

LANGLOIS MAN JOINS TAXPAYERS' GROUP URGING "NO" VOTE ON RACING BILL

KENNETH THOMPSON

SAYS:

"Vote No on the Racing Bill"

"Here's why we can't afford to lose pari-mutuel revenues:

"(1) Taxes would go up. Next year the State Treasury would lose roughly \$1,000,000 in pari-mutuel revenue. We taxpayers would have to make up the loss.

"(2) The fairs will suffer and may die. Our 36 county fairs depend to a large extent on pari-mutuel funds for existence. They'll each lose an estimated \$12,500 annually if racing is abolished.

"(3) Oregon and its 36 counties receive more than eight (8) times as much as the track stockholders are paid in dividends. That's not unreasonable. In addition, official records and audits show that over 98% of every wagered dollar that produces this revenue, remains here in Oregon.

"Joining me in this opposition are 37 responsible men representing every county in Oregon. Our Taxpayers' Committee to Retain Pari-Mutuel Revenues is composed of ranchers, businessmen, farmers and civic leaders who realize pari-mutuel funds make a yearly contribution to the tax and economic structure of our state."

VOTE NO on the RACING BILL

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For What It's Worth

BY CLIFFORD P. ROWE

Just as the farmer is much concerned with separating the chaff from the wheat so must the voter in November be equally concerned with separating the facts from the falsehoods. The voter's task differs somewhat however. The farmer can easily recognize what is wheat and what is chaff. It is much more difficult for the conscientious citizen to recognize the truth when political propoganda is in full bloom as it is at the present.

Eye-catching words and phrases which arouse emotions but which are definitely lacking in proof are the most popular tools of the politician who looks upon the public as being grossly ignorant. Just as Barnum capitalized on his belief that "a sucker is born every minute" so does the dishonest politician base much of his campaigning on the same theory.

"Smear campaign" is a good example of one of the weasel

words which are already beginning to appear in the press and over the air. While neither party is entirely innocent, I have noted a tendency on the part of those already entrenched in power to be slightly hysterical in their defence of a glaring weakness.

Already convicted in the public mind of the crime of corruption in high and low places, the Democrats are now labeling their opponents as "smear campaigners". In other words, they are maintaining that to call a thief a thief is "smearing" and therefore unfair. Whether the voting public falls for this propoganda and begins to sympathize with them as being persecuted will, in my opinion, be a good measure of the intelligence of the American voter.

Personally, I am more inclined to go along with the strategy so unwisely chosen by their candidate for president. Stevenson blames the people of the nation

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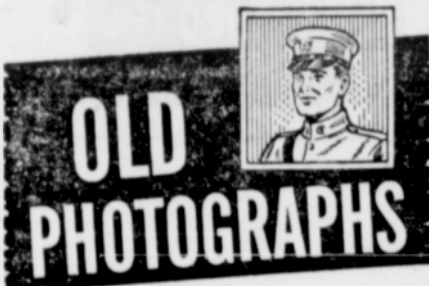
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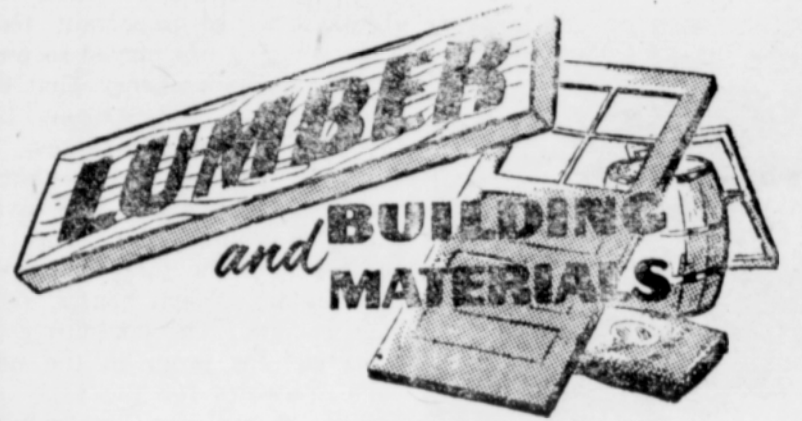
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