of alleviating the financial burden which faces the City of Whitehorse in its financing of the new water and sewer system, and that the Yukon Administration should make representations to the Federal Government for an annual grant to assist the City of Whitehorse in meeting its annual payments.

Mr. C. D. Taylor Whitehorse has been given this sewer and water system which is much larger than the one originally requested. One million dollars was eventually voted for this system. The town has not developed at the rate expected and consequently the 65¢ foot frontage tax has not been nearly sufficient to meet our amortization payments. This system was supposed to cover much more property than it does and the debt would be met by this frontage tax over thirty years. The present number covered is inadequate to meet this rate right now and the City is in an embarrassing position. They are now asking the Territorial Government to help in developing this scheme.

Mr. J. Smith The City of Whitehorse is not in arrears in its payments on this amortization. The money to date has merely been taken from the grant made to us by the Territorial Government. We need to reimburse our own treasury because of this amortization deficiency. Many properties anticipated to be included in this scheme have not been, for example Block 19. We have discussed the problem with the Deputy Minister who has asked for a full report. He has suggested a meeting between the Federal Government, the Territorial Government and the City to discuss the problem. All that we are asking now is Council's endorsement of the fact that the problem exists and that a conference be set up to see what can be done. In this case the City is the victim of somebody else's planning.

...../Mr. G. Shaw

Mr. G. O. Shaw As I understand it the operation costs are O.K. but there is no surplus to help out on the 65¢ foot frontage tax to pay the amortization.

Mr. J. Smith Yes the operation costs and revenue just about break even. Last year for example operation costs were roughly \$85,000, and revenue on it about \$87,000 altogether.

There followed a general discussion on the financial arrangements involved.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that

Motion No.25 in the opinion of Council a definite program should be put into operation that would ensure sufficient staff and personnel for the efficient operation of the Nursing Station at Haines Junction, and allow for adequate medical attention to be served to all adjacent areas.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I think that we might have further discussions with the Administration on this later and try to put up a plan that is possible at this time.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Livesey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that

Motion No. 26 Council review and consider a document forwarded by the Administration with respect to the carrying of firearms by persons under fourteen years of age, and report their findings, conclusions or decisions to the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory.

Mr. J. O. Livesey We have already discussed this matter fairly well yesterday afternoon when in Committee and came to the conclusion that we should bring it up again at the Spring Session.

Mr. J. Smith I gather that regulations are to be made by the Administration.

It was agreed to discuss this question again at the Spring Session, 1960.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue their discussion of the Municipal Ordinance.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of the Whole reported having read Bill No. 1, the Municipal Ordinance with certain amendments made.

The Amendments to Bill No. 1 were given first reading.

The Amendments to Bill No. 1 were given second reading.

...../Mr. J. Smith

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that third reading be given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 1. AN ORDINANCE RESPECTING MUNICIPALITIES

Motion carried.

Third reading was given Bill No. 1 with Mr. Livesey and Mr. McKamey against Sections 115, 135 and 203, and Mr. Livesey against paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of Section 207.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that the Bill be passed and that the title be as follows:

AN ORDINANCE RESPECTING MUNICIPALITIES.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that the discussion on electoral districts be postponed until the Spring Session.

Mr. R. L. McKamey Why is this.

Mr. J. Smith This is a highly technical and controversial question. It should be thoroughly discussed to be as workable as possible. As we want to prorogue as soon as possible time does not permit a proper discussion of the matter.

Mr. R. L. McKamey But I understand that there are changes to made in the Yukon Act in the Spring.

Mr. G. O. Shaw There have been two suggestions made on this distribution of the electoral districts. Whatever changes are made in the Yukon Act will not affect our decision.

Mr. J. Smith The changes in the Yukon Act will only alter the number of members, it will not specify the districts to which they will be elected.

Motion carried, with Mr. McKamey against.

Mr. Smith suggested that Council discuss the Board of Trade proposal concerning small businesses in Committee with Mr. Commissioner. Council agreed with this suggestion.

A ten minute recess was called during which Council was introduced by Commissioner F. H. Collins to the following:

Major General G. M. Walsh,  
GOC Western Command.

Brigadier J. R. B. Jones,  
Commander N.W.H.S.

Lt. Col. V. R. Schjeldrup,  
CO 2nd Battalion P.P.C.L.I.

Major W. H. Salter,  
G.S.O. 2, H.Q. Western Command

Major C. J. A. Hamilton,  
P.R.O. Western Command.

...../Council

Council adjourned at 12 O'clock noon.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss the following matters with Commissioner F. H. Collins and Mr. A.J. Reeve.

Proposed Vocational School  
Proposed National Park  
Game Ordinance - Application to Indians and Eskimos  
Social and Economic Status of Indians.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported as follows :

We have been in Committee of the Whole since 2 o'clock. We have discussed various items with the Commissioner on his letter of November 19th. We have also had an informal discussion with Major General Walsh concerning Civil Defence. Still other items on Commissioner's letter of November 19th to be discussed.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock, Thursday 10th December, 1959.

Thursday, December 10, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Mr. J. Smith I would like to suggest that Council meet for a further two hours this evening. There is a great deal of business to get through.

Council agreed to an evening session depending on certain members being able to postpone prior engagements.

There was a general discussion on the agenda for the remainder of the week.

Mr. J. Smith Would it be necessary, Mr. Speaker, for me to give notice of motion in order to raise the question of a further discussion of the brief presented to us by the Children's Aid Society, or would it be sufficient to raise the matter when in Committee with the Commissioner present.

Mr. Speaker I think it would in order for you to raise the question when we are in Committee with Mr. Collins there.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Is it necessary for me to give notice of motion or may I talk to the House in Committee about the matter of law and order in Dawson City.

Mr. Speaker I think that matter can be raised in Committee when the Commissioner is there.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move that the following Bill be introduced:

Bill No. 9. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GAME ORDINANCE

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move that the following Bill be introduced:

Bill No. 10. AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY (Fourth Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60)

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move that the following Bill be introduced:

Bill No. 11 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TAXATION ORDINANCE

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I wish to give notice that I will introduce at this session of Council a motion concerning the Commission on Education.

...../ Mr. R. L. McKamey



Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that  
Motion No. 27 in the opinion of Council a resurfacing  
program on the streets of Keno be carried  
out in the year of 1960.

Mr. R. L. McKamey This does not require much discussion. The  
money that was appropriated for the year 1959 was spent on improving  
facilities for fire protection, and on converting a truck which is  
now doing dual service on water hauling and for fire protection.

People are moving into Keno. There is more  
mining activity around there. There are now no vacant houses in  
the town. It appears that the town is going to go ahead which  
will help mining in the whole Territory. The more livable you  
can make these towns it will encourage people to stay.

Mr. J. Smith Roughly how much money are we talking about.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I would say approximately \$2,000.00.

Mr. G. O. Shaw Are these roads in very bad condition.

Mr. R. L. McKamey Yes. There are practically no streets at all  
and no sidewalks. Children walking to school are saturated if a  
car passes in wet weather.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that  
Motion No. 28 in the opinion of this Council due consideration  
should be given to the requirements and improve-  
ments of streets and drainage in Mayo, as  
suggested by the Mayo Improvement Committee.

Mr. R. L. McKamey These suggestions were contained in a letter  
from the Mayo Chamber of Commerce Improvements Committee. I shall  
quote from this letter:

- "1. That a survey be made and steps taken to straighten  
out the road and approach from the junction into  
the town of Mayo.
2. That the work commenced in 1959 on the streets with  
the ditching be furthered. This would necessitate  
survey for the proper drainage levels. Graveling  
on Main Street from the Pioneer Hall to dyke with  
turn around. Finish construction of boardwalk that  
was commenced last season with additional walk placed  
opposite Silver Inn Hotel.
3. That a new street light be installed by the Pioneer  
Hall and area near H. Ewing's residence."

Mr. J. Smith Again, just how much money is required?

Mr. R. L. McKamey An additional \$5,000 might put the town into  
shape. There are already some improvements. There are no pools  
of stagnant water lying around any more. This makes for a  
healthier town to live in. When the new road from Mayo to Elsa

...../is completed

is completed people from the Elsa mines will be living in Mayo and there will be more children attending the new school there.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that  
Motion No. 29 in the opinion of Council it is expedient that the per diem rate at the Mayo Hospital not exceed \$18.00, and that the rate charged be all inclusive.

Mr. R. L. McKamey Up until October the rate charged was \$12.50 a day. The Commissioner then raised the rate to \$18.50 per day, non-inclusive. The people in Mayo were very disturbed about it. At the time Mr. Collins was away on holidays and so I wrote to Mr. Robertson. I can read this letter to you and Mr. Robertson's reply. Should we discuss this matter when the Commissioner is here?

Mr. J. Smith I agree with Mr. McKamey that we discuss this in Committee with Commissioner.

The House agreed to this suggestion.

Mr. J. Smith I move that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Taxation Ordinance.

Council adjourned at 12 noon in Committee of the Whole until 2 pm.

2 o'clock p.m.

Council re-convened in Committee of the Whole for further discussion on the Taxation Ordinance, and discussion on various other matters with Commissioner F. H. Collins.

Council adjourned in Committee of the Whole until 7 o'clock p.m.

7 o'clock p.m.

Council re-convened in Committee of the Whole.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported progress on the Taxation Ordinance and various matters discussed with Commissioner Collins.

Council accepted the report of the Committee.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock, Friday 11th December, 1959.

Friday, December 11th, 1959.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers, after which Council was called to order.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that  
Motion No. 30 it be resolved that it is the opinion of Council that the executive members of Council, namely Mr. Speaker and Mr. Chairman, be appointed to be the members of the committee to study and take up with the Commissioner the terms of reference as relating to the proposed Commission on Education and the appointment of the members of said Commission.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I would like to hear Mr. Shaw's views on this.

Mr. G. O. Shaw It is not possible to discuss this further in Council. Mr. Speaker, I understand, will not be leaving town for a few days. He and Mr. Smith can discuss the matter with the Commissioner and come to some decision on the question in accordance with Council's wishes.

Mr. J. Smith The authority given to this committee would only be within the scope of Council's motion on this question.

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the following Bill be read for the first time:

Bill No. 9 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GAME ORDINANCE

Motion carried.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the following Bill be read for a second time:

Bill No. 9 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GAME ORDINANCE

Motion carried.

Council then resolved into Committee of the whole to discuss Bill No 9.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported having read Bill No. 9 with no amendments.

Mr. G. O. Shaw I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the following Bill be read for a third time:

Bill No. 9 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GAME ORDINANCE.

Motion carried.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that the following Bill be given first reading:

Bill No. 11 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY (Fourth Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60)

Motion carried.

...../Mr. R. L. McKamey

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that the following Bill be given second reading:

Bill No. 11 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY. (Fourth Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60)

Motion carried.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss Bill No. 11.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported having read Bill No. 11 with no amendments.

Mr. R. L. McKamey I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that the following Bill be given third reading:

Bill No. 11 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY. (Fourth Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60)

Motion carried.

Mr C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the following Bill be given first reading:

Bill No. 10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TAXATION ORDINANCE

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the following Bill be given second reading:

Bill No. 10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TAXATION ORDINANCE

Motion carried.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss Bill No. 10.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported that they wished to extend discussion of this amendment to the present Taxation Ordinance into the discussion of the new Taxation Ordinance.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to continue their discussion of the Taxation Ordinance and Bill No. 10.

Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12 noon until 2 p.m.

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2 o'clock p.m.

Council re-convened in Committee of the Whole for further discussion on Bill No. 10.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported as follows:

Bill No. 10 - with amendments.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss the following matters with Commissioner F. H. Collins:

Brief from Children's Aid Society  
Superannuation scheme for Territorial employees  
Loans to small businesses.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported as follows:

We have been in Committee of the Whole since roughly 10.30 a.m. and have dealt with various matters along with Mr. Commissioner. We have also dealt with amendments to Bill No. 10.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that first reading be given to the amendment to Bill No. 10.

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that second reading be given to the amendment to Bill No. 10.

Motion carried.

Mr. C. D. Taylor I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Smith, that third reading be given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 10. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TAXATION ORDINANCE.

Motion carried.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss Bill No 2. the Taxation Ordinance.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported having read Bill No. 2 with amendments made.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that first reading be given to the amendments to Bill No. 2.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that second reading be given to the amendments to Bill No. 2.

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Smith I beg to move, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that third reading be given to the following Bill:

Bill No. 2 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF TAXES ON REAL PROPERTY IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Motion carried.

Council adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Saturday, December 12, 1959.

Saturday, December 12, 1959.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker read the daily prayers after which Council was called to order.

Council then resolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss the following matters with the Commissioner.

Sewer and Water at Haines Junction.  
Distribution of Liquor Tax Grant  
Hospital Costs at Mayo  
Proposal for Cafeteria at Whitehorse High School

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Committee of the Whole reported having discussed various matters with the Commissioner.

Mr. G. O. Shaw It is with pleasure that I am again having the privilege of replying to the Commissioner's opening address.

This has indeed been a most strenuous Session, with various matters being of a most controversial nature, one of the most contentious being what is referred to as the Separate School issue. All Members of Council were deluged by voluminous briefs from various and sundry organizations, all most sincere in what they wanted to have implemented in the matter of education. These actions whether intended or otherwise did have the effect of making it most difficult for Members of Council to sort the wheat from the chaff. This battle of briefs after being tossed from one segment of the government to the other finally found a resting place upon this Council's table. Council's request for a thorough investigation of all the phases of education by a qualified commission puts this whole matter where it should have been years ago, away from the sphere of politics and sectionalism and into the hands of a realistic and sincere approach.

The Commissioner made reference to the amount of monies expended by the Territorial and Federal governments in the construction of many Public Works projects and quoted the Roads to Resources program of the federal government as a partnership of effort between the Government and private enterprise, the government doing the essential groundwork to pave, or perhaps I should say gravel, the way to the many resources we feel are in that vast area north of us. This is a courageous stand and worthy of every support from the people of the Yukon. At the last Session of Council when roads were discussed the air was polluted with dire pessimism concerning the Flat Creek - Fort MacPherson road. Cats were to be buried by the score and gravestones erected by the dozen to commemorate the event. There were bog holes and snow drifts out of all proportion. However, the machinery rolled on and beat down these many obstacles under the direction of the men whose vision it was to create a transportation route to the potential oil fields as rapidly as possible. The facts are now proven that there is oil in the far North. I have seen this oil. I have also travelled on this road leading to the oil field. I saw no bog holes, nor did I see gravestones of tractors. I would suggest, Mr. Speaker that it is optimism that has built this country not pessimism. Quite recently I have heard of great progress being made in the building of a winter road by private means into the Wind River area. This is commendable and worthy of government assistance where possible. Roads that lead to and make available our natural resources cannot but help the economy of this Territory.

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My next remarks, Mr. Speaker, will be in reference to the area which I am proud to represent. This is the Dawson district. As you are well aware, this area was for many years the backbone that upheld the economy of the Territory. Even today it is providing directly from its gold production wages in excess of \$1,500,000.00 each year, in spite of the fact that gold alone of all commodities has been kept at a fixed price for almost 30 years during a period of tremendous inflation. Inevitably these reserves that are still in the Klondike and adjacent areas will be worked out. I am fully confident that in time other industrial or mineral developments can take up this slack. However, we must make plans before these reserves are exhausted. The Klondike has a romantic appeal to people the world over, second to none on this continent. I would suggest that both the Territorial and Federal Governments cast a very auspicious eye on the potential revenue that could accrue to us, and all of Canada, from tourist revenue, by a program well laid out to perpetuate an era in Canadian history that has no parallel on the North American Continent. However, I would like to remind you that time is of the essence if we wish to retain these buildings that are a part of that history and are a resource just as truly as the minerals under the ground and just waiting for development.

During the Spring Session I discussed to some extent the matter of resources, both natural and human resources. In the matter of natural resources, in particular mines, this Council at this session has given amnesty in certain respects to mining companies both from a viewpoint of retaining production in defined areas and encouraging expenditures in new mining ventures over the Territory. The Federal government also notes the wisdom in encouraging new development by relieving any new company of taxation for the first few years. I ask what has been done for the man down the street to encourage him to stay here and set his roots down. I would say, nothing. The attitude appears to be that if one does not like it here it is a free country and they can move south. This is not a realistic approach to the problem, albeit it is easy to say. The facts are that until the Federal government recognizes the difference in cost of living in the Yukon in relation to the cost of living in the southerly parts of Canada and takes action to equalize this situation then the entire incentive is not here for people to create the permanency or residence which is so desirable. As you note, Mr. Speaker, I have introduced and I am pleased that Council has accepted my resolution that a survey be conducted in the Yukon to establish the cost of living index in relation to the national index. This when it is completed will be factual proof of my submissions in the regard of assisting our human resources in further developing this Territory in the manner of larger personal exemptions from Taxation to create this incentive.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Commissioner and his staff for the courtesy and cooperation extended to Council during this Session.

Mr. J. Smith I think that a few words at this time concerning the labours of the past few weeks will be quite in order. When we came here the file on my right was full of such things as the Municipal Ordinance, the Hospital Insurance Ordinance, various money bills and many other matters that we dealt with. During this time everything has been dealt with in a reasonably prompt manner except for the Hospital Insurance bill. All these things are going to have a very great effect on us here in the Territory. Particularly the Municipal Ordinance which will affect our municipalities now and will help in the establishing of new municipalities. The Taxation Ordinance has invoked the principle that while we are willing to tax our prime industries we are also willing that they should be exempt. This is also going to have far reaching effects. The Hospital Insurance Scheme

foundered because of the ineptitude of the federal government in not having their willingness or unwillingness to meet the ceiling rates required stated by their representative. We are all very disappointed. If we are expecting people to settle up here then we should have the same social amenities available to offer people here as they have elsewhere in Canada. Mr. Orange tells us that 90% of the country is either covered already or has legislation on the books. It was a very grave mistake on the part of the government in not having their opinions made known to Council at this time.

After three and a half weeks of talking it is time for us to go home to our businesses and consult with those whom we represent before we can come back to the Spring Session which is only four months away. We have agreed. We have disagreed. We hope that as embryo legislators we have been able to give better tools to the administration to work with. The Commissioner and his staff are due for a very great vote of thanks. Without them we could not have done a job which I feel was a successful job. We are going to miss the Legal Adviser who is going out into commercial fields from the government. Who knows we may yet see him here as a witness asking us to plug loopholes in legislation which he helped to create. Also may I thank my fellow Councillors for their cooperation.

Mr. J. O. Livesey Once again I take great pleasure in accepting the time honoured privilege in parliamentary circles of replying to the Speech from the Throne. It is little more than a year since we as Councillors were elected to office and a matter of certain pride that from all appearances we have made an impression on the powers that be in Ottawa. Not much more than a dent in the armor of those seemingly embattled quasi Land Barons but nevertheless an impression that appears to have been close to a vulnerable spot in their well protected conscience. Every day and every hour that we spend working for the people of the Territory will bring the Yukon closer to the day of reckoning when this House will represent a much larger population than we now have, and 207,000 square miles of land that will be both proud and delighted to join all the other provinces and share in the equality and benefits of a new found freedom. This Yukon Territory, land of the midnight sun, land of minerals, rugged scenery, roads, commerce and oil, will someday emerge from the doldrums and take its place, its proper place, in Canadian life, as a result of common effort, will and purpose. No one man all by himself, no matter how well filled with the mania of self importance, or other like aromatic dogma, will accomplish this task alone; our strength, that necessary ingredient of successful nations, will derive from those of common purpose, and those who may feel the need to make sacrifices if necessary in order to justify their existence.

During the present Session we have discussed a number of items all of which were important to the Territory in one form or other. The Municipal Ordinance which covered one hundred and twenty one foolscap sheets of legal verbiage was given a thorough airing, followed by the Taxation Ordinance which suffered from a certain amount of cross fire from Council and attended by delegations seeking amnesty from the effects of certain interpretations of vital clauses, mostly from the mining and utilities fraternities. Council, in my opinion, dealt with these requests in a fair and equitable manner.

A twenty year franchise to supply electric light and power was granted to the Yukon Electric Company for the Watson Lake area, similar in scope to that which was granted some time ago to the same company for the Haines Junction area.

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The Hospital Insurance Scheme was discussed in Committee of the Whole with Mr. Bud Orange from the Department of Northern Affairs in attendance. Council felt quite strongly about the actual daily cost per patient in the Whitehorse General Hospital and were reluctant to discuss any enabling Ordinance or any other form of agreement without obtaining full agreement from the federal government that the total cost of Indian hospitalization would not be a responsibility of the Territorial Government.

Four supply bills were passed by Council after examining all matters in connection with the same.

By far the most controversial problem to come before Council was the subject of education and the demand for more public and separate schools. This subject has been tossed around for some considerable time without any concrete results. For about a year or more letters have been travelling to and from Ottawa and a number of other places. Views and opinions have shifted right left and centre until the matter turned into a mixed up double shuffle football game. In my opinion, the last place for the subject of education. It was inevitable that this highly controversial problem would land somewhere and it was no surprize that it landed in the lap of Council. During the Session the barrage became more intense than ever. Briefs and petitions came in from all quarters. A volume of views and opinions piled up on the desk of each Councillor, and someone somewhere along the line had to take the bull by the horns and make an attempt to sort out facts from the fiction, statistics from over enthusiasm, right from wrong and the jewels of wisdom from the entire entanglement. The future of the children and young people of the Territory should never be settled in an arena of push and shove, if you will excuse the common parlance, and it was necessary to put this entire problem on a higher plane. I believe that we did exactly this when we resolved to set up a Commission of three, in an impartial way, in order to get all the facts and then proceed with a decision taking all pertinent matters into consideration. This method to my way of thinking is the only way in which we may hope for a sensible answer where most will be able to grasp and understand the present need, and through which we will be able to arrive at a solution, equate the differences in opinion, correct the existing adverse conditions and satisfy those who may feel that there should be a continuation of both public as well as separate schools. A one sided, bigotted arrangement is not the answer. Such an arrangement could very well originate more rather than lessen the many complex problems involved. We need to review and improve where necessary the present school curriculum, examine the present text books, physical training, size and number of class rooms, the number of schools required, playground space, certification of teachers, availability of staff, the number required, and a host of other matters relative to the question of education. The first requirements should include suggestions which will show the need for new schools, or additions to those already established in order to eliminate at the earliest possible date the present over crowded conditions in the both the public and separate schools we now have. It may not be possible to gather all the information within the time limits as set forth in the terms of the resolution adopted by Council. However, the physical requirements being of prime importance could be suggested and decided first and the remaining required information brought to our attention at the first available opportunity or as soon as possible after the Spring Session. One more point that should be mentioned here before we leave the subject of education. An all important point, it concerns the matter of financial ability to pay for any or all proposed improvements. This must be faced. As we all know, dollars do not grow on trees. The balance sheet must be examined in order to keep expenditures within the bounds of reason or

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suffer the inevitable consequences and frugal misery in all other fields of endeavour. With all due respect to those who may howl in a chorus for more our small population can only stand a reasonable amount of tax pressure and it behoves every one of us to balance our demand appetites in line and in keeping with fact and not wishful thinking. Education is not simply a Whitehorse problem. It is Territory wide and should be considered in that light.

Council looked over plans supplied by the architects for the proposed new vocational school but gave no immediate approval. There appeared to be an area which involved a difference of opinion between the Administration and Council relative to the stand taken by the Administration and Council that vocational training was not an educational question within the meaning of the present use of the term. Council, generally speaking, did not agree and spent some time weighing the pros and cons, especially those relative to the cost of maintenance, which when the approximations were added together appeared to show that a considerable maintenance deficit could be expected.

Liquor with meals, although favourable in some respects, died in committee, and it was generally felt that this item needed more time for further consideration.

The same viewpoint prevailed concerning national parks due to the fact that the mining industry could be seriously affected by any move towards setting aside a large land mass without having first ascertained and given prime consideration to the mining potential of all areas in the Territory. Mining being our number one industry deserves this respect and it was agreed that additional time was necessary to allow all members of Council to obtain the views and opinions of their respective constituents before deciding where a national park should be located. This move, of course, does not minimize in any shape or form the importance to the Territory of such a park and every effort, I feel sure, will be made to solve the problem and make a final decision favourable to all concerned.

Now, Mr Speaker, this resume covers only a portion of the work done by Council this Session and I will not attempt to give a complete coverage as time will not permit. However, I would like to say a few words about land in the Territory. The sale and lease of Crown lands still remains a trying problem. The Federal Government would be well advised to eliminate a few experts and hire more practical minded individuals in order to take a fresh look at the situation. I am in favour of less speculation and partiality and more reform with common sense motives. If we are ever going to populate this Territory some encouragement will need to be offered to potential residents, business men and those interested in agriculture. The latter subject being another problem that is dangling on the hook for which no solution to date appears to have been found.

In closing, Mr. Speaker, I would like to remind all those honourable gentlemen who may, during the next Session of Parliament in Ottawa be engaged in making changes to the Yukon Act that the residents of the Yukon are looking for some substantial improvements and as the work of this Council increases in accordance with the acceptance of more responsibility the Federal Government should lend every assistance and encouragement to those who are willing to spend the greater portion of their time devoted to building up this north west corner of Canada under a democratic flag into a place worthy of every ounce of effort that may be put into it. To work towards a better Yukon is the duty of each and everyone of us, and an improved Yukon Act will help to sustain the drive and lighten the burden of the task before us.

Mr. Speaker then requested the Clerk of the Council to escort the Commissioner to the Council for his closing speech.

The Commissioner joined Council.

Mr. Speaker Mr. Commissioner, the Council of the Yukon Territory has at its present sittings thereof passed a number of bills to which in the name and on behalf of the said Council I respectfully request your assent.

The Clerk of the Council then read the bills to be assented to:

- Bill No. 2 AN ORDINANCE TO **PROVIDE** FOR THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF TAXES ON REAL PROPERTY IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.
- Bill No. 3 AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER TO GRANT A FRANCHISE TO THE YUKON ELECTRICAL COMPANY LIMITED FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICAL POWER IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.
- Bill No. 5 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60
- Bill No. 6 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1959-60
- Bill No. 7 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY (Second Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60)
- Bill No. 8. AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY (Third Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60)
- Bill No. 9. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GAME ORDINANCE
- Bill No. 10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TAXATION ORDINANCE
- Bill No. 11 AN ORDINANCE FOR GRANTING TO THE COMMISSIONER CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE TERRITORY. (Fourth Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1959-60)

(Note: The Municipal Ordinance will be assented to at a later date when it is in **final form**)

Mr. F. H. Collins  
Commissioner

During this Session of Council you have considered two major items of legislation in the Municipal and Taxation Ordinances, both complex in nature and with many aspects of inter-relation. I would like to take this opportunity of informing Yukon citizens of the sincere and painstaking efforts made by Council to ensure, insofar as any present legislation is capable of doing so, the best interests of all were of paramount concern.

Other difficult and involved problems have been met and faced by Council this Session. It has been my privilege to attend a number of sittings held in committee of the whole thereby accentuating the partnership, in spirit and substance, which must exist between

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Council and the Commissioner if fair and just administration decisions are to be made.

I am sure that the return visit of Mr. R.J. Orange of the Department of Northern Affairs, Ottawa, in connection with hospital insurance was much appreciated and was of great value in Council deliberations on this important issue. It is my understanding that Mr. Orange will also attend the Spring Session if required.

The numerous motions, opinions and resolutions of Council will be given careful consideration together with as early action as possible. It is obviously not possible to comply with all requests for information, etc., immediately, in particular as the sessions involve a considerable diversion of administrative staff effort in the operation of the sessions themselves.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Council Members for the courtesy and consideration shown myself personally, as well as to my staff, and as well for the friendly spirit which has pervaded the Session throughout. The goodwill so engendered is of inestimable value to all of us concerned and extends to the people of the Yukon whom we serve.

Assent has been given to all bills presented to me and I now take pleasure in wishing each member of Council, his family and constituents, a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. Speaker I would like to thank the Commissioner and his staff for their co-operation. We extend our best wishes to Mr. Duke Collins who is leaving us. I would like to wish the Commissioner and his staff, and all members of Council a Happy Christmas.

The Clerk of the Council then announced that it was the Commissioner's will and pleasure that Council be now prorogued and this Council is accordingly prorogued.

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