

**MEANWHILE,  
IN NEWPORT**

Well, our quadriennial bout of arrant nonsense has finally ended. We have a new president from a new generation.

Electing John Kennedy empowered the generation that grew up during the depression and the second world war. Bill Clinton is of the generation of Vietnam.

We can hope he brings a new awareness to American foreign policy, an awareness of limits both military and economic, to American power. Because, things have changed.

To the generation now leaving the stage, that group of steadfast and mostly honorable men who stood at our national helm from the end of WWII until the present, nothing seemed impossible.

The Marshal Plan rebuilt the industries of a devastated Europe while the fertility of the great plains put bread in the mouths of millions who might well have starved.

Japan, her great cities reduced in 1945 to a few blasted chimneys and cement buildings standing amid vast fields of broken sticks, with a constitution written and implemented, if not imposed, by Douglas McArthur, rose from ashes to self sufficiency and power.

These were the success stories. They were successes so improbable a generation before that America can almost be forgiven for believing all things were possible. Vietnam began to teach us differently.

We can hope President elect Clinton is aware that failures most notably in Vietnam and Nicaragua, were not failures of will but the inevitable results of applying a realpolitik as outdated as a buggywhip in a Buick.

We can hope he understands that the American people are capable of making the hard domestic choices and have the fortitude to carry them to conclusion. Give us fair and rational programs, government with the integrity to rise above partisan and regional differences to apply them and even our hideous national debt will fall before our resolve.

There it is, Bill.  
Your move.

Alex LaFollette

**POST-ELECTION WISH LIST**

by Alison Dride

For all members of the OCA:  
Framed copies of the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights, appropriate passages highlighted.

For all children of OCA members:  
An apology from your parents and an adult in your life somewhere, sometime, who encourages you to learn without fear of reprimand and to make your own decisions.

For all (OCA and otherwise) who voted Yes on 9:  
Repetition of your ninth-grade history class, so you can learn about the forces that shaped this country and why it is a privilege, not a right, to live here (and you must get an A, or take it again).

For all who were disgusted by the arrogance of the Republican campaign:  
A Very Happy Democratic New Year!

For all who were delighted by the same:  
An Inauguration 1993 Memorial T-Shirt

For all who bought into one of the many misrepresentations of (or outright lies about) Hillary Clinton:  
A copy of Susan Faludi's book Backlash: The Undeclared War Against American Women.

For those who thought George Bush's lapse into namecalling was clever campaigning:  
A bumper sticker, origin unknown, that reads, "I'd Rather Vote for the Ozone Than the Hole."

For Dan Quayle:  
An early and permanent retirement from public life.

And for all those who worked tirelessly to defeat Measure 9 and otherwise uphold the precious freedoms of our country:  
Peace on Earth,  
Good Will to All.

The only way to reform some people is to chloroform them.  
- Thomas C. Haliburton

**THE FINGER**

(A COLUMN OF SOCIAL ISSUES AND HUMOR)

Welcome to the pre-drop out fun zone. That's right, drop out. Following the advice of my psyc from Texlahoma I am taking an extended drop out of this fun zone towards Spanish speaking regions south (no I don't speak a word of Spanish).

Don't fret however if you are worried about the fate of *The Finger*. The new name of the column will be *Stream of Consciousness Travel Advice from the Source*. Pending the return of the writer *The Finger* may or may not be continued as a regular feature in the U.L.E.

Any donations towards this pending wealth of traveling information and personal insight may be sent to *Travel Advice c/o The Upper Left Edge*. Any donation could be written off as a business expense should you visit any of the countries or foreign destinations I refer to in my travels (including S.F. and L.A. for starters).

So, on with the last column. This months Finger goes out to any and every dult that voted Not to shut down Trojan. Pull yer gall dern heads out rural and conservative God fearing Oregonians!! Did you all think this was a joke? Trojan could kill you in the thrash of a wheat harvester son; in the flip of Romans 9:1 pops; in less time than it takes to fall an old growth tree or even bomb an abortion clinic!! This is a life and death situation not an issue of electric rates or supply.

I hate to get fussy but if something isn't done about it some heads are going to glow. I've got to go take my blood pressure now. I'll write soon from a Latin American country near you with some peaceful non-radio active traveling tips for the non Spanish speaker.

Maybe this will help me figure out a way to communicate to those half-wits back home the meaning of melt down....

**soup**



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DR. KARKEYS cont. from page 2

Those of us who presently live in the countries that drive the world economy have a deciding voice in the nature of life -all life- for the knowable future. Ninety-nine Nobel Laureates agree, ladies and gentlemen, that without some major behavioral changes, we can guarantee misery for our children, and theirs, and theirs. We have one to two decades to manage the world's overpopulation, it's deforestation, the chemical cycle that is eating our protective ozone layer, and the extinction of dozens and dozens of species of life on a daily basis.

I don't think anyone wants to see a world where genetic diversity is based on unshielded solar radiation. Our only chance to avoid it is to face the music and admit that these planetary systems are real, that they are complex, inter-related, and finely tuned, and that we have mucked up the machinery. If we can all understand how life on earth operates in concert, we can probably talk each other out of global suicide.

There is joy in the attempt to survive intelligently. We mourn the loss of those who have taught us by example, and we celebrate the warmth and light they have left us.

Now, let us all face the music -- and dance.

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**"All That Glitters" Gala Affair**

The public is invited to a holiday fashion show featuring some of Portland's "hottest" celebrities, best-loved musicians, finest clothing and most unique production crew, homeless teens.

Scheduled for Sunday, December 6, 1992, "All That Glitters" will feature modeling and music by Rindy Ross of Quarter Flash, Michael Harrison, Dan Reed, Curtis Salgado, Mary Starrett, and many others. Staging, lighting, publicity — and even some modeling — will be choreographed with help from homeless teens currently involved with The Salvation Army's Greenhouse, the beneficiary of the event.

Everything for the show, including the Grand Ballroom at Portland's Governor Hotel, is being donated. The \$25-a-person show is expected to raise about \$10,000 for Greenhouse.

Starting at 7:00 p.m., the affair will include a silent auction, and surprise celebrity guests. The event is organized by Group Effort, a Portland promotions firm.

Tickets can be purchased at all Ticketmaster outlets in G.I. Joe's stores between now and the night of the event.

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**OPWNEWS**

**Annual OPW Convention Slated  
For December 5th In Portland**


"What's Next for Peace Activists?" is the theme of Oregon PeaceWorks' sixth annual program convention to be held Saturday, December 5th in Portland at the Multnomah Friends Meeting House, 4312 SE Stark St. At the Convention, OPW's plans for 1993's program will be finalized. Proposals that were discussed and refined at OPW's program planning retreat in September will be discussed, further refined, and approved.

In addition, American Indian Movement activist Calvin Hecocia will present a keynote address and other activists will share perspectives on their work.


All members of Oregon PeaceWorks and all those interested in OPW are welcome to attend. Call 585-2767 for additional information.

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