

LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By FRED NEHEJ



"Well, it happened . . . No one arrived!"

Tax Collector Outlines Role Of His Office

By CHARLES E. CHAPEL, Assemblyman, 46th District

At the request of many people, I asked the Honorable Harold J. Ostly, county tax collector, Los Angeles County, why the first installment is larger than the second installment, and gave him a specific illustration supplied by a constituent who wishes to remain anonymous. Therefore, I shall quote all of the tax collector's reply except that portion which might reveal the identity of the constituent, and that portion I shall put in my own words. Here are the comments of the tax collector:

"You asked questions concerning the variance in the amounts of the bill between the first and second installments. Under Section 2805 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, all personal property taxes which are applied to the secured roll are due and payable with the first installment. The real estate taxes are paid in equal installments."

IN COMMENTING on my request for information, the tax collector then said that the difference between the first-half installment and the second-half of the total tax bill is "\$31.40, the tax on the personal property assessed at a net value of \$400 and taxed at the rate used for property on the 1961 secured roll, as required by the Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 2905."

I interpret this to mean that if you own personal property assessed at \$400, your bill for the first installment is \$31.40 more than the amount of the second installment, because \$31.40 is the tax you pay on personal property. This assumes that you are not claiming any veteran's exemption or any other exemption. In a like manner, it can be assumed that if your personal property is assessed at \$2000, then your personal property tax is \$15.70, and this means that you bill for the first installment is \$15.70 more than your bill for the second installment.

be made aware of these matters, and we appreciate your cooperation.

"If you would also remind your readers that if they own property in Los Angeles County and have not yet received a tax bill, they should, as soon as possible, inquire at my office, 225 N. Hill St., Los Angeles 12, or call MA 6-6311, and ask for their bill. A legal description such as you gave in your letter is very helpful in locating the unmailed bills. Over 144,000 bills were returned by the Post Office as undelivered, or could not be mailed because there were no addresses, only the record owner's name.

"TO AVOID the penalty of six per cent which will accrue after Dec. 10 for late payment, they should obtain their bills immediately and have the payment in our office before that date. If the remittance is to be made by mail, it should be deposited in the mail at least two days prior to the delinquent date to insure that it will be postmarked not later than Dec. 10 at 5 p.m., since under the Revenue Code the postmarked date is the controlling factor on whether or not payment is received within time.

ASSESSED valuations of land, improvements and personal property are established by the County Tax Assessor. The County Tax Collector has no jurisdiction over the assessed valuation or the tax rates which determine the amount of taxes. Tax rates are determined by the budget requirements of the various government agencies and are based on each \$100 of assessed valuation. The municipal taxes for all incorporated cities in Los Angeles County, except Long Beach and Pasadena must be obtained direct from the City Tax Collector of those cities.

In writing to the County Tax Collector, or any other official, your street address and city are not enough. You should give your Tract number, Lot number, and Block number if you want fast service. You can obtain even faster service if you give your Code Area number, Map Book number, page number, and parcel number. This information is on the Tax Collector's bill.

The following comments within quotation marks are the concluding statements of the county tax collector:

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HAM SLICES, Center Cut	lb. 98c	lb. \$1.39	lb. \$1.39	lb. 98c	lb. 98c
ROUND STEAK . . .	lb. 73c	lb. \$1.09	lb. 99c	lb. 99c	lb. \$1.09
CHUCK STEAK . . .	lb. 52c	lb. 79c	lb. 73c	lb. 73c	lb. 75c
SIRLOIN TIP STEAK . . .	lb. 92c	lb. \$1.29	lb. \$1.29	lb. \$1.19	lb. \$1.29
CUBE STEAK . . .	lb. 98c	lb. \$1.29	lb. \$1.29	lb. \$1.29	lb. \$1.29
HAM SHANK PORTION . . .	lb. 42c	lb. 45c	lb. 49c	lb. 55c	lb. 49c
HAM BUTT PORTION . . .	lb. 52c	lb. 59c	lb. 69c	lb. 69c	lb. 59c
RIB ROAST	lb. 74c	lb. \$1.09	lb. 98c	lb. \$1.09	lb. 98c
T-BONE STEAK	lb. 98c	lb. \$1.59	lb. \$1.59	lb. \$1.59	lb. \$1.59
PORTERHOUSE STEAK . . .	lb. 1.09	lb. \$1.59	lb. \$1.59	lb. \$1.59	lb. \$1.59
TOP SIRLOIN STEAK . . .	lb. 1.38	lb. \$1.79	lb. \$1.89	lb. \$1.89	lb. \$1.89
RIB STEAK	lb. 84c	lb. \$1.19	lb. \$1.09	lb. \$1.09	lb. \$1.09
PORK CHOPS - Center Cut	lb. 88c	lb. 99c	lb. 98c	lb. 99c	lb. \$1.19
FRYING CHICKEN					
FRYERS -- Whole Body	lb. 29c	lb. 47c	lb. 43c	lb. 43	lb. 43c
FRYING CHICKEN BREAST	lb. 62c	lb. 79c	lb. 79c	lb. 79	lb. 75c
FRYING CHICKEN LEGS . . .	lb. 58c	lb. 75c	lb. 75c	lb. 75	lb. 79c
FRYING CHICKEN THIGHS	lb. 58c	lb. 75c	lb. 75c	lb. 75	lb. 35c
STEWING CHICKEN, cut up	lb. 28c	lb. 39c	lb. 35c	lb. 35	lb. 69c
FRYING RABBITS	lb. 58c	lb. 69c	lb. 69c	lb. 69	lb. 69c
BLADE CUT					
CHUCK ROAST	lb. 42c	lb. 73c	lb. 75c	lb. 69	lb. 75c
CROSS RIB ROAST	lb. 78c	lb. 98c	lb. 95c	lb. \$1.09	lb. 98c
RUMP ROAST	lb. 74c	lb. 98c	lb. 98c	lb. 98	lb. \$1.09
SIRLOIN TIP ROAST	lb. 88c	lb. \$1.19	lb. \$1.09	lb. \$1.09	lb. 89c
BONELESS STEWING BEEF	lb. 79c	lb. 39c	lb. 89c	lb. 89	lb. 69c
SLICED BACON	lb. 54c	lb. 65c	lb. 65c	lb. 59	lb. 75c
LEG OF LAMB	lb. 68c	lb. 73c	lb. 75c	lb. 75	lb. 49c
LAMB SHOULDER	lb. 38c	lb. 49c	lb. 49c	lb. 49	lb. \$1.29
RIB LAMB CHOPS	lb. 98c	lb. \$1.19	lb. \$1.19	lb. \$1.29	lb. \$1.49
SMALL LOIN LAMB CHOPS	lb. 1.18	lb. \$1.49	lb. \$1.49	lb. \$1.49	lb. 98c
LARGE LOIN LAMB CHOPS	lb. 68c	lb. 98c	lb. 98c	lb. 98	lb. 89c
SHOULDER LAMB CHOPS	lb. 72c	lb. 89c	lb. 89c	lb. 89	lb. 89c

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