

WENIGE AND MOORE START IN RACE FOR MAYOR'S CHAIR

Will Give All His Energies If
"Greatest Honor" Accorded
Him, J. M. Moore States.

BOTH AT CHESLEY

Mayor Tells Electors Definite
Programs Have Won Him
Success in Past 3 Years.

George A. Wenige and John M. Moore, candidates for the mayoralty, were speakers at a well-attended meeting of civic electors held in Chesley avenue school last evening. Aspirants for honors in the aldermanic field were out in force, while candidates for the board of education and the public utilities commission were also present.

J. M. Moore, who is running for mayor in opposition to Mr. Wenige, made his first public appearance in the present campaign, and in a brief speech pledged himself to give all his energies to the task of being chief magistrate of London, which he described as the greatest honor which could be accorded any citizen. He announced himself as being in favor of all the bylaws, which will have his hearty support.

Mr. Moore explained that he had accepted the candidacy for mayor at the request of 1,500 citizens from all parts of the city. The fact that so many London people desired him to run convinced him that he must sacrifice personal inclinations and accede to their request.

17 Years as Engineer.

He stated that he had previously served the city for a period of seventeen years as engineer of the waterworks department and later for three years as controller. "If elected to the office of chief magistrate I will give all my energies to the task and I will take my share of responsibility along with the aldermen for the conduct of the city's business. I leave my record in the past to speak for itself," he said.

Mayor Wenige, who was the first speaker of the evening, thanked the electors present for the large majority given him last year. "It has helped me to put my mind to work this year, otherwise I might have fallen by the wayside," he said.

Reviewing briefly his record during the three years he has been in office, he stressed the point that he had always laid down a program of work, a definite target to shoot at. "I spend an average of from 10 to 12 hours a day at the city hall, and yet I have never seen anywhere in the records, although I have looked, a printed program of work laying down definite objectives to be accomplished."

He enumerated some of the achievements of the past year, including Wellington and High street sewers, Seattle avenue sewer, Florence street sewer, the paving of the approach to King street bridge, paving of Wellington street and Wellington road, completion of the clean-up of the river and the east-end disposal plant. In referring to the latter, he paid a high tribute to the efficiency of City Engineer Near, who had carried out this work on a day labor basis at a cost greatly below the original estimates.

Excellent Investment.

The \$10,000 spent by the city in improving Queen's park he regarded as an excellent investment.

Referring to certain changes at the city hall he said that he had found that booze and business didn't mix well there. "Unfortunately we had to disconnect them," he said. "That is, it is unfortunate for some and they're not."

Regarding the coming centenary celebration, he stated that he had written over 6,000 letters personally to many cities and towns wherever ex-Londoners are to be found.

Unemployment relief work for the winter he regarded as very important, and he had made four trips to Ottawa this connection before he secured a written assurance from both political parties that this year the government will assume one-third of the excess cost of London's winter work to aid unemployment.

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OPPOSED UNION

Special To The Advertiser
by Staff Correspondent.

Toronto, Nov. 26.—Judgment was reserved today by Mr. Justice Kelly at Osgoode Hall in an unusual will tangled arising out of church union. Mrs. Annie H. Blair of Guelph, widow of a Presbyterian minister, left on estate of \$17,800, and her will provided specific bequests of \$4,400. The residue of \$13,400 was to go to the home and foreign missions society of the Presbyterian church in Canada.

If there was no Presbyterian church in Canada, following union the residue was to be distributed among charitable institutions.

The residue is claimed both by the Presbyterian church and the United church of Canada. R. S. Cassels, K.C., for the Presbyterian church, stated that Mrs. Blair was well known as an opponent to union.

and Ald. F. B. Kilbourne spoke briefly. Other speakers included ex-Ald. Allan Towse, E. V. Cronyn, J. A. Croden, W. J. Kilpatrick, W. J. Scandrett, Tom Timbrell, and J. J. Timbrell, candidates for aldermanic honors.

C. R. Smith was the only utilities commission candidate who spoke at the Chesley school meeting.

Ald. Edwin Smith recounted his six years experience on the board of education and the two years he had spent on the council, and asked the people to support him for re-election only if he had given them satisfaction.

"Is the mayor present?" asked E. P. Cronyn. "I would not want to attack his address while he was not here. I gathered from his speech tonight that some \$500,000 had been blown away in the city's business. If you see fit to send me to the city hall I will see that all windows are kept tightly closed, and that this amount of money is properly looked after. In five years the city's assessment has increased 40 per cent, and the mill rate has gone down 20 per cent. There is too big a difference, and I doubt that the city property valuation has been more than doubled in that length of time."

Will Make No Promises.

J. A. Croden claimed to have no policy or plan. "Had I known that the mayor had one already made, I should have got it from him and saved a lot of trouble. I will make no promises other than that I will always do my best for London if you elect me."

"I have been urged for three years to enter the aldermanic race," said W. J. Kilpatrick, "and that is why I am here. I shall, if elected, apply business principles to the running of the city's business."

"I have no strings tied to me," said W. J. Scandrett, "and I represent no class or clique. Some of my predecessors were here in 1826, when London was founded, and I should consider it a great honor to be on the council during the centenary year."

"I claim to have some business ability," said Tom Terry, "and if you feel that I have the necessary ability to fill the position of one of your eight managers I shall appreciate it."

Allan Towse said that he had taken a deep interest in the affairs of the city during the year he had been off the council, and felt qualified to join the ranks of next year's aldermen.

Money To Be Spent.

"I notice in the report given by the mayor that there is a great deal of money to be spent by next year's council," said E. J. Timbrell, "and I should like to have a hand in spending that money to the best advantage of the city of London. As a business man I have always been above reproach."

C. R. Smith, candidate for the public utilities commission, thought that two of the present members of that body had been there so long that perhaps they had come to think they owned it.

We have had Americans drilling for water in the east end of London while Canadian drillers were lying idle, and not a drop of water from these borings has ever entered the city mains. I entered this contest because I object to water meters. We have a city engineer that costs us at least \$10,000 a year, and he has an assistant, yet we had to hire an American to operate a pedometer here to discover gas leaks. Is that good business? The time has come for a change in the personnel of the public utilities commission."

OTTAWA SHEEP PRIZES
COME TO W. ONTARIO

D. D. Bell and Son of Shakespeare Sweep Oxford Section.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Nov. 26.—J. W. Springstead & Son of Catston Centre, Ont., are the principal prizewinners in the sheep exhibits at the Ottawa winter fair. Official announcement of the awards to date, made late last night, credit them with winning all but one of the red ribbons in the Southdowns.

A. Shileds & Sons of Canfield, Ont., won five first prizes out of the six classes in the Shropshires.

In Oxford, D. D. Bell & Son of Shakespeare were big winners, securing four awards for the following entries: Ewe under one year, three ewes under one year, flock (two ewes and a ram), pen of four lambs.

Adam Thomson of Stratford, six prizes in the judging competitions for Berkshire swine. In two of the sow classes, Thomson won both first and second prizes.

THREE ARE MENTIONED FOR
WALLACEBURG MAYORALTY

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Architect's Plan of Old Block Found By Stratford Historian

Special To The Advertiser
by Staff Correspondent.

Stratford, Nov. 26.—An interesting old relic of the past has been unearthed by R. T. Orr, president of the Historical society, in the form of the original architect's plan of the Oddfellows block. Incidentally it is something that has been searched for quite earnestly, as the Oddfellows had need of it.

An interesting feature of the plan is a notation regarding the building contract, which is witnessed by M. J. Hyde and signed by the following men

on behalf of the order: Alex. Scrimgeour, David Scrimgeour, Joseph Johns, Jonathan Abraham, George Hildebrand, Thomas Orr, Samuel Whitaker, C. B. Johns, A. Smith, F. Winkler, Joseph Sharman, James Sharman and A. Williams.

The architects were Smith & Gemmell of Toronto, and the date of the notation is May 4, 1872. So far as is known, all the signatories to the plan have since passed away, though in many cases their descendants are still living here and are active members of the order.

BESCO HEAD WILL GO ON WITNESS STAND

Declares Purpose To Assist in
Giving Royal Commission
Facts.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Sydney, N. S., Nov. 26.—R. M. Wolvin, president of the British Empire Steel Corporation, announced at the opening of this morning's session of the royal commission investigating the coal

industry of Nova Scotia that he had decided to go on the witness stand immediately because of certain personal charges that had been made and in order to give John W. McLeod, district president of the United Mine Workers of America, the fullest opportunity to prepare for his cross-examination.

He expressed his appreciation of the patience of the commission and hoped that neither J. B. McLachlan, former secretary-treasurer of the United Mine Workers, nor John W. McLeod felt he had been vindictive. His purpose throughout the cross-examination of both these witnesses had been to assist the commission in obtaining the fullest possible information.

He congratulated Mr. McLeod on his conduct of the case to date and wished to join him in asking the com-

mission to give due consideration to the human side of the case before them. He did not feel that the British Empire Steel Corporation was on trial. The corporation had no quarrel at present with its employees and hoped to continue the present relationship.

He had no charges to make against anyone. Mr. Wolvin then announced his intention of taking the stand and on being sworn submitted statements showing the extent of the organization and read a paper reviewing the development of the steel and coal industries in Nova Scotia.

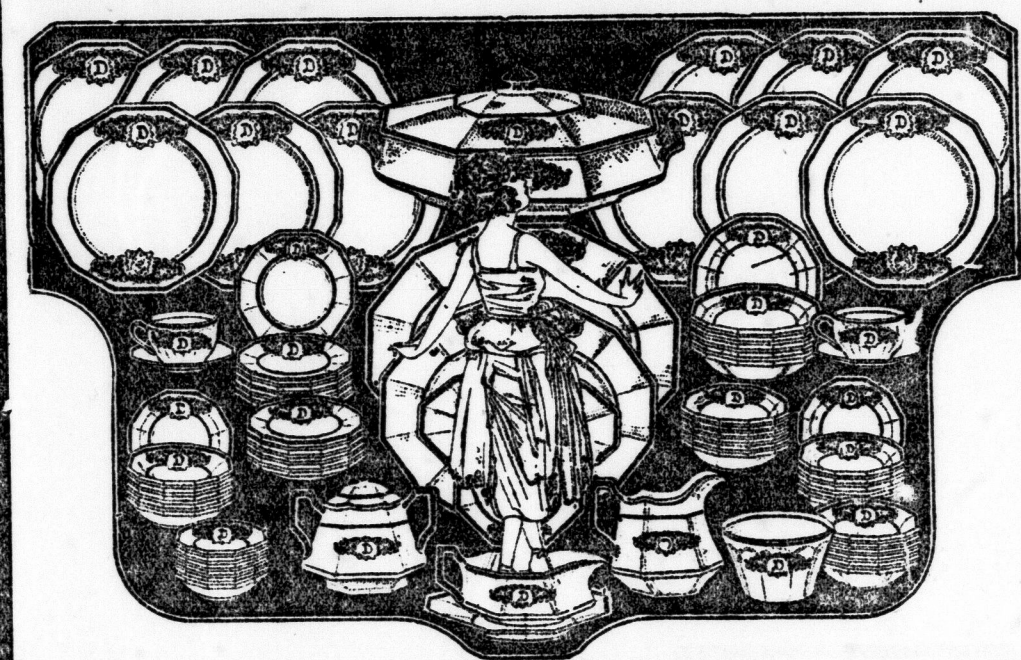
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