

## ELECTION CAMPAIGN SPECIAL

### Brunette Denies Mayor's "Mud Slinging" Charges Deplores Type Campaign

Denies Mayor's Accusation That He is Spending "Corporation Money" on Election Campaign. Is Spending Own Money to Get Sane Administration For Timmins, He Says.

Indignant denial of accusations Mayor Bartleman has made in campaign speeches was given The Advance today by Emile Brunette, aspirant to the Mayoralty in the election on Monday.

"Mayor Bartleman is getting more than a little bit hysterical in his speeches," said Mr. Brunette. "He is making all kinds of allegations and charges. It is hardly necessary to refute many of them but there have been a couple of late that are just plain vicious.

"He said in a recent speech that I was associated with big corporations. I suppose he was referring to the company with which I am associated. He charged that I was spending 'corporation money' in the campaign I am making for election.

"That," said Mr. Brunette, "was an insulting thing to say. It is quite untrue. Every bit of money I have spent in this campaign to remove the present Mayor from a position where he has done the town a great deal of harm, has been out of my own pocket.

"I am willing to spend my own money because this is my home town. This is the town where I live and have my family. I have a deep interest in this town's welfare and I am willing to spend money to see it have a safe, clean administering body during such a crucial time as this period of war is going to be."

The Mayor, said Mr. Brunette, was no man to accuse an opponent of being a "corporation man." It was rather the Mayor who should bear that label.

It is a well known and proven fact that Mayor Bartleman is living on mining investments he has made. I am not saying that there is anything wrong with that but if there is anything wrong with being associated with a corporation, and Mr. Bartleman seems to think there is, he has rather a heavy responsibility.

"He is living off mining investments never having worked in a mine. I have done that. Perhaps if the Mayor had worked in a mine he would have a better conception of what is good

for a mining community." Mr. Brunette said that the Mayor's charge that he was a "corporation man" was a favourite with His Worship. He dragged it out at every election campaign and hurled it at his opponent, whoever he was. Thelogan was getting a little threadbare. There was no particular meaning to it in the first place.

"This has been a rather nasty campaign," Mr. Brunette concluded, "and it is Mayor Bartleman who has made it so. It is about time that we had a Mayor and Council that could conduct the affairs of the town with a little dignity as well as the maximum in efficiency during the year and then campaign for re-election with some decency and restraint instead of muck-raking and making all kinds of charges and throwing huge handfuls of mud, hoping that at least some of it, will stick."

### Would Have Town Business Conducted on Business Lines

Successful Business Experience a Decided Asset, Says Mr. L. B. Roy.

Mr. L. B. Roy, plumbing contractor, who is a candidate for the council at this election, has decided views on the fact that town business should be conducted on business lines. This means that not only is there efficiency and enterprise, but there is also lack of prejudice and discrimination, as these have no place in successful business, where the public welfare is the basic consideration.

"To run the town's affairs for the good of the public requires first a man who has made a success of his own business or work, whatever his vocation may be," said Mr. Roy.

Mr. Roy himself is a successful business man, having headed his own contracting firm for the past six years and won success through fair dealing and efficiency in his own affairs.

### Should Have Council on Friendly Terms With the Provincial Government

Timmins Barrister Says Present Administration Has Used Policy of Slapping Government on Cheek One Minute and Beseeching Favour Next. Recommends Extending Council Term to Two Years.

"With all the money the Provincial government is spending in this town and all the co-operation this municipality is going to require from the powers that be at Queen's Park, it would be well for us to have an administration in the town hall in which the government has a good deal of confidence," said Mr. Sol Platus today, asked to comment on the forthcoming election.

"I think it is quite safe to say that the present administration, headed by Mayor Bartleman, has not got that necessary confidence of the government," Mr. Platus continued.

He pointed out that the government's co-operation is going to be needed in many things. There was the matter of roadbuilding, the matter of having the Mattagam bridge repaired or a new one constructed, there were a hundred and one things that the government was going to have to consider in Timmins. It was necessary for the town to have a group of men at its head who were not in continual conflict with the government as the present administration was. It was essential that the men in the town hall next year be not continually critical of the government, its personalities and its actions.

"This is a very important matter and one, I think, that the taxpayers would do well to think over what has the present Mayor and several of his most

devoted followers got from the government? Very little. The reason is quite obvious. You can't strike a man on one cheek one minute and turn around and caress him on the other a minute later when you want something from him. That is the very tactic this council has used," said Mr. Platus.

"One minute a vitriolic resolution is on its way down to Queen's Park from the council and the next the Mayor and some other members of Council comprise a deputation that is beseeching the government for some favour. It just doesn't make sense."

Another angle brought out by Mr. Platus was that the Council could, by submitting a referendum to the public and getting the approval of the taxpayers, make the term of office in the Council two years instead of one.

That, he believed, would be a good idea. It took fully one year for a man to become acquainted with municipal procedure and he could not be of any great use to the town until the second year.

It that plan was adopted, and it was statutory that it could be, it would be well to have a good, solid Council—one that could be relied upon to carry the full weight of the heavy responsibility of town affairs for the extended period.

"I am confident that we are going to see a change in the town hall this year and I think it is about time," Mr. Platus concluded.

### Woman Candidate Earnest for Care in Town Expenditures

Believes That in War Time Special Effort to Keep Taxes Down Should be Made.

"I am not making any promises," said Miss Ellen M. Terry, candidate for council, and the first woman to seek this municipal honour in Timmins, when interviewed by the women's reporter of The Advance, and added, "No one can conscientiously make promises or say what they can or will do until matters arise to be faced, but I will say, unnecessary expenditures should be definitely curtailed by Town of Timmins and taxes cut to the bone until this war is over. If the people are burdened with high taxes as well as being called on to contribute and donate to the many just causes which

are bound to arise, well, all I can say is, it will not only be the battlefield which will take its toll, but the people at home who have also such an important work to do, will die for want of courage under the load they must carry."

Miss Terry has been a resident of Timmins for the past twenty years, and has during that time, conducted the affairs of the Timmins Business College in the position of manager and principal. During that time she has taken a deep and personal interest in all that has transpired, and, says, Miss Terry "for that reason I feel that my knowledge of town affairs and my experience as a business woman would naturally be of much service to the public of Timmins. I am running in this election as a definite independent candidate on an open vote. I am not sponsored or governed by any organization or faction."

"There may a handful of men in Timmins who do not think a woman should be elected to the seat of Councillor," Miss Terry continued. To them, she especially addressed her next

words: "Gentlemen, for the benefit of yourselves and the town of Timmins change your minds! In the work that I have done in Timmins in the past twenty years I have no hesitation in saying that I have proven, even as a woman, that I too can put my shoulder to the wheel. Let it be a man, woman or child, if they are equal to the task, give them credit and support them. These are serious times when we must forget all petty narrowness and childishness—we must work together as one unselfish body in a sane manner for the good of our country and, incidentally, ourselves."

### ELECTION POLLS ARE OPEN FROM TEN TO SIX O'CLOCK

Election polls will be open on Monday from ten o'clock in the morning until six o'clock in the afternoon. These times differ from last year when the polls were open from nine a.m. to five p.m. By a special by-law passed this year the new times were made statutory.

### Mayor J. P. Bartleman Issues Statement on Election Campaign

Refers to Improvements Made in the Town of Timmins Since His Election to Municipal Service. Is "Deeply Interested in Everything That Affects the Taxpayers."

#### In Answer to the Mayor's Challenge to Debate

In answer to Mayor Bartleman's challenge for a public debate, Mr. Emile Brunette has given the following reply:—

"The Mayor has been spending a great deal of time telling you that I will not face him on a public platform. He is telling you the truth. For the past year the town has been a sounding board for propaganda speeches by the Mayor and the red group in the town hall. There is not a single voter in the town of Timmins who would gain any new information by a circus such as Mr. Bartleman would like to stage. I did not enter this campaign to take a part in cheap dramatics in order to please the Mayor's desire for a platform fight. If such a meeting would accomplish any good for the town, I would be willing to participate, but when it is planned for nothing more than a publicity feature, I am not interested. If Mr. Bartleman has anything to tell the electors he has had plenty of opportunity to speak without waiting for a Roman holiday."

When Mayor Bartleman was asked by The Advance for his views and opinions on the election contest, he issued the following statement:—

"When I look back to the times previous to my election to office, I cannot help but picture the immense improvements that have been made during my period of service to the Town.

"Extensive public works have been undertaken, including a new Town hall, all tending not only to much greater efficiency, but to building a greater and more modern Timmins. My sole reason for offering myself for office at this time, is to ensure that these advantages are retained, and that we do not revert back to the situation prevailing previous to my election to office.

"Anyone having held the office of Councillor and Mayor for as long as I have, becomes deeply interested in everything that affects the taxpayers.

"When a reputable citizen comes forward in whom the citizens can entrust the continuation of the work for a better Timmins, I shall be pleased to see him occupying the position of Chief Magistrate."

### Need Unselfish Man as Mayor of Timmins Says Mr. E. L. Longmore

Should be Very Careful in Selecting Men Who Might Serve For an Extended Term, Says Former Mayor of Timmins. Conduct Town's Affairs in an Open Business-Like Method, He Says in Statement.

Asked for a statement of his personal opinion in the matter of the municipal election to be held on Monday next, Mr. E. L. Longmore, twice Mayor of Timmins, councillor for many years, and prominent in public life here gave The Advance the following:

"In view of the fact that it is probable that municipal officers will hold office for longer than the usual term, every eligible voter should come out and vote on Monday. More than usual care should be expended in selecting just who shall be entrusted with the responsibility of conducting the affairs of the municipality. Unlike the responsibilities of those who direct national affairs the duties of Council are wholly those of administration. While an intensely selfish man, because of his peculiar abilities in some direction,

might be justifiably placed at the council table at Ottawa, such a man would be entirely out of place in municipal affairs. For administration of municipal affairs requires sincerity of purpose, a willingness to look after the needs of the town as a whole rather than to further some personal ambition or further the interest of some special group or organization.

"The very oath of office makes a perjurer of a man who conducts the town's business in a manner other than impartial. It would seem judging by those who have qualified as candidates that a mayor and council could be elected that would conduct the town's affairs in an open, business-like manner, rather than giving the appearance of only ratifying in public what a few had contrived and decided in private."

### People to Have Chance to Decide If They Want "Clique" in Town Hall

Issues Are Very Clear Cut in This Election Says Leo Lalonde. Public to Have Opportunity to Express Selves on "Clique of Four" Who Have Run Affairs as They Pleas'd This Year, Businessman Says.

The people this election will get the opportunity they should have had early in the year to decide whether or not they want this ruling clique of four men to continue to run their affairs in the town hall, said Mr. Leo Lalonde today, commenting on the forthcoming municipal election.

Mr. Lalonde, who has taken an active part in the political life of the town, although he has never been a member of Council, was severe in his criticism of what he described as the "clique of four" who, he said has done just what they liked in the Council this year.

When Messrs Brunette and Cousins and Roberts resigned in the spring they did so with the understanding that the people were to be asked to choose between them and the Mayor and his three followers, Mr. Lalonde said. If the people decided that they wanted their affairs directed by Armstrong, McCabe and McNeill then they were to have the right to say so.

After the men were out of office, the Council did not go through with Councillor McNeill's expressed desire to have

another election. This year, said Mr. Lalonde, the issue is very clear cut insofar as the Mayorally fight is concerned and similarly clear cut with regard to the three Councillors Armstrong, McCabe and McNeill. The public will have the opportunity to express itself again and decide what type of man its wants in public office.

"I am quite confident that Mr. Brunette will be the Mayor for 1940 and I am also confident that Mr. Bartleman will take his three henchmen with him when he leaves the town hall," said Mr. Lalonde.

#### Conducting His Campaign on a Gentlemanly Basis

Concluding the last of his addresses over the air, Mr. Emile Brunette, candidate for the mayoralty said: "Let me assure you that whether I win or lose, I shall have the satisfaction of knowing that I have conducted my campaign on a gentlemanly basis, and I can leave the decision in your hands."

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