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1) **The California Journal**

The California Journal is a nonpartisan, independent magazine launched in 1970 "to provide a source of authoritative information on state government and politics." It is written and edited by journalists with decades of first-hand experience covering inside news from the state Capitol and the campaign trail.

December 2004: Election 2004 focus; "The Nothing Election"- Months of hoopla and hundreds of millions of dollars altered some public policy, via the ballot groups, but produced no change in the state's political map.

November 2004: Labor in Transition; "The Big Shift in California Labor"- Union membership has increased in California in recent years, but it is still far below its peak years in the 1950s. Both here and nationally, labor is aggressively redefining itself.

October 2004: Decision 2004, Prop-heavy ballot weighs down voters

September 2004: Will She Be Left Behind? Disparity in Funding Public Schools; "Leaving kids behind"- Not all of California's K-12 students are getting equal educations- or even clean bathrooms- as a landmark lawsuit painfully reveals.

August 2004: The Minnie Awards- California Journal's eighth biennial recognition of the Legislature's best and brightest, including awards for 'Legislator of the Year,' "Senator of the Year," 'Assembly Member of the Year,' and 'Rookie of the Year.'" Also, "The part-time Legislature," a look at the debate

July 2004: The Natural; exclusive interview with Governor Schwarzenegger; After nearly eight months in office, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has displayed notable leadership skills but also a penchant for postponing the hard decisions.

June 2004: Coping with Cuts: More people, less money put the squeeze on nonprofits; Plagued with increased clientele and decreased revenues, nonprofit social service groups are finding it harder to help the state's neediest citizens.

Flexing Latino muscle- Historically, the Latino vote has been described as a "sleeping giant." Today, it more closely resembles "The Incredible Hulk."

May 2004: Judgment Day: California's prison system hangs in the balance; The Schwarzenegger administration is taking a new look at crime and punishment against the backdrop of a troubled prison system.

April 2004: Fantastic...or not. Did Arnold get a mandate? The governor's heavy lifting resulted in the passage of Proposition 57, but he failed to inspire the electorate. Complete primary election analysis.

March 2004: Abandoned...without a safety net. Reducing health care to California's neediest.

A tattered safety net: Will proposed cuts to Medi-Cal and other programs collapse the system that delivers health care to the poor?

Nursing ratios: new regulations require hospitals to increase their nurse-patient ratios, leaving hospitals and nurses to wrestle with the implementation.

The grocery strike: Southern California supermarket chains are battling unions over health care, with the outcome likely to affect management-labor relations far beyond the grocery industry.

February 2004: Election 2004: Props put California at a crossroads; the most significant feature of the March election is not the presidential primary but a pair of ballot propositions that could dramatically impact state finances and the governor's clout.

January 2004: The New Gay Power: No Longer on the outside

Next step: equality: The frontier for gay politics has moved from criminal laws to anti-discrimination to domestic rights and marriage.

Budget outlook: An update on key spending categories as Governor Schwarzenegger prepares to introduce his first state budget.

Fair share: Governor Schwarzenegger claims California does not get its fair share in federal funding formulas. But is that likely to change?

November 2003: Governor Schwarzenegger: Does he have political muscle?

Boys on the bus: An inside look at Arnold Schwarzenegger's wild and amazing bus ride to the governor's office. With the media frothing at the now infamous groping allegations against Schwarzenegger, the election becomes a zoo.

Special recall coverage

October 2003: California Live; Special Coverage: Democracy's bumpy ride through the California recall

Out of gas: As California's population grows, the demand for fuel grows with it. It's a fact that's bringing arguments over fuel prices, environmental standards and public policy to a head.

Environmental roundtable: California's environmental policy-makers talk with California Journal editors about the state of our environment and what the major issues will be in the future.

Recall reality: Special recall coverage examines the unprecedented media madness on the campaign trail, the political anguish and hostility in both major parties, and the historic legal questions for American democracy posed by the California special election.

August 2003: California in Crisis: A California Journal special project explores five major causes behind the political, financial and leadership crisis dominating Sacramento this year- the recall, the redistricting process, term limits, unique budget rules and a weak governor.

Recycling water runoff: Collecting runoff from Southern California's urban cement-scape could increase supply, improve beach conditions and protect environmental habitat.

Water war talk: The success of the CALFED negotiating process at keeping the peace among major water users is threatened by a new direction from the White House.

July 2003: Assessing the "New Era" with Mexico: California's relations with Mexico are not the top priority they once were

The "New Era" revisited: When Governor Gray Davis was elected in 1998, relations between California and Mexico were at a standstill, and he planned to change that. Over four years, there is still work to do.

A broken system and no solutions: One of the biggest issues in Sacramento this year is the broken workers' compensation system. Legislators from both parties are vowing to fix the problem. What went wrong?

June 2003: The state that Howard built

The battle over Jackson State Forest: California has been cutting down trees for years in the state-owned Jackson State Demonstration Forest. Some environmentalists want that to change.

The silver anniversary of Proposition 13: California was changed forever when Proposition 13 passed a quarter of a century ago. Since then, Californians have gone on an initiative binge that has further altered the state's landscape. By Peter Schrag

This old housing crisis: In California, there are too many people and not enough places to live. State lawmakers want to change this, but they're battling entrenched interests that are not likely to budge—at least not this year.

May 2003: The classroom computer bust

Teaching without computers: Now that the high-tech frenzy is over, California educators are wondering about the future role of computers in the classroom.

Environmental justice rising: The movement to protect poor and minority neighborhoods from air pollution is approaching a solution unlike any in the nation.

April 2003: State of emergency: California opens critical debate to save health care

Prescriptions for health care: Five bills seek to resolve California's health crisis by moving the state closer to universal care. Each faces budget and other obstacles.

Health care's high cost: How do we afford all of the new and wonderful ways science has found to help us live longer and healthier.

Community college mission: The governor's plan for dramatic cuts to the community college budget have sparked protest and search for the primary mission of an evolving institution.

Water wars: The latest chapter in California's historic water wars is a showdown involving farmers, federal authorities, growing cities, environmentalists and state mediators.

March 2003: Rewarding work- CA teachers are now the highest paid in America. Is it enough?

Top of the Heap: For years, teachers' pay in California lagged compared to the rest of the country. But now, after years of work by the California Teachers Association, the state's teachers are the highest paid anywhere. But at what price?

Private money in public schools: In 2000, San Diego Unified School District embarked on a controversial plan to improve its schools, but it needed \$20 million in private money to do it. The district got the money also a few headaches in implementing the changes.

Train to nowhere: Eleven years ago, California bought the troubled Northwestern Pacific Railroad in hopes of bringing economic security to the North Coast. Now, the railroad lies unused and California faces a decision to pump more money into it or to abandon it at a price.

February 2003: Size won't matter- California's green laws will grow today's tiny hybrids into tomorrow's environmental SUVs.

Is California changing Detroit? The state's 1990 "zero emission vehicle" deadline of 2003 was the equivalent of declaring a moon landing before scientists knew how to get there. While the mandate fell short, it helped change the family car forever.

Speeding into the future: Lawmakers put a California high-speed rail bond measure onto the November 2004 ballot. Now comes the hard part—figuring out how to build the system.

The governor speaks: Excerpts from Governor Gray Davis' three big speeches: the inaugural, the state of the state and his budget proposal.

Q & A: Pete Wilson- the former governor talks about Governor Gray Davis' budget and how he would deal with the current problems.

January 2003: Can California farms compete with the world? Expansive new water projects will be wasted if thirsty farmers go bust.

Down on the farm: California's agricultural industry faces pressure from the environmental movement and suburban sprawl. But it's the globalization of the farming business that could really hurt the aggies and result in a previously unimaginable consequence: a water surplus in California.

When vineyards become battlefields: Wineries and their distributors are locked into a battle over whether winemakers can ship directly to their customers.

Q&A: Ann Veneman: The U.S. Secretary of Agriculture talks about trade, homeland security and an upcoming international conference in Sacramento.

2) **CalPeek – July 1995 – present**

California's Leading Weekly Political Newsletter: California Political Week is an independent, non-partisan news analysis bulletin

3) **The Polling Report**

- a. An independent survey of trends affecting elections, government and business
- b. Bimonthly publication with issues available here dating back to March 2001

4) **The National Journal**

Monthly issues from September 1999 to the present

5) **CQ Weekly Report – January 2003-present**

6) **Western Cities (League of California Cities)**

March 2005 – present

7) **State Legislatures (National Conference of State Legislatures)**

April 2005 – Present

8) **Governing: The Magazine of States and Localities**

September 2004 – January 2005

9) **California Journal's Election Weekly**

February – November 1992

10) **American Demographics**

December 2002 – present

11) **Field Poll**

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