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VILLAGE BOARD SUBMIT THEIR ANNUAL REPORT

SUBSTANTIAL SUMS REMAIN IN ALL FUNDS

How the People's Money
Was Expended During the
Year 1923.

GENERAL FUND	
Receipts	
Balance on hand	\$ 773.52
Mortgage Tax	19.89
License Fee	10.00
Collector	2,667.10
Mercantile Tax	569.37
Income Tax	482.85
Fines	300.00
Total	\$4,822.73
Disbursements	
Mar. 5 Jesse Ann Bill	\$ 13.78
5 News Printing House	76.55
24 Allegany Mut. Tel. Co.	6.40
T. K. Regan	1.10
Jett Blodgett	5.00
E. W. Richardson	14.60
E. Brown	19.65
Henry Stephens	29.00
Apr. 1 M. F. Wyckoff	60.00
5 News Printing House	55.83
Allegany Mut. Tel. Co.	8.05
May 1 M. F. Wyckoff	60.00
15 C. S. Rennells	14.04
Jun. 7 Chas. Rogers	9.80
Jett Blodgett	13.20
M. F. Wyckoff	60.00
C. H. Watson	3.00
July 2 Williamson Law	9.60
Book Co.	60.00
M. F. Wyckoff	60.00
News Printing House	7.45
Allegany Mut. Tel. Co.	3.81
C. S. Rennells	2.00
14 Hook & Ladder Co.	300.00
16 Bilateral Fire Hose	80.00
Co.	5.42
Robert Mingus	32.50
P. W. Richardson	60.00
Aug. 2 M. F. Wyckoff	60.00
11 H. E. Lehman	15.00
16 Grant Sherwood	21.32
C. S. Rennells	57.30
18 H. E. Lehman	7.75
22 A. C. McPetridge	7.75
24 Everybody's Store	2.00
Sept. 1 C. S. Rennells	3.93
6 Horan Hardware Co.	60.00
M. F. Wyckoff	60.00
Masonic House Com.	40.00
Williamson Law	4.25
Book Co.	14.00
M. J. Gray	21.00
E. A. Richardson	11.75
11 Robert Mingus	12.67
Baker Bros. & Boyd	2.00
Oct. 4 C. S. Rennells	6.16
Allegany Mut. Tel. Co.	8.80
News Printing House	60.00
M. F. Wyckoff	100.00
Nov. 1 P. W. Richardson	4.61
E. Hyland	60.00
M. F. Wyckoff	1.50
Grant Sherwood	1.34
Robert Mingus	33.00
Henry Stephens	34.20
C. E. Brown	41.75
B. S. Brundage	5.00
C. S. Rennells	21.00
Dec. 15 C. E. Brown	60.00
6 C. S. Rennells	75.00
M. F. Wyckoff	6.63
E. F. Stearns	19.55
Robert Mingus	24.66
Charles Caples	8.66
Horan Hardware Co.	125.24
C. E. Hann	25.03
W. F. O'Connell	31.78
Jett Blodgett	76
Henry Stephens	5.10
Robert Mingus	18.00
C. H. Watson	3.61
News Printing House	
Allegany Mut. Tel. Co.	

Time is Up on Income Tax Reports

DEATH OF B. M. AUSTIN

At his home in Apache, Oklahoma, Burritt M. Austin died suddenly of apoplexy and passed into the great beyond, on Jan. 27, 1924. The body, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Buchanan of Lawton, Oklahoma, and Burritt B. Hann of McFall, Mo., was brought to the Austin family home near McFall, Missouri, now occupied by Fred Austin, and sister, Alice, on Wednesday afternoon. Funeral was conducted by Rev. Smart of Jameson Methodist church, at the Methodist church in McFall, on Friday afternoon, Feb. 1st. Mr. Austin usually spent his summers at the Austin farm near McFall, and had many friends here who will miss him—Albany Ledger, Albany, Missouri.

The family has promised a sketch of his life for these columns later.

C. E. Hann	
Jan. 11 M. F. Wyckoff	14.90
19 Grant Sherwood	11.00
Feb. 7 A. L. Yoemans	6.06
Mrs. C. W. Williams	2.24
E. F. Stearns	77.50
Edward Kilbane	80.92
Masonic House Com	20.00
Total Disbursements	\$3,045.98
Balance on hand, March 1, 1924	\$1,776.75

WATER FUND

Receipts	
Balance on hand	\$2,008.21
Water Rents	6,774.71
Water Rents	212.02
Total	\$9,995.04
Mar. 24 M. T. Garvin	\$ 2.50
Frank Holmes	5.00
Apr. 3 P. M. Swink	8.70
Thomas O'Connell	1.20
Frank Kemp	1.20
LeRoy Brundage	2.25
Chas. Rogers	3.00
May 14 C. S. Rennells	10.00
Chas. Rogers	9.89
C. S. Rennells	7.28
15 C. S. Rennells	7.28
June 7 C. S. Rennells	14.93
A. L. Yoemans	3.00
Chas. Lynch	5.20
16 C. S. Rennells	10.76
30 C. S. Rennells	3.00
July 3 M. J. Gray	12.30
16 C. S. Rennells	12.48
24 P. A. Dean	2,500.00
Aug. 1 C. S. Rennells	27.98
2 E. A. Richardson	6.97
Charles Rogers	12.60
M. J. Gray	2.10
E. C. Langworthy	4.83
16 C. S. Rennells	18.24
Sept. 1 C. S. Rennells	26.24
6 Charles Rogers	1.05
Horan Hardware Co.	1.57
E. A. Richardson	15.15
Baker Bros. & Boyd	42.85
Oct. 10 C. S. Rennells	7.28
C. S. Rennells	22.08
Charles Rogers	2.10
16 C. S. Rennells	8.32
E. A. Richardson	23.15
Nov. 20 Jesse F. Hunt	848.60
J. F. & L. R. Hunt	1,060.00
Nov. 1 T. C. Major	20.00
C. S. Rennells	23.24
Nov. 1 C. S. Rennells	212.00
Grace M. Seales	848.00
Nov. 14 Vars	848.00
Mabel V. Grenolds	848.00
15 E. A. Richardson	18.90
C. S. Rennells	14.04
27 John Common, P. M.	11.82

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TAX-PAYERS ARE ADVISED TO PAY ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN

Many Have Delayed Making Returns in the Hope of Reductions, Now Rush to Get Under March 15 Wire

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Another Income Tax return day is at hand. March 15th—a week from Saturday—is the day. Perhaps not since the Income Tax law became effective has there been as wide and general delay in making returns as this year.

The cause of this was, of course, the expectations of the taxpayers that Congress would have before this time passed a measure allowing a reduction on 1923 incomes. However, the fight in Congress in attempting to revise the Mellon's plan so gummed up the works that the situation is as yet unchanged, although it is generally accepted that a joint resolution covering a reduction of 1923 incomes will be passed before June 15. Legislation affecting 1924 incomes will likely be postponed until the fall session.

Pay in Installments

The layman is particularly interested in what he shall do now in regard to his 1923 income returns. Despite the wide circulation of recommendations covering this by the Internal Revenue Department, the fact remains that offices in every town and state are being besieged by a horde of taxpayers in a last mad rush and scramble to get first information and make returns. Likely, this is the situation. Reductions on 1923 incomes will be effective some time during the present year.

Taxpayers are being advised to make returns on 1923 incomes in the regular way, but to pay the tax in quarterly installments—paying the first quarter when return is made—on or before March 15. Then, it pointed out, when Congress goes pass a joint resolution or amendment to the present revenue act (whether it is this spring or in the fall session) the taxpayer will be permitted to omit one of the quarterly installments—or the one-fourth reduction which has been promised and seems assured.

If the joint resolution is passed before June 15th, taxpayers may be permitted to omit payment on the second installment. The regulation will likely be attached so as not to effect the regular flow of funds to the Treasury Department.

It is possible, of course, that Congress during this session will yet pass into action and pass tax legislation covering both 1923 and 1924 incomes and which will be acceptable to both Republicans and Democrats, as well as the Administration.

However, indications are that the political maneuvering by both parties will result in a bill which will be stopped by the President's veto, and necessarily thrown back for compromise, revision and passage at the Autumn session.

Congress knows full well that taxpayers will be in a bad frame of mind at the full election booths if they fail to get reduction on their 1923 incomes. Each party has realized the reduction, so in making returns this month taxpayers are aware that they will pay eventually one-fourth less than is shown in their returns.

The Truth About the So-Called Bonus

The basic pay of the enlisted man in the military service in the World War was \$30 a month. From this, in the majority of cases, was deducted \$15 for allotment to dependents and \$6.50 for insurance, leaving a balance of \$8.50 of actual monthly remuneration for the most hazardous work on earth. Out of this small sum, more than 80 per cent of the men in uniform bought Liberty Bonds on the installment plan. At the same time ordinary unskilled workers were drawing from \$5 to \$10 a day, skilled workers drew from \$7 to \$25 a day. The soldier had to pay for his workmen's compensation insurance—a payment which is made obligatory on the employer and not the employee in practically every state.

The Soldier Came Home and Found

Congress paying manufacturers three billion dollars for profits they might have made on war contracts terminated by the Armistice.

Congress paying a "bonus" of \$240 a year to each of 150,000 civil employees of the Government because of the increased cost of living during the war. These bonuses are still being paid.

Congress paying the railroads \$1,696,000,000 in compensation for loss of profits in war.

Congress giving the soldier himself just sixty dollars.

From this the veteran was expected to—

1. Buy himself a new outfit of civilian clothes.
2. Pay off the load of war debts accumulated by his family.
3. Pay his rent and food bills while hunting a job.

The Pledge to Pay It

To overcome the tremendous economic handicap imposed on him, the American people have promised him much.

The late President Harding vetoed the Adjusted Compensation Bill on representation that the Treasury faced a \$650,000,000 deficit.

Now the Money is Here

1. There is a surplus of \$315,000,000 in the Treasury.
2. The estimated surplus for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1924, is \$400,000,000.
3. Great Britain is paying her debt to America at the rate of \$160,000,000 a year.

Andrew W. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, has stated that taxes cannot be reduced if the adjusted compensation bill is passed. Many newspapers have echoed this false sentiment. The result is that the public mind has been misled. These are the fundamental mathematics of the situation. Mr. Mellon has shown how economies of \$223,000,000 in the cost of government may be effected. The cost of compensation in the first three years will not average more than \$81,000,000 a year. These figures were supplied to the Finance Committee of the Senate by actuaries of the Treasury Department. Adjusted Compensation is a just debt and it has no bearing on other obligations of the government. But by Mr. Mellon's own figures it is clearly shown that when adjusted compensation is paid it will still be possible to reduce government expense \$242,000,000 a year. The statement that taxes cannot be reduced if veteran's compensation is adjusted is therefore false.

Compensation will allay the dissatisfaction existing among veterans and dispel the sense of injustice they now feel. It will cement their faith in their country and cement the faith of our future soldiers and sailors. It will insure that the money be spent in productive channels, quickening industry and trade.

MANY INTERESTING PLACES ARE VISITED

Gets Pelican Bite to Add to His Other Florida Bites— Wonderful Growth.

Clearwater, Fla., Feb. 27, 1924.

Dear Mr. Backus:

Possibly the letter which I sent you from Daytona about a month ago was clouded too much by the mud and sloughs thru which we had plowed our way in reaching that city, but now the skies have cleared, the roads dried up, and the mocking birds begun their spring carolling, so I can look thru rosiertinted glasses and can give you this time the more usual picture painted by the tourist.

We are not content to visit only the popular tourist sights and see only the "front door" of places, as it were. And very often we get off the well-beaten paths we find the places or experiences of greatest interest. Just one example of that may show you what I mean.

Clearwater, where we are staying for a few weeks, is a very beautiful growing, tourist village. Perhaps the size of Wellsville. Since we were here two years ago the first veterans and the Methodists have built them wonderfully fine new edifices and the Baptists have one well started which will rival any now in the place.

We went to church, as usual, last Sunday morning, but when we started out for evening service we had a little uncertainty of mind as to which church we would attend. We finally passed by all the fine churches on the avenue and went to a colored church the other side of town. Here we were made to feel welcome, tho I am sure they have very few white visitors to their services. The choir did not "render" as melodious music as is common, but after the sermon the pastor started one of the "spirited" which you have sometimes in Andover heard imitated by some visiting quartette. I only wish you might hear the real thing with all its weirdness. That alone was worth the trip. Considerable business had to be transacted as it was the last Sunday before the pastor would go to Conference at Jacksonville. A very good financial report was given. Then two soliciting committees took charge of affairs, one which wished to raise enough money to pay the minister's expenses to Conference, and the other wished contributions to buy him a new suit of clothes that he might be suitably clothed for the occasion. It was suggested that this fund be made large enough to include the purchase of a rubber collar, as well as a suit. Many from the audience walked up front with their offerings but some preferred to raise their hands and then some one from the committee would go down and get the money. To make plain her willingness to go down to any one in the audience and get his contribution, one young lady on the committee said, "I always like to walk for money."

After the pastor was satisfactorily provided for, there were several selections of music by a band of sixteen young boys who were there from a colored orphanage in Georgia. Their leader then told much of interest about the school. Just one fact I will pass on to you now. Of the 3,500 graduates from their school not over twenty have had any sentence since leaving the school. When it was approaching eleven o'clock we decided we could not "see it thru," so retired, very glad for our experience.

We have visited Tampa, the big business city of the West coast; Tarpon Springs, so different from any other place in Florida, famous as the largest sponge market in the world and full of interesting sea curios. All the sponge industry is carried on by Greeks, whom we learn from nearly half the population of Tarpon and are regarded as the best of citizens. Then St. Petersburg, the tourists' Mecca for the West coast, as Miami is for the East. We were not prepared to see such great growth here, and everything just crowded. In fact, even the smaller places seem to be very well filled this year. At St. Petersburg we found the Clarks very comfortably located, enjoying the sights, but even more, their roque games.

A great many places in Florida have recently been made bird sanctuaries, and other legislation is looking after the preservation of the birds. The pier at St. Petersburg has always been an interesting place for us, watching the pelicans play about and fish. Now they seem to know that no one dares to harm them. Some are tame enough to walk right up beside people and poke their heads into a crowd when they get curious, as often happens. In our efforts to secure some good pictures of them we got a few small fish to feed them. In their greed, they tried to swallow our hands, as well as the fish. When pulling our hands out from their cavernous beak we both received a few cuts from the very sharp edge of the bill. Now we have a pelican bite to add to our list of Florida bites.

Our evening temperature here lately is running about 50 but it feels like 32 would at home, so much moisture. We wonder if the snow drifts in Allegany will be melted when we reach home, about a month hence.

With best regards to all, I am
Most cordially yours,
C. H. WATSON.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. C. W. O'DONNELL

Passed Away Early Wednesday Morning of Septic Sore Throat

Andover people were greatly shocked Wednesday morning at learning of the sudden death at about 4:30 of Mrs. Charles W. O'Donnell, of septic sore throat, complicated with heart trouble.

Mrs. O'Donnell had been slightly ill since Friday but her condition was not serious until Tuesday in the night when she was taken critically ill.

Dr. Comstock of Wellsville was called and everything done for her possible, but death came soon after the Wellsville physician reached her side.

Funeral services will be held at the home Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Mrs. O'Donnell had a large circle of friends in Andover whose sympathy goes out to the husband and daughters in their bereavement.

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Specialist in Recreation Coming to Andover

Prof. Ralph Felton, of Cornell University, specialist in recreation and community betterment work, will be in Andover next Friday afternoon, March 14th, and teach us "How to Play in the Home."

The meeting will be held in the Methodist Church and is to be a community gathering. Everyone is urged to take advantage of this wonderful privilege given us of hearing and seeing a specialist demonstrate how we can make our homes better and more interesting. The American home is the backbone of American life. To learn to make it a place of more enjoyment should be the great aim and pleasure of all.

As nearly as the News has been able to learn the program for this meeting, Prof. Felton will begin his work at 1:30 P. M.

Preceding the meeting the ladies of the Home Bureau will serve a 35c dinner at the church parlors at noon. This is done so that there can be given more time for Prof. Felton, and so that those living outside of Andover can attend the meeting easier.

Prof. Felton came into Allegany County some weeks ago and his meetings were so popular that his return trip for a second series of meetings has been planned.

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