

For Murray, Delay, Shirley, Bond and Craig

With the focus on the glamorous issues of this election — cleaning up nuclear power, saving land-use planning and providing public financing for state elections — it might be easy to overlook the city elections. But students who hope to make Eugene their home can't afford to ignore them.

Eugene is at a point in its growth where decisions made in the next two years will have long-term, if not irreversible, effects on the city's future. This year's candidates for office offer Eugene a real choice as to what philosophy will be the base for those decisions.

Over the last several years, the city council has been split into two voting blocks. One faction, led by Neil Murray, has worked to develop a sensible growth policy for Eugene.

The Murray group has fought for alternatives to the automobile, fought to keep Eugene from sprawling into the surrounding farm land, and fought to keep Eugene the livable place that it is.

The other group, typified by Gus Keller, have been far more open to growth, and far less open to new approaches to dealing with Eugene's growing pains.

Fortunately, from our viewpoint, the Murray faction has won more often than it has lost. Depending on which way the council elections go, the balance could shift to the other side.

Against this backdrop, the Emerald makes the following endorsements:

MAYOR: Neil Murray is the obvious choice for mayor. As a council member, Murray supported a balanced transportation plan, a strong urban service boundary to keep Eugene compact and legislation designed to rid Eugene of the clutter of billboards and commercial signs yelling "read me."

But Murray's commitment to Eugene goes farther than his votes at council meetings. While

others talked about alternatives to the auto, Murray rode a bicycle. While others talked about saving downtown residential areas, Murray did the thing that will save them and moved there. While others talked about encouraging neighborhood groups, Murray worked with them and became the first neighborhood group leader to win election to the city council.

Murray's main opponent Gus Keller simply doesn't offer the progressive frame of mind Eugene needs. Keller admits his philosophy on growth is different than Murray's and he spent much of his interview with the Emerald talking of his plans to attract business to Eugene. Keller identifies with Eugene's business community, and would bring that orientation to the mayor's office.

The third candidate, Jerome Kernoschak, is a recent transplant who either doesn't understand or hasn't bothered to address the problems facing Eugene. He spent most of his interview berating the auto industry and the last we heard that problem lives in Detroit.

WARD II: Jack Craig is our pick in Ward II. The differences between Craig and his opponent Betty Smith aren't major, but they're enough to swing us to Craig. He more solidly supports the current compact growth boundaries and seems less willing than Smith to encourage the use of the car in Eugene. Finally, we're bothered by Smith's support of Keller for mayor.

WARD III: This race, more than any other, could hinge on the student vote. Ward III covers the area of the city historically inhabited by students. Jack Delay deserves students' support. Delay is a staunch supporter of the compact growth policy, neighborhood groups and Eugene's goal to reduce auto traffic 30 per cent by the year 2,000. His opponent, Tom Moreland, is an architect and planner who has shown almost blatant contempt for

those who wish to slow growth. When people in the Bethal area worked against Moreland's plan to develop a trailer park in their neighborhood, he insinuated they were less than American for opposing his idea of progress. Moreland would not be the innovative council person we could expect Delay to be.

WARD VII: Gary Bond and Scott Lieuallen are the two major candidates in the ward, and our vote goes to Bond. Both candidates are sympathetic to limiting growth in the area, but Bond strikes us as the more innovative of the two. He has some good ideas on how to keep from pricing the poor out of Eugene as available lots within the urban services boundaries decrease. Bond has been active in neighborhood groups and has a good feel for the problems of the Eugene area.

WARD VIII: Edna Shirey is the incumbent in Ward VIII and she should be re-elected. Shirey was an early leader in the establishment of neighborhood groups and has worked to prevent urban sprawl. She has been a swing vote over the last few years, and more often than not, has swung the right way. Shirey's opponent Brian Obie hedges when asked about support for additional bikeways, continued support of neighborhood groups and maintaining the urban services boundaries. These all sound nice to Obie, but we bet it wouldn't take much to make him change his mind.

All this is not to say that we see bulldozers parked just outside the city limits waiting for the go ahead. Government works slow, and even if the "wrong" people get elected, it would be awhile before any effects would be seen. What the people of Eugene could lose, though, is a chance to begin to deal now with problems that are only around the bend. Murray, Craig, Delay, Bond and Shirey are our choices. They deserve your support.

Letters

For Pratt

Camilla Pratt is the candidate for the EWEB board from Wards 2 and 3 who has both common sense and perspective. She will represent us common people who have begun to question where the "combine" is taking us.

Out of concern about the influence of EWEB on urban sprawl, energy-wasting pricing policies, reliance on increasingly expensive and risky electrical generating processes, she began attending board meetings several years ago. She has studied the issues. When public information meetings have been held, she's been there. This sincere and long-time concern is the outgrowth of earlier years of study and work with the League of Women Voters on many social, economic and environmental issues.

We need her viewpoints to counterbalance the narrowness of a board into which businessmen rather drop, quite unprepared, when they see an unoccupied chair. We want someone who understands and will consider all the costs when deciding how to provide electrical and water service at the least possible cost. Vote for Camilla Pratt.

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Flyer twists facts

For those students who may have received a "No on 9" flyer in the mail or who have been otherwise barraged by similar propaganda, may I point out a few things:

1. The flyer is put out by Portland General Electric Co.
2. In a recent article in the Oregonian, it was reported that PGE used the names of as many as 40 persons and groups without their written consent in the pamphlet (confirmed by a PGE spokesman). Some of these peo-

ple, such as state treasurer James Redden, U.S. Representatives Bob Duncan and Les AuCoin, have complained of this.

3. The pamphlet states at the end that Jimmy Carter favors nuclear energy development, while Jimmy Carter in fact has publicly supported Measure 9.

4. The pamphlet also states that nuclear wastes are not a danger to Oregon because Oregon law prohibits long-term storage or disposal of high-level wastes in the state. This says nothing more than that we will be building nuclear power plants in our state and dumping the wastes in our neighbors' backyards.

I am not trying to persuade anyone to vote either yes or no on Measure 9; I am rather suggesting that the above points be taken into consideration when trying to sort through the garbage poured over us as election day approaches.

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MY FELLOW AFRICANS. I HAVE WON A GREAT VICTORY FOR OUR SIDE.



I HAVE BOUGHT US 2 ADDITIONAL YEARS TO ESCALATE COVERT OPERATIONS AGAINST THE COMMUNIST PENETRATION OF AFRICA



WITHIN 2 YEARS RHODESIA WILL BE UNDER BLACK MAJORITY RULE.



MY FELLOW RUSSIANS: I HAVE SPREAD PETENTE TO AFRICA, THUS ELIMINATING A POTENTIAL AREA OF CONFLICT BETWEEN US.



MY FELLOW COLONIALISTS: MY DELAYING TACTICS HAVE GAINED VALUABLE TIME FOR OUR SIDE



MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS: PEACE IS AT HAND!



TILL NOVEMBER 3, AT LEAST.

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