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Six are Nominated for the Mayoralty

33 Aldermanic Candidates Nominated and 27 for the New Board of Education

The Mayoralty Candidates Discuss Public Questions and It Looks As If There Will Be No Shortage of Material Upon Which to Stage a Contest

That the citizens of St. Catharines are taking a lively interest in municipal affairs this year was evidenced this morning when the largest number of candidates ever known in the history of the city were nominated for the various boards and offices, six being named for theMayoralty; thirty three for the Council; twenty seven for the Board of Education; two for the Public Utilities Commission, while the present Board of Water Commissioners were all reelected by acclamation.

The Council chamber at the City Hall was crowded at ten o'clock when Deputy Returning Officer J. Albert Pay declared the meeting open for the filing of nomination papers for the office of Mayor, Board of Education and Public Utilities Commissioner.

Two minutes after the hour the first paper was filed and from then on until the nominations closed at eleven there was a steady stream of nominees coming and going. The feature of the meeting was the presence of many women who were on hand to nominate candidates for the new Board of Education and when the Returning Officer declared the nominations closed there was no less than seven ladies on the list. But it is hardly likely that more than three of these will qualify.

A Record Field.

The first nomination for the Mayoralty was that of Ald. David Eagle whose papers were filed at 10.15, a few minutes later the papers were handed in for Ald. Westwood and Smith. Ten minutes later, Capt.Lovelace's nominators filed his papers and at 10.40 Mayor Elson was nominated. Shortly before time was up the R.O. received the papers for E. C. Graves.

For a time it looked like W. W. Park would be elected to the Public Utilities Commission by acclamation but at five minutes to the closing hour Mr. Stinson, the retiring member of the Commission was nominated for re-election which assured a contest for that position.

Later on in the morning Mr. E. C. Graves announced that he would not be a candidate for Mayor but would contest a council seat. That leaves the mayoralty race to a field of five.

Of the aldermanic nominee it is hardly posible that more than twenty of the bunch will qualify but at any rate the electors will have a good card to select nine men from .The same applies to the Board of Education which has a record field to chose from.

All candidates have until nine o'clock tomorrow night to qualify.

The Addresses.

After the nominations closed Returning Officer Pay announced that the Mayoralty candidates would be given ten minutes each to address the electors. He first called upon His Worship Mayor Elson who in the course of a splendid ten minute address said:

In the first instance my thanks are due to the gentlemen who have been kind enough to express their confidence in me by offering another nomination. Had my administration been seriously wanting I could scarcely hope for their public endorsement. Indeed it is only as a result of the solicitation of many citizens of all classes and stations that I have consented to consider further civic service. The office which I have had the honor to fill entails many responsibilities and sacrifices. Like other men I have my business and domestic ties and if I were to consult my own humor I would abandon all civic service for the enjoyment of my home and family, and my books. But the embarrassing position into which the City has been led and of which, with your permission, I shall treat later, imposes a duty on me to at least warn the electors of the dangers toward which they are unconsciously driftnig. It is the knowledge that sometimes public interest should be placed before private, that impels me to put myself at your disposal.

Differences of Policies.

Let me state also that it is with regret that circumstances should place me in opposition to any of my colleagues with whom I have enjoyed the friendliest relations, or to a returned soldier who stands as a representative of organized labor. As one who has passed a life, thus far of toil and arduous effort, I have full knowledge not only of what labor means but of the aspirations and desires of the workers to improve the conditions of their day. There can be no difference between myself and Captain Lovelace on this score. If difference there be it arises solely over policies as a means of accomplishing the greatest good for the greatest number. Perhaps when I have reviewed certain municipal features and disclosed facts that may startle this audience it will be better understood what is meant.

And now gentlemen, I come to the situation which gives me, and I am sure will give you and the whole City deep concern. It is my duty to make statements which no one in office has even given to you before, and which I have prepared after two years of reasonably close and intelligent thought. Through the assistance of the Treasurer and the Auditor's report I have calculated that our financial position as a Municipality is extremely hazardous. If my remarks made upon my responsibility as yourMayor are not correct then they can be assailed, and discredited, but I challenge any one to disprove them except it be in minor detail. I submit for your reflection the following:

Borrowing Power Gone.

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"CASE IS CLOSED," STATES DEFENCE RELIEF RESULTS

Sudden End Unexpected, But Brings Smiles to Jurymen's Expressive Faces.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 23.—At a point where the judge, the jury, counsel and all the officials connected with the strike leader's trial were resigned to the apparent fact that there was no possibility of conclusion before Christmas, Mr. Cassidy for the defence, startled the court by the announcement. "My lord, the defence cannot proceed farther. There are many considerations that prompt us not to do so. We do not get along very well (referring to the judge) and still other considerations at this time are yourself and the jury. The defence closes its case, and I will go on with my charge to the jury."

This statement brought a smile to th face of every juryman. The tension of the court relaxed, the nervous pitch, at which the accused and which the jurymen, the council and all concerned with the court had been under throughout the proceedings suddenly disappeared and the court which had heard so many gravely spoken words and impassionate utterances echoed with suddeen spontaneous laughter.

Exactly twenty-five and one-half days were taken taken up in hearing the defence. Approxnmately 600,000 words were spoken and taken down by the court reporter. The seventieth exhibit was put in by the Crown today. There were 143 wittnesses called.

THE MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS

FOR MAYOR.

DAVID WILLIAM EAGLE (Agent) by Richard Newman and J. Frank Beattie.

WALTER JAMES WESTWOOD (Merchant) by George Warren and C. H. Claus.

JACOB SMITH (Sales Manager) by James Prior and J. N. Walker.

EDWIN JOHN LOVELACE (Publisher) by Frank H. Greenlaw and Geo. Adkins.

EDWIN CYRUS GRAVES (Agent) by Geo. H. Peterson and James McBride.

JOHN MEBOURNE ELSON (Publisher) by James M. McBride and Ambrose Veale.

FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION.

JAMES EDWARD WATERHOUSE (Manufacturer) by A. J. Gilmore and John Madill.

EMMA ISABELLE WRIGHT (Housewife) by W. H. Merritt and Thos. E. Dudley.

LIEUT.-COL. FRANK M'CORDICK (Tanner) by Arthur Robinson and G. H. Fifield.

LEONE TAYLOR (Housewife) by R. D. Hamilton and George H. Sherwood.

HERBERT WATSON BYRNE (Manager) by G. H. Fifield and Frances E. Cox.

WILLIAM ARKEL M'KINNON (Manufacturer) by Geo. A. Carefoot and John Madill.

MARY HELEN MALCOLMSON (Housewife) by E. J. Lovelace and M. Clench.

DR. WILLIAM JOHN MACDONALD (Physician) by Frances W. Jeffs and F. R. Parnell.

ELIZABETH LEWIN GIBSON (Housewife) by Jacob Smith and J. N. Walker.

WILLIAM BARTLETT BURGOYNE (Publisher) by Thos. E. Dudley and F. R. Parnell.

JOHN STEELE DUNLOP (Gardener) by R. R. Secord and J. N. Walker.

DR. JOSEPH MORLEY JOY (Medical Doctor) by F. N. Rutherford and John S. Dunlop.

FRED REID PAXTON (Manufacturer) by F. N. Rutherford and John S. Dunlop.

MARGARET MACKAY (Housewife) by Geo. A. Carefoot and John H. Ratcliffe.

HUBERT GEORGE WOLLEY (Salesman) by W. W. Park and E. B. Lawrence.

FRANK NICOL RUTHERFORD (Civil Engineer) by Geo. H. Peterson and F. R. Paxton.

WILLIAM WELLINGTON BURLEIGH (Merchant) by F. R. Paxton and John S. Dunlop.

WILLIAM G. WATSON (Tailor) by A. H. Trapnell and Geo. E. Jones.

WILLIAM TURNBULL (Accountant) by A. H. Trapnell and A. M. Watts.

ALBERT H. TRAPNELL (Clerk) by George E. Jones and A. M. Watts.

ROBERT MORLEY CALDER (Physician) by A. H. Trapnell and Geo. E. Jones.

WASHINGTON BUCHANAN (Dentist) by A. H. Trapnell and A. M. Watts.

JAMES MAITLAND M'BRIDE (Merchant) by A. M. Watts and J. E. Waterhouse.

THOMAS WILLIAM JONES (Merchant) by Jas. A. Rowdon and D. G. Broome.

NORMAN JAMES MACDONALD-LOCKHART (Clerk) by Thos. W.Jones and W. Harrop.

WILFRED HARROP (Contractor) by F. N. Rutherford and T. W. Jones.

FOR PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSIONER.

WILLIAM WILSON PARK (Builder) by James Dakers and E. B. Lawrence.

RUSSELL AIKEN STINSON (Manufacturer) by J. E. Waterhouse and W. G. Watson.

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER.

HAMILTON KILLALY WOODRUFF (Gentleman) by Charles Lobb and E. C. Graves.

FRANK H. GREENLAW (Plumber) by E. J. Lovelace and E. C.Graves.

GEORGE FREDERICK PETERSON (Barrister) by E. C. Graves and John Madill.

ANDREW RIDDELL (Merchant) by J. M. McBride and E. C. Nicholson.

JOHN CHARLES NOTMAN (Manufacturer) by J. M. McBride and E. C. Nicholson.

CHARLES GORDON M'GHIE (Manufacturer) by A. H. Trapnell and E. C. Graves.

FOR ALDERMEN.

AMBROSE JOSEPH VEALE (Merchant) by W. B. Burgoyne and F. J. Lowe.

HOWARD EUGENE ROSE (Broker) by A. H. Trapnell and J. M. McBride.

GEORGE RICHARD BRADLEY (Merchant) by Frank A. Wilson and A. H. Trapnell.

FREDERICK HAROLD AVERY (Merchant) by F. Wilson and H. Collins

PERCIVAL GEORGE WILSON (Agent) by E. C. Graves and A. H. Trapnell.

CHARLES DALEY DUNLOP (Carpenter) by R. Newman and R. R. Secord.

ALBERT EDWARD JENCKES (Gentleman) by M. J. Mulock and F. Wilson.

WILLIAM BANNAN (Contractor) by George Adkins and Wm. Chamberlain.

CHARLES ELLIOTT (Veterinary) by R. R. Secord and R. Newman.

CHARLES HERBERT NASH (Agent) by M. J. Mulock and E. C. Nicholson.

MICHAEL JOSEPH MURPHY (Carpenter) by Jas. A. Rowdon and A. G. Broome.

WALTER BRAY (Manufacturer) by Jas. A. Rowdon and A. G. Broome.

EDWARD VOISARD (Capitalist) by Thomas Conlon and H. M. Gadsby.

EDWIN CYRUS GRAVES (Agent) by J. E. Waterhouse and G. B. Burson.

WILLIAM ALFRED HILL (Barber) by A. H. Trapnell and Richard Newman.

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BOTH DEFENDANT AND PROSECUTION IS FINED $300

POLICE LAID CHARGE OF SELLING LIQUOR AGAINST JOSEPH CAHIZ; GOES TO JAIL THREE MONTHS.

Joseph Cahiz was in court a few days ago charged with selling wine. The case failed and the Magistrate warned him to get rid of some considerable quantities of wine the police has discovered at his place. Joseph went away smiling.

Today Joseph again cropped up in court in a dual role that of both plaintiff and defendant. He charged three Poles with assaulting him with actual bodily harm and he had his head tied up in bandages to prove it.

The police took advantage of the occasion to charge him with illegally having liquor for sale.

The three defendants were put into the witness box to state that on last Sunday they had paid for divers bottles of wine at Joseph's place.

Then Joseph went on the stand and told the Magistrate how he happened to get hit. At 4 o'clock Monday morning the defendants appeared at the door and asked if anyone was in the house. John Petosky had a rock in his hand and he hit Joseph with it. They all ran then but broke several panes of glass as they retreated. The previous night the defendants had been at the place playing poker and a fight ensued in which a knife and a revolver which it is said was once used by Adam, figured.

The defendants as they listened to Joseph's evidence showed indications of mild amusement.

When Frank Smolensky, one of the defendants went on the stand, it developed that the ancient weapon was a plaything of his son aged five. Smolensky said on the morning of the assault he hadn't been out of his house. His cousins came to report that one of their number John Petosky had been hit. In court Petosky's head was much bandaged. He said Joseph had taken a $20 bill from his pocket, also the revolver, and had hit him with something. Petosky denied throwing any rocks or hitting Joseph.

The Magistrate dismissed the assault charge but found Joseph Cahiz guilty of selling liquor and fined him $300. His Worship said there was something peculiar about the fact that Cahiz had these men in his house all night.

Cahiz hadn't the money so he goes to jail for six months.

NAME DOCTORS TO VACCINATE IN THE CITY

CITY COUNCIL ALSO DESIGNATES WHERE PERSONS MAY BE ATTENDED TO.

All the members were in their seats last night when Mayor Elson called the special meeting of the CityCouncil to order at 8.35. The meeting was for the purpose of appointing physicians to carry on vaccinations in various parts of the city.

At the suggestion of Dr. Currey, Medical Health Officer, the vaccination depot for St. George's Ward was made the Central Fire Hall; St. Andrews Ward, City Hall and St. Patrick's Ward, Lake street Fire Hall, the public vaccinaters being Dr. Currey, Dr. W. T. Greenwood and Dr. W. J. Chapman. This was confirmed by resolution moved by Aldermen Rose and Dakers.

Poor people will be vaccinated free the City to pay 25 cents for each.

The Council made a grant of $15 for buying Christmas presents for the inmates of the Industrial Home. The County Council has passed a similar amount making $30 in all.

Ald. Eagle and Westwood moved the resolution.

The Mayor announced that the regular railway service is to be resumed on the 28th.

Ald. Smith requested permission to ask what steps had been taken anent fence claims in connection with sidewalks built on the Western Hill.

Ald. Eagle replied that the legal department was attending to the matter.

Solicitor Cummings stated that he was looking into the question and if there is found to be any liability the Contractors who are the responsible parties will be called upon to make good.

MAN SAVED FROM HANGMAN WILL BE TRIED IN MARCH

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Dec. 23.—When supreme court opens in Welland March 29, Frederick W. Fountain of this city will have his new trial.

He was charged and convicted of murdering his wife and two children at their home in Culp street, this city, last February, by cutting their throats.

The date of his execution was set for last Wednesday, but at the eleventh hour a reprieve was granted by the department of justice on the grounds of insanity. Medical testimony will be submitted at the new trial and if adjudged insane, the accused will be sent to an asylum.

WAR VETERN IS BLINDED BY BAD GRADE OF BOOZE

PROHIBITION REGIME CAUSING MANY PERSONS SERIOUS CONSIDERATION.

BUFFALO, Dec. 23. — Detective Captain Zimmerman last night was notified of a man being permanently blinded by the use of cheap whisky. It is the first case of its kind to be brought to the attention of the local authorities since the war time prohibition act became effective.

As a result of taking two drinks a day for ten successive days Harry Harkins, 58 years old, lodging at No. 128 Seneca street, who served with the Canadian forces during the world war, is in the City hospital in Grider street, completely blind. Hhis stomach is also seriously affected and death may result.

Harkins has been employed in a tailor shop at No. 89 Seneca street, Each morning and evening on his way to and from work he was accustomed to stop in a saloon and order a drink of whisky.

On Friday a film began to settle over his eyes and on Saturday he was unable to see. Friends took him to a district physician who sent him to the City Hospital. Specialists there said that there was no longer a chance of saving his eyesight.They are devoting their energies to an effort to save his life.

The physician attending Harkins last night stated that death may result if the poisoning reaches the man's kidneys and heart.

REDUCE SIZE OF JOURNAL

Irish Indpendent Reproduces Article Which Caused Raid.

DUBLIN, Dec. 23.—The Irish Independent, the daily newspaper whose typesetting machines and stereotyping plant were crippled last night by unknown persons who forced their way into the building of the newspaper, today published a newspaper of much smaller size than usual. In it an account of the raid on the Independent's plant was printed, and the leading articles, criticizing the attack on Viscount French, to which it is believed the raiders objected, was reproduced.

THE WEATHER

TORONTO, Dec. 23.—Several depressions are shown in this morning's chart. The most important one being situated near Bermuda, while a cold wave is spreading into the western provinces from the northward. The weather has been fair generally irrespective of a few snow flurries from Saskatchewan to Lake Superior.

FORECASTS: Cloudy and mild today. Wednesday: Becoming colder with a few light local snow falls.

FEW PRISONERS LEFT IN QUEBEC TO GET FREEDOM

ALL SENTENCED BY THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN RELEASED.

MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 23.—With regard to the reported amnesty in favor of the Military Service Act defaulters, it was asertained here at the military headquarters that all such personnel, in so far as they were tried and sentened either by general or district court martial, were released from the penitentiary or jail, in each case within a few months after the order pursuant to the exercise of clemency by theGovernor General in Council.

Advices from headquarters were to the effect that if any defaulters are yet held, such were sentenced by the Criminal Court, on complaint laid by the Dominion Police, in which case the military authorities did not participate. There are no figures as to the number of evaders still at large.

China May Send Supply.

VANCOUVER, Dec.23.—Since the first of April, 1918, the only way in which residents of British Columbia could obtain liquor legally has been through doctor's prescriptions. Revocation of the Federal orders in Council means that after January 1 it will be possible again to import liquor from other Provinces or from abroad for private consumption. Under the British Columbia prohibition law, it is permissable to have in one's home any quantity for this purpose. As a result, one firm is starting in business to handle only case shipments from Hong Kong. Calgary and Edmonton will, however, be the chief basis of supply for the average consumer.

Resumption of the liquor business in this form will spell a heavy loss of revenue for doctors. Figures issued by the Attorney General show 113,000 prescriptions issued by doctors of the Province in eight months Few of these, it is estimated have been given gratis. Government liquor sales in British Columbia for November totalled $200,000. For December they are expected to total $250,000. As the Government estimated a profit in the neighborhood of forty per cent. it will be seen that the resumption of inter Provincial trade will mean a tidy loss of revenue to the Province.

The order releasing military prisoners will have very little effect here. There were comparatively few prosecutions under the Military Service Act, and hardly any long term sentences.

Cases Must Be Labeled.

FREDERICTON, N.B., Dec. 23.—The Prohibition Act passed by the New Brunswick Legislature does not prohibit the use of intoxicating liquor in the homes, and the repeal of the War Measures Act will bring about the same situation which adhered before it was passed, so that here can be practically unrestricted importation of liquor for private use.

Hundreds of orders have been placed in Montreal in anticipation of this situation. All shipped will, however, have to be labeled as liquor and marked "for private use."

MOSLEM CHILDREN DESIRE TO PRAY TO SANTA CLAUS; QUESTION PUZZLES SHEIK

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 23. — Abraham, Sheik-Ul-Islam, is sorely puzzled in reaching a decision whether Moslem children may pray to the American Santa Claus forChristmas presents. The question was submitted by children in the Aidin and Diarbekr districts, who asked the sheik, in his capacity as supreme interpreter of Moslem law, if such prayers would be impious.

American missions in Asia Minor are preparing Christmas celebration for thousands of children.

Girls' and Ladies' Hockey Shoes in black and white. Regular $10.00 for $5.95 during sale. Lynch's, 115 Falls Street, Niagara Falls, N.Y.