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### Official Count Election Returns.

The official count of the returns for the federal election in Skeena constituency will be held on Monday morning at 10 o'clock by Returning Officer R. W. Cameron and Election Clerk C. V. Evidt. It might be pointed out here that the count to be made then will not be a recount but will be merely a checking up of figures. Following this count Mr. Cameron will formally declare the successful candidate elected and appeal for a recount may then be made within four days of such announcement. If no such action is taken within the specified time the election count is conceded to be correct and the election is formally completed.

### Count and Recount Altogether Different.

There is a great deal of difference between an official count and a recount. In the former the returning officer and the election clerk, in the presence of the agents for the candidates, open all the ballot boxes. These boxes contain two envelopes in which are sealed the actual ballots. On the outside of the envelopes are written the number of votes received by each candidate. In Monday's count these numbers will be taken down in a list without breaking the envelopes or actually seeing the ballots. When all the returns have been taken down they will be totalled up and the candidate thus shown to have the most votes is duly declared elected. If a recount is demanded this is conducted in an altogether different manner. The ballot boxes are opened in the presence of a judge and each one is carefully scrutinized by the judge personally. Acceptances or rejections are decided by him and the result is announced according to his decisions. The returning officer and election clerk and candidates' agents are also required to be present at such a recount.

### Rehabilitation of Economics The Big Question.

Rehabilitation of economic conditions in Europe is the all-engrossing question that is taking the attention of the old country nations at the present time. In Britain the Irish question, which has been in the limelight since the coal strike was on, has taken second place to it. This is demonstrated by the fact that Premier Lloyd George has now left the troubles of Erin for a while and is in France devoting his personal attention to the conference with the representatives of the other Allies on European international matters. The rehabilitation question is one of the most intricate and at the same time internationally important of these matters, and there are so many phases to it that it is difficult to keep them all in mind at one time and realize them. It is easy to realize the present deplorable condition of economic affairs in Europe and it is also easy to realize what is desired, but the matter of comprehending the causes and forming solutions is something almost beyond the grasp of the ordinary individual. They are matters to be dealt with by the biggest statesmen who have made intimate study of the progress of European affairs in the past eight years and more especially since the Great War ended. With Premier Lloyd George and Premier Briand at the head of the conference table, it may be expected that a solution will be reached if it is within the bounds of human possibility to reach one.

### In the Letter Box

#### WHERE HAS THE MONEY GONE?

To the Editor Daily News:

One of the most important things for the property owner to consider in the coming civic election is the question of taxes. The tax rate has been increased alarmingly in the past five years—from 10 mills to 30.82 mills, and in that time very little permanent work has been done.

The year 1921 has the distinction of having had the highest tax rate (30.82), and of having spent more money to run the city

than the two years 1918-19 combined. The tax rates and general levy for the past five years are as follows:

1917—10 mills .....\$127,569.81  
1918—10.5 mills .....154,591.61  
1919—13.75 mills .....175,096.51  
1920—25.1685 mills .....254,216.98  
1921—30.82 mills .....270,422.82

The year 1920 closed with a surplus of \$58,000, and in 1921 tax arrears to the amount of over \$11,000 was collected; so that the actual sum spent in 1921 was \$340,000, which exceeds the combined expenditure for 1918-19 by about \$10,000.

The taxpayers should bear in mind that the cost of the street improvements is provided by a special issue of debentures, and

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is not included in the expenditure for the year 1921. IS IT NOT TIME FOR A CHANGE?

Yours truly,  
S. P. McMORDIE.

### ROCHESTER'S FIGURES

The Editor Daily News:

In replying to some of the charges of extravagance made by Colonel McMorde at his meeting in the Empress Theatre, I think it only right that the people should know the truth, especially in connection with financial matters relating to collection and expenditure of certain monies during the year 1921.

The figures quoted were misleading, incorrect, and contrary to fact, and in order to satisfy the ratepayers in this matter, I desire to present the following statement:

The taxes levied in 1920 were \$254,216.98 and not \$239,216.98 as stated by Col. McMorde. The taxes levied in 1921 was \$270,422.82 or a difference of \$16,205.84. There was an increase in expenditure in 1921 over that of 1920 of \$4000.00 to the Hospital, and \$18,000.00 for Relief work to unemployed, which more than off-set the difference in taxes levied 1920-1921. These items had to be raised and should not be branded as extravagance.

General Revenue.

As we are dealing entirely with general revenue, the surplus from 1920 was \$16,109.52 instead of \$58,043.87 as stated by the Colonel. In this connection I might say that the \$16,109.52 surplus in general fund was not available when I took office, but went to cover, in part, a deficit of \$19,382.26 from 1919, caused by exchange on American funds to meet Bond payments in New York, and not allowed for in the estimates that year.

The surplus referred to by Col. McMorde of \$58,043.87 is made up of the above mentioned \$16,109.52 general revenue and \$41,934.35 surplus of the Light, Telephone and Water departments, which latter surplus was expended on extensions and improvements to the respective utilities.

In refutation of the argument advanced that the City is drifting dangerously into conflict with interests of the ratepayers, I would quote a few figures showing the actual standing of

properties in the city by way of comparison:

Lot in Section 5.  
In 1918 the mill rate was 12.5 taxes were \$52.50.

In 1919 the mill rate was 13.75, taxes were \$57.75.

In 1920 the mill rate was 25.1685, taxes were \$52.85.

In 1921 the mill rate was \$30.82, taxes were \$30.82.

Lot in Section 6.

In 1918 the mill rate was 12.5, taxes were \$30.00.

In 1919 the mill rate was 13.75, taxes were \$33.00.

In 1920, the mill rate was 25.1685, taxes were \$56.70.

In 1921 the mill rate was \$30.82, taxes were \$30.82.

Lot in Section 1.

In 1918 assessment was \$37,000.00, taxes were \$462.50.

In 1919 assessment was \$37,000.00, taxes were \$508.75.

In 1920 assessment was \$31,710.00, taxes were \$799.09.

In 1921 assessment was \$19,930.00, taxes were \$614.24.

In comparing the mill rate of 1918 with that of 1921, Colonel McMorde did not tell the people that the assessment had been reduced from \$11,696,435 to \$8,773,649, or a reduction in the net rateable property of \$2,916,786—approximately 25 per cent less to work on.

As Colonel McMorde claims to be an expert accountant, besides an expert building contractor, which accomplishment specially fits him for the position to which he now aspires it seems passing strange that he should not have noticed these figures and given them correctly as they are all plainly set out in the annual reports.

Good Condition.

I also wish to point out that the city at the present time is in better financial condition than it was at the end of 1920, and that we have now sufficient funds on hand to meet our obligations coming due on April 1, 1922, and also that our sinking funds are intact, something that few cities in the Province can boast of. This may be cited as one reason why such a satisfactory price, viz. par value, was obtained in our recent sale of City Bonds.

With regard to how the money was spent, and coming to the question of Schools, of which the Colonel now has some knowledge, having just completed one for the School Board, I would like to point out that school expenditures for the year 1918, (taking the Colonel's comparison year) amounted to \$32,969, whereas last year 1921, the school expenditures amounted to \$64,000, approximately, or practically an increase of 100 per cent. This is an expense that the City Council have no control over, being purely in the hands of the School Board, the City having to find whatever money they ask for without question, as that body being also elected by the ratepayers, are clothed with full authority.

Police Affairs.

With reference to Col. McMorde's remarks about firing the chief of police, and administration in general, I will say that the Colonel in his position of police magistrate has never, to my certain knowledge, criticized the administration of justice in this city during the past year. Consequently he could hardly blame me for not discharging the chief, who was thus apparently, attending to his duties properly, and to the Colonel's satisfaction. As a matter of fact I never stated that I would fire the chief. The police force was referred to, and those to whom I had particular reference are not now in the service.

The records show that crime was on the decrease in 1921—conditions in the city are very considerably improved, and I have no reason to be ashamed of the way law and order has been enforced in the city last year.

I am always ready and willing to explain to the ratepayers any move in connection with the administration of City affairs, but as for the small, cheap line of talk put up by Colonel McMorde in regard to other matters, I have neither the time nor inclination to be bothered answering them.

Very truly,  
H. B. ROCHESTER.

THE SAME EGGS.

Boy—My mother says that 50 cents is too much for eggs.  
Grocer—I know, but they were more than that a year ago.

Boy—Yes, but they were a whole lot fresher a year ago.

## The Man in the Moon SAYS:—

THE best actor at an amateur show is oftentimes the person who is pretending to enjoy the performance.

NEW YEAR greetings would be more popular if some kindly disposed person would invent a substitute for that unwelcome phrase "please remit."

THERE was less complaint about living costs in the old days when a man didn't think it necessary to motor down town to get a shoeshine.

THE youngster who defined "coquette" as "something made of chicken," wasn't far wrong if we put quotation marks around the "chicken."

IT is reported that America is to give up the game of football and return to the old time lynchings.

WE knew a jeweller who every Saturday night stopped all the clocks and watches in his store to save depreciation of the works over the week end.

SOME physicians say whistling develops the body. We are after their names and addresses.

SCIENTISTS declare that the ocean's water was fresh about 90 million years ago. When swimming in a rough sea it certainly does taste a bit stale.

WHEN a merchant looks over his books it is hard for him to believe that man is made of dust. Dust settles.

## Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

January 7, 1912.

Last year's council is gracefully dying. A meeting was held last night to wind up routine business, and the mayor appointed Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the Empress Theatre for the "rendering of an account of their stewardship." A report was brought in last night by the committee on the Labor Temple site. It was decided that a plebiscite will have to be taken by the next council on this. All Section 1 local improvement by-laws were finally passed and another item of importance dealt with was the separating again of light plant and telephone superintendence. Mr. Matthews was appointed light superintendent and Mr. Love left in charge of the phone department at \$160 per month.

The Princess May arrived earlier than had been expected yesterday afternoon from the north and took mail and passengers south last night.

## "WHITE AND UNMARRIED" IN FILM WORTH WHILE

Those who have not seen Thomas Meighan's latest Paramount picture, "White and Unmarried," now on view at the Westholme Theatre, where it is showing to record business, may do so tonight, when it will be shown for the last time. The picture is distinctly worth while, for it is a superb production in every respect.

## THRILLING PHOTOPLAY EMPRESS THEATRE

Lois Weber's latest production for Paramount, "What's Worth While?" will be shown for the last time at the Empress Theatre tonight. It is a thrilling photoplay that is worth any one's while to go miles to see. The various roles are in the capable hands of Claire Windsor, Mona Lisa, Louis Calhern, Arthur Stuart Hull and Edwin Stevens.

Those who credit steal usually pay with noisy squeal.

### LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land.  
In Skeena Land District, Recording District of Prince Rupert, B. C., and situate in Klutz Inlet, second right from entrance on east side.

Take notice that Edgar Harold Crawford, occupation logger, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted in the second right from the entrance of east side of Klutz Inlet, thence 20 chains south, thence 20 chains east, thence 20 chains north, thence 20 chains west and containing 16 acres more or less.

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