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Walsh And Ellis Elected Members Of City Council

D. L. McLaren Mayor By Acclamation—Ellis is New Commissioner.

Edward D. Walsh and George D. Ellis, on Monday were chosen by the citizens of Saint John to be their representatives in the City Council. D. L. McLaren was chosen mayor by acclamation and did not have to stand for election. The new members of the City Council will be sworn in on May 4. The council then will be made up of Mayor D. L. McLaren, Commissioners Hon. R. W. Wigmore, A. E. Massie, E. D. Walsh and G. D. Ellis.

James W. Brittain, who has been mayor during the last four years, did not seek re-election. LeBaron Wilson, who has served as commissioner of public works for the last eight years, placed third in the voting on Monday and will be succeeded by Mr. Ellis.

There were ten candidates in the field and all put on a strenuous campaign. Commissioner Walsh, who has been commissioner of public safety for the last few months, led the poll with 3,232 votes. Mr. Ellis secured 1,585 votes. The other candidates got votes in the following order: J. Harold McLellan, 987; James A. Whitebone, 841; Kenneth D. Spear, 784; Ralph J. Broderick, 729; A. T. Ganong, 542; E. Ray Hansen, 420, and Alick Taylor, 207.

Commissioner Walsh in addressing the electors after the election, said he had started many things and he intended to carry them to completion. He thanked the people who had voted for him and also those who had assisted in his campaign.

Mr. Ellis said he would do his utmost to have the city's business carried out on an efficient basis and in the best interest of the citizens.

D. L. McLaren, mayor-elect, said he would study civic problems and would always work to fully protect the interests of the taxpayers.

MONCTON IS TO DEPORT SOME RELIEF SEEKERS

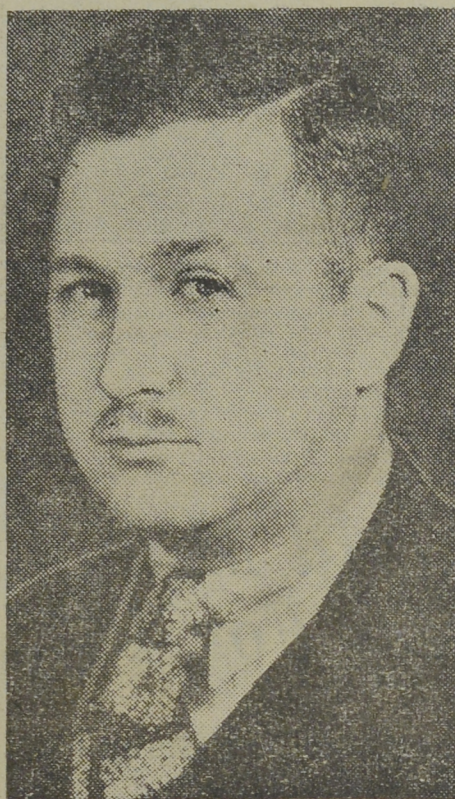
Moncton is going after its relief problems with new vigor. The City Council there has decided to remove persons from the city who are likely to become public charges. Those who have established legal residences in the city will be permitted to remain. It was said at the council meeting this week that 16 families, who are not legally entitled to relief in Moncton have made application. Action is to be taken to return those families to the places of their legal settlement.

Other communities have been faced with similar problems and the move made in Moncton may be followed in other places.

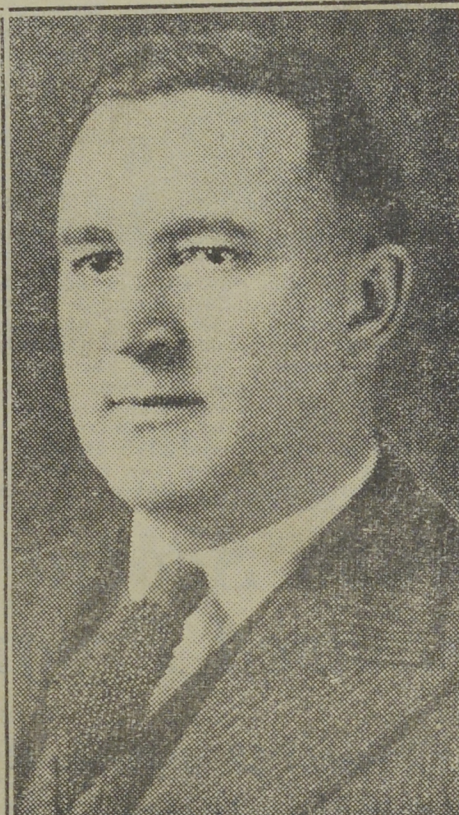
PARIS HONORS LAUGHTON

Paris.—Charles Laughton, cinema star, who has been invited to come here to play at the Comedie Francaise in Moliere's "Le Medecin Malgre Lui," is the first English actor so honored since the theatre was founded in 1785.

The Successful Candidates In Saint John Civic Election



E. D. WALSH
Commissioner of Public Safety



D. L. MacLAREN
Mayor-Elect



G. D. ELLIS
Commissioner-Elect

The Needs Of New Brunswick

FURTHER drastic action on the part of the New Brunswick Government is necessary in order to improve the economic condition of the people. Already the Government has shown its determination to work in the best interests of the citizens and further action of this nature will win general approval.

The people are looking for firm and definite leadership. They believe that the country must be saved at all hazards. No doubt the Government, even in its short existence, has met with some strong opposition even from its own followers, but where the future of the country and its people is at stake, certain risks must be taken. Even if the Government had to risk its political career among those who are supposed to be supporters, it will find that support will be forthcoming in strength from unexpected quarters.

Party politics in New Brunswick are not so important as they once were. This was demonstrated in the last election when the Liberals practically swept the Province through support afforded by many citizens, who cast side party allegiance to bring about a change which they hoped would be for the better.

Now the people are looking to the Government to have the courage of its convictions and bring about the reforms that are necessary to assure the future of the country. Opposition to sound economic measures would be soon swept away, when it was seen that the progressive moves were bearing fruit. By courageous action any Government can show the people that it is worthy of support and that support will not be found wanting when the benefits of the Governmental program are realized.

The stand taken on provincial rights is wholeheartedly approved. The move to clear up gambling has won approbation. The program for safeguarding health, the move to further develop agriculture, and the plan to bring education into its proper state have been accepted with favor by the people. The economies put into force are considered as moves in the right direction.

The acts of the present Government, so far, have shown the members to be sincere in their motives. But they must assert full authority and bring about the changes that are the crying need of the present time. They must continue to be true leaders and true patriots and they must forget their party politics and must continue to carry on solely for the benefit of the Province and the people dwelling therein.

New Brunswick Is Classed Among Oil Countries

Gasoline Produced From The Crude Oils Taken From Wells.

Few people, even residents of New Brunswick, realize that this is one of the oil-producing countries of the world. While the output of the wells is not large, the production of crude oil during the fiscal year of 1935 was 450,418 gallons. Along with this there was natural gas produced and used for domestic and commercial purposes.

The New Brunswick Gas and Oilfields, Ltd., with wells near Stony Creek on the Petitcodiac River below Moncton for the last 25 years have been supplying the city of Moncton and the Hillsborough community with natural gas. While their holdings are extensive the productive area has thus far been only in the Stony Creek field. It has maintained constant boring throughout the non-winter months to supply the supply of gas demanded so that in the interest of the continuity of operation it is important to have in view other fields which from a geological standpoint might be gas and oil producing.

The company obtains oil from some of its wells, and this is passed through the company refinery for the extraction of gasoline with a fuel oil residue.

POLICE PAY FOR ARREST

London.—Costs against the police of 40 shillings (\$10), were awarded Donald Groves of North Kensington recently when a charge of being a suspected person and loitering was dismissed. To the officer in the case, P.C. Copland, the magistrate said: "All you suggest this man did was to walk up a cul-de-sac at 9.35 in the evening and look in a basement?" "Yes, sir, but it is a private road."

Gossip from Far and Near

IN THE publicity offered in the civic election campaign, Commissioner-elect George D. Ellis used the catch phrase: "Let George Do It." The voters decided to take him at his word by placing him in the position where he could "do it." Some, no doubt, will expect to see him lower the tax rate, or reduce the assessment on property. Some may even expect to get jobs in the public works department. But when all is said and done, all that can be expected of any man is the best job he knows how to do in the best interest of the people he is elected to represent and that means all the people, not a group or a chosen few. He should not allow selfish interests motivate his acts. If he as well as other members of the council will set service above self, they will have the whole-hearted support of all the citizens in carrying out the duties of office.

COMMISSIONER E. D. Walsh received a wonderful vote in the civic election on Monday. In thanking the public and his supporters he is quoted as saying: "When I propose something new, I hope the people will reserve judgment until they have heard the full details." There are times when a certain amount of secrecy may be necessary, but in combating sinister and evil influences that may be undermining our civic pride and citizenship, a man generally can accomplish much more with the citizens working along with him rather than by allowing them to stumble along in the dark, drawing inferences that may not be correct. The light of day and the spotlight of public opinion are some of the finest antidotes for unhealthy conditions. Commissioner Walsh can do a great work by keeping the public well informed and by showing them as soon as possible why he takes action. Mr. Walsh has a wonderful opportunity and in constructive work should receive every support.

MAYOR-ELECT D. L. McLaren says that he will endeavor to carry on in such a manner as to warrant the confidence placed in him. He says he will go to City Hall absolutely independent of any group or party and will devote his entire time to the work. He intends to make a thorough study of civic problems and he feels sure that with the co-operation of the citizens the people's representatives can do much for the city, and he assured the taxpayers that their interests would be fully protected. Mr. McLaren is in a unique position. He can take an independent stand on all questions and work solely for the good of the city. By being returned by acclamation he has been shown that the citizens have full confidence in him and his guidance will be necessary in many instances. He will need to be firm on occasion, while tempering his judgment with a sympathy, which he possesses in great measure. It is the hope of all citizens that his regime at City Hall will be outstanding and the best ever.