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Emerald Editor:

The Senate: McKay, a Multi-purpose Mistake

The Emerald endorsed McKay over Morse recently for reasons, or lack of reasons, that deserve some discussion. The Emerald said that:

1. A vote for McKay is a vote for Ike.
2. Morse is inconsistent.
3. Morse is not modest.

As reasons for support of a candidate—or as the case really is here, opposition of a candidate—these statements will not withstand sober inquiry.

McKay has said he will vote just as Eisenhower wants him to and that he will vote just as the people of Oregon want him to. But what if the interests of Oregon don't agree with the interests of those members of the Old Guard Eisenhower happens to be following? Appropriations for Cougar and Hills Creek dams here in Lane County were raised greatly over what the administration requested. The increases conformed substantially to what the Army Engineers said could be spent for these projects to benefit Oregon. Which way

The Old Spirit

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the trees are concerned enough to want to do something about the situation. Isn't this spirit? But the condemnors don't want all spirit, it seems, they want a sweetness-and-light spirit, a kind of rose-colored and dictated I-Love-Big-Brother spirit!

So get off the student body's back. We aren't to blame for our team's bad day. We didn't throw conniptions in the stands but that's no indication that we lack spirit. I predict our section at the corn bin will be overflowing on Thanksgiving Day with spirit, spirits and students, and I seriously predict our boys will take the farmers by 14 points!

would McKay vote here? How about the Crooked River project pushed through by Morse and others over opposition of Eisenhower's Administration? or deepening the Columbia River channel for access of larger ships to Portland? Or harbor improvement at Yaquina Bay (the latter which Ike vetoed)? Where would McKay vote?

Besides, is it clear Ike wanted McKay returned to Washington where he had him "pitch-forked out of the Interior to be slaughtered on the Western front"? I suggest that it was the local Old Guard that chopped off Phil Hitchcock's finances to prevent his victory in the primary, not Ike.

This brings us to another mistake—the one of inconsistency. No doubt a prevailing reason for torpedoing Hitchcock was that he had been an acknowledged supporter and follower of Wayne L. Morse when he was a Republican. When were the inconsistencies complained of manifested, if they be such? When Morse was a Republican? If so, why weren't the Republicans against Morse at the time? Morse hasn't changed his stand on the filibuster one whit since 1944. Why is he criticized now and not then? Isn't it true that most of Morse's detractors would still be in jubilant support of his independent and able mind if he were still a Republican?

As to the filibustering, the Editor indicated ignorance of facts when he claimed Morse was inconsistent in criticizing the practice and yet engaging in it himself. Morse has always offered his bill to end filibusters every time he used the device. Acceptance of it would preclude the long speeches that follow. And Morse's use of filibuster is not to defeat a bill by talking it to death. He delays any ill-advised action until the public becomes informed and in

turn informs its representatives in Congress of its views. The illegal Dixon-Yates contract is an example of this type of use. There the government admitted illegality of the contract, but it would have been law without any consideration of the matter except for the delaying speeches.

It is unfortunate that only Morse's national record was considered in endorsing McKay, for the latter also has a record that ought to be quite pertinent in a state where the natural resources of timber and water power are of paramount public concern.

The last point of opposition to Morse was that he was proud of his intellectual ability. This is a peculiar ground for criticism within a university community. If Douglas McKay is modest about his mentality it may be considered that he has good grounds for his attitude.

Wayne L. Morse is the same man Oregon sent to Washington in 1944 and the same man who was returned with an overwhelming majority of the votes of both parties in 1950. There was no mistake on Oregon's part then. There is only mistake on the part of the Emerald and the Old Guard now. Both Oregon and the nation will profit by MORSE'S RE-ELECTION NOV. 6.

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Emerald Editor

I have read all your articles about the candidates with much interest, because on November 6 I shall cast my first vote in this country. To my regret your editorial "The Way We See It: McKay for Senator" merely confused me.

I suppose that it was written in support of Mr. McKay and was addressed to an academic community. But if the writer can only recommend his candidate by attacking and insulting his opponent,

then it would have been better to say nothing. I can find very little in the editorial that would show me any positive merits that Mr. McKay himself might have.

Maybe the writer believes that this country will preserve its leadership position with only "relatively colorless" figures forming an "adequate" team for our President. Or should this editorial be a further step from a "colorless" convention to a "yesmen" team of the future President?

But it seems to me also a dangerous step to try to persuade us that our President wishes to have a "relatively colorless" team. We from Europe have experienced how things go when there is a "relatively colorless" but "ade-

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