

Oregon's Congressional Delegation Seems To Be Off To Amicable Start This Year

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Washington — Oregon's six-member congressional delegation is off to what looks like a much more amicable start than it ever enjoyed during the past two years of the 84th Congress.

One reason, of course, is that one side of the battling ranks was virtually wiped out in the November election when Reps. Harris Ellsworth and Sam Conroy were defeated by Reps. Charles O. Porter and Al Ullman. The defeat of these two Republicans cuts the GOP strength

within the Oregon delegation down to one man, Rep. Walter Norblad, and gives the Democrats the other five posts.

So now the five Democrats are rallying around one another in an open display of team work which will undoubtedly carry through much of the work they perform in this 85th Congress. They have launched a bi-weekly breakfast conference to discuss state problems and ways and means of joining to combat them here in Washington, D.C.

Not Done in Recent Years
Nothing of this sort has been done here by the Oregon delegation in recent years, nor was it done before Sen. Richard L. Neuberger broke the Democratic jinx in 1934 at a time when all six congressional jobs were held by Republicans.

Back in those days, when Sen. Wayne Morse was a Republican and his senatorial colleague was Republican Guy Cordon, there was only superficial cooperation between the two senators. They were as incompatible in their philosophies and fields of interest as any senators bearing the same party label could be.

The closest cooperation at that time was between Cordon and Ellsworth, two deeply conservative men with similar fields of interest centered in local problems of western Oregon, principally in legislation concerning the tangled O&C forest lands.

Neuberger and Rep. Edith Green were elected and Sen. Morse officially joined their party, the delegation was in a three-to-three split partywise. Much of the pulling and hauling between sides represented conflicting ideologies on power, timber, farm legislation, etc. But also at work was the overriding battle for control of the delegation that would be decided in the 1936

Washington — (U.P.) — Forty members of Congress have signed a petition urging President Eisenhower to withdraw U.S. diplomatic recognition from the Soviet "puppet government" in Hungary.

election, notably the Senate seat long held by Morse which Republicans hoped to capture with Douglas McKay.

The Democratic sweep has ended all that. The Oregon delegation is controlled by the Democrats.

Could Be Vocal Minority
Rep. Norblad could become a vocal minority and demonstrate a political contrast as the issues in this Congress develop—but that is hardly to be expected. The past two years, when his GOP colleagues were battling the Democrats, Norblad seldom aligned himself with them to take on the Democrats. After watching them go down to de-

feat in campaigns that were enlivened by these same issues, Norblad has shown no disposition to follow their example.

Congressman Norblad remains today what he has been essentially for much of his career in Congress, a political loner. His ambition to go higher in politics has never been doubted, and he demonstrated it personally by impulsively jumping into the GOP gubernatorial contest last year following the death of Paul Patterson. But his quick exit from the race demonstrated his aversion for taking political risks.

changes his ways and becomes a more forceful advocate of his party's position, the five Democrats, all of the liberal wing of the party which is often in conflict with the Eisenhower administration, will have things pretty much their own way.

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Brenda G. — My brother-in-law is unfaithful.
Mildred K. — I don't see what can be done about it.

Brenda G. — I recently went on a visit to a nearby city and, while there, accidentally ran into my brother-in-law, who travels a great deal in connection with his work. He was with a woman and seemed very embarrassed to meet me. I promptly made some investigations and found out that he and this woman were registered at the hotel as Mr. and Mrs. K.

When I came home, I gently hinted to my sister that she ought to keep tabs on her husband. To my surprise, she came right out and told me that if I was referring to his unfaithfulness, she knew all about it and didn't care.

I feel that Mildred is letting herself in for a lot of grief if she doesn't put her foot down on this thing. She has a young family and can't afford to lose her husband.

Mildred K. — No matter how unfaithful he is, I don't believe I'll lose Stuart. He is a devoted father and would never take the chance for a serious separation from the children. None of these women matters to him.

There have been so many of these infidelities, I just can't take them seriously. I've known about them for years and Stuart knows I know. It was a shock at first, I'll admit, but I've become adjusted to our situation.

In any case, I don't see what can be done about it. My husband must be away from home on business a good deal of the time. I can't keep tabs on him as my sister suggests. It hasn't been an ideal situation, but my husband knows no other way of making a living. I don't think Brenda should have meddled in this.

The Council: Regardless of whether Brenda should have

meddled, the fact is that she has. This means that Mildred needs to take serious stock of her marital situation.

Mildred has shown her husband that his infidelities don't matter very much to her. She has virtually given him the go-ahead signal to betray her and to flaunt his disdain for religious and civil law. He has probably been encouraged by the belief that his wife cares neither for him nor for the marital vows.

If she examines her own thoughts and feelings a little more deeply, Mildred will probably find this is not really the case. She has probably taken a complacent attitude and made a superficial adjustment dictated by the fact that she doesn't see "what can be done about it." She is probably much more deeply disturbed than she is willing to admit to herself. Just as she values her husband's devotion to the children, she should value his devotion to her and their marriage vows.

Too Complacent
Mildred is also being too complacent in her idea that she cannot lose her husband more than she has already lost him. She seems to have sold herself on the idea that as long as the infidelities are numerous, Stuart will not get into the clutches of any one woman. That just isn't case.

Both Mildred and her husband are cheating themselves in this marriage. They are not enjoying the full emotional and spiritual experience of marriage at all. It is a most unsatisfactory life for both of them. Mildred ought to let herself and her husband know how she really feels. It might bring about a change and it is even possible that her husband can find a means of changing his work so that it brings him into closer contact with her and the family.

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On The Side

By E. V. Durling
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Why did your wife agree to marry you? Was it for love? Anyway, when a check was made of the general matrimonial situation in this country by asking innumerable women why they married, the final result was: 1. For companionship. 2. To have a home. 3. For love. 4. To have children.

Critics
Bernard Shaw's first newspaper job was as a music critic. He was given that assignment because the editor thought him too radical to be an editorial writer. Shaw never took the critic's job seriously. Augustus Manns, famous orchestra leader, once complained about a criticism of his work by Shaw. He received a letter from Shaw reading, "Music critics as you know, are of two sorts, musicians who are no writers and writers who are no musicians. I belong to the latter class and am astonished and flattered that my irresponsible sallies have attracted your attention."

Passing By
Ted Shapiro, versatile veteran vaudevillian. Has been Sophie Tucker's accompanist for 30 years. Before that he played for Nora Bayes and Eva Tanquary. This brings to mind that the great and brilliant George

Gershwin was once an accompanist for Nora Bayer. And that Jerome Kern was an accompanist for Edna Wallace Hopper.

Please Note
The Forest Lawn cemetery, Glendale, Calif., is the last resting place of more celebrities than any other cemetery in the United States. Among those buried there are Will Rogers, Florenz Ziegfeld, Tom Mix, Carole Lombard, Jean Harlow, King C. Gillette, John Gilbert, Joe Penner and Aimee Semple McPherson.

Propaganda
It should be kept in mind that the Soviet line of propaganda is based on some advice given by the Russian writer Turgenev many years ago, namely: "If you want to annoy an opponent thoroughly and even to harm him, you reproach him with every defect or vice you are conscious of in yourself. Be indignant. It will also set others thinking you have not that vice."

Film Stars
Twenty five years ago, in 1912 the 10 best box office film stars were: 1. Marie Dressler; 2. Janet Gayner; 3. Joan Crawford; 4. Charles Farrell; 5. Greta Garbo; 6. Will Rogers; 7. Norma Shearer; 8. Wallace Beery; 9. Clark Gable; 10. Joe E. Brown. Eddie Cantor was 13th in that year's standing. Marlene Dietrich was 19th.

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