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## it's your turn

Tough it will be all over but the shouting or the wailing, depending upon who wins the election and the side of the fence you are sitting on.

Many words have been spoken. Some were spoken in haste and we are sure the author in some cases regretted his utterances. We will concede though, that all the contestants have been sincere, and they are to be congratulated on the public spiritedness that moves them to run for civic office.

Today, the city, all 43,998 of them, have the opportunity to file into the voting booth and cast their ballot. How many will do so? How many will

fulfill their obligation to their municipality and to those selfless enough to offer themselves for office.

It is to be hoped that Burnaby today will set an all time record for votes cast, and will lead all of British Columbia. Certainly, with so much yet to be done in the area of civic planning and development Burnaby this day has a right to expect every voter to do his duty. A heavy turn-out will give those elected a clear mandate to carry out their promises to the voter.

So to the 43,998 voters on the list we say "vote as you please... but please vote."

## an abuse of privilege

As most of our readers know, Members of Parliament have postal franking privileges for communications dealing with federal matters when communicating with their constituents. Most members abuse it to a greater or larger extent by putting on large quantities of propaganda at the expense of the taxpayer. These propaganda items usually have at least one qualifying attribute—they usually deal with federal matters.

There is room for question about the way this privilege is used by members of all parties, but this week we had a blatant example of this abuse. What was worse, this example was from a national leader of one of our political parties. It was from T. C. Douglas, N.D.P. Leader and Member for Burnaby Coquitlam.

We received, an official House of Commons statement in mimeographed "blurb" dated and Ottawa, November 27, 1963. It was issued over the signature of W. H. Pope, and stated the place of origin was "Office of T. C. Douglas, M.P." It carried the usual pages of biased reports from Ottawa that politicians of all parties are prone to give.

The item at the bottom of page one is the one

we object to on the basis that it is a gross violation of privilege. This item is headed "Municipal Elections in Burnaby-Coquitlam," and it names ten municipal candidates from Burnaby, Port Moody, Port Coquitlam and the District of Coquitlam. It refers to Burnaby, Port Moody, Port Coquitlam and the District of Coquitlam. It refers to them as an outstanding group of New Democrats and points out that municipal politics is a good training ground for their (NDP) members. While the item does not come flat out and say "vote for them," it might as well.

We think this kind of thing is far afield from federal matters, and not only an abuse of privilege, but constitutes an improper intrusion into municipal affairs on the part of a senior federal politician. Can you imagine Mr. Pearson taking such action... or even Mr. Diefenbaker. Perhaps Mr. Douglas does not measure up to their stature.

In any event, it must be agreed that a full investigation should be held regarding franking privileges, and stiff penalties proclaimed for misuse. After all, members of parliament do not have the divine right of kings. They should be subject to the law like some of any other citizen.

## who are the candidates?

Who are the candidates contesting the municipal elections, today, Dec. 5th. For the sake of public information we have compiled a brief description of each:

### N.P.A.

REVEE

**DOUG DRUMMOND** - Burnaby Council for over ten years. Chairman of municipal finance committee and councillor with the Treasurer's Department. Owner and manager of a successful equipment and supply business in Burnaby; many years experience in both labour and business affairs. Married, children.

### COUNCIL

**WARREN CLARK** - Incumbent Councillor, three year member of Council, executive member Lower Mainland Regional Planning Board, Director Norburn Lacross Assoc., Chairman Burnaby Planning Committee; member Westridge PTA, community worker; life-time resident of Burnaby; married with three children.

**HELEN KALYK** - Incumbent municipal councillor, Chairman of the Public Utilities Committee, Health department liaison member, and serves on the grants committee and on the board of St. Paul's hospital, Chairman of the Burnaby Parks and Recreation Commission, Chairman of the Burnaby - Vancouver Joint Central Park Committee; First Vice Regent of the Municipal Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

**DR. HERB GUENTHER** - Eleven-year resident of Burnaby with his dental practice also located in Burnaby; RCAF veteran, married with three children; Past Chairman of the social Planning Committee of the Burnaby Community Chest; Vice-chairman of the Vancouver social planning committee; Past president and organizer of the South Burnaby Kiwanis Club; President of Tempest Products Ltd.; Organizing director for the Burnaby Community Chest.

**JAMES MASON** - Former school teacher (four years) and well versed in political affairs; certified general accountant with his own firm; Member of Rotary; the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce and treasurer of Westridge Church; RCAF veteran (Operational pilot) married with five children.

### INDEPENDENT

**WM. (BILL) TURNER** - Active in Labour circles; ratepayers group; Burnaby Labour Committee; occupation: electrical worker. Married.

**AL ATKINSON** - Born and raised in Edmonton, resident of Burnaby just over a year; married, two daughters; part owner of a sales and brokerage firm; Social Creditor, self-described "middle-of-the-road man."

**TOM BLAKE** - Resident of Burnaby 40 years, teacher at Burnaby North High School, on Burnaby School Board staff for 24 years; Member of Lions Service Club for 18 years; Charter member North Burnaby Community Centre Assoc.; Past president Burnaby Teachers' Association; active in Ratepayers group; former executive of North Burnaby Board of Trade.

### N.P.A. continued

**GORDON BUSS** - Member of the Advisory Planning Commission; Past president of the Duffie-Sperling Ratepayers Association (five years); Member Local 813 Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of America; Merchant Marine and Naval veteran; married with four children; lineman with B.C. Hydro.

### SCHOOL BOARD

**MRS. W. P. McKEE - WILSON** - Incumbent School Trustee; eight-year veteran of Burnaby School Board and present Chairman of the Board; Active in the Association for Retarded Children; Member of the Advisory Planning Commission; Former Girl Guide Commissioner.

**IAN SAVAGE** - Seven year resident of Burnaby; operates his own upholstery business; Maintains an active interest in municipal affairs; married with two school aged children.

### B.C.A.

REEVE

**ALAN EMMOTT** - Incumbent reeve; High School Teacher; graduate of UBC; Director, New Vista Society; Director, Community Chest & Council; Executive member, Union of B.C. Municipalities; member, Advisory Council; Vancouver International Festival; Director, Burnaby Tyee Swim Club; On advisory board to Burnaby Players; Director Greater Vancouver Visitors' Convention Bureau; member, Royal Canadian Legion; married with two children; Pathfinder Navigator, D.F.C.

### COUNCIL

**JAMES H. EDWARDS (Jim)** - Long time Burnaby resident, married with two children; barrister and solicitor practicing in Burnaby; attended Burnaby schools and U.B.C., where he received his degree of B.A.; and LL.B. - Former councillor (four years) held the positions of Chairman of swimming pool, publicity planning, and Burnaby Week Committee; and former member of the Metropolitan Joint Study Committee.

**JIM DAILLY** - Fireman (Vancouver); past President of Capital Hill Ratepayers, delegate to Vancouver and District Labour Council; member of A.F. and A.M., married, one child; member of the New Democratic Party.

**DAVE HERD** - Life time resident of Burnaby, married with a son and a daughter. Served in the Canadian Army. Interested in all phases of youth activity, cub scouts, etc. Past President of the South Burnaby Men's Club. Served six years as commissioner of Burnaby Parks and Recreation Commission. Is a commissioner of baseball in Burnaby and director of GYO Burnaby Twin Football Club. Owner of B.C. Lumber Industries Ltd. Located in Burnaby.

**ANDY BLAIR** - Incumbent municipal councillor; RCAF veteran; former member of Junior Chamber of Commerce; Past president of 14th Avenue Ratepayers Association; Served on Burnaby Parks and Recreation Commission from 1958 to 1963 - Owner of Blair Bulldozer.



**BURNABY NON-PARTISAN ASSOCIATION candidates:** From left, seated Mrs. W. P. McKee-Wilson (School Board incumbent); Mrs. Helen Kalyk (Councillor incumbent); Standing from left: Gordon Buss (for Council); Warren Clark (incumbent councillor); Doug Drummond (reeve candidate); Dr. Herb Guenther (one-year Council seat); Jim Mason (Council) and Ian Savage (School Board).



**BURNABY CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION candidates:** From left, seated: J. W. (Bill) Daly (School Board incumbent); Alan Emmott (Incumbent Reeve); William Burke (School Board); Back row: James Edwards (Council); Dave Herd (one-year Council seat); Andy Blair (Incumbent councillor); Russell Hicks (Council) and Jim Dailly (Council).

**RUSSELL HICKS** - Executive member - Burnaby Coquitlam N.D.P. Constituency; former Burnaby Councillor; Executive member of the Community Planning Association of Canada (B.C. Branch); Member of Street Railwaymen's Co-operative; Credit Union; and Union Director; P.O.R.A. Bundo Society; member Air Pollution Control Society; transit operator; married three sons.

**WM. H. BURKE** - President and founder of Capitol Hill softball Association; vice-president Norburn Athletic Club; financial secretary of the Burnaby Labour Committee; grounds chairman of Capital Hill Community Hall; executive member Burnaby Week organizing committee; cubmaster; married with two children.

## Institute queries firmer

The Planning Institute of B.C. has issued a statement of confidence in former Burnaby Municipal Planner W. J. Blakely, who was asked by Council to resign last summer.

Following an enquiry into Blakely's resignation, the institute has declared that it has found absolutely no question of misconduct or unethical practice in Mr. Blakely's part.

At the Institute's request, Burnaby Council has provided minutes of their proceedings which confirm Mr. Blakely's integrity and show that by a majority vote, they acted within the terms of the Municipal Act as amended in 1962.

## A. Dickie acclaimed 'Advocate'

Arthur Dickie, 1784 Delta Avenue, Burnaby, has been acclaimed "Advocate" of the Burnaby Knights of Columbus, by acclamation.

Reverend Michael Barry, Pastor of Holy Cross Parish, 1450 Delta Avenue, Burnaby, appointed "Chaplain" of the Burnaby Knights of Columbus by Most Reverend W. M. Doherty, Archbishop of Vancouver.

Burnaby Knights of Columbus members Maurice Babby, Gerry McCaffrey, Joe D'Arpino, Harry Haug and Ralph Wallace, are still engaged in fundraising for support of the Vancouver Red Feather campaign.

The Youth Activity Group, chairman Kevin Williston, of Oak View Street, Coquitlam, is collecting new, used or broken toys for Christmas. He plans to have them repaired and distributed to needy children. Anyone wishing to help in this worthy cause is urged to telephone 52-0271.

## Time for a change says Mason

"I do not believe it is in the best interests of the people of Burnaby that any man be perpetuated in this (the Reeve's Office)," stated James Mason, Parks Commissioner and Council candidate, at the Local's candidate rally.

"For the past six years we have been represented by a man who, in all fairness, has done a reasonably good job. However, this man has served us for three years - terms and is now seeking another two years. This should not be."

Mason urged voters to give Doug Drummond and his Non-Partisan team of councillors a chance to continue with their platform.

Referring to changes made this year in the planning department, Mason stressed, "Don't think we are opposed to planning. We know the need of planning, but we are opposed to one-man control which has retarded the development of the Municipality of Burnaby."

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