

# Parking Meters Yield City \$926,384 in Last 12 Months

The city's 12,559 parking meters took in \$926,384.39 in the fiscal year 1954-55, according to a report issued yesterday by Tax Collector Walter Allen. It was a record yield.

The amount collected exceeded the total of the preceding fiscal year by \$53,697.11.

Allen said:

**"In my opinion, the increase is due to three factors—first, the excellent work of the police department in policing the parking meters, making arrests where necessary for**

**jamming or other misuse of the meters; secondly, maintenance work of the department of electricity; and thirdly, the public's acceptance of the parking meters.**

Allen also paid tribute to the twelve men in his department who collect and count the meter coins, and who rewind and inspect the meters. The collectors handle an average of sixty-five meters an hour, Allen said, an efficiency index which private vending machine collection agencies cannot meet.