

STATE MAILING GROSS INCOME RETURN FORMS

100,000 Going to 3 Groups;
Other Blanks Sent to
Distribution Points.

About 100,000 gross income tax return forms were being mailed this week to retail merchants, partnerships and out-of-state corporations under a new policy adopted by the State Tax Division.

Additional return forms of all kinds totaling 900,000 were on their way to 150 state automobile license branches and 250 special distribution points where they will be available during the taxpaying period from Jan. 1 to 31.

Clarence A. Jackson, division director, said mailing forms to three groups of taxpayers was being combined with other procedures for a more rapid check on delinquencies.

The lists of retail merchants and partnerships must not be completed. Mr. Jackson said, pointing out that persons who do not receive mailed forms should obtain blanks at their nearest automobile license branch.

"Amendments to the gross income tax law adopted this year vitally affect both partnerships and retail-

Exemptions Are Changed

"Merchants who have operated as retailers during 1937 are entitled to a total exemption of \$2500 as compared with \$1000 in previous years. Of the \$2500 exemption, \$250 is applicable to receipts for the first quarter (under the original law) and \$2250 is applicable to retail receipts for the last three quarters. Under 1937 amendments, the retail exemption on receipts after April 1, 1937, is at the rate of \$750 for each calendar quarter.

"Partnerships will file a special type of return in January. One portion of it will cover the first three months of 1937 and another portion of it, of information return, filed by partnerships in previous years, with the individual partners reporting their share of gross receipts on their own returns and paying the tax due.

"The other portion of the return, covering receipts since April 1, will be similar to the corporation return and the partnership itself will pay the tax due for this period.

"The amended law, which became effective April 1, makes partnerships distinct taxpaying units."

Federal Income Blanks To Be Sent Jan. 5

Federal income tax blanks will be mailed Jan. 5 to all taxpayers of record, Will H. Smith, collector of internal revenue, announced today.

The deadline for filing returns to escape penalties is March 15, with no extension of time granted.

Any single person or married person not living with husband or wife, whose net income is \$1000 or more annually, is required to file a return. Mr. Smith said. Married persons, living with their husbands or wives, whose net income is \$2500 or more, is required to file.

"With each return, a green duplicate sheet must be filled out and filed with the original, Mr. Smith said.

\$150,000 MARKETING REFUND TO BE MADE

COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 30 (U. P.)—The 14th annual refund of the Farmers Marketing Association and Farm Bureau Service, Inc., totaling approximately \$150,000 will be distributed at the 19th annual meeting of the Bartholomew County Farm Bureau here Jan. 7, it was announced today.

The distribution will bring more than a million dollars the total amount paid out by the Association through annual refunds.

In addition to the cash surplus there has been a large accumulation in buildings, real estate and equipment which belongs to farm bureau patrons, it was said.

ENGINEERS TO HOLD NEW YEAR'S PARTY

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the grand lodge auxiliary are to hold a New Year's Eve party Friday night at the Hotel Washington. James Duncan is dance committee chairman. The grand lodge is to be represented by Paul Smith, Cleveland, brotherhood journal editor, and A. C. Gehr, Liones, Pa., general chairman of the brotherhood for the Pennsylvania Lines west.

CLUB TO HONOR BUTLER

Butler University is to be honored at the Exchange Club luncheon meeting in the Hotel Washington tomorrow noon. Honor guests and speakers are to include Wallace Middsworth, former Butler athlete and present assistant coach; Coach Paul Hinkle and Gilbert Pierce, in charge of the Butler relay.

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NEW COLLEGES ARE OPENED BY BUTLER IN '37

University Now Has 2-Year Course and Department of Business.

Additions at Butler University during 1937 included establishment of a new college of business administration and a junior college.

In response to a demand by Indianapolis business leaders, the new college of business administration was created to provide practical training for future business men and women. The many industries and facilities for the study of business administration in the city provide laboratories for study in this field.

A two-year course for students unable to finance a four-year course has been provided by the junior college. Those enrolled for the two-year course can specialize in a major subject during the first two years without emphasis on graduation requirements for the four-year course.

Students in this college may enroll for 35 hours of electives and 29 hours in their major field. A total of 64 hours credit is required for completion of the course.

Announcement that the financial condition of the university is the best in many years, has been made by John W. Atherton, secretary-treasurer. Many substantial gifts have been received by the university during the past year and the institution is completing the year with out a deficit.

Statistics show an increased enrollment over 1936 in both the day and evening divisions. Prof. George F. Leonard reported the evening school is one of the largest since that division was established. There has been an increase of 35 per cent during the present semester.

Mr. Jennings said he had not been informed of the purpose of the report, but believed WPA officials in Washington desired to keep in close touch with unemployment conditions during the recession.

Two weeks ago, State WPA was authorized to increase WPA rolls on a basis of need in communities where effects of the recession were most evident. Mr. Jennings said.

Mr. Brown said he will continue to live at 2821 Washington Blvd. After he and Mrs. Brown take a three-months trip to Florida he plans to go into some business.

He began his career as a telegrapher in Woodstock, Ontario, Canada. Since then he has been associated with Western Union at Detroit, Cincinnati, Columbus, O., Pittsburgh and Indianapolis.

While manager here the company's number of branches was increased from seven to 17 and the main office was transferred to its present quarters in the Guaranty Building without any interruption in service.

OHIO MAN DIES OF BURNS

RICHMOND, Dec. 29 (U. P.)—Charles E. Berger, 43, of Pueblo, O., died today in a hospital here of burns received yesterday when kerosene exploded as he was using it to start a fire in his home.

Mr. Bolinger's daughter, Fonda, 18, still is in a serious condition. His wife and three sons escaped injury.

The request that the Board change its policy was made by the Committee for Industrial Organization. Facing an election in the Interlake Iron Corp., Chicago, Ill., Jan. 6, the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, a C. I. O. affiliate, requested the NLRB to eliminate the words "or by neither" in the ballot.

If the request had been granted it would have forced the worker either to agree to be represented by the S. W. O. C. or by the Interlake Iron Corp. Employees Association.

**MONTICELLO SCHOOL
CONTRACT AWARDED**

MONTICELLO, Dec. 30.—S. I. Lonsdale & Son, Elkhart, have been awarded the general contract for erection of the new Monticello High School building on a bid of \$112,749.

Price Electrical Co., Logansport, was given the contract for wiring at a bid of \$4555. The plumbing and heating contract went to Joseph Lige, Auburn, for \$26,300.

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Members of a new committee formed this week to draft plans for a safety contest among truck firms of Indianapolis firms are (left to right) O. W. Nester of Polar Ice & Fuel Co.; Miller L. Keller, committee secretary; Bert Grimes, Red Cap Co.; Paul Moran, Armour & Co.; N. K. Ramsey, Tony's Safety Coach Co., and J. C. Scher, Kroger Grocery Co., permanent chairman, is not in the picture.

STATE HIGHWAYS IMPROVED IN '37

Commission Lists 460 Miles As Graded and Paved.

Approximately 460 miles of Indiana roads were graded and paved by the State Highway Commission during 1937, Earl Crawford, chairman, said today.

In addition, the Commission carried out surface treatment on about 1000 miles of highways.

Mr. Crawford reported that Indiana's first sections of dual or divided-lane highways were opened during the year. One is on Road 40 west of Indianapolis, and the other on Road 30 in Lake County.

Construction also was completed on 24 grade separations and 140 bridges.

Mr. Crawford said the Commission had concentrated on "death traps."

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STATE DIVIDES 30 MILLIONS IN TAX REVENUES

Schools Get Biggest Slice in 1937 Distribution to Local Units.

The State distributed \$30,585,475 to counties, school units, cities and towns during 1937, treasury department records showed today.

Sources from which the State collects this money, which is divided among local government units, include gross income tax, excise collections, gasoline tax, automobile license fees and intangibles tax.

Distributions also were made from the common school revenue fund, school relief fund, general tuition

aid fund and common school fund interest apportionment.

Of the distributions, counties received \$10,884,956.16; school units, \$15,709,005.36; and civil cities and towns, \$3,990,913.55.

**TREANOR TO SPEAK
IN FT. WAYNE JAN. 10**

FT. WAYNE, Dec. 30 (U. P.)—Judge Walter E. Treanor, Supreme Court judge recently appointed by President Roosevelt to the Circuit Court of Appeals, Chicago, will address a dinner meeting of the Allen County Bar Association here Jan. 10.

An invitation to attend the meeting was sent to Curtis Shake, Vincennes, successor to Judge Treanor on the state bench.

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