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THE TWO LLOYDMINSTERS.

The Lloydminster dispatch published elsewhere in today's issue, though somewhat indefinite with regard to the exact position of affairs now prevailing in the northern town, appears to point on the whole to an agreement to differ.

Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, apparently was desirous of voting on the question of amalgamation with Lloydminster, Alberta, but Lloydminster, Alberta, does not seem to have evinced a similar inclination to vote on the same question.

Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, however, if the dispatch is correct, insisted on voting. Exactly what he position will be if the Saskatchewan town votes in favor of linking its fortunes with those of the Alberta town it is not easy just at present to foresee.

Lloydminster, Saskatchewan appears to be much in the same position as a repulsed lover who nevertheless insists upon his amorous advances being accepted by the lady of his choice. But if the lady (in this case Lloydminster, Alberta) insists upon rejecting those advances, what course is open to the rejected one to pursue? He cannot very well take her to the altar by force and there against her will endow her with his worldly goods.

Meanwhile the definite statement that the towns will always be divided seems to leave little room to doubt that the present comic opera condition of affairs is to be continued. A citizen with half of his house in one Lloydminster and the other half in the other Lloydminster may sleep with his head in one province and his feet in the other. If he happens to have offended against the laws of the province in which his feet are located, it would seem that that portion of his anatomy will be liable to arrest while the other looks on in safety from the neighboring province.

Especially are complications likely to arise in connection with the municipal taxation of the two towns. There are, for instance, stores which stand partly in Lloydminster, Alberta, and partly in Lloydminster, Saskatchewan. Should these be altogether exempt from taxation, be doubly taxed, or pay half to one town and half to the other? The question of income tax as presented by the town Lloydminster is likely to be the cause of problems more knotty than have ever yet disturbed the peace of our civic circles.

the blanketing of homesteads, which was at one time little short of a scandal, but no harm can possibly result from the change now made, while it will undoubtedly be a great convenience to a great number of intending homesteaders.

STREET NUMBERING AND POSTAL DELIVERY.

It is now over a year ago that the stupendous task of numbering the houses of Regina and putting up street name plates was commenced and the work is still incomplete. From time to time the subject crops up in the council, but there is nothing to show that the work will be finished for several years to come.

Meanwhile Calgary, Edmonton and other Western cities are being granted the boon of a house-to-house mail delivery, while in Regina we still enjoy the same system which is to be found in backwoods villages and somewhat communities of two or three hundred population.

That it is useless to ask the postal department for a postal delivery in keeping with the importance of our city until the street numbering has been properly completed is self-evident. Under existing conditions a staff of twenty postmen would hardly be sufficient for the task of delivering the mail, and that the department could hardly be expected to stand for.

With a revenue of \$37,000, Regina post office heads the list of post offices in the two provinces, and if Edmonton, with a revenue of \$25,000, is able to get a street delivery, Regina should have no difficulty in obtaining a similar privilege and that it will do so as soon as the council have fulfilled what must be a necessary condition, can hardly be doubted.

REMEMBER THE DATES!

July 30, 31 - Aug. 1, 2

REGINA'S BIG FAIR

CIVIL SERVANTS AND THE INCOME TAX

The City Council sitting as a court of revision yesterday disposed of all the assessment appeals so far as the council is concerned. On the whole the first assessment under the new charter in which the floor space method of taxation was used, must be looked upon as an unqualified success, only one appeal being prosecuted on the charge of excessive rate, that of the law firm of Wood & McCausland.

The appeals of the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation, the Trust and Loan Co. and four of the city banks, which claimed exemption from municipal taxation under the recently enacted Corporation Tax Act were not argued, the appellants preferring to carry their case before a judge of the Supreme Court. The fact, however, that the clause under which the corporations claim exemption is similar to the clauses contained in the Manitoba and Ontario Acts goes to show that whatever the construction which the law courts had no intention in passing the act that could reasonably be taken as showing unfriendliness to Regina or any other municipality.

It is to be regretted that not a little warmth was injected into the consideration of the appeals brought in behalf of the provincial civil servants against the income tax. We cannot but consider that it was ill advised on the part of the government employees to single out His Worship in connection with their anti-income tax campaign, giving force as it does to the complaint of Mayor Smith that personal animus is not altogether absent from the affair.

There were scores of other citizens who would have served equally well as His Worship for the making of a test case, and to force the chief magistrate of the city to vacate his chair and take the witness box, was lacking both in courtesy and good judgment. The civil servants may be right or they may be wrong in the attitude they have taken up with regard to the income tax, but they will certainly not gain adherents to their cause, either in the Legislature or in the country at large, by reducing it to the level of a more or less personal question and showing an obvious desire to "make it hot for the Council." Canada is a democratic country and of no part of the Dominion is this truer than the West, and the apparent desire of the government employees to consider themselves as a class apart from the rest of our citizens is not calculated to popularise any principle which they may have at heart.

sonally. No one likes being taxed, but unfortunately as society is at present constituted it is still possible to say with Benjamin Franklin that "nothing is certain but death and taxes." The day may perhaps come—we fear that it is yet some distance off—when assessors and courts of revision will be looked upon as archaic relics of a barbarous past, but meanwhile roads must be built, sewers laid and waterworks constructed, for all of which contractors insist upon being paid, rendering it necessary to resort to the tax collector to obtain the where-withal to carry on such necessary works.

A COOL PROPOSAL

Brandon is at the present time in the throes of a controversy similar in many respects to that which agitated Regina in the fall of last year. The C. P. R. wants the city to enter into a five years' contract to supply the company with water at a special rate of 6 1/2 c. per 1,000 gallons, the city laying the necessary mains. The committee of the City Council in charge of the waterworks system of the city appear to have been willing to accord the railway company the preferential treatment asked for, but when the matter came up in full council a strong opposition to the proposition developed.

The arguments put forward by the C. P. R. in support of the contract for which they are asking are very similar to those put forward here last year by Supt. Brownlee. They contend that the revenue which would be obtained from them would be what Mr. Brownlee described as "found money" and that if the city does not accept the company's terms, the company will put in its own system.

The opponents to the proposed contract point out that the rate asked for by the C. P. R. is 3 1/2 c. less than the water now costs and that so far from pledging the present unused capacity of the waterworks pump at an actual loss for a period of five years the council should look to the growth of the city to use what water is not at present used. Aid. Doran pointed out, as was pointed out here last year, that it would establish a dangerous precedent to the ratepayers who had borne the cost of installing the waterworks system.

To the average ratepayer either of Brandon or Regina it must be extremely difficult to discover any reasonable ground upon which to base a claim for preferential treatment in the matter of water rates for the C. P. R. The company, though it benefits more than any other firm or corporation from the growth and civic improvements of such cities as Brandon and Regina, contributes not one cent towards the construction or maintenance of such improvements. The average ratepayer may be a most obtuse, thick-headed and ungrateful individual, but the fact remains that it will take more cogent arguments than have yet been advanced in this city or in Brandon to justify giving to the C. P. R. benefits not accorded to the ratepayers themselves.

While the licensing question is so much to the fore, the City Council might well consider the advisability of putting a good stiff licence fee on the bill boards which are becoming so numerous about the city which present so unsightly an appearance. The boards serve no useful purpose and apart from disfigurement which they constitute to our thoroughfares contribute not a little to the littering up of the streets with their pieces of torn bills. Winnipeg is now considering the question of dealing with what is undoubtedly a real nuisance and Regina might profitably give some attention to the same question.

Explosion in Bomb Factory

LONDON, July 15.—A dispatch from Odessa says that seven persons have been killed and many injured in an explosion in a secret bomb factory in that place.

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