

**CITY TAX LEVY TO STAND AT 6 MILLS**

Committee Passes on Measure Giving Revenue for 1911 of \$1,548,000.

**MAYOR'S REPORT ADOPTED**

Few Changes Made in Funds for Various Departments—Move to Reduce Park Allowance Is Balked by Mayor Simon.

**DETAILS OF TAX LEVY.**

City tax levy for 1910	4.0
City tax levy for 1911, recommended by committee	6.0
Increase in property assessed valuations over last year's valuation	approximately \$42,000,000
Tax revenue to city in 1911, based upon assessed valuations amounting to \$258,000,000, with a six-mill levy	\$1,548,000

The city tax levy has been recommended by the ways and means committee to be made up as follows:  
Fire fund, 2.95 mills, \$528,000; police fund, 1.15 mills, \$226,700; bonded indebtedness interest fund, 1 mill, \$228,000; lighting fund, 0.5 mill, \$129,000; street repair fund, 0.4 mill, \$103,200; public library fund, 0.35 mill, \$28,700; park fund, 0.45 mill, \$116,100; special bridge fund, 0.65 mill, \$12,900; sinking fund, 0.25 mill, \$48,900.

Six mills will be the city tax levy for next year, unless the Council at its special session Wednesday morning changes the figures agreed upon by the ways and means committee at a meeting yesterday afternoon. The committee went through the budget prepared by the Mayor, and although slight changes were made in individual funds, the total levy, as agreed upon, will be exactly what the Mayor recommended.

The 6-mill levy, based upon an assessed valuation of \$258,000,000 of property, will bring the city a total revenue by means of taxation of \$1,548,000. This is approximately \$200 more than the Mayor had estimated in his budget would be the total revenue, for since his budget was prepared it was found that the city can safely estimate on at least \$10,000,000 more assessed valuation on property than was estimated at the time he prepared his figures.

That the city will enjoy a total increase in the assessed valuation of property within its limits over the assessed valuations of a year ago of more than \$40,000,000 was determined by the county authorities two days ago. These figures are not definite, as the assessment on state, have not been made by the county. It is estimated that the assessment of franchisees will amount to about \$18,000,000 for the City of Portland, and this will be added to the total of other assessments prepared by the county, amounting to \$25,547,215. Thus the total assessment for the city, including the estimated assessments on franchisees, will be a little more than \$71,000,000.

In fixing the levy, it is necessary to allow for a deduction of about 15 percent to cover the reductions allowed to taxpayers who pay at an early date and for the amount that will never be collected through various reasons. Thus the tax levy was based upon a total valuation of \$258,000,000 instead of \$271,000,000.

The chief difficulty that both the committee and the Mayor have had to contend with in how to get money for the general fund for which the charter does not permit a tax to be levied. From this fund the street-cleaning and sprinkling must be paid, and this expense has grown to such an amount that the revenue from licenses and other minor things can hardly be made to cover it.

That the Council might not be met with the same difficulty for next year, the committee, upon motion of Councilman Baker, authorized the City Attorney to prepare a charter amendment, to be presented to the voters at the next election, providing for a tax for the expense of street cleaning and sprinkling. There was much doubt expressed at the meeting yesterday that the city could pay for having all the paved streets in the city cleaned next year.

Various features of the Mayor's recommendation received a careful consideration, but the only changes were in regard to the fire and police funds. These resulted in making the fire fund 65 of a mill more than the Mayor had recommended and making a corresponding reduction in the Mayor's recommendation for the police fund. The Mayor had recommended for the police fund a 13 mill levy on \$248,000,000 to insure a revenue of \$297,600. The recommendation of the committee for a 15 mill levy for the police fund would insure a revenue of \$372,000. The recommendation of the committee for a 65 of a mill more than the Mayor had recommended and thus the change for that fund was not material, while the increase for the fire fund was of much importance.

Councilman Meneses came before the committee and asked that an allowance be made in the special bridge fund for a sum sufficient to permit the beginning of construction of the Twenty-first street bridge across Sullivan's Gulch. The committee believed at first that this \$60,000 would make the police fund amount to \$296,700, and thus the change for that fund was not material, while the increase for the fire fund was of much importance.

When it was suggested by the committee that the Mayor's estimate for the park fund be cut, the Mayor, who was present by invitation, remonstrated and said that he was thoroughly in favor of plenty of parks and playgrounds for the children of the city. Councilman Baker agreed with him in this, and it was finally decided to let the park fund remain as the Mayor had fixed it.

It is not believed that the budget, as prepared, will arouse any opposition in the Council, and that it will be approved without any attempted changes. Some of the departments have complained that the levy as suggested by the Mayor was not sufficient for them.

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**PLAN TO BE EXHIBITED**

Design of Minnesota \$400,000 Building Displayed at Commercial Club to Aid Portland in Similar Enterprise.

Backers of the project for an auditorium for Portland are interested in the building model of the St. Paul Auditorium, which has arrived in the city and will be placed on exhibition at the Commercial Club this week. The model was sent here by Reed & Stem, architects, who designed the St. Paul structure, to MacNaughton & Raymond, Portland architects.

The model is a replica of the famed St. Paul Auditorium. Several other plans have already been presented for consideration. It is believed that helpful ideas will be obtained in working out plans and it was for that purpose that Mr. MacNaughton had the model sent here.

Service Three-Fold. In designing the St. Paul Auditorium the architects were required to solve the problem of making the building serve a three-fold purpose. First—a building suitable for large

gatherings, such as National conventions or for exhibition purposes, horse-shows, automobile shows and circuses. The model is shown in the Madison-Square Garden, in New York City.

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The auditorium cost \$400,000 and the grounds \$50,000, making a total cost of \$450,000. The property is owned by the City of St. Paul. The building is managed by a special board appointed by the Mayor, and of three years there was a surplus on hand of about \$7000.

of the Classical Period." will be given tomorrow at 4 o'clock. In the Museum Galleries are displayed paintings by Rousseau, Monticelli, Daubigny, Corot, Millet, Childre Hassan, Alden Weir, and others, with the drawings and paintings of Arthur B. Davies. The museum hours week days are from 9 until 6 o'clock; Sunday, 2 to 5; free afternoons on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

**MAD COYOTES RUN WILD**  
Farmers in Wallowa County Begin Raid on Beasts With Rabies.

Further evidence of rabies among the coyotes of Wallowa County was received yesterday by Dr. Calvin S. White, secretary of the State Board of Health, in a communication from Dr. E. T. Anderson, of Enterprise, secretary of the Wallowa County Board of Health.

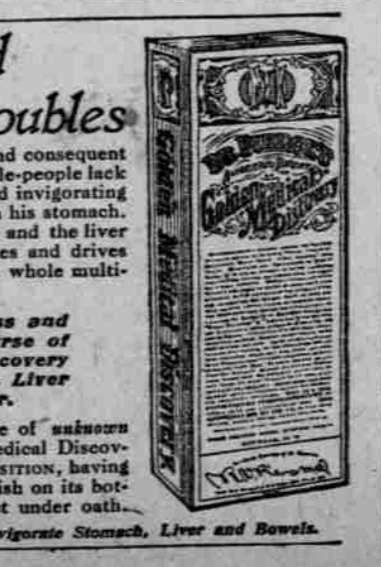
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Dr. Anderson reports two cases, one of a coyote which appeared at the home of a farmer and fought the dogs on the place. When the farmer came to the rescue of the dogs, the animal attacked the man. He succeeded in killing the coyote before any damage was done. The other instance was a shepherd dog which went mad and traveled more than 15 miles fighting and killing dogs and cats. In a sheep camp two dogs were killed. The mad dog was finally killed by a farmer.

Residents of Northwestern Idaho and Wallowa County, Oregon, commenced a raid yesterday on the coyotes in that territory. The killing will continue for two days.

Little Johnnie Boseley, who was bitten by a mad coyote at Flora, Or., November 4, and brought to Portland for medical attention, was sent home last night, after having been given the Pasteur treatment. Dr. White says the child is entirely out of danger.



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