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If You Have Votes Prepare to Use Them Now.

It is not sufficient to look up the names of and inquire into the records of the various candidates for the City Council and Board of Education on the morning or afternoon of January First 1926.

To use the ballot with highest effectiveness on that day, preparation to use it must have begun some time before. Do you **belong** to a Ratepayers' Association or any other civic organization which offers a forum for candidates to state their views, formulate their policies, and set forth their records? What have you done to insure that when election day comes there are names of those on the ballot for whom you can vote with pleasure and knowledge?

The inner pages contain a Chart showing the voting record of the City at the last civic election and previously. For obvious reasons, too numerous to explain, the percentages involve a certain amount of estimating, but this has been done on the same basis for many years and for comparative purposes may be regarded as quite adequate. Allowances have been made for duplications on the list.

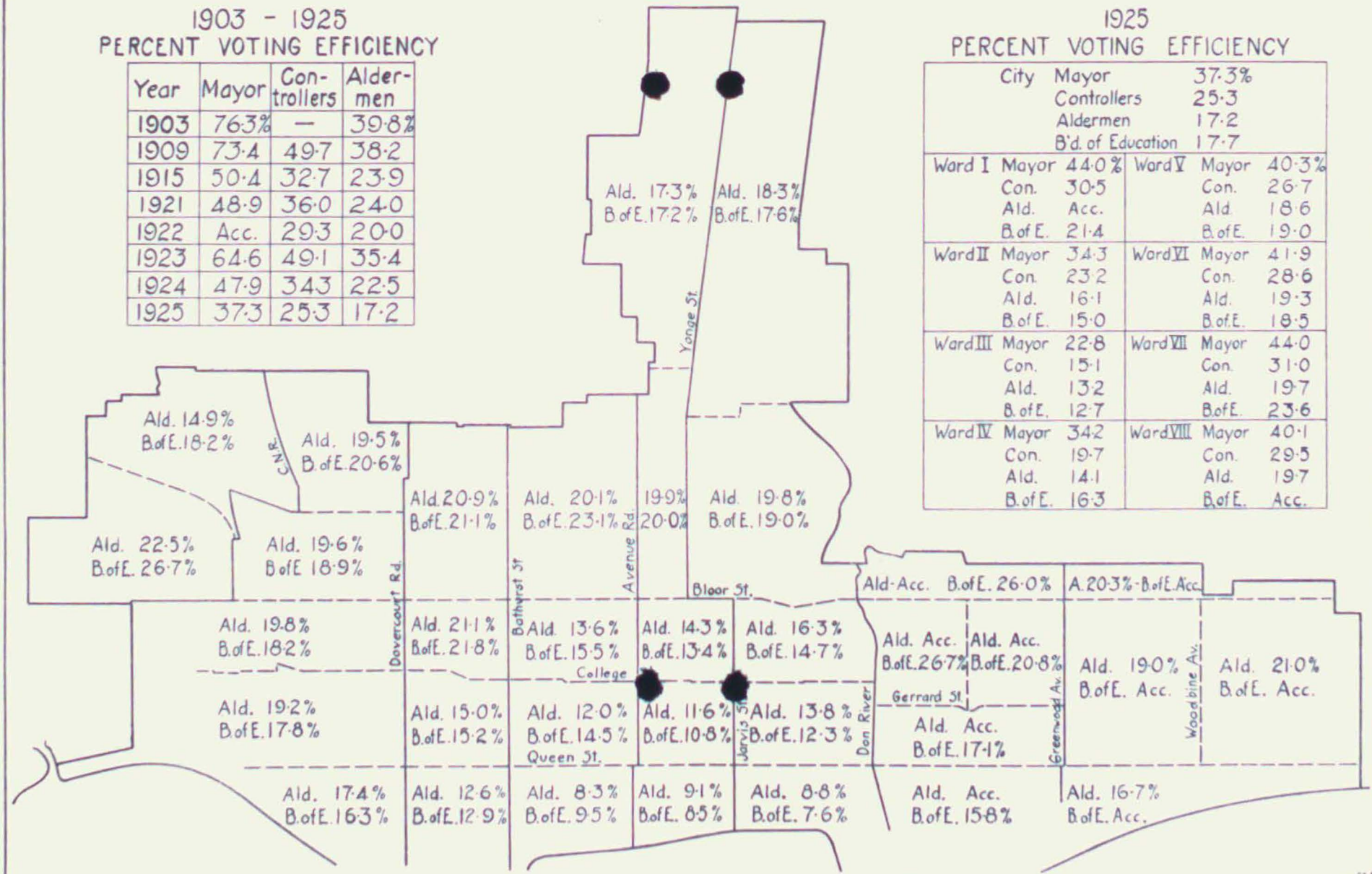
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1903 - 1925
PERCENT VOTING EFFICIENCY

Year	Mayor	Con- trollers	Alder- men
1903	76.3%	—	39.8%
1909	73.4	49.7	38.2
1915	50.4	32.7	23.9
1921	48.9	36.0	24.0
1922	Acc.	29.3	20.0
1923	64.6	49.1	35.4
1924	47.9	34.3	22.5
1925	37.3	25.3	17.2

1925
PERCENT VOTING EFFICIENCY

City Mayor	37.3%		
City Controllers	25.3		
City Aldermen	17.2		
City B'd. of Education	17.7		
Ward I Mayor	44.0%	Ward V Mayor	40.3%
Ward I Con.	30.5	Ward V Con.	26.7
Ward I Ald.	Acc.	Ward V Ald.	18.6
Ward I B.of E.	21.4	Ward V B.of E.	19.0
Ward II Mayor	34.3	Ward VI Mayor	41.9
Ward II Con.	23.2	Ward VI Con.	28.6
Ward II Ald.	16.1	Ward VI Ald.	19.3
Ward II B.of E.	15.0	Ward VI B.of E.	18.5
Ward III Mayor	22.8	Ward VII Mayor	44.0
Ward III Con.	15.1	Ward VII Con.	31.0
Ward III Ald.	13.2	Ward VII Ald.	19.7
Ward III B.of E.	12.7	Ward VII B.of E.	23.6
Ward IV Mayor	34.2	Ward VIII Mayor	40.1
Ward IV Con.	19.7	Ward VIII Con.	29.5
Ward IV Ald.	14.1	Ward VIII Ald.	19.7
Ward IV B.of E.	16.3	Ward VIII B.of E.	Acc.



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VOTE as you wish, but VOTE

Please note (1) that the so-called residential districts appear to rank highest in voting efficiency (2) that the so-called foreign districts rank comparatively low in voting efficiency (3) that the poorest record for voting for Aldermen and Members of the Board of Education is to be found in the divisions of Wards 2, 3 and 4 below Queen Street (is this due to persons living north, but assessed for income in these divisions, not taking the trouble to go south to cast their ballots for the City Council or Board of Education? If so, it is an expensive omission) and (4) that no district has a record of which citizens may be proud.

Notice—Please pass this on.

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offers for competition among residents of Toronto, of the ages of 13 to 19 years, both inclusive, a first prize of \$25, a second prize of \$15 and a third prize of \$10 for an essay on the subject:

"Why Should All Citizens of Toronto Vote at Civic Elections"

Honourable mention will be given to three other competitors. Manuscripts must be written in ink or typewritten on one side of the paper only and must not exceed one thousand words in length. They must be mailed to this office not later than November 30th, 1925. The prize winners will be announced on or about the 15th of December. The judges will be—Mr. W. H. Alderson, Dr. J. L. Hughes and Mrs. H. P. Plumptre. Anyone competing must send a letter with the manuscript, giving name and address and length of residence in Toronto. A minimum of one year's residence is required. These prizes are donated by three interested citizens.