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Primary Alternatives

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you
But make allowance for their doubting you...

Such are the opening lines from Kipling's ode to manhood. Such, too, are the lines that President Johnson needs more and more to be reminded of as the days pass. Each day as the chief executive he must be constantly reminded of the Viet War, the gold drain, the Viet War, the problems of the cities, the Viet War, the balanced budget and inflation and again the Viet War.

During the most recent weeks it has been the Vietnam War, Senator McCarthy, confidence in the dollar, Senator Kennedy, the Wisconsin primary and the Vietnam War. In short, no matter where the President turns on the home or international front he, on behalf of the nation, becomes confronted with the war in Vietnam. How and when will it end? Who, after the tens of thousands of casualties and deaths on both sides will be the victor and who will be the vanquished?

For the Sheboygan community all of these questions were brought more sharply into focus recently by the appearance here of Senator Eugene McCarthy.

There is no doubt that the Vietnam War is a major contributing cause to the troubled dollar in the international monetary market. There is equally no doubt that the Vietnam War has caused the administration to substantially reduce its commitments to the war on poverty, pollution and the financing that is so essential to a realization of civil rights, especially in the inner city.

What Then of McCarthy?
Senator McCarthy is undeniably meeting with a measure of support in Wisconsin, equal to, if not greater than that which he experienced in New Hampshire. His message if it is anything other than that of the administration's peace, and peace at almost any price, Senator Kennedy who has belatedly become aware of the public pulse can do no other than nink the foresight of Senator McCarthy.

What Then of Vietnam?
For good or for bad, and we believe the latter, there is more questioning of whether we should even be in Vietnam. The fact that the war has contributed to the destruction of the economic, political and moral fiber of Vietnam is difficult to dispute. Whether a capitulation in Vietnam will require similar action in Cambodia, Laos, South Korea and elsewhere in Asia has not been delineated by those who oppose our presence in Vietnam.

It may well come to pass that the coming election will create the anachronism of the international liberal and local conservative opposed to the local liberal and international conservative. The Johnson versus McCarthy and Nixon versus Rockefeller postures highlight these conflicts in each party.

Senator McCarthy in his Sheboygan appearance chided the administration for its budget cuts on the home front. Senator Kennedy has done the same. President Johnson has promised guns and butter but the Congress which is faulting him on the tax hike is making this impossible.

When Then Lies the Future?
Whether they can deliver or not, it is fair to say that candidates Nixon, Rockefeller, McCarthy and Kennedy all promise quick solutions to the Vietnam War. The public to a greater and greater extent is coming to expect a solution to this tragedy. To the extent that the present campaign focuses itself on a settlement of this war, to that extent is there a greater area of compromise open to President Johnson, which has not been open in the past.

The settlement or capitulation that may take place in July or October is today unthinkable. By the time that the "peace" candidates have enumerated their positions in all of the states that offer a platform by way of primaries, the American public will find that it is conditioned to accept as a settlement what today and last month would have been unacceptable as a condition to the termination of hostilities.

Presidential as this might seem to be of our international relations with the communist area of influence it cannot be denied that our ability to negotiate a peace must be measured by our determination to carry on without a peace. All candidates, in both parties, opposing President Johnson have set forth a program that emphasizes cessation of hostilities rather than the attainment of objectives as the goal to be sought. This being true, the ability of the administration to negotiate a settlement consistent with announced objectives becomes more difficult.

We in Wisconsin will have an opportunity next week to either aggravate or ease the President's, and therefore the nation's, difficulties in Vietnam. We can support President Johnson in his efforts to achieve the announced objective of an honorable settlement for all concerned or we can seriously weaken the American position in Vietnam.



"Everything's Coming Up Roses"

Washington Merry-Go-Round... Drew Pearson

Civil Rights Sabotaged In House

WASHINGTON — It was done so neatly that the public scarcely knew it happened, but the real estate lobby has scored a tremendous victory in blocking the civil rights bill previously OK'd by the Senate after eight long weeks of debate. The real estate victory probably means no civil rights bill passed this year, with race riots in the big cities almost certain this summer as a result.

Here is the inside story of what happened. When the Senate passed the civil rights bill containing the historic "open housing" provision, the real estate lobby was taken completely by surprise. The National Association of Real Estate Boards had never expected Sen. Everett Dirksen (R-IL) to back open housing. So its sudden passage left the lobby with no time to mobilize members back home to apply pressure in the House of Representatives in Washington.

Simultaneously, civil rights leaders heard their real estate claim of getting a bill passed through both houses of Congress was to have the House of Representatives adopt the Senate Bill intact and do so quickly. If the House and Senate get a conference debate over different details of the bill, the whole question of civil rights and open housing would go back to the Senate for another lengthy filibuster. This would kill the bill. To secure speedy passage, civil rights leaders appealed to both Gov. Nelson Rockefeller and Richard Nixon, who served to help Governor Rockefeller contacted Rep. Jerry Ford of Michigan, the GOP leader, and Rep. David Martin of Nebraska, a conservative Republican, who was a classmate of Rockefeller's at Dartmouth. Nixon worked through Charlie McWhorter, his former staff member, and ex-Rep. Robert Ellsworth of Kansas, in approaching Rep. Ford.

Charles Mitchell, head of the NAACP in Maryland, also talked to Rep. Melvin Laird of Wisconsin, the Republican power in the House, and appealed to John Williamson, lobbyist for the National Association of Real Estate Boards, pointing out the effect on the Negro bi-city population if the House, after a difficult victory in the Senate, now sabotaged the open housing provision.

Williamson was sympathetic. He said: "This is the kind of a fight I don't like to be in."

Martin Luther King's March
However, other members of the real estate lobby were not sympathetic, especially Fred C. Tucker, chairman of the realtor's Washington committee. He and others went all out to bombard the Republican leaders in the House. They also began a campaign to get thousands of letters from local realtors in each congressional district to their congressmen in Washington.

The campaign worked. For when the House Rules Committee voted on whether to clear a resolution permitting the House to adopt the Senate bill, the vote was 9 to 7 for delay. The delay was to give the real estate lobby time to increase its flood of mail to congressmen. Furthermore, the bill was until April 3, just before the Easter recess, which meant the bill would come up for debate after Easter, when Dr. Martin Luther King's Poor Peoples' March is scheduled to arrive in Washington. King's march

Three Minutes A Day... James Keller

Compass Found In Tiny Animals

Some animals may carry a built-in compass, according to findings of a New York University scientist.

Curious about the way migrating birds stay on the same course year after year, the biology professor began experimenting with small and featherless.

The Wisconsin Report... John Wynyard

Merits Of Roll Call Records

MADISON — The man in the bleachers in the legislative wing of the Capitol is occasionally obliged to wonder whether it's a pressure group that periodically publishes a booklet to show that elected representatives are friendly or hostile to their cause or really doing their friends a favor, or whether this is a fair measurement of a legislator's record.

The Wisconsin State Chamber of Commerce, for example, no doubt acted with the best of intentions when it recently gave wide distribution to a roll call study of the 1967 state legislators with respect to their friendliness or hostility to "business." Such a bulletin might be harmless enough if dispatched to the newspapers only. It might then be a friendly gesture for those men in the Senate and Assembly who made a good score. But this publication was given general distribution. It reached the press and other media of the state as well as members of the Chamber.

It was, for example, that five members of the State Senate, all of them Republicans, had a "consistent record of voting in favor of business." The author of the report added, evidently trying to be as generous as possible, that seven senators "voted wrong in only one instance."

The same phraseology was employed in reporting on the voting records of the members of the Assembly.

This reporter knows as well as anyone that Kenneth Haagen and John Wisner and others of the Chamber secretariat are fair-minded men, trying to keep their members informed on civic affairs important to them.

But they know as well as anyone else that there is a danger here that the tests are subjective, that what one man's merit is another's poison in business as in all human enterprises.

Opinion Not Unanimous
The Chamber does not represent all of Wisconsin. No doubt its managers with it did. It occasionally collides with other organized groups or other economic forces that represent "business." It also expends measures from time to time that invite the earnest and thoughtful resistance of other respectable and thoughtful elements in the economy, as some of its own roll call examples show.

The Chamber wanted the Legislature to incorporate into the school curriculum of Wisconsin the subject of teaching the youth of this state "the fundamentals of the American economic system and the basic principles and advantages of a free enterprise economy."

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By implication, at least, the suggestion here is that the schools are now defaming it; that department; but more relevantly, there are serious and responsible persons who doubt that it is the legislature's business to dictate school curricula.

Trading Stamps
The Chamber lists as another test of the legislature's devotion to the best interests of "business" the roll call record of the attempt to repeal the long-standing law prohibiting the redemption of trading stamps for merchandise (which incidentally failed again). It is true that there are Wisconsin businessmen who want the stamp premium merchandise market. But there are also strong voters that stamps are an imposition on the consumer. This is undoubtedly the reason why the legislature has so consistently held to its position, and why some businessmen oppose stamps.

The Chamber also says it will oppose "fusion" or legislation and restrictions on the operation of a free market. Yet it is highly selective about such matters, as its silence on the numerous trade and professional licensing and registration requirements shows.

Rep. Wilbur Mills says he likes that word austere. Right — it's got a nice ring to it than a cheap old word like skimp.

Bobby has an edge over McCarthy in competing for college kids to work in his campaign. If they work for Gene they have to cut their hair.

The two-price system for gold seems like a sensible arrangement. If you know the right answers, you can get it for you want to sale.

Capt. Robb heads for Vietnam, where he of course will be treated exactly the same as every Marine whose father-in-law is a commander-in-chief.

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The Doctor Says... Wayne G. Brandstad, M.D.

Child's Viewing Time Limited

Much has been written about the effect of watching television on a child's eyes and general development (nauseant exercise). Dr. V. Storing, a foot specialist, now warns that a child may damage his feet by prolonged sitting in front of the television set. The feet are curled under him. The best solution to the problem is to limit the time your child is allowed to watch, but in any case you should see to it that he does not sit on his feet while at this or any other pursuit.

Q—My daughter is a born with arthropodosis. It is very severe. What can be done for her?
A—Arthropodosis is a peculiarly of the hands and feet, with fasciitis of the birth and may involve all the joints of the arms and legs. The involved joints should be massaged and gently straightened. In most cases, however, splints, plaster casts or even surgery may be required. In some very large doses of female hormones given early in the course of the disease will bring about marked improvement.

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Editor's Mail Box

Letters to the Editor must be pertinent, factual, concise and to the point. They must be signed and dated, and must be accompanied by a return address. Letters are not published unless they are signed and dated, and must be accompanied by a return address.

Each Must Decide
To The Press:
Confusing me with another of the same name, whose articles have appeared in various publications, is an out-of-town reader of The Press sent me a long-page letter. Most of it is devoted to the citing of Scripture passages, which are presumed to point to the fallacies of several generally accepted religious beliefs.

I have no intention to defend the theology of another George Cornell; but I do not believe that I will rather than with the up leader of the writer refers in this letter.

Those who defend the Johnson military policy are, in effect, saying that they approve of the killing of more than three hundred thousand human beings in an attempt to set up a military dictatorship in South-eastern Asia. Obviously that is the only type of government which could retain control of Vietnam.

Whether or not our program of wholesale slaughter is in harmony with the principles of Christianity, it is something which each must decide for himself. It is a decision for which each must accept his own responsibility.

Sincerely,
GEORGE M. CORNELL
608 St. Clair Ave.

People Are Funny
A peculiar old gent in Sheboygan Wisconsin each week at Lake Poygan will have never took.

PROTECTION FROM THE BULLIES

To The Press:
When I was a small boy at school I was not considered immoral for anyone to defend the small boys from dominating tyrants. I will remember one such, caught red handed. A fight was arranged. It lasted as if the champion of small boys had a chance, but sooner or later victory came. And, were the small boy delighted. I hope the day will soon come when small nations will also be able to go about happy and unafraid knowing that we their friends, will defend them against bullies and those who delight to intimidate their weaker neighbors.

Yours faithfully,
JOSEPH G. SLATER
Cleveland, Wis.

The Bible Can You Quote It?

1. The phrase "Bible" is an Aramaic word for "book." It is also a patronymic formed from a name of an ancestor. It is used in both Testaments. How do the names Barmanus and Bar-Jona testify to this? Mark 10:62; Matthew 26:17.

2. Did God make man from the same material as He used in the creation of animals? Genesis 2:7.

3. Where was the home of Dorcas? Acts 9:4.

4. Is the southern term "yoo'all" used in the Bible? Philippians 1:27; 2:17-18.