

Candidates' Talks Develop Into General Topic Debate

(Editor's note: The following story is reprinted from the Coos Bay World, and describes a debate between Congressman Charles O. Porter, Democrat seeking reelection, and William Tugman, representing Dr. Edwin Durno of Medford, Porter's opponent. It is reprinted here because it represents an exhaustive reporting job on a debate affecting both candidates—a situation which has not yet materialized in this area, although Porter and Durno are scheduled to appear tonight in the Jacksonville community hall to discuss mining, and will debate each other at the League of Women Voters' Candidates' Fair Oct. 20, Tugman, former editor of the Eugene Register-Guard and former editor and publisher of the Port Umpqua Courier on Oct. 10 will join the paid staff of Dr. Durno's campaign committee as public relations manager.)

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What had been designed as a debate on federal aid to education between Congressman Charles O. Porter (D-Ore.) and his Republican opponent for Congress, Dr. Edwin Durno of Medford, turned out instead to be a general issue debate between Porter and Durno's publicity man—retired newspaper publisher William Tugman—last night before the Coos Bay Education Assn.

The discussion, at times spirited and tinged with sarcasm, ranged from federal aid to education to the state of the South Jetty on the Umpqua bar, near Reedsport. Tugman is from Gardiner.

Federal aid did get the lion's share of Porter's comment in his opening statement.

He said federal aid to education is important to the defense of the nation and to the general welfare—because education is itself important in

these fields and education "is in trouble."

Shortages Seen

The congressman cited National Education Assn. statistics—accepted by Tugman—that there are now 35.5 million children in elementary grades and 58.5 million expected in 1970; 8.9 million youths in high school and 13.9 million anticipated in 1970; 3.8 million men and women in college and 7.6 million expected in 10 years.

"In face of these needs," Porter said, "we are 132,000 teachers short now by acceptable standards and we will be 1.5 million short in 1970. And right now we need 130,000 additional classrooms. Ten million students are affected by these shortages nationally—20,000 of them in Oregon."

"We do not have a total commitment to education," the congressman said. "I think we should have. Educators who have gone to Russia return to say they feel the Soviet Union is totally committed to education."

An important reason for federal aid, he said, is that "the dollars we use for education now are almost wholly taken from property taxes—which do not generally reflect the increase in incomes and standards of living. Right now, you all know, voters are beginning to resist bond issues and outside-limitation budgets."

Parties Agree

He said both political parties agree that federal aid is necessary—"although my opponent disagrees even with his party here; he's against federal aid"—with Republicans saying federal aid should be for school construction only, and Democrats saying the money should be channeled through the states, with each state deciding whether its grants should be for school construction, teachers' salaries, or both.

"I'd accept the Republican proposal—of aid for construction only—if that's the best we can get," Porter said. "But unfortunately we couldn't get even that through the Rules Committee of the House in the last session with all Republicans members voting against it."

He said the federal government had aided education for many years, that it is "nothing

new." He cited the Morrill Act establishing land grant colleges and other legislation down to federal aid to impacted school districts at present. He asserted the administration costs of federal aid would be no greater than 2 per cent. Tugman disagreed with this cost estimate. He thought it would be higher.

"The big boogey man in this argument," Congressman Porter said, "is the claim that federal aid means federal control of schools."

"This simply is not so. It hasn't been so in many other fields of aid and all federal education aid legislation specifically carries provisions against it," he said.

But Porter said federal aid "is only one of the important issues which should be discussed by my opponent and me. It is part of our competition for your vote in November. I find it difficult to 'find' my opponent on these issues. I think we should talk about these things face-to-face: medical aid for the aged, liberalized home financing, aid to education, the Sand



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Sister Germaine said that recently the agency, which participates in the funds raised by the United Medford Crusade, received a 15-year-old girl whose family lived through seasonal employment and who were alcoholics. The girl had been before juvenile authorities for

when the Senate put \$180,000 in for construction, the sum was cut back to \$30,000 in conference committee.

Porter questioned Tugman's understanding of the "legislative process," a point heatedly denied by Tugman. "I knew about the legislative process before you were born," he explained.

The congressman said the Umpqua project absorbed his total effort to get funds outside the President's budget last year. "In conference with Army Engineers, I decided to try to get \$30,000 for advanced planning and that is exactly what we got—because I managed to talk House members of the conference committee into going for that sum in discussions with the Senate," Congressman Porter said.

Tugman said his candidate, Durno, "gave up a profitable medical practice" to run for Congress and serve the public. He said he was a farm boy who grew up "in the traditions of thrift and hard work." He said he was an infantryman in World War I and a combat surgeon in World War II.

He said although the Congress will probably be Democratic next year, Republican Durno has proven "he can even work with Democrats" by his service in the State Senate where he made "a solid record."

He said Democratic State Senate President Walter Pearson termed Durno "the outstanding freshman legislator in my government experience."

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