

Jason Boe: Not your 'run-of-the-mill' senator

Many Oregonians may have figured Jason Boe's three-letter surname was the main thing setting him apart from other lawmakers when first elected to the State Senate in 1970.

That condition has changed significantly.

Two other current lawmakers have equally short

last names—Sen. L.B. Day (R-Salem) and Rep. Mac Yih (D-Albany). Meanwhile, the name Boe now is most

frequently accompanied by a 13-letter adjective relating to his accomplishments.

The accessory word is

"unprecedented." It refers primarily to the fact the 49-year-old Reedsport optometrist was unanimously elected by fellow majority Democrats to serve as the Upper Chamber's presiding officer during a fourth-consecutive regular biennial session of the Legislature.

Senate President has always been synonymous with

exceptional power. And although this decade has seen the office relieved of the privilege to serve as Governor when the chief executive leaves the state and first to succeed a Governor who dies in office, Boe's tenure has produced potency of extraordinary magnitude.

Many of those failing to attach significance to his

arrival on the Senate scene eight years ago may be forgiven. The California banker's son had prepared himself for his lay profession at Pacific Lutheran University in Forest Grove. He arrived unknown to begin practice in Reedsport in 1955 but found time to become involved in party politics and serve on the city council. These activities

provided impetus to achieve a seat in the House of Representatives from Douglas County in 1965 and win re-election two succeeding terms.

Republicans firmly controlled the Lower Chamber the last half of the Sixties and although Boe won a seat on Joint Ways & Means Committee and served as his party's

Whip and ultimately Minority Leader, his influence remained largely within his own constituency.

Tip-off to subsequent events in the Senate may have been his early appointment to serve again on Ways & Means. Nonetheless, few observers even figured his rise to Senate presidency in 1973 would produce record retention of his office.

Salem Scene

BY Jack Zimmeran

\$250,000 BINGO

GAME SERIES

2

WIN UP TO \$1000

INFLATION FIGHTING ideas

Join with your Safeway Store in the FIGHT AGAINST INFLATION...

President Carter has asked his Cabinet officers to take aggressive action to slow the rise in consumer prices. They were asked for specific suggestions on what consumers themselves can do to cope with the problem of inflation.

The U.S. Office of Consumer Affairs has issued guidelines to help consumers minimize the impact of inflation on their daily lives.

Safeway pledges full cooperation with the U.S. Government in battling this number one domestic problem. As tangible evidence of that support, Safeway will publish weekly inflation-fighting ideas, suggesting ways in which you and your family can shop better for less money.

Some of the subjects to be covered are: Saving on "private labels" such as Safeway Brands; Making Unit Pricing work for you; Cooking from "scratch"; Seasonal produce bargains; Best use of your freezer; Advertised and unadvertised specials; Planning family meals; and many others.

Next week, #1 in this on-going series "WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

together, we can be INFLATION FIGHTERS!



Head Lettuce
Crisp Lettuce for a Great Green Salad
Ea. **39¢**



Tangerines
Royal Mandarin Zipper Skin Fruit
lb. **29¢**

Pick Up Your All New Bingo Series 2 Game Cards and Numbers

Available at any of the participating Oregon Safeway Stores (Ontario and Milton-Freewater excluded). No purchase necessary. Adults 18 years and over only may participate. You need only 1 Game card.

ODDS CHART* Effective Jan. 10, 1979

PRIZE VALUE	NUMBER OF PRIZES	ODDS	
		1 TICKET	25 TICKETS
\$1,000	87	1 in 206,897	1 in 15,916
100	300	1 in 60,000	1 in 4,616
20	500	1 in 36,000	1 in 2,770
10	1,000	1 in 18,000	1 in 1,385
5	10,000	1 in 1,800	1 in 139
1	65,000	1 in 277	1 in 22
TOTALS	76,887	1 in 235	1 in 18

*These odds are in effect until one month after start. Thereafter updated odds will be posted in all participating stores and in newspaper ads.

TOTAL VALUE OF CASH PRIZES - \$252,000.00

Scheduled Termination Date, April 10, 1979

Celebrate CHINESE NEW YEAR with Oriental Food

- Bean Sprouts** Fresh for Salad lb. **39¢**
- Bok Choy** Chinese Chard or Nappa Cabbage lb. **29¢**
- ToFu** Japanese .. 16-oz. Pkg. Chinese .. 14-oz. Pkg. ea. **59¢**
- Daikon** Oriental Radish Relish or Salad lb. **39¢**
- Fried Noodles** Chinese Noodle 4-oz. pkg. **39¢**
- Won Ton Wrappers** Fresh 5-oz. pkg. **59¢**
- Egg Roll Wrappers** Fresh 1-lb. pkg. **79¢**
- Chop Suey Mix** Fresh 14-oz. pkg. **49¢**
- Yakisoba** Pan Fry Noodles 7-oz. pkg. **49¢**
- Pomelo** Chinese Grapefruit lb. **49¢**



Coffee
Maxwell House .. First 3-lb. Can (Edwards first 3-lb. \$5.69)

5.79

(Additional at regular price)

Coca-Cola—Pepsi Tab—7 Up
2 Liter Bottles

85¢ Ea.

Crest
Toothpaste with Fluoristan Regular or Mint .. 7-oz. Tube

1.08

Pampers
Day and Night Toddler Diapers for babies over 23 Pounds .. 12's

1.78

Kodak Color Film
C-110 or C-126 .. 20 Exposures

1.38

Lysol Spray
Disinfectant .. 18-oz. size

2.24

- Top Ramen** Noodles Assorted Flavor Mixes .. 3-oz. 4 for **1.00**
- Solid White Tuna** Star-Kist White Tuna in Water .. 7-oz. **88¢**
- S&W Kidney Beans** Dark Red Beans .. 15.25-oz. **39¢**
- Cut Lasagna** Mission Brand Fine Quality .. 12-oz. **45¢**
- Dill Pickles** Town House Fresh Kosher Style .. 48-oz. **99¢**
- A.1. Steak Sauce** For Meat dishes 10-oz. Btl. **1.29**
- Ginger Snaps** Busy Baker Cookies 2 lb. bag **1.19**
- Corn Bran Cereal** Quaker 16-oz. Pkg. **99¢**
- Hi-C Drinks** Grape or Orange 46-oz. Can **66¢**

VANILLA WHITE SALE

Vanilla Ice Cream
Snow Star Ice Cream. Always a Family Favorite at Dessert Time! Half Gallon **88¢**

- Vanilla Ice Cream** Lucerne Half Gal. **1.19**
- Vanilla Ice Milk** Lucerne Lowfat .. 1/2 Gal. **79¢**
- Gourmet Vanilla Ice Milk Bars** Lucerne Ice Cream .. 1/2 Gal. **1.98**
- Mellorine** Snow Star 2.5-oz. Bars 12 Pak **1.49**
- Mellorine** Joyette Vanilla Imitation Ice Cream .. 1/2 Gal. **69¢**

Rubbing Alcohol
Vilon Brand .. 16-oz. Btl.

39¢

Vidal Sassoon
Shampoo .. 8-oz. Btl.

1.68

SAFeway COUPON
Redeemable thru Jan. 30, 1979

Panty Hose
Safeway All In One
Reg. 11.28 Save 23¢ With Coupon
99¢ LIMIT 6

SAFeway COUPON
Redeemable thru Jan. 30, 1979

Batteries
Eveready Flashlight "C" or "D"
Reg. 91¢ Save 23¢ With Coupon
68¢ Limit One 2-Pak

Ad prices good Wednesday, Jan. 24 thru Tuesday, Jan. 30 at Hermiston Safeway Store.

FEATURE OF THE WEEK

Funk & Wagnall's Encyclopedia
Vol's 25, 26, & 27 on Sale
2.69 Ea.

Anchor Hocking Georgian
12-oz. Tumbler
49¢ Ea.



It is doubtful any other Oregon politician has enjoyed the opportunity to shape legislation in the manner personified by Boe. Two consecutive terms as Senate President constitute an extreme rarity—achieved only by James D. Fay in 1870-72; John Whiteaker, 1876-8; Joseph Simon, 1889-97, and J.D. (Debbs) Potts, 1967-69.

From an historical standpoint, only Simon appears to threaten Boe's achievement. But legislative scholars quickly point out Simon's fourth term involved the 1897 session that failed to organize and ended without passage of a single bill. Simon also resided during a special session the following year that was highlighted by his election to the Senate of the United States.

The current Senate leader has presided over three special sessions—inspired also to higher office and ran a determined unsuccessful campaign for the U.S. Senate in 1974.

Considering his record, some believe Boe may try again for Congress or even seek his party's gubernatorial nomination four years hence. But he's attempting to lay at rest such speculation and is concentrating both influence and vigor on the session at hand.

While his influence in Oregon has increased immeasurably, the last few years have seen his authority extended nationally. This stems from involvement in the National Conference of State Legislatures—an organization of some 7,600 state lawmakers over which he now presides.

A few observers might question his dual presidency and wonder if NCSL activities deter from duties as Senate President. Boe believes otherwise, conducting NCSL business mostly on weekends and exerting most of those efforts on a subject he believes may prove the panacea for ills facing legislatures in every state.

This involves achievement of a national Constitutional Convention dedicated to requiring the federal government to maintain a balanced budget as is required by all but one of the 50 states. Thirty-four states must enact legislation requiring Congress to convene the Constitutional Convention and Boe believes the magic number may be achieved this year.

Twenty-two states, including Oregon, already are on the bandwagon and the 23rd is expected to join the fold this month. Meanwhile, all states are conducting legislative sessions this year. Boe journeyed to Dallas, Texas earlier this month to urge legislative leaders from 33 states to consider the matter and is scheduled to testify before the California Legislature on the same subject before the month is out.

He and other supporters believe a balanced federal budget will do much to rid the nation of its current inflation woes, end federal domination of functions rightfully the responsibility of the individual states and reduce federally mandated taxes on which deficit spending depends.

Pressing for such a lofty goal is hardly part of an ordinary Senate President's job. And involvement appears even more precarious as long as Pres. Jimmy Carter is so adamantly against the constitutional change.

In the face of such adversity—and the burgeoning workload accompanying the 60th session of his own Legislature now under way—Boe proceeds in the manner of one who will be remembered as much more than your run-of-the-mill Senate President.