

# Chinatown Search Inspires Demands For Civil Rights

A 20-man deputation comprising representatives of all religions, four MPP's, labor leaders and others yesterday urged board of control to set up a code limiting police powers and to establish a civic committee on civil rights.

The deputation appeared as a result of the recent alleged "discriminatory police tactics" against residents of Chinatown. Charges that a city detective invaded private living quarters on Elizabeth St. without a search warrant are to be investigated at a special police commission meeting Friday.

A motion for the establishment of a committee to be named by the mayor to discuss ways and means of guaranteeing accepted human rights and fundamental freedoms was tabled by Con. Allan Lamport.

Irving Himel, secretary of the committee for civil rights, asked that a police code be drafted by a panel of judges in co-operation with the Attorney-General's Department. Such regulations are now observed in Britain and the United States, he said.

"Police officers could then be given instructions as to their responsibilities under the code and their duty to observe its provisions," he declared. He held that police officers must abide by the laws of the land as well as enforce them.

Rabbi A. I. Feinberg held the one-man police raid on the premises of about 20 Chinese residents was an example of unjustifiable discrimination.

Eamon Park, MPP, and Murray Cotterill supported the deputation on behalf of "all labor organizations." Mr. Park urged the board to request a revision of existing federal immigration laws. He suggested entry of Chinese women into Canada would go a long way toward solving the difficulties now faced by the Chinese minority.