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Large Increase In City Taxes.

The large mill rate shown in the report of the meeting of the city council last night will come as rather a surprise to many, who did not realize that the increase would be so large. An upward jump of approximately seven mills in one year, with the prospect of a still greater increase next year, is not an alluring prospect, but we are assured that it is necessary for the proper carrying on of the city affairs. It certainly must give us pause and make us consider carefully before advocating any further expenses. The difficulty with capital expenses is that they have to be taken eventually from current revenue, only the payments are spread over a term of years.

Increases Are Accounted For.

What everybody wants to know is, why are there increases and where is the money going? Alderman Dybhavn was asked that question and very patiently explained the situation. It seems that the general rate this year is slightly less than last year. The cost of conducting the affairs of the city this year is expected to be less than last year.

The increases come from various quarters. About three mills is accounted for by increases in the cost of education. The school estimates have jumped from \$63,000 in round figures to \$81,000. That is the chief item.

Another large jump is in the fixed charges on bylaws authorized by the people, the largest of which is the new school at Hays Cove Circle, on which a large sum more will have to be spent this year. The water extension bylaw also comes in this group, accounting for about two mills in all.

Another charge, which is more difficult to understand, is made by the shifting of obligations from one department to another. It seems that the waterworks has always been financially a burden to the city. It has not paid its way. The debt charges had to be taken care of by the city. Last year the excess of revenue in the light and power department was devoted to paying the shortage in the water department, but this year it has been shifted and will come out of general revenue so that reductions may be made in the light and power rates. The result is an addition to the rate of 1.7 mills. This is the case as we understand it. The water department pays only for operation, while the interest and sinking fund on something like \$24,000 comes out of general revenue. The total debt charge for light and power is \$39,000, of which \$15,000 is taken care of by the light and power department.

Supplies Light and Power to City.

In answer to a query from a ratepayer as to how the light and power department gets its revenue, it must be explained that in addition to the charges paid by private consumers of light and power, there is a charge made against all the city departments where light and power is used. For street lighting there is a charge of five cents per kilowatt hour. This is considered by some excessive and is likely to be reduced. A three-cent rate is considered by many to be a more correct charge for this service. Every department in the city where light and power is used pays revenue to the light and power department, so that the largest customer of the light and power department here is the city itself. There is a good deal of ignorance on the part of most citizens in regard to the affairs of the city and how they are conducted. We all jump at wrong conclusions because we do not know the facts. The Daily News is making an honest effort to get the facts for the public and give them publicity so that we may understand how our city is governed with a view to improvements.

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Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

This spring shows greater promise than ever for Pecher Island from an agricultural standpoint. More ground is under cultivation, more settlers are coming in and the first useful road has been built. The greatest need of the island is for roads and trails and the provincial government has promised attention.

There will be a memorial service for victims of the Titanic wreck in the Westholme Theatre tomorrow. Mayor Newton will preside. Rev. W. E. Rushbrook and Rev. F. W. Kerr will lead the devotional exercises. Rev. Father Bunoz, Rev. C. R. Sing and Rev. W. H. McLeod will deliver addresses and J. E. Davey, Mrs. Jarvis McLeod, Mrs. C. V. Neher and A. Clapperton will sing.

The Man in the Moon SAYS:

THOSE who talk too much are reminded that too much gas chokes the carburetor and prevents the boat starting.

IF taxes continue to go up, so will some of the property owners.

ANYONE joins the jolly throng of daylight savers. All the important places are taking it on.

RUSSIANS are barred and there be those who think they should be clubbed.

THERE was a sigh of relief went up to heaven when Alderman Dybhavn reported against the building of an incinerator. The sigh started in the neighborhood of Fourth Avenue, east of Mr. Bride.

SHOOTING was resumed in Belfast yesterday. So far as the press reports were concerned there was no indication before of its having stopped.

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CURIOUS LIFE OF THE EAST

Wife of C.P.R. Steamship Manager Tells of Recent Visit to Orient.

Vivid impressions of the life and color of the Orient were assimilated by Mrs. Troup, wife of Capt. J. W. Troup, who returned on the Empress of Asia a few days ago after a three months holiday in Japan, China, Java, Korea and the Philippines. They were accompanied on their outward journey by Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Butchart, who remained a little longer in the Orient and will return home shortly on one of the Admiral Line boats.

Festival of Taipusam

Out of the kaleidoscopic background of beautiful scenery, strange sights and customs, teeming millions of natives and quaint costumes, one experience stands out pre-eminently in the memory of Mrs. Troup, that of the festival of Taipusam. This festival occurred in Singapore Straits Settlements, and followed shortly after the celebration of the Chinese New Year.

The festival of Taipusam celebrates the appearance in the dim and distant past of the god Subramaniam to his devotees, and it is observed every year by the Chetty community with feasting and a lavish display of hospitality. Processions are formed and proceed from temple to temple, the participants carrying baskets of flowers and reeds on their heads, with priests and incense-burners in elaborate ceremonial garb, and there is general rejoicing.

Mortify the Flesh

But in common with many of the Oriental religious cults, a number of its devotees proclaim their devotion by mortifying the flesh. To accidental eyes it is a harrowing sight to observe in the procession a number of Malays stripped to the waist and with their backs and arms lacerated with needles, from which were pendant what appeared to be large silver spangles. These needles were threaded through the flesh, but curiously enough says Mrs. Troup, no blood was visible. Others had small spear-like wedges thrust through the upper lip and tongue or diagonally through the cheek and upper lip.

Silver Car Procession

Another harrowing sight accompanied the ceremony called the procession of the Little Silver Car. This beautiful little car, which as its name implies is elaborately fashioned of silver, is drawn by silver chains attached to a hook which is imbedded in the muscles of the back of the native to whom falls the honor of this sacred duty. The ceremonies lasted several days, finally terminating with a rite in which a number of fanatical devotees walked barefooted over live, glowing coals. As far as the travellers could ascertain, the undergirding of these ordeals entitles the devotee to the honor of wearing a silver band on his forehead, to show to the world that he had proved his devotion.

At Javanese Wedding

Of a different nature but equally interesting was an experience which the travellers met in Java at the town of Garoet when they were invited to attend a Javanese wedding. The ceremony took place in the house of the bride's parents, lasting three days. The bride party was seated on a dais-like structure, the bride and bridegroom being elaborately costumed in bright colors but with their faces entirely painted with white, giving a grotesque, mask-like appearance. Two girls decked with flowers act as attendants on the bride couple and the wedding guests squatted around on the floor, each with his or her bowl of native meals before him, the delicacies being washed down with copious libations of native wine. Two native singing girls take part in the ceremony while the best main dances at frequent intervals.

Marriage Bonds Light

A feature of the ceremonial is a scarf which is passed by the bridegroom to a member of the company who is then expected to dance. At the conclusion of the dance, the scarf is again handed on and the recipient again dances. In the event of the recipient being unable or unwilling to perform, he contributes instead a donation of money to the bridegroom to assist in paying for the entertainment.

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