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When the growth of population warranted the incorporation of a city in 1857, the officers elected were: Mayor, Amos Story; clerk, Fred Ford; attorney, Anson Ballard; treasurer, C. E. Bennet; assessor, James Gilmore; marshal, Daniel Huftley; surveyor, Chauncey D. Fote; street commissioner, Jackson Tibbitts; aldermen, First ward, W. H. Sampson and J. G. Brownell; Second ward, R. C. Ball and E. C. Goff; Third ward, B. F. Perry and D. H. Bowen. At that time 475 votes were cast, in comparison with the last municipal election when there were more than 8,500 votes.

No Political Parties Now

While elections nowadays are at times marked with plenty of strife, they do not compare with the olden days. Today the city election is non-partisan and the two highest candidates in the primaries are on the general election ticket. The early day candidates ran as Republicans, Democrats or other party adherents, and the fight was between these factions to see which could place its men in power. Peace reigned for the first time in 1884, when the Democrats re-nominated their entire slate of incumbent officers for re-election and the Republicans endorsed this action.

Occasionally some major issue confronted the voters. The earliest of these was a referendum on Negro suffrage in 1857, when it was opposed by a vote of 189 to 120. In 1904 the people voted for a municipal water plant, and in 1910 to vote to buy the existing waterworks plant. A long period of litigation followed in which Appleton pioneered for other cities and the case was brought to a close finally only within the last two years. In 1911 there was a feeling that the city government was too inefficient and the people voted to change to the commission form. J. N. Canavan was elected mayor, John Goodland, Jr., present mayor of Appleton, and Engelbert Schueler were named as commissioners. In 1913 H. W. Tutrop succeeded Mr. Schueler, and in 1915 August Gerlach replaced Mr. Goodland. Although taxes had been reduced and administration of affairs was improved in some respects, agitators for the more representative form

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