

Monday's Election Triumph for Hanna; All Three Referendum Questions Defeated

Majority of 543 for Victor is Surprise to Himself and Citizens Generally—Ald. Ostrom Heads Poll Among Aldermanic Candidates—Mr. Mikel is Good Loser, He Tells Audience at City Hall.

With a sweeping majority of 543 votes, Ald. Charles Hanna was elected Mayor of Belleville at the polls yesterday in one of the largest votes ever recorded, 2190 ballots having been cast in the contest. Ald. Hanna sprang on his rival, Mr. W. C. Mikel, K.C., the surprise of the day, a complete organization, which made the election a matter only of the size of the majority—for the young alderman.

The 1920 aldermen running in the race received hearty endorsement, one of their number, Fire Chief, George F. Ostrom, being elected at the head of the poll with a very large vote. With the exception of Mr. S. J. Fisher, who ran second, the old council came at the top. Alderman Daniel V. Doyle was the only member of the expiring council to be left behind. His defeat was in many ways a surprise to the electorate.

The new men around the council board are Mr. S. J. Fisher, the well-known insurance agent, Mr. Gilbert H. French, commission merchant, Mr. George A. Bennett, contractor, Mr. J. Ballinger, of the G.T.R., and Ex-Ald. Sam H. Treverton. The general feeling is that the electors made a wise choice in the election of the new blood.

Ex-Ald. Robinson looked like an alderman-elect until the last returns were in. When Mr. Robinson was shown from eighth to tenth place and Mr. Ballinger stepped up into eighth and Ex-Ald. Sam H. Treverton brought up the rear guard. Mr. Robinson's run was phenomenal, his total being only 25 votes below Mr. Treverton's and indicated that many felt he would be a very valuable member of the city council.

The three questions submitted to the ratifiers were all answered in the negative. The only question that had a possibility of carrying was that in reference to the city manager ship, which was defeated by 859 to 796. The defeat of this question is put upon the other questions, which the electors were undoubtedly opposed to. At the polls, large quantities of ballots were returned unmarked, the voters not seeming to understand the questions. Question No. 2, in reference to the three-year term for aldermen was defeated by 788 to 693, while that relating to the question of the appointment of mayor by the aldermen at their first meeting went down by 924 to 552.

Mr. F. Sharpe received hearty endorsement at the polls, his years of service as trustee in Foster Ward being rewarded by re-election by 69 to 43 over Mr. Frank H. Chesher. By a majority of seven votes, Mr. Thos. Marshall was returned trustee for another term over Mr. Frank Potter.

Mayor-elect Hanna was given an ovation when he stepped upon the platform to thank the electors. Mayor W. B. Riggs occupied the chair and introduced the mayoralty candidates and the new aldermen, making a few brief comments on the endorsement the electors had given the 1920 regime.

The mayor-elect extended his thanks to the electors and promised faithful service during the coming year. The defeated candidate, Mr. W. C. Mikel made a short address, making reference to a bigger and better Belleville and stating that he was a good loser. Mr. Mikel said he understood that organized labor had now over eleven hundred members in their organization in the city.

Ald. G. F. Ostrom, who led the poll, after the cheers had died down, declared he had tried to be fair to everybody, and asked for the support of the people throughout the coming year. He gave the electors to understand that he would favor the people having an opportunity to give expression to their views as to undertaking before action was begun.

Ald-elect Fisher, who ran second, requested the support of the council by the electors. He would endeavor to give satisfaction in office, he said.

That he hoped to see the progressive plans of the last council continued, was the view of Ald. Adams

who thanked the electors for their confidence in him.

Ald. Wensley declared he would do everything in his power to advance the city's interests and asked the electors to take interest in municipal affairs and so prevent the council from making errors.

For Twelfth Time.

"The old warhorse," Ald. Woodley returning for his twelfth year, voiced the opinion that service in the council should lead a man to the mayoralty if he desired it. He was opposed to an outsider stepping into the mayoralty race. He congratulated Mayor Riggs and Mayor-elect Hanna. There never was a better council than the 1920 body he said.

Ald-elect French made a short address, promising his best efforts in the city's cause, as did Mr. G. A. Bennett.

Ald-elect Ballinger assured the citizens that he would do all in his power for the good and welfare of Belleville. The city council with the co-operation of the Chamber of Commerce, the support of the Rotary Club, the roar of the Lions and last, but not least, the Belleville Trades and Labor Council, would put Belleville over the top in 1921.

"I think Belleville should have a good progressive policy for the year 1921, but to have that we must have industries. Industries are the very life of the nation and of any city. Industries near prosperity for all," he said in closing.

Ald. Treverton thanked his supporters and promised the best of service.

The defeated candidates, B. A. Sanford wished his friends Happy New Year and Ald. D. V. Doyle gracefully bade farewell to the duties of office of alderman.

The gathering broke up after the singing of the National Anthem.

Mayor-Elect Sorensen Home.

Mayor-Elect Hanna had a busy night of it from nine o'clock on until two o'clock this morning. His associates in the G.W.V.A. band appeared on the scene with their instruments. They hoisted the mayor-elect upon a vehicle and a parade was organized, which moved up and down the main streets, the bandsmen playing. They led the new chief magistrate to his home, 102 Moira street where they serenaded him and where he acted as host.

It is unique that two mayors of Belleville have been bandmen. Mayor Riggs was leader of the I.O.O.F. band for many years and now Ald. Hanna, an official of the band known as the G.W.V.A. band is his successor.

Mr. J. Ballinger, alderman-elect, came from Toronto to Belleville ten years ago last July. He is foreman boiler-maker of the G.T.R. and is a member of The Belleville Lodge, No. 123 A.E. & A.M. He lives at 331 Bleeker Ave.

A Methodist Council.

The new city council is almost entirely a Methodist organization, the members of that persuasion being in the great majority.

NEARBY ELECTIONS

Elections in this vicinity were very few, most of the townships being acclamations.

Rawdon—Chas. W. Thompson, defeated T. A. Bailey by 175 for the reeve ship.

Huntingdon—James Haggerty elected by 110 majority over W. J. Jeffrey. David Fargy stood third.

Councillors—George Cook, Robert Noyes, Blake Ketcheson, A. B. Reid, Trenton—Mayor, Jesse Funnell; Councillors, H. O'Rourke, W. W. White, L. Roenigk, N. J. McVair, T. McAuley, Major Sills, Benedict Proctor, bylaw was carried.

Frankford—Reeve, W. E. Windover (acc); Councillors—Hugh Miller, 207; John E. Finnegan, 187; Chas. P. Rose, 185, F. A. Corey, 89. Defeated were P. H. Osterhout, 80; Geo. E. Sine, 46.

Mr. Wilbur Johnson of this city, was sworn in today as constable of the Belleville Police Department.

"Ladies and Gentlemen—The Mayor"

Mayor-elect Charles Hanna stands easily the most popular man in Belleville. It was always known that Charley was popular, but that he would pile up a majority of 543 was a surprise to all. His record at the polls every year is proof of the hold he has upon the affections of the people.

The new mayor is a son of the City of the Bay. Born here he has lived his entire life in the city, childhood, youth and early manhood. He has been in the hardware business many years with Mr. J. W. Walker and lately became a member of the firm of the Walker Hardware Co. He is a well-known musician his instrument being the French horn, and his organization the

G.W.V.A. (formerly the I. O. O. F.) band. He is a member of the Lions Club, the Masons, the I.O.O.F., the Orange Order, the True Blues, the Woodman of the World and of the Tabernacle Methodist Church.

In his new role as Mayor, Ald. Hanna will be called upon to show qualities of mind not required in the aldermanic office. That he will live up to his opportunities, is the belief of his friends.

He is one of the youngest mayors Belleville has ever had and his success is due to his native energy and good-will towards his fellow citizens. He is an example to the youth of the city in the way of success, achieved by tireless endeavor.

NEW COUNCIL WILL ORGANIZE AT MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT

Mayor-Elect Hanna in Best of Spirits Today—Says Belleville Will go at Cautious Speed Where Money is Concerned for This Year—Chairmanships to be Apportioned.

Belleville's new council will unofficially organize on Thursday night at a caucus at the city hall. All the members are to be present and it is hoped to award the various chairmanships, so that at the inaugural meeting next Monday the appointments will be made without discussion.

Mayor-elect Hanna was feeling in his finest fettle this morning, although yesterday was a very strenuous day.

He anticipates that this year the council will go fairly slowly on expenditures, at least the money will be in sight before any undertakings are staged.

The new mayor is very much pleased with the personnel of his council and expects that harmony will prevail throughout all their deliberation.

Who will be chairman of finance is one of the speculations being discussed. Ald. Ostrom is looked forward to as one, whose success at the polls, will demand a most important chairmanship for him.

The industrial chairmanship will be awarded to one of the most active men in the council and public works will demand a level-headed chairman. Gas and waterworks will also require the services of the best in the council.

THE FIGURES

Ald. Charles Hanna	1367
W. C. Mikel	824
Majority for Hanna	543
Aldermen	
Ald. G. F. Ostrom	1195
S. J. Fisher	1080
Ald. R. D. Adams	1051
Ald. R. Wensley	943
Ald. W. A. Woodley	898
G. H. French	887
G. A. Bennett	853
J. Ballinger	796
S. H. Treverton	775
Defeated—	
A. Robinson	754
W. Yarrow	622
Ald. D. V. Doyle	611
B. A. Sanford	479
J. E. Parks	465
School Trustees	
Foster (1)	69
Maj. for Sharpe, 26	61
Marshall	Potter
Bleeker (8)	81
Bleeker (9)	31
	119
Majority for Marshall, 7.	112

City Dairy Company is Now Reorganized

The Belleville City Dairy Co., Ltd. has been organized out of the Citizens Dairy, which was owned by Mr. Howard J. Clarke. The company is capitalized at \$40,000 under the following officers—W. B. Dpacon, president; John Weese, vice-president, and H. J. Clarke, manager. The organization has been completed.

The company recently built a new home for themselves. They have a pasturizing plant and Mr. Clarke today said the future was very promising.

SMUGGLERS BUSY

Montreal, Jan. 4.—Gigantic liquor smuggling operations are reported between Compton county, Que., and Vermont state.

Ray M. Peppin and wife, of Windsor, spent New Year's in the city with his parents, on John Street.

ACCIDENT FATAL TO FLAY WEESE

Belleville Man Instantly Killed Early Today at Cement Works Pier.

HIT BY MACHINERY

No one Witnessed Accident—Was Member of Reformed Episcopal Church.

Flay Weese, 31 Everett Street, met instant death at Plant No. 5, of the Canada Cement Company, sometime between seven and eight o'clock this morning. The tragedy was not witnessed by any one, the dead body of the young man being found by some of the workmen. Weese had gone on duty at seven o'clock.

He had been for two months past engaged in construction work on the new mill at Point Anne. He was this morning working on concrete construction at a pier in connection with one of the departments. Apparently he was struck by a piece of machinery for his skull was fractured.

Coroner Dr. W. W. Boyce, of Belleville, was called and ordered an inquest.

Flay Weese was in his early thirties and was the son of Mr. Addison Weese of this city. He was formerly employed by the Thompson Furniture Co. and the late William McGie. He was a member of Emmanuel Reformed Episcopal Church and at one time was curator. He leaves his widow and one daughter, Freda.

Constable Boyd Here From Peterborough

Constable Daniel Boyd of the Peterborough Police Force, whose resignation was accepted by the Board of Police Commissioners Friday, has arrived in Belleville, where he has accepted a position under Chief Alexander Kidd, formerly of Peterborough. During his service in Peterborough, Constable Boyd has been an efficient policeman, one who always had the confidence of his officers and has been popular with the public in general.

FULL DETAILS OF MONDAY'S VOTING

Ward	MAYOR		ALDERMEN															
	Hanna	Mikel	Adams	Ballinger	Bennett	Doyle	Fisher	French	Ostrom	Parks	Robinson	Sanford	Treverton	Wensley	Woodley	Yarrow		
Poster No. 1	136	34	59	67	31	62	38	42	72	13	24	53	49	54	35	32		
Samson No. 2	39	35	23	20	19	27	34	34	32	14	16	21	27	23	14	12		
Samson No. 3	66	74	79	35	66	47	102	68	96	36	60	19	68	68	64	48		
Ketcheson No. 4	34	46	32	8	42	38	53	37	49	19	26	10	23	24	41	13		
Ketcheson No. 5	11	97	114	32	32	52	137	69	132	44	60	12	86	53	109	46		
Baldwin No. 6	55	38	28	24	38	31	43	32	45	29	27	28	20	24	35	25		
Baldwin No. 7A	60	57	70	55	50	41	54	41	65	20	44	19	29	75	49	41		
Baldwin No. 7B	58	72	66	45	71	38	78	50	75	34	59	17	51	70	66	44		
Bleeker No. 8	61	60	127	146	68	51	58	61	70	38	48	67	54	133	62	91		
Bleeker No. 9	52	30	47	53	21	34	30	24	33	9	30	11	13	57	29	86		
Coleman No. 10	162	51	86	87	72	64	78	60	86	41	77	70	49	32	67	63		
Coleman No. 11	83	45	43	39	53	32	61	47	67	30	49	26	59	42	52	29		
Murney No. 12A	77	46	59	40	50	18	60	57	77	29	44	25	55	52	74	37		
Murney No. 12B	88	32	52	35	40	27	55	54	78	32	40	14	52	40	70	25		
Murney No. 13	193	55	69	40	72	31	96	109	112	37	68	21	64	45	72	32		
Murney No. 14	116	55	87	61	79	43	98	92	105	40	81	38	56	66	75	48		
			1267	824	1051	792	853	611	1081	887	1195	465	754	479	775	943	893	622

QUESTIONS ALL DEFEATED

REFERENDUM QUESTIONS	ALDERMEN														Totals		
	Foster 1	Samson 2	Samson 3	Samson 4	Ketcheson 5	Baldwin 6	Baldwin 7A	Baldwin 7B	Bleeker 8	Bleeker 9	Coleman 10	Coleman 11	Murney 12A	Murney 12B		Murney 13	Murney 14
Are You in Favor of the City Employing a General Manager?	Yes 37	30	73	46	108	36	43	50	61	23	53	39	34	33	58	72	796
	No 76	31	41	22	40	32	53	52	106	40	52	52	56	48	56	62	859
Are You in Favor of Electing the Aldermen for the City in the Same way as School Trustees, viz: One-third Retiring Each Year and One-third Elected Each Year?	Yes 27	26	58	37	102	33	35	44	60	26	47	36	27	28	42	65	693
	No 71	30	40	22	38	29	47	43	89	32	37	47	48	47	61	61	788
Are You in Favor of the Aldermen Elected at Their First Council Meeting in the Year, Electing from Their Number One of the Members as Mayor?	Yes 20	29	54	27	82	31	28	30	44	19	37	27	27	21	36	44	563
	No 81	35	47	31	58	31	58	54	103	38	93	54	47	53	64	75	924

BEGIN DRILLING TEST WELLS AT ONCE IF WEATHER IS GOOD SAYS HEAD OF OIL CONCERN

Mr. Walter B. Reeves, of London, Eng., Back in the City with Good News—South African Interests Behind the Venture—Everything Points to Operations Commencing at Once.

"Unless all signs are astray, I think this will be one of the greatest oil discoveries in the history of this country," said Mr. Walter B. Reeves, of London, England, today. He has just returned after a very pleasant business trip to the Old Land. His reference was to the oil strike in Tyndinaga, near Lonsdale.

Prof. Gooday, geologist, of the Transvaal Share Corporation Ltd., a very influential body of South African mining people, who are undertaking the drilling in Tyndinaga, read the reports of Prof. McLean, who went over the ground with Mr. Reeves about two months ago and of the late Prof. Rosenz, who about twenty years ago did considerable prospecting in Tyndinaga. From these reports and from the specimen of rock which Mr. Reeves took to England, Prof. Gooday finds himself in agreement with the other two as to the summit of the anticline.

All depends upon the weather now. Should the present weather continue, drilling test-wells will be started at once to locate the anticline, said Mr. Reeves.

So impressed were the officials of the Transvaal Share Corporation Ltd., with the reports that in one day arrangements were made which seems likely to occupy much longer time.

The first step will be to have a geologist go over the ground again. Then if there is little snow drilling will commence. Mr. Reeves is sailing to England facts as to the weather condition here.

Thirty farms are now under lease by Mr. Reeves, comprising 3000 acres. Mr. Reeves intends to increase the holdings. The land in question is not very good for agriculture and consequently the farmers are willing to have their property developed.

Mr. Reeves states that within six months the importance of Tyndinaga as an oil centre will be determined. He is confident of the presence of oil. He will remain in Belleville and district for some time to come.

Balloonists Land in Dense Forest; Lost for 4 Days

COCHRANE, Jan. 4. (Canadian Press copyright)—Latest information in regard to the American balloonists who landed near Moose Factory on Dec. 14, is to the effect that they did not land at the Moose Factory trading post, but twenty miles north east in a dense forest.

Lisat, Kibor stated that the party were lost in the wilderness for four days before their rescue was effected, and due to the rather mild weather prevailing. They did not suffer from freezing.

Indians claim it will take fourteen days steady travelling to reach Mattice, and if had storms materialize it will take longer.

Miss Mary and Maggie Teal, of Wooler, returned to the city yesterday to resume their studies at the O.B.C.

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