

NINE MILL RATE FOR CITY IS SUFFICIENT

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was provided for the stenographer in that department. In the city sealer's department \$500 is appropriated for the fitting up of city scales in three markethouses.

For the department of tax revision and appeals \$900 is set aside for a much needed additional assistant city assessor. In the miscellaneous department, \$1,000 for the sinking fund appropriation of the second and third public improvement loans, approximating more than \$35,000 because the 1915 fund required by law has been included in the budget of last year.

In the department of streets and public improvements the \$11,000 which the city will expend for the repairing of asphalt streets at the expiration of Contractor Charles Waiters' contract is provided for; \$8,000 more for sweeping streets; \$10,000 appropriated for the twelve-month year of 1915 being asked for against \$47,000 provided for the nine-month year of 1914; \$1,000 is provided for erecting new concrete posts on the Mulberry street viaduct; an additional thousand is appropriated for inspectors, and \$2,500 is set aside for the purchase of an automobile truck to be used in connection with the operation of the new city repair plant.

Extension of Cluster Lights In the lighting department provision is made for sixteen new cluster light standards for the proposed extension of the city in North Second and in Locust streets and fifteen additional street lights. In the fire department during the coming year the increase in salaries of drivers authorized during this year will be continued and \$7,500 is set aside for the erection of a new house for the Royal Fire Company. In the bureau of parks \$1,000 is provided for the newly created position of city forester with an additional \$100 for tools, etc. Ample provision for the operation of the city planning commission, appointed early in this year, is made to the extent of \$2,500.

Nine Mills Ample All these changes and improvements can readily be made within the nine mill levy—in the opinion of all the city commissioners with the possible exception, perhaps, of Mayor Royal.

The Mayor vigorously protested against the reduction of the mill rate from nine and a half to nine at yesterday's session of council. The change was not attributable to the efficient management of the commission form of government, he said. In support of his contention he compared the increases in the various departments as shown by the appropriation measures of 1912 and 1913. All told he said the additional expense totaled more than \$49,000.

Commissioners Bowman, Lynch and Taylor, however, promptly called the chief executive's attention to the fact that figures he quoted from the 1913 ordinance were sums that had been appropriated by original ordinances and did not include the additional funds that had to be provided from time to time during the last year of the city's government under the bicameral system to make up deficits.

"Why you remember, Mayor," pointed out Mr. Taylor, "that early this year we had to pass one ordinance alone appropriating something like \$5,000 to pay off deficiencies in several of the departments—deficits that lay over from 1913."

"But I can't see where you're going to get your revenue for the budget

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you've provided for," said the Mayor. He quoted some figures based on estimated receipts for the year from various sources including the nine mill levy on the present city valuation, which he said totaled \$524,979.

Mr. Gorgas Estimates

"Why when we made up the Budget we were told by Mr. Gorgas," interrupted Mr. Lynch, "that the estimated revenue was \$580,000. Now a half mill represents approximately \$24,000. Cutting that from the estimated revenues why won't enough be provided?"

"Yes," added Mr. Bowman, "and leave quite a comfortable balance."

"But you'll just have to put your half mill back again next year, won't you? Why I don't see how you can do otherwise. In fact it looks more as if ten mills wouldn't more than cover it."

"Even so," cut in Mr. Taylor, "if we can give the people the benefit of the nine mill rate this year, why shouldn't they have it?"

"The impression seems to have got about that this cut in the mill rate is due to the economical conduct of the government under the supervision of the Clark act and I don't consider that this is so," declared the Mayor. "Why not so long ago I read in one of the papers something to the effect that notwithstanding the fact that \$10,000 additional in salaries was made necessary, it is cheaper to run the government under the commission form than under the old system."

"Well," grinned Mr. Bowman, "and just read this morning that it cost the city \$2,000 a month more under the commission system. So there you are."

"I have not the various departments conducted their affairs economically, I'd like to know," inquired Mr. Taylor. "Isn't it a fact that we've all worked to this end?"

"That isn't the reason you were able to cut down your mill rate. You didn't provide for your sinking fund appropriation," said the Mayor.

"That's true," said Mr. Gorgas. "But this was left out on the recommendation of the city solicitor."

"Recommendation nothing," promptly responded Mr. Taylor. "The city solicitor just said it can't be done."

"Delicts to Make Up

"In your figures you've used in your comparison," went on Mr. Taylor, "you've overlooked the money that had to be appropriated from time to time. Mayor, you know that this is true. What we've asked for will stand. We'll not ask during the year for another penny. We followed this plan during the present year. Not a cent had to be appropriated from some unexpended balance. The \$529,000 that was appropriated in 1913 represents only what was appropriated. That didn't include what was actually expended."

Later in the afternoon City Commissioner Bowman quoted some of the figures that showed just what Harrisburg had actually expended during the last few years.

"In 1911," said the commissioner of public safety, "the city spent—not appropriated—\$554,295. In 1912 it spent \$555,838. Just observe how the development of the city naturally necessitated the increase in expenditures. In 1913 it spent \$579,000."

"Now our estimated receipts upon which we framed this budget totaled \$580,000. We can't tell until after the first of the year but I'll venture to bet that there is between \$45,000 and \$50,000 there at least."

"As to the necessity for putting back the half mill next year, what about the additional income we're bound to obtain from the natural increase in valuation that always follows the triennial assessment?"

"We can get through nicely this year on the nine mill basis and we'll have a comfortable little balance to spare. Furthermore," concluded Commissioner Bowman, "you'll find it won't be necessary to put back that half mill."



MYRTLE ELVYN COMING

Myrtle Elvyn, the renowned pianiste, will appear in Harrisburg at the Tech high school auditorium, Wednesday evening, January 6, under the auspices of the J. H. Troup Music House.

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Wedding of Mechanicsburg Couple This Evening



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Mechanicsburg, Pa., Dec. 30.—The wedding of Miss Alma Lucille Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Martin, and S. Harper Myers will be a pretty event at the home of the bride in West Keller street at 6 o'clock this evening. The Rev. Charles F. Raach, pastor of the Church of God, will officiate, using the impressive ring service. Under an arch of greenery, with white satin cushions, where the couple will kneel during prayer, the ceremony will be performed. Holly, pine and poinsettias form the decorations, and Miss Marie Myers, of Harrisburg, will play the wedding march. The bride, who will be unattended, has chosen a white charming costume, with corsage of lace. Her veil will be crowned with orange blossoms, and she will carry a shower bouquet of bride roses and valley lilies. A wedding supper will be served to the immediate families of the couple.

Following a wedding journey to New York and Buffalo, Mr. and Mrs. Myers will reside in their newly-furnished home at 124 East Main street, and will be "at home" to their friends after January 26, 1915. The attractive little bride is a member of the Church of God and greatly interested in its activities. She is a popular young woman. Mr. Myers is one of Mechanicsburg's foremost businessmen and is a member of the Bentzel Estate & Myers furniture and undertaking establishment.

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DEATH TAKES HEAVY TOLL HERE IN 1914

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former Superintendent of State Printing, April 5.

Andrew J. Dull, 101 South Front street, aged 84 years, prominently connected with the iron industry, April 9.

Joshua Strouse, former Harrisburg merchant, died in Chicago, April 13.

Herman Astrich, former Harrisburg merchant, died in Pittsburg, April 19.

Lyman D. Gilbert, 203 North Front street, leader of the Dauphin county bar, May 4.

Darwin G. Fenno, editorial writer of the Harrisburg Patriot and formerly managing editor of the Philadelphia Times, May 5.

Harris C. Fahnestock, former Harrisburg financier, died in New York city, June 4.

Dr. Thomas G. Fox, aged 87 years, in Hummelstown, prominent in county affairs, June 18.

George V. Carl, 11 Evergreen street, Civil War veteran and former Harrisburg fire chief, November 4.

Harry M. Holstein, 126 Verbeke street, State secretary of the O. U. A. M., former president of Common Council, November 9.

John Crain Kunkel, 11 South Front street, millionaire, December 3.

Daniel Bell, 1329 Wyeth street, aged 82 years, an active agent in the "Underground Railroad" in slavery days.

FATHER THEO. GEORGE DIES

By Associated Press

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—The Rev. Theodore George, formerly professor of Moral Theology and church history in the Catholic Seminary at Hchester, Md., died in a hospital here to-day. He was 52 years old, and was one of the diocesan consultants of Cardinal Gibbons. The funeral will be held on Saturday from St. Alphonsus Church Baltimore, of which Father George was once rector.

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