

Communications

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The New Nixon
To the Editor: Opportunist Nixon realizes that his ambition has been boosted by the hate-Catholic behind-the-scenes campaign, but since he cannot openly partake in this reprehensible deal, he has seized another opportunity, by reference to God in his speeches, to emerge as a Godly Nixon.

This brand new Nixon, enlisting God in his corner, comes out swinging with venomous cunning; for his own profit and his own advancement he has trampled on the most intricate, completely unorganized minority, those who in their own conscience have not found a harbor of faith within any ecclesiastical denomination. Nixon likes to forget that this minority too have constitutional rights that a President of the United States is sworn to uphold. Instead of defending these rights, Nixon proceeds to degrade their integrity, and smear them as a group unfit for public office, declaring that "the candidate must be a believer in God." It must be presumed he means a believer like Nixon is a believer.

Nixon believes in the monstrous scheme that by government manipulation of money supply, credit and crippling interest rates they can and will maintain 4 to 6 million people unemployed; by starvation they would control labor.

The old Nixon as well as the brand new one believes that if a few more million farmers are forced off the farm to join the unemployed, there still won't be any food problem for those that still can afford to eat, just as "Unemployment is no problem in many people's minds" according to Nixon.

Nixon believes that small business is on the way out, but he has complete faith that Big Business will fill the gap, and the small businessman will just fold his shop and silently steal away.

Nixon does not believe, but you can if you will, his latest whopper, that his coat and administration inherited 11 South American dictators from Truman, that the Eisenhower-Nixon administration have disposed of 8 out of 11 of those dictators. He neglected to say why they are hanging on to the other 3 dictators.

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Hunting, Again
To the Editor: In answer to Helen L. Wilson of Central Point regarding my comments on the deer hunting question, well, I must acknowledge that I'm rather ridiculous when she refers to my knowledge of hunting. When I was a "kid" in Illinois, raised on a farm, I was just "crazy" enough to take every chance I had to go rabbit hunting with my brothers. And, Oh how we did make the poor rabbits suffer. Since I came to Oregon about 15 years ago I helped my grandsons and a friend murder a crippled deer that my friend had shot. But I have felt a forgiveness for that act ever since, and too, that I have logged off a quarter of a section of timber land here near Klamath Falls. I should know a little something about the great and beautiful "outdoors."

No, you wouldn't necessarily have to go to the hospital or jail to get a taste of deer meat, and suppose you did, nobody would begrudge you the privilege. But I feel sorry for the many shut-ins who never even have a

chance of tasting deer meat if they are confined in a hospital, a home for the aged and crippled and orphans, to say nothing about the "pen" or the jail.

A game license gives you the privilege or the chance to kill a certain kind of deer or other game at a certain time. There is no guarantee whether you get any or not, therefore I might say that the State is also engaged in the lottery business, and the Humane society is sanctioning the slaughter of innocent animals.

Well, we have no positive control over the many accidents that happen outside the the victims of the hunting season, but there is one thing, it ought to prevent all those useless accidents that do happen that could be prevented.

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Reporting Criticized
To the Editor: It is none of my business who you support in a political campaign, but I do believe you have some responsibility in reporting the news as it is given.

A while back, I read in a Portland paper that Norman Vincent Peale and about 150 other Protestant ministers had requested the Roman Church (Mr. Kennedy obviously could not speak for the Church Fathers) to repudiate some of their teachings, which would make one of their number a poor risk for the President. The paper went on to enumerate the questions, point by point. I noticed the Mail Tribune carried a small announcement, where not easily found, and none of the questions at all. In contrast, when announcing the support of Kennedy, by the Denver Post, it was on the front page and in extra black type.

Again, the other day I read in a Portland paper that in a poll of some 1,000 newspaper editors, it was thought that Nixon would take the election vote in all but 11 states. I have been unable to find any mention of that in the M.T. at all.

I realize that since yours is the only newspaper in a town of 25,000 plus, you may not be able to afford an adequate reporting service. Such could not be the case when reporting the Republican rally in Medford, the name of Senator Durno, one of the speakers was not even mentioned.

From where we sit, and we are not alone in this, it looks as if you publish as real news only what will not be harmful to the son of the liquor millionaire, Mr. John Kennedy.

Kenneth Harger
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Medford.

P. S.—I read your account of Mr. Peale's recanting from his stand on Catholicism. Naturally, I wonder if money had anything to do with that switch.

Age and Office
To the Editor: Hasn't Paul Rynning been in office long enough? I think he has.

I dislike to admit my ignorance (like most other people) but if I knew the procedure I'd do my best to get a measure on the ballots for the next (1962) election year to require retirement of office holders at the end of the calendar year in which he or she attains the age of 65 years, also to prohibit anyone who has reached that age from running for public office.

Let's turn these old codgers out to grass and get some new and younger blood in the court house.

Even though Edwin H. Taylor

is too trivial to be worth considering.

We in the Oregon State Association of Electrical Workers, and I'm sure I can speak also for all major labor groups, including the Oregon AFL-CIO which passed a strong resolution opposing Ballot Measure 15, believe that every man's job is vitally important.

We further believe that every man we put out of work is a step in the wrong direction in our state. We need more jobs, not less.

But even those who dismiss the men directly employed in the outdoor industry as unimportant cannot be unaware of such a basic fact of business life as this: when motels, hotels, restaurants, service stations and resort areas are forced to tear down all their advertising along nearly 700 miles of our most heavily traveled highways, there is absolutely no question but that the business of many of them will suffer.

And when hundreds of advertisers are forced to tear down all their advertising along thousands of miles of additional Oregon highways, it will surely affect their business, and the business of people who are their suppliers.

And so it goes. The innocent-appearing bill which at first seems only to put an unimportant group of men out of work suddenly begins to spread like a cancer to other related businesses, to the people who sell to these businesses, and so on.

It is inconceivable to us that anyone can really believe that you can strike a blow at the economy of our tourist industry and of outdoor advertisers without having it touch upon the prosperity of all of us.

If this bill will not put men out of work and will not hurt the tourist industry, why is it that a score of labor, trade and other organizations bitterly oppose the anti-billboard bill?

Surely all these organizations cannot be wrong. Surely there must be a greater danger in Ballot Measure 15 than some of its proponents recognize.

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His Main Complaint
To the Editor: It is only natural for Mrs. Lee Pinkham to criticize my candidacy for the office of county surveyor since her husband is a deputy surveyor, with my opponent, in the present administration.

My main complaint about the present administration, which has been controlled by one group of individuals for nearly 40 years, is their use of county facilities to conduct their private business of surveying.

I realize that the low salary paid to the surveyor requires other income to support a family. I do not criticize the necessity of such private work but only the use of county facilities to produce private income—county money should be used for county purposes.

One should not use without cost the county office facilities and equipment, used by the present administration in the pursuit of their private business.

My private work would be conducted at my private expense and not at county expense or subsidy. To my knowledge no other county surveyor in this state uses public facilities to pay for expenses in their private work.

I only ask for the support of those who believe that a public office is a public trust and not a means to increase private income at public expense.

Edward A. McGinty,
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Medford.

Roving "Yas-man"?
To the Editor: Last Saturday the Oregon Journal told us that President Eisenhower's recent trip to the West Coast cost \$38,000.

Vice President Nixon has said if elected president he will keep Mr. Eisenhower on as advisor, also have him travel all over the world as our good will ambassador, and says that President Eisenhower has consented to do so.

Does he propose to keep the \$3 million Columbine and the three modern jets, keep them fully manned and equipped, as is done now, ready for instant call, to travel here and there all over the world at Mr. Nixon's beck and call?

To go where other nations are not running their own affairs to the liking of Mr. Nixon?

These people to be wooed and won by Ike's magic smile and charm?

I for one think we have already had too much of that sort of statesmanship.

For many years many of our politicians and most of our religious leaders have led us to think we are very rich, and must convert the poor and ignorant in the rest of the world to our way of life.

I believe if we would first take care of and educate our own citizens in the proper

care of themselves, and to have respect for the rights of others, give more thought to our esthetic, spiritual and moral progress, and less to the acquisition of material gain, we would be happier and enjoy more of the feeling of security and closeness to our Creator and Guide which even our coins say we trust.

I believe the rest of the world would learn more from our example than from our precept.

We must have good firm leadership in a democracy. But is it democracy when our highest elected leader tries so hard at the close of his administration to influence us to elect his number one yes man to be our next President? Then he is willing at the age of 70 years to take on the job of yes man himself?

Would that add to our self respect and dignity?

We have many other good men capable and willing to take on the work and responsibility of the Presidency.

General Eisenhower has our respect and gratitude for his service as a good General. Now I feel sure he will do his best to serve our country regardless of who is elected President.

Ellen Hughes
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Medford.

"Yes" on No. 15
To the Editor: On Measure 15, Nov. 8th ballot.

Do not class this as a recommendation; rather, let us say that I am urging passage of this measure.

Neither I nor any member of my family benefit by the G. I. Loan Bill of Oregon. Being of the first world fracas lets me out, and the fact that we had three sons, all of whom had combat service in World War II or Korea, have elected to remain in service as career men, now serving in far away places, leaves them out. (They would have benefited only had they remained residents of Oregon.)

But the fact that the Oregon G. I. Loan law was meant for the benefit of all eligible veterans who wished to avail themselves of it, and that a sizable number of them will be unable to get in on the home loans unless this measure is passed, and because I believe that the law, as originally passed, was meant for all of Oregon G. I. persons of the qualifying class to benefit equally, and since a large number of applications on file now, for this benefit, will be deprived of it unless this enabling Bonding & Loan measure passes, I am urging all to vote YES on this measure, No. 15.

The fact is that this loan fund earns money, instead of costing, because interest collected on the loans amounts to more than the bond interest, and besides meeting the cost of operation of Oregon's Department of Veterans Affairs Loan Department, has shown a profit in the millions, over the time since its inception. It will continue to do so, at a higher volume, on a larger basic fund that will result, if you vote for and help pass Measure 15.

The real estate people will benefit as well as the G. I. borrowers. Private loaning firms will not suffer because of this measure, as the individual who sells to the G. I. must have a home, and will go to the private loaner, for

financing of the new home. We know of no one really hurt by Measure 13, not even the taxpayer; as we have said, the Veterans' loan fund has shown profit, not loss.

Vote Yes for Measure 13.
Pat Graham
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Medford.

Kind Service
To the Editor: May I have this opportunity to thank the person who found my "Charge-a-Plate" and mailed it back to me?

It was deeply appreciated. May this person have lots of good luck for the rest of the year and for many years to come.

Mrs. Burton Green
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We're Lucky
To the Editor: Isn't it terrible how some people are abused?

Our neighbor says I remind him how fortunate he is to have a wife in a nursing home, that is costing \$180 monthly. This is not good but he is still fortunate. He still has his wife and she is being cared for. I doubt that the Communists would care for her one tenth as good. The Communists would rather work her to death than care for her. There are thousands of Chinese who would like to have had the chance of a nursing home. Instead they worked long hours every day until sickness or starvation killed them.

I don't recall saying we lived in an ideal society. I said we have restrictions on us, but for every restriction there are more freedoms.

How can we feel sorry for ourselves when we think how fortunate we are. I don't know, but I know there are people who do feel sorry for themselves.

Isn't it terrible to own my own home and car and to choose my own church and political party? But no matter how awful, I like it and so would a good many million Communist slaves, if they had the chance.

Things could be a lot better in the U.S. today, and could get a lot worse and still be better than Communism.

I think it would be wise for our neighbor to look at the Red Record in Oct. 14 Tribune. (I am speaking of the Record and not of opinion on Porter.) Then if he still wants to support that kind of government I suggest he move to Russia and stay there.

The U.S. has its drawbacks but we are still better off by far than any Communist-controlled people.

As for being out of a job, I was out of a job for a year once. But with a little effort and a prayer now and then my family made out fine.

As for economy, he should check Russian retail prices as compared to their wages and see who has it and who doesn't.

Abundance, yes, Russia has it. They make sausage rockets. As for Mr. Nixon or Mr. Kennedy, voting for or against is your choice.

Better for us too, because if the Communists take over you won't have any choice. We in the U.S. still have many blessings to count.

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Dominica Asks End To Sanctions

Washington (AP)—The Dominican Republic, declaring it has taken substantial steps toward democracy, has demanded an end to sanctions imposed against it by the United States and other Western Hemisphere nations.

The plea was made Monday to a special committee of the Organization of American States. The group is considering whether to extend the present diplomatic boycott and arms embargo to include stiff economic sanctions.

Sources said the committee met the Dominican statement with considerable skepticism. Members were said to feel Dominican claims of increasing political freedom and freedom of the press were exaggerated and that no real changes had taken place.

The diplomatic sanctions and arms embargo were recommended last month by the OAS foreign ministers to punish the regime of Rafael Trujillo. The Trujillo government was accused of being behind an assassination attempt against Venezuelan President Romulo Betancourt.

Sarasota Loses Title As Circus Quarters

Sarasota, Fla.—(AP)—The Gulf Coast city of Sarasota, known for 35 years as the winter home of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus, will be entirely without a circus next week.

The Ringling Circus moved to Venice, Fla., last July. This week, the Cristiani Brothers Circus will leave Sarasota and set up its winter quarters at Sanford, Fla.

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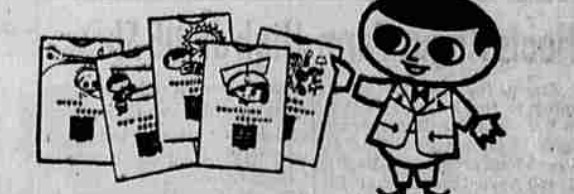
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