

Lausmann: Weaver a chameleon

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Jerry Lausmann, a Republican candidate for the fourth Congressional District, is not wasting any niceties on Rep. Jim Weaver, D-Ore.

Lausmann lambasted Weaver for his stands on the environment and unemployment, and for his "political babble," at a Friday luncheon meeting of the Round Table Republican Forum.

"He (Weaver) is very vulnerable," Lausmann said. "With some hard work in the grass roots area we're going to take him out of the picture this year."

Lausmann, 46, was defeated by Weaver in the 1976 congressional election. Lausmann is president of a Medford plywood and veneer

manufacturing firm, and has never held public office.

He criticized Weaver as a "political chameleon" and said Weaver would like to please all the people all of the time.

"Why did Weaver waver on the issues?" he asked. "Because he wanted to convince people he was on both sides of the issue."

Lausmann began his speech by giving a minute example of a "typical Jim Weaver speech" which was full of what he called "political babble." After it was over, he said "It wasn't easy for me to say that without upchucking."

Lausmann defined "political babble" as "jibberish, cliches and banalities which are boring and confusing to the American people, who are beginning to be irritated by it." Lausmann claimed Weaver has a severe case of what he

referred to as "Weaver babble."

"Weaver says he's concerned, but you never know what he's concerned about. It could be unemployment or the heartbreak of psoriasis. It's all meaningless mumbo-jumbo."

Lausmann said he foresees the worst is yet to come on unemployment and advocated "more free enterprise and less governmental intervention to create a healthy, free, economical climate." He said all Americans want a piece of the American Dream, and the way to get it is through productive employment.

Lausmann said existing wilderness areas are fine, but in the future every acre should be examined for its multiple uses.

On the issues, Lausmann said he opposed giving away the Panama Canal and he is still studying the energy bill before Congress.



Jerry Lausmann

Eugene customers still ignoring boycott

Even after a month of protest
'people haven't heard about it'

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Even though the boycott against J.P. Stevens and Company textile products has been in the Eugene area for more than a month, few customers know about it, and even fewer are dissuaded from buying the linen products.

The boycott began in Eugene following the Dec. 6 showing of a film depicting illegal labor practices and anti-union activity by the company in its plants throughout the southern United States.

Headed by a group of local activists, the boycott took shape in the form of a leaflet distribution and publicity campaigns by the Lane County J.P. Stevens Boycott Committee.

While much of the committee's focus has been on The Bon Marche department store downtown, several other department stores in the Eugene-Springfield

area carry either J.P. Stevens name-brand products or buy the company's unfinished textile goods and add their own labels later. Most of the goods are selling better than ever this year.

Although The Bon has no official position on the boycott and the leafletting in front of its store, one employee thinks the controversy may be selling the linen products better than paid advertising. Currently in the middle of an annual White Sale, the employee says the boycott has made people more familiar with the J.P. Stevens' brand.

Fred Meyer stores, which carry Tastemaker towels and linens made by J.P. Stevens, just ended their white sale that "went over very well," a Fred Meyer spokesman says.

Part of the reason the boycott has yet to turn away a substantial number of customers may be that too few people know about it, Dale

Bromell, manager of the Valley River Meier and Frank store linen department, explains.

"I wasn't aware that there was a formal boycott going on," Bromell says. "I had heard rumors, but that was about it. I really don't think many people have heard about it yet. We're right in the middle of a white sale—in fact, most stores in the area are having sales right now—and everything is moving very well," Bromell says.

The Bon employee, however, disagrees. "I think people know about the boycott and buy the products because of all the publicity," the employee says. "There are also a number of things they (the customers) know themselves that the pamphlets don't tell them."

Those other things, the employee says, are that wages in the South are generally lower than

elsewhere in the nation, as is the cost of living. "It's my understanding that the (J.P. Stevens') wage rate is in step with the other wages in the area and the cost of living," the Bon employee says.

"J.P. Stevens is a very good name for linen products in the mind of the customer," the employee explains. "When they want linen products, they usually ask for J.P. Stevens by name."

Stevens boycott

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Stefan Ostrach, a member of the Lane County J.P. Stevens Boycott Committee, explains that the efforts of the committee to publicize the boycott have been confined to distributing leaflets in front of the downtown Bon Marche Department store, which carries J.P. Stevens and Co. products.

The reception by the customers has been excellent, Ostrach says, and the committee will begin to organize a larger boycott within the next few months.

While the Lane County boycott has been supported by the local Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the Local National Organization for Women and the University's Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation, finding stores that carry J.P. Ste-

vens and Co. products has been a problem, Ostrach says.

"It can get to be a pretty far-flung process to find every store that sells J.P. Stevens products, so we have stayed on the downtown mall," he says.

The Bon Marche is just one of several department stores that carry J.P. Stevens products in Eugene and Springfield. Others include Meier and Frank's Valley River Center store, both Fred Meyer stores, Montgomery Wards, J.C. Penney and Sears and Roebuck stores.

Those products made by J.P. Stevens and Co. are bed sheets and pillowcases carrying the brands: Beauti-Blend, Beauticle, Fine Arts, Peanuts (comic strip figures), Tastemaker, Utica, and Mohawk, and Designer Labels.

Towels carrying the brands: Fine Arts, Tastemaker and Utica are also J.P. Stevens products, as are blankets from Forstmann and Utica.

Carpets with the Contender, Gulistan, Merryweather and Tastemaker labels and table cloths made by Simtex, along with hosiery by Finesse, HipLets and Spirit are also J.P. Stevens and Co. products.

The Lane County boycott will continue, Ostrach says, with other activities planned for the future, including a visit to Oregon by several J.P. Stevens workers.

ODE sports revises staff

The Emerald sports department has undergone some recent personnel changes. Former assistant sports editor Mike Marino has been elevated to sports editor. Marino replaced Dan Lindahl, who is now employed by the Eugene Register-Guard.

Nick Dawson is the new assistant sports editor. Dawson, a senior journalism major, has been covering club sports for the Emerald.

Dawson will coordinate the Emerald's weekly sports supplement and continue writing sports stories. Marino will head the sports department and write a weekly column.

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