TAX RATE DUE THIS WEEK; MAY REMAIN AT $57.80

Lupien Plans
Conference With Long

Levy Not Expected To Be Lower Than Last Year's Record Breaker

LOWELL—A tax rate that levy is expected to be lower than last year's record-breaking rate of $57.80, according to City Manager E. R. Lupien. Lupien, who will address the annual meeting of the city council Tuesday, expects the rate to be around $56.50.

Lupien cited several factors in his forecast, including a decrease in the cost of living and a reduction in the city's debt. He also noted that the state's retirement system, which accounts for a significant portion of the city's budget, is expected to see a drop in contributions.

"The rate is not expected to be higher than last year, but it may be lower," Lupien said. "We have made some progress in controlling costs, and I believe we can expect a decrease."
Gen. Van Fleet Tells of Deception To Cover Up Lack of Ammunition

Gen. John P. Van Fleet, a retired Army officer who served in World War II and the Korean War, spoke about the lack of ammunition and the deception used to cover it up. He mentioned that during the Korean War, there were shortages of ammunition, and the military used various tactics to hide these shortages.

Van Fleet said that the shortages were due to the inability of the ordnance department to produce enough ammunition to meet the needs of the troops. He also mentioned that the military used tactics such as falsifying records and withholding information from Congress to hide the shortages.

Van Fleet said that the lack of ammunition had a significant impact on the troops, who were forced to fight with depleted supplies. He added that the troops were often forced to use their own ammunition, which was often of poor quality.

Van Fleet also spoke about the impact of the shortages on the morale of the troops. He said that the lack of ammunition made the troops feel as though they were not being supported by their government.

Van Fleet's testimony was part of a larger investigation into the causes of the Korean War. The investigation revealed that the lack of ammunition was one of the factors that contributed to the failure of the war.