

Commissioners, stating that the position of the Board will be governed by and will follow the position taken by the City of Winnipeg; if Mr Hunt, City Solicitor, wishes to fight the appeal the Board will do the same and if Mr Hunt wishes to settle, the Board will follow his opinion, and suggesting that Mr Pitblado take the matter up with Mr Hunt.

John A. McPherson Chairman. *George E. Gurnea* Secretary.

COPY/ of Strike notice

Meets First and Third Tuesday of the month in Labor Temple
Executive Council, Second and Fourth Tuesday
in Council Office

WINNIPEG TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Jas. WinningPresident
A. C. Hay - - - - -Vice-President
J.L. McBride - - - - -Treasurer
E. Robinson, Secretary and Business Agent

Office of the Secretary : Labor Temple

Phone Main 1721

Winnipeg, Man. May 14th 1919.

Board of Police Commissioners
Winnipeg, Man.

Sir: -

This is to notify you that a General Strike has been called of all the Organizations affiliated with the above Council; which includes the Employees of the CITY OF WINNIPEG POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Strike will take place Thursday May 15th at 11 o'clock.

Yours truly,

(Sd) "E. Robinson"

"John Gray"
Secretary
Winnipeg Policemen's Union

Secretary

Winnipeg & City Policemen's
(Seal of/Federal Labor Union No.40)

(Seal of Trades & Labor
Council)

Winnipeg, Man.

Thursday 29th May 1919

A special meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was held this day at the City Hall at 9.30 am.

Present : -full board- Alderman Sparling presiding.

A letter was received from the Chief Constable in answer to the Board's request, giving a copy of General order 1044 May 11 1917 re prohibition of a union affiliated with any outside body, and stating the said general order was duly issued and bulletined. In this connection the following resolution was moved by His Worship the Mayor and carried unanimously :

"RESOLVED that with reference to General Order number 1044 issued on the 11th day of May 1917 reading as follows :

'General Order No. 1044 :-

Members of the Department are hereby advised that the Winnipeg Board of Police Commissioners at a meeting held on May 11th 1917 passed the following resolution :- This Board of Police Commissioners hereby adopts the following policy that having regard to the best interests of the City of Winnipeg and its citizens, no union or association allied to any other body whatsoever be permitted to be organized amongst members of the Police Department. Members of the Department will therefore govern themselves accordingly.

(sgd) D MacPherson
Chief Constable'

it having been stated by the Policemen's Committee of Adjustment to the Board of Police Commissioners that this order has been violated, and that a strike vote was taken by the members of the Police Force at a time when the Force itself had no grievance the Board hereby directs

Policemen

ordered to

sign agreement

re non affiliation

The following resolution was moved by Judge Myers and carried : those voting for, being Judge Myers, the Mayor, Sir Hugh J Macdonald, and the Chairman if he has a voting right - Alderman Wiginton voted against the resolution :

WHEREAS this Police Commission firmly believe that the Police Force should not be affiliated with the Trades and Labor Council or any other organization whatsoever who have or presume to have or exercise any control or influence over the actions of the Police Force injuriously affecting the discharge of their duties and obligations as City Policemen or which might tend to destroy their efficiency in the proper performance of the work assigned to or devolving upon them or in their obedience to the lawful commands of the Police Commission or the Chief or other officers of the Force,

AND WHEREAS the Police Force were duly notified of the attitude of the Commissioners in this regard and the order issued respecting same but in open defiance of such order the Police Force organized themselves into a Union and affiliated themselves with the Trades and Labor Council;

AND WHEREAS in the month of April an Agreement was made between the Police Commission and the Force regarding wages and conditions of service for the year beginning First May, 1919, but in violation of said Agreement and thereby rendering it null and void the said Force took a strike vote in their Union and submitted themselves to the jurisdiction and control of the Trades and Labor Council without having any grievance whatever, but only in sympathy with other Labor Unions;

AND WHEREAS the Police Commission received a notification from the said Trades and Labor Council signed by E. Robinson, Secretary, with seal attached, and signed for the Policemen's

Union by John Gray their Secretary, with seal attached, calling the Force out on strike on and after 15th May, 1919, but it appears that the Trades and Labor Council privately requested the Force not to walk out until further notified and they have not quit work up to the present time;

AND WHEREAS at least one member of said Police Force has been acting on the inner Council of Fifteen in the Labor Temple, aiding the Strike Committee there in directing the General Strike of all the Labor Unions in Winnipeg which went into effect at 11 o'clock A.M. on the 15th May, 1919;

AND WHEREAS no satisfactory explanation of such defiance of lawful authority has been made by or on behalf of the Force and their conduct during the whole period of the strike has caused numerous complaints of their inability or inactivity to properly cope with the many acts of intimidation of the working people and acts of violence openly practised throughout the City, and there exists general dissatisfaction and lack of confidence among our Citizens in our Police Constables and it has become necessary to engage a large force of special constables to preserve law and order and protect the property of the citizens;

AND WHEREAS it is absolutely necessary to re-organise the permanent Police Force and place it upon a sound basis of absolute neutrality and efficiency loyal to the King and constituted authority and obedient to the laws, rules and regulations of the Police Commissioners which alone must be

Letters were received from the Chief Constable showing dispositions made. These were written before the dismissal of the Force, and were awaiting a regular meeting and were consequently are noted but not concurred in by the Board :

Appointments.

Jas Maitland. reinstated as 1st cl. constable on return from active service. 26 May 1919
 Joe Anderson. dc 30 May 1919
 Edward Reeves. dc 2 June 1919
 G C Caughey. dc 2 June 1919
 John G Potts dc 9 June 1919

Gec T Stokes. Spec. Constable. 4th cl. 7 June 1919
 George Earle, " & Chauffeur. \$120. 7 June 1919
 Harry E White Spec Constable 4th cl. 9 June 1919
 Alex Lang reinstated as 1st cl. constable on return from active service 9 June 1919

George Patton. Spec Constable 4th cl. 9 June 1919

Mrs Josephine Mc Kewen. Temporary Matron and caretaker. "E" div. 29 May 1919
 \$60.00 a month.

Absence

Mrs Gear. Asst Matron E div. absent-quarantined; without pay, commencing 25 May 1919

Payroll

G R Levatt. to be paid as Acting Asst. Morality Officer from 7th May.

Resignation.

Constable John D White. resigned on accord. 1st June 1919
 (app. 2 July 1914)

Suspended from duty without pay.

Constable J Mc Crie. suspended certain charges preferred against him in police court - effective from 2 a.m June 3rd 1919.

Services dispensed with.

Spec Constable & Chauff. Angus Wallace. June 6 1919.
 pay 2 1/2 days at \$110.00

do Harry Cooper. dc

(see page 108 of this book ; these two men having left other City employ on strike)

A letter was received from the Chief Constable with names &c of men dismissed and names of men remaining, as per copy attached. The same was filed :

10th June 1919

The Chairman and Members of the
 Board of Police Commissioners,
 Winnipeg, Man.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with your instructions all members who had not signed the agreement referred to in General order 1177 have been discharged from duty, with the exception of the several mentioned hereafter who have not been interrogated up to the present for the reasons given.

I beg to enumerate as follows the standing of the total employees of the Department :-

Signed agreement in first instance.

C H Newton. Deputy Chief
 E Stodgell, Chief of Detectives.
 W Eddie, Morality Officer,
 G F Richards, Clerk of Court and Sec. of Board.
 E A Andrews, Asst. to Clerk of Court.
 P C Lyon. Clerk.
 P Stark. H Green. John Street. Gec Smith. Inspectors.
 H Mc Lachlan. Jack Bishop. F E Batho. R R Mc Donald. Sergeants.
 G Boxshall. D Mc Kenzie. Station Sergeants.
 B Stewart. J Seel. Detectives.
 A C Mills. Constable. J Tomlinson, Elevator Operator.
 J I Andrews. Police woman. Mary Dunn, Policewoman.
 J Kwiatkowski, Interpreter
 23 in all.

Not yet interrogated, as to re-joining, but have not signed.
 Detective C Mc Kenzie -sick- Mrs Gear (matron)-quarantined-
 Constable A Mc Ivor, -quarantined- Constable T Gregory -sick-
 Constable S A Findlay -sick- Mrs Wight and Mrs Mc Kewen ;
 Constables W Hames and C Troughton

9 in all.

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Martin Moen. Asst. operator. \$90. 24 June
Jas W Clinch. Chauffeur. \$120. 24 June

Moved by Sir Hugh J Macdonald and resolved
that the above appointments be confirmed.

Application for reinstatement was received from
William Mc Cutcheon - Detective recently dismissed-
now signed required agreement & recom. by Actg Chief.

-Concurred in-

Payrolls for Police Commissioners (regular meetings and
also strike meetings) were signed. These comprise
all payments due to all Commissioners up to the
end of June.

It was decided to pay all
Commissioners in future to the end of December and to
the end of June on the payrolls nearest to these
dates.

Indisputable
Chairman *Gov. Richard*
Secretary

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Winnipeg.

Thursday, 26th June 1919.

A special meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners
was held this day at 10 a.m.

Present : -full board- Alderman Sparling presiding.

ex Detective Hudson appeared before the Board and made
a statement that certain reports had been circulated as
to his character and as to his work while on the Force. He
stated that he had always been regarded as a valuable
man on the detective force, although charges had been laid
against him that had not been substantiated. Mr Graham,
Crown Prosecutor made a statement in the matter to the
effect that he understood Mr Hudson had some grievance
against him. It appeared that certain rumours had
arisen regarding Detective Hudson over which the Board
had no control.

A letter was received from the Acting Chief Constable
as per copy following :-

26th June 1919.

The Chairman and the Members of
the Board of Police Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

I have carefully examined the lists of members of the
Department whose services were dispensed with by your BOARD
recently with a view to fairly eliminating those persons
who in my opinion should not be reinstated - having regard
to the good government and discipline of the Force :-

Asst Mor. Officer J J Hanson
Asst Collier J J Hanson
Sergeant J Livingston
Stat. Sargent A Everett
Actg St Sgt A F Phillips
Clk and Detective John Gray
Asst Mor. Off G R Lovatt
Actg Stn Sgt George Hadden
Detective G R Hudson
Detective William Smith