

Revenue Collector Will Aid Public To Make Out Returns

Galen H. Welch, collector of internal revenue, today announced that his office at 939 South Broadway, Los Angeles, second and third floors, will be open to the public until 5:00 p. m. each business day from February 23 to March 14. On March 15 his office will be open until midnight.

This is done to enable taxpayers to prepare and file their income tax returns for 1932 without waiting until the last minute rush. Collector Welch urges every person liable for a return to take advantage of these extra hours and to file their return early while his deputies have time to give assistance.

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Notes From Washington

By Charles J. Colden, Congressman-elect, 17th District

The memorial exercises in honor of former President Calvin Coolidge were the most impressive services I have ever attended. It was an awesome gathering of those who are clothed with dignity and authority. The House was called to order as usual at noon. The sober looking doorkeeper stood at the door in the rear of the House chamber and faced the Speaker. He announced the arrival of the United States Senate and we all stood as the august and dignified senators were ushered in and were seated in the front rows of the House.

Then the arrival of the judges of the Supreme Court was announced. Silently they filed in and marched down the aisle in their black robes and were seated next to the senators. Chief Justice Hughes led the procession and it is difficult to find more apparent dignity than is bundled up in his black robe. Following the judges came the ambassadors and ministers from many foreign lands. I was interested when I

noticed that the Japanese and Chinese were first to rise. Whether this was an accident or premeditated I do not know but I half-way expected to see a war break out but nothing happened. Every time a new delegation was announced we stood as did the visitors in the gallery. All paid this tribute of respect except the reporters in the press gallery. I think that Joe Leggett and Luther McGahan should do something about this. Then followed the most colorful group, the chiefs of the Army and the Navy, the commandants of the Marine Corps and the Coast Guard, all harnessed up with medals, badges and gold braid. There was enough gold braid around to furnish rope for a California rodeo. These were followed by the commissioners of the District of Columbia who seem to rate higher than commissioners back home. I ought to know for I was one once upon a time but escaped.

Last of all appeared the cabinet members followed by President Hoover, who was seated directly in front of the Speaker. But the Speaker's chair was occupied by Vice-President Charles Curtis, who presided and Charles Garner sat at his left. The music was furnished by the Marine band which was placed in the hall outside of the House chamber and by a male chorus from the Department of Commerce. The speaker was the chief justice from the state of Massachusetts and a lifelong friend of the departed ex-president.

From where I sat I could clearly view the reactions of President Hoover. He looked about but once during the hour of service. His mouth droops sadly at the corners and his face bears the marks of work, worry and despair. Whatever judgment we may place upon him, he betrays the heaviness of responsibility that befalls down upon him. And his jaw discloses a determination that is emphasized by his haggard features. President Hoover may be down but I'm a judge of human nature he has plenty of fight left and I will not be surprised if at some future time he again rallies his friends and puts up another battle.

And I also witnessed the election of a president and a vice president. Last November, we just elected John T. Gaffey and a few old war horses to carry out their session of the House and Senate counted the ballots and sure enough every thing turned out all right for Franklin D. Roosevelt. John Nance Garner were elected and all the Texans were smiling just like King Barton and Doc Van Vezler the night of the election. Of course, all the Democrats were happy but even the New Yorkers didn't radiate like the folks from Texas. The good humor of the Republicans worried me just a little for fear there might be a joker in the counting but they didn't put over anything and the country is safe for the next four years if this depression doesn't sink us.

Vice President Curtis presided again although the session was held in the House. Speaker Garner turned over his chair to the eminent gentleman from Kansas and took his seat to the left but close enough to keep his keen eye on the proceedings. A committee of senators and representatives from both parties acted as tellers. You know the Democrats have a suspicion that the Republicans should be watched while counting the votes and the Republicans don't trust everything to the Democrats. It is a sort of J. J. Boyle and George Gillett feeling, good friends, but don't-go-too-far discretion.

Alabama was called. The teller gravely announced that the certificate "seems" to be authentic and the vote "appears" to be 11 votes for Franklin D. Roosevelt and 11 votes for John Nance Garner. The tellers "seemed" and "appeared" all the way down through the list of states. But the Democrats cheered in no uncertain terms at the Alabama announcement and Vice President Curtis hammered for order as he is a stickler for discipline and makes a fellow feel like a smile is a misdemeanor and applause a felony. But the Democrats just boiled over and cheered and laughed in spite of his busy gavel. Curtis never smiled but I noted that John Nance Garner was tickled pink. He thoroughly enjoyed the efforts of the "sodate vice president trying to corral the wild-horse Democrats who hadn't felt so good for 16 long, hungry years.

The Democrats enjoyed the discomfiture of the vice president to such a degree that they cheered wildly at the call of states until Connecticut was called and the Republicans showed there was still life in them yet and did some cheering on their own account. Then the Democrats, just to show how generous they can be, gave a big hand and everybody seemed happy but the vice president, who continued vainly hammering to preserve order. And all alike gave him a big laugh. It was fun for everybody but the Kansas statesman.

When Kansas was called, the vice president was a real good Indian and reached over and congratulated Speaker Garner and everybody stood and applauded until Mr. Curtis broke the sober features with a smile. He had held out as long as he could for

J. L. Jones, Father Of Mrs. Maskrey, Dies Here Monday

John L. Jones, age 84, father of Mrs. A. J. Maskrey of 7119 Martin, was killed by a car on Monday, February 20, at the Jerald Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital where he had been a patient for the preceding ten days. Mr. Jones had been a sufferer from a heart ailment for some time.

Funeral services were held from Stone & Myers chapel Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. G. G. Elder officiating. John Williams was soloist. Interment was made at Inglewood Park cemetery.

John L. Jones was born in Wales, and came to the United States 35 years ago to settle in Canton, Ohio, where he was employed as superintendent of the hot mill of the Carnahan Tin Plate Company.

He has been traveling for several years, and spent much of his leisure time in retiring throughout the United States, British Isles and Europe. A great deal of his time was devoted to activity in behalf of the Welsh people.

On October 5 he left Canton to visit his daughter in this city, and has been a resident of Torrance for the past five months. He leaves behind his daughter, Mrs. Maskrey, seven other sons and daughters, Mrs. George W. Johnson of New Philadelphia, Mrs. R. E. Ley of Dover, Horace J. Clifford, Mildred, Vira and Ivor Jones, all of Canton, Ohio. His wife preceded him in death several years ago.

INDIANA  
All former residents of Indiana are called to attend the semi-annual basket picnic, Sunday, February 26, 1933, at Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles. A good program will be given at 2:00 p. m., and coffee served to all buying souvenir badges.

rules and order and everybody seemed satisfied now and the roll continued without cheering until Texas was called, and the House roared again. Once in a while even some of the senators yelped just a little. But the Kingfish was down home on the election contest, or he might have done a little hurrahing for the senators. He's the kind that does not subside his feelings like a well-regulated senator.

California was given a big hand, but the California senators are too polite to cheer. And "Little Rhody" was all dressed up in her full name, the state of Rhode Island and Providence plantations, and "seemed" and "appeared" to be as proud of her four votes as New York of her 47. And after all the states had been called, the tellers carefully added and gravely handed the sheets over to Vice President Curtis, who settled all doubts of the election by announcing 472 votes for Roosevelt and 129 for Hoover and Curtis. And we Democrats departed happily, for now the post-offices are all ours just as soon as the present terms expire. But there's the civil service examination, another hurdle.

I spent a few hours listening to the argument of a case in the supreme court. The Los Angeles Gas Company is trying to set aside a reduction of rates ordered by the Railroad Commission of the state of California. The gas company has fought the order through all the lower courts and has kept on appealing until the suit reached the highest tribunal in the land, the supreme court in Washington. I listened to both sides argue but my sympathies leaned to the consumers back home. The gas company complained that the seven per cent allowance by the Railroad Commission was confiscatory. Well, I know a number of consumers who would be delighted to have a seven per cent return on their investments, including real estate. But there is no law or ruling that gives it to them. When it comes to returns on investment the private utilities "seem" and "appear" to have all the best of it.

When one considers the Insull companies, that were over-capitalized for hundreds of millions of stock that was unloaded on the buying public at the same time the consumers were over-charged for service on capital that did not exist, I am becoming firmer and firmer in my belief in public ownership. And I'm glad the next president is showing an interest in the Muscle Shoals plant where more than 150 million dollars of the public money is invested. I was also comforted in the hearing before the supreme court that my old friends Bill Neal and Von Shradler, of the city attorney's office, were present to aid the attorneys for the State Railroad Commission. The Los Angeles attorneys were all "hot" up and I was proud of them. But it is a long, hard road to defeat a rich and powerful corporation with its tremendous income.

If you don't get a prompt reply to your letters it is not because I'm buried in the snow but because I'm covered up with correspondence. It looks like it will take me 30 days to dig out. If you can be patient let 'em come, for I'll have help after March 4. I'm writing this while you folks are at church or down at the beach. Is anybody like Senator Medoos under a sea of letters, gasping for air. I represent less than 100,000 voters, and he looks after the requests of more than two million.

Seven Persons Hurt In Serious Crash, Carson at Avalon

A second accident, similar to that of last week when one man was killed and seven injured, occurred Monday night at Avalon and Carson street, shortly after 8:00 o'clock, in which seven persons were injured, all of them seriously.

Mrs. Lulu M. Marsteller, 819 No. Juanita street, Redondo Beach, who suffered concussion of the brain and possible fracture of the skull had not regained consciousness up to yesterday, and may die.

Reports of the accident on file at the sheriff's sub-station No. 3, state that the accident was caused by Mrs. Marsteller's failure to observe a boulevard stop at the intersection. Her Studebaker sedan, in which were riding Mrs. Ella R. Kellogg, 833 No. Lucia; Nyal M. Kellogg, Lloyd S. Kellogg, age three and one-half years, and Joyce Kellogg, age one and one-half years, was said to have struck a Chevrolet coupe driven by Arthur H. Agustafson, 5961 Avalon boulevard, Los Angeles. With Agustafson were Mrs. Grace Winslow of the same address, and Miss Phoebe Michaud, 635 E. Adams, Los Angeles. Agustafson escaped injury. All the others were badly hurt. They were taken to the Wilmington emergency hospital and from there Mrs. Winslow and the General hospital. All others were removed to the Seaside hospital in Long Beach.

Military Camp For Unemployed Youths Proposed

Los Angeles county officials today were considering the probable location of a military training camp for unemployed youths, following decision of the supervisors Tuesday to ask the war department to establish one of its proposed camps in this county. The formal resolution was being drafted today by the county council.

Such a camp would serve three major purposes, according to Supervisor Hugh A. Thatcher of the taxpaying district of unemployed youths between the ages of 15 and 21 years, Thatcher said. The camps would be conducted under strict military discipline. Secondly, the camp would bring the expenditure of a large amount of funds for supplies, and thirdly, the taxpayers of Torrance and other sections of the county would be relieved of the burden of carrying the youths on charity rolls.

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devoted to maintaining the health of the body. The building is "T" shaped in form, one-story for the most part except for a second floor over part of the trunk of the "T."

In the health and welfare center are housed all the staff and equipment for health promotion, disease prevention and affairs of the district. Three-fourths of the space in the building is devoted to the public health activities of the county health department, while the balance is occupied by the county welfare department, a separate branch of county government which takes care of the needs of the distribution of food and clothing, and the finding of work for the unemployed. While the county welfare department does not bear the cost of the construction of the building, which is charged to the county health department, it pays a proportionate part of the maintenance and operation of the center.

Dr. H. C. Smiley, southwest district county health officer, will perform his regular duties in charge of the public health activities of the district.

Services offered to the public by the health center will include all phases of preventive health work but will not include treatment clinics for the indigent sick. Dr. Smiley explains. In the event that a need arises for treatment clinics which would be staffed and maintained by the health department of the county General Hospital, space would be provided in the health center.

All educational and diagnostic work in the health center is free to the public. Those persons found to need medical treatment (except communicable diseases) will be referred to their family physicians or if they have none, to a local practicing doctor.

Child Hygiene Child hygiene activities are featured in the health center. Prenatal classes are held weekly for the women of the locality and free instruction is given by competent hygienists as to diet needs, physical care, and the preparation of layettes. Mothers bring their infants and children to regular child hygiene conferences for advice in the proper method for keeping their well babies well. This class is not for sick children or those needing medical care, but is for the express purpose of maintaining the good health of well youngsters and keeping them on the road to health. During the meeting the children are weighed and measured to check their gain or loss or to detect an sudden physical disturbance indicated by a change in weight. During the meeting the

children are permitted to play in one section of the room with specially constructed hygienic and health habit training toys, while the mothers are in conference with the child hygienist regarding the proper care of the first teeth, the nutritional needs of children and at what ages basic changes are necessary in their diets, prevention of infection from contagious diseases, and safety first precautions necessary to guard against the multitude of accidents, both major and minor, that occur among infants and young children. Classes in the proper method of bathing babies are held periodically during which the "science of bathing" is made clear to young mothers.

The child hygiene sections are completely equipped with weighing and measuring devices, individual dressing rooms for the mothers to dress their children in preparation for weighing and medical inspection, and charts depicting the values of foods in terms of vitamins and calories.

These child hygiene conferences are exceptionally popular in the various districts. Mothers appreciate and understand that the "sources of prevention" given out by the county health department may be the means of saving untold unhappiness and expense in doctor bills. Federal authorities also realize the value of the plan of an adequately equipped and staffed child hygiene program because of the economic benefits to the nation when, in future years, American citizens are physically fit and unhandicapped by physical defects.

The early diagnosis of tuberculosis with special emphasis upon children and young adults of high school age is another feature of the health center. Examinations are made of the chest to detect the earliest symptoms of this disease in time to arrange for treatment during the curable stage.

Records show that a great percentage of people are infected with tuberculosis, unknown to themselves, and that unless treatment is obtained early serious illness or death may result. Health authorities are concentrating upon the prevention of tuberculosis at the present time to forestall an increase of malnutrition and lowered living conditions due to the present period of economic depression.

Physiotherapy Department A partially equipped physiotherapy department is included in the health center. Special equipment and trained workers will aid in the early correction of orthopedic defects among crippled children and convalescents from infantile paralysis. Past experiences in other county health centers have shown that the availability of the various devices for electro-therapy and hydro-therapy have been responsible for the almost complete cure of children who formerly would have been regarded as permanently paralyzed, according to Dr. Smiley.

A completely equipped venereal disease clinic will render examination and diagnostic service in the health department's program of control of these diseases, said to be near the top of the list in weekly prevalence.

Dental Clinic Dental clinics for children of

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school age will render examination and prophylaxis treatment as a part of the child health activities. Special children's size dental chairs have been installed for this purpose. Those children found to be in need of dental work will be referred to the family dentist or, if their parents are unable to pay for this service, they will be given care at the health center at the expense of the county welfare department. Special facilities for eye, ear, nose and throat examinations will be available for the early detection of defects, especially among school children referred by school nurses. Laboratory A complete bacteriological laboratory will be maintained at the health center to test milk, water and doctor's samples. Samples of milk from every dairy in the district are tested every two weeks for purity and butter-fat content to guard against contamination and to maintain the high standard of milk supply this district now enjoys, Dr. Smiley says. Registration of births and deaths and reporting of contagious disease cases are to be made in the office of the local vital statistics registrar adjacent to the business office. Inspections Local headquarters for the bureau of inspections will be housed in one wing of the health center. Sanitation, food inspection, sewage disposal, care of swimming pools, housing, and many other functions of this bureau will be supervised from this office. The bureau of public health nursing will maintain its headquarters opposite the sanitation division. Duties of the public health nurse include follow-up of communicable disease cases to insure proper care of the patient and prevent infection of other persons, prenatal instruction of prospective mothers in the home, and general health education of families in the home. "The value of the health center plan is self-evident," Dr. Smiley claims, "when the low death and disease rates of the Los Angeles county health department area are compared with other sections of the United States. Mortality rates in the county last year were computed to be more than 20 per cent below the national average, communicable disease rates equally less, and infant mortality, considered by health authorities as the barometer of health conditions of an area, was found to be more than 35 per cent less than the nation as a whole."

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