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INTERNAL REVENUE DEPT. URGES TAXPAYERS NOT DELAY RETURNS

Extensive Plans for Aiding Taxpayers in Filing in Their Income Tax Returns are being Made by the Bureau. Government Experts Heretofore Offered to City Residents will be Continued. Taxpayers are Urged not to Delay in Filing their Returns for 1920.

Extensive plans for aiding taxpayers in filing their income tax returns for the year 1920 are being made by the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Revenue officers will visit every county in the United States to assist in making out the forms. The date of their arrival and the location of their offices will be announced through the press, or may be obtained on inquiry at offices of collectors of internal revenue and branch offices. The services of government experts heretofore offered to city residents will be continued.

to make a correct return fresh in their minds, the making out of a form soon after January 1, will be an easier task, the bureau points out, than if delayed.

The requirements of the revenue act relating to returns for the year 1920 are the same as those for the year 1919. Every single person whose net income for 1920 was \$1,000 or more and every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or more must file a return. The exemptions are \$1,000 for single persons and \$2,000 for married persons and heads of families, plus an additional exemption of \$200 for each person dependent upon the taxpayer for chief support if such person is under eighteen years of age or incapable of self support. A single person may claim an exemption of \$2,000 as the head of a family if he is the sole support of one or more relatives living in the same household with him, and if he exercises control over household affairs. Deductions from gross income to which the taxpayer is entitled in arriving at net income are fully explained in the instructions on the forms.

Forms for filing 1920 returns of income will be sent by collectors to persons who last year filed a return. Failure to receive a form, however, does not relieve a person from his obligation to file a return within the time prescribed. Copies may be obtained from offices of collectors of internal revenue, branch offices, post office and banks, and are expected to be available on or before January 1. Revenue officers assigned to the work of assisting taxpayers also will be supplied with forms, concerning which and the various items of income to be included, they will be prepared to answer any and all questions. It has been demonstrated, however, that many questions may be answered if taxpayers before seeking the assistance of a revenue officer will carefully study the instructions on the form.

The period for filing returns is from January 1, to March 15, 1921. The tax for each year as last, may be paid in three equal installments, the first of which is due on or before March 15, the second on or before June 15, the third on or before September 15 and the fourth on or before December 15. The first installment must accompany the filing of the return.

Persons whose individual net income for 1920 was \$5,000 and less should ask for Form 1940 A. Those whose individual net income was in excess of \$5,000 should ask for Form 1940.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue is urging taxpayers not to delay in the filing of their returns. Merchants and business men are casting up their accounts for the calendar year, 1920. With the facts and figures necessary

3RD ANNIVERSARY RUSSIAN SOVIET GOV. WAS WATCHED

Commemorated Under Watchful Eyes of the London Police Says a Dispatch

CHEERS FOR LENINE AND REVOLUTION

All the Speakers Intimated they Desired a Revolution at Earliest Moment

London, Dec. 13.—Under the tolerant but watchful eyes of the English police the third anniversary of the Russian Soviet republic was commemorated in London and some provincial centers by communist meetings, at which cheers were raised for Lenin and the social revolution.

The biggest demonstration was held at the Albert Hall, in London, under the auspices of the "Hands Off Russia" committee and the British Communist Party, and the speakers included the former Colonel C. L. Malone, member of Parliament, and Cathal J. Shannon, of the Irish Communist Party.

One resolution called upon the Council of Action to send an ultimatum to the government demanding peace with Russia by a certain date; failing which, there would be a national strike.

One of Malone's statements was to the effect that Soviet Russia had raised 4,000,000 rubles for the Sinn Fein; but Cathal O'Shannon later said this money had not yet been received in Ireland.

OCTOBER HEALTH BULLETIN WORTHY

It Shows what the State Board of Health is Accomplishing in the State

The October Health Bulletin, boasting preventable diseases, is a great piece of work which the Bureau of Epidemiology has given to the public and it is worthy of even wider circulation than the bulletin normally has.

It shows what the Bureau is accomplishing and further what it can accomplish with the co-operation of the people. It denies responsibility for the 427 deaths from typhoid and the 242 from diphtheria and invites the State to avail itself of the easy means at the lowest possible cost of prevention by getting the serum used in the assaults upon these diseases from the State Board of Health laboratory.

One very excellent feature of this bulletin is the short, crisp sentences which it carries at the top and bottom of each page. These sentences express the thought that is found in bits of long articles. Each one has a "health truth" and if one has only three minutes to spare it will return great gain to him by reading these if no article at all is looked at. This feature makes the bulletin every unusual.

"While the Health Bulletin is not a classic" stated Dr. J. S. Mitchiner, who edits the October bulletin, "it is a fundamental and an essential." Upon requests copies will be sent to each county superintendent of schools to be used as a "traveling library" for the schools. Its use will make an excellent practical lesson and will likely save lives and prevent epidemics.

DR. P. J. CHESTER, County Health Officer.

LATVIANS MAIDENS LOOK LONGINGLY AT AMERICAN BOYS

The Late War has Left Latvia with a Surplus of Women and Husbands Scarce

DESIRES HUSBANDS FROM THIS COUNTRY

Lettish Brides Must Bring her Husband a Dower in Keeping With Social Position

Libau, Latvia, Dec. 13.—Latvian girls are looking longingly at the American matrimonial market. The war has left Latvia with a surplus of women and husbands are scarce and expensive. Under the Lettish customs a bride must bring her husband a dower in keeping with the social position of her own family and that of her husband.

A Lettish merchant consulted The Associated Press correspondent in all seriousness about the prospect of finding husbands for his daughters in America.

"One of my daughters is in New York in school. She is only 15 and I am not worrying about her," he said. "I know she will learn English perfectly and find a good husband who won't demand any money settlement. But I have two older daughters here in Latvia. Any man that I would have for sons-in-law demand unreasonable dowries. They want a hundred thousand rubles at least (equivalent to about \$750). Some of them demand 200,000. That's a lot of money to us under present conditions, and I want to send the girls to America. They are studying English now, but I can't get permission for them to go to the United States."

Chicago, Dec. 13.—It required two details of guards to handle the money granted to Mrs. Clara M. Neff, who won her suit for divorce from Dr. James M. Neff, noted surgeon. She demanded her \$30,000 in cash in court. Five guards brought the money in \$20 bills. A second guard took it away.

PACIFIC AND ARLINGTON MILLS TO REDUCE WAGES

Lawrence, Mass., Dec. 13.—The Pacific and Arlington Mills employing sixteen thousand workers has announced a wage reduction effective December 20th. It is understood that the reduction will be between twenty and twenty two and half per cent reduction as agreed at the manufacturers' conference.

LET'S ALL STOP AND THINK

Mr. Editor:—

I have been thinking for the past two or three days that we are all taking this depression too much to heart. By repeating the hard luck stories we hear and predicting worse times for the future that many are adding to their woes by anticipating things which will never happen.

Let's all stop, remember that things could be worse; count our many blessings; thank God for some and appoint ourselves a member of the "Cheer up Club" and we will all be just as happy as we were last year this time. I was struck by the piece of poetry which I attach which I believe will do us all good to learn.

J. N. GORMAN.

SMILE

It is easy to stride where the road is wide
And the pavement is firm and fine.
It's easy to skip at a good stiff clip
When the road is a long white line;
It's jolly good fun down the hill to run
If there isn't a chance to fall;
BUT—
A MAN'S TRUE BLUE IF HE JUST PLUGS THRU
WHERE THERE ISN'T A PATH AT ALL.

It's easy to grin when the cash rolls in
And your life is a cloudless day,
It's easy to prance in the costliest dance
If the fiddler receives his pay
It's easy to sing till the rafters ring
If joy is the heart of the song
BUT—
Give me the fellow who doesn't show yellow
When everything's gone dead wrong
So remember, Friends, until cosmos end
Until chocs shall rule supreme,
Until day and night take their last long flight;
And the world is a shattered dream.

Remember! Your own frown pulls the next man down.
Lend a hand! Make his life worth while.

GIVE

A beaming face to the human race;
Face fate with a brave sweet smile.

WOULD WELCOME A PACT CANCEL THE GENT'S AGREEMENT

Resolution Adopted to This Effect by the Joint Committee now in Japan

PROVIDED SUBSTITUTE CAN BE AGREED ON

Society was Established for Purpose of Promoting Friendship in Japan and in U. S.

Tokio, Dec. 13.—Resolutions "welcoming" a cancellation of the Gentleman's Agreement between Japan and the United States, provided that some sort of a substitute could be agreed upon free from discrimination, were adopted at a joint meeting today of the Japanese Peace Society and the American Peace Society. The action was the result of three meetings of the two societies.

It was asserted in the resolutions that, in the opinion of the two societies Japan had kept the Gentleman's Agreement both in spirit and in letter. The resolution declared also that the two societies would welcome the adoption of any measures by internal legislation in the United States or by convention that would promote the standard of living and social condition of Japanese in the United States so as to prepare them for assimilation as citizens of the American Commonwealth. Confidence was expressed that any conditions that might arise between the two countries would in the end be settled on a satisfactory basis of humanity, reason and justice.

The California Land Bill (adopted in the election November 2) was described in the resolutions as "too harsh and sweeping in its terms to accord with the high principles we have just mentioned. Yet we believe that we can firmly rely on the sense of justice and humanity of both the citizens of that state and of the United States to right any wrong steps that may be taken," the resolution added.

"We would urge our fellow countrymen to be patient and self-possessed and free from excitement over any unfavorable conditions in California. We would call attention to the diplomatic negotiations now going on between Japan and the United States and to the importance of exercising the utmost confidence in the ability of the two countries to work out an acceptable solution of pending problems."

The Japanese Peace Society and the American Peace Society were established for the purpose of promoting friendship and peace between Japan and the United States.

MAIN FEATURE OF PROPOSED HIGHWAY BILL MADE PUBLIC

Good Roads Committee of Which Heriot Clarkson of Charlotte, is the Chairman, Completes its Work. This Committee Represents North Carolina Good Roads Association and the Citizens Highway Association. There are Eight Features to the Bill Proposed.

Raleigh, Dec. 13.—The principal features of the proposed highway bill completed by the good roads committee of which Heriot Clarkson, of Charlotte is chairman and which represents both the North Carolina Good Roads Association and the Citizens Highway Association are as follows:

1. A state-wide highway system of approximately 5,500 miles in length, built and maintained by the State.
2. Expansion of the present highway commission to include nine commissioners, each representing a highway district to be established.
3. A twenty year program of road-building with funds to be obtained through annual bond issues of three to five million dollars, a direct property tax of five cents on the \$100 valuation and a one cent tax on each gallon of gasoline.

In the creation of the nine highway districts construction in every section of the State is contemplated, the work to be carried on simultaneously and money appropriated will be uniformly expended throughout the State. Each of the nine districts will be represented by a member of the commission while the chairman of the State Highway Commission, Frank Page, whose term will not expire for three years, will be retained and the other four members of the commission multiplied into nine.

Outline of the proposed measure has been submitted to the State Budget Commission and while the commission is not empowered to include the appropriation in its recommendations to the General Assembly declared the bill appealed to its members as not only sane and constructive but very practical. The sub-committee which made the tentative draft of the bill was composed of Miss Hattie M. Berry and John Sprunt Hill, of the North Carolina Good Roads Association, and Dr. L. B. Morse and Heriot Clarkson, of the North Carolina Good Roads Association.

The committee gave careful consideration to the road legislation of every state in the Union and the draft of the measure agreed upon represents what is regarded as the best features of the nation's plans for highway construction. With the present equipment and with the passage of the proposed bill it is believed that the future of road construction in North Carolina is amply safeguarded.

The committee has gathered some information in regard to the work of the present state highway commission and its capacity for future work. The commission has constructed, or has under contract or ready to be let to contract (with funds in hand) 834 miles of road, about 134 hard surfaced, representing an expenditure of over eleven million dollars. It has on hand for maintenance purposes two and a quarter million dollars worth of equipment, donated by the federal government, largely utilized at the present time. The commission has a working

force, exclusive of laborers, of 345 employees, with four division offices. It has expended during the past eighteen months between 11 and 12 million dollars. It has surveys already made for 360 miles of road, ready to let to contract when money becomes available, which would involve an expenditure of between seven and eight million dollars. It has a state highway system of roads mapped out showing approximately 5,500 miles, which will connect all county seats and principal towns and with the state highways of adjoining states.

Briefly, the outline of the proposed measure, drawn up by the committee after a week's work, is as follows:

1. A statewide system of highways, approximately 5,500 miles in length, to be taken over within the next year for construction maintenance and protection. In taking over the county systems, due notice shall be given and opportunity for appeal from the district decision afforded.
2. Roads taken over by the state are immediately to be maintained in first class condition. Failure to properly maintain roads will be prima facie evidence for the removal of any officer charged with that duty.
3. Lay off the entire state into nine construction districts to make possible an equitable distribution of funds each year and to secure simultaneous construction in each district.
4. Nine commissioners, one from each district, to compose the highway commission, and one commissioner at large, who will be chairman, and in charge of administrative work. The present commissioners whose terms have not expired will not be interfered with.
5. Construction funds to be distributed to the construction districts in proportion to the area of the district, as compared with the area of the state. Both surfacing and grading district.
6. The limit on the construction fund should be fixed by the capacity of the commission to expend economically depending on labor, materials and equipment.
7. All able bodied convicts shall be worked on state highway system.
8. It is estimated that the commission can now spend economically from eight to ten million dollars annually, and will need more as the department becomes more thoroughly organized and expanded. To raise that money it is deemed advisable to authorize the issuance of \$20,000,000 in bonds to cover a five period, the bonds now to be sold until the money is needed, and sold only by consent of the council of state. It is estimated that federal aid to the amount of two and a half millions will be available annually. A five cent property tax will yield a million and a half. A penny tax on gasoline will yield another half million, which with annual bond issue of million dollars, will net the state about nine millions annually for road construction.

GREAT CONSUMERS ASSO. IS FORMED

At the Manufacturing Centre of Thuringia to Purchase the Textile Products

Dec. 13.—A great consumer's association has been formed at this manufacturing center of Thuringia to purchase the products of the Gera textile mills in an attempt to force down prices and relieve unemployment. The Thuringia government has arranged to place 15,000,000 marks at the disposal of the association at a low rate of interest.

Several million marks worth of money already has been bought by the association and it is planned to extend the buying campaign until all factories can resume full operations.

Nearly 7,000 of the 8,000 men temporarily employed in 27 textile mills here have been laid off.

KING INVITED

Rome, Dec. 13.—The King of Italy has been invited to go to England next May on the occasion of the celebration of the sixth Dante centenary. A decision has not yet been taken as to whether the King or Crown Prince will accept.

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TWO NEGROES ARE SERIOUSLY CUT

Both Affairs Result of too Much Booze. Wounded Negroes Condition Serious

Two serious cutting affairs took place in Greenville Saturday afternoon and Sunday night, all the parties implicated being negroes. Both victims are said to be in a serious condition, little hope being entertained for their recovery.

Ethan Rives, colored, was assaulted by James Dawson, Clifton Dawson and Matilda Williams Saturday afternoon between three and four o'clock at the corner of Pitt and Tenth streets. Rives received a gash three inches long on the breast and between one and one half and two inches deep. James and Clifton Dawson were fighting over the possession of a shot gun when Chief Jones arrived. The gun was broken to pieces before the officer could get possession of it. The surprise is that the row started as the result of too much monkey rum. James Dawson, Clifton Dawson and Matilda Williams are now in jail while Rives, the cut man, lies at his home in a precarious condition.

— was assaulted by Paul Johnson, both colored, on Reed street Sunday night between eight and nine o'clock. The weapon used was a knife. A deep gash was made in the side of the head by Johnson and his condition is thought to be serious. Johnson is now in jail awaiting his trial.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The Johnson immigration bill prohibiting immigration for one year has been passed by the house. The leaders predict its defeat in the senate.

Shop Early ONLY 9 More Shopping Days Until Christmas

GOLDEN SOVEREIGN ALMOST VANISHED

From Circulation in Most Parts of the United Kingdom since Since Paper Currency

London, Dec. 13.—The golden sovereign has almost vanished from circulation in most parts of Great Britain since paper currency has been issued, but in the west of Wales gold is as plentiful as it was before the war, says the Daily Chronicle.

There the British sovereign causes no surprises at and when change is given and both the sovereign and the half-sovereign are passed frequently to a hand to hand until the banks get hold of them.

With the exception of Spanish currency, it is probable there is as high a standard of gold currency in Wales as in any part of Europe today. Welsh farmers have earned big profits in the last few years, and hoarded them. It is these hoards of gold which are now making their appearance.

WIND AND WATER HOLD SOLUTION

Of the Fuel Shortage now in France the Academy of Sciences told Recently

Paris, Dec. 11.—Wind and water hold the solution of the fuel shortage in France, E. Colardeau told his associates at the academy of sciences at its last meeting. He presented what he considered proof in the results of an installation on his kitchen faucet of a water-turbine which drives a dynamo that charges storage batteries.

City pressure on the water, he explained, is sufficient to furnish a household with electric light.

In the country, M. Colardeau would install windmills to pump water to elevated tanks and utilize the fall of the water through a pipe to turn the charging turbine.

New interest has been taken here in this idea of household installations because the higher costs of fuel and power, it is considered, will make