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Boardman Bill Approved By 33 - 26 Vote in House

Redden Declares Measure To Be Poorly Drafted

SALEM — (UPI) — The house today approved, by a 33 to 26 vote, the controversial Boardman bill. It now goes to the senate. The vote came after more than three hours of debate.

SALEM (UPI) — A move to send the politically explosive Boardman bill to the House Tax Committee was defeated 33-25 today as the House debated the measure to clear title to lands for the 100,000-acre Space Age Industrial Park in Northeastern Oregon.

During early debate on the bill, Rep. Stafford Hansell, R-Hermiston, said he "wholeheartedly urged support" for it, and said the land involved is "nothing but desert" and has no other use.

Rep. James Redden, D-Medford, who attempted to get the bill referred to the tax committee, said he opposed "the way the bill is written."

"Under normal circumstances a bill this poorly drafted wouldn't get ten votes in this house," he contended.

Redden termed the lease with Boeing "The most one-sided lease I have ever read," and warned its wording gives Boeing first option on all federal land in Oregon that the state might acquire.

Earlier, Senate President Ben Mussen announced the Senate Judiciary Committee would be reactivated to review the Boardman bill if the House sends it over.

Mussen said the committee would make "a judicial review of the bill, but not go into the lease with Boeing."

Mussen said he was hopeful the special session of the legislature would end tonight, but added, "I'm not making any guarantees. It depends on when the House sends over the bill. If we get it early enough we could finish today."

"I'd rather spend an extra day in session than rush the bill through just to be a rubber stamp," he noted.

Traffic Accidents Kill 544 in Nation

By United Press International
Final tabulations today showed 544 persons died in traffic accidents during the long Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

The toll represented 72 more automotive deaths than the 472 which could be expected over a similar non-holiday period.

United Press International counted a total of 694 deaths from all kinds of accidents during the holiday period from 6 p.m. last Wednesday until midnight Sunday.

The breakdown:
Traffic 544
Fires 47
Planes 23
Miscellaneous 80
Total 694

California led the traffic death count with 58. There were 38 in Texas, 29 in both Illinois and Pennsylvania, 26 in Michigan, 25 in North Carolina, and 21 in both New York State and Ohio.

NEWS BRIEFS

FORMER AMBASSADOR DIES IN PLUNGE
MIAMI (UPI)—Grant Stockdale, former U.S. ambassador to Ireland, plunged to his death today from a downtown office building.

AMERICAN KILLED IN VIET NAM AMBUSH
SAIGON, South Viet Nam (UPI)—One U.S. soldier was killed and another seriously wounded in a Communist guerrilla ambush Sunday night near the Cambodian border, a U.S. military spokesman said today.

ARMED PATROLS KEEP ORDER IN DAKAR
PARIS (UPI)—Troops, tanks and armored cars patrolled Senegal's capital of Dakar today to keep order following election-day battles between left-wing demonstrators and the army.

Taxes For Schools May Be Increased Average of 5 Mills

Property taxes to support school districts in Jackson County have every indication of rising an average of about five mills next year.

The increase, which will vary in districts throughout the county, is the result of cutting more than \$12 million from the basic school support fund in the 1964-65 fiscal year.

No funds from the state will be affected this school year, according to State Rep. Edward Branchfield, who said the bill passed is a revised one which specifies when the funds shall be cut.

The original bill introduced did not provide when funds would be reduced, and some concern was expressed by school administrators about what school districts could do this fiscal year if state funds were reduced.

Three Courses of Action
Three courses of action are available to school districts next fiscal year, knowing there will be about a \$12 million reduction in basic support from the state.

They are (1) reduce budgets by the amount of basic school support, keeping property taxes about the present level; (2) increase property taxes the amount reduced by the state; or (3) a combination of the two.

Reducing school district budgets by the amount cut from state support is almost impossible in most cases. School district budgets are now based on minimum needs, and further reduction of expenditures would adversely affect the educational programs offered in the districts.

School administrators are concerned about rising property taxes, since they are now higher than most people would like to see them. However, unless some other means of raising money is found, financing school districts falls back on property taxes.

A combination of the two is perhaps possible in some school districts, but again, if budgets are reduced any substantial amount, the educational program may have to be curtailed.

The reduction in basic school support in Jackson County would amount to about \$563,343, or an estimated average of 5 mills. Following is the amount of basic school support which would be reduced in each district in the county, and the amount's equivalent in mills:

District	Estimated Reduction Mills
Phoenix	\$32,842.83 3.2
Ashland	\$74,953.85 5.8
Central Point	\$74,610.60 5.8
Eagle Point	\$33,487.77 3.6
Rogue River	\$16,650.85 6.2
Applegate	\$4,048.85 5.8
Prospect	\$6,071.66 3.5
Evans Valley	\$7,264.67 5.8
Butte Falls	\$3,709.86 2.3
Pinehurst	\$453.77 .6
Medford	\$309,248.97 5.4

These figures are estimates made by the Jackson County Intermediate Education District on the basis of a \$12 million cut in basic school support.

Variables Mentioned
There are variables which could have a bearing on the exact amount of reduction. Among them are:

1. The carryover, statewide, from the 1961-63 budget. Sources in Salem estimated the carryover in the basic school support fund to be about \$1.2 million.

2. The budget cut could be reduced by an increase in tax revenue. Cuts were based on present budgets and present estimates of revenue, which are considered somewhat conservative, according to Branchfield. More revenue than anticipated could reduce the amount cut from the budget.

There appears to be little hope for any action from the special session of the Legislature to provide means of additional revenue for the present biennium, leaving only increased property taxes to carry the burden of financing public school districts.

Urban League Head Calls on Johnson

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The executive secretary of the National Urban League asked President Johnson today to undertake a "crash effort," including a public works program, to ease Negro unemployment.

The Negro official, Whitney Young, discussed Negro school dropouts, delinquency, and unemployment with Johnson at a 45-minute meeting at the White House. He said the main discussion centered on the fact that 15 per cent of the Negro labor force is unemployed.

Man Escapes Injury As Car Hits Engine
Virgil Durand Jackson, 870 Garfield St., escaped injury this morning when the car which he was driving collided with a Southern Pacific switch engine at the Clark Street railroad crossing, according to Medford police.

Officers said the switch engine dragged the car, which was headed east on Clark Street, about 20 feet along the tracks before coming to a stop. The incident occurred about 10:20 o'clock.

Medford Police Arrest Man for Sunday Burglary

Alert action by Medford police thwarted an apparent safe burglary early Sunday. A Medford man has been lodged in Jackson County jail, charged with burglary not in a dwelling.

Roger Dale Bennett, 23, of 9 Rose St., has given statements to police in which he admitted attempting to burglarize the McDonald Candy Company, 332 S. Front St.

Officers on patrol noticed suspicious activity in front of the candy company about 1:45 a.m. As the police car drove up, a man jumped into his car and sped off.

It was subsequently learned that he was in the process of attempting to load the company's safe into his car at the time the police car drove up.

Fled on Foot
After a short chase, the man abandoned his vehicle and fled on foot. He was apprehended a short time later on Central Avenue.

In his signed statement, Bennett told officers he had forced open the front door of the candy company, and hauled the safe outside to load it in his car. He said that he planned to drive to the Jacksonville area to break it open.

Bennett has served about two years in Oregon Correctional Institution for burglary not in a dwelling. He was released in 1961. City detectives said investigation into the burglary is continuing.

Astoria Girl 4-H National Winner

CHICAGO (UPI) — Joyce Herold, 18, Route 2, Astoria, Ore., has been named one of six national winners in the 4-H poultry awards program for 1963.

The Clatsop County girl received a \$500 college scholarship from Heisdorf & Nelson Farms, Inc. The scholarship was presented during the 42nd national 4-H club congress under way here.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Herold. Her exhibits have won champion, reserve champion and blue ribbon awards at the County Fair and at Oregon State Fair.

Oppenheimer Gets Highest AEC Award

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer, the controversial scientist who 10 years ago was declared a security risk by the Atomic Energy Commission, receives the AEC's highest award today from President Johnson.

The Chief Executive, acting to carry out the intentions of President Kennedy, presented the \$50,000 Enrico Fermi award to the 59-year-old nuclear physicist at brief White House ceremonies.

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DIES — Jimmy Hatlo, above, whose cartoons "Little Iodine" and "They'll Do It Every Time" have delighted newspaper readers for years, died Sunday of a heart attack at Carmel, Calif., where he has made his home for the past 18 years. (UPI)

Silence Blamed For Spread of Hate Elements

By YVONNE FRANKLIN
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Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON — The first telegram placed in the hand of a grieving Rep. Edith Green on the Friday that President John Kennedy was slain read:

"Urge that you immediately start impeachment proceedings against President Johnson."

This was but another in a series of vengeful communications from a Portland doctor who had expressed hatred for the Kennedy administration and vented his feelings on paper to his elected representative in Congress.

Prior to the President's death, the Congresswoman's mail from people associated with hate groups was growing both in volume and venom. For example, one constituent last week wrote:

"... I am convinced that the real orders to rub out Kennedy came from the chief heads of the mob at Vatican City. The true trigger man is very likely a pro-Goldwater Roman Catholic. I am convinced that the international Roman Catholic crime syndicate..."

Mrs. Green thinks we should have competent medical opinion to describe or diagnose the sickness which has swept the Nation in such outpourings of hatred.

She said in an interview after President Kennedy's death that the vicious anti-Catholic mail and literature, starting with the 1960 presidential campaign which she headed in Oregon, was "shocking" in its intensity. It has continued unabated, but the range of targets has widened to include all national leaders.

Newspaper editors in Oregon have also noted that letters to the editor have increased in their "bilious" personal attacks, especially against political leaders.

Mrs. Green spreads the blame for the emergence of such hate groups. She blames not only the violent dissenters themselves, but politicians, past and present, for leading the way — defaming their fellow citizens as communist sympathizers, without evidence to back up their headline-eyeing attacks.

She also blames the newspapers for spreading unfounded, cynical charges.

Most of all she blames the silent Americans who do not protest against the spread of hatred for national leaders, Republican and Democratic, which has culminated in the violent death of President John F. Kennedy.

"We have allowed the hate groups to take over," she said, "and the moderate voices have been silent."

Remembers Words
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on the day the President was killed which called him a traitor. Texans, she said, had been fed a steady diet of diatribe against their national leaders.

Mrs. Lyndon Johnson was spat upon in that city while Bruce Alger, the Congressman from Dallas, looked on in approval. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson was attacked in Dallas last October.

The tragic groundwork for the killing of the President, she said, was laid by hate groups throughout the country, and particularly in Dallas which has been more virulent in its hatred than some cities. And the responsible citizens, "the good people" she said stood idly by and did nothing to protest the behaviour of the haters.

"On United Nations Day when Stevenson was in Dallas it seems to me this was the time (when he was attacked) when there should have been real strong statements that this was not the way the majority of people really felt," she said.

In their silence they condoned the action, such as the Germans condoned by silence Hitler's massacre of the Jews when they (the decent "good" people) did not rise up in protest when the Jews were first humiliated and attacked by speeches and later by internment and death in the gas ovens.

Mrs. Green was concerned that the Nation must rid itself "of the hatred and venom somehow, so that he (President John Kennedy) will not have died in vain, and that all of this hate and fear must be changed into love and concern for other human beings."

When the car stopped in the emergency parking strip Diebel got out and began to walk along the highway in search of a telephone. A car operated by S. D. Jack Jeffers, 55, Seattle, Wash., stopped, and while the two men were talking, State Police Officer Ronald L. Palmerton drove up. The officer warned the men against parking on the freeway.

At that instant, a vehicle driven by Jackie Roy Jansen, 19, Ashland, appeared on the scene. Jansen hit his brakes, causing the car to go into a skid. The Jansen car struck Diebel, knocking him over the freeway railing. Jansen was cited for violation of the basic rule.

In the earlier accident, Howard Cooper, 48, of Grenada, Calif., a passenger in a pickup truck was critically injured about 3 a.m. Sunday when the vehicle in which he was riding crossed the centerline on U.S. 99 about two miles south of the Siskiyou Summit and hit a northbound car head-on.

According to Oregon State police, Cooper was in the truck operated by his son, Ronald Lee Cooper, 24. Driver of the other car was Leslie Andrew Green, 25, of Puyallup, Wash. The passengers in the Green vehicle included Jerry Lee Green, 23, also Puyallup, and Carol Berggren, 20, of Sumner, Wash. Leslie Green and Miss Berggren are reported in good condition at Ashland Community Hospital. The other passenger and Ronald Cooper were treated and released.

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Oregonian Writer 'Farm Editor of Year'

CHICAGO (UPI) — Joe Bianco, agricultural editor of the Portland Oregonian, Sunday was named "Newspaper Farm Editor of the Year" in a contest sponsored by the Newspaper Farm Editors Association and the National Plant Food Institute.

High Court Rules On 'Agency Shop'

WASHINGTON (UPI) — By unanimous decision, the Supreme Court ruled today that state courts have the power to enforce state laws limiting or banning so-called "agency shop" agreements in labor union contracts.

The decision came as a setback to union attorneys who had contended that the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) had jurisdiction to set aside state laws restricting. An agency shop clause requires that workers covered by the agreement must pay monthly service fees in lieu of dues if they do not join the union.

Earlier County Judge Earl M. Miller explained that under the new state law the court is not required to call an election unless they feel it would be in the best interest of the area.

Ring Sought in Canby Killing

OREGON CITY (UPI) — Authorities today were seeking a missing \$3,500 diamond ring in hopes it might lead them to the slayer of Mrs. Minnie Cornelia Milleson of Canby.

The ring containing a two karat diamond, belonged to the 63-year-old widow whose body was found at her home a week ago Sunday. She had been shot twice in the head.

Authorities still were seeking for questioning a caretaker who disappeared about the time of the slaying.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Valley fog through Tuesday. Possible afternoon lifting in some places. Fair above the fog. Low tonight 25-30. High Tuesday 30-35. Above fog 33-38.

Highest Yesterday 31
Lowest This Morning 21

Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today 4:10 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:22 a.m.
THE MOON rises 6:40 p.m. tonight and rises high in Gemini.
PROMINENT STAR
Aldebaran, rises 3:17 p.m.
VISIBLE PLANETS
Venus, sets 3:41 p.m.
Jupiter, high in south.
Saturn, in southwest 7:44 p.m.



VOTERS FRISKED — Male voters are frisked by soldiers before they are allowed to enter the polling place to cast their ballots for a presidential candidate in Caracas, Venezuela. Despite pro-Castro terrorist threats to shoot anyone who attempted to vote, Venezuelans turned out by the thousands to preserve the democratic form of government which they have enjoyed during the past four years. (UPI)

Two Men Seriously Injured in Sunday Vehicle Accidents

Two out-of-state residents are in serious condition in Medford hospitals today suffering from injuries they received in auto accidents Sunday morning.

Robert Norman Diebel, 35, Richland, Wash., was reported slightly improved in Sacred Heart Hospital this morning where he was taken after he was struck by a car on the Interstate 5 viaduct about 7:45 a.m. and knocked over the railing.

Medford police said Diebel fell about 25 feet into the Twelfth Street Mobile Home Park beneath the freeway.

Diebel and his wife, Olinda Diebel, 32, who was driving, were northbound on the freeway when they hit ice about one mile north of the Barnett Road interchange. The car skidded back and forth on the roadway, crashing into guard rails several times.

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BULLETIN

CLEVELAND (UPI) — The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen today demanded a 25 per cent increase in wages, supplemental pensions and company-paid health coverage from the nation's railroads.

Highway REOPENED
SALEM (UPI)—State Highway Department crews reopened U.S. Highway 20 just east of Newport to two-way traffic about 6 p.m. Sunday.

Elections for Boards of Directors Are Scheduled Today in Four Districts

Boards of directors elections are being held in four districts today, two in the Talent area, one in White City and one in the Central Point and White City areas together.

Voters in the respective districts are electing one director each to the boards of the South Talent Sanitary District, the Talent Rural Fire Protection District, the White City Sanitary District and the Central Point Rural Fire Protection District.

There is a contest in only one of the elections, A. W. Oetinger and W. B. Jessen are seeking the seat on the South Talent board currently held by Don Grimes, who is not up for re-election. The term is for three years.

There is another vacancy on the South Talent board, created by the death of Everett Schmelzer, but it will be filled by appointment. William K. Kerns is the third board member.

Thousands Brave Terrorist Threats To Cast Ballots

Betancourt's Man In Substantial Lead

CARACAS, Venezuela (UPI) — Results of Venezuela's national elections signaled a victory today for the nation's democratic forces and a smashing reverse for Communist designs on this strategic Latin American country.

Mounting returns from Sunday's voting—in which large numbers of Venezuelans braved bullets and threats of pro-Castro terrorists to cast ballots—gave an early lead to Raul Leoni, standard bearer of President Romulo Betancourt's Democratic Action party, in the seven-man presidential race.

Unofficial returns, with nearly 20 per cent of the ballots counted gave Leoni 134,391 votes; Arturo Usar Pietri, an independent, 120,736; Jovito Villalba of the leftist-leaning Democratic Republican Union, 112,564; Rafael Caldera, Social Christian party, 76,814; and retired Adm. Wolfgang Arrazabal of the Democratic Popular Force, 52,855.

The two other candidates, Raul Ramos Gimenez, of the splinter Democratic Action-Opposition, and German Borrales, National Action Movement, were trailing far behind.

Fire On Voters
Authorities said one person was killed and six wounded in the capital Sunday as pro-Communist gunmen seeking to disrupt the elections fired on lines of voters and shot up police stations.

Among the wounded was Carl Warner, 43, Miami cameraman on special assignment for UPI, who was hit by a ricocheting rifle bullet during a sniper attack on the UPI bureau in Caracas.

Only scattered shots were heard in the capital Sunday night. At dawn today, special security measures imposed for the election were relaxed and by mid-morning the city appeared normal.

Communists, echoing urging from Cuba's Fidel Castro, had made sabotaging Sunday's election their prime target. But the voter turn-out and the heavy security measures frustrated their efforts.

Sen. Smith To Get 'Minute Man' Award

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Reserve Officers' Association will present its 1964 "Minute Man of the Year" award to Sen. Margaret Chase Smith, R-Maine, at a banquet here Feb. 28.

Brig. Gen. James E. Frank, who made the announcement of the award this weekend, said that Mrs. Smith, a colonel in the Air Force Reserve, "has made a significant contribution to the stability and effectiveness of the armed services."

Guns Taken From Sporting Goods Firm

A Jackson county sheriff's deputy, who was investigating a light out in the Rogue Valley Sporting Goods store, 4788 Crater Lake Avenue, last night, discovered it had been burglarized.

Some guns were taken, but deputies do not yet know how many.

The investigating deputy found the rear door open. The thief or thieves apparently had broken the glass in a rear window to enter.