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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS
Back in the fold again. And it looks like I brought the cold weather with me. Up from the south, too. What a shame.

Everywhere one travels these days you run into two things—fall scenery and tourists rushing to get back home before the freeze-up. Happened to be in Carson City, capital of Nevada, for the festivities over Admission Day. That's the big day for the Nevadans. Everyone shuts up shop and rushes over to the queen city where they sit around, watch a parade that includes about nineteen bands and takes better than an hour to pass along the streets, eat hot dogs and wash 'em down with various concoctions, fight the crowds, compare the city with your own home and then hit the crowded highways for the home garage, Virginia City, high above both Carson and Reno, reeling from the impact of a day-early Halloween and a late season influx of tourists. Rubberneckers heap up there. If you like antiques, The town's full of 'em.

Animate and otherwise. Alturas also suffered a slight jolt at the hands of pranksters we found. All in the past now. Roads below Alturas full of cattle being moved, lumbering along the road with that dignity that only a herd-ford bull can achieve. Cowboys blowing on numbed fingers in the early morning hours, cursing the sun in their eyes later.

Lots of colored leaves adorning the hillsides. Beautiful blue skies with wispy white clouds straggling through them. The clear day of fall, flavored with the fervent wishes of the people for a mild winter this year. Everywhere you go you find the weather, the big subject of conversation. The question of will we or won't we be snowed in this year being uppermost in people's minds.

After all, you find pretty much what you're used to when you leave home for a while. The houses are different but the people seem to be about the same. And in the end it's awful good to get home again.

CAUGHT IN THE ROUNDS

By DEB ADDISON
Tomorrow is election day, when the future of the country, for the next four years at least, will be decided.

The election of the president overshadows everything else. It's time for a change because the present regime has run its course—it's outmoded and is degenerate. It should be elected.

There are also a lot of measures on the ballot here's the way we will vote:

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—Now elected. The bill would change it so the state board of education would hire a man for the office, on the basis that a better trained school administrator could be secured that way.

WE VOTE YES.

VETERANS' STATE AID SINKING FUND—A bookkeeping measure. Yes.

STATE HOSPITAL FOR AGED MENTALLY ILL—It's something badly needed for these old people who are incompetent but not crazy. The state insane asylum is the only place for their care now. The act authorizes the legislature to spend up to \$3 million to build the hospital near Portland.

Considering the need we vote Yes.

TAX BASE MEASURE—It does not remove the 6 percent limitation and puts the vote in a general or primary election.

OREGON WAR VETERANS' FUND—Purpose is to make the Korean "police action" boys legally veterans.

LEGISLATIVE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE—Purpose to make emergency committee and fund, as now set up by the legislature, constitutional for sure.

FIXING TERMS OF SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES—To do away with lapse of committees after old legislature goes out and new comes in.

ACT TITLE SUBJECT AMENDMENT—To streamline legislation.

LIMITING STATE PROPERTY TAX—Purpose to limit the amount that could be collected through state property tax (none collected last 13-years because offset by income tax). A declaration in the right direction, though it could be changed at any legislative assembly.

MOTOR CARRIER HIGHWAY TRANSPORTATION TAX ACT—This is the new law that was worked out by the legislature last session. It was stopped and put up for this vote through referendum by the big long-haul commercial truckers.

We think it's a good, fair way to finance Oregon highways. Even if nothing else were known about it, we'd take the word of the legislature, which represents all people and interests in the state and has worked on this problem for years, rather than one very special group, the big transport haulers.

the measure, in opposition to the big boys, Jack Linman of Arrow Transit, for instance, publicly do so. He stated that this measure, the weight-mile law, would increase his operating expense less than one half of one per cent.

A Yes vote would make this measure law. Definitely, Yes.

SCHOOL DISTRICT REORGANIZATION—Would help other districts to do what we have done in unification if they so desire.

CIGARETTE TAX—We're in favor of a sales tax, but not in singling out special commodities. It includes a "fair trade" price on cigarettes.

STANDARD TIME—It would hold Oregon to United States standard time if passed; leave things as is if defeated.

PARI-MUTUEL BETTING—If passed would stop now-legal betting at race tracks. Other gambling is now prohibited by the Oregon constitution already.

Argument against it that counties would lose the tax on betting to Vancouver, Wash. Let your conscience be your guide.

LIQUOR BY THE GLASS—Would change nothing in Oregon's control of liquor except to let you buy a drink at your club without using your bottle. OLCG would license bars instead of bottle clubs.

Your conscience, again.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVIDING EQUITABLE TAKING METHOD FOR USE OF HIGHWAYS—This is the other highway measure. It's an attempt by the same big truck interests to write into the constitution prohibition of any tax other than fuel tax and plate tax.

The transports could escape the fuel tax by dieseling up at San Francisco and Vancouver, Wash., while you and I couldn't.

We oppose special interests writing their rules in the state constitution as well as being in favor of the legislature's program, which this would nullify.

Definitely, No.

MILK PRODUCTION MARKETING ACT BILL—For it: Removes control of milk marketing (not sanitation) after it leaves the dairy farmer.

Against it: While keeping price base for dairy farmer it removes quotas, thus making the effectiveness of the price support questionable. Klamath Basin Grade A Producers say No.

You decide.

APPORTIONMENT ENFORCEMENT—We need to reapportion the legislature. This would do it entirely on population, without regard for the wide open spaces of Eastern Oregon.

No.

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Hal Boyle

MADRID (U) — Snapshots from a touring typewriter: The face of Madrid is changing more rapidly than almost any other capital in Europe. New hotels are rising to fill the demands of the tourist trade. Great chunks of pastel colored apartment buildings containing hundreds of apartments are being erected to meet the needs of a population desperately demanding more housing.

There is an air of crisp modernity about the city that in itself strikes the American visitors who like an atmosphere of progress in a storied setting. They also find the individual Spaniard one of the most likeable Europeans.

Most vacationists, of course, are more interested in having a good time here than in the politics of this colorful country which has such tremendous contrasts of ancient grandeur, new splendor and old poverty.

After dining at a palatial hotel—spending for one meal enough to keep a poor Spanish family in beans and bread for a month—they ask idly, "who runs this country anyway?"

To this question you can get many answers, just as a stranger might if he asked who really ran America.

"The church rules Spain," is the reply often given by the man in the street, who may affectionately admire his own paragon, but dislikes the top clergy.

"No, Franco is a true generalissimo," disagrees a Nationalistic patriot. "If Franco went to Korea with our Spanish divisions, he would destroy the Chinese Army."

But an observer who has been here many years says that Spain actually is bossed by what he called "the nine old men." It is his contention that the country has been controlled by the Army for 150 years and any regime that fails to meet its demands is always sure to be toppled by the military junta still firmly in the saddle.

"The nine old men are the captain generals or military governors of Spain's nine military districts," he said. "They hold the real power and whatever they decide as a clique becomes the policy of the government."

"Franco is, in fact, only the front man for these nine old men, even though the majority of them now are his appointees. He is no absolute dictator. He is answerable to them in any real showdown. They can unseat him anytime he moves against the Army's wishes—and he knows it."

"Who really does run Spain? No one you ask will answer. The People's new apartment buildings in Spain have more modern innovations than its constitution.

But there is surprisingly small disaffection with the Franco regime among the masses. There still is great poverty here, but there always has been great poverty and anyway great poverty in itself doesn't usually create rebellions or organize successful revolutions. Franco himself was a revolutionary, but he didn't start from hunger.

"Spaniards like every other people in Europe are sick of war," said one longtime observer. "They want no more bloodshed like they had in their civil war."

"Besides, under Franco food and housing and transportation have shown some improvement and life is not quite so hard as it was. The average Spaniard certainly would like to have things better than they are now—but most of all he wants peace himself and a chance to raise a family in peace just like everyone else in the world today."

California Politics

By ROSS RAGLAND
Proposition 28, State Funds: Hospital Construction, is an Assembly Constitutional Amendment which would permit the appropriation of state funds for the cost of construction of hospital facilities by non-profit private corporations wherever federal matching funds are made available. At the present time state funds cannot be given to match federal funds for hospital construction unless the organizations building the hospitals are public organizations, that is, a city, county or hospital district. The amendment would include private groups among the organizations that could receive state aid as well as federal aid to underwrite building costs.

The proponents claim that unless state funds are made available to such groups, then the federal funds which are available will be withheld and California would not get in return its fair share of federal funds.

The opponents argue that the present prohibition against gifts of public money to private corporations is a desirable one and should not be changed and declared that the next step would be to authorize the use of public money to assist the cost of running such privately owned hospitals. A private group is not going to be interested in running a non-profit hospital too long. State match money is available now to any public group for building hospitals.

All organizations say NO except the Federation of Labor. They recommend a YES vote.

Proposition 31, Superior Judges, Vacancies, is a Senate Constitutional Amendment which provides that where a superior court vacancy occurs during a general election year preceding the end of the incumbent judge's term, election of a full-term successor will be held at that coming election. The constitution now permits such vacancy to be filled by appointment by the Governor and the voters cannot show approval by vote until after the appointee has served at least two years.

The State Chamber of Commerce recommends a YES vote. No other organizations recommend.

Proposition 22, Property Tax Assessment, sponsored by the Assessors Association would merely simplify the procedure of assessment of property for the assessor and the taxpayer in that it would permit the taxpayer to mail his statement at his convenience during the assessment period without having to confer with a deputy assessor after filing the statement in his presence.

The negative argument on this amendment states that under this method, the burden of assessing

Britons Vote Tuesday, Too

LONDON (U) — Britain has an election Tuesday too—to fill a House of Commons vacancy in the Weymouth district of Buckinghamshire. Like the U. S. presidential election, it looks close.

This is the first polling in a closely-contested district since Winston Churchill's Conservatives ran an easy victory over the Labor Party in the national election of October, 1951. Both Conservative and Labor Party leaders await the outcome anxiously for signs of a possible trend.

In the previous election, American-born W. W. Astor, a Conservative, defeated Laborite John Haire by 1,753 votes, 7,084 to 25,331. Astor has since been elevated to the peerage by the death of his father, Viscount Astor.

Candidates this time are Haire and Conservative John Hall.

Nixon Raps Second Raters

TACOMA (U) — Vice presidential nominee Richard G. Nixon told a Republican rally here Saturday night "second rate leadership" has caused the needless sacrifice of American lives in Korea.

The California senator, in what was billed as the final address of his campaign, declared the sacrifice occurs "every day because of the moral decay of this administration."

Nixon said the American voter should consider three things when he is alone in the voting booth Tuesday:

"The tragedy of Korea with its resulting high prices and high taxes.

"The hopelessness of our present foreign policy to prevent all more Korea and more deaths to American boys.

"The dismal lack of moral and spiritual stamina in the present administration, or its chosen successor, to meet the vast Communist challenge, or to bring peace to the world."

HUGH PRUETT

November skies sometimes break their proverbial gloom and permit us to look into the infinitudes of the great open heavens where dwell the "everlasting stars." If this opportunity is soon afforded, let us study the more outstanding celestial jewels.

Saturn is now in the eastern dawn, rising a little south of east nearly two hours before the sun. In the evening sky we find the other four naked-eye planets.

Mercury is setting in the southwest less than an hour after the sun, so will not be easily observed. Mars is now high in the east, but is very high enough after dusk to be sighted easily.

An hour after sunset Mars is low in the south-southwest. It is easily spotted for it is the only fairly bright object in that general location. This planet is reddish in color and much dimmer than during the summer. At the same time bright Jupiter is splendid a little above the horizon somewhat north of east.

Around 7 p.m. we find the bright star Altair very high in the sky somewhat west of south. Orange Arcturus is sparkling near the horizon considerably north of west.

Almost overhead Deneb, at the top of the Northern Cross, is conspicuous, although not so bright as the other stars in the constellation. Somewhat west of Deneb and very high in the sky, Vega, principal star of the Harp of Orpheus, is very bright. Five dim stars very near Vega outline the principal body of the classical harp, known today as Lyra.

Around the middle of the month a few Leonid meteors can likely be seen in the morning sky. They are bluish in color and very swift moving.

Telling The Editor

NO NAME
A letter concerning the recent arrest here of a man on charges of buying some ducks from a game warden has been received addressed to this column.

The letter was signed "Sportsman". A footnote says: "Name will be furnished if desired. Will be willing to see what action you take. Please print this letter." No letters will be published in this column unless the original is signed by the writer and carries his address.

"In this instance, we can't request the name of the 'sportsman' since we've no idea who he is."



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