

Communications

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Wants New Blood

To the Editor: I believe most of the voters of Oregon have, by now, seen the voters pamphlet which is issued by the authority of this, our state of Oregon.

Such being the case, we should be wondering if we should wantonly and cowardly surrender our Constitutional RIGHT to say NO to a contemptuous and contemptible legislature and vote away from us the say so as to whether we are to be taxed and have no comeback.

It is an old time axiom that, "once a tax is levied it is never again laid aside." Do not forget that saying. For it is true. Once on, never off.

The Republican Party "hews to the Party Line" all same Communist Party. We should retire, with prejudice, every Republican from office. That to include Littrell and Mann of Medford. All any of them want is to levy taxes and more taxes. Why swallow all the whining pleading for more "money to run the state"? When they ran the income tax upon us we were told the property tax was to be lowered. Was it? No. Nor was there any intention of doing such a thing. They have too many shady sub-surface friends for any such action.

When the GOP had its convention it could have been directed by one individual. Was it? All individualism was lacking. Every one acted, and spoke as his lines had been cut and dried. In other words, written and ordered to be used as directed and in no other way, and was followed to the letter.

In the Democratic Convention we saw true Democracy in Action. Every one who wished to say something had his opportunity. He was not muzzled nor cut off.

Stevenson did not express any preference for any man to run as his Vice Presidential candidate. The full assembly considered several names and made

the selection, with no advice from Mr. Stevenson.

"What a difference at the GOP meeting. There, as I said, it looked as tho one person had the full say and no one was allowed to differ. Just as we are told the Communist Party keeps its membership in line in fear of penalties. Could it be possible such could be the case with the 'Grand Old Party'? If so, were the blue blazes the feudal lord? Was it General Motors? Was it a BIG Banker? I ask to know.

Or, maybe, the Party has gone so far down the road to Perdition it cannot recover. I hope it goes much farther in the same direction. Unless it throws all old fogies and takes on newer and younger and more enlightened blood and lots of it.

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Those Questions, Again

To the Editor: I am a mother of two children, a registered voter, and very interested in fluoridation. The information I have read thus far endorsing fluoridation has left me with these questions:

(1) Specifically, what laboratory tests have been performed on animals in an equal amount for them to our 1 p.p.m. to prove that it is safe to all children and all people? (When the Salk vaccine was released all such detailed information was made public so that parents would know of its safety. Incidentally unlike fluoridation in the vaccine is on a purely voluntary basis, but so much more important.)

(2) Isn't it true that McClure, the scientist who originally compiled all the information about decay and fluorides—based his conclusions on assumption? He took a handful of men in these decay free areas, asked them if they had any broken bones, kidney ailments, heart trouble, etc. and if they answered "No," then he assumed that it was safe to everyone. However, we all know that each person is differ-

ent—for example, the wonder drugs are harmful and ineffective to some.

(3) If this is truly progress and not a good deal for the aluminum companies, machine makers, etc.—Why does not the U.S.P.H.S. recommend some method such as fluoridated salt, milk, etc., so that all children could be decay free instead of just those supplied by a public water supply?

(4) Isn't it true, that many medical men, chemists, research scientists, and several European countries have opposed fluoridation and warned to go slow?—Why then do promoters tend to stereotype our thinking by saying all opposed are crackpots, food faddists, habitual agingers, etc.? (Incidentally we can find something wrong with anyone, since no one is perfect.)

(5) Specifically why is calcium fluoride (natural) and sodium fluoride (artificial) considered the same chemically? Isn't it true that the calcium fluorides are used in chemistry experiments instead of sodium fluorides because they are more safe and cheaper?

(6) Have I the constitutional right to ask my neighbor to use fluorides because I may want my children to have them?

(7) How can the parts per million be controlled and equal as they come out of our water taps?

Barbara Miller,
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Medford, Ore.

Work and Vote

To the Editor: The Republican convention at San Francisco was the worst padlock convention in United States history.

It was planned and settled weeks before. No one had a chance to block the nomination of Nixon.

Terry Carpenter of Nebraska proved to the wide world that they were afraid of an honest, open convention.

That great Senator Wayne Morse, being a man of the people and for the people, believing in freedom of speech and the principles of Thomas Jefferson, had to leave the Republican party to serve and protect the rights of his people.

It was a difficult decision for him to make, but he put your interests above the party. We in the middlewest hope and pray that you will vote for Wayne Morse before the Republicans steal the rest of the far west riches. You can't match the money that is being spent to defeat Morse.

You must work, McKay was hand-picked in the east to come back and run. Talk it up. Work and vote for Morse.

Clem N. Meyers,
North Loup, Nebr.

Proof Cited

To the Editor: How can anyone say that adding fluorides to water is poisonous, with this proof that it is not, quote: Grand Rapids, Michigan Muskegon, Michigan Aurora, Illinois

The Method: In January, 1945, 1 ppm fluoride was added to the fluoride-free water of Grand Rapids, Mich. Muskegon's water was left fluoride-free—its source is Lake Michigan as is Grand Rapids.

Aurora, Illinois, water has contained 1.2 ppm fluoride naturally for years. Comparable groups of school

children (many thousand in all) were examined at the start of the experiment and each succeeding fall.

The Results after 6 years:

1. Significant reduction of tooth decay in all groups of Grand Rapids children.

2. 66.6% reduction in tooth decay in 6-yr. olds.

3. The younger age group approximated Aurora's.

4. 18.1% reduction in the 16-year olds.

5. Muskegon, the fluoride-free control city, showed no significant change in the decay rate; and as a result of public demand, fluoridation was started, making Muskegon no longer a control city.

"We have not observed any significant change in the vital statistics of Grand Rapids since the inception of our fluoridation program."

W. B. Prothro, M. D.,
Public Health Director,
Grand Rapids, Mich.

Let us help our grandchildren to have better teeth by voting "Yes" to amendment No. 58 on the ballot.

Mrs. R. W. Gordon,
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To the Editor: Your paper of October 19 published a fine account of my husband's speech in Medford to the Democratic County Central committee. However, in the paragraph referring to my own brief remarks, it was stated that I compared the in-laws at Klamath Falls between that of Senator Murray of Montana and Congressman Ellsworth. Of course, the Congressman referred to should be Sam Coon and not Mr. Ellsworth.

I had referred to the fact that an 80-year old Senator from Montana sat patiently for five or six hours at Klamath Falls listening to testimony about the future of the Klamath Indians.

By contrast, the Republican congressman from the second Oregon district declined an invitation to sit with the committee and then left the hearing in his own district, after attending for only 30 or 40 minutes.

Thank you so much for this opportunity to make a brief correction.

Maurine (Mrs. Richard) Neuberger, Medford Hotel, Medford, Ore.

The Eisenhower "Ordeal"

To the Editor: Many reports from Washington state that the president's second term (if there is one) will be farther to the left. The accuracy of these reports is confirmed by Paul G. Hoffman's article in a present issue of Collier's. Clearly, Eisenhower is bidding for votes of more liberals and left-wingers.

Now I happen to be a Bob Taft-Douglas MacArthur type of conservative Republican, and I find such news extremely disconcerting. If such senators as Welker, Malone, McCarthy, Schoeppel and Dworshak are to be read out of the Republican party, I am afraid I shall have to go with them.

At the Geneva conference the Communist cutthroat Bulganin, between vodkas, expressed the hope that Eisenhower would be elected again. Henry Wallace is now on the Ike bandwagon and a radical, left-wing Democrat congressman from New York has joined Ike's motley crew of supporters.

First we had Roosevelt's New Deal. Then came Harry and his Fair Deal. Now we have Eisenhower's Ordeal. It appears that we have only changed name tags.

I have no love for Mr. Stevenson but I hope he is elected. Under Stevenson, conservative Southern Democrats and those conservative Republicans which Ike wants to read out of the Republican party, would in all probability form an effective coalition as they did in 1950-52 against Truman. If Eisenhower is victorious we shall continue to be led farther into Socialism to the strains of the National Anthem and mocking lip service to free enterprise.

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Educational Confab Scheduled at YMCA By Real Estate Men

Real estate representatives from Jackson and Josephine counties are expected to attend a two-county real estate educational conference in the Medford YMCA building Tuesday, Oct. 23.

Principal speaker at the conference will be Frederick J. Bishaw, Palm Beach, Fla., who will speak at 9:30 a.m. on "Finding and Analyzing the Best Listing." He also is scheduled to speak at a noon luncheon at the

THE ELECTION ... And You

(The following space is made available on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays during the election campaign to the two major political parties so that they may publish, without charge, material concerning the presidential election race. Offerings are limited to 400 words, must have the approval of the county chairman of the party, and must be submitted not later than 2 p.m. the day before publication on week days, at 11 a.m. Saturdays for Sunday publication.)

REPUBLICAN STATEMENT

The Republican party, by its record, proves that it is keenly aware of the fact that today's generation has a solemn obligation to conserve our physical and scenic resources for tomorrow's children. At the same time, the nation's high standards of living give ample proof that, under the American way of life, intelligent conservation and development of natural resources are compatible.

The Republican party takes pride that national forests, national parks and wildlife refuges are more adequately financed, better protected and more extensive than ever before. In four years of the Eisenhower administration about 90,000 acres have been added to our national wildlife refuges. In 25 states new lands have been brought into the federal refuge program. By contrast, federal wildlife reserves were reduced by more than 400,000 acres in the previous six Democrat years.

During the Eisenhower years some 400,000 acres have been added to our National Park system. The first new park since 1947 has been authorized.

What is the Eisenhower record of financial support for conservation?

Nearly half again as much money was budgeted in each of the last two years as in the last fiscal year of the previous administration for acquisition, development and maintenance of wildlife refuges.

A 15-year trend of neglect of our national parks under previous administrations was brought to a halt.

The budget for development and maintenance of our national parks this current fiscal year is double the amount made available in the last fiscal year controlled by the previous administration.

In the fields of resource development and public works, the President's record is equally illustrious.

Vast new programs have been initiated—such as the St. Lawrence Seaway, so long denied under previous administrations. In the Upper Colorado Project we have the first basin-wide multi-purpose water development program authorized in many years. Over 300,000 acres of land will receive an assured water supply from this project, and a million kilowatts of power will be generated. The key structure, Glen Canyon Dam, will be fully comparable to Hoover Dam. During the Eisenhower administration, almost \$3 billion has been invested in the construction of water-power facilities.

In its report on the above accomplishments, the Department of the Interior states that "we have again put on record our belief that it is fundamental to the American way of life that the Federal government shall do only those things for the people which they or their local levels of government cannot do for themselves."

Medford hotel.

During the afternoon session he will discuss "advertising, showing, closing."

Sponsor Named

The program is being sponsored by the Oregon Real Estate department under Ragnar O. Johnson, real estate commissioner, Burton W. Dunn, educational supervisor of the department, will be in charge and will serve as chairman.

Eugene E. Burdick, Portland attorney and a member of the real estate board, will be chairman of a legal forum including Bob Dames, Ben Lombard, and O. H. Bengtson, local attorneys, who will present a panel on legal problems in real estate.

The program includes a talk on the multiple listing bureau by John Black of Salem, and a talk by Charles F. Walker, Portland, former president and owner of the Northwestern school of commerce, at 3 p.m. Walker will speak on "Success in Real Estate."

The conference committee is made up of Willis T. Fasel, president of the Medford Realty board; Clark Walker, Victor Sether, H. O. Martin and Don Herried, all of Medford; and Dave Curtis, Clarence Bell, and J. K. Adams, all of Ashland.

atomic fallout than is safe for human beings.

A few more H-bomb detonations—by any nation—may well bring results which will be disastrous to this and future generations. The hard fact is that not all radiation from atomic explosions is dissipated into nothingness; a substantial portion stays in the atmosphere and drifts with the wind over wide areas.

This is the reason Adlai Stevenson, Democratic candidate for President, insists that we work toward the cessation of H-bomb explosions and for an agreement with other powers to stop making this most infernal of all infernal machines.

Until this is done there can be no assurance of peace—only the marking of time in an indefinite and shaky armistice. It is the Republicans who are the warmongers of today, with their art of brinkmanship and big talk that cannot scare the potential enemy.

The way to real peace, as Adlai Stevenson says, is to take a hard look at the monster called the H-bomb and work toward its elimination, along with other atomic weapons, from the arsenal of nations.

President Eisenhower calls this "a theatrical gesture." Can we ever speak of the cessation of H-bomb detonation as a theatrical gesture when we know its frightening possibilities? Already according to some atomic scientists, our atmosphere is probably saturated with more

Fire Razes Heating Firm Near Salem

Keizer — (UPI) — A \$25,000 fire early Saturday razed the main warehouse of the Home Insulation and Heating Company in this Salem-area community.

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The Democratic Oregon Journal of Portland Is Signing Doug McKay!

A Reprint from The Oregon Journal, October 10th

Why We Support Doug McKay

It is not without good reason that the eyes of the nation are upon Oregon's senatorial campaign.

For one thing, nowhere is the pro-Eisenhower versus anti-Eisenhower issue more sharply drawn.

For another, the opposing candidates are personally as different from each other as two men possibly could be.

For a third, each is nationally known in his own right, the Republican, Doug McKay, as secretary of interior under Eisenhower—the second Oregon man ever honored by presidential appointment to a cabinet post—and the Democrat, Wayne Morse, as one of the senate's most controversial and self-publicized individuals.

McKay has steadfastly supported the president's program. He has done so without fanfare or attempt at personal aggrandizement. Morse, on the other hand, has declared the president to be "lacking in all political morality" and "the most dangerous man who will ever have been in the White House."

If one believes Eisenhower is the most dangerous man ever to be in the White House, then consistency demands a vote for Wayne Morse.

On the other hand, if one believes Eisenhower will be the most effective architect of our foreign policy during the next presidential term, then consistency demands a vote for Doug McKay, who holds the president's confidence and who can be counted upon for support rather than obstruction at every step.

McKay has a long and honorable record as a small businessman, a state legislator, mayor of Salem and governor of Oregon. He has shown stability, integrity and consistency—plus a remarkable equanimity under often unfair but sometimes heavy fire.

Morse has been in the senate for 12 years. His record there has been one of mercurial instability and ineffectiveness. His greatest assets are a quick mind and a glib tongue.

Although he now runs on a platform of "principle," he has more often than not seemed to adjust his principles to the expedient which best suited his personal purposes at the moment.

Such facility in shifting ground while appearing to adhere to a "principle" might win honors in a debating

society where the side a debater takes is decided by a flip of the coin. But it is not this type of dubious genius which is to be desired in the U. S. senate in the critical years ahead.

The Journal, consequently, bases its support of McKay in this campaign in part upon his staunch defense of the president's program.

It bases its support, also, upon McKay's positive and constructive administrative record in Oregon and Washington, D. C., and upon his understanding of the problems of workers, small businessmen, farmers, lumbermen and other citizens of the state—an understanding gained from a lifetime of working with them as a private citizen and for them as an elected official.

Born of poor parents in Portland in 1893, McKay as a youngster helped feed his family by working at odd jobs and by selling newspapers. He paid his expenses at Oregon State college by working in a laundry, driving a butcher wagon and sweeping floors.

In 1917, a month before graduation, he volunteered for service in World War I. He still bears the scars of wounds suffered in the Meuse-Argonne. Back in private life, he became an automobile salesman. Hard work and frugal living made it possible for him to acquire a modest automobile dealership in Salem. This he developed into an outstanding small business concern.

Fellow citizens honored him by electing him first as president of the Salem Chamber of Commerce and later as mayor. In 1935, Marion county elected him to the state senate.

In World War II, McKay volunteered again, although exemptions could have been his on the grounds of service injuries, age or his position in the senate. Oregon elected him its governor in 1950 by the largest majority ever given a candidate for that office in this state.

He left the governorship to accept President Eisenhower's invitation to become secretary of interior, a post in which he served with dignity and distinction.

Of Oregon's two senatorial candidates, McKay has greater stature in every respect.

For all these reasons, The Journal urges his election to the U. S. senate on November 6.

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A reprint from THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
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Effects of Fluorine Compounds:

In the past, the toxicity hazard of fluorine compounds has been encountered in the smelting of cryolite and in the use of fluorides as insect sprays, roach powders and rodenticides. Since the war, fluorine compounds have found wide industrial use in products such as dyes, plastics, pharmaceuticals, tanning agents, metal fluxes, fumigants, insecticides, fungicides, germicides, fire extinguishers, solvents, fireproofing compounds and heat transfer media. Hydrofluoric and hydrofluosulfuric acids and their more soluble salts cause necrosis and ulceration with subsequent sloughing and slowly healing yellowish ulcers when they come in contact with the skin. Ocular effects include ulceration of the conjunctiva, light sensitivity and continuous conjunctival secretion. These local effects are best treated by copious lavage and ointments containing metallic oxides, such as magnesium oxide, which combine with fluorides. Local injections of calcium gluconate are also helpful in preventing the spreading and absorption. Inhalation of gaseous hydrofluoric acid or fluorine causes bronchial irritation, with much mucous secretion, bronchial constriction and pulmonary edema. Oral poisoning results in symptoms referable primarily to the gastrointestinal tract and central nervous system. Chronic intoxications, resulting from prolonged intake of smaller amounts of fluorides include dental fluorosis, which has been described as an endogenous condition in regions where the drinking water has an abnormally high fluorine content. Fluorine also tends to accumulate in bones, leading to hypercalcification and brittleness. Ligaments and tendons also become calcified. Serious symptoms may ensue, such as loss of mobility of joints, easy fracture and pressure on the spinal cord. Other effects include alopecia in young men, accompanied by increased fluoride concentrations in hair and nails, anemia and decreased blood clotting power due to the binding of calcium. Dysmenorrhea, alterations in growth and weight, lowered birth rate, high incidence of fracture, thyroid alterations and liver damage have been observed in regions of endemic fluorosis. The author cites several new extremely toxic organic fluorides and the mechanism of action that produces the intoxication.

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