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MOTION IS WITHDRAWN

Ald. McCutcheon Decides Not to Go Through With Police Plebiscite

After some discussion on the matter, Ald. W. J. McCutcheon, at last night's meeting of the city council, withdrew his motion calling for a plebiscite at the municipal election next week on the question of whether the provincial police should continue to police the city or a city force be reverted to. In introducing his motion, Ald. McCutcheon explained that he did so on the grounds of economy. An annual cost of \$10,000 or \$12,000 for policing of the city seemed out of all proportion to the present economic condition. It was with a view to effecting possible economy in policing that he offered the proposal for a plebiscite.

Explaining that he did so merely for the purpose of discussion, Ald. Casey seconded the motion of Ald. McCutcheon.

Ald. Macdonald did not believe that a plebiscite would clarify the situation as suggested by Ald. McCutcheon. A local police force might cost as much as the provincial police. He took it that the matter had been settled for some time to come as a result of the two plebiscites which had been held in recent years when the ratepayers had expressed themselves emphatically as being in favor of the provincial police. Ald. Macdonald believed that, under Sergeant Service, the city had today one of the most efficient police forces in its history. He did not think that now was any time for a change.

Ald. Pillsbury was opposed to having a plebiscite every year on the question of policing. Such would only tend to unsettle conditions.

Ald. Casey, while having seconded the motion of Ald. McCutcheon, stated that it was not his intention to vote for the motion. He was still as much opposed as ever to "foreign invasion" and the policy of the city being policed by the province. So long as the city was paying its own way, he believed it should have control of all its local affairs. The whole life of the city now depended upon its ability to pay. Next year's council would be faced with the task of cutting expenses very drastically. He (Ald. Casey) expected to be "finance minister" next year and he could give assurance now that there would be no police force of six men; no seventh fireman and no large staff or frills in the City Hall. Next year's council would be faced with the responsibility of being a virtual receiver for the city or else a "foreigner" would have to be brought in to do it for the city. Next year's council would have to collect the necessary revenue and pay its bills as it went. He thought that a plebiscite on the question of policing was inadvisable at this time but thought that next year's council should be given a free hand to administer this as well as all other civic matters according to the financial ability of the city. He suggested that Ald. McCutcheon withdraw his motion.

In announcing withdrawal of his motion, Ald. McCutcheon stated that he had changed his mind since giving notice of the motion two weeks ago. The retrenchment in policing could probably be effected anyway without a plebiscite being taken.

Called south on account of his young son, who is a patient in the solarium at Cobble Hill, Vancouver Island, having taken a serious turn, Dr. C. H. Hankinson will sail on the Prince Rupert tomorrow night for Vancouver enroute to Vancouver Island.

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Ald. McCutcheon acknowledged that he had been treated courteously by the mayor and his colleagues on the council. He regretted that the condition of the city was not so good but hoped that there would be a definite improvement by next year.

Ald. Pillsbury appreciated the courtesy and ability of the mayor. He wished to second the remarks which had been made by the mayor in regard to the excellent work that had been done by the officials and employees at the City Hall. They had carried on splendidly under difficult circumstances and in spite of reduced staffs. As a result of their work, he believed that things would be much easier next year.

Ald. Rudderham said that his associations with the mayor and other members of the council had been most pleasant. "We have been trying to meet an impossible situation," Ald. Rudderham declared, "and the present condition of the city is through no fault of ours." Ald. Rudderham regretted to see any member of the council dropping out.

Declaring that he would not be occupying one of the aldermanic chairs next year, Ald. Linzey, nevertheless, extended his condolences and best wishes to those who would. The going had been hard but he believed that Prince Rupert had weathered the storm as well as any other municipality in the province. He believed that talk of receivership was "entirely out of the way" and thought that it would be a catastrophe if one should be called in. Courage and sane hard work would, he believed, see the city safely through. Ald. Linzey also thanked the mayor for his many kindnesses. He (the mayor) had received many bouquets during this discussion but he was deserving of them all and more. "The manner in which you have steered the civic ship through the arduous and difficult year of 1932 is worthy of our approval and gratification," Ald. Linzey concluded.

Before the discussion ended, the mayor responded briefly to the compliments which had been paid him.

T. W. Hall, inspector of schools, left on this morning's train for a brief trip to Sockeye on official duties.

GATHERING WAS LARGE

Rev. Canon Rushbrook Speaker at Prayer Week Opening

A gathering representative of all the churches in Prince Rupert met last evening in First United Church to observe the first of a series of services in connection with the Universal Week of Prayer.

Rev. C. D. Clarke, pastor of the church, conducted the service and was assisted by Canon W. F. Rushbrook of Seal Cove who preached on "The Christian in the Home." The address was illustrative rather than philosophic, stressing in a practical way the responsibility of parents for their children. The beautiful things of life were the simple things—and nowhere was there a scene more beautiful than in a good Christian home. Christianity was a life lived because the spirit of God dwelt in men. To be a real Christian was to be a follower of Christ in spirit and in truth.

Capt. Ruby Steele led in prayer and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. W. D. Grant Hollingworth.

The second meeting will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in St. Andrew's Cathedral when Rev. W. D. Grant Hollingworth will preach on "The Christian Life."



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