

Polk County Tax Statements Are Found to Contain Error

Dallas, Nov. 3—All Polk county property taxpayers are due for a 6.8 mill "bonus" on their 1949-50 taxes because of an error made in the office of Ed C. Dunn, assessor, which caused the tax bill to be \$108,000 too much.

The mistake was made in computing millage levy for county and state purposes and thus every property taxpayer in the county is affected. All tax statements have been mailed, and over \$50,000 in tax payments had been received at the office of Sheriff T. B. Hooker before an auditing firm noted the error.

County officials, when informed of the mistake, held a conference and decided that the sheriff and his deputies will correct the statements as they are presented at the office for payment. This will entail considerable detail work and slow the process of collection during the rush period before November 15, deadline for rebate on payments.

Those who have already paid will receive refunds through the mail after the statements have been re-figured. Checks will either be issued through the sheriff's office or through Tracy Staats, county treasurer.

In Dallas, the total millage levy was figured on the assessor's tax summary at 101.3 mills. Deducting the error, it actually amounts to 94.5 mills. Similar reductions are in order in all districts of the county. In Dallas, the mistake thus means about a 7 per cent reduction in taxes. Other taxpayers can figure their refunds on the basis of \$6.80 per \$1,000 property valuation.

Assessor Dunn issued a statement saying: "I wish to state that the error was made by my office. One levy was run at a rate of 6.8 mills higher than it should have been. I am making this statement in order that no undue criticism may be directed at Hooker's office. The difference is now being deducted from each statement as it is paid at the tax window."

During the past three years, errors appear to have "jinxed" the assessor's office. On the 1947-48 roll an offset from income tax funds was not taken into consideration in compiling the levy for the county school fund. As a result, the roll was \$65,141 overstated, and it was necessary to mail refunds to nearly every taxpayer in the county.

While the 1949-50 roll was being prepared, a large quantity of statements were prepared on 1948-49 statement forms, and it was necessary for the office to do them over on this year's forms.

Dunn pointed out that assessors all over the state are having similar troubles due to lack of sufficient and experienced help. He stated that the attorney general's office told him that four other counties had found similar errors this year. The tax job becomes of increasing complexity each year, but little additional help is provided and deadlines remain the same.

Chrysanthemum Show Plans Are Completed

Salem Heights—The Little Garden club of Salem Heights has scheduled their annual chrysanthemum show for November 5 and 6 at the Salem Heights Community hall on Liberty road.

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Wallgren Sworn Into Power Commission

Washington, Nov. 3 (AP)—Mon C. Wallgren, former governor of the state of Washington and close friend of President Truman, was sworn in today as the fifth member of the federal power commission.

The oath was administered to the former governor, U.S. senator and congressman by Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson.

The 58-year-old Wallgren, who was turned down earlier this year by the senate armed services committee on Mr. Truman's nomination of him to be

chairman of the national security resources board, will get \$15,000 a year as a member of the power commission. The resources board job would have paid \$14,000.

Nominated to the power post on Oct. 18, Wallgren was confirmed by the senate the following day. He succeeds Leonard Olds, who was rejected for another term by the senate.

Like Olds, Wallgren is an advocate of public power.

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Announces Plan To Revive CCC

Salt Lake City, Nov. 3 (AP)—A plan for modified revival of the depression-born "civilian conservation corps" was announced today by Rep. Reva Beck Bosone, D. Utah.

Utah's first woman member of congress said her CCC program would be presented when the house of representatives reconvenes in January.

Mrs. Bosone would make the program open to youths 17 to 23. She estimated costs at \$2,000 a year for each boy, but said this would be more than paid for in

"valuable work which has been neglected during the war and postwar years."

Primarily, she said, she would like to revive the CCC camps to combat juvenile delinquency and "provide the boys with a new purpose in life as well as greatly improving their health."

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