

Ten-Pay Plan for Old Taxes Ending This Month

HEAVY PENALTIES BEING RESTORED

The ten-payment plan of paying delinquent taxes, in operation since 1933, will expire this month, H. L. Byram, county tax collector, pointed out this week. Taxpayers having real estate taxes for 1936-37 or prior are advised that Aug. 20 is the last day to redeem their property with the present liberal interest charge. The recent special session of the Legislature refused to extend the plan beyond that date.

It is also the last day to place the delinquencies under the ten-payment plan. The provisions do not apply where 1937-38 is the only year delinquent.

Under the present provisions of the law, interest is charged at seven percent per annum from July 1, 1936, and there are no penalties added.

No Further Extension
After Aug. 20, Byram points out, penalties will be computed from the original date of delinquency which will greatly exceed the present interest charge. Besides, total delinquencies then must be paid in lump sums with no installment payments permitted.

"No further extension of the ten-payment plan can be made except by the Legislature which does not meet until next January," stated the tax collector. "From the attitude expressed by the various members at the last session it would appear that no further extension will be granted."

Taxpayers who have not secured statements of the amount required to pay their delinquent taxes by Aug. 20, should attend to the matter without further delay as the time left is very short.

A recent check shows the tax collector's office to have approximately 24,000 ten-payment accounts in good standing, involving approximately 33,000 parcels of property. Collections on de-

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A monument of card tables topped by Dorothy Prenger in a city street intersection announces a gigantic outdoor bridge tournament, a feature of the annual Centennial Days celebration at Inglewood, Cal. Over 1500 players are expected to compete on Aug. 6.

OBITUARY

MRS. ALICE ADA WIMBUSH CLARK... beloved wife of Daniel Clark, passed away Tuesday morning at the family home, 1021 Cravens avenue, following an illness dating back to May, 1937. Mrs. Clark, who was 55 years of age, became seriously ill Monday. With her husband, who was employed by the American Magnesite company of this city, and two daughters, Alice and Molly, Mrs. Clark came to Torrance nine months ago from Glens Falls, N. Y.

A native of London, England, Mrs. Clark came to this country in 1908 and was married two years later in Massachusetts. Arrangements have been made to send the body back to Hudson Falls, N. Y., where another daughter, Mrs. Gail Brown, and a son, Byron, reside. The funeral service will be held in that city. Mrs. Clark is also survived by a brother in Canada and two brothers and two sisters in England.

Clark and his two daughters here are giving up their home and will return to the New York city. Their future plans are indefinite but Clark may return to Torrance to resume his work here.

MRS. SOFIA SANDSTONE... former resident for many years in Los Angeles, died Monday at Rancho Los Amigos in Hondo, Calif., at the age of 87 years. She had been in failing health for the past several years. Mrs. Sandstone is survived by her devoted husband, Carl; a son, Oscar, who is with the Merchant Marine and at sea. Her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Oscar Sandstone, arrived in Los Angeles Tuesday morning from her home in Seattle to make the funeral arrangements with Gamby mortuary.

RACHAEL LOUISE McMURRAY... age 81, died Tuesday at 1555 Sartori avenue, where she had lived for the past ten years. She is survived by her husband, John, and six children: Samuel B. of Hemet, John W. and Roland L. of Bishop, Mrs. Ragna B. Burdick of Banning, Mrs. Elvira W. Wason of Oakland, and Raymond D. of Hawaii. According to Stone and Myers, the body was sent to Big Pine for funeral service and interment today.

OTTO WILLIAM McEWEN... succumbed at a Los Angeles hospital Tuesday after a long illness. He was 51 years of age and was survived by his mother, Mrs. Ella McEwen, and a sister, Mrs. Lois Babcock of this city. The funeral service was held this afternoon at Stone and Myers' chapel with Rev. Frank Porter officiating. Interment was at Inglewood Park cemetery.

MRS. RAFAELA PINA... age 75, who has made her home with her son Vincent at 1902 Plaza del Amo, passed away yesterday evening at the General hospital, Los Angeles. Mrs. Pina came to the United States from Mexico 40 years ago, residing the past nine years in Torrance. She is survived by four sons, William, Vincent, Espridion and Pedro. Funeral services will be held at St. Martha's church, Los Angeles, at 1 p. m. tomorrow, with interment at Calvary.

Delinquencies for the past fiscal year ending June 30, amounted to \$6,959,594.33.

Small Retail Stores Flourish; No Signs of Their Disappearance

The disappearance of small retail stores from the merchandising picture seems extremely remote despite the expressed belief of some persons that such stores are on the road to extinction; according to a study of small-scale retailing, just released by the Marketing Research Division, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

Polio Danger Lessens As Time Passes

Polionologists cases still are abnormally low in Los Angeles county, according to the weekly report of Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, county health officer. Every week that passes makes the danger of a 1932 epidemic less, he added. Chickenpox, measles, mumps and scarlet fever are slightly above normal average for the season.

New Philco Radio Feature Revealed

Three members of the Star Furniture company staff, Steve Schmidt, Frank Higgins and Ed Bowman, attended the luncheon meeting at Hotel Huntington in Pasadena last week when the new 1938 line of Philco radios was revealed together with Philco's latest feature, "Mystery Control."

This gadget, according to Schmidt, is the "greatest single engineering advancement that has been made since the invention of radio itself." More than 2,000 dealers, their servicemen and retail salesmen, attended the demonstration.

"Mystery Control" is a small brown box, no larger than a box of cigars and weighing little more," Schmidt explained. "On the top of it is a dial similar to a telephone dial. With this dial eight stations can be controlled on a companion Philco from any place whatsoever between the 'Mystery Control' and the radio. Not only can eight stations be controlled but the volume of those stations can be controlled absolutely. Also, the 'Mystery Control' enables the operator to turn off the radio."

"Philco engineers tell us that neither the photo electric cell nor the radio beam, which have been used previously in the remote control of typewriters, airplanes, submarines, doors, etc., are employed by Philco in achieving the remote control of their radios. Just what constitutes the new mysterious force that is utilized by 'Mystery Control' has not yet been divulged."

Another regular meeting is scheduled for tonight and everyone is welcome to attend.

Townsend Club

Activities
Mrs. Lura Davis

The Torrance Townsend club enjoyed one of the best meetings ever held in this city last Thursday evening. After a brief business session, the meeting was turned over to the entertainment committee which had arranged a splendid program of vocal and instrumental music.

The committee was composed of Mrs. Beth Paige, Mrs. Minnie Collier and Mrs. Paxman. Those appearing were Mr. and Mrs. Phipps, vocalists accompanying themselves on guitars; Sam Nourse, soloist, with Mrs. Paige at the piano. Ice cream and cake were served and Mr. Lester received an ovation because of his birthday that day. Group singing of Townsend songs closed the session.

Next Monday night the speaker will be Leo Shepard, KNX-CBS transmitter superintendent, who is now completing work at the new radio plant at Hawthorne avenue and 190th street. He will describe the operations of that KNX-CBS outlet. Michael Strasser will be program chairman.

Navy Chaplain Talks at Kiwanis

Taking his text from his own "Leaves from a Chaplain's Diary," a compilation of human interest covering 11 years of his service in the Navy, Chaplain W. R. Hall addressed members of the Kiwanis club Monday night. He was presented by Rev. Frank Porter. Chaplain Hall is in charge of the Navy Relief Society at Long Beach at the present time. His talk was exceptionally interesting because he described some little-known aspects of Navy life ashore and afloat.

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Two Groups Endorse Alondra Perfume Project

Endorsement of the proposed perfume project for Los Angeles county was filed with the board of supervisors this week by the Pacific Rose society, over the signature of Fred W. Walters of La Canada, president. Medicinal plants also are included in the list which the backers of the plant project desired to experiment with at Alondra Park, at the northern edge of Torrance.

The Pacific Rose Society, with a membership of 156, urged the supervisors to press its application for a WPA project, rather than turn the project over to some other agency to carry out.

A similar endorsement was filed with the supervisors this week from the Pasadena Horticultural association, with a membership of 240. The supervisors this week were awaiting an opinion from the county counsel's office as to whether any county department could legally sponsor the project.

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