

PERSONAL TAX SCHEDULES ARE PUT IN MAIL

Householders Are Asked to File Schedules Within Ten Days From January 4

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More than 12,000 personal property tax schedules for the year 1934 are being mailed to individuals and unincorporated businesses this week for the taxing date April 1, 1934. These are returnable ten days after receipt. An office will be maintained in the Winnetka Village hall during the ten day filing period beginning Friday, January 4. The return may be made by mail to that office as indicated on each schedule. The telephone there is Winnetka 615.

The law requires the assessor to estimate fair cash values from the best information available and supply a schedule for each taxpayer who has not filed a sworn schedule and add a 50 per cent penalty. It is impossible to complete the work within the time allowed unless this procedure is followed in the absence of a filing by the taxpayer.

Would Avoid Duplications

Sometimes automobiles are registered from one address and the taxpayer resides at another, for this and other reasons some duplication may occur in mailing schedules. No duplication of assessment will follow if the taxpayer will return a sworn schedule with facts shown thereon and also any duplicate.

Last year more than two-thirds of all taxpayers in our township returned sworn schedules completely filled out. Completeness is essential including a statement of occupation particularly where there is but a small amount of property. If we can extend this fine cooperation the quality of the assessment can be further improved. The improvement is in fact largely dependent on that cooperation. It helped in a better equalization for 1933 as compared with 1932 with the result that the 1933 assessment was about 40 per cent less in total than it was in 1932.

Expect Good Return

If we can reasonably equalize this tax among taxpayers and thereby approach the high level of other public activities in this community—and that situation was approximated for 1933—there is no reason why there should be an exceptional delinquency in this tax. Eighty per cent of all of our property taxes are spent within our township. All that is spent must be paid by somebody either as a real estate tax or as a personal property tax.

It is urgently requested in the interest of uniformity that householders read carefully item number 7 of the instruction sheet accompanying the schedule. This item provides a guide to valuation of household furniture.

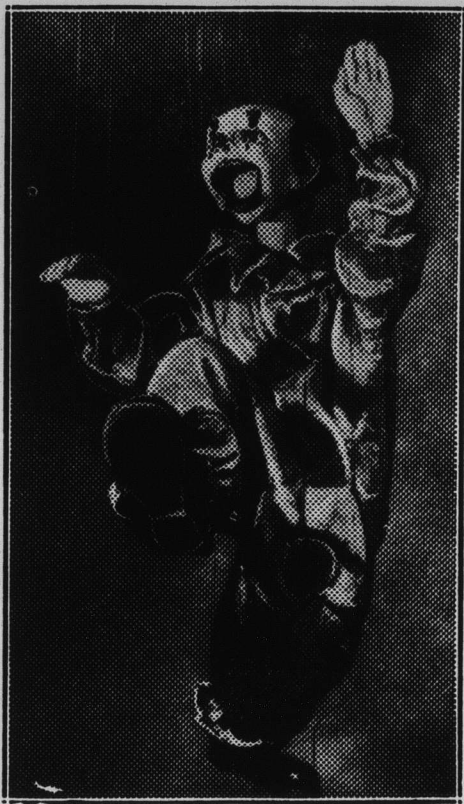
1. It is most helpful if the schedule is filled out completely and if for any reason any schedule received is not to be filled out sign it, state the reason and return it.

2. Remember that only 37 per cent of the full value returned on the schedule is taken as the assessed value which later appears on the tax bill.

3. It is the property as of April 1, 1934 which is to be listed.

4. A printed notice showing assessed value (37 per cent of full value as reported on the schedule) will be mailed to each taxpayer on completion of the assessment. Any error may be corrected on filing a complaint with ten days after receiving that notice. After the tax bill issues, only a court has power to change the bill.

TOGO COMING



Togo, often called "the best loved puppet in America," will make his appearance in Wilmette on Thursday and Friday, January 10 and 11, with the Century of Progress Marionettes. Millions of people became acquainted with Togo during the summer of 1933 when they visited the A. and P. carnival at the World's Fair. Togo will "do his stuff" at the Central school, Tenth street and Central avenue, next Thursday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock, and again the following afternoon at the same hour at the Howard school, Seventeenth street and Spencer avenue.

Snappy Weather Makes Ice Rinks Busy Spots

Ice skating, that greatest of all winter sports, is being enjoyed by hundreds of Wilmette people, especially the youngsters. The Wilmette Playground and Recreation board is keeping the two rinks, one at Howard school and the other at the drainage canal, in excellent condition. Since Christmas there has been no break in the pastime, the low temperature permitting almost constant freezing.

Both rinks are being generously supported, the attendance fully justifying the decision of the board to impose a small fee rather than to abandon the privileges and thus deprive so many citizens of the healthful sport.

The board emphasizes the point that there is room for still others, and cordially invites attendance. As one official put it, "there is ice enough for all, both daytime and evening."

ECONOMY SHOP NEEDS

The need at Economy Shop is first and foremost for warm clothing of all descriptions and for all ages. Another request that has been frequently repeated is for shoe skates. Shoe skates are often outgrown before they are outworn so there may be some stray pairs lying unused that would bring great pleasure and fine exercise to young people unable to pay the first hand price.

Economy Shop will be glad to place anything that can be spared.

Mrs. A. L. Grinnell, chairman.
Note: Economy Shop is conducted by the Woman's Club of Wilmette.

Township Taxing Bodies Secure \$609,000 Payment

More Blocks on Honor Roster of Community Chest

The honor roll in Wilmette's Community Chest campaign is growing daily. The requirements of a block for admission to this distinctive group is 100 per cent subscription to the chest fund. This, it is explained by President Henry Fowler, means that every resident of the block must make a pledge.

Since the last report the blocks which are leading the way in a splendid exhibition of civic spirit to put the chest campaign "over the top" are:

1300 block of Maple avenue.
1500 block of Spencer avenue.
1000 block of Michigan avenue.
400 block of Forest avenue.
900 block of Romona road.
1100 block of Michigan avenue.
400 block of Elmwood avenue.
900 block of Michigan avenue.

There are a large number of blocks in the village which are now just short of the goal, and the directors of the drive urge all who have not yet pledged to do so immediately in order that their blocks may qualify for admission to the honor roll. This can be promptly and easily done by calling Miss Clara Nourse at chest headquarters, Wilmette 2515; Henry Fowler, president, Wilmette 162, or A. C. Youngberg, campaign manager, Wilmette 1608.

RETURN FROM IOWA

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Hildreth and their two sons, of 2006 Beechwood avenue, returned Friday from Fairfield, Iowa, where they spent Christmas visiting Mr. Hildreth's mother, Mrs. P. C. Hildreth.

VISITORS FROM DENVER

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Harrison of Denver, Colo., are holiday guests of the Charles Wares of 325 Abbottsford road, Kenilworth. The Wares and their guests were entertained on Christmas by Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Freeman at their home in Hinsdale.

Don't Blame Me IF

Your ad is not in this issue of WILMETTE LIFE, for I am here every week day from 8 A. M. to 9 P. M. with the exception of Fridays until 6 P. M. only.

I am here to serve you through our Classified Columns the same in 1935 as in this past year.

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Wilmette 4300

Prompt Payment by Township Collector Effects Material Saving; Call Warrants

Tax Collector Sanborn Hale who is now collecting the 1933 taxes, announced at the close of business Monday evening that he had collected over \$900,000, and had distributed to the various taxing bodies of the township a total of \$609,000.

As a direct result of tax collection by the local collector, and immediate distribution of funds to the local taxing bodies, New Trier High School board was enabled to call for immediate payment \$105,000 of 1933 tax anticipation warrants, thus saving to the taxpayers a considerable sum in interest. This applies also to other school districts, notably District No. 36, Winnetka, which has called for payment \$92,200; District No. 38, Kenilworth, which has called \$18,000, and District No. 39, Wilmette, which has called \$47,000.

Saving on Interest

Had the collections been made by the county collector, the school districts would not have been able to pay off these warrants and save the interest, as the time of distribution by the county to local taxing bodies is often delayed for long periods.

The money is still coming in, Collector Hale said, but he explained that any belated payments which he receives will either be handled directly by himself or he will see to having the money paid through the county collector's office.

Defer Penalty Date

Announcement has been made from the office of County Treasurer Robert M. Sweitzer that the first penalty of one per cent on delinquent payments will not be applied until January 15, instead of January 1.

The treasurer explained that this will give ample time to those taxpayers who received their bills after December 1. Moreover, he said, the last minute rush of taxpayers has also taxed the limited collecting facilities of the office.

The penalty on delinquent taxes is one per cent a month. The second one per cent will be added on February 1, it was explained.

The penalty date on the second installment is May 1.

How Money is Distributed

Following is a list of the various taxing bodies of New Trier township and the amount which each had received from Collector Hale up to Monday evening:

Village of Wilmette	\$ 40,000
Village of Kenilworth	15,000
Village of Winnetka	34,000
Village of Glencoe	20,000
Wilmette Park district	9,000
Kenilworth Park district	3,000
Winnetka Park district	17,000
Glencoe Park district	10,000
School district 39 (Wilmette)	65,000
School district 38 (Kenilworth)	30,000
School district 37 (Avoca)	1,000
School district 36 (Winnetka)	119,000
School district 35 (Glencoe)	53,000
New Trier High school	193,000
	\$609,000

HOME FROM TEXAS

Mrs. Richard W. Murison, 339 Kenilworth avenue, Kenilworth, and her grandson, Jackie Cosner, has returned from San Antonio, Texas, where she was called by the death of her daughter, Mrs. John C. Cosner.