

Social Security Tax Return Due

Employers of the North Carolina Internal Revenue collection district have now received Form SS-1a for the quarter ending December 31, 1949. In accordance with applicable laws and to avoid penalties, this return must be filed with the Collector of Internal Revenue, Revenue, Greensboro, N. C. on or before midnight, January 31, 1950. Mr. Charles H. Robertson, the Collector, stated further that these returns must be filed by all employers of one or more persons in such businesses as factories, mills, mines, shops, stores, and offices as well as

many other types of industrial and commercial establishments. Mr. Robertson and Mr. Louis H. Clement, manager of the Salisbury, N. C. Social Security Administration field office, emphasized the necessity of the reports being both accurate and complete. Wages reported for each employee are credited by the Social Security Administration to his individual wage account which has been set up under his name and account number as they appear on his Social Security Account Number Card. To insure, therefore, that each employee's wages can be properly posted, the employer must report his wages with his name and account number exactly as they appear on his account number card.

When an employer does not

report an employee's name and account number correctly, it causes both the employer and the Government unnecessary trouble and expense in correcting the mistake. Benefits to a wage earner or to his survivors are based directly on the wages posted to his account, and consequently any instances of final inability to post his wages because of incorrect reporting may reduce the amount of the benefits and in some cases even prevent the payment of any benefits.

Beginning January 1, 1950, the Social security tax rate for both employers and employees goes up to 1 1/2 per cent each. Information regarding tax regulations and assistance in filing the quarterly returns are available from the local Deputy Collectors who may be contacted through your local post offices. Assistances in matters pertaining to Social Security Account Numbers and claims will be furnished through any field office of the Social Security Administration. The address of the Social Security Field Office which is nearest you is 303 Post Office Building, Salisbury, N. C. Office hours are from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m., Monday through Friday. A representative of this office will be in the Assembly Room in the Town Hall in North Wilkesboro, N. C. each Thursday morning at 9:45 a. m.

Man's Quick Act Saved Several Homes

Danville, Va., Jan. 2.—C. W. Gibson is being treated for burns about the hands, arms and face following an exploit Friday night when he may have prevented a row of houses being burned on the Mountain Hill Road.

When the oil furnace of Mrs. George Davis burst into flames, Gibson who lives next door, crawled under the house and sawed in two the copper pipe feeding the fuel.

Then he ran inside the home, kicked the furnace loose from its fastenings, and lifting the small furnace bodily hurled it through a window.

He suffered from partial suffocation from fumes and smoke. His wife and Mrs. Gibson were also treated for minor burns and shock.

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81st Congress Reopens Amid Economy Cries

Washington, Jan. 3. — The 81st Congress returned to Capitol Hill for its second session today and immediately a clamor arose for curbs on red-ink spending.

A number of Republicans and Democrats alike joined in the cry for a tighter rein on federal expenditures.

House Republican Leader Martin of Massachusetts announced the creation of a special G. O. P. "price tag committee" to keep a public watch on President Truman's Fair Deal spending.

Chairman Doughton (Democrat, North Carolina) of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee told newsmen:

"The people are clamoring for economy in government and tax relief."

In general terms, President Truman is expected to touch on both those issues in his annual "State of the Union" address before a joint Senate-House session at 1 p. m. tomorrow.

Truman will deliver his message personally in the newly decorated, blue-walled House chamber with batteries of television cameras and radio microphones set up to broadcast the scene to millions of Americans. Optimism Expected

Administration lieutenants indicated today that the President will speak with high optimism of prospects for expanding prosperity.

In this vein, House Speaker Rayburn (Democrat, Texas) told newsmen after a preview of the President's message during a White House conference this forenoon:

"It looks like the country is in pretty good shape—I never saw it in better shape."

Rayburn said he and other Democratic leaders discussed taxes with Truman in a 65-minute session and suggested a "single package" tax bill, cutting levies "where they pinch" and finding revenue in other places to make up any loss.

Services Are Held For Ronda Citizen

Funeral service for Melville Hampton Walls, 83, of Ronda, Route 1, was held Sunday afternoon at Little Elkin Baptist church. The Reverends W. B. Luffman and Roy Franklin officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Walls, retired farmer and carpenter, died Friday morning at his home after a brief illness. In 1888 he was married to Miss Mollie Gilliam who died 16 years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Ora Vanhoy of Elkin and Mrs. Hobson Blackburn of Ronda; six sons, Marvin W. Walls of Ronda, Clarence Walls of Newport News, Va., James Arthur Walls of Fallston, Md., Colon E. Walls of the home, Charles C. Walls of Elkin, and Thomas J. Walls of North Wilkesboro; one brother, A. C. Walls of Ronda; 17 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Tribune Buys Paper In Thomasville

Thomasville, Jan. 3.—H. A. Cecil, Sr., president of the company here which publishes the Thomasville Tribune, officially announced today the purchase of the Thomasville News-Times, a weekly newspaper heretofore published by R. W. Green.

The Tribune, a semi-weekly, will continue publishing each Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and the consolidated newspaper will continue under the name of the Tribune, which was first established here in 1939.

Cecil and his son, H. A. Cecil, Jr., purchased the Tribune in 1940. The son is secretary-treasurer of the company.

Expansion Planned Cecil said that Thomas J. Shaw, Jr., editor of the Tribune since 1946, would continue in that capacity. One new addition to the staff was announced. Forrest Cates, formerly assistant circulation manager of the High Point Enterprise, will begin January 6 as circulation manager of the Tribune.

Cecil said that equipment would be moved into new quarters on East Guilford Street next week. Green, publisher of the News-Times since 1932, will continue to operate an affiliated business of the weekly, the Commercial Paramount Printers, in the present location of the weekly.

Burley tobacco production in the State in 1949 totaled 16,740,000 pounds.

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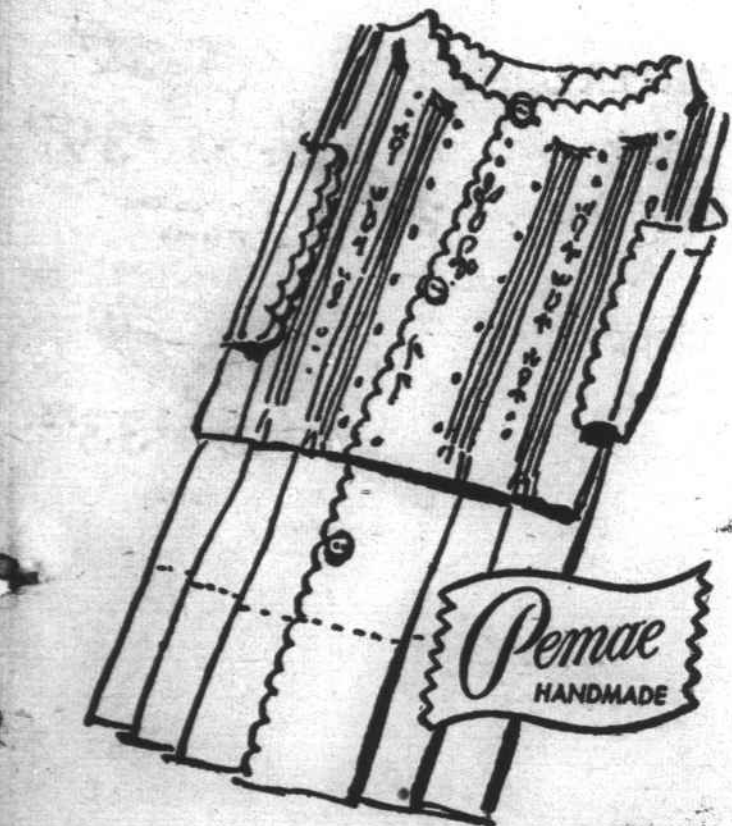
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