

New Spirit Shown at Municipal Nominations

Six Nominated For Mayor and Thirty-Eight For Aldermen—Lively Contest Promised For Mayor—Spirited Addresses—Trustee Field.

MAYORALTY

Mayor E. O. Platt, M.P., proposed by M. K. Mott, seconded by John Fenn.

Ald. O. Whelan, proposed by T. E. Ketcheson, seconded by S. S. Moore Hanna, seconded by W. Donohue.

W. A. Woodley, proposed by S. H. Trevorton, seconded by C. Hanna.

Col. E. D. O'Flynn, proposed by George Graham, seconded by W. J. Carter.

W. C. Mikel, K.C., proposed by A. E. Bailey, seconded by John McIntosh.

ALDERMEN

Oswald H. Scott, proposed by R. D. Ponton, seconded by W. O. Adams.

A Robinson, proposed by Ald. Donohue, seconded by T. Manley.

Ald. Hanna, proposed by W. A. Woodley, sec by M. Robertson.

George F. Ostrom, proposed by G. N. Simmons, sec by M. Robertson.

Mackenzie Robertson, proposed by R. D. Ponton, seconded by D. B. McCoy.

Ald. Donohue, proposed by Ald. Robinson, seconded by T. Manley.

Ald. S. Curry, proposed by T. E. Ketcheson, seconded by D. B. McCoy.

Thos. Collins, proposed by Ald. Whelan, seconded by Ald. Robinson.

R. P. White, proposed by W. A. Woodley, seconded by B. L. Hyman.

Thos. Thompson, proposed by Ald. Trevorton, seconded by W. A. Woodley.

Alfred J. Hunter, proposed by Ald. Whelan, seconded by Ald. Trevorton.

George N. Simmons, proposed by T. E. Ketcheson, sec. by G. F. Ostrom.

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Leon Walmaley, proposed by W. A. Woodley, sec by B. L. Hyman.

G. A. Reid, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, sec by O. A. Marshall.

Dr. M. J. Clarke, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, sec by H. W. Ackerman.

R. B. Wiseman, proposed by G. F. Ostrom, sec. by G. N. Simmons.

T. Manley, proposed by W. R. McCreary, sec by Ald. Hanna.

T. H. Marshall, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, sec by O. H. Scott.

Ald. St. Charles, proposed by E. D. O'Flynn, sec by R. D. Ponton.

William H. Panter, proposed by L. W. Marsh, sec by R. C. Arnott.

S. R. Burrows, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, sec by B. L. Hyman.

F. B. Smith, proposed by T. Manley, seconded by O. H. Scott.

Joshua Lang, proposed by W. A. Woodley, sec by G. T. Woodley.

J. Bone, proposed by R. D. Ponton, seconded by O. H. Scott.

W. O. Adams, proposed by S. Curry, seconded by B. L. Hyman.

Wm. Boyd proposed by J. Canning, sec. by Ald. Donohue.

W. D. Hanley, proposed by Frank White, sec by C. H. Bonsteel.

E. D. O'Flynn, proposed by L. W. Marsh, sec by P. Harrison.

Arthur Jones, proposed by W. O. Adams, sec by D. B. McCoy.

C. J. Symons, proposed by Col. L. W. Marsh, sec by W. R. McCreary.

W. J. Carter, proposed by A. Robinson, sec by B. L. Hyman.

R. D. Ponton, proposed by H. W. Ackerman, sec by E. D. O'Flynn.

W. B. Riggs, proposed by H. W. Ackerman, sec by O. A. Marshall.

C. I. White, proposed by O. A. Marshall, sec by H. W. Ackerman.

E. T. Cherry, proposed by B. A. Sanford, sec by G. W. Bennett.

Ald. Whelan, proposed by Jas. St. Charles, sec by L. W. Marsh.

TRUSTEES

Foster Ward, F. C. Sharpe, proposed by G. A. Bennett, seconded by B. L. Hyman.

Samson: F. E. O'Flynn, proposed by S. S. Moore, seconded by H. F. Ketcheson; R. Gowdy, proposed by B. L. Hyman, seconded by D. B. McCoy.

Ketcheson ward: A. McGie, proposed by T. E. Ketcheson, seconded by W. J. Diamond.

Baldwin ward: E. A. Ridley, proposed by G. A. Bennett, seconded by Ald. Curry; B. Mallory, proposed by Ald. Curry, seconded by G. A. Bennett.

D. V. Sinclair, proposed by F. S. Deacon, seconded by W. R. McCreary.

Bleeker ward, John Muir, proposed by H. W. Ackerman, seconded by P. Harrison; Thos. Marshall, proposed by J. L. Tickell, seconded by E. D. O'Flynn.

Coleman ward: L. R. Terwilliger, proposed by H. W. Ackerman, sec. by T. E. Ketcheson; D. MacFarlane, proposed by O. H. Scott, seconded by W. R. McCreary.

Murphy ward: G. T. Woodley, proposed by W. A. Woodley, seconded by

P. Harrison; R. A. Baokus, proposed by W. O. Adams, seconded by W. E. Wheatley.

A crowded city council chamber, with no less than eighteen ladies present for the first time in recent municipal history, a mayoralty field of six nominees, thirty-eight nominations for aldermen, and short, witty speeches by some of the mayoralty candidates, were some of the features of the municipal nominations at the city hall today. The ladies attended in a body and introduced the question of prohibition. In two wards only are there acclamations for the Board of Education.

Mayor Platt's Stewardship

Mayor Platt gave a short account of his stewardship. "I have tried to do my level best. I say that without any fear of contradiction. Some say that is very little. Taxes have gone up. But all know the reason. The greatest war in history has been on. Prices of labor and material are double what they once were. That is why our taxes are higher. It is not because of any unnecessary expenditure. Work had to be curtailed. But what we have done, we have done honestly. Not a man in Belleville can say the council has misappropriated one cent of your money. I speak this for the whole council. If I do speak for myself, I know I have been no economical. I have not tried to spend money. I have tried to give you value for your money. I know some of the people are aching to give us a kick down the hill. It is the coal question. We tried to give the citizens a square deal. No sooner did we start but we had everybody against us. There were even members in our council that would have been glad to get the coal committee in the hole. I claim we did get cheap coal. Had it not been for the fuel committee the price would have been two dollars per ton more than it was in the summer time. Not over 3 months ago, the fuel controller from Toronto said the dealers must get \$12 per ton. They cry all the time that they are not getting enough. I told him we will fight it. Later the commissioner said the dealers were willing to accept \$11.50. By that means we saved the citizens thousands of dollars (cheers). That coal question was my hobby. It is my hobby yet. I think we can keep coal prices down if you have a committee that will stand together. The dealers know too well that we have saved you thousands of dollars.

On the advice of the Dominion controller at Ottawa, the committee made an effort to get coal. Two thousand dollars was sent to Scranton. Two thousand dollars was sent to Toronto. Rumors are that we were losing money. The city got the money back from Scranton and in the case of Toronto dealer, the city can get the coal or the money. I have sacrificed my profession to give you service. I've lost hundreds of dollars in my profession. I can stand up with a clear conscience and say I have done my level best.

Liquor and the Flu.

Mayor Platt said he did not know why the prohibition question was propounded to the mayoral candidates as they would have no power. "All my life I have been a temperance man, but I'm not so much in favor of temperance as we have it now. I've never cast anything but a temperance vote. During the late epidemic it was sad for people to come and ask for 5 ounces of liquor. Liquor has its uses as well as its abuses. Many a patient would have slipped out of my hands with pneumonia if they had not had that terrible thing whiskey. I see men before me whose wives would have died of pneumonia if they had not had liquor. Mind you I would not wish to see the old barroom again with its suffering and crime. But I think a system should be devised by which men and women can have a certain amount of liquor if necessary. I don't mean to make them drunk. That is my sentiment and I speak it as a temperance man." (Cheers).

Ald. Robinson Speaks

Ald. Robinson suggested a public meeting as he was not ready to speak. The electors wanted the meeting to proceed. Ald. Robinson said he had opposed sending any money in advance to Toronto for coal. "Dr. Platt has always stood by the people. I have always tried to act in the interest of the masses and not of the classes. I am only asking your support on my record."

Ald. Robinson referred to the methods of the assessment in Belleville brought about by himself about ten years ago. This system is being adopted in other cities. "I estimate that Belleville has saved \$30,000 by my system. Toronto assesses a year in advance. We assess and collect taxes in the same year and thus collect on all improvements."

Ald. Whelan's Proposals

Ald. Chas. Whelan gave a record of his municipal career as public works and finance chairman. Sewer systems in West and North Belleville should be inaugurated. The permanent pavement problem should be taken up. "If elected I will serve you to the best of my ability."

Mr. Mikel Appeals to Electors

Mr. W. C. Mikel, K.C. said it was quite unexpected for him to enter the field. He thought the one redeeming thing was to have the ladies interested in municipal affairs. "I hope the ladies will be busy in this campaign whomever they support."

Mr. Mikel turned to the future of Belleville. Friends came to him and said "You have been talking of things to be done, you should run." As no one came forward, on Saturday he offered himself as a candidate in the hope of stirring up interest municipally. Canada is developing and we are in Belleville reaping our share of this progress? I don't in-

tend to stir up sectionalism, which has no doubt hindered Belleville's advance. My whole object is: Let us look into the future and see if we can secure some of Canada's development. There are other things to do besides passing accounts and routine business.

Mrs. Gibson speaking for the delegation of the ladies said: "We want to know how the mayoral nomination stands on the responsible and honorable position of chief magistrate, he therefore will not dispose of money held in trust by him without first consulting their wishes. Which, as previously intimated, in question one, will be done at an open meeting of war veterans."

Prohibit Booze and Tobacco

"I'm heartily in favor of prohibition," declared Ald. Robinson. "I'd prohibit the use of tobacco as well. (Laughter). That's how much further I'd go. It is not only useless but filthy to use tobacco."

Four Projects of Mr. W. A. Woodley

Ex-Ald. W. A. Woodley was next heard: "I've done all I could to bring on a fight. I said there would not be an acclamation this year and there will not be."

"I'm out for municipal honors again."

"Everyone is responsible for the lack of interest in the city. Get out and try to get elected. It is not hard to be defeated."

The council this year had a hard task. I'm out for three objects — Better Roads for Belleville. Roads built from Zwick's Island gravel are no good. A good permanent road system should be inaugurated. I'm not in favor of a further destruction of Zwick's Island. This is the only breathing spot left in Belleville. We must strive for lower taxation. Don't spend money just because you have it. You must admit that 35.2 mills taxation is some rate. Belleville can be made a city. Don't knock, even if you can't say a good word for Belleville. The sewer system of Belleville does not suit me. Extensions should be made all over the city. Why should not Coleman ward have sewage advantages? Places in Belleville are not protected against fire.

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G. W. V. A. Grant

Comrade Stafford of the Great War Veterans' Association addressed the electors on behalf of the 30,000 bylaw for the Soldiers' Memorial Home. "We don't want it to be a forced issue, but the united voice of the people."

On the G. W. V. A. Bylaw

Editor Ontario.— There appears to be an underlying current of feeling (not expressed) that is unfavorable to the bylaw. The people of Belleville hold too much respect towards the boys who have fought and returned to enrich or injure their families by publicly opposing any reasonable request they put forth. But, to the writer's mind there is a misunderstanding on the part of the people in reference to the by-law. The Great War Veterans are asking the citizens to vote upon:

- 1. It is felt the citizens have not been consulted as to the form this memorial is to take.
2. The War Veterans have an ulterior motive, such as the purchase of preferred lands, buildings, etc.
3. The by-law is too premature to put to the citizens as a veteran I will try in my crude way to answer the above.
1. It is felt the citizens have not been consulted as to the form this memorial is to be.

Admitted, as a whole, they have not, but the people will be consulted, and suggestions asked for, brought or sent to an open meeting held by the war veterans for that purpose, as it is the unanimous desire of the veterans they should be. We, although banded together by the spirit of comradeship, matured on the battlefields, are not, and as yet do we want to appear divided from the citizens. Our experience in the

service of our empire has taught us "united we stand, divided we fall." The same can be applied to the citizens of Belleville. We want their co-operation, and feel that without such co-operation, in all organizations at this period of demobilization and re-establishment, conditions would be in a state of chaos.

2. The war veterans have no ulterior motive, such as the purchase of preferred lands, buildings, etc.

Let us read one passage of the by-law which states there shall be three trustees, the Mayor, the County Court Judge and the President of G.W.V.A. Surely this is plain to the most suspicious that such a thing could not be possible as we cannot as an association, go to trustees without consulting them and receive their money. Further, the confidence of the citizens placed your fellow citizen in the responsible and honorable position of chief magistrate, he therefore will not dispose of money held in trust by him without first consulting their wishes.

3. The by-law is too premature to put to the citizens.

Preparation is the thief of time. The boys are coming home rapidly, and no doubt shall all be home—God willing—this time next year. What have you, as citizens, to offer them for your appreciation of their services to this community? What will you have if this project is left in abeyance until next election day? Six months from that time, which it would take to materialize, would be too late. By that time they would have drifted to other cities with more attractions for the veteran, in the form of clubs, memorial homes etc., which now are being granted to the veterans.

4. Expressions of thanks and good wishes, etc.
27. Chorus: "Willing Sunbeams" school.
National Anthem and Benediction. Mr. J. C. MacFarlane, of Montreal, spent the holiday season with relatives here.
Mrs. E. Ward, and sister, Emily were in Belleville doing their shopping for Xmas on Monday.

Archduke Profiteer

Leopold Said to Have Made 20,000,000 Crowns. Berlin, Dec. 30.—The newspaper Abend charges that the Austrian Archduke Leopold Salvator, former Imperial Master of Ordnance, cleared 20,000,000 crowns on army contracts.

The Archduke, according to the newspaper, supplied the Government with dried vegetables, for which he was paid 100 to 200 per cent. more than the market prices. His contracts for three years, the Abend says, totalled 45,000,000 crowns.

Boy Killed His Father

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Obituary

A. CLARK TAYLOR. The death occurred this morning at his home, Albert street, Belleville, twenty-five years ago and was educated in Belleville public and high school and later in Upper Canada College, Toronto. At this college he was engaged in contracting with his father, Mr. Henry Taylor of this city. He was a member of the Methodist church and was a well known and respected citizen. His sister, Miss Hazel Taylor survives. The deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved friends in the early closing of his career.

FOXBORO

The annual Xmas entertainment and closing exercises of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sabbath school held on Wednesday evening, the 25th, were a gratifying success in every respect. It was a perfect evening, and the light snow fall made it pleasant sleighing. The church was beautifully decorated by the young people with a pleasing array of bunting, flags and bells, as well as a fine evergreen tree in the corner. The people gathered early and the program was called promptly at 8 p.m. The pastor of the church, Rev. Mr. Currie, acted as chairman, the audience being perfect as regards order, and after brief devotional exercises and address by the chairman, the following was the program given by the scholars:

- 1. Opening chorus, "Merry Xmas" Junior scholars.
2. Recitation, "Xmas Day," Grant Tunngwell.
3. Spelling Exercise, "Christmas," 9 pupils.
4. Recitation, "Patriotic," Ronald Longwell.
5. Dolly Drill, repeated by request from last year, 6 girls.
6. Recitation, Hudson Ketcheson.
7. Dialogue, "Watching for Santa Claus," 2 boys.
8. Vocal Solo, "How I hate to get up in the morning," M. Bell.
9. Recitation, Melite Longwell.
10. Vocal Selection, "Christmas," Violet Spencer.
11. Drill, "March and Sing," 3 pupils.
12. Recitation, "The artful doubt," Harold Longwell.
13. Song, Mildred Elliott.
14. Reading, "The legend of the Xmas tree," Miss D. Currie.
15. Duet, "Patriotic selection," McLaren and Vona Longwell.
16. Recitation, Mildred Elliott.
17. Song, Joan and Geraldine Longwell.
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GERMANS GIVE UP LOOT

Returned French Stocks Value at Six Billion Francs. Paris, Dec. 28.—The Germans have returned stocks taken from the banks in northern France amounting approximately to six billion francs.

BERNSTORFF'S VIEW

GENEVA, Dec. 30.—Count von Bernstorff, former German Ambassador to the United States, is reported to be opposed to the Berlin investigation of war responsibility being extended to occurrences which followed the actual commencement of hostilities. After the Fatherland was at war he claims it was the duty of all to serve its ends regardless of consequences.

TO ABOLISH ALL TITLES

MUNICH, Dec. 30.—The new Wurttemberg government says a Stuttgart despatch, proposes to abolish all nobility, titles and power.

DIED

TAYLOR.—In Belleville, on Monday, Dec. 20th, 1918, A. Clark Taylor son of Mr. Henry Taylor, aged 25 years.

PLENTY OF ROOM TO GROW

Australia, which is 23 times larger than the whole of the British Isles, has a population not exceeding that in London.

England's Famous Arsenal at Woolwich

England's famous arsenal at Woolwich, where only 125 women were employed in 1914, had some 25,000 women workers on its rolls when the armistice was declared. The granting of woman suffrage in Finland was followed by their London.

election to the Finnish Parliament

election to the Finnish Parliament in 1907 of nineteen women — the first women to sit in any national legislative body.

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