

- (b) When only two candidates are nominated, the successful candidate shall be the one having a majority of the votes cast.
5. The ballots and all papers relating to the election shall be duly signed and mailed to the Secretary of the Association.
 6. There shall be a fee of one dollar each to be paid to the representative and one assistant who take charge of the election in his department, providing the number of votes cast exceed 50 in number.

LECTURES.

The Civil Service at Ottawa is for the most part made up of men and women of intelligence and education who follow the world's progress in all branches of science, art and literature. To them the opportunities of attending lectures is earnestly appreciated, but to many, for one reason and another, these opportunities are comparatively limited in Ottawa. It would seem, therefore, that a great deal can be done by the Association in this respect towards filling this long-felt want, and at the same time bringing civil servants together on common ground.

The committee would therefore strongly recommend that the activities of the Association be extended beyond the confines of reform and patriotic affairs, the latter, brought about owing to the stress of war, being the most practical demonstration of the capabilities of the Association in the way of useful endeavour. It is further recommended that only a high standard of lectures by the most eminent speakers should be provided under the auspices of the Civil Service Association, and that this standard should always be maintained. The appreciation of the Service, of which the committee feel assured, will manifest itself in many ways and prove a very real factor in accomplishing the aim of the Association.

To obviate the necessity of appointing another standing committee, the matter of arranging lectures could be placed under the charge of the committee on Membership and Representation, to work in co-operation with the Secretary of the Association.

ANNUAL CIVIL SERVICE THEATRICAL.

The widest field for co-operative endeavour among civil servants yet unexplored is to be found on the stage. Whatever success may have attended Civil Service co-operation in the past, the stage affords the opportunity for surpassing all records and enthusing once and for all that confidence in civil servants, the absence of which so far has been the first and final cause for failure in many of their undertakings. Civil servants as a whole, welded into a strong body, can wield unlimited power for good. The initial endeavour to establish this supreme confidence alone is wanting and should no longer be deferred. Great things can undoubtedly be accomplished, but the time is not yet opportune for all that is bound to follow. The trail has still to be blazed before the avenue to final triumphs is opened.

To inaugurate the era of co-operation, the committee recommend that a high-class play be staged under the auspices of the Civil Service Association of Ottawa, to be played, and, if possible, orchestrated by civil servants. The Service has among its members men and women possessing exceptional talent in this direction, who will gladly co-operate with the Association to make the initial effort, especially, a grand success.

The broad lines on which it is recommended that the play be staged are as follows: