

2000 U. S. AGENTS HUNT TAX DODGERS

Nation-Wide Campaign Begins to Collect Delinquent Sales Impost

PHILA. ONE OBJECTIVE

Washington, July 6.—With Philadelphia as one of their objectives, 2000 deputy revenue collectors, aided by a mobile force of 250 specially trained revenue officers, began a nation-wide campaign to collect delinquent sales taxes.

Commissioner of Internal Revenue Blair declared the drive would cover virtually every city of importance in the United States. The bureau's "Bying squadron," already at work in four-teen cities stretching from Boston to San Francisco, will be transferred later to a new group including Philadelphia, Commissioner Blair said.

Manufacturers who have failed to pay their excise taxes, or who have made returns in which fraud is suspected, will be a special object of investigation. Special attention also is to be given to verification of returns on the tax on soft drinks and the transportation, jewelry, admission and insurance taxes. Monthly returns of these taxes are required under the law.

"Discoveries of fraud or willful refusal to collect and pay the tax will be followed by prosecution," the commissioner said. "In these cases the Bureau of Internal Revenue will urge the imposition of extreme penalties. Failure to file a return and pay the tax is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1000 and an additional assessment of 25 per cent of the amount of the tax, while for willful refusal or evasion the penalty is a fine of not more than \$10,000 or five years' imprisonment or both, together with an added

assessment of 50 per cent of the amount of the tax.

"The time to file amended returns is before and not after Government investigation," taxpayers who, prior to inquiry by revenue officers, file amended returns accompanied by evidence to show the delinquency was due to no wrongful intent, will be given every proper consideration.

The "flying squadron" is now at work in Boston, New York, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Atlanta, New Orleans, Cleveland, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Dallas, Denver and San Francisco. After finishing this work there, the collectors are to be transferred to Philadelphia, Birmingham, Louisville, Cincinnati, Milwaukee, Fort Worth, Houston and Salt Lake City.

PAY CUT UP TO RAIL MEN

Union Chairman Order Vote Taken on Reduction

Chicago, July 6.—The membership of sixteen railway labor organizations, including the big four brotherhoods, will decide through a referendum vote by September 1 whether to accept or reject the 12 per cent wage reduction that went into effect on railroads throughout the country July 1. It was decided last night by the chief executive and 1500 general chairmen of the organizations.

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Cortelyou Also Blames "Dope" and Extravagance Bred by Wartime Wages

URGES QUICK PENALTIES

Bad liquor, narcotic drugs and wartime wages which permitted unnatural spending are given as the chief causes of the present prevalence of crime by James Cortelyou, Director of Public Safety.

"Quick, decisive action by the courts and long terms for criminals are suggested by the director as a means for cutting it short.

"There is no denying that the so-called whisky traffic has had much to do with the present crime wave," said the Director.

"The pity of it is that most of the stuff sold and transported is nothing short of poison. When certain types of men and young boys partake of that deadly stuff commonly called 'hooch' it acts upon them in such a way as to make them go almost to any extreme to get more. In that manner these poor, foolish youths are driven desperate, and the first thing they know they have gone from bad to worse—they are using dope.

"Once they take that awful step it is almost impossible to reclaim them. With their minds in that state and the false nerve instilled into them by the terrible effect of the drugs, they would actually hold up their own mother if she happened to come along while they are 'charged up.'

"What we want most to stop crime

is quick and decisive action after criminals are once caught. If the courts would only act quickly and hand out long sentences I feel sure much good would result."

In speaking of other causes which have acted as breeders of crime, the Director said:

"The exceedingly high wages paid during the war caused the average workman to live and spend away beyond his limit. When the war was brought to a close those people who had invested heavily in Liberty Bonds and war saving stamps were forced to sell them at a sacrifice in order to keep from starving.

Honest Men Go Wrong
"When the returns from these investments had been spent many of the

workers, who in ordinary circumstances are really honest, were forced to seek an existence by hook or crook.

"However, hard times or no hard times is no excuse for either a workman or an employer to be dishonest.

"One of the big reasons why the surety companies suffered such heavy losses was the failure of employers to exercise the proper supervision over their employees. When Charles

Toomer's heavy embezzlements were unearthed it was suggested that every financial institution in the city immediately have trusted employees 'checked up.'

Political Lessons for Women
More than 300 Republican women of Philadelphia received their second lesson in the machinery of politics at a

mass meeting in the Emergency headquarters, at 221 South Eighth street, last night. In a brief address George A. Welsh, recently appointed member of the School Board, said that the women must stick to their ideals if any reforms were to be accomplished. Other speakers were Mrs. Charles M. Gorton and Councilmen Roper and Tegen.

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