

Communications

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Clean House

To the Editor: I think it is time to clean house with the personnel in the court-house, as they are getting too generous with the taxpayers' money. I see where Dr. Erin Merkel was rehired to the tune of \$15,000 a year. When he left his salary was \$12,600. It is time to do it with this election, before others get the same idea. Enough said.

Herb's "Hate" Cartoons

To the Editor: The MT has said much about "Hate Literature" being distributed. What we have received has been mild compared to the Herb Block cartoon on the front page Nov. 2. Not to mention Oct. 28 and Nov. 1. Apparently your motto is "You do as I say, not as I do."

We, as well as many others, have become "Weary and Outraged" by these obnoxious cartoons, and agree with Mrs. Uthrine that Medford needs another newspaper. You can be assured they are not raising the "prestige" of your paper with the public.

If you MUST continue these Herb's, we will have to discontinue the paper.

Charlie Is Active

To the Editor: Again we hear the same kind of references denouncing a 100% everything Charlie Porter has done, as we did in the elections campaign two years ago when his opponent pursued tactics which brought on his own defeat by a large margin.

His present opponents' implications are that Porter's record in Congress is pitiful and is so regarded by his fellow members of both the House and the Senate. Remember, those are only words. And whose words? Those of his opponent and some of his own party members, and a few of Charlie's own party members whom have criticized him at times.

Charlie Porter is a very active man in Congress and as such is bound to be the subject of criticism at times. I have criticized him at times, but oftentimes I have had to reverse my criticism on becoming better informed of his pursuits.

Charlie Porter, able, energetic and loyal American, is doing a good job and we must keep him in Congress. His position of endeavoring to establish World Peace is admirable. Remember, Charlie says while such negotiations are going on we must remain firm and maintain a strong military defense.

He is ever mindful of his duty in fulfilling his obligations to the people of the Fourth District in rendering to them the best possible service to benefit their needs and requirements. He will appreciate your vote.

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Hass for President

To the Editor: It is widely believed that liberals should vote for Kennedy as the lesser of two evils; despite his illegal position on Cuba, it is

frequently said that the quality of his advisors would be likely to "educate" him in liberalism, or at least to prevent the occurrence of a fatal mistake (which seems so likely to occur if Nixon is elected).

Against this view, though, it has been pointed out that a similar choice between two evils occurred in Germany in 1932, when liberals united behind von Hindenburg, to prevent the victory of Hitler. After von Hindenburg's victory, of course, he appointed Hitler chancellor. There is no assurance that, if elected, Kennedy would appoint Adlai Stevenson or Chester Bowles to be Secretary of State.

The origin of the Republican party in 1854 demonstrates that a third party can be created when the two existing parties refuse to deal with important problems, as the Whigs and Democrats refused to deal with slavery, and as the Democrats and Republicans refused to deal with disarmament - and that a long established party will come to exist if it fails to meet the needs of many people.

The only candidates for president and vice president who offer real solutions to the problem of human survival are Eric Hagg and Georgia Cozzini. "Increased strength" can mean nothing but increased danger when we already have about 140,000 A-bombs, and Russia has about 60,000. The probability of our mutual annihilation must be faced more directly than either Kennedy or Nixon has so far faced it.

Raymond Peat
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"Half-Time" Hatfield

To the Editor: Who is Governor today? Which state is our "Half-time" Hatfield running in today? Minnesota, California, Washington? May be we should check at the State Capitol. Could be he has just stopped by to approve all the actions his young men have taken on his behalf during his prolonged absence. You can be sure he won't be there long though, because he has to get ready to make another trip to Massachusetts, or is it Illinois this time?

Aren't you taxpayers getting just a little bit tired of paying the salary of a Governor and getting only a partisan politician? Remember, who is running hard for a cabinet post? You were warned two years ago that Hatfield was not interested in the Governor's office. He merely wants to use it as a stepping stone and at the taxpayer's expense.

You Democratic candidates had all better watch out when "Half-time" comes back to Oregon. Congressman Porter and Ullman, Attorney General Robert Thurman, Ward Cook and Monroe Sweetland had better be ready for the spreading of the evil remarks and the deadly poison by the expert spreader, and Maurice, you had better take care, for the Elmo Smith Memorial Campaign Chairman is after you too!

Two years ago Hatfield said, "I will be above partisan politics." Of course, that was

Donna Is Responsible

To the Editor: I wish to congratulate you on your excellent editorial in Tuesday's Mail Tribune. I too have been very concerned at the political maneuvering of Dr. Porter for the U.S. Senate. He has been repeatedly implied that Porter is a supporter of Castro and, by extension, of the Communist Party.

There is a question in your editorial as to how a fine example of a "half-time" politician can be so responsible for the state of affairs in the state. Porter's campaign has been a lot of credit to the state of what he has been subjected to.

I thought Donna was a singer and better than Don. Having returned to such a high position, I am sure he is giving him of his best to represent this district in Congress.

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Gold Hill, Ore.

All Black and White

To the Editor: A recent letter to the editor by C. Gerard Davidson, writing Portland history and Democratic party sloganizer, means only one thing - all political parties are black and white.

History Repeats

To the Editor: We most deeply appreciate this editorial, as very few if any other publications allow in such abundance, even if some get the blue pencil. But there's a price attached, isn't it? It seems like in Tuesday's MT that Davidson's attempt to link Nixon to his alleged connection with his brother's borrowed money restaurant deal, does not one line of type could we find of the well-known clothing in the USA's commodity world of Puerto Rico, that Columbus did discover, declaring it to be his goal, India, but his knights today holding it was really America.

But thanks be, the U. S. News and World Report, Nov. 7, now on the newsstands, gives it a free-run coverage. To its first-hand dedicated neutral reporting, that this would-in-shape clothing is barely its tang to 92 per cent of its "controlled" Puerto Rican, telling them whom they may or not vote for. "But that's a local issue there," is the quick-and-like reply. "It can't happen here, for it's not Kennedy's job!"

Really? Then to your still getting a public library and in the Sept. 19 U. S. News and World Report we see that on the record David A. Hagg, we can supply you, as recorded in the Christian Science Monitor, where free-run school children were denied their constitutional right in Kentucky to attend their free public schools for 11 months.

So, why blessed assurance in letters that have been published by those with courage to sign their names to facts as they find them, or what they have reason to believe, we now have a full of transference for those who will be elected, something as it does in recorded number of my forefathers in the facades of old English timber-worked houses yard. One name more deeply indebted, of one unbending of knee along with public title demands, was found pinned by poster to old family door. But in that time of bloody Mary, his ancestor was found pinned there. And please remember how persistent history is in repeating itself.

E. J. Clifford
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Great Leader
To the Editor: The time is close at hand when we must choose between the present state of light money, high interest rates, and recession, or a new man with vigorous new ideas.

As far as I am concerned, I liked Ike as a war hero, and for the job, well done in Europe. But it is my opinion that as president he has been entirely unworthy of the situation in this country. He has surrounded himself with unscrupulous advisers, such as "Old Bull" in the Cooks Jar, Nixon, and upon asking advice was told, "Don't move, never had it so good," whereupon he went out for another round of golf.

Let's face it, Kennedy can take more revenue without increasing taxes. I believe he can save money on the farm program, while doing a better job, I think he can reduce the high unfair interest rates on the national debt. I believe he can use our present agricultural surplus in commodities as an asset rather than a liability. I believe his medical program will save the taxpayers money, while doing a better job than Nixon's costly program with proposition.

I believe he is potentially

a great leader, who can restore faith in the United States, both at home and abroad. I urge you to support the common man by voting for John Kennedy.

W. L. Hurst
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Medford.

"Help Wanted"

To the Editor: I would like to put in a complaint on our county road commission or engineers. Have they gotten so engrossed over these elections that they have forgotten our public roads?

We the people on Gall's Creek would like a little help on getting our road fixed up. Our school boys now school buses to transport our children back and forth, and from school, but within a year the buses are wrecked. We are lucky to get the road graded twice a year but this fall they have failed to do so. Maybe because of the election, huh?

They can oil or blacktop a little road clear up to timber, too, but ours goes neglected because they have run out of funds. Can't we have help on our roads?

Mr. Lorenz Davis

Gall's Creek Rd.,
Gold Hill, Ore.

Walter Reese
Calice Rd.
Medlin, Ore.

Protest Misleading Ads

To the Editor: The Central Point Garden club protests the misleading statements made by the organization bearing the misleading title of "Committee on Highway Regulation," which is campaigning against the passage of Ballot Measure 13.

They have used such extreme language as "depression bill" and "labor, etc., and implied that its passage would close down hotels, read state businesses, and put untold numbers of people out of work.

An intelligent study of the measure by thoughtful and reasonable voters will completely disprove the exorbitant claims made by this organization.

The Central Point Garden club is in record in favor of Ballot Measure 13 and urges all who value the preservation of the natural beauty along our scenic highways and do not want that beauty defaced by unsightly billboards, to vote for Ballot Measure 13 on Nov. 8.

Bereth P. Hopkins
and Janice Holmer
For Central Point
Garden Club
Central Point, Ore.

His Answer

To the Editor: While waiting on a street corner for the light to say "Walk," a nice old chap came up, looked at the "Walk" and said, "Have you and 'walk' ever hit the corner at the same time?" "Nope," he never happened to me.

"Me either, and I have walked these streets every day since they were installed."

Well, one word led to another and soon we were leaning against the nearest building, swapping notes about everything in general, about life and love, about the "know," he said, "I used to catch all the salmon I could carry, and didn't have one of those trucks full of equipment either. 'What did you use?' 'Old Virginia Plug Cut.' 'How the devil could you catch fish with chewing tobacco?' 'Cut off a few pieces and throw them in the river, a big fellow would grab a piece, chew on it for a few minutes then look for a dry place to spit and right out on the bank he'd come. I'd jump on his tail and hit him over the head with a crow-bar.'"

Placed in the embarrassing position of not being able to top that one I switched to politics. We compared our personal impressions of the Presidential candidates from their facial expressions during the TV debates and I told him, "There is one thing that I just don't figure. 'What's that?' asked. 'Well, when Dick gets excited why do his jaws puff out like he had a mouth full of hot mud?' He grinned. 'Did you, as a youngster, ever get any of those toy balloons you put one end in your mouth to blow up?' 'Sure, every 4th of July.' 'When you had one blown up just what do you figure it was full of?' 'Why hot air of course!' He chuckled. 'Bright boy, son, you just answered your question.' With a big grin and a pat on my shoulder he ambled up the street. 'The light said 'Walk' so I went over to Blind George's News Stand, bought four cokes while trying to figure the answer to an other question. Just how dumb can a bright boy get?"

Claude M. Hall,
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G.O.P. vs. Liberal

To the Editor: May I beg your indulgence for a few words to dislodge Mr. Jenny of Rogue Manor.

I did not intend to convey the idea that I voted for each and every Republican from top to bottom, but always the

iron lung mother waits fourth child.

Iron Lung Mother

Waits Fourth Child

Portland - (AP) - A Lebanon mother of three children was flown here Thursday in a portable iron lung for a birth of her fourth child.

The mother, Mrs. Evelyn Hayes, 23, was brought from Sacred Heart hospital in Eugene to the University of Oregon Medical School.

Hospital attendants said the baby was expected later this month.

Mrs. Hayes was flown to Portland in a Military Air Transportation Service plane. The portable iron lung was supplied by the 13th Aeromedical Transportation Squadron.

Mrs. Hayes, whose children range in age from six to two years, was stricken with polio April 13. She cannot be removed from an iron lung.

Her husband, Dale, is a truck driver for a Foster company.

Portland Woman

Hurt in Accident

A 23-year-old Portland woman suffered fractured ribs and multiple bruises and contusions early this morning when she lost control of the car she was driving at Miller's Gulch on Highway 99, according to state police.

Rogue Valley hospital attendants said the driver, Sallie Josephine Carson, was in fair condition today.

State police said Miss Carson's car crossed the highway and rolled over. She was thrown out of the car, police said.

top (except the one time I mentioned). I have always voted a selective ballot on the rest of the ticket.

Perhaps 60 odd years ago, before primaries were in vogue I voted the whole ticket as each party selection of candidates was in a block and easy to make an X.

Many states still have the same old style ballot.

I do not agree with Mr. Jenney that he, a registered Liberal, has an advantage over me, a registered Republican. I, just as he, have the whole ticket of the opposition from which to select my preference.

Mr. Jenney has a surprise awaiting him when he goes to the nominating primary in about two years. As a registered Liberal he won't have any vote.

As to "Satan running": one sometimes wonders when reading some candidate's estimate of his opponent!

Pleasant dreams Mr. Jenny. J. W. Shirley,
247 South Second St.
Central Point, Ore.

Jack's Experience

To the Editor: In the current presidential campaign a question of the relative "political experience" of the two major contenders has been raised. Supporters of Vice President Nixon have generally claimed that he possesses considerably more "political experience" than his major rival Senator Kennedy.

A check, however, of the two men's political careers shows these claims to be in error. For, according to Vol. 31 of "Who's Who in America, 1980-81," both candidates started their respective political careers at exactly the same time, as members of the U. S. House of Representatives, during the 80th Congress, in 1947. John Kennedy subsequently served three terms in that body from 1947-50. Richard Nixon served two terms, 1947-51. Both then moved into the U. S. Senate, where Nixon served until elected vice president (1952) and Kennedy until the present.

In addition when one considers the relative importance of a Senate position in comparison with that of the vice president, it becomes evident that the former is of much greater importance, since the primary job of the vice president is merely to preside over the Senate. In that capacity, he is only allowed to vote in case of a tie (a rare occurrence).

On the other hand, a U. S. Senator is actively involved in making many of the major decisions upon which our national security and well-being are based.

In light of this, it might well be concluded that Senator Kennedy, NOT Richard Nixon possesses the superior political experience.

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