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Smith vs. Neuberger

"We believe that Mrs. Neuberger has a wider conception of the responsibilities of a senator, both on the national and international areas, that she is more progressive in her attitude toward solving the problems of our times, and that she has the personal qualifications, poise, intelligence, human understanding, which go to make an able representative of the people. She has also the advantage of an earned high standing in that very exclusive club, the United States Senate. Hence, we recommend her election as United States Senator from Oregon."

We don't always agree with the writer of the lines quoted above, but we certainly do this time. They are from an editorial written by Charles A. Sprague, editor and publisher of the Oregon Statesman in Salem, and former Republican governor of Oregon.

His words have particular interest and impact when viewed in the light of the contrasting appearances of the two candidates, Mrs. Neuberger and Ex-Gov. Elmo Smith, at the Candidates' Fair here last Thursday evening.

WITHOUT analyzing his exact words, Smith left the very decided impression that America's recent reverses in foreign policy are of little importance, that America is, without question, unassailably mighty and strong, and that this business of sitting down with your enemy to try to talk out a modus vivendi is, somehow, a showing of weakness.

He was vigorous and emphatic, and alleged that worries about American strength and prestige are, in effect, sort of un-American.

Mrs. Neuberger, on the other hand, was calm and collected, didn't fall into the trap of making flat-footed allegations of what should or should not be done in a rapidly changing world, and called for courage, coolness and determination in the solution of the problems which face us.

WE GIVE Elmo Smith credit for honesty and sincerity; for being a likeable person, for wagging a hard-hitting and clean campaign.

But he is no match for Mrs. Neuberger in the quiet appraisal of the nation's needs, and in the ability to choose wisely between courses of action designed to meet them.

His suggestions for meeting domestic needs have been localized and short range, and heavily dependent on the disappointing record of the Republican administration.

Mrs. Neuberger, on the other hand, has called repeatedly for programs of stream pollution control, active forest management for conservation of our major resources, medical aid for the elderly retired, and many other forward-looking programs designed to make America stronger, healthier, more secure.

SMITH'S record as state senator and governor was less than inspiring, and much has been done recently either to try to gloss over some of it, or ignore it completely. (For instance, his civil rights voting record was deplored by civil rights groups as backward looking and reactionary. And yet he recently spoke proudly of being a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This was a day or two after he applied for membership.)

Mrs. Neuberger's record, however, both in the state house of representatives and as the wife of a highly-esteemed senator and part of the husband-and-wife political "team," has received high praise from many quarters.

Her positions are clear and unequivocal. We recommend Mrs. Neuberger for U. S. Senator from Oregon, for both the short and long terms. She would serve with distinction. —E.A.

It Isn't Necessary

Measure No. 10 on the general election ballot would permit the legislature to declare an office vacant if the incumbent were elected to a higher office at mid-term.

The motive for the measure arose when Mark O. Hatfield, then secretary of state, was elected governor, and both he and his predecessor in office, Gov. Bob Holmes, appointed different secretaries of state to succeed Hatfield.

The matter was settled by the supreme court. Thus there is no need for this constitutional amendment. It is politically motivated, unnecessary, and hardly desirable.

We recommend a "no" vote on Measure No. 10. —E.A.

Changes Needed

(The foreign policy) issue has been studied more in the last couple of years than any other question of national concern. It was studied by at least three Presidential commissions. It was analyzed by the Rockefeller brothers committee. It was subjected to the careful scrutiny of a number of Congressional committees, and to the objective analysis of teams of experts at Harvard, Columbia, Princeton, Pennsylvania, and various other universities. These reports numbered over a score, yet not a single one of them supported the optimistic analysis now being presented to the country by Mr. Nixon.

Every one of them expressed the most serious anxiety about some aspects of our foreign or defense policy, and called for important changes in the conduct of our affairs. —James Reston in The New York Times.

Dennis the Menace



"HE KNOWS A BUNCH OF WORDS. AN' SOME OF 'EM ARE REAL MOUTH SOAPERS!"

... Communications ...

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Surveyor's Office
To the Editor: I wish to write to all of you people who will be voting on Nov. 8, in regard to the office of the county surveyor.

First, let it be repeated that Mr. Boyden is NOT county surveyor. He is the deputy county surveyor and this is his first attempt to seek the office of the county surveyor.

Christian Purpose
To the Editor: I wish to thank the Sisters, nurses and other personnel of the Sacred Heart hospital for the compassionate care they have given to all my family and friends.

As I understand this office, it is part of the consideration of the position that the Surveyor is supplied with an office from which he may carry on other work.

Mr. Lee D. Pinkham
2095 South Peach St.
Medford

Townsend Clubs
To the Editor: There seems to be a misunderstanding about the Townsend clubs.

There are many, many people now of retirement age, or who are disabled, that do not and can not, come under the present Social Security program.

benefits, just for the Townsend club members, but for anyone who is of retiring age, who are in the need of this help.

Anybody can join the Townsend clubs, regardless of age. We wholeheartedly invite the public to our dinners, meetings and entertainment.

Our membership fee is very low, so we have potluck dinners, dances, rummage sales and bazaars to raise money to help keep our National Headquarters in Washington, D.C., and to edit our own Townsend Courier.

We meet every Wednesday, 11 a.m., dinner at 12 noon, followed by a short business meeting, then entertainment at Dreamland Dance Hall, 417 1/2 East Main St., Medford.

Mr. McGinty is either misinformed as to the office he is seeking, or he is misrepresenting the facts to the public.

For my part, "thank you" are most inadequate words but most necessary ones, for their mission, much like a doctor's, is to heal sometimes, to relieve often and console always.

Mr. Nixon's boasted "ex-cluding Ginger-Rogers, to show me one billboard that spoils a scenic view."

We need a change in government. Nixon with a Democratic congress means discord and bad government.

Let freedom of discussion prevail without discrimination in America's free press for the safety and security of our land.

Sam S. Shapiro
148 South Figueroa St.
Los Angeles, Calif.

DST and Noise
To the Editor: I have a clipping from the Oregonian of April 19, 1959, about the states that have D.S.T.

I have often thought about why employer and employees don't get together on this. If they all agree that they want to get on the job earlier that is their privilege, and no one else bothered by it.

Some categories of work, I am sure, would find it acceptable. Large dairies wouldn't want

Senator Byrd Deplores Trend of Last 25 Years in Government Philosophies

By LYLE C. WILSON

Washington (UPI)—For lack of a friendly word from Sen. Harry F. Byrd, the Kennedy-Johnson ticket probably will lose in Virginia.

Byrd has denounced parts of the Democratic presidential platform, notably the promise to help repeal state right-to-work laws.

Other top elected officials in Virginia have endorsed Sen. John F. Kennedy for president despite a distaste for the Democratic platform.

The fact that Byrd's silence is believed to be sufficient to defeat Kennedy in Virginia is a solid tribute to the senator, and for what he

stands for, especially by those who most hate or disapprove of Byrd's political philosophy.

Looking back over the past 25 years, Byrd sees little but to the milkman already comes before we arise at 6.

Any one that wants to get up early, why don't you? Why have such a peevish mind that you have to have the people and the law to tell you when to go to work?

If we are so unlucky as to pass this measure, then at least one old one should be repealed. And that is the one that does not allow the noise of construction before 7 a.m.

Last year some men were putting on a tar-roof in town during the hottest days. They undertook to start early before it got so hot.

Some reported that, that couldn't stand a little noise. Talking about noise, if those kind can be stopped, I wish the kind that roars by at all times of the night when you want to sleep could be stopped.

Mary E. Atkins, 1634 Orchard Home Dr., Medford.

Precious Right
To the Editor: Recently I had occasion to type a theme paper for a young man who is a Freshman at Southern Oregon college.

This young man is not of voting age but his closing statement, quoted below, should make those of us who are lax in our voting habits, sit up and take notice.

"If the qualified voters would realize that thousands of Americans have given their lives for this precious right (voting), it might be considered a privilege and not a duty."

I believe we should all take this statement to heart and use this "precious right" on Nov. 8.

Mrs. E. H. Barry, 1916 Military rd., Medford.

Think For Yourselves
To the Editor: In 1957 we traveled 13,000 miles, and throughout the whole trip we watched for billboards that in any way obstructed worth-while scenery.

I would like to see one, including Ginger-Rogers, to show me one billboard that spoils a scenic view.

It has been stated in the M.T. that the billboards play to a captive audience. Well, we don't have to look at them so how are we captive?

But if we want the news- paper and there you will find ads; spaced throughout its pages in such a way that one can hardly avoid them.

Turn a page and we are confronted by ads from a few lines to a whole page — often a whole page used to blow the paper's own horn.

So who is playing to a captive audience? Theater ads, lurid and suggestive illustrations and wording — some shows prohibited to minors, but that not being enough, our local Footlighters must put on a play, "Tunnel of Love," that youngsters could not see.

That kind of good citizenship makes good juvenile delinquents. Perhaps the minors should not read the papers and so avoid forming opinions of their elders.

I can not remember seeing words "Minors not Allowed" on a billboard theatre advertisement.

The billboard thing is not new. It goes way back to when the newspapers and the magazines discovered that they weren't getting all the advertising money and thinking to do something about it decided to bribe the citizens and they are still at it. Don't be fooled. Think for yourselves.

W. A. McKettrick, 336 Crater Lake ave., Medford.

What Are They Up To?
To the Editor: Some of the arguments used by the Republicans in their desperation are indefensible.

accumulating trouble. Here are some of his observations about "Dangerous Trends."

"If we undermine our fundamental principles and impair our fiscal solvency in the next 25 to 30 years as we have in the past quarter of a century, I cannot believe our democracy will survive."

"Our strength is being sapped by the paternalism of federal bureaucracy grown too big, usurpation of power by the Supreme Court grown too mighty, and force of labor leaders grown too arrogant. These are undermining our system, changing our attitudes and hobbling our will for freedom."

"The value of the 1960 dollar has been reduced to 47 cents compared with the 1939 dollar. Federal subsidies are going out through all kinds of loans, grants and payments."

"There are now federal subsidies for business, industry, private finance, agriculture, transportation, power, hous-

ing, health, education, states, localities and individuals. Subsidies are under bureaucratic control. To take them means giving up a measure of freedom."

Growth Everywhere
"In this 25-year period our population has increased about 45 per cent; industrial production has increased 240 per cent; and national income has increased 432 per cent."

"In the same period, the number of federal agencies has increased 100 per cent; federal employees have increased 300 per cent; federal debt has increased 1,700 per cent; federal tax collections have increased 1,800 per cent; federal expenditures have increased 2,300 per cent."

"The total annual cost of the federal government has gone up nearly \$18 billion since the Korean War. This is an increase of nearly 25 per cent. It may surprise you to know that the great increases in this period were not for military and foreign aid. They were in domestic-civilian programs. Federal expenditures for these domestic-civilian programs have increased 86 per cent in seven years."

Seven years. That is about the span of the Eisenhower administrations. maintain the strength of American industry."

Now, THERE is what I call a MAN! First, he answers my questionnaire beautifully, and by return mail.

But Mr. Smith lays it right on the line without straddling any fences. I sincerely believe that, if elected, he will make an ACA voting record for Constitutional government of 100 per cent.

Maurine Neuberger, if she is elected, will make an ACA voting record near the zero mark. Sen. Richard Neuberger's ACA record was 4 per cent. This means that he voted against Constitutional government 96 per cent of the time.

Maurine Neuberger has not seen fit to answer the Congressional questionnaire I sent her. But she HAS answered one of the questions by publicly stating that she is for FREE TRADE. This means that she is in favor of the Japanese-manufactured goods which are flooding our country with such murderously low prices that American factories are shutting down and throwing American people out of work.

Mr. Smith has publicly stated that he is AGAINST this disastrous FREE TRADE. For this reason, alone, I urge everybody in Oregon whose bread and butter depends on factories and mills of any kind, particularly plywood, to vote for him. And if you want to stop our Nation's suicidal plunge into Socialism — if you want to keep our precious Connelly amendment and all your rights, liberties, and freedoms, get your family and all your friends out to vote for him, too.

S. C. Powell, 316 Southeast Eighth St., Grants Pass, Ore.

Sad Thing To See
To the Editor: What has happened to your usually good newspaper? When the funds were being collected for the new hospital that was needed, everyone went out to help — newspaper, T.V., and radio.

I am ashamed of the entire Rogue Valley area for not trying to get the Sisters to stay. They were asked to found a hospital 50 years ago and have served well. How many places have done such a fine job in this area? Now they find they are no longer wanted or needed, except to build on the new hospital. Then they are to leave, probably with little thanks!

The employees at the hospital have been told that it is too late to contribute from our salaries to help. Our very loyal and wonderful Sisters are packing to leave, and it is a very sad thing for us to see. Carrol Costello, Route 1, Box 381, Gold Hill, Ore.

Two Sides on Issue
To the Editor: Insofar as I can tell, one of the main issues in this presidential campaign is federal aid to education.

On the one hand, there are those who advocate federal aid as the only practical solution to the insufficient school and inadequate teacher supply. They feel that the government, with its access to such an abundant treasury, could more readily furnish required funds than could local or state governments.

On the other side of the fence, there exist those who seem to be struck with a horror of federal aid. Their main argument is that if the government contributes to education, either partially or totally, it would want to dictate school policy, as well as the method an instructor should use in teaching a course.

Anne Bayne, Phoenix, Ore.