

38.8 MILLS, YEARS TAX RATE PASSED BY CITY COUNCIL

Board of Education's Estimates Accepted Without Further Reduction, Add 14.8 Mills To the General Rate.

The tax rate for this year will be 38.8 mills. The city council last night accepted the board of education's statement that it could make no further reduction in its estimates, and added the board's rate of 14.8 mills to the rate of 24 mills for general purposes which was struck last Tuesday.

Alderman Watt and Watkinson objected, demanding that the council stand by its decision to make the board collect its own taxes.

Mayor Little's View.

Mayor Little left the chair to speak to the question. He said the situation was so serious that it was worth a great deal of money to show the people what expenditures were being made by the board of education and by the council. To do this would involve a large expenditure, and it should not be carried out until seriously considered. About 75 per cent of the taxes usually are paid in the first instalment. If board of education taxes are paid until the third instalment only about 66 2/3 per cent of the total could be collected June 1. Money would have to be borrowed to run the city till the third instalment was collected. While the board would have to pay the interest on this, eventually it would come out of the taxpayers' pockets. The citizens would be penalized by losing the discount allowed when all taxes are paid on the first instalment. Printing of additional tax rolls would be another item of expense. He believed the lesson would be worthily to stand by the council's decision to increase the tax rate unnecessarily.

City Treasurer James Bell said it would cost from \$10,000 to \$12,000 to collect the board's taxes separately.

The whole board is not worth an expenditure of that amount," the mayor said.

"Well, if we accept it the trustees will be boasting that they made us back down," commented Ald. Bridge.

A vote showed that only two aldermen were willing to stand by the council's former attitude.

The belief that lower prices are coming resulted in two important changes in No. 2 committee's recommendations on the purchase of supplies. New tenders will be called for 1,500 tons of asphalt. The price had dropped since the former tenders were received.

Cement will be bought in the open market, instead of from a number of local dealers, as recommended by the committee. The mayor and several aldermen asked if it would not be possible to buy direct from the factories. City Engineer Brazier replied in the negative.

Delayed Filling Contracts.

Mayor Little charged that contracts for cement had been made with the city last year, and had not been filled promptly because prices increased 30 or 40 per cent. The dealers sold to other customers at higher prices, and the city got no redress till it went directly to the manufacturers, he said. It would be better to stop paying altogether than to be held up in that manner, he asserted.

Once more the council reaffirmed its

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SIX NAMES PLACED AT HEAD OF LIST OF 25 APPLICANTS

Goos No Further in Selecting School Board Secretary.

In view of the way in which the matter of selecting a group of men best qualified for the position of secretary of the board of education from the 25 applications was given to the special committee appointed for this purpose, the committee at the special meeting held yesterday afternoon decided to practically refer the whole list back to the board, merely contenting itself with placing some five or six of the applicants with special qualifications at the head of the list.

The committee assembled at 4:30 o'clock, but did not get down to real work till about 5 o'clock, the intervening time being taken up with discussion as to the best method of procedure. Trustee Smith at the beginning suggested that the "committee" send the whole list back to the board, claiming that the spending of time under the conditions imposed by the board would be "merely a loss of time."

Objected to Reporters.

At the beginning of the meeting some objection was taken to the presence of the reporters on the ground that personal matters would have to be to a certain extent discussed, which could not in fairness be to either the applicants or the trustees be published. The reporters assured the committee that no statement apart from that sanctioned by the committee would be given, and that if it would be used, and upon this understanding were permitted to remain.

Considerations of the committee occupied the attention of the committee till practically 6 o'clock, when an agreement was reached to send the whole list of applicants to the board with a recommendation that the secretary be appointed from six men whom the committee considered especially qualified for the position.

Vote on Whole List.

During the discussion on the method of selection a vote was taken on the whole list of applicants and the result was a tie, five for and five against. A ballot was then taken and the man securing the majority of votes got the position. The ballot was taken in the form of a ballot box, and the result was a tie, five for and five against. A ballot was then taken and the man securing the majority of votes got the position.

At the close of the meeting Trustee Coleridge, chairman of the board, announced that a special meeting of the board will be held at 4:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon to receive the report of the committee.

Inspector V. K. Greer acted as secretary to the committee, and Secretary W. A. Tanner is an applicant for the permanent position.

The city may drop its membership in the Ontario Municipal Association. A motion to pay the annual membership fee of \$50 was referred back to No. 1 committee. The organizations of this kind change their ways it is said, a waste of money to belong to them," the mayor asserted.

On motion of Ald. W. A. Wilson the minutes of the last council meeting were amended so that Ald. Wenig, Drake and Brighton were recorded as opposing the commission form of government, for which approval is being sought from the Legislature.

Citizens of Queen's avenue objected to the opening of an undertaking establishment in that vicinity. A bylaw to prevent this was introduced and given its first reading. The matter was then referred to both committees to hear deputations and discuss the matter.

RESEARCH DONATIONS

The following subscriptions of \$25 and upwards have been received by the Citizen's Research Institute to date:

Chamber of Commerce, \$250; Mayor Hume Cronyn, \$100; Robinson & Little, \$100; John Bridge, \$100; Smallman & Ingram, \$100; E. Leonard & Sons, \$100; Reid Bros., \$100; McCormick Manufacturing Company, \$100; Col. Hobbs, \$100; C. N. Duffield, \$100; Green, Swift Company, \$100; C. S. Hyman Company, Limited, \$100; A. E. Silverwood, \$50; Hunt Bros., \$50; C. R. Somerville, \$50; Col. Garsshore, \$50; London Lodging Mills, \$50; James Gray, \$25; D. H. McDermid, \$25; A. J. Mitchell, \$25; Col. Brown, \$25; John Pringle, \$25; Forest City Laundry, \$25; Helena Costume Company, \$25; Wm. C. Beneath, \$25; T. H. Purdon, \$25; Col. A. M. Smith, \$25; F. R. Reid, \$25; E. R. Dennis & Son, \$25; F. M. Moore, \$25; Lawson Jones, \$25; J. I. Hunt, \$25; Canadian Club, \$25; Free Press, \$25. Total, \$2,600.

Intense realism and carefully-studied scenic settings make "Out of the Chorus" one of the finest pictures ever screened at Loew's Theatre. This picture story is replete with human interest, and Alice Brade as Flo, the chorus girl, is a heroine whose every action matches the story. The theme may not be altogether new, but its treatment is distinctly original. The son of the aristocratic and fabulously rich Van Berkman falls in love with Flo, and enters on his stage-door courtship to the usual accompaniment of expensive flowers and unlimited chocolates. But there enters a serpent into this paradise. Eden in the shape of a rejected suitor of Flo's, and the mischief begins. Flo and young Berkman get married, without the usual parental blessing, and the rejected lover gets to work.

He engineers a "frozen" reception for the young couple at the family mansion, and succeeds, through gaining the ear of Mrs. Van Berkman, in working one out of mischief. For them, Trap after trap is set for the purpose of separating Flo and her husband, and into one or more of these snares they both fall. But enlightenment and reconciliation come in the end, and just how this is brought about makes up a brilliant tale.

Miss Brady is supported by Vernon Steele, Charles Gerard, Emily Fitzroy, Edith Stockton, Richard Carlyle and other screen favorites, and the film, which delighted large audiences on the opening day, will undoubtedly continue to do so on the two succeeding days' run.

There are supplementary pictures, including a Sennett comedy, and some excellent vaudeville, embracing the Summers Duo of comedians, and All Rajah and company in their X-ray thought transference demonstration.

COCKRILL—GRANT.

At the Colborne Street Methodist parsonage, Saturday evening, March 19, Emily Grant, of Maitland street, and Thomas C. Cockrill, of Waterloo street, were married by Rev. S. J. Kelly. The bride was attended by Mrs. C. J. Kelly, and the groom by Mr. Cockrill. The ceremony was held in the presence of a large number of friends. The bride is now residing in London.

TRIAL OF SANSONE IS POSTPONED TO THE JUNE SESSIONS

Youth Faces Charges of Assault and Attempted Shop-Breaking.

Sylvia Sansone, 16, who was to have faced two serious charges at the spring sittings which opened yesterday afternoon, succeeded in having his trial postponed until the general sessions of the peace in June. He was charged with attempting to break into William Ward & Sons' cigar factory on King street, with intent to steal, and with assaulting with intent to rob Jacob Wolfe, a Dundas street east businessman. The grand jury had brought in true bills in both cases, when W. R. Henderson and J. M. McEvoy, his counsel, made application for a postponement on the grounds that the prisoner had not had ample time to secure counsel. After some discussion on the part of Crown Attorney J. B. McKillop and counsel for the defence, the cases were postponed. Sansone pleaded not guilty to the charges, and will await trial in jail, as bail was not granted by Hon. Mr. Justice Kelly, presiding judge.

Settled Out of Court.

Two cases, those of Alexander Moffat and Garrett W. Isaac vs. John R. Brown and Alexander Brown, and of John R. Brown vs. Alexander Brown, were settled out of court. The two actions were in connection with the will of the late James Brown. In the first case the plaintiffs claimed that the defendants, who are sons of the deceased, wrongfully refused to turn over some money which they were said to have been given by the deceased to invest for his benefit. In the second case, the sons claimed that certain paper writing was not the last will and testament of the deceased, as it was said he had not the capacity for making it and that it had been procured by undue influence and fraud.

One Case Laid Over.

The case of Wood vs. Tazman, a non-jury action, was laid over until the next non-jury sittings of the supreme court. John Wood has entered suit against David Tazman and William Tazman for \$1,000 damages and possession of certain lands, said to be in the neighbourhood of the late Tazman. The plaintiff, who resides in the township of London, claims that contrary to the terms of the lease the defendants removed 300 cedar posts from the property, cut down some wood and damaged the interior of the dwelling on the lot. David Tazman denies the allegation and William Tazman asks that the case be dismissed, as he claims that the plaintiff is not entitled to sue, but did not think that he was a party to the lease.



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Easter Fashion Show

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APPRECIATES YEAR BOOK

City Clerk Baker Receives Letter From Ex-Ald. C. H. Merryfield.

C. H. Merryfield, formerly secretary of the I. O. F. here, and a member of the board of control, has written an interesting letter to City Clerk Baker from Gibbon, Nebraska, where he has resided for the past several years. Mr. Merryfield still takes a keen interest in London affairs, and has just received a copy of the latest year book compiled by Mr. Baker. He complimented the clerk on the variety of interesting information contained in the booklet.

FIRE DESTROYS AUTO.

George F. Wadsworth, 750 Hamilton road, ledgerkeeper of the Huron & Erie Mortgage Corporation, left his Ford automobile outside the London Club on Queen's avenue about 8 o'clock Monday evening for a short time. When he returned it was practically destroyed by fire. Firemen who were called could not say how it caught fire, as the entire vehicle was a mass of flames when they arrived.

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