

YEARLY REPORT OF CHIEF INSPECTOR STATE LICENSES

October 1, 1926, to October 1, 1927

Baltimore, Md.,

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HON. WILLIAM S. GORDY, JR.,
Comptroller of the Treasury,
Annapolis, Md.

Honorable Sir—I herewith submit the following report of the License Inspectors of the State of Maryland for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1926, and ending September 30, 1927.

The total result of the inspection of licenses over the State amounted to \$88,621.70. Of this amount \$46,247.48 was reported in Baltimore City and \$42,374.22 was reported in the counties.

Since the inauguration of the system of daily reports of the activities of the License Inspectors to this Bureau, I find that I am better able to keep in touch with the License situation throughout the State than heretofore.

In the course of the work of license inspection the policy has been to leave a notice with the delinquent, directing him to present same to the Clerk of the Court and secure the necessary license or licenses for the business being conducted. In a great many instances this system has been abused by the parties so reported, inasmuch as they do not comply with the notice left with them, and frequently go out of business.

I would suggest that some arrangement be made whereby the inspectors could collect the amount of the delinquency found, issue a receipt for same and turn over the money to the Clerk of the Court of the respective county, who would give the inspector a receipt, and he would forward it to this Bureau for further reference and record. If this could be done it would save a great deal of the inspectors' time and expense, since in many instances several visits are necessary in order to see the law is complied with.

Following is a report of the counties and Baltimore City, individually and collectively: