

LETTERS

6 brings fix

Through my long association with BRING recycling, I have observed Lane County's recycling and waste reduction efforts and their impact on the waste stream.

Although recycling rates have increased steadily, they have not kept pace with the ever-increasing amounts of wasteful, non-recyclable packaging. Measure 6, the recycling and waste-reduction initiative, will reverse the trend. Measure 6 will shift accountability and cost of wasteful packaging from the consumer and taxpayer to the manufacturer where it belongs.

That is why such a vigorous "sky is falling" campaign is being waged by packaging special interest groups and easily "influenced" political allies.

Measure 6 is thoughtful and well-crafted. It exempts hardship cases and is gradual in implementation. The recycling rates demanded by Measure 6 are no more excessive than ones currently in Seattle.

Many of the special interest groups that fought Portland's successful Styrofoam reduction law are fighting Measure 6.

On a recent flight from Portland's airport, two things occurred to me. The Portland streets were free of Styrofoam litter and the sky had not fallen.

Leslie Weinstein
Eugene

Lonsdale can do

Seven years ago I went to a workshop on venture capital and ended up buying the speaker's book. I was so impressed. That speaker was Harry Lonsdale.

This year I had the privilege of meeting Lonsdale again, this time as one of his opponents in the primary. His enthusiasm and energy were amazing. His campaign strategy was brilliant.

Hatfield has changed in 24 years in Washington. Now he is throwing wild charges to smear Lonsdale. Is that the mark of a statesman?

False environmental charges about Lonsdale's business were

followed by saying we'll lose 50,000 jobs. But it's Hatfield's support for log exports that will export the jobs.

Oregon lost ground economically during Hatfield's six-year chairmanship of appropriations. He wasn't able to slow Reagan's military build-up and he co-chaired the Reagan reelection in Oregon. He didn't seem to mind depressing our economy to transfer our state's military taxes into a California economic boom.

As a prominent member of the peace community, I have a problem with Hatfield's support of militarists like Packwood and Reagan. It's time we had a senator who was not afraid to challenge them.

Not tied to special interest money, Lonsdale can do that. Not tied to the party of military spending, Lonsdale can do that.

Bob Reuschlein
Eugene

Vote Kahle

Votes by some voters in Oregon can be more equal than others in Oregon's Nov. 6 general election.

This is particularly true in the Oregon House of Representatives District 43 race. The election of Lynn Kahle, the Democratic candidate for that position, is a dramatic case in point. (Kahle is an associate professor in the University school of business.)

Kahle is uniquely qualified to represent West Eugene, Western Lane and Southwestern Douglas County. He is energetic, knowledgeable, an author-academician, family and church related, permanently located in the area and is not beholden to any special interests because of mammoth campaign contributions. Kahle is independent and will act where the facts of any situation will lead him in representing your and the best interests of Oregon.

I have been a Lane County legislator as well as a legislative administrator in Oregon legislative sessions from 1963 to and including 1989 and have never seen any legislative candidate more qualified and with more promise of excellent service in the legislature and state

government than Kahle.

As a senior citizen myself, 67, I know Kahle for his excellent work for Eugene seniors and his leadership and knowledge in the area of fair treatment of older Americans. This goes for all ages and the establishment of fairness for both women and men as well.

I urge you to support Kahle at the ballot box with a yes vote on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Jack Craig
Campaign Chairman

Man's issue

There is a general male apathy toward ballot measures 8 and 10. They are both anti-choice measures threatening the lives of women.

However, I call on all men to turn and face the central issue. This is government intervention in the life of the individual. This is a man's issue.

I call on all men to vote no on measures 8 and 10.

Gary Braun
Psychology

Quaking

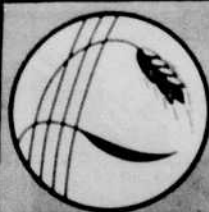
After Chernobyl, after Mt. St. Helens, after last year's catastrophic Bay area quake and the quaking predictions of geologists for the Pacific Northwest; after Hanford, and federal compensation that barely touches the damage done to Nevada atomic-testing downwinders; and finally, after the dismal operations record of the Trojan plant itself since its going on line in 1976 — any voters who buy the whining arguments of opponents and thus defeat ballot measure 4 will have to have their head stuck into the (radioactive) sand.

And it goes without saying, so I'll say it anyway; any people selling aforementioned arguments have their hands stuck squarely into the pockets of the utilities' ratepayers via their financial "interests" in the continuance of Trojan's operation.

Don't sell your children's (and their children's, etc.) future down the "full of good fission" Columbia River.

Vote yes on Ballot Measure 4.

Vip Short
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