

City Will Have 'Bad Time' If Voters Fail, Says Asselin

Unless the great majority of Montreal electors take their responsibilities seriously and elect next Monday, then a "bad time" will be in store for the city, Mr. J. O. Asselin, chairman of the executive committee, said in a radio address last night.

Blind Society Elects Collins To New Term

Frank W. Collins was re-elected president of the Montreal Association for the Blind last night at the organization's 46th annual meeting.

Honorary Treasurer W. Norman Clelland told the membership that during the year the Association had overpaid its income by \$11,000. He said that the failure of the 1954 Combined Appeal for the Blind to reach its \$300,000 objective was responsible for the excess expenditure for commitments to assist the city's blind.

Secretary Gilbert Layton pointed out that since 1938, when a single agency provided limited education for blind boys and girls, the Montreal Association has acquired and operated an exclusive school, a kindergarten for pre-school children, a home for the aged, a library of Braille talking-books, a social club, a factory for blind men and women as well as several service divisions.

Other officers named were: Vice-President, Malcolm A. Campbell; and Charles W. Palmer, vice president; Mrs. Philip E. Lavoie, secretary; Mr. Cl. Lavoie, treasurer; and Mr. L. Lavoie, secretary.

Mr. Asselin explained that the broader matters of initiating municipal policy with respect to civic matters and undertakings, with seeing that projects agreed upon by the city council and properly implemented and with making sure the city's finances are in good order and under sound control.

New High in Candidates May Boost Vote

Electors' Poll Notices Being Mailed by City

Nearly a million ballots for Montreal's civic elections next Monday — 906,250 to be exact — are coming off the printing presses.

The likelihood is that only a fraction of them will be used, judging from previous elections. Should every eligible elector vote, approximately 695,000 ballots would be required. The rest are being printed for insurance. But in recent civic elections there usually has not been more than a 30 per cent vote.

The percentage may be higher this time because of the number of candidates—equaling the record for mayor and setting a new mark for councillor.

At present, too, about 310,000 notices from Returning Officer C. E. Longue (city clerk) are going out to all electors giving them the number and address of the poll at which they are to vote and listing the mayorally and the category "A" and category "B" councillor candidates.

Montreal's 100-member city council is composed of a mayor, 33 category "A", 33 category "B" and 33 category "C" councillors. Its term of office normally is three years.

The current city council had its mandate prolonged for approximately 10 1/2 months by the Quebec Legislature, which changed the balloting date from December, 1953, to October, 1954.

The mayor and the category "A" and "B" councillors are elected from each of the 35 Montreal wards.

Before the present form of administration here was inaugurated in 1940, the city council was composed of a mayor and one alderman from each of the 35 wards—11 elected.

The 35 nominations officially closed at noon of Oct. 16, there were nine mayoral candidates and 150 for the 66 council seats at stake. There were no acclamations.

Yesterday one candidate—Jean Marsolet, listed in No. 9 district, category "B"—withdrew.

Category "A" councillors are elected by real estate owners only, who are entitled to vote in as many districts as they own property but who may vote only once for mayor.

Real estate owners also vote for category "B" councillors (elected by tenants and real estate owners) in as many districts as they own property.

Tenants vote for category "B" councillors only, in as many districts as they are tenants (residential and business), but they vote once only for mayor.

Thus, the voters' list for category "A" councillors carries about 90,000 names, and that for category "B" councillors has approximately 310,000 names. But only some 285,000 ballots can be cast for mayor.

Explanation for this is that a real estate owner's name may appear more than once on the category "B" list is concerned.

At each poll, separate ballots are used for the mayorally, the category "A" and the category "B" vote.

Polls will be open from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m. At the first meeting of the new council after the elections, each category of councillors elects two persons from among its members as all on the six-member executive committee, which has the role of initiator in administering the



Candidate Dave Rochon "We don't look for trouble, but . . ."

Vice Judgment Used To 'Club' City Voters

A charge that the Caron report is being used to "club Montreal voters into a certain behavior" for Monday's civic election was made last night by Lawyer Conrad Shatner, speaking at a West Hill High School rally in favor of Dave Rochon, retiring council leader and mayoral candidate.

Mr. Shatner described Jean Drapeau, also contesting the mayorality under the Civic Action League banner, as a "cleaner-upper who was a former member of the Bloc Populaire."

"You remember the Bloc Populaire, the group of blockhead individuals who did not think we should do anything to win the war," he said.

"Can you imagine it? How Drapeau going to clean up the city? He was only a lawyer in a raise and now he comes forth as a mayoral candidate. He has neither the know-how nor the drive to do what he promises."

Mr. Rochon, with Councillors Leo McKenna, Stephen Stephens and John Wall beside him, warned the gathering against the "Drapeau crowd."

Charity Appeal Slightly Below

Help bring Montreal a subway. Count Lyall said a subway like Toronto's was perfectly useless in Montreal since a local underground transit system would have to be 15 or 20 miles long.

Cadillac-driving Union Officers Turn Working 'Craft' to 'Crafty'

Mr. Kuzych said present-day welder who was expelled from the union leaders' proprietary interest in union members has taken the (CIO-CLC) in 1948 and has fought word "craft" out of unionism and the division in and out of court replaced it with "crafty."

No Inquiry Of Vancouver Lottery Here

City police last night said they had "no knowledge" of a fraudulent sweepstake lottery, which is alleged to have its headquarters in Montreal.

Det.-Capt. Russell Senecal, head of the city morality squad, said no investigation has been made into the lottery which the Vancouver Province newspaper identifies as the "Canadian Racing Association Sweepstake." He said that "no notice of the lottery had been received from police in Vancouver."

Industrialized Agriculture Best Producer

The case for industrialization of agriculture was presented to the St. James Literary Society last night by McGill Emeritus Prof. J. E. Lattimer in an address at the Mechanics Institute.

"Fewer men producing more pay man has enabled the standard of living to rise. This is the only way farmers may raise their own standard of living without making food expensive," Prof. Lattimer said.

"The industrialization of agriculture has been opposed by many of those in the driver's seat whose vested interests depend on maintaining things as they are," the speaker declared.

"The fact is undeniable that where farming has achieved the greatest degree of industrialization is where food is most plentiful and most easily obtained in terms of effort," he concluded.

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Car Kills Provincial Policeman

A 28-year-old Provincial Police constable was killed instantly yesterday morning when he was struck by a car while directing traffic on the highway at Lavaltrie on the Montreal-Quebec highway.

Police said Fabien Gallipault, 449 St. Pierre street, L'Assomption, was on traffic duty where employees of Provincial Roads Department were cutting trees on the side of the road when he was hit. The constable's body was thrown more than 100 feet, police reported.

Police said the driver of the car, who was not identified, would be questioned in connection with the accident. Lavaltrie is about 20 miles east of Montreal.



F. Gallipault

City's Set-up 'Ridiculous' - Drapeau

Majority Candidate Jean Drapeau said last night the present city hall set-up of 90 councillors

Advertisement for Peck's Brier pipes. Includes text: 'Cool in any pipe', 'How High is High Peck's?', 'There will never be a complete answer to this question because "high" is a relative term. If there is such a thing as the "highest" obtainable today, then Peck's Brier is the answer. Custom on High Quality reproduction system. We challenge you to compare it with anything you have ever heard of, or will ever see. You can buy today. May we have the pleasure of serving you that we're right?' and 'Peck's Brier' logo.

Large advertisement for 'Car Kills Provincial Policeman' with a large headline and a portrait of F. Gallipault. Text: 'A 28-year-old Provincial Police traffic constable was killed instantly yesterday morning when he was struck by a car while directing traffic on the highway at Lavaltrie on the Montreal-Quebec highway. Police said Fabien Gallipault, 449 St. Pierre street, L'Assomption, was on traffic duty where employees of Provincial Roads Department were cutting trees on the side of the road when he was hit. The constable's body was thrown more than 100 feet, police reported. Police said the driver of the car, who was not identified, would be questioned in connection with the accident. Lavaltrie is about 20 miles east of Montreal.'