

# Porter's Poll Shows Stevenson, Nixon Favored as Candidates for President

Washington - Residents of the Fourth Congressional District of Oregon participating in Rep. Charles O. Porter's (D-Ore.) April questionnaire expressed positive opinions on such issues as trade in non-strategic items with Red China (yes), scrapping the farm price support program (yes) and abolishing the draft (no). They named Adlai Stevenson and Richard Nixon as their two top favorite Presidential candidates.

In announcing the official results Porter said 2,567 persons replied. He sent the questionnaire to his mailing list of 9,250. The response was 27.8 per cent.

Porter said the questionnaire was the first of a series. He intends to send one out each year. His 1960 opinion poll will be mailed early next year throughout the district. The Congressman said the trial poll was encouraging. He said he hoped his constituents would submit to him suggestions on questions for his next questionnaire.

Many people added handwritten opinions and more than 200 sent the questionnaire back with a letter to explain answers and offer suggestions. Porter said the next mailing would be 70,000 to 100,000. He gave credit for the tabulation to his wife and office staff. He explained that questions left blank were tabulated as "no opinion." Comments in lieu of any mark in a square were interpreted if possible. If there was a doubt as to the opinion, it was tabulated as "no opinion."

The Oregonians expressed opinions on other major issues as follows:

Invoking world-wide nuclear test ban - Yes.

Important to beat Russia to the moon - No.

Supporting military and technical assistance programs overseas - Yes.

Helping a constituent in trouble outside the country - Yes.

Providing Federal grants and loans to depressed areas - Yes.

Increasing minimum wage to \$1.25 - Yes.

Extending minimum wage coverage - Yes.

Repealing amendment limiting Presidency to two terms - No.

Keeping the Postmaster General in the Cabinet - No.

Reenacting wartime excess profits tax on defense industries - Yes.

Consolidating post offices for economy - Yes.

Putting a chairlift at Crater Lake with scenic safeguards and using no tax funds - Yes.

Establishing a national seashore park area between Florence and Reedsport - Yes.

Increasing Social Security taxes to cover certain hospital expenses - Yes.

Removing or reducing outside restrictions on earnings of retirees - Yes.

Allowing Federal government to file suits for Negro pupils in school desegregation cases - Yes.

Providing Federal aid for school construction - Yes.

Providing Federal aid for teachers' salaries - No.

Requiring loyalty oaths of teachers, students receiving government loans - Yes.

**Favorite Candidates**

The voters named their favorite candidates for the Presidency in this order: Stevenson 26 per cent, Nixon 23 per cent, Kennedy, 14 per cent, Humphrey 9 per cent, Rockefeller 5 per cent, Symington 4 per cent, Johnson 3 per cent, Morse 3 per cent, other Democrats 12 per cent, other Republicans 2 per cent.

Sen. John F. Kennedy was the favored vice-presidential candidate. He garnered 24 per cent. Oregon's Senior Senator Wayne Morse was second with

11 per cent. Others were: Humphrey 9 per cent, Rockefeller 7 per cent, Symington 5 per cent, Porter 5 per cent, Stevenson 4 per cent, Nixon 3 per cent and Johnson 3 per cent. Porter pointed out that only about one-half of those completing questionnaires expressed any preference in the national race.

Representative Porter said the breakdown by counties within the district showed that in most cases the results were substantially the same. He listed the variances as follows:

Curry - Voters by a small percentage felt the Postmaster General should have a place in the Cabinet of the President.

Josephine - Voters by a moderate percentage felt the Federal government should not provide aid for school construction.

Lane - Voters by a small percentage felt loyalty oaths for teachers and students receiving government loans should be eliminated.

**Percentage Breakdown**

Following is a percentage breakdown in Porter's poll, with the first figure representing the yes percentage, the second figure the no percentage, and the third figure the percentage of those with no opinions:

Favor trade with Red China if on same basis as with Russia? 67, 25, 8.

Approve world-wide nuclear test ban with inspection safeguards? 83, 13, 4.

Favor abolishing draft of American youth into the Armed Services? 26, 65, 9.

Do you believe it is important that we beat the Russians to the moon? 23, 63, 14.

Support military and technical assistance programs in other countries? 56, 31, 13.

Should Congressman help a constituent even if it means entry into foreign affairs? 57, 24, 19.

Favor Federal grants and loans to relieve economically depressed areas? 74, 17, 9.

Should Federal minimum wage be increased from \$1 to \$1.25 an hour? 55, 32, 13.

Should Federal minimum wage be extended to cover more workers? 63, 17, 20.

Favor repeal of 22nd Amendment limiting Presidency to 2 terms? 36, 58, 6.

Should Postmaster General have a place in the Cabinet? 30, 43, 27.

Should wartime excess profits tax on defense industries be reenacted? 55, 24, 21.

Should we scrap completely the farm price support program? 61, 30, 9.

Favor consolidation of post offices despite inconvenience to public? 56, 32, 12.

Favor chairlift at Crater Lake with scenic safeguards using no tax funds? 53, 32, 15.

Favor a National Seashore park area between Florence and Reedsport? 61, 22, 17.

Favor increase in Social Security taxes to cover certain hospital expenses? 60, 30, 10.

Favor removing or reducing outside earnings restrictions on retirees? 60, 32, 8.

Allow Attorney General to file suits for Negro pupils in school desegregation cases? 48, 27, 25.

Should the Federal government provide aid for school construction? 51, 40, 9.

Should the Federal government provide funds to raise teachers' salaries? 31, 57, 12.

Favor loyalty oaths for teachers and students receiving government loans? 52, 41, 7.

## Industry Blamed For Only Half Of Air Pollution

New York - U. S. industry which yearly spends from five to ten per cent of its capital investment on air pollution continues to get the blame for pollution problems, but surveys show it is responsible for only about half the trouble, reports Engineering and Mining Journal.

In many metropolitan areas, the automobile has become the most important single contributor to air pollution. In 1940, there were about 32 million cars on the road; in 1957, there were 67 million; by 1975, there will be more than 100 million.

**Combustion Engine Blamed**

Automobile exhaust pollutants stand head and shoulders above any other type today. A survey found that two-thirds of all the pollution in the atmosphere above Los Angeles county is directly attributed to the internal combustion engine.

Air pollution today costs society \$7.5 billion a year in the U.S. in terms of corrosion alone. Ten years ago, the average annual cost of air pollution was about ten dollars for each individual; today, the figure is \$65.

**More Must Be Spent**

Although industry alone spends \$300 to \$500 million annually, the U.S. says that more money must be spent on controls and abatement. Every dollar spent today on control will cut many dollars from losses suffered tomorrow through depreciation, corrosion, damage suits against industry, lost man hours, illness and death.

Current interest in air pollutants is due to the realization after years of research—that the air is, or may be, responsible for many of man's ills, including cancer, heart ailments, gastro-intestinal ailments and lung disease.

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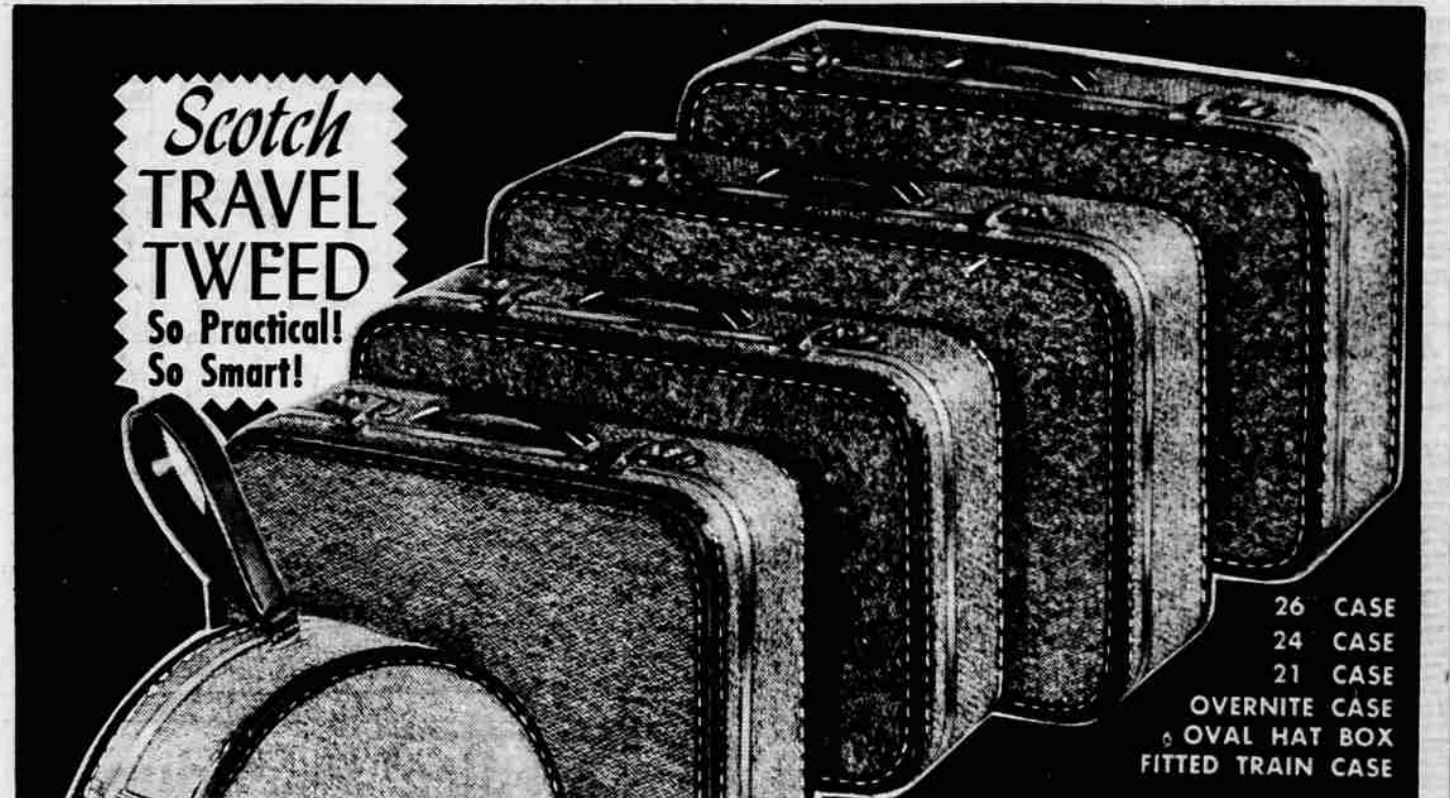
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