

Letters to the Editor

Send French back to Salem

To the Editor:
On November 8 voters of District 59 will join voters across the state in electing our state representatives for the next session of the legislature. The people we elect in November will be faced with many decisions which will determine the make-up of Oregon for years to come. Therefore, it is vital for us to elect those people who best understand and who will best represent the ideals of those who elect them.
Ray French is our veteran representative who has demonstrated his ability to represent his district. Ray understands the issues facing the industries which make up the economic base of this district: agriculture and timber. He knows the importance of maintaining the health of these industries so rural Oregon does not again become sick

and stagnant. Oregon, as a whole, depends on its natural resource based economy for continued growth. Not all the people in Salem recognize this. Ray French does.
Ray has also demonstrated his awareness of the many other issues facing Oregon. His record on crime deterrence, school financing, and land use clearly show he is tuned in to the people who have chosen Central and Eastern Oregon as their place under the sun.
Help me in returning to Salem, a man who has represented us well, a man who will continue to represent us well, a man who has earned the right to represent District 59. November 8, be sure to vote and be sure to vote for Ray French.
(s) Doug Breese
Rancher
President, Oregon Farm Bureau Federation

Nelson runs clean campaign

To the Editor:
The way Bush and Dukakis are beating each other over the head, it's a relief to see the way Mike Nelson has run his campaign for State Representative. He's positive, hard working, and he says he wants to win on his strengths and not his opponent's weaknesses.

I respect that attitude. I'm using my vote for Nelson to send a message, positive, issue-oriented campaigning pays off. Mudslinging doesn't. Please vote for Mike Nelson, and let's stop this trend toward negative campaigning.
(s) Ham Jackson, Realtor
Prineville, OR

Voter impressed by hard-working Nelson

To the Editor:
Several months ago, I heard people say that Mike Nelson would have a tough time defeating Ray French for state representative simply because French was the incumbent. I've been amazed and impressed at how hard Mike has worked on this campaign, while running his

business in Baker at the same time. He has run a good, substantive campaign about how he can help our district. Anyone that works as he has gets my vote. I think Mike will work just as hard for us in Salem.
Sincerely,
Michelle Reynolds
Prineville

Return Smith to congress

To The Editor:
We must return Bob Smith to Congress for his continued common sense representation on Oregon and the nation's policies on the environment, national security, agriculture, federal budgetary needs, foreign relations and health care.
Congressman Smith has shown the

people of Oregon that he is a man of the highest integrity; his commitment to his goals cannot be challenged.
Keep Bob Smith on the job—he will continue to work for Oregonians and our nation.
(s) Jack Sanborn
3035 El Dorado Drive
Medford, Or 97504

Many children suffer in silence

To the Editor:
I'm frightened for the future of many children who suffer in silence. We have no idea of their anguish, and they can tell no one of their plight. They are victims of child abuse.
In 1984, our current State Representative Ray French, made a campaign pledge that he would help stop child abuse.
But when he had a chance to vote for a bill that would help, without spending one tax dollar, he voted "no."
Last session, he was only one of four House Members out of 60 who voted against HB 2503. This bill allows people to donate money from their tax refund to a child abuse

fund. It takes money to care for the victims of child abuse, and the dysfunctional families that are involved. I think we should work together, as communities to solve this problem. We can do it without raising taxes.
Here was a chance for Oregonians to give money out of their tax return, not tax money owed, to fight this horrible crippling disease, and Ray French voted no.
Well, I'm going to vote "no" too—no to giving Ray French another term in the Oregon Legislature. We can't stop child abuse with legislators like Ray French.
(s) Carmen M. Oth
Baker, Oregon

Capsule is available to kill wood bore larvae

To the Editor:
This letter is to alert people in our area whose locust trees are dead or dying. About three years ago I found a bug which Oregon State University identified as a Locust Borer Beetle, a short lived beetle which lays its eggs which hatch to form a larvae which bores into the locust tree. The larvae emerge in the spring and start the life cycle all over again. The encyclopedia which OSU used for reference advised "cut the tree and

burn it."
In my vicinity there are a lot of dead locust trees.
Also, there are now on the market a capsule which is reported as being capable of killing all wood borer larvae. This capsule is to be used in the spring when the sap is raising.
Are there dead locust trees in your neighborhood. Can we afford to lose our windbreaks?
Very truly yours,
(s) Mrs. Robert C. Smith
Irrigon

Vote yes on county tax base

To the Editor:
I am writing to encourage the voters of Morrow County to vote yes on the County Tax Base. In the last ten years our tax levy has bounced all over. From an increase in 1981 of 71% to a decrease in 1983 of 10%, for a ten year average increase of 15% per year. It is my firm opinion that with an up-to-date tax base and the 6% annual limitation we will be lowering our tax bill. Coun-

ty government will be able to provide the services tax payers desire in a much better manner by knowing a year or more in advance how much money will be available for this purpose. Efficiency in government is what we all demand. Efficiency in government is possible with an up-to-date tax base. Let's have it.
Sincerely,
(s) Bob Rietmann

Nelson is supportive of senior programs

To the Editor:
Having known Michael Nelson for the past 15 years I find him to be a caring, kind person. He is interested not only in the youth of our community, but is supportive of senior programs. When he visits the Senior Center, he talks with the people on issues that are of concern to them, and asks about programs which serve the senior population of our area. He wants to know the costs and the effectiveness of the programs.

In contrast, his opponent visits during lunch, but does not take an active interest in the very real issues confronting this population group.
I believe Mike Nelson will be the best choice for State Representative in District 59. I hope you will join me in voting for Mike Nelson.
Sincerely,
(s) Sherry Schaefer
Administrator
Social Services
Baker

French is honorable legislator

To the Editor:
Ray French, in my opinion, is an honest, honorable legislator. You may not like what he tells you but I feel it will always be the truth.
as he sees it.
I feel that we should keep him as our State Representative.
Sincerely
(s) Donna Krausse
John Day, Or.

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44th Annual Meeting



COLUMBIA BASIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Condon, Oregon
Gilliam County Fair Grounds

Registration :- 5:30 p.m.
Dinner :- 6:00 p.m.
Business Meeting :- 7:00 p.m.
Numerous Prizes

November 3, 1988

MIKE NELSON

Leadership...for a change

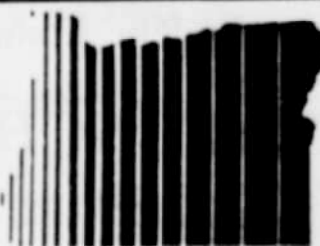


"Mike Nelson has worked hard to make Eastern Oregon a better place to live. I think his leadership ability, and his commitment to our natural resource and tourism industries will make him a strong, effective voice for us at the State Capitol."

Senator Mike Thorn,
Pendleton

"We in Irrigon would like to thank Michael Nelson for helping us establish a Chamber of Commerce....
His public service will not be forgotten in our community."

Eric Dirks, Irrigon



MICHAEL NELSON

For State Representative

Crook, Baker, Grant, & Morrow Counties

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