

## PER CAPITA TAX IN STATE RISES \$43 SINCE 1900

Levies Rise at Rate Faster  
Than Population, Says  
Citizens' Group.

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for the tubercular and the insane, pensions for the blind, old-age assistance and social security. This increased service has demanded increased personnel, officials pointed out, and in the State many new bureaus, divisions and agencies have been set up.

A review of past legislative sessions shows many of the most heated fights centered around increases in property tax rates. The Indiana Taxpayers Association has prepared the following table to show the increase in property taxes levied since 1900:

	Total Valuation of All Real Prop. State and Local Units.	Total Taxes Levied by Local Property Tax Assessor.
1900	\$1,226,033,345	\$ 21,821,127
1910	1,794,156,397	41,147,882
1911	1,891,692,077	44,133,021
1912	1,898,297,235	46,288,955
1913	1,908,447,000	50,169,781
1914	1,967,454,189	53,422,295
1915	2,051,279,310	53,422,478
1916	2,069,429,218	59,382,292
1917	2,124,051,446	63,466,772
1918	2,233,761,065	68,367,296
1919	2,338,771,065	73,422,265
1920	5,838,717,040	114,856,460
1921	5,887,588,583	117,657,233
1922	5,225,700,238	118,380,163
1923	5,281,479,728	128,540,254
1924	5,382,821,728	130,896,941
1925	5,471,071,045	132,149,575
1926	5,510,556,735	132,149,336
1927	5,188,356,735	140,496,610
1928	5,117,890,123	143,848,533
1929	5,168,896,472	150,470,853
1930	5,081,973,728	145,847,052
1931	5,009,114,146	145,847,052
1932	3,994,357,946	99,199,421
1933	3,699,832,234	99,199,421
1934	3,673,917,536	91,515,098
1935	3,693,785,006	96,432,938
1936	3,732,988,833	97,944,265

During this period the total property tax increases were as follows: 1900, 2%; 1916, 46%; 1919, 2,700,076%; 1920, 2,930%; 1930, and 1930, 2,335,500.

One of the largest tax jumps was reported for 1928, when the increase was approximately 100 percent in one year. In 1928, for the first time in the history of the state, taxes were less than those levied the preceding year.

In 1900 all the revenue governments received was raised by property tax levies and the few fees collected by such officials as county clerks, sheriffs and the Secretary of State.

To meet the rising tide of governmental costs officials began to add new taxes. Intangibles and gross incomes were levied and various excises and revenues also had to be met by such interests as distillers and moonshiners.

Thus, in 1924, the State and local units were spending much more than the \$91,515,098 revenue from property, since this was the first year the gross income tax receipts were applied to pay governmental costs. The effect of statutes limiting property tax levies also has been felt in recent years, officials said.

Recent rulings by Atty. Gen. Oberly, Jackson and declarations of policy by the State Tax Board have attempted to force local officials to tighten up the procedure of budget drafting and thus indirectly reduce to some extent property tax rates.

The Indiana Taxpayers' Association charts the following average total per capita tax payments made by residents of Marion County to the State government and all local units in recent years.

Per Capita  
in the  
State  
Local Units

1928-29 \$9.10 \$41.94

1929-30 8.17 43.26

1930-31 8.67 43.18

1932-33 (Not Compiled) 46.72

While the per capita payment to the State may decrease some next year if present fund surpluses are used, Marion County residents are faced with a higher local tax bill, it was said, unless the 1938 budgets

## IN INDIANAPOLIS

### MEETINGS TODAY

Indiana State Fair, all day.  
Exchange Club, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.  
Optimist Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.  
Reserve Officers' Association, luncheon, Hotel Delta, noon.  
P.M. Delta Theta, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.  
Delta Tau Delta, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.  
Eta Theta Pi, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.  
Princraft Club, dinner, Hotel Washington, noon.  
Kappa Sigma, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.

### MEETINGS TOMORROW

Alliance Francise, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.  
Local No. 824, A. F. W. V. P. meeting, Hotel 730 p. m.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

(These lists are from official records at the County Court House. The Times is not responsible for any errors in names or addresses.)

Ethel H. Rader, 55, Danville, Ind.; Martha L. Kane, 61, of 1238 S. Belmont St.; William H. Metz, 25, of 3206 E. Washington St.; Jean Elizabeth Gullion, 19, of 2741 N. Meridian St.; Robert W. Crouch, 23, of 3206 N. Meridian St.; Helen Marie Beckman, 25, of 3206 College Ave.; Marvin N. Ames, 21, of 2315 St. Paul St.; Charles Frederick Deardorff, 21, Indianapolis; Betty Susan Welch, 18, Indianapolis; Ethel Travers, 22, of 401 W. 21st St.; Harriett Ellen Robinson, 22, Indianapolis; Earl Albert Sparks, 49, of 238 W. Market St.; Charles Frederick Deardorff, 21, Indianapolis; Helen Marie Beckman, 25, of 3206 College Ave.; Marvin N. Ames, 21, of 2315 St. Paul St.; Charles Frederick Deardorff, 21, Indianapolis; Betty Susan Welch, 18, Indianapolis; Ethel Travers, 22, of 401 W. 21st St.; New York City; Pauline, 22, of 431 W. 21st St.; York St.; Charles Patrick, 21, Indianapolis; Karlene Muelder, 18, Indianapolis; George Washington Brown, 22, Paris, Ill.; Bertha Edith Brown, 20, Indianapolis.

BIRTHS

Boys  
Roscoe, Helen Deem, at 1208 Gimber. Herman, Helen Halcomb, at 1703 Wood.  
John, Oliver, Elizabeth Napier, at Community. Leonora, Charles, at St. Francis.  
Pauline, Max, Brewer, at St. Francis.  
Harriet, White, at St. Francis.  
Lowell, Beatrice Bailey, at St. Francis.  
Girls  
Marcellus, Henrietta, at St. Francis.  
Charles, Mary Moore, at St. Francis.  
John, Christine Stanley, at St. Francis.  
Arthur, George, at St. Francis.  
George, Lois Taylor, at St. Francis.  
Flora, at St. Francis.  
James, Angela Flanagan, at St. Francis.  
George, Frieda Dearing, at St. Francis.  
Doris, at St. Francis.  
Lois, Theima, Braun, at St. Francis.  
Hilda, at St. Francis.  
Dallas, Katherine Critchlow, at St. Francis.  
Reid, Doris Reagan, at St. Francis.

JANET GIVES POINTERS ON SAFETY . . . 'WAIT FOR GREEN LIGHT,' SHE SAYS . . . 'WOULDN'T BE SO MANY HURT, IF—'

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