

Effects in July

Tax increase to hit hard

ANNAPOLIS (AP) - Maryland taxpayers won't begin feeling the effects of an income tax increase voted by the 1967 General Assembly until July, but when it comes, it will hit harder than expected in most cases.

Although the bill doesn't become law until July 1, the tax hike was made effective back to the first of the year, and this has created a problem both for tax collectors and for the great majority of Marylanders whose taxes are withheld from their salaries.

Since withholdings for the first six months of the year are being made on the flat 3 per cent basis, most taxpayers, especially those in higher income brackets, stand to owe a sizable amount of money to the state when they figure their 1967 tax returns.

To avoid this unpleasant result, state tax officials are considering stepping up the withholding rate for the last six months of the year.

"I don't see how we can do otherwise," said Benjamin F. Marsh, chief of the state income tax division.

"We don't want to see people owing a lot of money at the end

of the year. A lot of them simply wouldn't be able to pay it."

Marsh already has his employees at work preparing tables which will tell employers how much to withhold from salaries. "We'll just have to work out some system of extra withholding for the rest of 1967," he said.

Some of the gap between withholdings and taxes owed will be made up by a rebate written into the tax plan. For this year only, every taxpayer will deduct 5 per cent from his total income tax owed.

Marsh said this would still, in most cases, fall far short of making up the difference.

Whether or not a Marylander will be paying more or less under the new graduated income tax depends on how much money he makes, but in most cases it will be more.

The new tax is really a double levy in one package. One replaces the current flat 3 per cent tax for the state with a graduated 2 to 5 per cent rate. In addition to this, there is a second tax which will be collected by the state but returned to Baltimore City and the 23 counties.

The bill enacted by the legisla-

ture requires that the local tax be at least 20 per cent of the state levy, with subdivisions given the option to tax as high as 50 per cent of the state rate. This means that the actual taxing rate will be at least 2.4 per cent to 6 per cent. In a subdivision which imposed the maximum levy, it would range from 3 to 7.5 per cent.

The local tax was written into the plan to try to ease the problems of local governments, most of which critically need a new revenue source.

The authors of the plan hope that its passage will enable counties and Baltimore City to reduce or at least hold the frequently burdensome property tax rate down.

In addition to raising taxes, the new program also makes some changes in what is taxable for stated purposes.

As an example, Maryland currently taxes all investment income over \$500 at 5 per cent. Under the new law, it will be considered as regular income.

Campus videotaping requires teamwork

By JOHN MATEJKO

"Let's hope he walks back. He is. Loosen it a little, good. Now get him, get him! Stand by three. . . take it! Good, beautiful."

Don Kirkeley gave a sigh of relief. He turned around in his chair in the dimly lit control room and pushed a button turning off a tape recorder.

The man he just "got" was Kenneth Williams of the speech department. Kirkeley, as the director, is responsible for the smooth operation of the taping of William's Speech I lecture.

Sitting in the control room, in the Tawes Fine Arts Center, Kirkeley watches five TV monitors. The top two show what is being taped. The bottom three are for three cameras. A control board with many dials, switches and meters control the broadcast of the cameras.

A technical director sits next to Kirkeley controlling a group of buttons, waiting for

the command to switch another camera on.

Kirkeley directs the camera-men through a headset. "Move over four, get the screen in back of him," is a familiar call. He raises his left arm, quickly brings it down, snaps the fingers and says, "Take four." A slide is projected, caught perfectly behind Williams by camera four, adding a visual aid to his lecture.

The large, master control room across the hall resembles the control room on the "Seaview." One might expect to see Admiral Nelson running through the room chased by a monster, who pauses, momentarily, to rip off some electrical panels. Instead, an engineer, one of two employed by the department, calmly watches dials and pushes buttons to record the lecture on video tape.

At other parts of the University, at the same time, a math professor is explaining a problem, and zoology students are learning the parts of the frog in TV lecture classrooms.

Foreign students

American life is different

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restaurant, to the theater, hiking or maybe even swimming."

One Iranian coed commented that "Iranian boys have more respect for girls than American boys do."

But with academic pressures and job responsibilities, many foreign students have little time for socializing. Ted Roberts, who is a full-time student as well as a full-time employee, has "no time for a social life, although I would like to find time to play on the University's soccer team."

Basil Phillips' social life is "waiting for me to return to

British Guiana -- my wife and four children."

Foreign student general impressions of the University have been many and varied, yet most students are significantly impressed by the size of the campus.

"The mall is so large and beautiful," said Young Ja Oh. "In the spring I like to see students sitting under the trees, reading books and enjoying themselves."

"University life is much different from what I expected," said Leslie Cross. "There is always something happening on all sides of the campus."


"Compared to attending the University of Liberia with 500 students," Ted Roberts added, "coming to this large campus

makes me feel like one among millions."

Whether or not he is "one among millions" is not what counts. What is important is that he is accepted as the "one" that he is -- for himself and for what he can make of himself now at the University and later when he returns to his native country.

The foreign student on the University campus has come a long way in 90 years. He has journeyed millions of miles on land and thousands of leagues of oceanways. While earning his degree, he has gained as much from his daily encounters as he has from his bound volumes and his three-credit lectures. Often, the going has been rough, but more often than not, it has been worth the effort.

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