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A Choice of Philosophies

For several years, California parents have been raising questions about the kind of education their children were receiving in public schools. Torrance parents have been no exception, and The HERALD has received many calls and letters decrying segments of the public school philosophy, ranging from the lack of stress on fundamentals to the emphasis being placed on what is popularly called "life adjustment."

For one of the rare times in recent years, California parents, as voters, will have a chance to make a choice between the two philosophies of education.

Of the two men seeking the office, The HERALD is convinced that Dr. Max Rafferty offers the hope of returning California's educational train to the fundamental track.

Dr. Rafferty has campaigned for a return of phonics, English, history, and geography to the classroom. He has advocated competition—even discipline—as a means of instilling basic knowledge in the minds of our children. He would stress patriotism and the classic landmarks of our heritage in the classrooms of California, he states.

While the office of state superintendent of schools is not all-powerful, the man in the office is certainly in a position to provide strong leadership.

Dr. Rafferty has studiously avoided partisan political affiliations in his campaign for the important office. Unfortunately, his opponent has not been so careful in this matter, a fact which has to detract from his qualifications to conduct the office properly.

The HERALD recommends the election of Dr. Max Rafferty as State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

A Record of Strength

Assemblyman Charles Edward Chapel, whose many talents have earned him the plaudits of areas far outside his own sphere of operation, is asking once more to be returned to Sacramento to represent the voters of the 46th Assembly District.

Mr. Chapel is a recognized authority on ballistics, guns, and in other fields, but his importance to voters in the 46th Assembly District is his knowledge on the ins and outs of state government and his ability to translate that knowledge into action.

Mr. Chapel's severest critics—and like all men, he has some—have little argument about his record where it counts: his voting record during his tenure in Sacramento as the representative of the 46th AD. It is among the best and most consistent records of the assembly, and the voters of his district have reason to be proud of that record.

On the other hand, his untried opponent has sought to unseat him with a campaign based on personalities instead of setting the reasons why he would better serve the district than Mr. Chapel.

What do people want in Sacramento? Someone who is a suave guest at a cocktail party, evincing all the proper social graces? Or, someone who puts his vote down on behalf of all the residents of the district with consistently sound judgment?

We have enough of the quick-talking, tardy acting officials—many of them in high places. We don't need any more of the easy-talk-little action school of thought which seems to abound these days.

We are certain the people of the 46th Assembly District are interested in having a man who acts on his convictions and whose convictions reflect the wishes of those who elect him.

The HERALD recommends the re-election of Assemblyman Charles Edward Chapel.

For Lieutenant Governor

Drawing slightly less attention than the strong campaigns being waged for the office of governor, but sharing nearly equal importance to Californians is the contest to select a lieutenant governor for the following four years.

The lines between the two candidates—Incumbent Glenn Anderson and the challenger, Mayor George Christopher of San Francisco—are sharply drawn. They were emphasized locally during the meeting of the Independent Cities here recently when both spoke on the subject of "government handouts."

It was apparent that a large number of those city officials from Southern California at the meeting were impressed by the strong stand taken by Mayor Christopher against the higher levels of government—be it county, state, or federal—usurping matters which rightly belong to the people at home.

We were impressed by Mayor Christopher's remarks then as we were on other occasions when he has come to Torrance to speak to local groups. He is one of the most dynamic leaders of our time and the state would profit tremendously from his experience were he to succeed to the second highest office California has to offer.

The HERALD recommends the election of George Christopher as lieutenant governor on Nov. 6. It is a recommendation we can make without reservation.

Opinions of Others

Anyone who served in the infantry can tell you how it was to do things "by the number." And, you did it that way—or else! Big government is getting to be like that. Everything coming to the compulsory order. Your own initiative, your independence is slowly, but surely, being taken over by the big boys who think it is best for you to do things their way—"by the number."—Rosholt (S. D.) Review.

FROM the MAILBOX

For Shame George; It's All Coming to Us 'Free'

Editor, Torrance Herald

Being a loquacious, loyal Democrat and an Irish, Catholic, lover of beautiful women and P.T. boats, I feel that now is the time to come to the aid of the party and his relatives.

I was understandably shocked at Mr. Heaton's complete lack of knowledge of policies and long range goals of our present administration.

Being personally acquainted with Mr. Heaton I may be forced to come to the conclusion that he is not a very loyal Democrat. He is therefore an enemy of the people and probably should be shipped to Missouri.

We readily admit that nothing is being done to enforce the courts' ruling that all Communists must register. Of course not, sitty. The longer we wait the more fine we can collect. Mr. Heaton speaks of a paltry 34 billion. Think of what it will be two years from now.

Since there is no danger from within there can be no danger in waiting. The fact that five Communists led the riot in San Francisco is certainly nothing to worry about. If all of the Communists in the U.S. were to break up into groups of five and each team were to encourage our young people to let off a little steam, there would only be two thousand five hundred incidents such as we had in Frisco.

Our own Governor, in a speech at Santa Clara, said that he was very happy to see our young people take such an active interest in our national affairs. He went on to say that he would encourage them to organize even if, Heaven forbid, they should organize against him.

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On Smut War

Editor, Torrance Herald

"Mothers Launch Smut War." When women get angry enough and want action, the only way to get it is by demanding it. Unfortunately this seems to be "the way" in city government.

I am in complete agreement with them. I recently obtained a copy of a much publicized book through a

ROYCE BRIER

Mississippi Proves Again The Federal Sovereignty

Observing the actions of Governor Barnett of Mississippi during the recent crisis, you could perhaps feel sorry for him, that he seemed to know so little of what his country is all about.

But then you think, it isn't lack of knowledge, for he is not an ignoramus. It's that his race prejudice has so paralyzed him that he cannot perceive the national structure or destiny.

He spoke sorrowfully of his state being "invaded"—of course, it was invaded under a 1792 law. This law provides that when "unlawful combinations" exist on a scale suggesting rebellion, the President may call out the militia to enforce the law.

President Washington did exactly that in the Whisky Rebellion in Pennsylvania, where distillers were forcibly resisting an excise tax on spirits. It was the first exertion of power of the central government.

But at that time, and

friend, I just had to find out for myself. I read through to page seven and became ill. I came back to bed and read through to page eleven and could not continue. I think this is an ingenious scheme to push an author and the sale of his books.

The reason I had to write this letter is: While they are stamping out smut (so to speak) these same women should offer something wholesome in its place. I am not a good mother, housewife, etc., but I am continually trying. I have nagged my family for two summers and finally won out. We did not allow our children to watch programs with violence whenever possible. No TV on school nights. They get bored and they start looking for something to read. Trips to the library. Mom, dad, and the three boys. Ages 4½, 5½ and 11.

It's paying off already. My small son wants me to teach him how to read. My 11-year-old read a delightful story last night and told me all about it: It is called "Chip" by Roderick Huff.

Your paper could help by making as big a fuss over a book review on the front page as the papers did about Marilyn Monroe's suicide.

MRS. M. H. GROSSMAN

I have also talked about the empty movie house in Torrance. Puppet shows are a delightful form of enter-

Anti-Business Bias of Administration Evident

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Ever since President Kennedy's crackdown on U.S. Steel last spring he has been accused of bias against business. He has disclaimed any such intention and went out of his way to make several overtures expressing his impartiality in business-labor disputes.

From our home base in Los Angeles we observed that the West coast and Southern business communities did not buy his assurances of "impartiality." The East and Middle West went along and decided to give him time to prove it.

Time, said the New York Times last week editorially (which supported him), has not confirmed any such impartiality by the President in recent labor-management disputes. Editorials across the nation used strong language in referring to Mr. Kennedy's suggestion of impartiality as a political myth.

President Kennedy's position with respect to two current labor-management disputes is proof of his bias against business.

The first is the controversy between industry and the AFL-CIO auto workers and machinists. A strike has been threatened all along when the industry refused a compulsory membership in a union shop.

At his last press conference President Kennedy stated that the industry's rejection of his White House board's recommendation for a union shop places all responsibility of a strike on industry-management.

In this dispute President Kennedy has insisted that the White House board decision be accepted by the aerospace industry... which they finally did under government pressure.

But quite a different administration attitude is apparent in regard to another major management-labor dispute... that of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers and the Chicago and Northwestern railroad. This month-old strike has created considerable hardship and economic damage in nine Midwestern states.

There would have been no

tainment for young and old. I guess you couldn't have a Saturday matinee because that would put the movie house out of business, or would it? Concerts specifically designed for youngsters. A 50-cent admission would be in line and there are a lot of bands which have been formed in and around the area but have disbanded due to lack of enthusiasm and support.

This was my 10-minute break before I begin my household chores. I hope you will not think this is another letter from a "crackpot."

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strike if the union had accepted President Kennedy's White House board's decision, which recommended that the union drop its demands for a veto over job reductions.

At the same press conference in which President Kennedy criticized aerospace management for refusing to accept his White House board's decision—and labor pressuring them to submission... the President refused to endorse the recommendation of his White House board, or to suggest that labor be blamed for the existing strike.

It is obvious that the President has not been impartial in labor-management disputes. He has demonstrated a willingness to endorse find-

ings of his White House board only when they favored labor.

His partiality to labor showed again recently when another White House board recommended elimination of union featherbedding in the railroads, but the President again refused to endorse the decision... and forced management to how to arbitration.

Mr. Kennedy's anti-business bias is consistently clear... and it will take some doing in his coming political speeches this fall to convince the nation that "his sole yardstick in labor-management disputes is the public welfare and impartiality between labor and management."

Our Man Hoppe

Foreign Aid Is Very Exotic

Art Hoppe

Good morning, Ladies and Gentlemen. Welcome to another in the distinguished Nutshell Series of Lectures. Today's lecture is entitled: "Foreign Aid in a Nutshell."

In a nutshell, foreign aid is the money we give to poor people abroad out of Christian charity. Foreign aid comes in two kinds: economic aid and military aid. We give the poor economic aid to help them grow strong and vigorous. This creates overpopulation. So we give them military aid to help them kill each other. This is called "a balanced foreign aid program."

The main purpose of foreign aid is to fight communism. Foreign aid is opposed by Patriots who wish to fight communism. They contend giving away money to fight communism weakens our efforts to fight communism. In addition, giving away money costs money. This is unarguable.

The Patriots are not only opposed to America's foreign aid program because it will weaken our country. But with admirable single-mindedness, they are also opposed to Russia's foreign aid program. Because that will weaken our country, too. But even more so.

For example, Patriots are militantly opposed to Russia's current foreign aid program to Cuba. It is, they say, the greatest peril we face. "And why," they ask, "are we sending billions of dollars to far-off Asia when Cuba lies only 90 miles from our shores?"

This is true. One solution, perhaps, would be to send the billions of dollars to Cuba instead, thus saving on freight rates. But this would work a hardship on our Allies in Asia, such as Mr. Chiang Kai-shek.

All Patriots opposed to foreign aid are in favor of foreign aid to Mr. Kai-shek as we must keep him strong for the inevitable day when we at last unleash him so that he may quickly free the Chinese mainland. And at last we have unleashed him. Nine years ago.

This knotty complexity gives rise to an even simpler solution: swap Cuba for Formosa. Both are islands, both are 90 miles from their respective shores, both are dependent on foreign aid programs and both are threats to world peace. Or, should such an exchange prove prohibitively expensive, we might merely swap Mr. Castro for Mr. Kai-shek.

Some may argue that such a barter would be unfair to our side as Mr. Kai-shek with his large invasion army poses a bigger problem to the Communists than Mr. Castro does to us. But we could easily balance the scales by tossing in several of our domestic problems, such as Mississippi, surplus wheat and Congressman Otto Passman.

Mr. Passman, as you know, is the most effective foe of foreign aid we have. And as the Communist foreign aid program is clearly more of a danger to us at the moment than our own, it is obviously to our advantage to have him trimming their budget rather than ours.

With this simple exchange we can free the poor Cuban people from under the heel of Mr. Castro's dictatorship and resume giving them money to make them strong, vigorous and warlike. Freeing the enslaved is, of course, the main purpose of our foreign aid program. Mr. Kai-shek, confusingly, is also a dictator. But he is a good dictator as he is on our side.

Such distinctions are essential to understanding our foreign aid philosophy. In a nutshell.

Morning Report:

The United Nations has finally come of age. President Kennedy loaned the outfit \$100,000,000. With that as a start, the U. N. will now sell another \$100,000,000 in bonds.

Any organization that is not in the red gives the impression it doesn't plan to stay in business for very long. But the U. N. can't get under now. Its creditors will keep it going just to get their money back.

Of course, with a debt of only \$200 million, we can hardly call the U. N. a super-government. The city of Baltimore alone owes more than that.

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