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9000 VOTE FORECAST

New West Belleville Bus Line Started By Public Service

The Public Service Coordinated transport started operation yesterday morning of the West Belleville Crosstown line. The public utilities commission handed down its decision on Friday afternoon, thus ending an effort started several months ago by Commissioner Noll, who has charge of transportation locally, to gain the body's consent for the operation of the line.

The start of the line ended a three-year effort by West Belleville residents to get transportation which would make it easy for them to get to other sections of town and also to buses which go to Newark and New York.

Commissioner Noll pointed out yesterday that the present line has been given consent to operate without any restrictions on picking up or discharging passengers. This differs from the permit granted to the Garden State lines by public utilities for a bus operating through Belleville from Nutley to North Newark. Public utilities ruled that the company could not pick up or discharge passengers. This brought a storm of protest from the residents of the West Belleville area but the efforts of Commissioner Noll plus petitions from that section failed to move the public utilities board in its decision. It was argued that to grant Garden State a permit would be unfair competition for the Public Service lines operating on Union avenue and Joralemon street.

Although little notice had been given the bus line over the weekend, Noll said he had already received many calls of commendation and praise from merchants on Washington avenue and residents both in West Belleville and Silver Lake where the bus will have its southern terminus.

According to the schedule released by the Public Service, the bus will operate on a 15-minute and half hourly headway. Four buses have been put in service and Public Service will add more if they are needed, it was said.

Local consent was given by Noll for this line, to be known as the No. 37 West Belleville Crosstown bus, early last December at the time that he gave consent to P. S. for the extension of its No. 100 McCarter highway line to run through Washington avenue and the Valley section to the Nutley town line in Main street.

Both the Garden State company and the Trackless Transit company filed protests which delayed action by public utilities. In hearings before the board, Noll emphasized that the line was not only needed by the residents in West Belleville and Silver Lake, but by manufacturers in the Lake section who had employees who found it difficult to get to and from work. He stated that he believed the additional service would prove of benefit to the merchants.

"It has taken a long time to get this bus service," Noll commented yesterday, "and I am sure that the residents will patronize it and make it the success that I believe it will be. Except for scattered sections the town now is completely covered by a bus line which is within a short walking distance of every home. Now with tire and gas rationing, buses are needed more than ever by the average family and I believe that we are prepared to give them the service that they want and need."

The buses are scheduled to operate on a 15-minute headway, starting from Division and Passaic avenues at 6:15 a. m. and continuing until 9:30 a. m. From 9:30 a. m. the bus will operate on a half hourly schedule. From 4 p. m. until 7:30 p. m., they will run every 15 minutes and from 8 p. m. until 12:30 a. m. every 30 minutes.

Starting at 7 a. m. on Sundays, the buses will run every 30 minutes until 12:30 a. m.

The route which the bus follows is as follows:

No Broadcast Tonight Of Election Returns

The Times reminds its readers once again that no election returns will be broadcast tonight on Washington avenue. Because of war-time regulations invoke by the government requesting that large crowds not assemble in the streets, and because of the dimout regulations recently put into effect by the war department, it was decided by this newspaper's management not to broadcast the returns as has been done in the past.

However, returns will be compiled by The Times staff and they may be obtained by calling The Times office, Be. 2-3200 or Be. 2-3201.

TEACHER QUERY CAUSES STIR

Claim It's Not To Influence Staff's Vote; Schmutz Is Surprised At It

The Belleville Teachers' association stirred considerable comment among the commission candidates and school officials by sending to each of the office aspirants on Sunday a letter and accompanying questionnaire which sought views on the question of salaries.

The association's action brought a statement from Herbert C. Schmutz, president of the board of education, that he did not believe that the questionnaire was sent with the full knowledge of the entire teaching staff.

Late last night, a member of the public relations committee, which sent out the questionnaire, stated that replies had been received from nine of the 12 candidates.

The spokesman, who declined to reveal the names of those who had replied, stated emphatically that the information contained in the answers would not be used to influence the vote of any member of the teaching staff or any other person. The information will not be revealed until after the election, specifically at the meeting of the teachers' association for May 18. All of the replies will remain in the hands of the public relations committee, it was said.

After Information

"We were after information and facts which may be of value to us in the future," the spokesman said, "and ultimately to the community and the children whom we are serving and helping."

A general bulletin may be issued to the teachers today, it was said, but no effort will be made to influence their votes.

The public relations committee in sending out the questionnaires acted on the authority of the members of the board of government, including representatives of the community.

AIRWAVE APPEALS FOR VOTES END BOTH CAMPAIGNS

Zink Supports Mayor's Policy; Stewart Charges That A Change Is Needed

The last round of the campaign was staged on the radio last night with Mayor Williams and Candidate George E. Stewart Jr., his bitterest political foe, leading the radio waves with statements and charges designed to get the last-minute ear of the voters.

Most Belleville radios were tuned to WAAT where the mayor spoke at 8:45 p. m. and Stewart went on the air at 10:15. Both candidates gave 15-minute talks. While the mayor was introduced by Municipal Judge Everett B. Smith, Stewart went on the air without any introduction.

In contrast to Williams' rapid-fire, fast-talking delivery, Stewart spoke slowly and carefully enunciated some of the principal points of his address.

In closing his remarks, Williams urged the voters to elect five men whom they consider best qualified to manage the town's business for the next four years. "We need a change," Stewart stated in closing. "Vote in a new board. I have tried to help you, to make you understand. You have listened. You will vote, and no matter how, I thank you."

"I have no political organization and never did have," Williams commented. Today, he added, Belleville is not bankrupt, but in 1930, the town had a debt of six and one-half million dollars composed of town and water bonded debt.

Have Whittled Debt

In spite of the expenditures that have been made for improvements in streets, sidewalks, a high school addition, and the stadium, and a decrease in the state contribution to the school system,

REMEMBER -- PULL THE LEVER DOWN

Some Push Down and Back Again on Voting Machine

Although voting machines have been used here in a number of elections, there are still a number of voters who do not know how to operate one properly or do not remember from one election to another.

One misconception that has been heard in some quarters and has deprived many people of actually voting is that a person will pull down a lever for a candidate and then push it back up, believing that they have registered vote. This is not so.

To vote the red handle should be grasped and moved all the way to the right.

Before voting you will find that all the pointers are in an upward position.

To vote pull the pointers down over the names of the candidates of your choice. Be sure to leave the pointers down.

If you have pulled down the wrong pointer and wish to correct it, you merely push it up to its original position and turn down the pointer over the name of the candidate of your choice.

To record your vote, as selective, you again grasp the red handle, but this time move it all the way to the left.

This action clears the machine, registers your vote and then opens the curtain.

Tension Heightens - Zero Hour Draws Near; Polls Open 7 A. M.--8 P. M.; Deputies To Be On Hand To Assure No Election Trouble



Edward G. Smith



James J. Tully



Gerald Ferrara



William D. Clark



George E. Stewart, Jr.



Raymond E. Mertz



Joseph King



Arthur E. Mayer



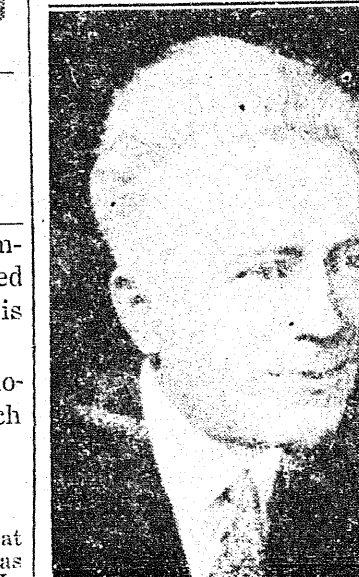
Elmer S. Hyde



Louis A. Noll



Patrick A. Waters



William H. Williams

Veterans Mingle With Newcomers In Today's Limelight For Office

Of the 12 candidates seeking the voters' support today, two of them have served the town as commissioners for 16 years, one has been a member of the board for 12 years, a fourth for eight years and another for four years. One of the outsiders is making his fourth bid for election to the commission while another is trying for the first time.

The field has both age and youth, ranging from such oldsters as Commissioner Clark and Waters down to such active aspirants as 25-year-old James J. Tully, president of the High School Alumni association, and Gerald Ferrara who is only 22. Most of the 12 have been residents of the town for a

number of years but Commissioner Waters is believed to be the only one who is native-born.

Briefly, these are the biographical sketches of each of the candidates:

Edward G. Smith

This is the second time that Smith, a dining car operator, has sought election to the board. In the 1938 campaign he polled 1,100

Be Sure To Vote-Early-Polls Open 7 a.m.-8

Five's Re-election Would Set Election Precedent

If all of the present commissioners are returned to office in today's town commission election — and there are numerous political second guessers who believe they will — political precedent will be broken. Either by their own decision not to be a candidate for re-election or by the voters' verdict that there were better men in the field, a complete board of commissioners has never been put back in office for another term.

Today's election will be the eighth under the commission form of government which operates under the Walsh act. The first election was held in November, 1914, after the citizens, dissatisfied with the governing of the town under the councilmanic form had voted for a change after a knock-down, drag-out, old-time political fight.

The present election has another "first" claim. Its 12 candidates comprise the smallest field that has ever gone to the polls seeking the voters support. In 1938, there were 14 candidates out for the five positions, but the real ding-dong battle was in 1914 when 36 candidates aspired for the three commission posts, Belleville at that time being entitled to only that number of commissioners because of its population.

Belleville's first commissioners were John H. Waters, late brother of Commissioner Patrick A. Waters, now seeking re-election; Edward E. Mathes and John D. Caldwell. At the organization meeting, Waters was elected mayor and took charge of the department of public works, a post which his brother has now held for 16 years. In addition Waters controlled the department of public safety. Mathes was put in charge of the revenue and finance department and Caldwell took charge of the department of public improvements, parks and public property.

No mayor has ever held the office for more than three consecutive terms. Following his election in 1914, Waters was successively high man and mayor in 1918 and 1922. His political career — one of the most colorful and most popular in Belleville's history — was cut short by his sudden death in 1923.

In 1918, when Belleville elected its first five-man commission, Mayor Waters led his nearest opponent by a near two-to-one margin. He polled 1,569 votes followed by John J. Hannan, 881; Edward E. Mathes, 717; Robert G. Minion, 687; and Edward E. Livingston, 688.

Local voters that year set a precedent that has never since been equalled in an election here. Out of 2,471 voters who were registered and eligible to vote, 2,212 went to the polls. There were 17 other candidates in the field, including William D. Clark, present public safety director, now seeking re-election for the fifth consecutive time. Clark was then making his debut in local politics and finished 12th with 512 votes.

Here is how the 17 candidates not elected ran: Charles G. Jones, 673; Frank A. Cadiz, 629; Angelo Domenick, 561; Frank J. Carragher, 554; Edward O. Cyphers, 542; Louis H. Galluba, 513; William D. Clark, 512; George Taylor, 474; Charles Lyman Denison, 448; Henry Kiefer, 407; John W. Hines, 405; John N. Klein, 311; Eugene M. Gavey, 311; John J. Mazza, 252; Charles Skipp, 246; Joseph Vicarisi, 193; Lewis Huxtable, 159; and William T. Pudney, 124.

In the 1922 vote, Mayor Waters was the only one re-elected, although both Hannan and Mathes sought re-election. Forcing their way into the forefront of the political horizon at that time were two more men, who were later destined to play an important part in the town political life, Frank J. Carragher and Samuel S. Kenworthy, who finished sixth and seventh respectively in the '22 campaign.

Waters received 2,434 votes. John DeGraw polled 2,182, LeRoy S. Vermeule, 1,932; Dr. George G. Yarrow, 1,765; and Frank Neary, 1,706.

The votes for the rest of the field were as follows: Carragher, 1,612; Kenworthy, 1,593; Brown, 1,422; Galluba, 1,396; Hannan, 928; Thompson, 893; Pico, 865; Lister, 843; Wilson, 650; Mathes, 611; Denison, 538; Daniels, 290; Ryan, 276; Schick, 240; Watson, 218; Kirwin, 205; Mason, 200; and Batty, 165.

Waters was again re-appointed mayor with Vermeule and Neary backing his choice, while DeGraw and Yarrow were opposed.

Two Changes Before '26

Two changes took place in the board of commissioners setup before the next election in 1926. Philip Dettelbach, superintendent of the L. Sonneborn plant, was named to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mayor Waters, while Carragher was named to the board when Dr. Yarrow moved to

Florida. Commissioner DeGraw became mayor after Waters' death.

The field of 17 candidates had a spirited battle for places in the 1926 campaign, which also marked the debut of Mayor Williams on the political scene. In his first effort, the present mayor did not fare so well, finishing 14th in the field with 618 votes. Frank J. Carragher was high man with 4,414 votes followed by DeGraw, 4,007; Edward Nelson, 3,729; Samuel S. Kenworthy, 3,514; and William D. Clark, 2,656. Defeated for re-election were Neary and Vermeule. DeGraw was again named mayor but in a dispute several months later with other members of the board, he resigned, and Patrick A. Waters, who was then a member of the board of education and had finished seventh in the '26 commission race, was named to fill the vacancy.

The remainder in the field ran as follows:

Neary, 2,565; Waters, 2,508; Vermeule, 2,506; Reilly, 2,266; Smith, 1,873; Daly, 1,819; McGonigle, 1,344; Forgie, 792; Williams, 618; Maher, 481; Kraiss, 318; and Mathes, 307.

The 1930 election showed that there is no precedent or law governing the naming of the high man as mayor. Although Commissioner Clark topped the field with 5,072 votes, it was Mayor Kenworthy, finishing in fourth place with 4,497 votes, who was returned to the office he had held for four years. Also chosen by the voters were Commissioners Carragher with 4,976 votes and Waters with 4,604 votes. Making first entrance as a member of the board was Williams who finished in fifth place with 3,871 votes. Trailing behind the winning five were: Figurelli, 2,941; Davidson, 2,894; Mathes, 2,311; Hyde, 2,033; Hicks, 1,901; Holberg, 1,185; Winfield, 496; Kaiser, 276; and Barry, 261.

Williams High

In the 1934 vote, out of a registration of 13,235, there were 9,880 voters who went to the polls. Mayor Kenworthy did not seek re-election, and Commissioner Carragher, who had run well in the 1930 election and was high man in 1926, finished 11th in a field of 22 candidates. Williams who was high man with 5,072 votes, the same number that Clark had received in the 1930 election, was made mayor. Elected to the board for the first time were Joseph King, a former freeholder, and George R. Gerard, former superintendent of schools. King was second with 4,700 votes and Gerard finished in fourth place with 4,138. Clark polled 4,429 and Waters trailed in fifth place with 3,913.

Behind the winners came Donnelly with 3,185, Hyde, 2,893; Abromson, 2,718; Figurelli, 2,553; D'Avella, 2,176; Carragher, 1,898; Hicks, 1,448; Rubin, 1,368; Maher, 849; Mayer, 451; Brown, 623; Weston, 551 Burde, 423; Longhi, 402; DeVaney, 340; Kaiser, 171; and Abbott, 157.

The 1938 election was a record breaker for Mayor Williams. He polled 7,179 votes to lead second place Commissioner Waters by nearly 1,500 votes. Out of a registration of 14,071 voters, it was recorded that 10,872 went to the polls. Trailing after Williams was Waters with his 5,693, King with 4,942, a newcomer Commissioner Noll with 4,327 and Commissioner Clark with 4,176. Clark just managed to squeeze in ahead of Michael A. Flynn, retired police chief, who was sixth with 4,019 votes. Gerard, elected in 1934, fared badly in seeking re-election. He wound up with 2,709 votes.

Here is how the candidates ran ward by ward in the 1938 race.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grand
Ward	1	2	3	4	5
Donnelly	621	1109	1423	1023	4176
Clark	331	727	943	450	2451
Ernstekin	271	154	423	1634	2082
Figurelli	685	1454	761	1119	4019
Flynn	392	756	973	538	2709
Gerard	605	918	1834	898	3455
Hyde	40	52	77	52	221
Kaiser	775	1375	1750	1033	4942
King	747	1342	1045	1133	4267
Noll	545	602	1115	635	2917
Reine	295	481	229	145	1150
Smith	1063	1490	1458	1682	5693
Waters	1196	2173	2234	1576	7179
Williams					

THREE OTHERS HAVE ELECTIONS

Orange, W. Orange, Irvington Voters Will Also Go To Polls

In three Essex municipalities besides Belleville, town elections are being held today. In West Orange all the five present commissioners are campaigning together although they are not bracketed as a ticket. Although four of the five commissioners in Orange are seeking reelection, there is quite a probability that several new faces will appear on the board there for the next term.

The lone community in which the present five commissioners seem to be in complete accord is Irvington where they are bracketed as a ticket on the ballot. In both West Orange and Irvington, observers believe that the present five commissioners will be re-elected. Rated as the strongest candidate in Orange field is C. Davis a newcomer to the political scene. Those other outsiders with strong support are Walter B. Savage, former mayor and Frank A. Palmieri.

Smith Apologizes For Being Unable To Meet Everybody

Edward G. Smith who has the No. 1 position on the voting machine, today thanked his supporters for their efforts and loyalty to him although he has been handicapped in this campaign by illness.

"I wish to apologize to the many people whom I desire to meet personally but which was made impossible by my recent illness. I was unable to attend and

Car In Which Local Soldier Died



TWO YOUNG PEOPLE KILLED in this car in Nutley last week, including a Belleville soldier, Stanley Reynolds, 24, of Malone avenue. Also fatally injured was Miss Florence Bickell of Nutley. Charles esterstrom, 129, of Division avenue, was seriously injured and is still confined to St. Mary's hospital, Passaic.

The driver of the car, Carl Maiorana, 20, of 570 Union avenue, was freed in \$2,000 bail for grand jury action in Nutley police court last week on a charge of causing death by automobile. A reckless driving charge was postponed for a hearing next week.

Speak at a number of functions to which I was invited. From the favorable reaction that I observed on the several occasions when I was able to talk, I am doubly grateful that I was unable to appear at more to meet the people who have reacted so sympathetically to my efforts at expressing their municipal needs.

"I am a parent as well as an ex-school teacher and naturally believe that I am not only well-versed in school problems but those of a parent. If I may serve you as commissioner, I shall feel duly honored."

OPEN SOFTBALL LOOP AT H. S.

More Than 160 Boys Will Play In Program At Stadium

The high school students yesterday received a partial answer for their plea for a continuation of baseball. It was announced by Ruel E. Daniels, business manager of the board of education that arrangements had been completed with the town for the use of the municipal stadium for an intra-mural softball program.

It is expected that more than 160 boys divided into ten teams will participate in the league which has been formed under the direction of G. Lawrence Gates, high school baseball coach. The softball diamond at the stadium was laid out by Edward Lister, recreation director and the field was put in condition by Public Works Director Waters' department.

League play started yesterday afternoon and will continue four days weekly through June 12. Each Friday has been reserved as a date upon which postponed games will be played. Names of major league baseball teams have been taken to designate each of the teams. In the first game played yesterday afternoon the Dodgers met the Phils. Today the Braves will clash with the Cards, tomorrow the Pirates will meet the Cubs and on Thursday the Giants will face the Reds.

A month ago a decision by the high school athletic council of intra-scholastic baseball schedule was cancelled because of the lack of playing field and the uncertainty of securing transportation for games to be played away from home. This action brought an immediate protest from the student body resulting in a petition bearing several hundred names being presented to the board of education and a one-day strike of nearly 200 high school students. At the time Superintendent of Schools Farmer and Hugh D. Kittle, high school principal, both of whom were in favor of the continuance of baseball stated that an intra-mural program would be established if the student body wished it.

MUST PROVE NO TIRE NEGLECT

New State Ruling Gives Added Power To Ration Board

Those intending to apply to the rationing board for new or retreaded tires were given notice this week that they must prove to the satisfaction of the rationers that their present tires have not become unusable because of their abuse or neglect.

In an amendment to the regulations handed down this week, the state ration board ruled as follows:

"On and after June 1, a board may not issue a certificate for a new or retreaded tire to an applicant who seeks to replace a tire carcass which cannot be retreaded unless the applicant can establish to the satisfaction of the board that the carcass became unusable from circumstances not resulting from the applicant's abuse or neglect. Granting or denial of a certificate under these conditions will be at the discretion of the board with regard to the loss which the community will suffer if the applicant is denied tires." Ruel E. Daniels, rationing board secretary stated yesterday that the board would stick to the letter in following these regulations and that in all cases where there would be a doubt in the board's mind, no certificate for new or retreaded tires would be issued.

MERTZ WORKERS CONFIDENT

Manager Certain of Success; Finish Better Than 5th, He Says

"Based upon rapid developments over the weekend, the Ray Mertz campaign looks to be a certain success," says Campaign Manager Robert Sutherland. "Endorsements by many more groups throughout town have been announced during the last few days of the campaign, indicating a definite strength for Mr. Mertz in all areas.

"The scientific system of checking each house and recording results has indicated a winning majority far in excess of that required to reach a 5th place at the end of balloting."

"There is more to a campaign than winning an election on May 12," commented Mertz. "As my workers and I have gone around town, we have sought out and made note of various issues and problems in a variety of groups of people. These issues are worthy of study and sympathetic consideration. If the people of Belleville elect me today, I propose to sincerely and honestly work with my fellow townsmen in trying to arrive at some sensible and constructive solution of these many town problems. I am anxious to serve Belleville — I believe in its future. I like its people and I want to share in promoting good civic government.

"To everyone who has contributed energy, time and thought to my campaign," continued Mertz, "to my active workers and to those who have quietly but efficiently spread around good word in my behalf, I extend my heartfelt thanks."

PUBLIC SERVICE

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lows, starting at Passaic and Division avenues, is north on Passaic avenue to Emmet street east to Forest street, south to Greylock parkway, east to Linden avenue, south to Joralemon street, east to Washington avenue, south to

Mill street, west to Franklin avenue, south to Franklin street, west to Belmont avenue, south to Lawrence street, west to Heckel street and south to Bloomfield avenue.

It would leave Bloomfield avenue on the return trip cross over the Bloomfield-Belleville line on Belmont avenue and then continue on into Franklin street and return via the same route.

You Can Prove Today You Want



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... You've been speaking for him —

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AIRWAVE

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the debt has been decreased two and one-half million dollars since 1930, the mayor added.

Only vitally needed projects have been approved, Williams continued. The town policy has been to employ only the number of men needed for the jobs, to provide a good educational system for the youth, to obtain new industries and to create a uniform debt payment schedule.

In defending the erection of the municipal stadium at the turf bog, Williams said that it was built by 400 local men with families, and all of the wages were paid by the federal government. There would have been \$208,000 added to the relief cost if the men had not been so employed. It effected a saving of \$150,000 for the town.

Gets Zink Praise

Williams in his last night stand was supported by State Comptroller Homer C. Zink, Rossmore place resident and former state senator, who last week endorsed the mayor and Commissioners King, Clark and Waters for reelection. Lamenting the attacks on the mayor, Zink's letter complimented Williams for putting aside money for the "lean years ahead."

Stewart opened his speech, which was principally devoted to a review of his campaign criticism of Mayor Williams, by declaring:

"I listened to Mayor Williams. There was no answer to the amount of the debt—the same sea of words. No credit to the federal government for the \$350,000 dumped into the bog. No credit for the millions of government funds to salvage souls or homes. No credit to the war industries which took men off the breadlines. There was much personal praise from an employee on the taxpayers' payroll and it adds up to exactly zero. Four more years of that and we will all be on a diet of manna and quail."

Declaring that the only issue is the intelligent management of the taxpayers' money, Stewart argued that Mayor Williams is not the "proper man to keep on doing for four more years what he has been doing for the past 12 years."

He criticized Williams for failure to publish the municipal audit, and charged that Belleville is "not out of the red" when \$280,000 a year is being paid to service the municipal debt.

Conflicting Talk

Stewart charged that the mayor has issued conflicting statements concerning the stability of the pension fund, and charged that Williams failed to publish the exact truth although he could have done so.

"Mayor Williams' personality is his own achievement," Stewart

commented. "But the public must not suffer for his deeds. . . . I submit that we are entitled to a man of better character and more competence than Mayor Williams. He is not capable of civil, candid, courteous conduct we have a right to expect, and he is incompetent of the financial management we must have."

TEACHER

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from each of the public schools. The approval was given two weeks ago, it was said, and each representative had opportunity to take the plan of the committee back to the teachers in each school.

Had Consent

"Our action," the spokesman explained, "was taken with the full knowledge and consent of the board of governors and the representatives of each school on that body notified the association members."

In the letter which was sent to all of the candidates on Sunday, the teachers' committee stated:

"We are enclosing a form with several pertinent questions which we the members of the Belleville Teachers' association wish to have you answer. Would it be possible for you to reply by noon, Monday, May 11?"

"We had hoped to have a per-

sonal interview with you, but due to extenuating circumstances this could not be arranged. As you know—good teaching does not confine its activities to 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We have been very busy in the proper performance of duties with selective service registration, sugar rationing and now this weekend—we are getting ready for gas rationing. We deem it a privilege to be of service to our town and country, but the members of our committee are a representative group from among many—and it has led to conflicting hours which has made it impossible to get together for our interview with you. So, we have taken this method of contacting each candidate for the town commission.

"We hope you will honor us with a prompt response. We may be able, at some future date, to be able, at some future date, to citizen of the Town of Belleville."

The questions asked were as follows:

Ask Five Questions

- 1—What do you consider the adequate minimum and maximum salary for elementary and secondary teachers?
- 2—Will you actively support salary increase adjusted to current living costs?
- 3—Do you believe that Belleville can support schools the equal, in all respects, to any in Essex County without overburdening the taxpayers?
- 4—Do you think administrative-teacher-school board committee should be established to help solve the current problems?
- 5—Do you want Belleville to continue to be a training center for other school districts?

The teachers' committee spokesman denied, as some candidates privately indicated, that there had been an attempt made to "put them on the spot" and obtain a favorable answer from them to assure that the school employees would vote for them. It is not so, the spokesman insisted, reiterating that the questions would be a secret matter until after the election.

Is A Board Matter

"I am surprised," School Board President Schmutz declared last night, "that the teachers' association could send such a questionnaire to the candidates for election to the town commission since the questions asked are specifically delegated to the sole jurisdiction of the board of education by state law."

"In fact, I do not believe that this questionnaire was sent with the full knowledge of the entire teaching staff, but rather by a committee of three or four."

9,000 VOTE

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Clerk Morey was to urge all voters for whom it is possible to vote early, preferably before 11 a.m.

All Are Confident

All political camps glowed with confidence and victory as the hour drew near that would decide their fate. None felt that defeat would be possible. While there was considerable support in many places

ELECTION NOTICE

TOWN OF BELLEVILLE, N. J.

The following named persons have been placed in nomination by petitions filed with the Town Clerk of Belleville, N. J. for Commissioners and their names will appear as below indicated at the Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, May 12th, 1942. Pull down, as far as it will go, the pointer over the names of the persons you favor for election of Commissioners—VOTE FOR FIVE.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION					TOWN COMMISSIONERS—BELLEVILLE, N. J.					MAY 12th, 1942				
					Vote for Five									
1A	2A	3A	4A	5A	6A	7A	8A	9A	10A	11A	12A	13A	14A	
Edward O. SMITH	James J. TULLY	Gerard J. FERRARA	William D. CLARK	George E. STEWART, JR.	Raymond E. MERTZ	Louis A. NOLL	Joseph KING	Arthur E. MAYER	John F. COOGAN, JR.	Elmer S. HYDE	Patrick A. WATERS	Wm. H. WILLIAMS		
"Wise with Soul"	"Wise with Jim"	Real Representation for a Service Belleville	Dependable and Experienced	Your Vote Here Will Make a Difference	On the Record of Proven Ability	Experienced Business Man	On the Record of Proven Ability	For Lower Taxes	A Sound Business Administration	On the Record				

May 12, 1942.

Done pursuant to Revised Statutes 1937, Title 40:75-6 et seq., as well as according to an Act to Regulate Elections, Revision of 1930, with the amendments thereto and supplements.

Date Town Clerk's Office, April 30th, 1942

FLORENCE R. MOREY, Town Clerk.

Official Ballot Attest:

Florence R. Morey
Town Clerk.

It is expected that the result of the election will be known generally within 30 or 45 minutes after the polls have closed. Although the official tabulation may not be into town hall by that time, challengers for the various candidates will quickly report the results to the headquarters.

THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE

SACKCLOTH—
BUT NO ASHES!
FLOUR SACKS AND FEET BAGS NOW ARE MADE IN SUCH ATTRACTIVE PATTERNS THAT MANY WOMEN REWASH THEM INTO SMART, GOOD LOOKING DRESSES

SINCE THE START OF THE ARMAMENT PROGRAM AMERICAN INDUSTRIES HAVE TRAINED SOME 2,000,000 MEN AND WOMEN FOR WAR WORK JOBS

SLOW DOWN!
MOTORISTS COULD GET APPROXIMATELY 6,300 EXTRA MILES OUT OF THEIR TIRES IF THEY WOULD REDUCE THEIR SPEED BY TEN MILES PER HOUR

THE AMOUNT OF LIPSTICK USED EACH YEAR BY AMERICAN WOMEN WOULD PAINT 40,000 BARNES A BRIGHT RED COLOR

GREASE THAT LEAVES NO TELLTALE OIL FILM ON THE WATER'S SURFACE IS USED TO LUBRICATE FINS ON SUBMARINES

Don't Forget Commissioner Joseph King Today!

His experience and qualifications as a business man and County Freeholder, his banking affiliations plus 8 years as a commissioner and being available 24 hours a day to take care of the citizens' interest makes him the logical choice.



Service 8A Experience
Commissioner Joseph King

RE-ELECT Patrick A. Waters COMMISSIONER "On His Record"

Second From Right On Voting Machine



12A On Voting Machine

His deeds and actions are Public Record—a record of an experienced, able administrator who has given the Town of Belleville an efficient administration by careful planning and at lower cost.

Youngest Of The Nereid Oarsmen



These are the members of the new crew that has been formed at the Nereid Boat club. This quintet of young huskies comprises the club's high school crew which is expected to see considerable action in regattas this season.

The pair in the foreground helping to carry the shell are Harry Leiss (left), 18-year-old senior, Hugh Kittle Jr., 17 and a senior, in the rear Ward Whitehouse, 16, also a senior, Jim Findlay, 18-year-old junior and Richard Siegle, 16. A sophomore, the crew's coxswain, not in the picture, is 14-year-old Artie Hyde, 8th grader, who is the extra coxswain.

Nail Biting Time Arrives In Most Election Camps

Nail-biting time has arrived for the 12 candidates in the town commission race. As the hour draws near for the polls to open, political candidates are buzzing with the standard bearers, managers, ward chairmen and workers busy with my last-minute details.

They are now up to the day that will decide whether or not two months of real campaigning, and in some cases more than a year's planning, has been worth while; whether the promises and pledges that have been made will be kept and whether the money they have expended in advertising, signs, campaign literature and workers will bring forth the desired results.

In most quarters, except among those who feel that they are most safe, there is a certain nervous tension and anxiety which goes with all elections. To most of the candidates, the next 12 hours will move swiftly — too swiftly for some — and not swiftly enough for others.

None can tell what may happen between now and the time when election board officials open the voting machines and read off the tally as it has been registered on the machine for each of the candidates.

A Quiet Campaign
What will happen? Few will make any predictions that they will stick to when opposition or arguments are put up to the strength of their slate. This has been what candidates call a quiet campaign. Issues have been few and meetings for the most part have been most scarce.

Will the independent voters stay home or will they come out in droves?—that is the question which the political fraternity is trying to decide as the reckoning time draws near. Are they satisfied that a good job has been done or do they want a change? All of these questions and many more are popping forth as the clock rolls around towards 7 a.m., the time that the polls are scheduled to open.

The answer to this election appears to be in the hands of that so-called independent or silent vote. If it goes to the polls, the result may be entirely different from what the political group anticipates will happen. This has been an election in which it has been difficult to find a sounding board for the thoughts of the public or in which a real cross section of public opinion could be found.

What About Williams?
Mayor Williams is a central figure in the election dope and estimates. He is a question mark. Some believe that he may slide down the vote ladder a bit after 12 years in office, while others believe that he will wind up tonight on the top of the heap with the colors waving. Williams has been in more scrapes, more political differences and in the time-hood and bad—than any candidate in the field. Twice he was a central campaign figure and twice he was high man time by the biggest vote

for the insane at Overbrook.

"I believe," the commissioner said, "that I have given the people of Belleville the service which they wanted. I have tried to live up to their expectations and to consider their needs and desires on every important matter. I have sincerely tried to give the kind of government which I believe would promote Belleville's growth and progress. I feel confident that the people will return me to office for another four years tomorrow because I have tried to do the right thing for the greatest majority and the greatest good."

CLARK IS HIGH, MANAGER SAYS

Predicts Good Vote For Vet Campaigner; Reviews His Service To Town

The prediction was made last night that Commissioner William D. Clark, director of public safety, would finish among the high men in today's election. This forecast was made by the director's campaign manager, Dan Kelly. He stated that he based his belief on last-minute reports from election workers and captains in all of the 19 districts.

Clark finished fifth in the last campaign, but he ran well in the 1934 election and was high man in the 1930 election although he was not named mayor.

In reviewing Clark's record, Kelly referred to the numerous accomplishments that had been made in the police and fire departments. "I do not believe," he said, "that the public could expect more or could have received more from any other public official. I am certain that not with greater sincerity and desire to accomplish good than Commissioner Clark. The response that workers of his campaign committee have received in recent weeks is sufficient appreciation for the work that he has performed, and I am confident that he will poll a good vote in tomorrow's election."

The campaign manager pointed to the numerous improvements that have been made in the police and fire departments during the time that he has been under Clark's jurisdiction. "The police court has been re-organized as one of the most effective and finest in the state. The work of the judge who has presided over this court has been cited by many officials outside of town as an example to be followed by others in New Jersey," Kelly said.

Violations Cut Down
"No one can question the fact that the number of traffic violations have been cut down since the establishment of the safety patrol and the inauguration of the sound car, which has slowed down motorists and resulted in the protection of the lives of children and other pedestrians, Kelly continued. "The police court has been re-organized as one of the most effective and finest in the state. The work of the judge who has presided over this court has been cited by many officials outside of town as an example to be followed by others in New Jersey," Kelly said.

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"There has never been any criticism of my administration of the department of public affairs," King said. "I have given freely of my time and have endeavored to be of service to the people whether it was a matter pertaining to the relief department or to the health department."

He pointed to the advancement that had been made in the various branches under his control. Notably the health department and the shade tree commission.

"We have endeavored to save money where we could," he said, "and still give the public the service to which it was entitled."

The commissioner reviewed the expansion of the public nursing service and pointed to the number of families which had been benefited under it.

KING BASES PLEA ON HIS RECORD

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To My Neighbors and Friends:

My Pledge

If elected, I shall become your watchdog on money down at Town Hall. I have just read the latest message-letter of Mayor Williams, and do not think that he has given one word of fact or an answer to the four-week question, WHAT DO WE OWE TODAY?

I promise to tell you the exact truth as often as you want it. Whether I am elected or not, I am still a home-owner and taxpayer, and I ask you to open your eyes and keep them open. Eternal vigilance on that town money is the safety of our homes. That debt is a heavy weight overhanging our homes, and the CARNIVAL of spending \$21,526,000 MUST come to an end.

My Thanks

The hundreds of letters, phone calls, cheery words of you folks these trying weeks make

me know that the voting public are far more intelligent than the wiley politicians think. I NEEDED those words, they helped me on. I thank you publicly, and wish I could do so personally to each one. I have tried. I put facts before you. I spent my own money. No neighbor or town employee was forced to pay for my advertisements. Many offered, but I refused because I want to enter Town Hall FREE. As it now stands, I owe not a penny nor a pledge to any human being. If I am not elected that way,—still all well and good. I thank you all—you've been very kind indeed!

Postscript

And whatever comes, we are all neighbors and friends, we sink or swim together, we are bound together IN LOVE OF OUR TOWN.

Answer To School Teachers' Questionnaire

Question No. 1

What do you consider the adequate minimum and maximum salary for elementary and secondary teachers?

Answer—I have had no experience in finances of educational enterprise. I do believe teachers in charge of the youngest children have the far more important work. They are "bending the twig" and their efficiency or lack of it will make all the difference in the world to the adult. They are worthy of their hire, and unless the Town is a pauper, they should be paid well for efficient work.

Question No. 2

Will you actively support salary increases adjusted to current living costs?

Answer—I would do as our great President has said—we are facing a struggle to determine whether we shall even survive. It is costing us fabulous sums. Civil life is not "as usual" and none of us can avoid financial sacrifice. If costs of living mount, it is because one group is grabbing while grabbing is good. If salaries must rise as high as the grabbing, then employers must increase prices, and a vicious spiral sets in which will swamp us all. The teachers should acquaint themselves fully with the Town Finances, to find out where economies could be put into effect, where waste of moneys could be stopped, and when they understand exactly our financial condition I feel confident they will be contented if they know they are getting a square deal. Not one of them would want to overreach or grind down any one. If after full study they could see where their salaries could be increased without wronging someone else, I would support the increase.

Question No. 3

Do you believe that Belleville can support schools the equal, in all respects, to any in Essex County without overburdening the taxpayers?

Answer—Belleville is the home of children. People live here and buy homes BECAUSE OF THEIR CHILDREN. It is a CHILDREN'S TOWN, and children come first here ALWAYS. If elected, I shall sail under THAT banner—CHILDREN FIRST. CHILDREN LAST, AND CHILDREN ALL THE WAY IN BETWEEN. It is the ONLY concern of the home-owning TAXPAYERS. I know of no reason why we should not aim at one TARGET—put Belleville on the map, as the FINEST, SAFEST, AND BEST PLACE in Jersey for CHILDREN, and the best schools, with highest possible grade of educators, and the right pay for the quality we want.

Question No. 4

Do you think administrative-teacher-school board committee should be established to help solve current problems?

Answer—I believe EDUCATORS know far more about what must be done than any POLITICIAN OR EVEN STATESMAN. They are close to the children, they specialize in curriculums, they study current educational aims—and I believe politicians, Town Commissioners, and earnest taxpayers SHOULD GO TO SCHOOL to people who know more than they know on school problems. There should be complete candor between the educators and the Board which must levy taxes, and fine cooperation to get the most for the money we have to spend.

Question No. 5

Do you want Belleville to continue to be a training center for other school districts?

Answer—I want Belleville to stand FIRST as the finest system of education for children, and to spread its influence as far as it can to less fortunate districts. We can't have too many "educational missionaries" if they carry to others something finer and better than they now have.

These are answers made today, prior to election, and before the possibility of any candid and complete knowledge of what our actual financial condition may be.

My dominating hope, above all others, is that Belleville take its place in the sun as the haven or heaven of CHILDREN—that we pinch elsewhere, and patch where we must, but not on the health, happy recreational facilities, and stern, strict, useful education to fit children for the tough life ahead.

Every child has a right to good birth, strong, healthy little body, a happy childhood, and an education to fit him for the life ahead.

All other civic enterprise is secondary. We grown-ups can shift about and take it.

George E. Stewart, Jr.
5A On The Voting Machines

Belleville's Political Perennials Destroy Government

Paid for By George E. Stewart, Jr.

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THIS NEWSPAPER

And all waste paper... Paper is vital to victory.

Start Saving Paper Now! When you have a supply, call a collecting charity or a local waste dealer...

—This Newspaper

J. Press Association

N. J. Defense Council

in Salvage for Victory

VETERANS

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votes. A 17-year resident of Belleville, he resides with his wife and three children at 232 Ralph street. He is a graduate of Ridgeway Teachers Normal school and Pennsylvania State college. After teaching school for four years, he enlisted in the first world war and was in officers' training camp at the time the armistice was declared. He has been in business for himself for the past 21 years. He is a member of the local post of the American Legion and active in numerous other affairs. He was born in Saint Mary, Pa., on May 10, 1894.

who is a pupil in School No. 10. Noll is the president of the Trust Trucking company which he has operated for the past 17 years. He is a former president of the Lions club and an active Elk. He has been in charge of the department of parks and public property and has devoted most of his efforts to expanding the recreation program and to improving bus transportation. He finished fourth in the 1938 race with 4,327 votes.

James J. Tully

A leader for the four years he spent in the local high school, Candidate Tully has kept up his activity since graduation in 1936. He organized the high school alumni association and has been its president for the past two years. He is 25 years old and an employee of the General Electric company at its Bloomfield plant. He has been a resident of Belleville for the past 23 years and makes his home with his parents in Bell street.

Gerald Ferrara

Youngest candidate in the field is Gerald Ferrara of William street, a Belleville high school graduate. He was the first of the field to file his petition of nomination with Town Clerk Florence R. Morey. Principal point which Ferrara has made during his campaign is that he has made no promises and that he believes that youth deserves a place on the town commission and could perform the job well.

William D. Clark

Commissioner Clark has been head of the department of public safety three of the four terms that he has served as a member of the board of commissioners. As the oldest member of the board in the point of service, he was first elected in 1926. One of the earliest residents of the Greylock section of the town, he moved here nearly 40 years ago and resides at 121 Floyd street. For the past 28 years he has been president of the North Belleville Savings and Loan association. For nearly 45 years he has been in the employ of the Fidelity Insurance company of New York now serving as one of its executive officers.

George E. Stewart, Jr.

Head of his own food brokerage firm for the past 19 years, George Stewart, who is 46 years old, has been a resident of Belleville for more than 16 years. He was born in Jersey City, went to school there until he was 14 when he went to work. When the first world war broke out he enlisted in the United States navy and saw active duty at sea. He is a member of the library board of trustees and has been active in municipal affairs for a number of years. During the administration of the late Mayor Samuel S. Kenworthy, he served as a member of the citizens' survey committee.

Raymond E. Mertz

Among those seeking election to the town board for the first time is Raymond E. Mertz, a Union avenue real estate operator and a builder. He is 44 years old, a veteran of the world war and has been prominent in a number of civic affairs for many years. A son of a former Belleville councilman, the late Emil C. Mertz, he has resided in town for the past 42 years. He lives in Van Riper place with his wife and two children. He is a member of the local lodge of Masons and the American Legion.

Joseph King

Commissioner King, who has served two terms as a member of the town commission and is director of public affairs, has been active in the building and real estate business in Belleville for the past 31 years. He is president of the realty firm of Davidson and King and for the past 15 years has been president of the Clover Building and Loan association. He was recently elected head of the newly formed DeWitt Savings and Loan association, a merger of three building and loan groups. He is also a director of the First National bank and a past president of the Rotary club.

Membership on the town commission was not his first venture into politics. He is a former member of the Essex county board of freeholders and during his administration, supervised the construction of the Essex county isolation hospital. During the time that he has been a commissioner he has also served as municipal building inspector without pay. King resides at 23 Malone avenue and has one son, John Robert, who is in the marine corps.

Arthur E. Mayer

Arthur E. Mayer has been a resident of Belleville for more than 17 years. In business for the past 30 years, Mayer has been a prominent Washington avenue real estate broker for the past 10 years. He has also conducted the Belleville Employment service.

A candidate in the 1934 race, he was one of the first to toss his hat in the ring this time. He is an

active member in both the Elks and Lions clubs and has played a leading part in the welfare work performed by both organizations. He has repeatedly urged that local taxes be lowered and last week came out for an elective instead of an appointive board of education.

Elmer S. Hyde

Most persistent of all of the aspirants for election to the town board is Elmer S. Hyde of Rossmore place who is making his fourth bid for a place on the commission. Hyde finished seventh in the 1938 race only 361 votes behind Commissioner Clark, who was the fifth man elected to the board. The father of seven children, the candidate has been a resident of town for the past 21 years and has played a prominent role not only in local politics but those of the Republican party. He is president of his own surety bond company with offices in Maiden lane, New York. A veteran of the world war, he was born in New York on February 6, 1897.

Patrick A. Waters

A member of one of the town's oldest families, Commissioner Waters follows in the footsteps of his late brother, John, as one of Belleville's most prominent figures. His brother, who died in 1923, was Belleville's first mayor under the commission form of government, and served three consecutive terms. Since he was appointed to the town board in 1926 to fill a vacancy, Waters has been in charge of the department of public works. He is generally recognized as the town's Democratic leader. At present superintendent of the Eastwood-Nealey plant, he has been in the employ of the company for the past 50 years.

Louis A. Noll

Commissioner Noll is a one-term member of the town commission, having been elected to the board as an independent candidate in 1938. During the better part of the past four years he has been the one-man minority on many issues. A resident of the Belwood Park section, he resides there with his wife and one son, Tony.

William H. Williams

This is the fourth time that Mayor Williams has sought election to the board of commissioners. After making a poor showing in the 1926 race, he finished 5th in the 1930 campaign and was made head of the revenue and finance department. In 1934 and 1938 he was re-elected, finishing as high man in both campaigns.

Polling more than 7,000 votes in 1938, he received the greatest number of votes ever given any candidate in a local election. Since his start as a member of the governing body in 1930, Williams has been in charge of the revenue and finance department. In addition to the regular functions of the department, he has had charge of the sale of town-owned property, has handled the municipal advertising program and has represented the board in negotiations with most of the industries which have located here in recent years. A native of Taunton, Mass., he came to Belleville in 1923.

Prior to that time, he had been employed as an efficiency expert in numerous textile plants both in this state and in New England. He still resides at the Rossmore place home which he purchased when he came to town. In addition to his duties as mayor, he has in recent years been active in the real estate business, erecting the buildings which were leased to the Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, Sears Roebuck, and the American stores in Washington avenue. He was also a principal party in the erection of the building which houses the F. W. Woolworth store.

Those Who May Be Allowed In Polls

Town Clerk Florence R. Morey re-emphasized yesterday the regulations pertaining to those who may or may not be in the polls while the election is being conducted. There are five principal points which all should keep in mind, she stated.

Those who may be allowed in the polls are:

Officers connected with the election—members of the county board of elections, the superintendent of elections, commissioners of registration, county clerk, municipal clerk and their appointed representatives.

The candidates.

The authorized challengers.

Voters who are present for the purpose of voting.

Police officers detailed to preserve order.

Final Party For Waters Held In Belwood Park

Nearly 100 Belwood Park residents attended a party held last night for Commissioner Patrick A. Waters at the home of Peter Johnson in Smallwood avenue. It was the final appearance of the campaign for Waters.

The commissioner spoke briefly, reviewing his record and thanked those attending for their support. Sandwiches and other refreshments were served.

Smallest Populations

That part of Yellowstone Park that lies within the area of Yellowstone Park county, Wyoming, has only 0.1 persons to the square mile. Nye county, Nevada and Yellowstone Park county, Montana, have populations of 0.2.

The Colosseum in Rome

The Colosseum in Rome has been called the Flavian amphitheater, but came to be known as the Colosseum from the colossal statue of the Emperor Nero, which was near. The statue, of gilded bronze, was 117 feet high.

Administration Is Record Of Service, Says Noll

Commissioner Outlines Recreation Expansion And Discusses Continouu Effort Made To Improve Transportation Throughout Town

His administration has been a record of service and a desire to work for the people, Commissioner Louis A. Noll, director of parks and public property, declared last night.

"It is true that I have been limited in what I have been able to accomplish because on many matters I have had the board majority oppose me," the commissioner said, "but wherever I have had the opportunity and had the chance to vote, I have done so in the interest of the people."

He outlined the expansion of the recreation program under his direction, pointing to the addition of four playgrounds situated in various parts of town and the expansion of both the indoor and summer playgrounds under the direction of Edward Lister, recreation director.

"One of the additions to our activities of which I am most proud," he said, "is the church league softball and basketball programs which have been organized during the past four years with the cooperation of all of the members of the local clergy. It has promoted goodwill and fellowship among all of the young people of the churches and has contributed the spirit and understanding in community life that is most needed."

Many Hardships

"I can not conclude my campaign without another word about the effort that I have made as the commissioner who has had charge of public transportation to improve it," he continued. "This task has been beset with hardships, principally because of the failure of the several bus companies to agree on which of them had priority over certain territories. While at times it may have seemed to many of the public that it took long to accomplish some of the efforts in their behalf, there has never been a moment that I have not been endeavoring to get better service for the people of Belleville. In securing approval for the cross-town lines now operating through the Valley and West Belleville areas, I believe that much has been accomplished for the good of the residents of Belleville."

"In the closing hours of the campaign, I wish to say that I have made a sincere effort to keep faith with the people and to maintain the pledges which I made in the 1938 campaign, that I would attempt to give a businesslike administration and work to keep down the costs of government. I want to thank all of

those who have supported me in my campaign for re-election and believe that I will be among the five successful candidates."

GETTING AUTOS A PROBLEM

Tires and Gasoline Lack Is Bothering Some Campaign Headquarters

Transporting voters to the polls is an important election day job in every campaign organization, and yesterday lining up cars was proving to be a headache for some of the candidates.

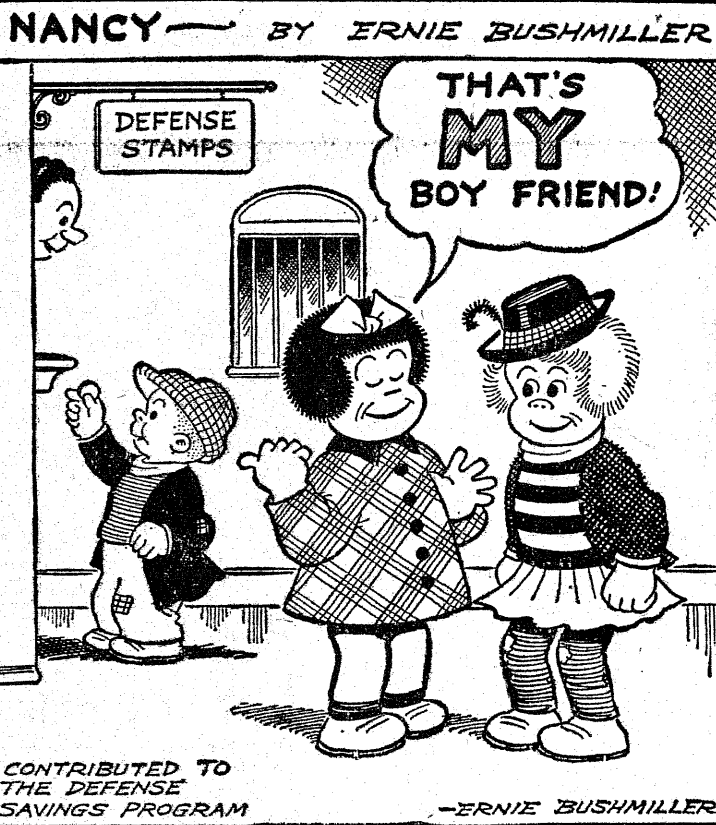
Some of them found that folks were reluctant to loan or drive their cars to carry voters to the polls not only because of the gasoline shortage but because of the wear on tires which they are attempting to stretch for as many miles as is possible.

For this reason, candidates were hoping that today would bring clear skies so that the majority of voters who do not use their own cars would walk to the polls.

Not only tire wear is a problem, but candidates lining up some of the gasoline stations to be sure that workers' cars are kept well filled for the entire time that the polls will be open found some stations are running low on gasoline or are bent on saving as much of it as possible for their regular customers through the remainder of the week until rationing sets in on Friday.

Expect To Register 8,000 Here For Gasoline Cards

More than 8,000 automobile owners will register in one of the local elementary schools today, tomorrow and Thursday. The schools will have a half session and teachers will be on duty to register the motorists from 2 to 9 p.m.



What's for Dessert?

By BEULAH V. GILLASPIE
Director, Sealtest Laboratory Kitchen



Courtesy Sealtest Laboratory Kitchen

SIMPLE desserts, "colorful" desserts, easy-to-make desserts... we need them these days to keep up the family's morale as well as to supply extra nutriment. Here are a couple of parfaits which delight everyone. And you can carry the idea as far as you wish.

RHUBARB PARFAIT

1/2 pound rhubarb 1 cup corn (about 1 1/2 cups of 1/2 inch slices) 1 banana Whipped cream

Mix the rhubarb and corn syrup in a saucepan. Cover and cook over low heat until the rhubarb is tender but not too soft. Cool. Fill glasses with alternate layers of the rhubarb mixture and the ice cream. Reserve

6 pieces of drained cooked rhubarb for garnish. Stick in slices of banana, cut lengthwise. Top with whipped cream and garnish with the rhubarb. Six servings.

MOCHA PARFAIT

1/2 cup corn syrup 1 cup strong coffee 5 teaspoons cornstarch 1 teaspoon vanilla Few grains salt Chocolate ice Whipped cream

Mix the corn syrup, cornstarch and salt and stir in the coffee gradually. Cook, stirring constantly until thickened. Add the vanilla. Cool, stir well and fill glasses with alternate layers of the coffee mixture and the ice cream. Top with whipped cream. Six servings.

VOTE 11-A On The Voting Machine ELECT ELMER S. HYDE



- 1—A Candidate Who Is Independent
- 2—A Man Who Has Made No Promises
- 3—A Businessman Who Possesses The Practical Experience That Belleville Needs To Progress
- 4—A Man who during his residence in Belleville has contributed much to its civic life and would be a most capable public official.



Candidate Elmer S. Hyde, his wife and children

Honest - Able - Experienced

Vote For

ELMER S. HYDE 11-A ON THE VOTING MACHINE

FOR TOWN COMMISSIONER TUESDAY, MAY 12

Paid for by B. S. Woodhall, Camp. Mgr.

Waters In Final Appeal For Voters' Support

Veteran Commissioner Points To Work That Has Been Accomplished By Public Works Department Under His Leadership

In a final statement, Commissioner Patrick A. Waters, who has headed the department of public works for the past 15 years, stated that he was confident that he would be returned to office by the voters.

One of the oldest of all the campaigners, Waters has actively led his workers who have been headed by his brother, James L. Waters, assisted by Harry Sullivan.

In his statement, Waters said:

"On the eve of election, after a campaign which I have kept free from personalities, prejudices and based solely upon the record and accomplishments of my last term in office, I appeal to the voters of the Town of Belleville to return me to the office which I feel I have filled to the best of my ability.

"I point with pride to your public streets, to their maintenance and cleanliness, of which you alone can be the judge.

"Your water system, under my administration, has proved a source of income to the Town. In 1942, \$36,118.98 was realized from its operation.

"During the last 15 years I have headed the department of public works and during 10 of that we were faced with the most strenuous hardships, not only in Belleville but throughout the nation. It became my duty to supply any work projects for use by the C. W. A., E. R. A. or W. P. A. During the time we were working on these projects, their value was questioned. Today, I take pleasure in the fact that the water mains laid during the W. P. A. days were a big factor in bring-

ing firms such as, the Andrew Jergens company, the Walter Kidde company, and additions to Wallace and Tiernan, Inc., to the Town of Belleville. The White Oaks settlement, in the Northern part of the Town, is serviced through water and sewer mains also laid in W. P. A. days. All this required careful planning with a thought to the future growth of the Town.

Will Forge Ahead

"I feel that Belleville will forge ahead just as rapidly during the coming years as she has during the past ten and I believe the work that we accomplished at a minimum cost with the use of W. P. A. funds will help bring more industry and more homes into our town.

"With the thought that the Town of Belleville, its citizens, its taxpayers, has been utmost in my mind, my deeds and my actions, I feel confident the voters of the Town of Belleville will return me to office to continue the work which has only just begun."

BACKS BASEBALL, STATES NOLL

Spikes Report He Had Charge Of Stadium or Clearman Field

Commissioner Noll, who has been in charge of recreation for the past four years, denied yesterday that he had had anything to do with the abandonment of the interscholastic baseball program at the high school.

"In the past week," Noll said, "there have been people circulating the story that I was responsible for calling off the schedule because I was in charge of Clearman field and the municipal stadium.

"This is not so," he continued. "Clearman field is under the jurisdiction of the board of education and Mayor Williams has had charge of the stadium."

Noll said that he has always been in favor of baseball and that one of the main efforts of the recreation program under his supervision has been to encourage baseball.

"We have several playgrounds which permit baseball to be played," he said. "In fact, a number of teams are already using our fields. I have never had anything to do with Clearman field and have no control over what goes on at the municipal stadium.

"My department has done everything it could to encourage baseball as it has every other type of clean sport for young people," the commissioner concluded.

Long Chance

"Lawyer advice," said Uncle Eben, "is like a pill dat you takes hopin' you'll be lucky enough to get yob money's worth."

MAYOR DENIES LICENSE VOTE

Stewart Says He Voted For Amendment That Paved The Way

Mayor Williams denied over the weekend that he had voted for a liquor license for property which was in the ownership of his wife, Lucille Williams.

The mayor said that affidavits and records of the meeting of the town commission of 1940 were in possession of the municipal court to prove that he had not voted for the granting of the license. Williams' statement was in answer to one and to an advertisement which was published in last Thursday's Times by George E. Stewart, Jr., candidate, who has played the mayor and his administration persistently throughout the campaign.

Stewart charged that Williams had voted for the issuance of a license for premises at 163 Washington avenue while the property was in the name of his wife, Lucille Williams.

The Times in its story on Thursday stated that according to the records from its files the mayor did not vote for the granting of the license. It stated that the affirmative votes were cast by Commissioners Clark and Waters. Commissioners Noll and King were not present.

Voted For Amendment
In reply to Williams' latest statement, Stewart said in part:

"An ordinance was in existence to prevent further licensing. What the mayor did was vote 'aye' on a motion to amend this ordinance which would permit a liquor license to be issued to his wife's property. He did not vote on the license itself, but did vote for the amendment which would permit it to be issued."

THIS TIME WILL COUNT — HYDE

Candidate and Manager Both Confident; Need Him, Says Woodhall

The fourth time is the one that will count is the way Candidate Elmer S. Hyde put his chances of election to the town commission last night.

"I have presented my name to the voters as a candidate for the board of commissioners three times previous to this election," Hyde said, "and each time I have gained votes. In the 1938 campaign, I missed being made a member of the board by a slight margin. I am confident tonight that tomorrow evening at the same time I will be one of the five commissioners.

"I have offered no promises to anyone," he commented, "and I can enter upon a four-year term as commissioner with only one pledge that I will serve the people of Belleville as best I know how and to the best of my ability."

His campaign manager, Bert S. Woodhall, debunked the story which has been heard numerous times during the past few weeks that there should be no change in the town administration during war time.

Need Business Men
"That is nothing but foolish talk," Woodhall said. "What we need in office now are business men who have their feet on the ground and know what they are doing. We need to keep municipal costs down to the minimum so that the public will be able to stand the increased burden which they will be asked to pay by the federal government.

"Elmer Hyde is one of those men who possesses the ability to perform the job well and I am confident that the people of Belleville will recognize it by placing him in office in tomorrow's election.

"We have struggled enough," he added. "We must now settle down and prepare for perhaps the darkest days of our community—days that will be darker than those which we faced in the depths of the depression. We must elect five men whom we believe will guide this town wisely and will place service to their fellow townspeople above their own gains. Elmer Hyde is that type of a man and I think that the voters will make it clear that they think he is, too. I want to thank all of the workers throughout town who have worked for his election and I am confident that when the returns are in tomorrow night they will be happy and will have been rewarded for their work by being able to congratulate Mr. Hyde as one of the next five commissioners."

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**You Need
Bus Service
TODAY
I've Given
It To You**

The government has ordered the rationing of gasoline. You must cut down on the use of your car. You must ride the bus to get to where you want to go in Belleville—Newark—Nutley—Jersey City or New York.

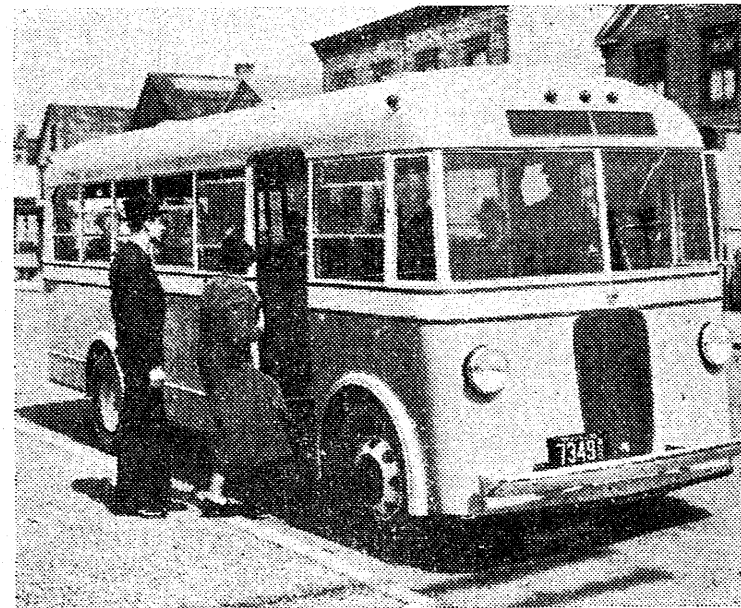
We Are Ready

I have striven for bus service which would link every section of town with the centre and with connecting lines. WE HAVE WON THAT BATTLE.

Not only you residents, but the merchants who want and need your business will benefit.

West Belleville- No. 37 Crosstown Line Starts

Yesterday Public Service started a new bus line for residents in these two sections. It is now convenient for them to reach the centre of town—any part of town.



The start of service on this new line ends a three-year fight to give Silver Lake and West Belleville what the people asked for and what they deserved.

I HAVE BEEN A FOUR-YEAR CHAMPION OF PUBLIC DEMANDS FOR BETTER TRANSPORTATION. WE HAVE IT TODAY WHEN WE NEED IT MOST.

OTHER TRANSPORTATION ACCOMPLISHMENTS

P. S. VALLEY LINE No. 100

For the first time residents of the Valley can ride to other parts of Belleville and Newark without walking long distance. Workers in many plants in that area find it easier to get to and from work.

There has been a continuous effort by me which has been successful to improve service on existing lines to New York and Newark.

I Have Fought For Belleville-The Residents-The Merchants

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Vote for a Man Who Is
Independent in Thought,
Word and Action

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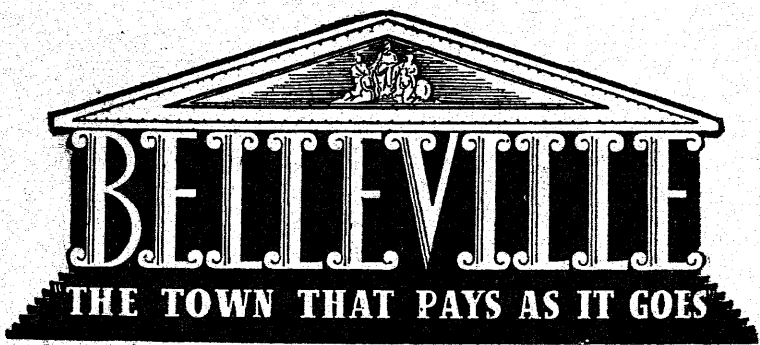
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LOUIS A. NOLL

Director of Parks and Public Property

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Wm. H. Williams

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