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"Is Browne's Ruling New Policy?" Asks Progressive in Legislature

Magistrate Browne's recent Police Court ruling on "raids on standard hotels" has been made the subject of interrogation in the Ontario Legislature. D. M. Ross (Progressive member for North Oxford) yesterday filed the following questions on the order paper of the House:

"Did Magistrate Browne of the Toronto Police Court within the past few days, and after a conference with one of the city's Crown Attorneys, give instructions or express the view that, for the future, when standard hotels are raided and found to be selling strong beer, the licensee of

the hotel should be haled into court, and not the bartender?

"Is this a new policy? Has it also been announced by the same Magistrate that on a second offense against the Ontario Temperance Act, offenders will be sent to jail? Is this also a new policy? Has any new instruction emanated from the Attorney-General in the matter of law enforcement? If so, what is it?"

J. W. Widdifield (Progressive member for North Ontario), is asking the Ministry if there is a Patronage Committee which advises or assumes to advise, the Government in the matter of appointments to the Civil Service in Toronto; and, if so, how the committee is composed.

CITY'S DISCOURTESY RAISES A PROTEST

Conservative Member Objects to Treatment of Premier King

W. G. Weichel, Conservative member for North Waterloo, speaking in the Legislature last night, protested against the discourtesy shown by the Council of the City of Toronto to Premier King and members of his Cabinet on their recent visit to Toronto.

"In Waterloo," he said, "we have always been proud of our native sons who have made good in the industrial, commercial, professional or political life of Canada. Sometimes we have not seen eye to eye politically, but we are always big enough to recognize merit and advancement even in those with whom we disagreed.

"Right Hon. W. L. M. King was born in my riding. I have differed with him politically, and do so today, but as Prime Minister of Canada he surely is deserving of the honors that are due that exalted position. I want to say now that as a member of the House, as a citizen of Canada, and as a representative of the riding of his birth, I cannot but protest most emphatically against the lack of courtesy shown by the City Council of Toronto on the occasion of his visit here.

"If they do not like the man himself, they at least could have shown him the honor and respect due the high office he holds. This applies as well to the Cabinet Ministers who accompanied him."