

Anti-Fluoridationists Poll Poorly

The feature of the local body elections in Invercargill on Saturday was the rout of all those candidates whose sympathies lay with the Invercargill Anti-fluoridation Committee. Five of the six candidates backed by the committee finished at the bottom of the list in the City Council election.

The sixth, Cr N. P. H. Jones, who supports fluoridation, but feels a poll, if demanded, should be taken, and who was a member of the council which decided to fluoridate, finished second.

The two most ardent opponents of fluoridation, including one sitting councillor, Mr H. J. Orlowski, failed to get on the council. The other, who finished 14th, was Mr B. B. Benn.

Mr F. W. Harvey, who supported a referendum on fluoridation, finished 12th on the council and the other two referendum supporters, Messrs B. A. Manson and R. W. Bunting, were 10th and 11th.

Electors cast a vote of confidence in the work and policy of the past council. Those sitting councillors and candidates, who endorsed the financial policy and the theme of "progress without extravagance" did well.

Mind Made Up

It was fairly obvious that the electorate went to the poll with its mind made up. The pattern was set when the first three polling booths were declared and right up until final results were announced the pattern did not change.

Cr F. R. Miller stayed at the top of the poll throughout, and it is to be expected that he will be appointed Deputy Mayor if next policy is confirmed. The chief surrende- rance should fill that post well.

Confidence in Trust

The electorate came up with a resounding vote of confidence in the present members of the Invercargill Licensing Trust. In view of the retention of sitting members at the last poll, this came as a surprise to some.

But in the last three years, with the addition of three new men to the trust—two of them already proven local body members—the whole complexion of trust affairs has changed and it is, perhaps, thanks to that that Messrs F. W. G. Miller, G. F. M. Stewart and T. J. Breevley were returned so comfortably.

The big question now facing the trust is the "rolling chairmanship". It is almost certain that this policy will come to an end within the next few weeks and that a three-year chairman will be appointed.

Mr Miller, top of the poll and with 12 years' experience, is an apparently obvious choice, but he is not interested. Br Breevley has a strong claim, by virtue of the outstanding manner in which he ran the trust's affairs last year when he was chairman; and the present deputy chairman, Mr E. N. Adams, with his many years of experience as chairman of the Southland Harbour Board, is certainly a possibility.

Hospital Board

Electors showed a tendency to examine the membership of the Southland Hospital Board, no doubt as a result of the recent argument between doctors and the board.

It was not surprising to see Messrs J. A. Cushen (chairman) and M. W. Grantham (deputy chairman) returned.

Since they have long experience of board affairs and each has a big personal following, it is significant that Messrs Cushen and Grantham finished third and



MR W. R. JOHNS, who leads the sitting Mayor, Mr H. J. Jones, by 41 votes in the contest for the Bluff Mayorality.

County Surprise

Outside the city, the big surprise was in Wallace County, where Mr J. A. Bennett, the county chairman, lost his seat. Mr Bennett, a retired farmer at Tutapepe, was a council member for 15 years and his experience, knowledge and way of doing things will be missed at the council table.

However, Mr Bennett retains his seat (unopposed) on the Southland Harbour Board and is a member of the Fiordland National Park Board.

Riverton electors voted in an entirely new council. Local observers put that down to recent controversies in the borough. With nine new councillors, the Mayor, Mr E. N. Andrews, will have work to do in moulding a team.

Bluff again saw a close contest for its mayorality with the deputy Mayor, Mr W. R. Johns, heading the sitting Mayor, Mr H. J. Jones, by 41 votes. In the previous election, Mr Johns finished three votes behind Mr Burke. There are 129 special votes to be counted, and these could make a big difference to the final result. Mr Johns also stood for the council and topped the poll.

Invercargill Mayorality

* N. L. Watson 6006
 C. H. Paul 3756
 Informal 146

Council

(12 required)

*F. R. Miller 7576
 *N. P. H. Jones 7371
 *C. J. G. Brass 7349
 G. Skipworth 7218
 J. A. Russell 7113
 *W. M. Rodgers 7051
 *A. P. G. Poole 6947
 T. J. Gosling 6789
 T. J. Wood 6327
 B. A. Manson 6024
 R. W. Bunting 5873
 F. W. Harvey 5515

*H. J. Orlowski 4475
 B. B. Benn 4043
 Informal 149

Licensing Trust

(Three required)
 *F. W. G. Miller 4559
 *G. E. M. Stewart 4117

Waikaitia

(One required)
 *H. G. Ferris 318
 W. G. Miller 164
 Informal 2

Mataura

(One required)
 *J. L. Morrison 621
 M. V. Dickie 197
 Informal 10

Toetoes

(No election required)
 T. A. Buckingham

Hospital Board

(No election required)
 *A. Edwards
 *F. T. McKenzie
 W. R. E. Heenan
 R. A. Allan

Catchment Board

(Four required)
 *E. Black 2687
 *F. T. McKee 2174
 *J. M. Crombie 1989
 *D. G. Simpson 1960
 W. E. Collie 1945
 F. L. Hore 1271

Harbour Board

(No election required)
 *C. E. Bowmar
 *H. P. McIntyre
 *K. J. W. Hargreave

Wallace County

Orepuki

(One required in each riding)
 *R. F. Watson 209
 D. A. Lyon 96
 J. F. Brown 59

Pourakino

*N. A. Nuttall 292
 F. J. Shearing 205

Waimatuku

R. M. Lindsay 126
 I. G. Fraser 94

Otatatau

J. E. Malcolm 214
 W. H. Collie 84

Waiau

*S. I. Kokay 425
 *J. A. Bennett 400

Aparima

(No election required)
 *F. F. Allan

Wairaki

(No election required)
 *E. P. Wilding

Wairoa

(No election required)

Mararua

(No election required)

Hospital Board

(Two required)
 *Mrs E. C. Watson 1375
 *Miss C. G. Porteous 1104
 A. B. Hopcroft 1071

Catchment Board

(Two required)
 *E. F. Turner 1691
 W. G. L. Fisk 1525
 *T. Double 1465

Harbour Board

(No election required)
 D. Brown
 J. A. Bennett

Gore

Mayoralty

J. C. McArdel 1680
 L. C. Barron 617
 Informal 12

Waikaitia Council

(Nine required)
 *W. R. Johns 594
 A. J. Thomson 571
 J. B. Haywood 562
 W. J. Potter 551
 *F. A. Dawson 508
 *Mrs D. B. Mees 497
 Mrs R. H. McFadgen 485
 Adrian Hart 475
 G. A. O'Donnell 461

Mataura

R. B. Aitken 424
 C. Parsons 420
 *T. D. Breevley 409
 H. M. Calder 336
 *J. St. Clair Harbour 289
 *W. Cooper 243
 H. Vincent 238
 Russell Flynn 211
 J. Foggo 147

Harbour Board

(one required)
 *N. B. Hazzard 515
 W. G. Potter 389

Hospital Board

(No election required)
 *Mrs B. D. Mees
 *S. J. McKelvie

Mataura Mayorality

(No election required)
 *S. J. McKelvie
 (Nine required)

Waimatuku

J. A. Greig 584
 *C. A. Allott 555
 J. R. Hicks 538
 *A. W. Duncan 507
 *K. R. Henderson 479
 *E. J. Leitch 475
 *C. L. McConnell 468
 R. J. Meehan 390
 F. J. Tolson 373

Wairaki

*H. G. Thompson 369
 G. A. Hevlet 361
 Mrs I. G. Clarke 348
 W. K. Wilson 308
 Informal 9

Waiau

*E. N. Andrews 319
 V. D. Stevens 186

Aparima Council

(Six required)
 D. J. C. Horwood 383
 G. C. Haywood 373
 T. G. Springford 298
 W. J. Cavanaugh 280
 A. L. McCulloch 261
 Mrs W. O. Thompson 258

Wairaki Mayorality

Irwin Cloughley 246
 E. S. Mitchell 209
 *W. H. Mernell 160
 *Hugh McDougall 108
 *W. H. Field 85
 *J. D. Trotter 37

Wairoa Council

(No election required)
 *K. F. J. Coker

Mararua Council

(No election required)
 *J. E. Doherty
 *D. M. Marshall
 P. D. McGregor
 K. O. Simmonds
 A. G. Lang
 S. C. Richardson

Gore Mayorality

(No election required)
 *G. D. Coche

Wairaki Council

New Faces for City



MR G. SKIPWORTH



MR B. A. MANSO



MR F. W. HARVEY



MR R. W. BUNTING

Tapanui Mayorality

(No election required)
 *E. R. Young

Council

(Seven required)
 A. R. Izard 230
 T. H. Sandri 230
 *H. Hancock 219
 *W. I. Moffitt 219
 *S. D. Ruthven 218
 W. R. Barrow 217
 *A. H. Edgar 215

Arrowtown Mayorality

(No election required)
 *W. J. Shaw

Council

(No election required)
 *R. C. Culbert
 *R. J. Jenkins
 *J. A. Kennedy
 *G. C. O'Callaghan
 *R. G. Ranshaw
 *G. C. Wilson
 D. A. Dennisson

Stewart Island County

North

(One required)
 T. C. McIndoe 18
 J. H. Manser 8
 *I. W. Johnson 7

Middle

(Four required)
 L. F. Machen 83
 *A. S. Macdonald 78
 N. L. Whipp 71
 R. Hopkins 66

South

*F. H. Edwards 45
 *H. W. Squibbs 38
 *J. G. Neave 19
 (No election required)
 E. N. Kirlian

Town Councils

Wynham

(Seven required)
 *P. T. Burns 194
 *I. G. Rodgers 194
 *J. Geary 185
 *G. D. Cloughley 161
 *S. C. Euston 152
 A. G. Hay 137
 *D. G. Marshall 123

Tokanui

(No election required)
 L. W. Briggs
 T. A. Buckingham
 R. K. Casey
 H. D. Martin
 W. H. L. McKenzie

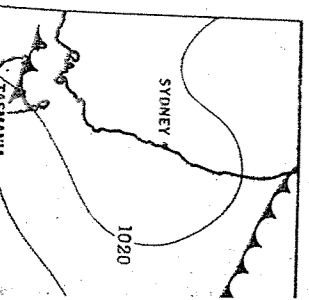
Waimahaka

(No election required)
 J. C. Brash
 J. H. Carswell
 John Howe
 G. R. Polson
 J. R. Thwaites

Castlerock-Mosshur

(No election required)
 R. K. Allen
 P. C. Saunders
 L. S. Gillson
 F. W. Thomas
 A. R. Dawson
 (No election required)
 J. M. Peers
 M. D. Couruane
 C. E. Boyd
 J. G. Chevings
 A. R. Dawson

Weather M



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