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## TO COLLECT INCOME TAXES IN LYNDEN

Federal Authorities Will Visit District To Gather New U. S. War Revenue

In a communication received by the Tribune today, Internal Revenue Collector David J. Williams states that federal income tax officers will soon as possible after the close of the year be sent into the Lynden district to help those subject to the income tax make out their reports without any cost to them for the service. The officers detailed for this work will announce upon their arrival in the community exactly where and when they can be found. As the number of officers is limited and the field large, their stay cannot be prolonged beyond the actual requirement, and persons desiring help or information on the income tax should make an appointment with the income tax man promptly upon his arrival.

How many income-tax payers will there be around Lynden? If you can guess how many married persons living with wife or husband will have net incomes of \$2,000 or over and how many unmarried persons will have net incomes of \$1,000 or over this year, then you know. The collector estimates that there will be ten times as many taxpayers for 1917 as there were for 1916.

Returns of income for the year 1917 must be made on blanks provided for the purpose before March 1, 1918. Because a good many people don't understand the law and won't know how to make out their reports, the government is sending out its officers to render them personal assistance. But the duty is on the taxpayer to make himself known to the government. If he doesn't make report as required before March 1st, he may have to pay a penalty ranging from \$20 to \$1,000, pay a fine or go to jail.

So if you don't want to take chances on going to jail, you had better call on the income tax man. If you are not sure about being subject to the tax, better ask him and make sure. Whether you see the income tax man or not, you must make return if your net income amounts to \$1,000 if you are unmarried, or \$2,000 if you are married and living with your wife or husband.

The collector suggests that everybody start now to figure up income and expenses so as to be ready with the figures when the officer arrives. Expenses, however, don't mean family expenses, money used to pay off the principal of a debt, new machinery, buildings, or anything like that. They mean what you spend in making your money—interest, taxes paid, hired help, amount paid for goods sold, seed, stock bought for feeding, rent (except for your dwelling), etc. Income includes about every dollar you get.

The Lynden High school Alumni reunion will be held Tuesday evening beginning at 7:30, in the I. O. O. F. hall. A good time is assured to all who attend. Every alumnus is urged to be present, for many may not be able to attend another reunion for a number of years. Miss Tillie Meurer, who is president of the association, asks that all girls who have not been especially notified to bring cake, should come provided with sandwiches.

The Klatawa Club met Wednesday evening with Miss Helen Smith of Bellingham.

Reuben Axlund broke his wrist Wednesday morning while cranking a car.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hemingway and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Williams were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Samply, of Bellingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gustin and children left Wednesday evening for a visit with relatives and friends in the East.

Miss Marie Polinder spent the week-end in Bellingham as the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. E. Landaal.

Mrs. Frank Walsh of Bellingham was the guest of Miss Irene Krouse Friday and Saturday.

Miss Orel Jackman returned Saturday evening from Corvallis where she is a student at the Oregon Agricultural College.

## THREE MORE ADDED TO ADVISORY BOARD

E. Edson, W. I. Baker And Geo. Taylor Will Help In The Registering Of Men

Ed Edson, W. I. Baker and George Taylor were appointed this week by Governor Lister to the Lynden advisory board to assist registered men in filling out their questionnaires. The board now consists of the above men, and R. B. Le Cocq, P. M. Serrurier and D. L. Beckes.

Registrants seem to have the impression that the members of the local advisory board will answer all the questions for them. Each registrant is supposed to answer all questions in his own hand writing. By careful study of the questionnaire all the questions can very readily be answered. The advisory board will then explain any matters or questions which are not fully understood. Registrants can fill out the questionnaire at home, leaving such questions as they do not understand until advice has been secured from some member of the board. Care should be taken that pen and ink is used in making the answers.

All persons having dependents must secure affidavits from such dependents. Such persons must appear before some member of the local board or notary public. All who are engaged in an agricultural enterprise must secure affidavits in support of their claim.

(1) If registrant is an employee, one affidavit must be made by his employer and second affidavit by a near neighbor.

(2) If registrant is sole managing, controlling and directing head the supporting affidavits must be made according to following rules: (a) If such head is the owner of the land, both affidavits must be made by a near neighbor; (b) if such head leases the land the first affidavit must be made by the owner of the land and the second by a near neighbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Worthen entertained at dinner Christmas day. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Worthen, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gustin and children, Mrs. Annie Cudney, Mrs. Anna Sharrard, Mr. Theo. Toblossen, the Misses Clara Brounell, Winona Williams, Minnie, Elsie and Mary Worthen, and the Messrs. Chesty, Clifton and Carrol Worthen.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Jamieson entertained the Byrons and Jameisons at dinner Christmas day. Their guests were: Mrs. Susan Byron, Mr. and Mrs. X. S. Byron and son, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. David H. Jamieson, all of Bellingham, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jamieson and daughter of Seattle, Mr. and Mrs. C. Humphreys and daughter of Ferndale, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jamieson and daughter, Miss Mary Jamieson.

A family reunion was held Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Lizzie Meurer. Those who joined in the celebration were, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shumway and daughters Ione and Lois, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Miller and son Bruce, and daughter Ethel, Mr. and Mrs. Will Meurer and daughter Virginia, and son Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Reed and daughters Vivian and Betty, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walsh, the Misses Tillie and Hannah Merurer, and Mr. Elbert Meurer.

The members of the class of 1917 of the Lynden High school held a reunion Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hawley. Although the class has scattered considerably in the last six months all but four members were present. The evening was spent with games, conversation, and music, after which delicious refreshments were served. Those present were:

The Misses Viola Gosch, Mabel Parish, Frances Oltman, Alma Ecker, Ethel Liming, Genevieve Abbot, Gladys Stauffer, Blanche Jacobs, Alice Haveman, and the Messrs. Charlie Kamm, Ralph Kirkpatrick, Lester Landaal, George Frick, Carrol Worthen and Arvid Benson.

Miss Esther Bolander and the pupils of the Sunshine school raised \$12 for the Armenians and the Syrians with a pie social at the school house Friday evening. Preceding the auctioneering of the pies, the school gave

Will Noteboom was home from Camp Lewis over Christmas.

## Old and New Year

The muffled belfry-chimes fall dull  
Upon the dark-draped skies;  
The days are passing, and the months are full,  
The Old Year dies,  
So withered flower of Spring; and Summer's fruit  
Grew sear;  
And Hope's enchanting whisperings are mute,  
The ear no longer  
Hears the song of Promise; in the heart of a lute  
A' stringless lies;—  
The Yea ris dead.

A song bursts from the snow-clad belfry; out  
Upon the clear, crisp frosty air  
The metal voices leap, and termling shout:  
"Hail to the newborn Year."  
In yonder naked linden lifts the thrush  
From shielding wing  
Its drowsy head; and, marveling, fain would gush  
With song of Spring,  
And valleys, purpled with young Summer's blush,  
And heyday of the heart,  
And joys the Year shall bring.

—Henry K. Pasma.

## ICE AND FLOOD WORK VAST DAMAGE TO CITY

Three Day Silver Thaw Mows Down Orchards and Wrecks Telephone and Electricity Wires--City Without Water and Light

A three day silver thaw, starting Wednesday night, and closing Saturday with a chinook, mowed down orchards, snapped off light and telephone poles and worked incalculable damage to the Lynden district. The wrecked zone stretches from Laurel to the Boundary, and embraces Everson, Ferndale, Sumas and Blaine.

Rising waters Saturday morning are sweeping the river bottom with the worse flood in years.

Damage to the telephone and light company will reach well up into the thousands. Following the shutting off of power, the city was without water.

The electric company hopes to have light in Lynden before Monday night. Phone service will be interrupted for weeks.

## LACK OF ELECTRICITY DELAYS THE TRIBUNE

Because of the lack of electricity, this issue of The Tribune was delayed until Saturday. The next issue will appear Thursday as usual.

We ask our readers to pardon the many typographical errors this week. Our linotype machine could not be run without electricity.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Jacobson entertained their children and grandchildren at dinner Christmas. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jacobson and son, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jacobson and son, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Axlund and son, Miss Edit hJacobson, and Mr. Nels Jacobson, Jr.

Miss Daisy Stewart of Bend, Oregon, came up to Lynden Sunday for the Christmas holidays, surprising her mother, Mrs. M. M. Stewart.

Miss Esther Bolander is spending the holidays at her home in Puyallup.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jacobson were the guests Christmas of Mrs. Effie Bateman and Miss Lucy Austin.

## SKAGIT FLOOD IS HIGHER THAN OURS

That the Skagit river is flooding its bottom lands worse than the Nooksack, is the report today. The town of Burlington is said to be under water.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mutchler and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tremain, Sr., and Miss Francis Asam were guests Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tremain.

Mrs. Ellen Edson returned to her home in Bellingham Monday morning, after spending a few days in Lynden with her son, Ed Edson.

Mrs. Axel Dahlquist, of Sumas, is spending a few days at the Stark home.

Miss Bolander also raised \$13.00 during the week for the Red Cross, their Christmas program.

Vernon Hawley is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Dave Larson at Blaine.

Mrs. Agnes Hadley and Miss Tillie Meurer spent Sunday with Mrs. Lizzie Meurer.

## A Wish

I wish you well, now when the portals  
Of a new Cycle for you open swing;  
Look, take, and drink the life-draught drama for mortals,  
And, sweet or bitter, in your heart may ring  
These words, 'I wish you well!'

—Henry K. Pasma.

## Y. W. C. A. TO RAISE WAR WORK FUND

Lynden Will Be Asked To Contribute To Activities Of The Association

Asked by the national government, the Fosdick Commission and other agencies to undertake a war work in behalf of women relatives and friends of our soldiers through the construction of the already famous Hostess House of cantonments and at the front, to provide moral and physical guidance for the millions of girls whose lives have been diverted into new channels by the war, to supply housing, rest and recreation for heroic women in the battle zone, the Young Women's Christian Association, through the National War Work Council, has begun the task of raising \$4,000,000 to carry out these vitally important functions.

Lynden will be asked to help raise this amount.

For the purposes of this campaign the country has been divided into eleven sections, and most of such districts have already raised their allotments. The Northwestern Field, which includes Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, is required to secure \$144,000, a small amount compared to that of other divisions. Of the four million dollars, there will be used for Hostess Houses the sum of \$1,500,000, for the emergency housing of employed girls, \$500,000, and for the Association's work among the women in allied nations, \$1,000,000. The rest of the fund will be devoted to its other phases of patriotic constructive work.

The Young Women's Christian Association is to the women of this nation and of the world, what the Y. M. C. A. is to the men. It is both national and international. It has about 350,000 members in the United States and more than 800,000 members throughout the world. It is the only women's organization in the nation that is interdenominational. It is in close touch, through its workers everywhere, with the problems of women in all countries, from which insistent calls for help are continually coming. It has a great equipment, personal and material, with a compact organization backed by fifty years of experience. The Association has hundreds of secretaries, local and national, and owns buildings in 300 cities.

One of the very urgent needs created by the war army organization is the construction and maintenance of Hostess Houses near army cantonments, camps and navy yards. The government, which early recognized conditions at cantonments that must be met by women, requested the construction of these buildings and provided places for them. The first few weeks proved the necessity of such women's buildings—to provide a pleasant, homelike place where the soldier could visit with his women relatives and friends—thus keeping alive the relationship between the soldier and his homes.

At present, in the Northwest, there are Hostess Houses at Camp Lewis, American Lake, Washington, at the navy yard, Puget Sound, and at Vancouver Barracks, Washington.

The work of Hostess Houses is enthusiastically endorsed by all military authorities. Major General H. A. Greene, commanding at Camp Lewis, said "The Hostess House, erected by the National War Work Council of the Y. W. C. A. at American Lake, is one of the finest things we have at Camp Lewis. The very atmosphere of your house is refining and elevating and all the agencies for comfort and conveniences of the men and their relatives and friends seem complete and efficient." Col. Hoyt, at Fort Lee, Va., says: "The work which you women are doing is splendid, and you must be prepared to quadruple it at a moment's notice."

Gale Edson left Sunday for Seattle, where he spent Christmas with his mother. He left Wednesday for Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he is stationed with an army ambulance unit.

Mrs. Beckstrom spent Wednesday and Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. Brown.

Miss Ethel Liming visited over the week-end with Miss Gladys Stauffer.

Russell Tremain is ill with the mumps.

Ed Scovill is home for Christmas.

## LYNDEN BUTTER GIVEN HIGH MARK

Local Product Scores Record In Annual State Contest Held At Seattle

The Lynden Creamery received the second highest score at the State Butter Scoring Contest held at Seattle last week in connection with the state buttermakers' convention.

The winning score was 94½ with the Lynden butter but a half point behind, having received the grade of 94.

The Lynden Creamery is still able to churn over one thousand pounds of butter a day, in spite of the stiff competition being offered by the condenseries now.

The price of butter jumped upward four cents this week, bringing the wholesale price to 53 cents for butter, while the farmers are receiving 60 cents for their butter fat, the highest mark ever known in this section.

## BLAINE TO EVERSON TAKES FIVE DAYS NOW BY MAIL

It takes five days now for a letter to go from Blaine to Everson by mail, according to the following article from the Everson Valley Home:

"And then when all the kicks are being registered about the mail service, we may add that the 'Questionnaires' that were mailed from Blaine on last Saturday reached Everson on Tuesday afternoon and to those living on the routes on Wednesday afternoon. Counting a day or so for the men to fill out the blanks, we can not see, if the return trip is no faster, how they can be returned in the seven days allotted."

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Waples entertained Christmas day for Mrs. Mrs. Annie E. Waples, and Miss Edna Waples of Bellingham, Miss Harriet Armstrong of Tacoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Waples and daughter Bobby.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jackman entertained at Christmas dinner for Mrs. M. L. Jackman, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Jackman and daughter, Ruth, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Kelly and son, Clyde.

John Wetering of Seattle, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wetering. He has enlisted in the medical corps with the Red Cross base hospital which is being formed at Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jamieson and daughter of Seattle visited the first of the week at the home of Mr. Jamieson's brothers, Hugh and Clarence Jamieson.

Effie Beltman, Elizabeth Schuyleman, Elsie Schuyleman, and Marie De Valois were the guests of Miss Caroline Rutgers Friday evening in honor of Miss Rutgers' birthday.

Mrs. Landwear and children and Miss Mary Tremain were guests Christmas day at the C. G. Lund home.

Fred L. Smith, Be. Dyksterhuis, Albert Bovenadam, Knute Riddle and Harley Colley were among those home for Christmas.

Miss Clare Brownell, who is teaching at Amber, Washington, was a guest this week at the Geo. Worthen home.

The Lynden High school alumni party Friday evening will be held at the I. O. O. F. hall instead of at the High school building.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Ward of Bellingham are visiting with Mrs. Ward's mother, Mrs. P. A. Oakes.

Miss Emma Bennett was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Serrurier at Christmas dinner.

Mr. Percy Bayes is home from Whitman College for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Ossewarde and son Louis, of Bellingham, were Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Zylstra.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Groen were Christmas guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. A. A. Bauman.

Harry Savings spent Christmas day in Bellingham.