

# Editorial Page

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## Boardman Natural Political Issue

Gov. Mark Hatfield is apparently leaving the next political move on the Boardman project to others.

You can bet he knows better than to think the project won't gain impetus as a political issue as the election year draws near.

In appraising the work of the special session, he said Wednesday that he did not expect the Boardman project to become a 1964 campaign issue. But he didn't make a flat statement of it. He added, "if the Democrats want to make it an issue, I welcome it."

Several men with aspirations have attacked the Boardman agreement. The steps the Boeing Co. announces soon will pretty well determine how effective the political uses of the issue will be. But you can bet Boardman will pop up many times in next year's election campaign.

The Bend Bulletin in an editorial this week insists that at least one of the objections made to the contract between the state and Boeing for a space-age industrial park is foolishness.

It says that much has been made

of the fact that Boeing will pay Morrow County "only" \$8,000 per year in lieu of taxes on the land it leases. "But this land has not paid any taxes, not any, for 24 years. Prior to that time, it paid precious little. It is Class V and Class VI land, useless for any agricultural purpose other than a few weeks of limited grazing each year. It has little value as residential property, principally because not enough people live in the area to create any pressure for residential developments. It is unlikely in our time that such a need will appear. Its only use is for a bombing range, or for industrial purposes," the editorial says.

It adds one more telling point: "Boeing is not the first company the state tried to interest in the site. But it is the only one which showed enough interest to work out terms of a lease."

The legislature apparently saw these things when it gave its approval to a bill which should eliminate the last roadblock. But you can bet it won't eliminate the last political pronouncement.

## Heroes Give Blood In Positive Way

Some heroes achieve that status in one spectacular act. Others receive their recognition in less immediate—but just as noteworthy—ways.

One of these is Clarence Rasmussen whose picture appeared on Page 1 of Wednesday's News-Review. He had contributed his 56th pint of blood in the American Red Cross blood recruitment program. He joins Harold Schmeer as a seven-gallon donor.

It's hard to comprehend how ex-

ceptional their contribution has been without putting seven gallons of blood in perspective.

The body contains between five and one-quarter to six and one-third quarts of blood. Thus Rasmussen and Schmeer each gave blood equivalent to about five times their body capacity.

These contributions in the effort to save human lives rates them as our nominees as real, honest to goodness heroes.

## Nationalists From Wrong Country

In our Nov. 23 editorial, it was noted that an assassination attempt was made on President Harry Truman's life by Cuban nationalists. The nationality of the two making the attempt was questioned by a reader, and the facts show the two were actually Puerto Rican nationalists.

The incident occurred Nov. 1,

1950. The two men, Griselio Torresola and Oscar Collazo tried to shoot their way into Blair House. Torresola was killed and a guard, Pvt. Leslie Coffelt was fatally shot. Collazo was wounded but recovered and was tried and convicted March 7, 1951 for the murder of Coffelt. His death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment by President Truman July 24, 1952.

## "Wonder How Fierce HE Is?"



## Budding Matador Provides Show

By ROBERT C. RUARK  
PALAMOS, Spain. — I don't know if I can make this clear to a lot of people who have never seen, will never see, or don't want to see a bullfight, but I'm going to give it a try, anyhow, if only in the memory of my old bullfighting friend, Rex Smith.

Good bullfighters, and especially good bullfighters, are tough to come by these days. Bullfighting is not a sport, but basically it is like boxing used to be: both the bull and the fighter are forged by hunger. The best became the Babe Ruths and Joe DiMaggiros and Mickey Mantles of the country. A lot died in the process of trying to make it in the majors.

Death imminent  
Bullfighters are basically precise ballets, with death always imminent and certainly inevitable for the bull at the end. A great bullfight can be a magical affinity between man and animal, almost a tragic love affair whose end is predictable.

Well, you don't see so many any more. Spain is full of tourists who don't know a muleta from a picador — one is a red-flannel cape on a staff and the other is a fat man armed with a pike-pole on a scraggy horse — and the tendency of the bullfighter who is booked solid through the season is not to take many chances for an audience that doesn't know anything about the art, and has only come for the color, the blood, and the music.

So I just about gave up the bull business over the past few years, being something of a

snob. The aforementioned much-mourned Smith and I had made some circuits in Spain and Mexico. The also late and much-mourned Ernest Hemingway and I had laughed and drunk wine together in Pamplona. And some of my better old friends had been bullfighters.

Sight Was Splendid  
But the other day, three nice ladies—one from Africa, one from Houston, Tex., and the other from Atlanta, Ga., coned me into taking them to a corrida in the nearby small town of San Felix de Guixols, and I didn't struggle hard. There was nobody of importance on the card except a horse and a man named Don Alvarito Domecq, who is called a "rejoneador," and who fights his bulls entirely on horseback, and does everything better abhor than most bullfighters do afoot. It is a splendid sight. The horses are purebred Arabs trained to the highest degree of dressage. The man rides mostly with knee pressure, and the combination makes one think of the classic centaur.

It had been raining heavily for days, and when we got there the usher told me that Domecq had been unable to transport his noble steeds over the roads. There would be no fancy horse work, he said, but there was a young fellow, a standby bullfighter, substituting for the horse. I would have left immediately except for the ladies, who had never seen a bullfight. Once in a while, on a gray day, after two weeks of rain, in a hick town, with a substitute bullfighter, you are destined to see something—a Ruth hitting his first home run, a Joe Louis in the ring, a Bob Feller blazing that first strike.

He Was Unknown  
Here we have this Colombian Indian, named Aurelio Saa, billed as "El Colombiano." He was dark and hawkish and all Indian. He had only become a senior bullfighter two weeks ago taking his doctorate in the small town of nearby Gerona. Apart from the people in Cali, Colombia, South America, nobody ever heard of him. He wasn't even on the menu.

I couldn't believe it when I saw it. Most bullfighters do one or two things well, but fail with the third. The man with the big cae is no good with the little flannel muleta. Most senior matadors don't even bother to place their own banderillas — the frilled barbed sticks — any more. And if they do everything else well, they don't kill well, which means going in straight over the horns and wetting the knuckles as the three-foot sword goes all the way in to the hilt.

Performance Sensational  
This Indian performed like Carlos Arruza, for my dough the best all-around matador who ever lived, as I saw him with Smith 17 years ago. El Colombiano was sensational with the cape, taking a hot bull on his knees. He broke his banderillas in half and placed them in the charging bull, and again on his knees. He was a marvel with the final cape, the muleta, performing passes I have not seen since Arruza and Manolete. And finally, when he killed, it was like the old days when bullfighters didn't poke at bulls, but offered their bodies for death as they went over the armed head.

I was goose-pimply and weak-

kneed. I looked at my unsophisticated girls.

"Let's go," they said in chorus. "We are never going to see it any better."

There were three more fights, including the Indian again, but I nodded. My girls were right. I've been watching it for 30 years and I will never see it any better than what I saw done by a substitute for a horse. (Copyright, 1963 by United Fea. Synd., Inc.)

## Tax Fight Cost High For Loss

SALEM (UPI) — Backers of the legislature's \$60 million tax increase package spent \$47,186 to suffer a 3 1/2 to 1 defeat at the Oct. 15 referendum, the secretary of state's office disclosed today.

Victorious opponents spent \$4,239—and are still \$2,754 in the red, the accounting revealed.

A preliminary list of campaign expenditures announced Oct. 28 showed supporters of the measure spent \$28,781, and opponents \$3,880.

Biggest contributor in the fight to salvage the tax bill was the Oregon Education Association which donated \$24,523.

Second largest was a \$14,018 contribution of breakage fee refunds by students at the University of Oregon. In addition, the UO class of 1964 donated \$400, and the UO class of 1965 gave \$540.

University of Oregon President Arthur S. Flemming was listed as having spent \$2,308 in the unsuccessful campaign.

The Committee for Economy and Equitable Taxation, headed by Albany newspaper editor J. Francely Howard, spent \$3,834, but listed only \$1,080 in contributions.

The secretary of state's office announced it would continue to request Howard to list donors to cover the \$2,754 shortage.

"We'll write him every month, and after a while if he doesn't list enough contributors to cover the shortage, we will turn the matter over to the district attorney," Jack Thompson, elections supervisor, commented.

## Daily Bible Reading

By Roseburg Ministerial Association

Scripture: Matthew 7:13-29

In the rush of this busy season too often, I fear, we may read the daily devotional article without turning to God's word to see for ourselves the true basis for the thoughts presented.

If this has been your pattern you may very well be neglecting the most solemn warning ever uttered by our Lord. Turn and read the scripture portion above. If you haven't time to read both; read God's word instead of mine.

Whenever men have turned to God's Word, "... for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, ..." (II Tim. 3:16) they have been renewed spiritually. This was the Master's deep concern in this passage. Not that men be "religious," but that they find "... the way that leadeth unto life" (vs. 14). There are not many ways or paths leading to God. Jesus warned, "... strait is the gate, and narrow is the WAY, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

There is a law of nature that applies in the realm of the spirit: the law of like kind. Trees are known by the fruit they produce. Men are universally known to be "sinners" by nature and by choice. In their own strength "the good that (they) would (they) do not; but the evil which (they) would not that (they) do." (Rom. 7:19). But "Thanks be to God," Jesus said, "be born again" (John 3:3). John tells us, "... as many as received him, to them gave he the power to become the sons of God" (John 1:12). Thus, He tells us that there are two kinds of men: good and evil, and that they shall be known by "their fruits."

He says, there are "false prophets" (vs. 15) and "deceived professors" (vs. 21). But he tells us how we can know for ourselves and be wise. "Therefore WHOSOEVER HEARETH these sayings OF MINE and DOETH them, I will liken him unto a wise man" (vs. 24). It is important that we notice the stress that he places on the right foundation upon which we build the "good life." What no man would be fool enough to do with a house many and many a man is fool enough to do in matters of religion. "For no other foundation can man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (I Cor. 3:11). This foundation is the rock referred to by Jesus after Peter's "great confession." "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16:16). "And this is the record, that God hath given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son" (I John 5:11). "Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (II Cor. 5:17).

Jesus used things we commonly know to illustrate the Way of life in the Spirit. Since His coming people of all ages have been "astonished at His doctrine" (vs. 28). This lesson is given to help us make sure we know why we strive for righteousness and why we hope through trials and tribulations. Conversion changes the nature and produces the good fruit of life spontaneously just as apple trees produce apples because it is their nature to do so. "Therefore, whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them I will liken unto a wise man" (vs. 24).

In the rush of this busy season the wise man will turn again to the words of "one having authority" (vs. 29) and live abundantly.

Howard Leverett, pastor First Church of God

## The Almanac

Today is Saturday, Dec. 7, the 341st day of 1963 with 24 to follow.

The moon is at its last quarter.

The evening stars are Jupiter, Saturn and Venus.

On this day in history: In 1787, Delaware became the first state to ratify the United States Constitution.

In 1941, Japan struck suddenly in the Pacific, bombing Pearl Harbor, the Philippines, Wake and Guam Islands, and the British possessions of Singapore and Hong Kong.

A thought for the day—President Franklin D. Roosevelt said: "Never before have we had so little time in which to do so much."

## THE LIGHTER SIDE:



Ladies' Choices Lost In Statistics  
By DICK WEST  
WASHINGTON (UPI)—Newspapers, magazines, radio, television and the lady next door all play a vital role in keeping us informed.

But nobody can be said truly to be abreast of the times unless he also audits one or more trade publications.

These specialized journals frequently carry items, outside the scope of the general media, that reflect fundamental changes in the warp and woof of our society. Particularly the woof.

I ran across a good example of this the other day while thumbing through a back issue of an oil industry publication. It was among the reading material in my dentist's waiting room.

My dentist lets his patients deaden their nerves on literature and then charges them for novocaine.

## Ladies' Choices Lost In Statistics

more decisions about the family's automotive service."

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## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Washington President Johnson has set as a goal for his administration a five million increase in the number of jobs. Such an increase, he said, would bring the number of jobs available in the U.S.A. to a record total of 75 million.

Which is to say: The present population of the United States is somewhere in the neighborhood of 188 million, according to the experts. A total of 75 million jobs would mean an average of one job for each two and one half persons.

He concluded: "Add them all together and you get a pandemonium louder than a 40-ton truck or a light twin-engine airplane — louder than the law allows in many factories."

"And—Noise can produce as great a hangover as the alcohol. You don't hear many complaints about the alcohol, but some, especially older people, reject cocktail parties because they can't stand the noise."

What a world! And it's getting noisier by the hour.

Is that possible? There are two ways in which it might be done:

1. An economy in which people will be able to earn so much money that they will be able to pay practically a any price for what they want.
2. An economy in which prices will remain so low that people can afford to buy what they want.

Question: Which is the better way?

Let's put it this way: It can be done either way, but it can't be done both ways at once. If prices go up every time wages go up and wages go up every time prices go up, there will be no change in the situation.

Another modern problem: Portland is host this week to the 17th clinical meeting of the American Medical Association. At one session, Dr. Lee Farr, a professor of nuclear medicine at Houston, Tex., told his hearers that NOT bacteria or viruses but NOISE CONTROL may be the medical frontier today.

He added: "The air today is polluted as much by noise as by virus, bacteria, fall-out or dirt. If your nerves go jingle, jangle, jangle, the trouble may lie not in tired blood but in DECIBELITIS, which means noise sickness."

He went on to say: "And don't expect to find peace and quiet at home. Home Sweet Home may be noisier than a boiler factory. In fact, that may be the source of all your decibility. We have ordinances to control noise on the city streets. Most ultra-modern offices are noise-conditioned."

"But back at the old homestead the soothing low of the cattle at evening has been replaced by the slish, gurgle, thump and splash of the dish washer and the clothes washer and dryer, the roar of the vacuum cleaner and the high-pitched snarl of the hair dryer—to say nothing of the TV, the radio and the record player."

## In Days Gone By

Taken from the files of the News-Review

40 YEARS AGO  
Dec. 7, 1923

Under the recommendation of the County Court, the Tax Supervision Commission has included in the Douglas County budget a sum of \$4,420 for the purpose of forming and maintaining a full-time county health unit, consisting of a physician and two full-time nurses, who shall have complete charge of medical supervision and sanitation in the county.

25 YEARS AGO  
Dec. 7, 1938

Suspense among exhibitors at the Northwestern Turkey Show in progress in Oakland tightened today as judges began narrowing the field and approached the selection of the championship bird.

Mrs. Donald Helliwell was the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Girls' League at Roseburg Senior High School. Mrs. Helliwell spoke on the subject "Simplicity in Clothes." Corrine Harpham, president, was in charge of the business meeting.

10 YEARS AGO  
Dec. 7, 1953

The new Myrtle Creek Rotary Club received its charter Saturday night from Harry Dillin, McMinnville, district Rotary governor. It was accepted by Bob Adams, president of the club. Harris Ellsworth, past president of the Roseburg club, used education as a Rotary theme in his talk as featured speaker at the charter meeting.

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