

The Tax Situation Discussion Tonight

The first session of the board of aldermen for 1911 will be held tonight. Several matters of interest will come up for attention, among the most interesting of which is the consideration of the tax proposition. The city charter provides that a committee be appointed by the board at the meeting held the first Monday night in January yearly, (tonight) to receive the report of the tax collector, as to taxes collected and uncollected, same being due on the third Monday in January. The board will request that a step be taken tonight. Mayor Hawkins will be present at the meeting tonight, a communication bearing on the present tax situation, the text of which is awaited with considerable interest.

Requested for a statement of his views on the situation, he gave some very interesting facts and figures bearing on the situation.

The city government is annually confronted with an embarrassing situation in the matter of meetings expenses with the available funds. The situation is invariably brought about by slow tax payments and as a consequence, funds have to be borrowed.

This situation has been met previously by resolution by the board, empowering and authorizing the tax collector to levy on property upon which taxes had not been paid by January 1st, and to advertise delinquents.

The city revenue ordinance, Sec. 6, page 5, provides that "The tax collector shall complete the collection of said taxes by the first day of January next ensuing (after listing in June), and pay the money collected to the clerk and treasurer and shall on or before the third Monday in January (1911) settle with a committee appointed by the board of aldermen, and pay the balance for which may be liable on the tax books to the clerk and treasurer." The city charter further provides that in case taxes on real estate, etc. remain unpaid on Jan. 1st same shall be described, advertised and sold. The charter and revenue ordinances were all drawn on the supposition that the taxes would be paid by January 1st.

The law, and not the board, puts all delinquents in default Jan. 1st.

The city situation differs from the county in that the former fiscal year begins and ends May the first, hence the necessity of denying indulgence to taxpayers. The city's liabilities must be met by the incumbent officials on the dates in the premises, therefore funds must either be collected or borrowed. The conditions and circumstances are strictly up to the tax payer.

Floating debts on the city come about directly by slowness in tax payments and the amount of interest paid by the city almost annually, would be amply sufficient to support any department in the city government. This should be a significant fact. Interest last year alone on the city's floating indebtedness was something like \$9,000.00.

In this connection, however, last year was a record-breaker in city government. Not a dollar was borrowed by the city and none is expected to be before expiration of the present term of the incumbents.

The agitation of the tax question the last few weeks seems to have served its purpose well. In that collections to Dec. 31st came in favorably with past years, thereby removing the necessity of having to borrow the \$50,000.00 authorized by the board at a meeting in December.

Refund License Applied For

Tax Collector Wilson is busy this morning with a line of applicants for a refund in license tax to those affected by the "Chicken Coop" ordinance. Fruit vendors and boot blocks form a large percentage of the applicants, the procession being led by "Joe" Vita (his name on being called Augustine), the Italian on Tryon street in front of the Gem restaurant.

The expression on their faces is divided between one of satisfaction in flourishing a check for \$50.00 hitherto kissed good-bye, and one as to the next location of a place to sell "da bananas."

Nineteen bootblocks and fifteen fruit dispensers are entitled to a refund, and every retail store within five blocks of the square.

What He Wanted.

Small Boy (applying for a situation)—What kind of a boy do you want?

Merchant—A nice quiet boy, that does not use bad words, smoke cigarettes, whistle around the office, play tricks or get into mischief.

Small Boy—You don't want no boy; you want a girl.—Till-Eits.

Those "Horrible" Skirts.

"By Jove, they're going to have a sack race."

"Sack race nothing! That's the wife of one of the horse drivers in a hobble skirt."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Distinction.

"You were no spring chicken when I married you," she answered.

"No, but I was a goose," she answered, disdainfully.—Buffalo Express.

Blowing Hot and Cold.

"Walter, make a good fire at once, for I am awfully wet, and bring me a drink, for I am fearfully dry."—Judge.

Little Solly—Give me a sixpence to have a bath, father!

Outraged Father—Bath! mine son. Vat new vice is dis?—London Opinion.

ENDS WINTER TROUBLES.

To many, winter is a season of trouble. The frost-bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold-sores, red and rough skins, prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of Burns, Boils, Piles, Cuts, Sores, Bruises, Eczema and Sprains. Only 25c at W. L. Hand & Co.'s.

—There will be two weeks of civil court here in January, beginning on the third Monday of the month. Judge Biggs will preside.

BRIEFS.

—Mr. Percy W. Davidson will open his school tomorrow morning at the Y. M. C. A. building.

—Mr. Mack DeArmond returned to day to Lexington, Va., to resume his studies at Washington and Lee University, after spending the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. DeArmond.

—Mr. John A. Porter has bought out the interest of Mr. J. I. Blakely in the popular grocery firm of Blakely & Porter, at 1311 South Boulevard, which will now be conducted by Mr. Porter alone. Mr. Blakely will retire from the mercantile business.

Weather Breaks up Game.
By Associated Press.
Baton Rouge, La., Jan. 2.—Weather conditions this morning were unfavorable for the football game scheduled for this afternoon between the Harvard All Stars and the Louisiana State University.

Capt. Lumsden Dead.
By Associated Press.
Mobile, Ala., Jan. 2.—Captain Frank A. Lumsden, one of the old time river steamboat masters, died here yesterday at the age of 67. He was a Confederate soldier and attended every general reunion ever held.

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From Rev. H. Stubevull, Allison, Ia., in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills.
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Sale Thursday the 5th. Watch for price announcements in Wednesday paper. Values of season.



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There's much of human kindness in life, and thank God for it. Makes me glad I'm living. There's a rich reward for the sympathetic tear, and the helping hand is no less a beneficiary than that of the helped. But if you've wasted your earnings, how can you aid a fallen brother, care for an invalid father or mother, educate a little sister, or minister to the wants of the unfortunate. The sweets that flow from the ability and inclination to do these things are beyond the measuring power of dollars and cents.

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are you doing your best to put aside something each week to lighten the shadow, the gloom, the dreariness, the destitution, which may follow your sickness or death? And, also, who knoweth when they will come? One can pass into the Great Beyond with a sweeter smile, and say his last farewell with a real joy, if he's done his best, and knows that by his industry, his wisdom, his savings, the loved ones he's leaving behind—a sorrowing wife, weeping little ones, and perhaps an aged mother—will be spared the rugged pathway, the rocks, the shoals of life.

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Modern 6-room cottage 509 Kingston Ave., Dilworth	25.00
Modern 4 rooms, 490 East 9th street	16.00
Modern 6-room apartment, 205 West 11th street	25.00
Modern 7 rooms, 310 West 12th street	18.00
Modern 6-room cottage, 300 East 7th street	25.00
Modern 6-room house 614 East 5th street	22.50
Modern 5-room cottage, 1602 Cleveland Ave., Dilworth	15.00
Modern 6-room house, 700 E. 9th, and 702 E. 9th, each	15.00
6-room house, 613 East 7th street	10.65
4-room house 1099 East Trade street	11.00
7-room house 1223 East 10th street	11.00
4-room house 1119 South Tryon street	10.00
7-room house, bath and kitchen sink, 4 West Worthington Ave	12.00
Two 6-room houses, bath, etc., 6 and 8 West Worthington Ave	10.00
8-room house, 512 West 11th street	10.00
4-room house, 1410 East 5th street	9.00
4-room house 1416 East 5th street	9.00
4-room house 1429 East 5th street	9.00
4-room house 1011 N. Caldwell street, per week	2.00
3-room house East 14th street, next to Brevard street	1.25
4-room house 221 North Cedar street, per week	1.50
4-room house North Seigle street, per week	2.00
5-room house corner Seigle and Heriott Avenue, per week	2.00
3-room house 15 West Wynonia street, per week	1.50
3-room house 17 West Wynonia street, per week	1.50
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3-room house 8 East 12th street, per week	2.00
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11 rooms, modern 610 N. Brevard St 31.00
4 rooms, 303 N. Allen St., Belmont, per week 2.00
7 rooms, modern, 718 East 4th St 25.00
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the new year will soon take its place. Are you ready for the occasion? Don't you need something in the way of shoes to complete your plans for the day? If so come here and fill your wants from an assortment that is complete in variety, high in quality and right in price.

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