

FAVOR INTERNMENT OF ALIEN ENEMIES

Royal City Aldermen Deal With Nanaimo City Council's Resolution.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Oct. 3.—The city council agreed, after considering the matter for some weeks, that the Nanaimo council's resolution regarding the strict internment of all alien enemies during the progress of the war, is a step in the proper direction, but Ald. Goulet, when the question was finally disposed of on Monday night, was inclined to argue on the advisability of placing aliens in internment camps, in the lap of indolence and luxury, he put it, when they might be more cheerfully occupied in breaking rocks on roadways or some similar form of light exercise.

As far as Nanaimo was concerned, and the employment of aliens in the mines, he thought it would be good business to place them all in one mine where, if they felt disposed to exercise their Hunnish ideas of kultur, and blow something up, they might explode a charge that would give them a good start for the happy hunting grounds, and "be a good riddance, too."

Ald. Johnston favored the road-making proposal as did Mayor Gray, who suggested a rider to that effect should be added to Nanaimo's resolution.

Uniform Pensions Endorsed.

Uniform pensions, as proposed by Ald. Stevens, of Niagara City, whereby privates and officers would receive equal treatment when the Canadian Pensions Act was finally drafted, were endorsed by the council, Ald. Eastman speaking at some length on the subject.

The city's endorsement, he said, might have the effect of discouraging the tendency, already initiated twice heretofore in the Dominion, to establish an aristocracy, which was distinctly out of place in a democratic country.

Mayor Gray, Ald. Goulet and Ald. Johnston will be the city's representatives at the annual convention of the Union of B. C. Municipalities, which convenes at Vernon on October 11. The city and Burnaby will also divide the cost of transporting their joint solicitor, Mr. W. G. McQuarrie, to the convention, in anticipation of the introduction of technical matters.

The city will purchase a 3-inch water meter at a cost of \$200 for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of water being used by Messrs. T. J. Trapp and C. A. Welsh in the operation of their freight elevators.

A conference in respect to the supplying of electric power to the V. P. R. abattoir, between Mr. Pat. Russell, representing the meat company, Mr. McNeill, of the Western Canada Power Co., and the city council will be held on Tuesday, October 10.

The Fire Prevention Bylaw was laid over for one week. Mr. John R. Duncan has intimated his willingness to discuss the question of a site for his plant with the council and business men, and Mayor Gray will arrange a meeting very soon.

The provincial government will be asked to macadamize Sincoe street, a thoroughfare which runs between two government properties, from which the city derives no revenue.

The council adjourned to meet again in regular session on Thursday next at 5 p.m.