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JUMPING THE GUN

By Charles V. Stanton

Much against the will of the International Paper Co., the activities and projects of that company again are being used for political purposes.

Gov. Holmes has been striving desperately to justify the cost of his Department of Planning and Development. We had a commission on industry at one time. That group pleaded earnestly for more money. The Legislature was told there couldn't be much efficiency on the meager budget allowed.

The old commission was booted. The governor, in effect, said he wanted someone who would work. With a governor and Legislature from the same party, the money asked by the previous commission — and then some — was granted. An executive secretary was employed, and other steps taken. The governor has used this department very frequently as a political sounding board.

So far as I have been able to observe, the present department has done no more for the state of Oregon in the way of new industrial operation than did the previous commission, and the old commission worked with much less money.

But all this is beside the point.

Industrial Gains Told

Gov. Holmes has been frantically telling of what Oregon EXPECTS to get. Most industrial projects take several years to consummate, so present prospects were under consideration long before Holmes became governor. That, however, does not prevent him from using prospective industrial gains to further his own political ends.

The latest concerns the International Paper Company's proposed pulp and paper plant near Roseburg.

Obviously the company has been conducting extensive investigations. A site for a pulp and paper plant involves many factors. There must be water now and in the future. There must be suitable site facilities. Transportation to and from must be adequate. There should be plenty of gas and electricity.

International Paper Co. has been looking at a score of prospective sites. One of those sites is near Sutherlin.

But the International Paper Co. doesn't want to get involved in politics. In that respect it is like many other corporations. Where it may elect to settle is the company's own business until the site is announced.

Naturally, we hope we get it. We need it badly. We feel, too, that we can be of very great benefit to the paper company that first puts a mill in this area. We have here a tremendous forest resource. We have ample capacity to support a large pulp and paper operation. In fact, our resource survey indicates we have material for more than one. But even one pulp and paper mill can be sure of plenty of wood forever.

Publicity Premature

We also have lots of water. Although our river gets low during the dry period, there still is ample flow for pulp and paper use. We have made a water survey and a report has been given. We have reason to believe that this report will be put into operation in future years and that our water reserves will grow more, not less.

Thus, we have many things attractive to a pulp and paper operation. At the same time, a pulp and paper operation is very greatly needed in this area to complement our economy.

Much work has been done to help the International Paper Co. reach a decision on a location.

But publicity at this time is not helping. The company has, as a matter of course, asked how soon natural gas would be piped into this area. If we are to have consuming industry, we may be sure that the utilities supplying gas will get into this area as quickly as possible.

The question asked by the International Paper Co. doesn't mean that the site proposed here has been selected. When *The News-Review* was planning to build we, too, asked when natural gas would be available. But we haven't built yet.

The governor's office issued a report to the effect that the gas utility had been queried. This, he conjectured, meant the International Paper Co. would make an announcement soon. Nothing was definite, but it made good publicity and thereby a nice piece of political mouthing.

This "release" was picked up by *The Oregonian* and played into a news item.

An analysis will indicate that everyone is guessing. Nothing has been reported yet concerning a location.

International Paper Co. will announce its decision in its own time and in its own way. We anticipate it will strive to avoid politics as much as possible. The premature publicity may be helping Gov. Holmes, but it certainly isn't helping the state of Oregon and, more particularly, our own chances.

Troubles Aplenty Could Be Piling Up For Russ Writer

NEW YORK (AP)—There is much to indicate that troubles aplenty could be piling up for Boris Leonidovich Pasternak, the Russian novelist who has won world renown for his anti-Communist "Dr. Zhivago."

But there also is much to indicate that the 68-year-old novelist isn't worried a bit about the strange and tenuous situation in which he finds himself.

At last reports the author, named Thursday as the first Soviet citizen ever to win the Nobel prize for literature, was pottering about in his garden near Moscow unconcerned over his predicament.

Not the least of the problems is his fate at the hands of Soviet authorities, even though his best-selling work has not been published in Russia.

"It is a minor miracle that Pasternak has been left free to dig in his garden," Life magazine said.

A Little Wary

Still it is possible that the world-wide hullabaloo over Pasternak may make the Soviets a little wary of dealing with any great punishment.

So far their official reaction apparently has been little more than a snorting disdain for the novel coupled with an attitude of something like: "What else could you expect than praise from capitalist countries?"

Latest American visitors to Pasternak's cottage about 15 miles outside Moscow described him as pleased over the success of his book and seemingly undisturbed as to what may befall him in his own land.

"I find if I let events slide along everything usually works out all right," he was quoted as saying. The gray-haired author, sturdy



U. S. Engaged In War, Economist Tells UO Audience

EUGENE (AP)—The United States is engaged in a war, a noted economist said here today, "and we are going to have to gear our economy that way for a long time to come."

Alfred Clarence Neal, president of the Committee for Economic Development, said the war is a production battle between the economic systems of America and Russia. The outcome, he said, may well influence the way a billion "uncommitted" peoples of the world incline.

So far, he said, Russia is leading the race. This is easy to explain in part, he said, "since the Soviet Union has started with a much smaller industrial base and hence her gains are more spectacular."

"But more than this," he said, "Russia has made it an element of patriotism—almost religion—to beat the United States at its own game, industrial growth."

He said that it is unfortunate that Russia has placed a higher value on education and research than America has. And he noted that some of our government policies "actually subsidize the reverse of productivity."

"We encourage marginal farms and mines by subsidies," he said, "when we should be encouraging these people to get into other industries."

Neal was here Tuesday for an address on the University of Oregon Campus in connection with the university's Charter Day program.

As president of the Committee on Economic Development, he heads a large program of privately supported business research and education.

Gomulka Leaves For Moscow Visit

WARSAW, Poland (AP)—Communist leader Wladyslaw Gomulka left with a top-ranking Polish delegation Friday for a visit to Moscow.

With Gomulka on the train were Premier Josef Cyrankiewicz and Aleksander Zawadzki, chairman of the State Council.

Polish sources said they did not expect any dramatic developments from the trip. Diplomats here regarded the journey as a public expression of renewed normal relations between the Soviet Union and Poland after the strain that followed Poland's anti-Stalinist uprising of October, 1956. Gomulka's delegation was invited by Soviet government leaders.

MOSCOW (AP)—Investia today claimed a victory over revisionists who attempted to spoil relations between Poland and the Soviet Union.

The government newspaper said the nature of present Soviet-Polish relations has raised the ground of mutual distrust and suspicion and their revisionist enemies who had hoped to sow seeds of mistrust between the peoples of the Soviet Union and Poland.

Russia Agrees To Back Egypt's Aswan Dam

CAIRO (AP)—The Soviet Union has agreed to lend the United Arab Republic 400 million rubles worth of materials and equipment to start Gamal Abdel Nasser's dream dam at Aswan on the Nile.

The credit, amounting to 100 million dollars by Soviet reckoning, was seen by some diplomats here today as the clincher in Moscow's economic penetration of the Middle East. It may mean Nasser has finally turned his back on the West, giving up any idea of serious economic cooperation or reconciliation with Western Powers.

of build and rugged of face, is of Jewish ancestry.

"Dr. Zhivago" recounts the misery of a group of Russians during the last years of the Czar and the first years of the Communist revolution.

It contains such views as "I don't know a movement more self-centered and further removed from the facts than Marxism," and strongly asserts individual dignity.

BALLOT MEASURE

County Home Rule Amendment Would Authorize Counties To Adopt Charters Of Their Own

By CHARLES V. STANTON
News-Review Editor

Proposition No. 11—COUNTY HOME RULE AMENDMENT

PURPOSE — Authorizes the voters in any county to adopt a charter to provide for the exercise of authority over matters of county concern. Initiative and referendum powers also are reserved to the legal voters of counties adopting a charter.

EXPLANATION — County governments have long been considered an arm of the state. While counties have been authorized to perform certain functions, they do so through legislative authority. All counties, for example have virtually the same form of government — laid down for them by the Legislature. The present form of our county government has existed for approximately a century, virtually without change.

The proposed amendment would permit each county to adopt its own charter. The charter could specify such officers as it might require. It could fix salaries for each officer. At present all salaries must be fixed by the Legislature. It could describe the functions and forms to be used by each county.

The amendment would reserve to the state full powers over the judiciary department. Judges, district attorneys, justices of the peace, etc., would remain as state officers. Neither would the powers of initiative and referendum be affected.

The amendment proposes that the Legislature shall set up the form of county charters. Voters in each county then will have opportunity, if they so desire, to adopt a charter peculiar to their own county needs.

For example, this writer has long advocated a county finance officer to embrace the work of the assessor, tax collector and treasurer. This cannot be done at this time unless authorized by the Legislature. But a finance officer could be described by a county charter, provided the charter is approved by the voters.

The amendment goes by the name of "Home Rule" because it places county government in the hands of voters of the county rather than in the state Legislature.

FOR — The proposed amendment permits wide flexibility. It is needed because no two counties have exactly the same problems. Some are large, some are small. It is of particular interest to the large counties struggling with fringe areas around municipalities. Cities have the right of charter government, the same authority should be given county governments. Better controls over county government would be permitted by passage of the amendment and approval by the people. Many improvements, now denied counties because legislative action is required, could be furnished under a suitable charter. Although the county manager form of government, authorized by Oregon voters, would be repealed, there would be no reason this same form, or another form of suitable character, could not be authorized by charter.

AGAINST — By authorizing a charter for county governments, voters would, in effect, be setting up a large municipality, to which all people would be subject. Counties have existed as an arm of the state for many years, and should not now become virtual forms of city government. The amendment would permit every county to set up its own form of government. All uniformity could disappear. It also would be possible to regulate salaries. A wide disparity between rates of compensation could cause much injury. The amendment would permit a large city within the county to control the form of charter adopted. Too often voters are temporarily influenced by emotions or by one person or a group of persons. Actions taken under the stress of emotion are not always suitable for long-range operation, but could become a part of a charter and would take many years for removal. The changing pattern of political opinion and belief would keep a county charter constantly changing. County officers have a habit of "passing the buck." They now are required to perform certain functions by legislative act. Under a charter they might not be as efficient.

RECOMMENDATION — The Legislature cannot act on this proposal and cannot authorize a county charter until a favorable vote from the people is received. No charter can be voted without approval of the voters of a county. Otherwise, county government remains unchanged. Although a county manager was authorized, for example, no county has seen fit to utilize the law. A "Yes" vote is indicated. If the legislative act isn't suitable, voters don't have to approve a county charter.

The above is another in the series of articles appearing in this column on the forthcoming general election. It is suggested that the article be clipped for further study. All recommendations are advisory only — CVS

In The Day's News

(Continued From Page One)

In this 1958 congressional campaign year from Republican losses to Republican gains.

This is the situation: The people generally aren't happy with things as they are. They haven't enjoyed the recession — even though the mild slump we are pulling out of may have been good for our national economy over the long haul.

They aren't happy with the foreign situation. And, besides, this is an off year. History tells us that in off years the party in power at the White House is apt to show losses in congress. When people aren't too happy about things, they are inclined to take it out on the administration.

But — In his rough-and-tumble speeches on the swing around the circle from which he has just returned, like DID THE THINGS THAT A PRESIDENT HAS TO DO — especially in a campaign year.

He displayed POLITICAL leadership. He showed he could slug it out with the best of the sluggers and hold his own. Regardless of what the idealists may say, the PEOPLE like a political leader who can dish it out.

Picture to yourself a quiet street in a Big Bur or a small town. Everything is calm. The people, perhaps, are a bit bored with it all. Then — suddenly — a dog fight starts. The crowd drops its boredom and gathers to see the fight.

Put it this way: One dog may be top hunting dog, or a top sheep dog, or a top watch dog and children's companion. It may be everything that a properly bred and properly trained dog should be. The other may be a mutt.

But — If the proper dog turns tail and runs, the mutt will be the hero of the crowd.

Ike didn't run. He met the political sluggers head-on and gave as good as he took. To that extent, he bettered his party's position.

Man Cuts Off Arm While Pinned By Truck Wreckage

CELINA, Ohio (AP) — A Missouri truck driver borrowed a pen knife and cut off his badly mangled left arm while it was pinned in the wreckage of his truck Thursday night.

Richard Wulferf, 27, of Ballwin, Mo., was reported in fair condition today in St. Rita's Hospital at Lima following the amputation.

Doctors said they do not know now if they will have to amputate his right leg, which also was mangled.

Merced County Coroner Dr. Donald Fox said Wulferf told him he fell asleep while driving a load of television sets from St. Louis to New York City for Trans-America Truck Lines, St. Louis. His truck hit a bridge abutment on Ohio 29, six miles west of Celina, and the trailer came to rest on top of the cab.

Wulferf's arm was pinned to the wreckage, and the bone, which was broken, pinched the main artery and kept him from bleeding to death.

Several other truckers came to his aid but were unable to free the arm. One gave Wulferf a pocket knife and the injured driver cut off what was left of the mangled limb.

The arm was amputated at the shoulder.

Reader Opinions

Exception Is Taken To Holmes Appointment

I feel I must take exception to the statement made editorially in *The News-Review* regarding our governor appointing only Democrats to state boards.

My husband has been a Republican since the day he was born. Last year Governor Holmes appointed him to a five-year term to the State Board of Livestock Auction Markets.

We have no idea how this appointment came about. It was a complete surprise to us both.

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Cuban Airlines, Army Quiet On Seized Plane

HAVANA, Cuba (AP)—The Cuban Airlines and army headquarters declined today to confirm reports rebels had seized a plane with its crew of 3 and 11 passengers.

The DC3 passenger craft disappeared Wednesday after picking up three Cuban men passengers at Cayo Mambi on a run to Oriente Province, the heart of Fidel Castro's rebel movement. All aboard were Cubans.

Rebel broadcasts made no mention of the plane, but reports persisted the plane had been taken over in flight at gunpoint and forced to land at a camouflage rebel air strip.

HOT LABORATORY

SALEM (AP)—A "hot" laboratory to find new uses for radioactive tracers will be installed at the U.S. Bureau of Mines Laboratory at Albany, Gov. Robert D. Hughes, was informed today.

The governor said it could lead to important industrial and medical uses.

— James Marlow —

Associated Press News Analyst

WASHINGTON (AP) — There's a little something for everybody in what happened on Formosa between Chiang Kai-shek and Secretary of State Dulles.

The Red Chinese can claim a psychological victory. Dulles can claim to have soothed world fears, and Chiang can claim renewed American support.

But in this writer's view Chiang came out a real loser and the United States moved closer to recognizing two Chinas.

Chiang has talked of recapturing all China ever since the Communists drove him to Formosa from the mainland in 1949. It's been empty talk, so much so that Chiang needed U.S. help even to defend what he already held.

He couldn't go any place without big American support. But his talk kept alive the hopes of his Nationalists on Formosa and non-Communist overseas Chineses.

Then last August the Communists began shelling Quemoy, held by Chiang's men close to the mainland, although Formosa is 100 miles away.

Chiang Backed — The Eisenhower administration backed Chiang's continued occupation of Quemoy and his defense of it.

Many worried Americans and American allies, fearing United States involvement and then perhaps world war, questioned the administration's wisdom.

They raised this question: Is Quemoy, right in Red China's back yard and so far from Formosa, really necessary to the latter's defense?

Dulles on Sept. 30 indicated a shift in policy. He offered to try to trim Chiang's military forces on Quemoy if the Reds quit shelling it; said Chiang was foolish to put so many of his troops there; and gave a terrible setback to any hopes the Nationalists had to returning to the mainland.

He said: "I don't think that just by their own steam they are going to get there." This shook Chiang. He implied his forces would not attack China except in self-defense. Yet, this was not a full renunciation of force.

Communism Issued — But as a result of his agitation Dulles went to Formosa to talk to him. After their conference a communique was issued Thursday. In it Chiang publicly ruled out force on Quemoy.

This is the administration's one China policy. But it will be difficult persisting in this policy now that Chiang has practically abandoned all hope of returning to the mainland except through profound internal change or collapse.

Commission Votes To Spend \$400,000 On Advertising

SALEM — The Oregon Highway Commission decided Friday to spend \$400,000 next year to advertise Oregon's tourist attractions. The amount is \$80,000 more than is being spent this year.

The commission decided on an extra \$50,000 because it will be Oregon's centennial year, and another \$40,000 because of increased advertising costs.

The \$400,000 is the total budget of its Travel Information Division. The division plans to spend \$99,000 for advertising in magazines, \$65,000 in newspapers, and \$35,000 on television and radio.

The commission, opening its two-day meeting here, planned to award \$9,100,000 worth of construction contracts.

All will go to the previously listed low bidders, with two exceptions.

The commission rejected all bids for constructing the Eagle Creek Bridge near Richland in Baker County, because the bids were too high.

Lillebo Wins Contract — The contract to build three structures on the Nevada Ave. interchange in Klamath Falls is being awarded to Tom Lillebo Construction Co., Reedport, for \$354,009. Pacific Concrete Co. and Otis P. Jordan Jr., Portland, previously had been listed as the low bidder at \$337,333, but there was a \$27,500 mistake in this bid.

The state Parks Division won a 17 per cent increase in its budget for next year, mostly because of the need for increased camping facilities. This year's budget is \$1,700,000 for the parks.

The commission's next meeting will be Dec. 17 and 18.

The commission voted to ask the federal Bureau of Land Management to sell the state 440 acres of timber land on the Chetco River near Loeb State Park in Curry County.

This tract contains the largest stand of redwood in Oregon, and originally was acquired by the government in 1906 for a national park.

The state hopes to obtain the land for 30 per cent of its value.

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