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On Bayly Recall We Shall Vote NO!

When the petitions for the recall of County Judge Day T. Bayly were instituted we expressed our opinion that this public weapon should be reserved for serious cases of misfeasance, malfeasance or non-feasance.

Having seen and studied carefully all of the charges brought against Bayly by the Lane County Recall Bayly Committee, and having seen and studied Bayly's replies — and recognizing the right of every individual to disagree — we offer our conclusion that the recall of Bayly is UNFAIR and UNWARRANTED, for these reasons:

- 1. As to the 10 major charges of the Committee, it is not fair to hold Bayly solely responsible... 2. At any time, Bayly's two colleagues — Commissioner Lee Raish, who retired at the end of the year, and Commissioner Robert Maclay who holds over — could have outvoted Bayly and changed policy, and... 3. After talking to Commissioner Maclay he has authorized us to say that as to these 10 charges affecting policy, all three members of the Court could be held "equally responsible."

Tax Foreclosures Are Distorted

Much more serious in their implications, but damnably inaccurate and unfair are the published allegations of the Committee concerning Bayly's conduct in the matter of tax foreclosures of properties in Springfield on which a \$3600 mortgage was held by Eugene R. Walker and a property in Cottage Grove owned by Dela McCue.

In both of these cases there is evidence that Bayly was RUDE AND DISCOURTEOUS when these matters were brought to his attention, but the important facts are these:

- 1. Under Oregon law, it was NOT BAYLY'S RESPONSIBILITY nor had he any power to correct the mistakes which were made in the county's assessing and tax departments in these two cases... 2. In the Springfield case, there seems to have been an error in descriptions of a house and two lots, causing confusion in billing, and a tax charge of \$3.22 to go unpaid... 3. Under O.C.L.A. 110-902 and following sections, within four months after the delinquency day in each year the tax collector (sheriff) makes up the "delinquency list" and six months from that date he institutes foreclosure proceedings... 4. In the Springfield case the reported amount of the bid was \$1,300 and the buyer paid off \$100 in Springfield sewer liens, but title had not been transferred when the mistake was discovered... 5. In the Cottage Grove case, Mrs. McCue has tax receipts for the property posted as delinquent, but this tangle is still unscrambled.

Bayly Not Man to See

In presenting their troubles to Judge Bayly, the complainants seem to have been misdirected because he had NO JURISDICTION. Some of the implications in the original charges of the Committee have been withdrawn because of possible libel. All that remains, when the law is examined, is the fact that Bayly may have been rude—which he should not have been.

We do not blame the people who have been the victims of these foreclosure mistakes. They could not be expected to understand complicated legal formalities. But—we cannot find any excuse for the Recall Committee's vicious distortions of these incidents. It is about

Grabbing for a dinner check only shows how important a part you think money plays in friendship.

If you doubt it's the little things that count, ask any first-grade teacher.

What we really need this fall is weekends that last until about Wednesday.

as foul a case of political misrepresentation as we have ever seen.

Bayly Is No Paragon, But... On more than one occasion we have criticized Bayly severely. When he chose to be a candidate for Circuit Judge against Judge Skipworth, before proving himself as county judge, we called it a serious lack of perspective and judgment. We have deplored his unseemly brawls with Commissioner Raish, his contentiousness, his "pigheadedness" in many matters. It took him a good while to realize that under the law he is just one of three county commissioners—not "the boss man."

Between Bayly and Raish there has been "an instinctive antagonism." It takes two to make any quarrel, and much of Bayly's irritability is undoubtedly due to these constant "feudings." Any of us under similar provocation would be "touchy."

Will Bayly Learn to Get Along? Over and above any question of fair play for Bayly there is the question of what will be BEST FOR THE COMMUNITY, and that takes the form of this question:

"If the people vote NO on this recall, and let Bayly finish out the four years remaining in his term, will he mend his manners? Will he learn to work with the other commissioners and department heads?"

It is our belief that Bayly will have little difficulty working with Commissioners Peterson and Maclay. Representative Earl Hill has a bill in the Legislature to abolish the obsolete title of "County Judge," to make it plain the three men are a Board of County Commissioners, of which Bayly would be chairman, the presiding officer, but with only one vote like the other men.

Commissioner Peterson, we are told, has some good ideas for revising procedures, with more frequent meetings of the commissioners as a board to hear the public's troubles, with decisions made by the board as a board. Not so much of this silly business of each commissioner staking out a little province of his own.

If Bayly is recalled, of course, the Governor will appoint, and Governor Patterson has said that he will try to follow the recommendation of the Republican Central Committee, which is custom. Nobody knows what that recommendation might be. It would be our hope that it could be a man of considerable stature in the community, somebody entirely divorced from the courthouse brawls and bickerings of the last 10 years.

Fair Play and Common Sense

It is the wise choice, we think, to vote NO on this recall, and give Bayly his chance to work things out with Peterson and Maclay. Within the next few weeks, preparation of the big 1952-53 budget will have to be under way—with more than \$3,000,000 for road program and nearly \$5,000,000 for all county functions. The Q Street Project, the Dyke Road to Santa Clara and many other needs demand diligent attention.

The Recall Committee have had Attorney Harms prepare an opinion countering our contention that the INTENT of the recall was never to gratify grudges. He has quoted a Supreme Court decision to the effect that it also covers UNPOPULARITY. That is the EFFECT, common sense says it was never the INTENT, otherwise all our officials would live in constant fear of this punishment.

We shall vote NO on this recall—because we believe it is best for the community, because we think this situation demands FAIR PLAY and common sense.

More and more new cars are coming out and more and more folks are driving not only in style but in debt.

Lean on other people and your chances of success are leaner.

Poker players know that a good deal always depends on a good deal.

Marquis Childs

New GOP Seeks The Middle Way

WASHINGTON—After the long drought, the Republican rejoicing is full of a fine fervor. But when the hunting comes down and the parades go home, this capital will see the beginning of one of the most interesting experiments in government in many, many years.

The outlines of that experiment are already evident. In essence, it is an effort to apply the management techniques of big industry to big government.

The wisecrack about the Eisenhower cabinet consisting of eight millionaires and a plumber or more accurately, a steamfitter, misses the real point. These business men now in government have been handsomely rewarded for their ability. But the money reward has been secondary to the fact of the power and the skills they have wielded as the managers of industry financed by thousands of investors large and small.

They will now be managers of the far larger enterprises of government. Often in the past the complaint about government administrators has been that they never met a payroll. The men in the Eisenhower administration have been responsible for meeting some very large payrolls.

But with two or three exceptions they have not met the voters at the polling booth. Republicans in Congress, who feel that through the years they put the political capital into this enterprise, look with skepticism on the experiment of managerial government. The Senate hitch over Charles E. Wilson's confirmation as defense secretary because of his General Motors stock indicates the relationship between the managers and the politicians may be difficult.

THE MIDDLE WAY

The new administration is not, however, without its political managers and very skillful ones, indeed. They come out of the hard-boiled organization built up in New York State by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey. They also have roots in California, where Gov. Earl Warren has demonstrated how to build up a political following transcending the two-party system as we have known it in the past 20 years. Significantly, in this connection, it is in California and New York, the two most populous states in the country, that the decay of the Democratic party is most conspicuous.

The aim is to go down the middle of the road with a party having few resemblances to the old Republican party. Thus a minimum of 10 per cent, and perhaps nearer to 15 or 20 per cent, of the following that has kept the Democrats in power—farmers, labor, minorities—will be permanently won over. This is the pattern evident behind many of the moves made since Nov. 4, and it promises to become increasingly apparent as the new administration takes over.

BIGGEST HAZARD

One of the able and successful members of the political team which will work toward the long-term goal is Sen. Irving Ives of New York. Ives won reelection last fall by the huge plurality of 1,332,198. He carried New York City, which Eisenhower lost by a plurality of 2,743. In a speech in New York last week, Ives said in effect that the Republican Congress was Republican because of the personal popularity of General Eisenhower. The people, he said, were still progressive and there could be "no turning back of the clock of progress."

Then Ives spoke of what is the biggest hazard faced by the new administration: "With a spirit of mutual helpfulness and cooperation the new administration can and will succeed. Without it, failure is certain and the Republican party is doomed to defeat in 1956."

A member of the Senate labor committee, Ives is hoping to head a subcommittee that will study discrimination in industry and business. The political implications of this are obvious. The Republican majority is expected to agree on a compromise civil rights bill providing for a commission to educate and persuade employers that discrimination is not only unfair, but that it does not pay. This would be labeled as a first step and it would be taken by men like Ives as a trial of what can be achieved by a law without power of federal punishment.

SHREWD OPERATORS

Thus the pattern will be developed if the able political managers working for the Eisenhower administration can bring it off. They will have many resources, particularly in the honeymoon phase, and they will be working with some shrewd operators. One of these is Gen. Lucius D. Clay, now retired, an old Eisenhower comrade with a unique influence although he will hold no office. Clay serves as a kind of bridge between the business community and Eisenhower's familiar military associations. A man of outstanding ability, as he demonstrated in his military career which concluded with his appointment as occupying chief in Germany, Clay is now chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Continental Can Co. He is also on the board of the General Motors Corporation, which gives him a link with top Eisenhower cabinet officers.

No one in the Eisenhower circle minimizes the hazards ahead. But at least, they will tell you, we know the direction in which we want to go.

So They Say—

The (Chinese) people are waiting for us to come back. They are waiting for liberation—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

I have every confidence that our successors will continue to do the work we did in the effort relating to this great organization (NATO). — Secretary of State Dean Acheson.



Marquis Childs

AGAINST RECALL

EUGENE (To the Editor)—Regarding the Day Bayly recall election, the danger as I see it is that many people, confused as to who is right and who is wrong, may stay away from the polls and allow the election to go by default to a small minority. That would be bad for at least three reasons:

- 1. The Judge, according to those who know him best, is a conscientious man who "leans over backwards" to be honest and fair. Such an attribute is of sufficient rarity among humans as to be encouraged wherever found. 2. The consensus of opinion, at least among Eugene townspeople, is that in matters of controversy the judge has usually been in the right. 3. A recall election is a grave (and expensive) procedure. It should be discouraged as a tool of a disgruntled minority.

It seems that again we have a duty at the polls.

Willard Berg

BAYLY CRITICS

Live a stock of every nature are dangerous, buck deer have been known to kill in their rutting season, these are a few of the hazards that exist back on Hampton Road, yet Judge Bayly, along with school officials say it is not out of reason to ask first and second grade school children to walk 1 1/2 miles in the dark and rain to meet the school bus because this 1 1/2 miles of Lane County road is unfit for a school bus. Some of these small children are being deprived of their schooling while we observe new county roads being constructed in new additions with Judge Bayly in the front row.

To these who are interested, the Hampton Road is located 1 mile south of Goshen.

W. G. Saunders, Ina Saunders, John E. Hawes, Grace L. Hamer, W. D. Saunders, Velta Hatfield, Fay H. Robertson, Earl Robertson, F. L. Hatfield, J. W. Roberts, Mrs. Claudia A. Roberts.

REVISED BIBLE

EUGENE (To The Editor)—A sister of one of my ancestors was hanged as a witch. They didn't get the other sister, so I am here! But people still hunt for witches, so as I have studied the Bible some, I would like to tell you three things.

First—I don't believe there is deliberate mistranslation of the Bible in any of the new versions. Using 1953 American language instead of 1811 English just makes the meaning plain.

Second—I don't believe people have been turned to "modernism" by any new version. Third—Our REAL enemies are infidel teachers, I don't say atheist; but those who say the Bible has only literary value, and has no binding moral force.

Our children need the Revised Standard Bible, which they can read without continual explanation from minister or priest; and if we prejudice parents against giving it to them we are committing a grievous error.

The most important part of the Bible is the teaching of Jesus. Without that the world is lost. Better read the Bible yourself and BELIEVE it. I want to say that I believe in the Virgin birth, the Deity of Jesus, and salvation by faith in Jesus Christ; and I know that if you lay aside prejudice and read the Revised Standard New Testament CAREFULLY and FAIRLY, you can't find any different doctrine there. But with some people; like the Jews — "But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the veil is upon their heart." Therefore—FINIS.

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IN THE EDITOR'S MAILBAG

McHUGH CASE

COTTAGE GROVE, (To The Editor)—Last Spring I went to the office of County Owned Lands in the Court House in Eugene. I went with a neighbor to help her straighten out her property mess, mess is the only word that will describe it.

Here are the facts to the best of my knowledge: The County Owned Lands had sold to Mountain States of Albany a portion of the property that Mrs. McHugh has a deed for and has paid taxes on said property for several years.

Mountain States lawyer had written Mrs. McHugh that his client would sell it back to her for \$190. Mrs. Sorenson suggested we go with her to see Judge Bayly and the County Commissioners about it which we did. Mrs. Sorenson suggested to Judge Bayly that she thought the right thing to do would be for the County to refund Mountain States and give Mrs. McHugh a deed to this property. Then Judge Bayly forgot he was supposed to be a gentleman. I won't attempt to use his exact words as I was dumfounded that a County Judge would talk to a woman like he did. He said she had no business making such a statement and practically told her to shut her mouth.

He said that the man knew what kind of a deed he was getting when he bought the property and that we have no time to waste on such things. I spoke up and said, "Then you will allow an elderly woman to be cheated out of her property and do nothing about it?" He said, "I've no time to waste on such things and stomped out of the room."

Mrs. Sorenson and the Commissioner who was present said they were sorry but you can see we can do nothing about it. We went to see Mountain States lawyer. He said he'd go talk to the Judge so we went back with him but he was only in Judge Bayly's office a minute or two. Judge Bayly wouldn't talk to him at all about it. The lawyer said, "I'll make him listen to me. I'll petition the Court for a hearing and he'll have to listen to me. I do not know whether he did this or not."

Do we HAVE to have such a Bull Headed, unreasonable man, one who would stand by and allow an elderly woman cheated out of her property at the head of our County Court? WHO ordered her property sold for taxes when her taxes were paid in full and had been paid in full every year for at least 10 years? She has the tax receipts to prove this. I know, I've seen the receipts.

Do our county employees have to take insults to hold their jobs? I don't believe the majority of decent people of Lane County would vote yes to keep this man in office if they could have been a witness to his statements to Mrs. Sorenson.

MRS. GRACE HARLOW

"SOUTH OF BORDER"

EUGENE — (To the Editor)—Should we pay taxes or not? South of the border just 4 miles from Eugene—shall we call it Mexico? No. Why? Because it is within 4 miles of one of the most progressive communities in Oregon, still in this, we have no law enforcement. We have a herd law on stock, which never has been enforced. There is stealing and hunting deer out of season continually twelve months out of the year.

During World War II did the men South of the Border, have to go into the armed services? No. Why? Because they were rodeo clowns, draft dodgers, or had they bought protection from the draft board?

Why criticize the only honest man we have had in office? Why not let D.T. Bayly have a little rest and begin on the D.A. or J.P. or maybe the district judge? In our County Court we could weed out our weak ones not our good ones.

I have been a taxpayer here for the past 15 years and would like to see some action and not so much criticism.

LEE I. TAYLOR

RESPONSIBILITY

EUGENE—(To the Editor)—"Responsibility is the theme." Thus endeth Sunday's leading editorial. This same subject was repeatedly mentioned during the campaign. Naturally, your readers expect you to be on guard on this matter of Responsibility. Is it possible that you have already missed one chance to write a stinging editorial on the subject as it pertains to the failure of the Senate and the party in power to change its rule permitting what amounts to unlimited debate—hence the filibuster. Who was responsible for this? Senator Henry Cabot Lodge in 1893 (he frequently forgot his own words afterwards) said: "There is another right more sacred in a legislative body than the right to debate, and that is the right to vote."

Very truly yours, WALDO SCHUMACHER, 1800 Columbia.

P.S. When you miss an opportunity to write on Responsibility, I may have occasion to remind you of this fact.

PATRIOT

PORTLAND—(To the Editor): The other evening one of your contributors called on me. I was amazed at the information this fellow has of our political situation and the very astute way he presents it. We shudder to think what can happen to our country and this should be a good reason to listen to facts even though they may seem impossible or perhaps remote. This man from Eugene should be called to address gatherings all over our state and may we soberly heed the warning. His every thought is to save our country. Oh yes, his name is Dave Hoover.

HOMER L. WEBBER, Park Plaza, Portland.

James Marlow

Ike to Carve Another Niche in History

WASHINGTON — Gen. Eisenhower in later years may look back upon his life up till noon Tuesday as almost carefree when compared to what lies ahead. His whole life had been a preparation for military eminence. He attained it. If he had retired from public life when he retired from military life his place in history would be unquestioned.

It would have been military history, of course. Any fault found with him in that field, such as in tactics or strategy, would have been only a minor footnote in the full volume of his achievements.

His was military success on the grand scale. But the affection he won from a grateful nation was for more than just his victories in battle.

FAVORS BAYLY

CRESWELL—(To the Editor)—Would like this printed in Bayly Recall, I think everyone who signed the Recall Petition think they were being so hasty and signing petition did not like Bayly would not have been so hasty to call such a petition.

It's too bad we have in our State that a few headed people can cause the taxpayers in the foot such a bill as \$15,000. Then if Bayly what will it cost in a man in his place?

If only we could money on our County a help it would be. Judge Bayly several times each time I have seen with the greatest of Bayly has been a very man to deal with and has granted the request of the County has the money with.

Our Commissioners servants but that does not mean we should make them. Do Bayly's opponents that if he is recalled, I have to do it step by step. It isn't that simple, everyone who goes to the January 22nd will be out of office just because people don't like Mr. Emery Colton of Fall you are right!

E. L. REYNOLDS

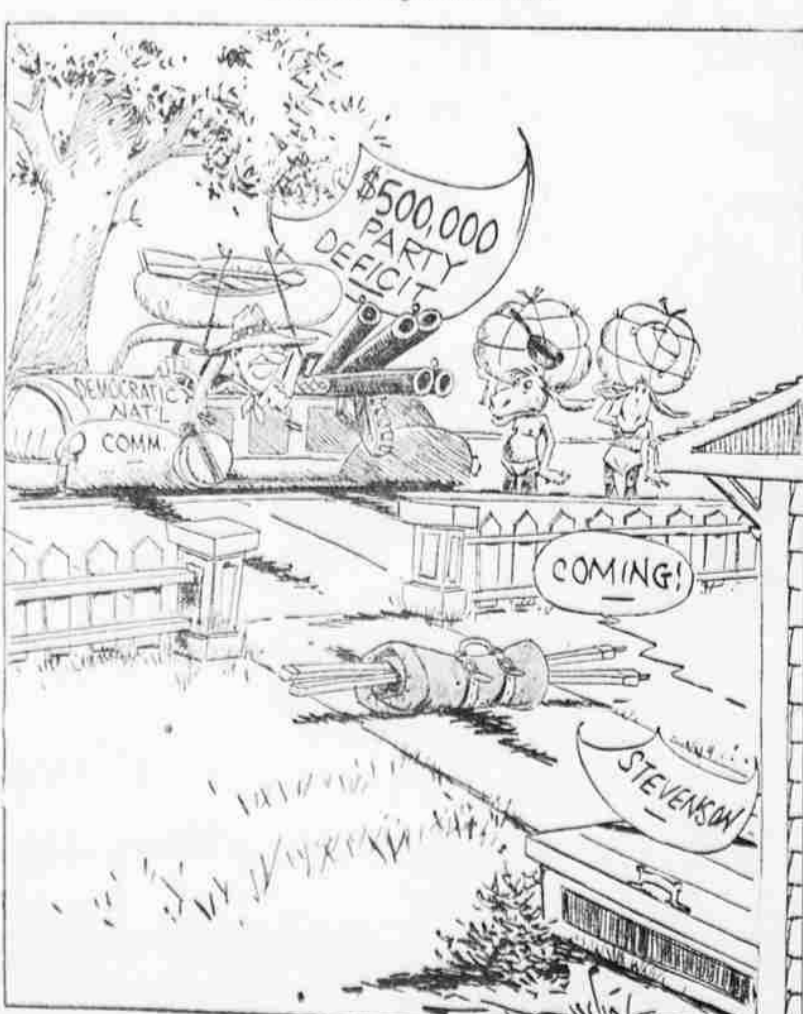
THOSE PETITIONS

EUGENE, (To The Editor) The letter on petitions to a lady who was not afraid to go up in meeting brought me somewhat similar case in connection with the same petition.

A friend of mine pointed in the upper end of the morning before the list closed. Parking place was place, only one I so far that bears a faint resemblance old time Skid Row, where there is interested group being rusted, too, many ters pooling their funds to cure a bottle of wine, some being passed from hand on the sidewalk.

No sooner had I found his car there than one of characters came staggering the door, paper in hand, sign this paper was "An, a paper to get rid of Bayly, the old so and character apparently member of the fraternity beyond compare, old man, longers shoes did open with the straps smelled like a spoiled who Worst of it was he had names on his paper, too. Further comments are ant and superfluous.

C. V. DODD



In his appearance he ed the military side of at its best. He was a ing man. On the most occasions he seemed and familiar as the door. But by the very nature military life; and of the military man in a there was always something to give final approval final order, for a decision made. When me was a was the captain, who general or chief of staff the President. Someone always stood between the final critical judgment on whatever he did. That is no longer the noon Tuesday, as see the government, he being responsible for leadership items greater than he knew as head of armies, they were. With the president leadership for people on earth because try has undertaken that part of maximum outside communism. TRUMAN GROUNDWORK President Truman groundwork for that. But it was only a beginning will be up to Eisenhower what has already been improve upon it. These next four years the turning point, one way other, in the struggle of may depend upon his vision and his decisions. He didn't have to take deney. He could have where he was, knowing would always deal with kindly. He cannot now be that in his new assignment. If he succeeds, he will even more honored place. If he fails—only to measure the degree of sequences of his failure. It speaks well for in himself, and the country his countrymen in him almost at the beginning of age, he is willing to what it, in effect, a new