



Joining the Clan

All ready to go up alongside photographs of three of his forebears is a picture of former Birmingham city commissioner and Mayor James G. Allen, of 1108 W. Maple, Birmingham. He and Birmingham City Clerk Irene Hanley check the latest addition to the municipal building's interior walls. It will join photographs (from left)

of Allen's grandfather, W. D. Clizb, village president, 1917-21; Allen's father, Harry Allen, village president, 1930-33 and mayor, 1933-36, and a great-grandfather, Freeman Richardson, trustee from 1892 to 1894. Photographs of all former city commissioners and mayors are hung in the Birmingham municipal building's halls.

You Must Decide on Tax Forms

(This is one of a series of articles on federal income tax filing. The articles are based on information provided by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in cooperation with the Internal Revenue Service.)

If you are one of the millions of American taxpayers who spends the lion's share of his income feeding, clothing, housing and entertaining his family, chances are there is very little you can do to reduce your 1958 federal income tax bill—but you owe it to yourself to try.

First of all, decide which of the two individual tax forms you are going to use to report your income. If you choose the wrong one, you may automatically cut yourself off from a possible tax savings.

The easiest way to file is to use the simple 1040-A Form. It's a card the size of a check, on which you answer a few simple questions and have the choice of either computing your own tax or letting the Government do it for you.

You are permitted to use the card form if your gross income consists of wages, dividends or interest totaling less than \$10,000, and if you did not have more than \$200 of gross income apart from that listed on your W-2 withholding slips.

BEFORE DECIDING to use the card Form 1040-A, you should consider these facts:

1. Your tax will be figured from a table which allows you a deduction of about 10 per cent of your income instead of itemized deductions for contributions, taxes, interest paid, medical and dental expenses, etc.

2. There is no provision in this form for filing as the "head of household" as a "surviving spouse" or for claiming special credits for dividends and retirement income.

If you are sure that these two points would not cost you any tax savings, and your income is within the limits for filing a Form 1040-A, you might as well use this simple card form.

WHEN YOU elect to use the regular Form 1040, you still must decide whether to itemize deductions or take the standard deductions which usually amounts to about 10 per cent of your income or \$1,000, whichever is less. Generally, you will save by itemizing deductions if you:

- (1) Own real estate
- (2) Had unusual medical expenses
- (3) Had deductible child-care
- (4) Suffered losses from fire, storm, accident or theft
- (5) Made fairly large charitable contributions

If you are supporting a dependent, although you are unmarried, you may be able to qualify as a "head of household" and figure your tax on a special table that gives you part of the advantage enjoyed by married couples filing joint returns.

YOU MAY qualify for a "head of household" status if you provide more than half the support of a parent, and more than half the cost of maintaining the parent's household even if the parent does not live with you. You cannot claim a "head of house-

hold" status if you file a Form 1040-A. The 1040 Form is arranged again this year so that a taxpayer whose income was entirely from wages needs to use only the first one or two pages. Pages three and four are for other types of income and for computing the special credits for dividends and retirement income.

The instructions which come with your tax forms give further information on how to select the correct tax form. Help is also available from the Internal Revenue Service.

NEXT WEEK: Don't Pay Tax on Non-Taxable Items.

Building Drops Sharply in B'ham

Construction dropped sharply in Birmingham last month compared to the same period a year ago according to building inspector Andrew F. Butt.

Only 10 permits were issued last month for a total of \$83,200 compared to 15 permits a year ago and \$443,100.

Included in the month's schedule for building in Birmingham were three new houses, alterations on five others and permits for alterations on two business structures.

Democratic Club To Hear Results of Tax Structure Study

The Birmingham Democratic club will hold its monthly meeting Feb. 17 at 8 p.m. on the second floor of the Community House. Mrs. John K. Ormond will present her study of the Michigan tax structure which she did for the Birmingham League of Voters. Mrs. Ormond feels that she is not an authority on the tax structure but more akin to the "blind leading the blind," looking for light. All persons interested are invited to attend.

WANTED: Your vote for
JIM GRISSOM
Justice of the Peace!

ITALIAN
Group or Private
Free Trial Lesson
RUSSIAN
GERMAN
FRENCH
SPANISH
PORTUGUESE
Reserve Now for New Classes
HERLITZ SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES
159 PIERCE, B'HAM MI 4-9200
405 EMPIRE BLDG. WO 2-7788
Washington Blvd. at Clifford

Custom Made Mink at Special February Prices

A fabulous collection of freshly pelted mink skins... Made to your measure from our exclusive designs.

Furs by Robert
1550 BROADWAY

OUR TAX DOLLARS CAN BUY MORE

We can achieve this by electing to our expanded township board civic minded men who are experienced in getting the most out of a dollar by efficient, budgeted business management.

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP needs this kind of practical experience in the spending of its tax dollars to stave off increased taxes.

Your independent thinking and support will bring our combined business talents to bear on this job.

GOVERNMENT IS A BUSINESS — GIVE IT ESTABLISHED BUSINESS MANAGERS!

FEBRUARY 16th, VOTE FOR TRUSTEE

- James W. Jenkins, Jr. Republican
- George B. Walker Republican
- Julian B. Wilson Republican

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

TAXES TAXES TAXES

Dubuc Sales and Service
Also repair on all make vacuum cleaners.
Now... Sewing Machine Sales and Service.
We service all makes and sell famous brands.

DUBUC Sales and Service
Hoover

Your Only Authorized **HOOVER** Service Dealer

Here's Our **NEW LOCATION**
We've Moved To
1287 SO. WOODWARD
6 Doors South of Lincoln East Side of Woodward
CALL **MI 4-3044**

The Convertible was \$109.95
Now Only \$79.95
And Your Old Cleaner
Known for years as the finest cleaner made!

Hoover Constellation
Was \$89.95
NOW ONLY \$59.95
It's the cleaner that floats on air
Give her a Hoover and you give her the best!

U.S. Choice or Prime Beef
SIRLOIN STEAK 99 c lb.
U.S. Choice or Prime
POT ROAST of BEEF Blade Cut **49** c lb.
FRESH GROUND BEEF **49** c lb.

BIG VALUES—18 to 20 Oz.
CORNISH HENS **79** c lb.
CAPONS 6 lb. Avg. **55** c lb.
HEN TURKEYS 10-15 Lbs. **49** c lb.

DAIRY DEPARTMENT
Michigan 92 Score
SWEET CREAM BUTTER lb. print **63**¢
Michigan Old Fashioned
COTTAGE CHEESE lb. carton **23**¢
VELVEETA CHEESE 2 lb. Loaf **79**¢
Sure Fresh
EGGS FROM TOOTIN RANCH FARM CLARKSTON, MICHIGAN
Large & Extra Large **55**¢ doz.

FRESH FISH . .
Right through the Lenten Season we will stock a variety of fish for your Lenten Meals. We will have **FRESH OYSTERS**, too.

FRESH FRUITS
TEXAS Pink or White
GRAPEFRUIT 5 for 49¢
2.99 Case

Star Cross
TOMATO JUICE, 46 Oz. Tin 25¢
Maywood No 1 Tall Tin
GIANT RIPE OLIVES 3 for \$1.00
Vlasic SAUER KRAUT Jar 25¢
Snow's MINCED CLAMS Can 29¢
Chocolate or Plain
Kidd's MARSHMALLOW CREME 2 for 39¢
Premier No. 2 1/2 Tins
BARTLETT PEARS 2 for 89¢
Star Cross No. 2 1/2 Tins
TOMATOES 3 for \$1.00

BIRDS EYE FROZEN
ORANGE JUICE
NOW 4 6 Oz. Cans **89**¢

Awrey Bakery Specials
Danish Apple Filled Square Sweet Rolls 3 for 40¢
(DAILY EXCEPT MONDAY)
Cinnamon Sugar Dunkers 65¢ Dozen
Danish Raspberry Streussel Coffee Loaf—55¢ half; \$1.10 Each
AND FOR VALENTINE'S DAY (Friday & Saturday Only)
Valentine Jelly Cookies 75¢ Dozen
Miniature Valentine Day Cakes 95¢ Each
Valentine Buttercream Sweetheart Cakes \$1.95 Each
HOT CROSS BUNS (Wednesday & Friday only throughout the Lenten Season) 75¢ Dozen
BUMBLE BEE CHUNK WHITE MEAT TUNA 2 Cans 69¢

BIRDS EYE—15 Oz. Pkg.
MACARONI & CHEESE 2 for 47¢
BIRDS EYE—13 Oz.
CHICKEN, NOODLE CASSEROLE, 2 for 59¢
Boston Bonnie
TUNA FISH STIX 7 Oz. Pkg. 45¢
Grand Duchess STEAKS 10 Oz. 59¢
Readi EGG PLANT Pkg. 29¢
Glacier PEACHES 15 Oz. Pkg. 29¢
M-M GRAPEFRUIT SECTIONS Pkg. 29¢
Dragon Imparted
PINEAPPLE CHICKEN 12 Oz. Pkg. \$1.19

Stir's
Maxwell House 10¢ Off Deal
INSTANT COFFEE **99**¢ lb.
Chase & Sanborn 5¢ Off Deal
COFFEE **69**¢ lb.
Lipton's 1¢ Sale Deal Pack
TEA BAGS, 64 Ct. **65**¢ lb.
180 WEST MAPLE AT HENRIETTA