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EZRA IS VALUABLE

No school boy had to be forced to finish the reading of Macaulay's "Horatius at the Bridge", no matter how little he liked other bits of literature and many still remember some of the stirring lines in that poem of Roman bravery. The more partisan farmers may object to a comparison of Horatius with Ezra Benson feeling that Ezra is too stubborn and opinionated to be heroic. Yet, it must be admitted, all heroes have to be stubborn and opinionated.

It may be that Ezra himself strengthens his soul by recalling the lines:

"And how can man die better  
Than facing fearful odds,  
For the ashes of his fathers,  
And the temples of his Gods."

It is our opinion that Ezra is performing a very great service for the farmers who wish to continue to receive substantial subsidies from government. Sure, Ezra is against them. But Ezra is so stubborn and such a poor politician that he draws the opposition of both sides. He can get nothing of his program passed through congress. His proposals are all defeated with each party vying to say the worst things about him and his views.

Congressmen will go blithely over passing bills for bigger payments as long as Ezra is there trying to reduce them. His effort to reduce the wheat payments has no chance of adoption. Republican and Democrat alike dislike Ezra. If and when some lesser man is named secretary of agriculture one party is sure to support him for a while at least and farmers may suffer to some extent from a lessening of their subsidy. Eventually some party will try to make sense out of the farm program. But that isn't going to happen so long as Ezra is there and farmers who are getting the gravy from the farm program will some day look back to his regime as being very profitable.

**BEN SNIPES**

Ben Snipes came west from Iowa at seventeen, gambled in cattle, made and lost several fortunes, lost his son, died in 1906 at 71. But perhaps the saddest thing that happened was that after being dead 50 years and defenseless some one wrote a book about him.

Now Ben Snipes was undoubtedly quite a man. He had a gambling spirit and a way with the Yakimas who were hostile to most whites. Ben Snipes was no builder and although he was first in the vast Yakima valley he neither built a good house there nor irrigated a single acre nor planted a tree nor improved a pasture. He did raise cattle, more than anyone else, says the book without proof. It also says he talked to his horses which is normal for men on lonely rides but it also says the horses gestured in reply. We think Ben Snipes deserves better.

**TAXES AND CANDIDATES**

Maybe the taxpayer is coming in to his own during this election in Oregon. It has been his turn for a long time.

Of the candidates for governor Sig Unander is saying that what the state needs is a thorough examination by tax experts from afar, holding that our own interim committees are too partisan for the job. That was done some time ago with no noticeable difference between the foreigners report and that of local tax experts who were also politicians. He does not like a sales tax until the whole system is changed.

Warren Gill is saying that he would veto a bill to increase property taxes and promises, further to reverse the long time custom of raising taxes every biennium. He would like a sales tax for educational purposes.

Lew Wallace, on the other side of the political fence, is talking taxes at a great rate. He, too, wants to reduce the tax load and says he would be rough in executing that job. Lew never was a sales tax advocate and he believes in economy.

Oddly Governor Holmes is tentatively referring to himself as the governor who called a special session to reduce taxes. That is a bit thick for informed observers. He called the session alright, but it was the Republicans who forced the rather sizeable tax reduction.

It looks as if the voters might get some relief from constantly growing taxes by the election of one of the three who are talking tax reduction and maybe it is too bad all three cannot be elected for it may take more than one to do the job as big as it is.

**GOVERNMENT 'AID'**

If the kids didn't seem to be learning fast enough grandpa fired the school ma'am or paddled the kids; if a neighbor threatened with a gun he talked him out of it until he could get his own artillery; if he wasn't making any money he spit on his hands and went to work.

Now days every discomfort is an excuse to ask the government for more money and grandpa, instead of feeling responsible for his own welfare, sits in his easy chair and draws social security or rocking chair money.

Government aid is aid toward spiritual disintegration.

**COLD WEATHER**

Cold weather is not unusual in March and it must be said that everyone expected it all winter when the rain was beating down and the thermometer was around 40 degrees to make the winter months among the most pleasant ever encountered by the elders.

It is not exceptional to have the ground freeze on March nights and to have the growth of the grass slowed and the wheat to stand still in the drill rows.

In fact, we are used to such weather in March. That doesn't make us like it for we have quickly grown accustomed to much better things.

March weather never lasts longer than 31 days, often less. And we expect that before long the sun will have warmth and the wind will be from the much warmer ocean instead of the cold Rocky mountains.

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116  
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Young Janet Vinton of Portland and Paul Richter of Dallas, Oregon, share a letter at Camp Easter Seal, where they were among the campers last summer. The camp, a project of the Oregon Society for Crippled Children and Adults, is attracting nationwide attention and is one of few specially designed for crippled children and young adults. Sale of Easter Seals finances the camp.

**Deduction Possible For Many Items**

Don't cheat yourself on deductions. You are entitled to them.

Those are bits of tax advice which may—on one hand—provide a substantial tax saving and may—on the other hand—prevent a penalty assessment. Deductions are classified as non business or business.

The nonbusiness ones are taken on Page 2 of form 1040 when you itemize deduction. The business deductions are listed on schedule C of form 1040—the business schedule; or on schedule G of form 1040—the rent and royalty schedule.

Listed here are few of the items that are easily over looked although they are fully deductible in many cases.

Automobile expenses or the pro-rata share of automobile expenses incurred directly in the production of taxable income. Not commuting or traveling from home to place of employment. Be sure to include all automobile expenses, such as gasoline, oil, tires, parking, garages, including the proportionate share of rent or depreciation on the home garage, maintenance, repairs depreciation, insurance. Casualty damage in excess of the cost of the automobile. License fees, sales taxes, interest and finance charges (where shown separately).

Back pay, cost of collecting. Bad debts, Bank charges. Board and room furnished employees. Bond costs, business. Bonds, worthless. Bonus paid. Breeding fees. Brokerage costs. Business costs and losses.

Carrying charges, up to 6 per cent. Child care. Christmas presents to customers and employees. Claims paid. Cleaning and laundering of uniforms and work clothing if they are required by custom, usage, or your employer, and are not adapted to general wear. Collection costs. Commissions paid. Contributions, conventions, cost of attending your trade. Custodian's fees.

Damages you paid. Delivery. Depletion. Depreciation. Discounts allowed. Drivers license fees. Dues.

Employment agency fee. Entertainment costs, but not for yourself or family. Estate tax where paid on income. Estates, costs of. Experimental costs. Fees paid. Flowers. Freight.

Gambling losses equal to gambling gains only. Gasoline tax, state. Heat. Home expenses, business share. Income tax, state. Insurance premiums on your business insurance (not life). Interest. Involuntary conversion losses. Investor's costs. Janitor's service.

Labor costs. Land clearing, for current crop. Library costs or depreciation. License fees. Light. Living costs away from home. Losses.

Magazines. Maintenance Materials. Medical expenses. Messenger service. Moving costs. Net operating loss. Office costs.

Painting. Parking costs. Patents, depreciation. Pensions paid. Postage. Power. Property damage. Publicity costs.

Real estate taxes. Rent. Repairs. Research costs.

Safe deposit box rent. Safety equipment. Sales expense. Sales taxes. Salaries. Scrapped or abandoned assets. Securities, costs of

dealing in. Social Security taxes on your employees' wages. Stamp taxes. State taxes. Stationery. Storage costs. Storm damage. Subscriptions. Supplies.

Taxes. Taxi fares. Telegrams. Telephone. Tools. Transportation. Traveling costs.

Unemployment insurance on your employees' wages. Uniforms, required by your job and not adaptable to street wear. Union assessments for out-of-work benefits. Union dues and, initiation fees. Upkeep.

This is not intended to be a full and complete list of all the costs and expenses deductible in the production of taxable income. It is only intended to give you a general idea. Almost anything that you spend is deductible if it is spent in the production of taxable income.

Before taking any of these deductions, please be sure to refer to the instructions for exactly how to do it. Consultation with your public accountant will help clarify complex problems arising from deductions.

**CHOIR TO SING**

The choir of the Moro church is preparing a cantata for Good Friday, April 4, and holding rehearsals frequently. Name of the production will be "The Thorn-Crowned King" and will be given at the church.

**WANT ADS**

FOR SALE: Two bedroom house in Wasco. TV antenna, basement. Call GI2-5483 19-20c

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LOST: 3 yearling registered Hereford heifers, branded Lazy S over S on right side. Last seen at mouth of Little Ferry Canyon on Sherman Co. side of John Day. Reward for their recovery. Sid Seale, Condon, Ore. 12c fn

FOR SALE: 14 ft Runabout with 25 HP Johnson and trailer. 10 ft Runabout, new Mark 25-20 HP motor with trailer. Millard Meizer JO 5-3272 18-19p

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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL BUS PURCHASE**

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the clerk of School District No. 17 of Sherman County, Moro, Oregon, for furnishing and delivering one (1), forty-two (42) passenger school bus.

Bids will be received until 8 p. m., Tuesday, March 25, 1958. Under no circumstances will a bid be considered if filed after the hour specified in this announcement.

**GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS:** Buses must comply with all existing Oregon state specifications and requirements. Specifications for special equipment and requirements may be obtained at the clerk's office.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Bidders shall furnish catalog cuts and complete descriptions of chassis and bus bodies they propose to deliver. 17-18c

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

All persons having claims against the Estate of Lila M. Hailey, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Lila M. Hailey, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, to-wit: February 21, 1958.

Notice, to-wit: February 21, 1958. B. Estrelle Hailey Administratrix

T. Lester Johnson Attorney for Administratrix 16-9c

**NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned will present their petition to the Council of the City of Wasco, Oregon at its regular meeting to be held at the City Hall in Wasco, Oregon, at 8:00 P. M. on Monday, the 7th day of April, 1958, praying for the vacation all of the alley located in Block 5 of the Original Town, now City, of Wasco, Sherman County, Oregon.

George W. Drinkard Pearl Drinkard Jerry Barnett Madelyn Barnett 18-21c

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

All persons having claims against the Estate of Cornelia H. Johnson, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Cornelia H. Johnson, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, to-wit: February 21, 1958.

John T. Johnson Jr. Administrator T. Lester Johnson Attorney for Administrator 16-9c

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710x15 Black	4 ply Nylon Tubeless	6 27.57	20.50
710x15 Black and White	4 ply Nylon Tubeless	8 33.32	24.60
760x15 Black and White	4 ply Nylon for tube	2 32.53	24.00
760x15 Black	4 ply Nylon Tubeless	5 30.20	22.40
760x15 Black and White	4 ply Nylon Tubeless	7 36.45	26.90
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