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## Not Much Competition for House Seats

A growing number of political pundits say the 1968 presidential race may be decided not by the voters, not by the electoral college, but by the House of Representatives.

Their logic, very simply, is that George Wallace may win sufficient votes as a third-party candidate to keep either Democratic or Republican nominee from obtaining the necessary majority.

Should this happen, the decision then would go to the House. Each state would get one vote; that vote to be decided by its Congressional delegation. Obviously, voting would be on straight party lines.

With this background, it's difficult to understand why there is almost no competition for three of Oregon's four Congressional seats.

Only in the 4th district is there much of a contest and in that one, the incumbent John Dellenback isn't like-

ly to have much trouble with the challenger, Ed Fadaley, Eugene Democrat.

In the first district (Wendall Wyatt-R), second district (Al Ullman-D) and the third district (Edith Green-D), the incumbents face only minimal opposition. It seems to us that given the possible presidential deadlock, both parties would have moved heaven and earth to get strong candidates for Congressional races.

Oregon's present delegation, two Republicans and two Democrats, obviously would vote 2-2 in selecting a president. Thus, in effect, no vote. Illinois and Montana, at present, are similarly divided.

Admittedly, none of Oregon's long-time incumbents—Mrs. Green, Ullman or Wyatt—could easily be unseated. But we're surprised that someone on the national level didn't furnish more money for a real effort to break Oregon's deadlock.

## Look Ahead, Seniors

This is graduation time and many of today's seniors, especially the boys, must see a rather glum future.

The seniors are graduating into a world of war, of civil strife, of hatred, jealousy, dissimulation and greed. Our own eldest son, for instance, graduated this spring from college with high honors. Normally, he would go on to graduate school or into the business world. Instead, he'll spend the next two years learning how to kill people.

This same story is being repeated all over America today by the hundreds and hundreds of thousands.

Nevertheless, seniors, look ahead.

Some 27 years ago, we graduated from college into a similar world. World War II obviously was just ahead and the future didn't look bright.

Soon Pearl Harbor came and things looked even bleaker. But America and

its allies did prevail and the ensuing 25 years have seen progress unequalled in the history of mankind.

So fast is man's knowledge increasing that fully 25 per cent of what today's 6th graders will learn in college hasn't even yet been discovered.

So if today's seniors can look beyond the clouds of today, there is indeed, a bright tomorrow.

Back in 1941, we were one of half a dozen college editors asked to write an article for Atlantic Monthly on just what that day's seniors saw ahead. We were discouraged in varying degrees but one of the writers—from Michigan, I believe—saw a bright future beyond the clouds. He was completely right.

Today's graduates, high school and college, have an unequalled opportunity to make tomorrow's a much better world. Just how much better depends entirely upon them.

## Hasty Generalizations on School Vote

The Oregon Education Assn. has concluded that budget defeats recently underscore the necessity for a revision of state school support.

We don't necessarily agree.

Only two Eastmont-area budgets were defeated—Rockwood and Damascus—and local conditions largely accounted for these setbacks.

We certainly wouldn't argue that

the state school support program is perfect; far from it. But neither would we accept the thesis that election results prove the present program is all wrong.

Many voters undeniably are dissatisfied with taxes of any sort and we would guess this accounts for far more budget losses than a desire to see the state bear more of the burden.

## Letters to Editor

TO THE TAXPAYERS OF THE PROPOSED MOUNTAIN VIEW WATER DISTRICT:

This is a brief resume of what has transpired since the Spring of 1967. At that time, three proponents of the Kelso-Boring Water District, Clarence Eri, Pete Hauglum, and Lloyd Holt, circulated a petition for that purpose, and in a hearing before the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners, proposed a property tax of 26 mills, which resulted in a violent explosion of the taxpayers.

The result was that Boring withdrew and on October 3, 1967, voted to form a water district of approximately four square miles, proposed to be financed by revenue bonds with NO TAX ON PROPERTY.

The proponents of the so-called "Kelso District" continued to appear before the court asking for a district of about 25 square miles, to be put on the tax rolls. On the advice of the court, the objectors turned in about 400 "no" votes or about four to one against. The county engineer also turned in a report against the project.

The court, disregarding the large majority against the district, proceeded to give the proponents a 90 day extension of time to change the boundary lines and in order to eliminate as much opposition as possible, the boundary lines look like a jig-saw puzzle, which would create a very expensive system for the taxpayers.

Oregon State law requires that a petition for the formation of a special district be reviewed by C.R.A.G., prior to the county commissioners acting on it. CRAG returned the petition to the Clackamas County Commissioners—the reason given them was "too much opposition." The County Commissioners approved the boundary lines and called for an election to be held at Cottrell Grade School on Wednesday, June 5, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., to determine whether the district shall be incorporated and the election of its commissioners.

Now, Mr. and Mrs. Taxpayer, let us look for the motive behind this move to force a water district on this area. This is primarily an agricultural district and we believe that most of us would like to keep it that way. A large majority of the people in the area have developed their own water supply and it is good and adequate. With a reassessment just completed in the district and taxes steadily going up, surely we do not want to burden ourselves with an unwanted water district.

In conclusion, if the proponents wish a water district, let them finance it themselves.

Our advice to the voters is to vote "no" and not be a party to something that might lead to financial distress in the future.

Very truly yours,

Hans C. Hansen, Mabel L. Curtis, John Amstad, Charlotte Littlepage, E.M. Nelson, Adolph Amstad, Edna Amstad, Geo. R. Schaeffer, A.H. Sanderfields, E. Ekstrom, Mrs. Hans Nelson,

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To the Editor:

On June 5th the legal voters with the designated area will be asked to approve the formation of the Mountain View Water District. A "Yes" vote will signify your faith in the future of your community and will assure you, in time, of a supply of pure water at a reasonable price.

The opportunity to vote has been offered to you by the many residents who have contributed heavily with money, time and moral support, plus the perseverance of three leaders and the careful study and advice of our very capable legal adviser, Mr. Frank L. Whitaker.

Money to form the much needed District has already been provided and no further money can be obtained at any time with out the consent of the tax payers at another election to be held for that purpose.

Many hours of your neighbors time has been donated—won't you spend just a few minutes of your time and vote June 5th. Remember this is an investment in your future.

Clarence "Wimpy" Eri,

Pete Hauglum,

Lloyd Holt

Gentlemen:

It seems we have signed petitions against a proposed water district for this area.

For a few large property owners they want all the tax payers to supply the money so they can reap the benefits from same, when they sub-divide, which seems to be their intentions.

## Rogers Completes Army Armor Center Training

Pvt. Vernon J. Rogers Jr., 20, son of Mrs. Betty L. Rogers, Route 3, Boring completed reconnaissance training recently at the Army Armor Center, Ft. Knox, Ky. He received eight weeks of training in the methods of scouting and patrolling, with emphasis on the operation of jeeps.



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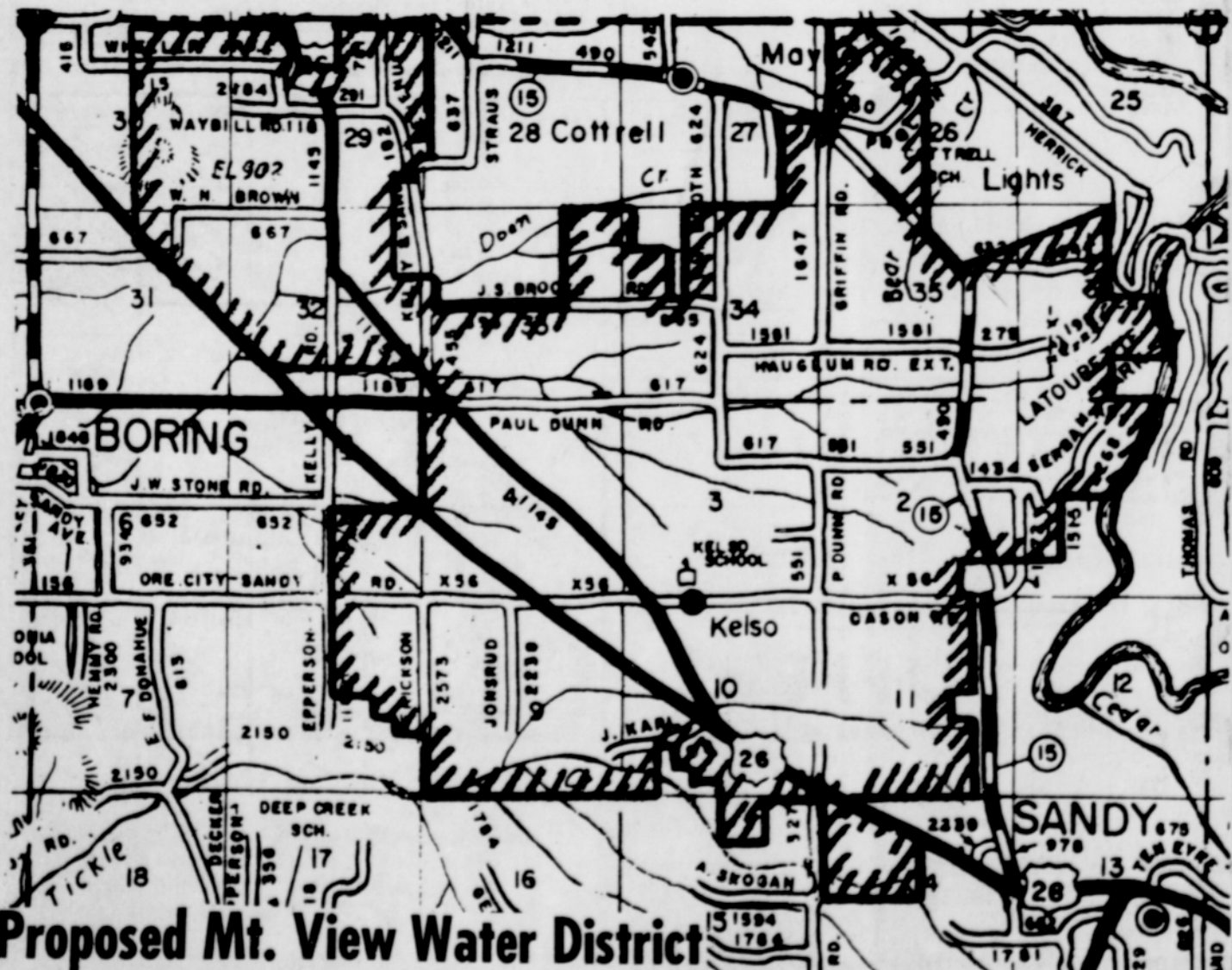
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## Proposed Mt. View Water District

RESIDENTS OF THE AREA outlined on this map are reminded of the special election to be held next week on formation of the proposed Mt. View Water District. Polling place for the election to determine whether the district shall be incor-

porated and for the election of five commissioners for the district will be at Cottrell Grade School from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday, June 5.