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Rep. Ullman's Opinion Poll

Second District Congressman Al Ullman has released preliminary results of a Congressional questionnaire sent to his constituents this spring.

The results show voters favor a systematic withdrawal of troops from South Vietnam, want legislation for tough tax reform, and are divided over the question of an anti-ballistic missile system.

The poll is very useful. Where voters will not write to their representatives in Washington, they will take time to fill out such a questionnaire and return it.

A news release from the Congressman's office says the poll results thus far released are only a sample.

That may be. If the final results bear out those of the sample, however, it will be interesting to watch Rep. Ullman's actions in Washington. We hope he will base those actions on the wishes of his constituents. —ka

Herewith are the sample results:

- If the Paris negotiations fail to produce results leading to a negotiated settlement of the Vietnam conflict, which course of action should be taken?
 - (a) Systematic withdrawal of U. S. forces 48%
 - (b) Escalate war by attacking or invading North Vietnam 36%
 - (c) Continue our present level of military action 9%
 - (d) Undecided 7%
- Should we establish diplomatic relations with Red China as we have with many other nations in the Communist block?
 - Yes 51%
 - No 40%
 - Undecided 9%
- There is controversy over whether an anti-ballistic missile system would provide a greater margin of safety in the event of nuclear attack or whether it would serve instead to initiate an expensive and dangerous new round in the arms race. Do you believe we should install such a system?
 - Yes 47%
 - No 40%
 - Undecided 13%
- My bill to reform presidential elections is now under review in the House. Do you favor abolishing the Electoral College and providing for direct popular election of the President?
 - Yes 89%
 - No 9%
 - Undecided 2%
- Do you favor extension of the surtax along with restrictions on federal spending as a weapon against inflation?
 - Yes 44%
 - No 47%
 - Undecided 9%
- To provide manpower for the nation's military forces, which do you favor?
 - (a) Revise draft to provide selection by lottery 26%
 - (b) Establish an all-volunteer or professional military 36%
 - (c) Continue present draft laws and policies 30%
 - (d) Undecided 8%
- Do you favor converting the postal system to a non-profit, public corporation with rates and policies to be established by a board of directors?
 - Yes 60%
 - No 27%
 - Undecided 13%
- Do you believe that cigarette advertising should be banned on television and radio?
 - Yes 63%
 - No 30%
 - Undecided 7%
- It has been proposed that students who demonstrate against college administrations be denied scholarships or loans financed with federal funds.
 - Yes 89%
 - No 10%
 - Undecided 1%
- There are proposals to lower the minimum voting age to 18 years. Do you favor?
 - Yes 32%
 - No 65%
 - Undecided 3%
- Reform of our federal income tax laws is the major goal of the House Ways and Means Committee this year. Our efforts are directed to providing greater tax equality for low and middle income groups and to the elimination of abuses that result in underpayment by some classes of taxpayers. Based upon what you have read and heard, do you believe we are—
 - (a) Taking the correct approach to tax reform 40%
 - (b) Going too far in changing our tax laws 3%
 - (c) Not going far enough 48%
 - (d) Undecided 9%
- The U. S. will attempt a moon landing later this year. Do you support this effort?
 - Yes 50%
 - No 41%
 - Undecided 9%

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Privett arrived home from a vacation of fishing at East Lake, southeast of Bend, recently. They were joined there by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Privett and son George, of Iowa, and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Brown and children of Eugene. Privett's have been at East Lake since June 27; the Jack Privett family returned home with them Sunday. They left to return to Iowa Wednesday, July 9.

House guests of Mrs. Ida Farra for several days recently were Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Dixon, who came from Cottage Grove to officiate at the wedding of Brenda Young and John Weygandt at the Methodist church on Saturday, June 21. Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Farra included the new Methodist minister, Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Cutting and son, Craig, and her neighbor, Mrs. Emma Hager.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Now an Eastern 'Pro'

Dear Mrs. Sherman:
My sincere condolences to the Sherman family and the entire Gazette-Times staff.

In reading Wes' last "Chaff and Chatter" column, especially the portion devoted to his observations about his Turmpike and N. Y. Thruway driving experiences, I could not help but feel that in some small measure the aggravations and pressures that he experienced helped to contribute to his heart attack.

Regarding how Easterners have a strong tendency to honor traffic laws and common courtesy "in the breach," this was the first thing that I encountered when I drove East seven years ago. Since then I have learned to "fight fire with fire" whenever necessary in this business of driver rudeness, and those of you in Heppner who have ever been given a bad time by New York cab drivers may have the satisfaction of knowing that I give them their just deserts when they earn it; that is, if they go out of their way in being decent (and some do), I tip them accordingly (15% or above, depending on my bank balance at the moment). However, if they give me a hard time, either as a passenger or as a competing driver in traffic, I am quite capable of beating them at their own game, both verbally and otherwise. Also, just mentioning their name, Hack License Number, and the Hack License Bureau helps to put some of these boys in their place. All of this information is readily visible on the right-hand side of the dashboard.

Whenever possible I drive "by the book," tempered with the realities of the situation, whether it be a traffic light stuck on red, a car stalled in the middle lane on an expressway, a double-parked car, and so on. I really knock 'em over dead, back here, when I actually stop at a street crossing and wave the pedestrian across. He (the pedestrian) really can't quite believe that a car is actually yielding to him, even though this law is just as much of the State Motor Vehicle Code here as it is elsewhere. One of life's little rewards around here is when the other driver waves "Thanks" after I slow up and let him merge from the acceleration lane on the right—(never mind the impatient guy behind me who honks his horn and curses at the slightest bit of provocation).

I agree with Wes about the deficiencies and unfair features which were built into the N. Y. Thruway system. The Holiday House facilities at the western portion of the thruway, plus the Savarin facilities on the Massachusetts Turnpike connection (or is it the other way around), are quite nice, compared to the lousy Hot Shoppes which have the concession on the Thruway from Albany southward. I have used the N. Y. Thruway quite often on week-ends, as a friend of mine has a small farm near Albany, and we frequently drive up there on week-ends. The distance involved is roughly the same as that from Heppner to Portland, but the time spent getting there is about one to one and one-half hours longer. Both my friend and I are so fed up with the Hot Shoppes in the Thruway service areas that we pack our own picnic lunch, park in the service area parking lot, and use only the ladies' room in the Hot Shoppe.

What really burns both of us up is when, on a three-day holiday week-end, the National Guard ties up the Thruway at the height of the Saturday morning rush, with its various jeeps and Army trucks tying up one lane and causing bumper-to-bumper driving, creeping along at 25 miles an hour or less. And for the privilege of experiencing all this creeping, we and thousands of other drivers have paid tolls, ranging in our case, up to two dollars!

As for the tolls themselves,

originally they were to have been discontinued years ago, after the Thruway had paid for itself. It has already paid for itself several times over, and still the tolls are in effect. This matter was handled very sensibly and fairly in the Portland-Vancouver bridge situation, but with politics being what they are back here, I doubt that the tolls will ever be discontinued on the Thruway.

It would help if more federal money could be appropriated in building many of the highways back here, but such is not the case. One reason so many of the freeways on the Pacific Coast are FREE is because so much federal aid was involved in their construction. Such is not the case in these parts.

Recently, my farm-owning friend and I have found an older parkway which is free, more scenic, and relatively uncluttered. The drivers on it seem to be another breed entirely; that is, they are more considerate. This parkway is called the Taconic State Parkway, it is on the eastern side of the Hudson River, and it is much more pleasant. We used it last night at the end of the Fourth of July week-end, and we experienced none of the inconveniences common on the Thruway. Facilities were uncluttered and well-maintained, and traffic was unbelievably light. And all of this, remember, is for FREE. The Taconic gets us from New York to suburban Albany in less time than the Thruway, so never again will we use that concrete and asphalt "clip joint!"

Wes' comments about Boston particularly amuse me, as I've driven in that city many times myself, and I've found that if I get lost, all I have to do is to keep bearing left at every chance, and invariably I'll come right back to where I started and can stop to get my bearings. Brooklyn, which I can drive through quite competently, is just as chaotic as Boston, from a driver's point of view, what with its non-grid street layouts, diagonal streets, five-street intersections, and so on. It amused me tremendously one day when I heard a Brooklynite teaching colleague describe how terrifying an experience driving was for him. He was so terrified, in fact, that he parked his car in a municipal garage and took the buses and cabs.

I've just completed a year of acting as Teacher in Charge of a small nursery-kindergarten in a Lutheran church in Harlem. I began with nine kids and ended up with 16, all of them black. We used as much of the Head Start approach as possible, and we had some of the kids recognizing simple words and writing both their first and last names by the time I left. The kids ranged in age from 2½ to 5. It was a very valuable experience for me.

Right now, I'm commuting every day from Queens (where I live) through Brooklyn and across a bridge to Staten Island, where I'm taking six semester hours in six weeks toward my master's degree in elementary ed. Since I use the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway, the trip takes me from 30 to 45 minutes. While I drive, I play back my class notes from a small cassette tape recorder.

Wagner College is the name of the school which I'm attending, and it's about like Lewis and Clark in size and type of school. If I can procure some more financial aid, I plan to attend there all of next year for three days a week while substituting in the city-operated day care centers on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If all goes well, I should have my M. S. in Elementary Education by August, 1970.

I'm flying out to Portland August 1, and I plan to spend a few days in Heppner before savoring other areas of the Pacific Northwest that I love so well. I'll drop in and renew my subscription then. Meanwhile, I'd appreciate it if someone would let me know where I could borrow a four-wheel drive

The Rhyming Philosopher

VANDALISM

Come, see my garden on the hill
Without an ounce of chlorophyll,
No lettuce, cabbages or beans
To vegetate in soup tureens.

Nor are we doing much with stocks
Or columbines or hollyhocks,
Instead we're raising gopher dunes
And rabbit runs and crow communes.

Our plums seem strictly for the birds
While snails and slugs in ceaseless herds
Join other thugs with war intent
To stage their gourmet tournament.

The towhee population plots
To help us eat our apricots;
While hordes of chipmunk bourgeoisie
Dwell snugly in the walnut tree.

We're glad our garden spot attracts
The boring moles and hungry rats;
For while they greedily carouse
They're kept from chewing up our house!

HARRY W. FLETCHER

PROPERTY TAX FAX

If you have a question concerning real or personal property please state all the facts as briefly as possible and mail it to Joyce Ritch, Morrow county special assessor, under the name "PROPERTY TAX FAX". Please ask only one question per sheet. Then watch this column for the answer.

QUESTION:
Two years ago my husband was 80 years old and applied for and was granted a senior citizen's exemption. During 1968 he was placed in a convalescent home and must now remain there permanently. I am 65 years of age, but can I continue to use my husband's age for the determination of the percentage applicable?

ANSWER:
The answer is no. Since you are the only taxpayer occupying the homestead, your age must be used if you qualify for a senior citizen's exemption.

Jeep to go up Cross Hill. I've always wanted to do this, and this August would be an opportune time.

Sincerely,
Sally Cohn
67-24 47th Avenue
Woodside, N. Y. 11377

Church Reception Honors Mrs. Turner

Mrs. J.O. (Virgie) Turner will be the guest of honor at a reception to be held in the Christian Church basement from 2-5 p.m. Sunday. The public is invited to come and extend good wishes to her.

Mrs. Turner will move to Eugene in the middle of August, where her son is moving. She has played the piano and organ for the church since she was 10 years old. Mrs. Turner estimated she has played for "literally hundreds of funerals" during those 66 years.

MEETING CALENDAR

Monday, July 21—
Fire Department, 7:30 p.m.
Chamber of Commerce, Wagon Wheel Dining Room, 12 Noon
Morrow County School Board, District Office, 8:00 p.m.
Morrow County Fair Board, Fair Dormitory, 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 22—
Duplicate Club, Elks Lodge Degree of Honor, Episcopal Parish Hall, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, July 23—
Willow Lodge, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.
Jaycees, 8 p.m.

Saturday, July 26—
Elks Dance, Elks Lodge, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Princess Dance, Fair Pavilion, 9:30-1:00

Visiting in Ione and Heppner with relatives recently was Mrs. Winnie Jeppesen of Hood River. Mrs. Jeppesen has recently moved there from her former home in Sacramento, Calif., where she has lived for the past several years. She was the former Winnie Williams of the John Williams family who lived about 10 miles from Ione at the time of the Heppner Flood of 1903.

Katherine Bisbee, Waldport, is visiting Mrs. O. E. Wright, a cousin. While here she also visited Mrs. Gilliam and various friends.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

MORROW COUNTY PICNIC
Annual Summer Picnic for former and present residents of Morrow County. Laurelhurst Park, Portland Sunday, August 3, noon. Coffee served. Bring friends.

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
Center open Friday afternoon, July 18, to Senior Citizens and friends of area. Social time together, from 2:00 p.m. Gilliam and Bisbee Building.

CHURCH RECEPTION
Honoring Mrs. J. O. Turner, Sunday, July 20, 2 to 5 p.m. Heppner Christian Church. Public invited to attend.

BIG SIDEWALK BAZAAR
Downtown Heppner, Friday and Saturday, July 18-19. Lots of bargains, lots of fun for everyone. Come and bring your neighbors!

PRINCESS DANCE
Honoring Rhonda Bellinger. Music by First National Band—Pendleton. Saturday, July 19, 9:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Fair Pavilion, Heppner.

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City of Heppner

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Delicious SNO-CONES

Lexington THREE LINKS CLUB
BAKED FOOD SALE

FREE PARKING IN HEPPNER BOTH DAYS

Morrow County JAYCEES 'JAYCEE JUICE' and CAMERA RAFFLE

PRINCESS DANCE at FAIR PAVILION for PRINCESS RHONDA BELLINGER
Saturday Night July 19, 9:30 P.M.

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