

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Great God of wisdom, Who fills the universe with newness of life, may Your children recognize Your continuing renewal activities. We are so grateful for those moments of "birth from above" when each of us, like Nicodemus, becomes aware of the meaning of life for our pilgrimage here. Help us to rejoice again and again that we have become aware of Your love and the beginning steps we may follow to move into ever-expanding opportunities in life with You. And help us, we pray, to care deeply for all men, women, and children everywhere in genuine Christlikeness. Amen.

—Gertrude Little, Anderson, Ind., professor of Christian education, Anderson College.

EDITORIALS

A Bond Of Friendship

Vallejo's "sister city" affiliation with Trondheim, Norway, begun in 1960, has served to forge a bond of friendship between two communities with mutual interests that in nine years has proved the concept of "people-to-people" diplomacy can further international relations by promoting goodwill at the grass roots level.

That kinship is being strengthened with the arrival yesterday of two prominent Trondheim officials—Mayor Odd Sagor and City Councillor Eigil Gullvag—who will visit Vallejo for four days on a mission Mayor Florence E. Douglas and members of the Vallejo City Council believe only can improve our "sister city" relationship with Trondheim.

That relationship has come a long way since the two cities first exchanged greetings via the Telstar communications satellite on July 26, 1962. Many Vallejoans have visited Trondheim to make lasting new friendships there while thousands of others have joined in an annual exchange of Christmas greetings, begun in 1965, that has made our kinship with Trondheim a personal one.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

This is an open letter to all governmental bodies in this Great State of California.

Gentlemen and Ladies — It is the opinion of this writer that you have mis-read the temper of the people who elected you to your various offices. In the last general election there were a great many voters so disgusted with past performances of governing bodies that they almost went for proposition nine. Believing that you had finally awakened at the last moment they turned to proposition 1-A in the hope that you would put your houses in order. Instead, on all sides we see nothing but increased demands for more and more taxes. From the rumbles I hear from my friends and acquaintances they will not be deceived again. If the elements of proposition nine were voted on today, most of us feel the people of California would give it a landslide victory. Many of those with whom I talk feel that one of the main reasons for the small number of voters turned out for the recent city and school-district elections was disgust with the lack of affirmative action by all branches of government toward reduction in spending to be followed by reduction in taxes. On this subject, fellow citizens — **BETTER TAKE SOME ACTION SOON IF YOU DON'T WANT THE MOST POWER AND TAX HUNGRY GROUP OF ALL TO HAVE UNLIMITED TAXING POWERS. IF NOT REPEALED BEFORE 1971 WE WILL NO LONGER HAVE ANY SAY WHEN THE SCHOOL BOARDS WANT TO RAISE OUR TAXES. THINK ABOUT THAT!!**

W.B.S.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Columnist Victor Riesel is once again trying to alert the American people and their political leaders to the continuing menace of active communism. His column in the Wednesday, May 28, 1969 edition of the Vallejo Times-Herald on the Editorial Page is one which **SHOULD BE COMPULSORY READING FOR EVERY CITIZEN OF OUR UNITED STATES.** I remember one such warning written by Mr. Riesel at least 18 months before they began their attempt to tear apart our colleges and universities in which he tried to alert us to what the ones who call themselves "students for a democratic society" had outlined as their objectives and their methods. These people sit on television shows and state publicly that 'the revolution is on'. Then the things happen just as they say they will. If there is a brain amongst the lot of college and university administrators perhaps if a few thousand of us clip Mr. Riesel's column out and mail it to them they won't get caught with egg on their face when this new group of "Mao type" Reds begin to function on the campuses. I recommend strongly, fellow citizens, that we all take some such action. **THINK ABOUT IT!!**

W. B. SIMMONS

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

JIMBO SUDAN & LEE GASKILL: I read your articles in Opinions Of The People with



WHO MAKES HIM RUN?

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

Attention: Director of EOC, or persons responsible for newly proposed Comprehensive Health Program in Vallejo.

1—Is this program to be funded by the U.S. government?

2—Since this program entails hiring of one nurse, one social worker and six health technicians on each team, this will require the hiring of a minimum of 32 persons plus clerical technicians, and more than likely a supervising doctor. Will there not be buildings needed in which to offer these services? Why do you not consider using our health department on Broadway, with its nursing and clerical services?

3—By what standard will you determine who is truly "poor" and eligible?

4—Does this mean that we who do without some of the "frills" in order to have a yearly physical, (and if lucky squeeze in dental work on our budget) must economize further so that these services can be made even more convenient and (seemingly, less enticing) to those who really need to be educated.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

It is past time that every well meaning American citizen staged an all out war against any and all un-American activity. "We the people" must become more militant than the "militants," more destructive to their means of existence than they are to ours, more effective in propagandizing the truth than they are their lies and filth. We must take a firm patriotic and moral stand right now.

1. I propose the following resolutions:
1. All out war against all crime with sufficient penalty to completely discourage it.
2. Restrictive laws that will make un-American activity cease.
3. A show of faith to all our elected representatives.
4. An over-powering show of police force in all areas of disturbance (declaration of military law where needed).
5. A vow by all Americans to be true Americans and defend the peace and tranquility of our nation with all our life and fortune.

DAVID C. ELSRON

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Well, I see that the City of Vallejo has said what they are going to do for the people. I am happy to see that finally Georgia Street and Maple are going to get traffic signals.

There has been enough accidents and lives lost here. Some people always will believe that stop signs are for the other person. The other signal will be at the intersection of Broadway and Valle Vista.

Don't the City Councilmen ever get out by Springs Road and Rollingwood Drive and also by Georgia Street and Rollingwood Drive?

There have been lots of minor wrecks at both of these intersections but thank God, and He is the only one to be thanked, there have been no deaths here.

Rollingwood Drive has become a very busy street ever since it was extended out to the old Benicia Road. This takes it all the way from Tennessee Street to the Benicia Freeway.

Why not traffic signals at these intersections?

R.L.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Did you read? **PAINT IT YOURSELF OUTLAW POSSIBLE.** In the Vallejo Times-Herald, Thursday, 22 May, 1969? Ridiculous isn't it? Ridiculous as it may be, such a law could pass the State Legislature and become a law. That is one of the fallacies of our government, that a very small group can push a law into effect that would be very detrimental to the majority and be beneficial to a very small minority.

What would be the eventual outcome of such a law? People in the lower income brackets that have the initiative to keep their homes in good repair within their means could not afford the high cost of union painters. These people would not bother to paint at all, would let their property go down. Thus creating another potential slum area.

This law has already got a good foot hold in San Francisco. I cannot see why the people of San Francisco do not start looking around for some new supervisors.

What can we do to prevent such laws as this? Write to your state legislators. Let them know that the majority does not want such a one sided law.

HENRY H. GALLE

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While such exchanges are desirable and important, it is the personal contact that makes a relationship between two cities truly meaningful. It is in this context that the visit of Mayor Sagor and Councillor Gullvag can become productive in cementing a kinship that began in friendship in 1960 and has grown in depth and mutual respect over the years.

We, therefore, join Vallejo in welcoming Mayor Sagor and Councillor Gullvag to our community and hope their stay here will be both pleasant and informative. We know they will find Vallejoans most friendly and eager to make our "sister city" accord with Trondheim even more rewarding than it has been.

Keep Fund Ratio Intact

Once again it appears that the State Senate will be called upon to repel Southern California's latest attempt to upset the established ratio for distributing highway construction funds.

The Assembly has voted 41-28 to alter the present ratio, already 55-44 in favor of the South, to 57 per cent for the 13 Southern California counties and 43 per cent for the remaining 45 Northern California counties.

The traditional argument remains unchanged: Southern California has the bulk of the population, puts the bulk of the cars on the road and pays the bulk of the gasoline tax.

Northern California has more miles to cover with its highways and therefore needs at least as much money as it is getting now to keep its roads abreast of the demands made on them.

To this latter argument should be added the observation that Southern Californians don't stay exclusively in their own backyards. They often come north—over chronically inadequate highways.

It makes no sense at all to unbalance further an already precarious situation. The Senate should kill this latest highway funds-ratio bill.

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JIMBO SUDAN & LEE GASKILL: I read your articles in *Opinions of The People* with interest. I also watched the TV program on Channel 5 (Generations Apart) Tuesday evening, and Wednesday morning article of **VICTOR RIESEL (MAO'S NEW AMERICANS)**. The latter is merely a diversionary movement taking advantage of the confusion in our country. It can solve no problem in our country but could increase troubles for peace of-ficers.

In the (generations apart) program, I head a high school girl when asked what she thought, say words to this effect, "They are ripping down the old without knowing what or how to rebuild."

Your two articles are the same, no constructive ideas. We must all understand the CAUSE of our country's dilemma in order to correct that cause. Our revolution has been going on for a number of decades increasing rapidly during and after the first world war. Technology had taken over, replacing man-hours with kilowatt hours and other extraneous energy. In the late 1920s our PRICE SYSTEM collapsed because it could not distribute the abundance technology could produce. Do you need more of this?

In 1932 a new president was elected and he said "THERE IS NOTHING TO FEAR BUT FEAR ITSELF." Most of the people believed him. Our federal debt at that time was \$35 billion (about). What is it today? And why is it so great? Some of you elders may recall the events of those days. The CAUSE has not been corrected and until it is we will continue to have confusion, only more of it.

The process of democracy is too cumbersome for its politicians to control a high energy civilization with a price system, or without it. Technocracy has the solution for these problems. Are you willing to study it enough to understand how it works?

J. SEWARD
523 Wilson

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

Last week a card party was held for the benefit of the Betty Lou Jensen Memorial Art Scholarship. It was sponsored by the Knights of Pythias, Pythian Sisters, and Pythian Sunshine Girls.

From this event, the scholarship fund received \$315, raising the total to \$850, a remarkable boost.

We would like to thank all the people who bought tickets to this occasion and who participated in the festivities. Most of all, we would like to thank all the merchants of Vallejo and all others who donated prizes. We really appreciate your kindness.

Sunshine Girls

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

On June 6, the Loyal Order of Moose together with the committee will hold a dance to raise funds for the Betty Lou Jensen Memorial Art Scholarship. The dance will be held in Moose Hall, 337 Nebraska St. Music will be furnished by the Freddie Russell Orchestra.

We now have only \$150 to go before we reach our goal, so come out and support us Friday night. Tickets are now on sale at the Moose Hall, or may be obtained by calling 642-2062, or 643-4060. We hope to see you there.

BLJ Scholarship Committee

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Dear New Blood,

So, when you were a sixth grader you were given sex education and you are now an adult with no conscious sexual hangups?

Well, bully for you. Know what? I'm also an adult with no sexual hangups, conscious or otherwise. Know what else? I never had instruction of this type in any class at school but somehow my human intelligence told me these things and I learned by simple instinct what these so-called sex educators insist my child must be taught.

And, of course, my parents were close by to answer any questions with loving tact to fit what they, more than anyone else, knew I was ready to accept.

I believe this should come under family instruction according to family morals. And listen New Blood, I don't know Martha Lay but she, or any other American, has a right to her own set of morals so don't push that old argument.

I would imagine there are as many who'd agree with her as with yours (if you have any).

NOT NEW BLOOD BUT GOOD BLOOD

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Did you read the news item in the May 22 *Times-Herald* on Page 5 entitled "Paint-It-Yourself Outlaw Possible?"

If not, I advise all concerned persons to get solidly organized to stop this dictatorship. If this measure is passed by the legislators, it will mean homeowners will have to shell out \$1,000 to \$1,500 for an inside or outside paint job every two or three years.

If you haven't read the article, you had better look it up and tell every friend about it and get on the ball and write to your legislative representatives to oppose the bill.

FRANK C. BISHOP

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

PARENTS:

Please investigate the material now being considered for Vallejo schools. I am speaking of the new Sex Education program material. Do we as parents want the precious right of teaching our children about sex when and how we see fit taken away from us?

We feed and clothe them to the best of our ability; see that they have the best medical care; do all we can to insure they grow up with the best morals — for what? So we can send them to school and have our teachings destroyed?

I urge all parents to look into this, attend your school board meetings, the next of which is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, at 211 Valle Vista. Also attend the committee meetings that are deciding about this new sex education program.

I am sure that once you find out what they are planning on teaching our children you will do all you can to stop it. I repeat, please attend your school board meetings.

I am not an old fuddy duddy. I am a 27-year-old mother of school age children who cares, as I am sure most of you do.

MRS. LEE ANN FARRIOR

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

On Sunday, 25 May, 1969... (a columnist) wrote in his column in the... (newspaper, NOT the *Times-Herald*) the following paragraph, quote, "I can't avoid the feeling that after we step on the moon, something will go wrong as our crew takes over and our crew will be left, perhaps catapulting through space forever and forever."

What could motivate such a tactless statement? This man's past articles hardly substantiate such possible motives as intimidation of the Apollo Crew selected for that crucial trip, plain "sour grapes or envy, subversion of the project, or a personal desire to gain acclaim as a prophet. This leaves only the unquestionable fact that he displayed deplorably poor taste.

We the people who read his column should take every opportunity to apologize for him and his editor when this incident is mentioned.

CARL F. BOHLEBER
Lt. Col., USAF, Retired

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I found one fact in Mr. Jymbo Sudan's two recent letters to "Opinions of the People": hunger in America. The United Nations has announced that two-thirds of the world population is hungry and that 64,000 persons die daily of starvation, mostly children. No persons die of starvation in America although 5 per cent are classed as hungry. Mr. Sudan suggests changes. Here is mine to alleviate hunger: Remove all able-bodied males and females 18 years or older from all welfare rolls. Since there are more than enough jobs to go around no one would starve and the money saved could be used to alleviate hunger; all able-bodied, absent fathers should be made to pay \$30 per month per child. It is high time that we quit subsidizing unwillingness to work.

We are 1300 per cent better off than the world average in warding off hunger and we export millions of tons of grain to other countries. China, Cuba and Russia with her satellites are importers of grain. Cuba, China and Russia build fences to keep people in.

JRC

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I think it is time to go back to the old system when parents of children attending public schools bought their books and supplies.

I found a brand new textbook in my hedge which must have been placed there as the book couldn't have been dropped into the hedge. The cover of the book was stamped "state textbook" and I imagine it came from Franklin Junior High.

Children attending parochial school buy their books and supplies and resell them at the beginning of each new term. Consequently, the children take good care of the books in order to sell them for a good price.

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First of all, I notice you had to bring up the following to support your theory: politics, racial discrimination, religion, and conduct of the ladies and being uninformed.

I am a registered Democrat. I am also a taxpayer and vote for or against what I choose and I have a right to be against sex education as you have a right to be for it.

On racial discrimination: I find there are many people who could care less what color skin a person has to support a cause he knows is right. We had some Negro mothers march with us that day. You didn't mention that. I think there were quite a number of people there who were of other races if that makes any difference.

Next: What is wrong with hiding behind the Bible? Isn't that how our country got started in the first place? We wanted freedom of religion. Hasn't this been taught to you? It seems history isn't important anymore.

It is my business to teach my children about sex in a clean way, and believe me that is what I'm here for as the Bible tells me I am.

P.A.S.E.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I am a member of the "conservative arm" of our society and I am not in sympathy with the "people's park" or other similar activities that show disrespect for the property and personal rights of others.

However, I had occasion to visit the Berkeley campus, and I am appalled at what I see and the atmosphere that exists on my campus. The issue in Berkeley is not the rights of a property owner against the "squatters," but the might of the state over the individual.

I have had occasion to travel in both Russia and East Germany. There it is common and expected to see uniformed troops in full battle gear and bayonets herding the sheep. On each occasion we say to ourselves — "It's great to be an American. Not so in Berkeley."

I do not deny the need in unusual circumstances for force to support the law. In Berkeley force has defied the law. A property owner certainly has the right to protect his property from trespassers and there is legal machinery to do so. What has happened to the appropriate legal procedures in Berkeley? Did the university seek a court order? Was an injunction issued? Did the trespasser have his day in court?

The university as a property owner can seek recourse to the courts and the state can enforce the court order. This is OUR system. We have laws to govern the relationships between people and these laws are what distinguish us from the so-called "dictatorships" of the world. By disregarding these laws and using the force of troops who are induced to kill unarmed trespassers, the university has destroyed the very foundation of our society.

As a citizen who respects "law and order" and denounces the protesters, marchers and others who are leading us into anarchy, I strenuously object to the use of troops to place Berkeley into a state of siege. I am more appalled by the prospects of what this type of disregard for the law by our representatives can lead to.

H. D. MILLER

PRAYER FOR TODAY

I'm glad you didn't put us into a changless world, O God. If it weren't for the winters our springs wouldn't be nearly so glorious. As I contemplate the wonder of change in the natural world, help me to look inside myself. Guard me against hasty change for the sake of change—but, oh preserve me as from the plague against the disease of being unwilling to make creative changes in my outlook; attitudes, habits, worship, and whole way of life; in Jesus' name. Amen.

—Webb Garrison, Evansville, Ind., minister, Central Methodist Church

EDITORIALS

Mission Impossible

As a goodwill trip designed to improve relationships between the United States and other Western hemisphere nations, Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller's "fact-finding" mission to 23 Caribbean and South American countries thus far has become a source of American chagrin.

We editorially questioned the wisdom of his tour when the governor began his travels nearly a month ago and again raised questions concerning its value in promoting friendly relations when he completed his first leg on May 19 after encountering strong anti-American feeling.

Now that the governor has been told he is not welcome in Peru and Chile, has been exposed to violence in Ecuador, required to postpone his trip to Venezuela and has been forced to cut short his visit in Bolivia, it has become clearly evident Mr. Rockefeller's tour cannot achieve the noble goals for which it was intended.

We do not fault Mr. Rockefeller's qualifications nor President Nixon's purpose in naming him his special emissary in helping determine what America's new policy toward Latin America should be. Rather, we believe the timing of the tour was not propitious because it was scheduled at a time when new nationalisms have emerged that for political or economic reasons tolerate no rapprochement with the U.S. and thus virtually doomed the Rockefeller mission at the outset.

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As a current high school honor student and babysitter, I would like to express my views on the current issue in our schools—sex education and family life.

I believe this program is sorely needed in our schools. My reasons are numerous. First of all, most parents with whom I am acquainted tend to teach sex as an evil or don't talk to their children at all. Others make one solemn lecture out of sex and think this is enough or just simply teach with a "don't touch" attitude.

Intercourse, birth and contraceptives are a part of man's everyday life. Why try to hide them until it is too late and the child has become acquainted with them from the streets, prongraphic material, excessively trashy movies or worse yet, experience?

I read an excerpt from the "Time Of Your Life" series and most children I have come into contact with should accept this series maturely by the end of grammar school as long as their parents and teachers are behind them backing them up and answering their questions. The lecture is taught quite well and love between a man and wife is deeply and beautifully implied. Parents must take the time, be interested and honest. If parents would not put such a taboo on sex or ignore it, children would be more apt to come to them and ask questions.

Children tell me that mommy swallowed a watermelon seed, found me under a cabbage leaf, ate the wrong food, ordered me from a catalog or kissed daddy and became pregnant.

When a parent cannot be honest with a child at such an impressionable age, the child may be affected throughout the growing period and life. How can a parent expect honesty and trust after the child has discovered the truth?

D.L.B.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

Mr. H. D. Miller,

You evidently have your ear open to some fairly subtle source of information. When an irresponsible group of individuals begin to use a vacant lot for an unsanitary toilet you don't call it a "Peoples Park." When a group of human beings openly profane all existing forms of accepted human behavior you can hardly refer to them as "Berkeley."

We today are faced with organized internal opposition to all law and order. A culture that refers to law enforcement agencies as enemies and their constituents as pigs; a culture that is sworn to overcome the ones who protect their murder victims, and a culture that is sworn to overcome men whom we have placed in our institutions to foster and improve our American way of life.

You, Mr. Miller, propose to jam our already backlogged courtrooms with this culture of dissidents while injustice, murder, rape, theft and destruction prevail unchanged.

You, Mr. Miller, propose court procedure for the already convicted criminal while his victims wait their day in court. Let those who hate the American way of life build their own way of life with their own money and let them find comfort among their own disillusioned



Our Traveling Salesman Gets Some Orders

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

During the recent Vacaville Fiesta Days Celebration, the Vacaville Art League Players presented their annual play for the entertainment of the people of Vacaville and the surrounding communities. Without a doubt, this year's performance was the most successful ever attempted.

There are many factors which contributed to the success of this play, but no matter how good the acting or how outstanding the directing, it would have been a dismal failure if there were no audience. The more than 300 people who crowded the theater on that hot sweltering night were the greatest group this, or any other cast ever performed for.

A great deal of credit for the vast amount of publicity that prompted so many people to attend goes to the Vallejo Times-Herald and your Vacaville reporter, Mrs. Dolores Skinner. Without her excellent pictures and well written articles promoting the play, we feel that attendance would have been a great deal less.

Therefore we, the cast of "Pure As the Driven Snow" extend our most sincere thanks to Mrs. Skinner and the Vallejo Times-Herald for a job well done.

CHALRES J. CHAFFEE

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

Open Letter To Dr. John Nicoll And The Vallejo School Board:

Amidst renewed cries for "no sex education in our schools," "new sex education" and "our present program is adequate," one cannot help looking at the issues.

Concerning the new life and sex education program, Dr. Nicoll in the May 14 Vallejo Times-Herald states, "... we do not propose any changes until all aspects are fully and publicly discussed."

I find a great lack of information concerning our present family life program, including "Marriage and Family" as taught at specific grade levels. May we be enlightened publicly?

Please consider the following petition: I herewith request that the COMPLETE PRESENT course of study in family life and sex education on ALL grade levels, not merely the sixth grade films, be shown at an open meeting at Hogan to parents, medical doctors, educators, board members and clergy. Such a meeting should take place before the end of this school year.

Specifics should be pointed out, employing opaque projectors. Indicate how our present

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

In a revelation of what has actually been happening in Cuba under the Castro regime, excerpts from the January edition of "Latin America Report," which is published by U.S. Citizens Committee for a Free Cuba, Inc., of Washington, D.C., and Miami, Florida, stated, "Since Fidel Castro came to power on January 1, 1959, Cuba has suffered one of the most wrenching changes ever to convulse a nation in the Western Hemisphere.

"Terror in the form of neighborhood 'vigilance committees' stalks the land. The Human Rights Commission of American States places the number of political prisoners at between 30,000 and 60,000 located in medieval fortresses and outdoor concentration camps. Shortages are everywhere. Clothing is hard to come by (a pair of used shoes brings \$70 on the black market). There is little food. A decline in the output of all types of food crops has resulted from the nationalization of farm properties. Hospitals are lacking in elementary medicines, equipment, and trained personnel.

"Since the beginning of 1963, electricity has been rationed, and today only about 40 per cent of Cuba's growing population is receiving any electricity at all. In 1968, labor's share of the gross national income rose to 63.8 per cent. Estimates place labor's share of the income (today) at between 36 and 38 per cent. In 1958, Cuba had a surplus of rural labor, protected by the Sugar Worker's Union. Resistance to collectivization has, since then, forced the regime to empty offices, schools, factories, and indeed, to close down entire cities and herd the population out to the sugar cane fields.

"On January 9, Soviet Deputy Prime Minister Vladimir Novikov presented Cuba with a nuclear reactor. By their actions, the Russians have placed themselves on a head-on collision with the Treaty for the De-Nuclearization of Latin America. Among the nations of Latin America, only Cuba now qualifies as a nuclear power, and must somehow be dealt with by the Organization of American States."

ALICE HANCHETT
Syracuse, N.Y.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

May I express my deep concern over the manner in which the lawlessness so rampant on our college campuses is being handled?

There is no denying that a condition exists which should not exist, so the only question is just how this condition should be corrected. In spite of the millions of words spoken and written on this matter I am firmly convinced that few, if any, new laws need to be written.

All we need to do is to enforce those laws already on the books dealing with arson, kidnapping and the numerous minor infractions such as disturbing the peace, illegal assembly, resisting an officer, etc. Not to be overlooked are the laws dealing with aiding and abetting, conspiracy and many others.

Webster defines 'kidnaping' as "to seize and hold or carry off (a person) against his will." Thus every time a college or university president has been held hostage in his office.

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Perhaps it needs to be changed. A moratorium for a time on distinguished American visitors might be a good place to start.

A Proven State Agency

Gov. Ronald Reagan has made a number of commendable recommendations to improve administrative efficiency and reduce governmental costs by the consolidation of state agencies. But his proposal to weaken the State Board of Equalization by making it a function of a new State Department of Revenue is not one of them.

The board of Equalization is one of the most efficient agencies in the state. Although the volume of revenue it handles has gone up sharply, it operates with fewer staff members today than it did ten years ago. Yet just last year alone, the board collected more than \$3 billion in tax revenues for the state and local governments at a cost of less than a penny for every dollar taken in. That is an excellent record.

The board, however, does more than collect taxes. It is charged with the responsibility of equalizing the property assessment ratio among counties and of striking some sort of balance between the value-assessment ratios applied by the board itself to public utilities and by the counties to other private property. It is a delicate and important task which it has performed equitably and responsibly.

We maintain that the administration of California's tax laws is a sensitive area that should be left in the hands of a board elected directly by the people. It has no place under one person politically appointed by the governor and answerable only to him.

Creating more efficiency and economy in government should not be abandoned. But eliminating or reducing the power of an agency which already is economizing is far from being efficient or effective. The State Board of Equalization must be permitted to continue the outstanding job it always has done.

is sworn to overcome the ones who protect their murder victims, and a culture that is sworn to overcome men whom we have placed in our institutions to foster and improve our American way of life.

You, Mr. Miller, propose to jam our already backlogged courtrooms with this culture of dissidents while injustice, murder, rape, theft and destruction prevail unchallenged.

You, Mr. Miller, propose court procedure for the already convicted criminal while his victims wait their day in court. Let those who hate the American way of life build their own way of life with their own money and let them find comfort among their own disillusioned friends. You shouldn't have taken the tourist route in Russia Mr. Miller.

David Elsdon

★ ★ ★ OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Congressman James B. Utt in his Washington Report states, "One of the basic activities of the Communists is promotion of sex education in almost all school grades." Noble and desirable goals are advanced and has drawn the child welfare division of the American Legion as well as many unsuspecting teachers, educators and parents into support. The NCWD booklet entitled "Family Life Education" cites the parents who are unprepared to teach their children and need assistance. Nowhere in the booklet is mentioned the sex information and education council of the United States (SIECUS). Yet throughout the country SIECUS is the principal organization promoting this and in spite of denials by teachers and school boards SIECUS endorsed films and materials are used and in almost every case morality is missing. SIECUS Treasurer, Isadore Rubin, an identified Communist, is editor of pornographic magazine Sexology. Other SIECUS officials are connected with Sexology magazine. One state came on radio news last week and said they were taking sex education out of their schools as a waste of taxpayers money and infringement upon individual parents moral beliefs. Sweden has had sex education in the schools for years and is just beginning to wake up to its failures.

★ ★ ★ C O N C E R N E D P A R E N T A N D GRANDPARENT

★ ★ ★ OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I am a parent and I am concerned about what is going on in our community concerning Family Life and sex education. I am concerned because there is much misrepresentation of facts, distortions of the truth and material being used out of context. There is much material being circulated implying that it is being used in our Vallejo schools. This is not true.

There are accusations of Communism, charges against reputable businesses and against "Our" Federal Government.

Our teachers are being maligned by parents whose children they do not even teach and who do not have the true facts.

Parents are "demanding" the impossible of the school board and then hissing when the proper procedures for them to use are explained.

Accusations are being made of the administration and school board that are untrue. This indeed does concern me. I am very much concerned. I am also concerned about what is taught in the schools and how it is taught. However, I do believe in the democratic process of law.

Yes, I am a member of the Family Life Committee. But first I am a parent and I am a member of this committee because I believe that by parents and teachers working together the best possible education can be achieved for all of our children.

MRS. DONNA LENZI

more than 300 people who crowded the theater on that hot sweltering night were the greatest group this, or any other cast ever performed for.

A great deal of credit for the vast amount of publicity that prompted so many people to attend goes to the Vallejo Times-Herald and your Vacaville reporter, Mrs. Dolores Skinner. Without her excellent pictures and well written articles promoting the play, we feel that attendance would have been a great deal less.

Therefore we, the cast of "Pure As the Driven Snow" extend our most sincere thanks to Mrs. Skinner and the Vallejo Times-Herald for a job well done.

CHALRES J. CHAFFEE
For the Entire Cast

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

It may be just as well that the San Francisco housing problem is slowing down, along with the rest of the country. The housing of the future will be engineered for living. The present system (if it can be called a system) of building by expanding is a waste of land, materials and energy required to maintain. Not much thought goes into the problems of living, recreation, social meeting areas, heating and cooling, convenience to work, schools, etc., just to mention a few items. Most of the building by expansion are just potential slums, expensive to maintain as well as to build.

It may be that most people do want to have a place all their own, to come home and spend several hours taking care of a yard along with the interior housework required. I don't call that living though. Then there are a few other items they may not like, the mortgage, insurance, taxes, to name three.

Home is the place for the family to meet on common ground, young and old, a place of security, warmth and love. With places nearby for recreation (in the same building), swimming, gym, hobby shops, bridge, music and dancing, etc., with space between buildings for green lawns of grass, shrubbery, and trees to help renew the oxygen and purify the air. These are part of the specifications that Technocracy calls for. A place engineered for living. See the April issue of THE NORTHWEST TECHNOCRAT for more detail. There are two issues in the Public Library.

I bring this up because I watched the TV program Tuesday night "GENERATIONS APART."

J. SEWARD

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

In behalf of the Symphony League, I would like to thank the Gibson Publications for the wonderful publicity and cooperation of all the employees during the past year. A very special "thanks" to Miss Devlin, Barbara Hunter and Jan Stockstill. Also to the photographers and news staff. It was a pleasure working as publicity chairman.

MRS. HIRAM HENDRICKS
Publicity Chairman
President

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

This is a letter of thanks to our Mayor, Mrs. Florence E. Douglas. We appreciate her graciousness and her floral tribute honoring the Submarine Veterans of WW II on this passed Memorial Day, May 30th, 1969.

Mayor Douglas is responsible for arranging the foundation and site for our memorial on the water front marina.

We also want to thank the Times-Herald photographer Ray Blaich for his patience and fine photography.

BETTY AND WOBBLY KNOTH

I find a great lack of information concerning our present family life program, including "Marriage and Family" as taught at specific grade levels. May we be enlightened publicly?

Please consider the following petition: I herewith request that the COMPLETE PRESENT course of study in family life and sex education on ALL grade levels, not merely the sixth grade films, be shown at an open meeting at Hogan to parents, medical doctors, educators, board members and clergy. Such a meeting should take place before the end of this school year.

Specifics should be pointed out, employing opaque projectors. Indicate how our present program differs from that of San Diego, the one recommended by the State Board.

Only then will we be able to intelligently discuss and evaluate the proposed course of study. Only then will we be able to say "all aspects are fully and publicly discussed."

Please respond through Opinions of the People.

An Educator

P.S. Will other adults support this request?

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

It's fine to beautify our city parks, etc. but some thought should be given to removing the blights in the downtown areas such as cleaning berrybushes off sidewalks at corner of Sutter and York Streets, so a person can use sidewalks without scratched legs for snagged hose.

Also clean out that empty lot on Maine St. between Sonoma Blvd. and Marin Sts. of old tires, beer cans, brush, etc.

Why has the City not done something about the around the clock, year after year health hazard seepage water from several lots running down the lower half of Garford Alley between Sutter and Napa Sts. At times one cannot use this street without wet feet as stream is too wide to step across. Have seen mold along edge and small children playing in this dirty water. If it's underground seepage it should be piped into the sewer where it belongs instead of contaminating the street for cars and pedestrians to travel through.

PROPERTY TAXPAYER

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

It is not easy to gauge H.L. Hunt of Dallas, Texas. He hates communism because he loves freedom so deeply, yet he adopts a policy of treating Communists and pro-Communists kindly, believing that he can persuade them away from their false philosophy. In his writing of letters, books and occasional speeches he suggests various plans for adoption by those who love our country. Apparently he dislikes the idea of face-to-face combat with the destroyers. If I have correctly described his philosophy, it does not keep the opposition from condemning him as an extremist and a crank.

Wishing him well, but questioning his techniques, we should observe his efforts closely because he might be right.

OLON CLEMENTS Jr.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

Why are so many people saying "Let the militant students have the vacant lots for a park?" I wonder if these people who feel so sympathetic with these gangs have ever lived near the U.C. Campus during the last few years? If they have, they wouldn't feel sorry for these young people. These bums are filthy, dirty, and immoral. They never clean up after themselves—so you see what a dump they create in a community. Let alone, the noise they make. The disturbance is appalling.

By the way, Berkeley has parks all over the area. In fact, Tilden Park, one of the largest Bay Area parks, is just back of the U.C. Campus.

(Mrs.) EVALYN GUSTAFSON

There is no denying that a condition which should not exist, so the only question is just how this condition should be corrected. In spite of the millions of words spoken and written on this matter I am firmly convinced that few, if any, new laws need to be written.

All we need to do is to enforce those laws already on the books dealing with arson, kidnaping and the numerous minor infractions such as disturbing the peace, illegal assembly, resisting an officer, etc. Not to be overlooked are the laws dealing with aiding and abetting, conspiracy and many others.

Webster defines "kidnaping" as "to seize and hold or carry off (a person) against his will." Thus every time a college or university president has been held hostage in his office, or elsewhere, against his will somebody has been guilty of kidnaping and should be prosecuted for that crime. Arson is defined as "purposely setting fire to another's building or property." How many of these so-called protesters are guilty of arson and not even charged with the crime?

Now as to the college or university officials. What right do they have to refuse to call the duly constituted authorities to enforce the law? How can they take it upon themselves to decide that a guilty person shall be absolved of blame in blatant crimes? In those cases where federal or state money contributes, in any way, to the operation of the institution they have no right to pass it off as youthful exuberance.

All that needs to be done is to enforce the law and to see that every person connected with a crime is held financially responsible for any loss. If they do not have the financial means at the time, then secure a judgment which will follow them until it is satisfied. If they have to pay for their fun, it might not be so much fun.

CLAUD HARRIS

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I watched man reach out and with tremulous fingers almost touch the face of the moon. The white orb that has given light to the earth since dawn of its creation. Hanging there in the blackness of space, its visage pockmarked and lonely with strange craters and rough mountains, barren, bleak and devoid of color as a blob of clay.

And the eerie beauty of that scene brought such thoughts to my mind I could almost feel its primordial breathing. For surely only a mighty sucking in and blowing out from deep within the moon's interior could have caused such weird configurations. A boiling heavy liquid bubbles and makes such craters, swelling and bursting with heat's pressure. And inversely only a powerful suction from deep beneath the surface could form such funneled pits. A kind of lunar breathing but on a scale so vast as to be beyond my comprehension.

Could the moon in some far-distant past have writhed in agony of birth and had the breath of life blown into its formless mass, contorting it with the shapes and indentations we almost touched the other day?

And I was struck with its awful sense of loneliness, hanging there in the midst of heaven, so still and white and defenseless to man's curious proings. What does this mean to our future as creatures on the earth? To our relation to one another? For surely this is a frightening and exciting age in which we live but with latent beauty, too. Better be kind and make our peace with one another and love our God. For we on the planet Earth may be all there is — swinging here in darkness.

CHARLOTTE ELDRIDGE SUTTER

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty God, Whose love never fails, help us to love ourselves as we ought. Save us from thinking more highly of ourselves than we ought to think. Save us from self-centeredness. But help us always to respect ourselves and accept our possibilities and our limitations without boasting and without despair. Show us the niche that our love can fill. And love us even when we are unlovely, as does Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

—Raymond E. Balcomb, Portland, Ore, minister First Methodist Church.

EDITORIALS

A Matter Of Integrity

Members of Congress who, since the Abe Fortas scandal, have been quick to criticize others in government on allegations of receiving outside income now have been offered an opportunity to prove their own integrity under a bill introduced into the Senate requiring financial reports from all government officials whose salaries are higher than \$18,000 a year—including the judiciary and even the President.

The measure is straightforward. It would require annual reports to be filed with the comptroller general, listing the amounts and sources of outside income earned by the official or jointly with his wife, the value of their assets, their dealings in real estate or securities and gifts. The reports would be made available to the public.

Most members of the Senate, as well as the House, favor full disclosure of outside income for Supreme Court justices and lower judges but do not take kindly to making public their own outside income. Their chief argument seems to be that as members of Congress their conduct in office is reviewed regularly by the voters at election time while members of the judiciary generally are appointed to the bench and thus are not subject to public scrutiny.

We feel that argument is specious. If our Senators and Congressmen maintain their continuation in office is the result of the electorate's judgment of their record, then the voters have the right to all the information on which to base their judgment.

If members of the Supreme Court and other federal judges can help restore confidence in the judiciary by filing income statements, it seems to us that others in government, including Congress, likewise can maintain faith in their integrity by doing the same thing.

Opinions Of The People

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I am the high school honor student who expressed my views on sex education last week. As I was unable to complete my opinions this is a continuation of my letter.

The teacher's guide describing sexual intercourse is just that, a guide, a help for the teacher. Morals should be taught by the church and parents and could be supplemented by the school.

I suggest that the parents who are so adverse to this education ask their children how much they know about sex and where they learned it. I'm willing to wager they received most of their information through friends or pornographic materials, depending on their age.

Vallejo schools do not have an adequate program on the teaching of sex and growth. I have attended schools for the past 12 years and until this year in biology, never received any detailed information on reproduction. In the sixth and fifth grade I did not receive any information at all. This year at Hogan Senior High I was fortunate to have an excellent teacher who was able to tie biological and sociological facts together. Parents must realize that children are interested and are hungry for information.

Where does a child go if the church is unattended or it does not delve deeply and the parents ignore sex as an evil? The street.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

The opponents of education won a decisive victory at the polls June 10. In the evening some of these opponents were furling their plans to enlist more people in their aim to foster ignorance by appealing to emotionalism. They presented their material in such a way as to make the reader who cannot think for himself become enraged, and a victim of fear for his children.

This group, Parents United, overtly admitted the use of John Birch Society materials because they were just recently organized and had had no time to prepare their own. They unequivocally welcome the society's support because any help they could get would be greeted with open arms. This speaks for itself!

The effect of the defeat of the tax override will be the curtailment of near future upgrading of school curriculum and causing (time wise) an irreparable loss to our children. At a time when the curriculum should be broadened and the overcrowding reduced or eliminated, we are now faced with a degenerating condition in our schools. The enemies of education have and are beguiling many to vote against their child's best interests. Did you? I didn't.

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MATTHEW SILVERMAN

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:



THE NUDITY TREND MOVES INTO POLITICS!

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Last Tuesday night I was asked to and attended a meeting of Parents United. This turned into one of the worst nightmares of a confrontation I have ever been to. Let me share some comments on this meeting.

As I watched the speakers orate I could have pictured Hitler rising from his ashes and congratulating these people for their brilliant techniques in deceiving uniformed people. It was fantastic to watch. The speakers used nonsensical comparisons to rally the people to stamp out sex education in our schools. One speaker had the gall to suggest that children be told by their parents that babies come from watermelons. There were scores of these idiocies said.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

This letter is directed to Mr. Elsdon and Mrs. Gustafson and others who share their stand on the People's Park situation and college disturbance in general.

The truth often hurts. "Revolution is neither born nor accepted overnight. It is subject to opposition, scorn and prejudice." The old leaders and old guards of any society resent new methods. It is these old leaders and guards who wear the medals from the society for waging their own battles in the "accepted way."

Violence results when these old guards fail to consider and respond to the just demands of non-violent demonstrators for change. Violence results when these old leaders try to defame and ridicule the leaders who ask for new policies; these new leaders pose a threat to their secure positions in the society. Old guards don't like change. Violence is the cry of the youth for change, saying "We will be ignored no longer!"

One last statement to Mr. Elsdon. So you believe those who hate the present way of life in America should build their own. Well, that is just what we are trying to do and you are trying to block our way. We are making changes in this present society as quickly as possible. We are trying to rid the world of some of the stale old ideas and notions.

We have just as much right to be represented in this society as you do. Who are you to say that someone else is immoral or that someone else is a bum? Open your mind.

ELEANORA PORTER

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

The anti-smut law can prosecute those who peddle smut to youngsters. The sex education material is smut. Animated pictures are shown in mixed classes to young children. I saw two of these films. My daughter is 10 years old. I told her about these films. She said she would be terribly embarrassed to see them with boys in the class. She said she was glad I told her about sex, instead of hearing about it in school.

Educators say they are not teaching sex, but our children say they are. Many young girls said they have been embarrassed. If educators are not using smut material, why won't they show you what they are doing? At the school board meeting opponents of sex education were treated rudely. They had their ideas well prepared, but the administrators would not stop talking over the microphone and among themselves and listen to the parents.

We parents have a right to speak against what we feel is an invasion of privacy and a breakdown of morals. Other areas of education now recognize the child as an individual. Why now plan a sex education course for very young children on the basis the whole class as a unit is ready for detailed information on sex, complete with pictures, films, and textbooks. Parents who are for sex education, get educated on sex yourself or have a close friend help you with your child, but don't teach sex in such a vulgar manner to my

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

A TRIBUTE TO PETER E. GLICK

A little over a year ago you might have asked yourself — "Who is Peter E. Glick?" Many of you, upon reading this, shall ask yourself, "Yeah that's right. Who is this Glick fellow?" However, among those to whom Mr. Glick is known, many a groan will arise when his name is mentioned. For Mr. Glick has joined the infamous ranks of the Teen Page Editorial Hall of Fame. For a year we have read the esteemed Mr. Glick's biting editorials and have found ourselves examining our consciences each Saturday morning. Many of us shall miss the sight of this bespectacled brief-case carrying radical about Vallejo Senior High. We shall miss his honesty, his integrity, and his reputation for stubbornness.

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A Milestone For The Fair

The Solano County Fair opens its gates today on an auspicious occasion. The popular exposition celebrates its 20th anniversary this year—a major milestone in its history as one of Northern California's finest and most successful county fairs.

It hardly seems possible that two decades have passed since the first annual Solano County Fair made its debut on Sept. 21, 1950, on a windswept field at what then was Highway 40 and Chabot Road. The opening event climaxed almost 10 years of discussion and planning, but the successive years have demonstrated the effort and dedication was well worth it in developing an exposition that at the outset was well conceived and comprehensively programmed.

The fair since then steadily has enlarged its programs and expanded its facilities until today it represents a multi-million-dollar exposition that has become a growing source of pride to the county and a spectacular mark of achievement for those early pioneers in the movement to establish a fair here and who had the determination to see their dreams come true.

It is to these men of foresight and resolve that this year's 20th anniversary fair rightly can be regarded as a tribute. Their number is legion but foremost among them were the late Al St. John, who became the fair's first manager; Senator Luther E. Gibson, George C. Demmon, Otto H. Recknagel, Frank O. Bell, Dan Foley and the late Assemblyman Ernest Crowley, State Sen. Thomas McCormack, Dr. Arvil Chappell, Andy Sheveland and Harry Handlery. Individually and collectively, they made possible the county fair which all of us enjoy and admire today.

We congratulate the Solano County Fair on its 20th anniversary and wish it every success. We also take this occasion to offer our congratulations and best wishes to Max Schonfeld, who will retire this year as general manager after nine years of dedicated service.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

The most discouraging words that are heard to day in both the youth and adult community is the "generation gap." What is it? What caused it and what can we do about it?

The generation gap is not just in age, but in thought and action and mind. It is thoughtlessness and a closed mind by both youth and adult and it is lack of positive action.

Adults want young people to listen to their ideas and to live by their ideals but do not take the time to listen to youth. President Harry Truman had a sign on his desk "The Buck Stops Here." I wonder when we, as supposedly clear-thinking mature adults will have the guts to say the same thing.

Most young people will not deny they need the help and guidance of responsive adults. Responsible adults are people who are sincerely interested in helping to guide and advise, but not to rule, order, demand or dominate. Responsible adults are the people who are going to help eliminate those two words — generation gap.

The young people are not fully to blame in this so-called gap, neither are they really trying to understand the "older" generation's ideas. They just say "bug out and let me do my thing." The sooner they learn tolerance and respect, the sooner both older and younger people will learn the generation gap can be overcome by listening and communicating with each other. The younger people have their buck to stop passing too, for in not too many years they will be standing in the place of the older people catching the buck they were passing when they were young. But neither can progress without the other . . . and there are only three words for this . . . Start co-operating now!

WILLIAM G. STILLINGS

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Faith in the democratic process was restored in many people Tuesday night when the Fairfield city council reversed its zoning vote in accordance with the will of the majority.

It is hoped that the interest displayed at the meeting by so many concerned citizens will continue and that they will no longer be the silent majority. The Mayor and Councilmen cannot, in all fairness, represent the community unless they know the peoples' wishes.

Fairfield is a fast growing community and is expected to have an eventual population of 100,000. We ask the residents of Fairfield to take an interest in their local government and help the Mayor and Councilmen to see that Fairfield grows in the right direction.

The interest of the citizens will serve as an example to other communities in America that in Fairfield, at least, the people are concerned about the development of their community.

NEVER FORGET THAT AMERICA IS STILL A DEMOCRACY.

CAROL A. THORPE
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I would also like to add that in their fervor these "AMERICANS" shouted down all questions and statements by any opposition to their platform.

Although not admitting that Parents United was a John Birch organization they welcomed all Birchers and voiced their support of Birch policies amid hysterical cheering. A Birch movie was also shown at the meeting. Vallejo can push on with the 20th century or revert to the Middle Ages in education. Support the Family Life Education program now.

MICHAEL REED

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

"Today is the Fruit of Yesterday" is an old saying that many people choose to disregard. However, even the changes we make today are rooted in some way to yesterday. Why should we entirely disown our past and say indiscriminately all that is old is bad; all that is new is good?

Specifically, our moral fibre and social consciousness is because of childhood training and, instead of penalizing ourselves for this bringing up, let us pay the past its due respects.

Similarly, a building is not to be wrecked because of its years. If it can be put to constructive use, let's use it rather than wreck it. I speak particularly of the Carnegie Library in the City of Vallejo. It is admirably located to serve as a museum which I am sure would soon be a source of great dividends to the community.

True, it may require some repairs, but its design is really in complete accordance with such a purpose.

Regardless of what youth professes, their main attempt is to follow in some heroes footsteps and what better example can we set than the way of living the pioneers had.

Statesmen, naval heroes, farmers and men of all professions helped build this community and we owe it to our youth to acquaint them with their past.

S. J. CARLTON

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

The time has come for every downtrodden, abused taxpayer in the United States to write President Nixon and his Congressmen and scream that unless Congress reduces spending — ends the surtax — and stops foreign aid — there will be a tax rebellion that will curl their hair. Also there will be some new faces in Congress to replace them.

Passage of the surtax was supposed to halt inflation — instead it accelerated. Foreign aid is continuing to cause inflation and is ruining our dollar. Government spending and the hiring of new employees is accelerating. Taxes are draining our very life by the severity of tax collectors.

America's forgotten all-American hero, "Mr. Taxpayer", is finally about to revolt!

C. C. MOSELEY, PRESIDENT
Grand Central Industrial Center

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Mr. Glick has been a symbol of justice, an outstanding representative of the community, a real Christian, and a true friend to all of us. He has brought light upon many social injustices. He has most certainly left his mark on Vallejo High. Whether ardently discussing the formation of a youth commission or denouncing the integrity of the students of Vallejo, Peter has been true to his convictions.

So it is with a heavy heart that we send Peter off to join the dissident faction at Berkeley.

PETER E. GLICK FAN CLUB

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Tuesday was probably the last time you can vote on a tax override. On July 1, 1971 you will have absolutely nothing to say about how much money can be taken from you for the school district.

Two years ago a clause was slipped into a major school finance bill, AB 272, eliminating any ceiling and giving school boards unlimited authority to raise the local property tax rates for schools without going to the voters for approval.

Last year a bill was introduced to repeal this vile clause which passed the Senate but not the Assembly. This year another bill, SB 35, was passed by the Senate and turned down by the Assembly.

If you would like to at least have some little say about your school tax money, please write Speaker Robert Monagan, Assemblyman Victor Vessey and also Assemblyman John Dunlap asking for their support of SB 35.

It is truly frightening to think that we cannot even vote on taxes. You already know that you haven't anything to say about what they teach your child. The paper said that the only voice you had was which books are to be used to teach your child sex education. The state says you have to have it. The state says you had to vote for unification or close your schools (they remove state funds. The state says you have to have junior high schools and the state says you have to have busing. And now the state says you will pay without a vote in July 1971.

MRS. P. E. LEGARE

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

On June 10, I attended a meeting held at Hogan High School Auditorium sponsored by Parents United.

This was a most informative meeting. The speakers were intelligent and interesting. I was much impressed with the goals of this group.

I would like to express my gratitude to Parents United or its concern about the students in our Vallejo school system.

I urge every parent and taxpayer to examine the programs being considered for our schools.

MARY J. WESSON

ideas well prepared. The administrators would not stop talking over the microphone and among themselves and listen to the parents.

We parents have a right to speak against what we feel is an invasion of privacy and a breakdown of morals. Other areas of education now recognize the child as an individual. Why now plan a sex education course for very young children on the basis the whole class as a unit is ready for detailed information on sex, complete with pictures, films, and textbooks. Parents who are for sex education, get educated on sex yourself or have a close friend help you with your child, but don't teach sex in such a vulgar manner to my children.

CONCERNED PARENT

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Vallejoans have defeated the third consecutive school bond issue in a convincing manner. Once again we hear that high taxes, retired people, etc. have defeated what is obviously an essential need. These same tired phrases have been used to explain every school bond defeat in the country the past few years. I hereby submit some new reasoning on these defeats.

Americans are "buyers". They will buy anything and everything, but when the product fails to produce as advertised, they stop buying. In the past, Americans bought every idea the educators offered if the belief that the money spent would provide the best for their children. Recently, the results of permissive, progressive education have become painfully obvious. The people are concerned, and for the most part, dissatisfied with the product of the schools. In an attempt to rectify his past apathy, the average middle class conservative has suddenly become actively involved in trying to make his voice heard. Too late he realizes that elected school board members do not represent him nor will they listen to him. Too late he realizes that educators have already initiated programs which are undesirable, objectionable, unnecessary and of questionable results. What means remain open to the voter when his questions go unanswered and his desires and petitions are ignored. Unfortunately, only by a no vote at the polls can he make his voice heard.

H. E. MENZEL

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Let us for one moment stop think and consider exactly what good we derive from the billions of dollars America doles to countries throughout the world.

Our latest folly should indeed tend to provide us with an answer. Our president recently sent Governor Rockefeller on a goodwill trip to foster aid to countries of Central and South America. Just where was he welcome? Peru would not permit him to enter and to further complicate the issue, expelled all American representatives from their country.

In another South American country he was permitted to spend two hours at the airport. Yet we extend to them millions of American dollars. Why? Have we reached the point when the USA has to dole out billions of dollars in an effort to buy respect? Truly it is a pity.

Some years ago, Nasser of Egypt told our officials to jump in the lake. We turn around and grant him 400 million dollars. For what? Blackmail to pay for respect?

Just where are we heading? Certainly we are the most powerful and richest country in the world and truly the most gullible and hated by many countries we help.

America is at the crossroads. We cannot forever take care of all the world. When and how is this folly going to end?

OLLIE ROSS

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Lord God, in the hot summer of racial hatred and passion, grant to America the refreshing dew of Thy grace that all citizens may acknowledge Thee as Father and one another as brothers. Let Thy balm cool our heated angers, that we may live in peace with justice. Grant our urgent petition for the sake of Him who died on a cross of hostility—even Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

—J. R. Brokhoff, Atlanta, Ga., professor of homiletics, Emory University.

EDITORIALS

The New Judicial Code

The Judicial Conference of the United States finally has adopted a code of ethics by which the federal judiciary proposes to police itself. The newly-adopted rules, however, are not applicable to U.S. Supreme Court justices—a deliberate exclusion that appears highly inappropriate inasmuch as all the controversy over ethics started in the Supreme Court itself.

In adopting its resolutions, the conference placed a ban on federal judges accepting payment for off-the-bench activities, required them to file annual statements on their income, assets and liabilities and directed a committee to report on possible standards of conduct for federal jurists and to draft possible legislation to help the conference enforce its rules.

It would appear Congress will accept the conference's code of ethics at least in principle, but whether the financial disclosure requirements are comprehensive enough to approximate those which the House and Senate require of themselves may produce demands for "corrective" legislation. Several bills already have been introduced which either would penalize foundations that offer payment to government officials, including judges, or require financial disclosure by federal jurists and Supreme Court justices.

Although the conference's rules appear eminently reasonable, it occurs to us they should have been made equally applicable to U.S. Supreme Court justices, particularly in the light of the furor created by the Abe Fortas affair and more recently the controversy over payment by the Albert Parvin Foundation to Justice William O. Douglas.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

"School Tax Override defeated in all but one of the 30 Precincts" reports the Vallejo Times-Herald. College Park and Country Club Crest as one precinct has voted yes again, as we did on the school bond election not so long ago. We all can be proud as we have demonstrated for all in the City of Vallejo to see that we care.

We care and understand where our responsibilities are because we love our children. We have proved that for the future of our children we are willing to have the added burden of higher taxes, although most of us hardly can be called prosperous.

We have shown through these elections that we are responsible citizens, and that we are very interested in our schools and education. But, we also hope that the School board and Administration also care and finally will hear us.

We realize that in the past we did receive some improvements through the efforts of a few dedicated members and officers of the COLLEGE PARK HOMEOWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION. We are proud of our new school buildings and grateful for the added curriculums, such as the speech correction classes.

But on the other hand, we still have some 50 classrooms that were built during World War II to last for five years that are still being used today. We have to wait and press for many instructional services that other schools seem to have no problems obtaining. With dignity and pride we must speak out firmly over and over again. We have the greatest priority and we ask our School Board, **WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?**

FRANCISCA MILLS
Editor for the College Park Crier

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

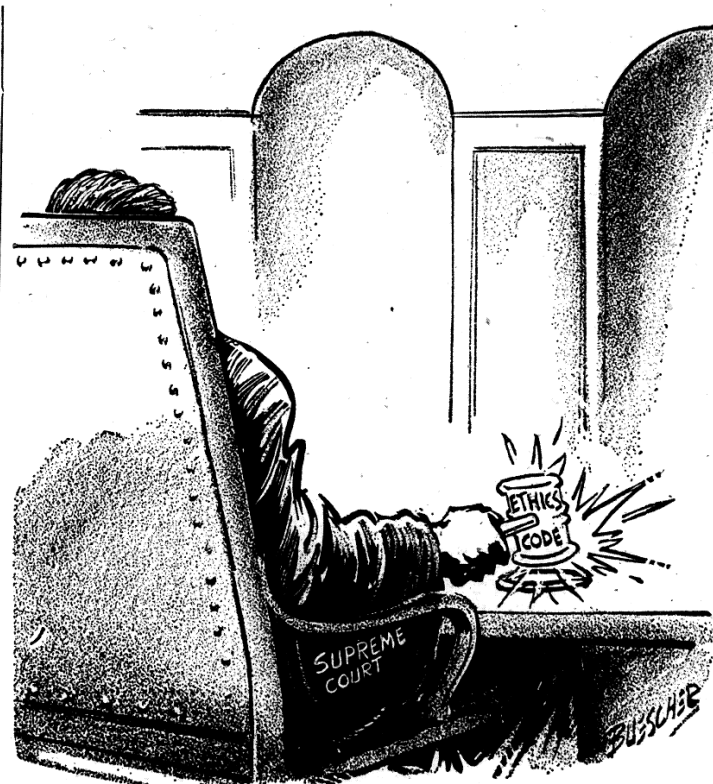
One way the people could express their displeasure at the way school tax monies are spent was to vote "no" on the tax override.

Night school courses furthering ones education for better employment are vital. No local or federal tax money should be used for frill courses taken for personal pleasure or enrichment. All expense for these courses including the use of the facilities could be paid for by those taking the course.

This district is said to be at least 10 per cent behind some districts. A flat across the board salary adjustment gives custodian, gardener and cafeteria worker the same amount as the executive, instead of the token raise if it were on a percentage basis. This would be a saving dollar wise and is a more fair way of operating.

How can the present board justify curtailing maintenance of the school plants because of the lack of funds when it appears there has been no effort made to reorganize the administration?

Tenure like welfare was set up to protect the people from being dismissed for political or insufficient reason. Experience through the years has shown that the school system cannot rid itself of dead wood.



ORDER IN THE COURT

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Members of the North Bay Amateur Radio Association which meets at 8 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month in the American Red Cross building will take to the hills on June 28 for the annual American Radio Relay League's simulated emergency drill.

Field Day, as this event is called, was started many years ago as a test for amateurs to help them to be prepared in times of national or local emergencies.

Field Day will run from noon Saturday June 28, thru 3 p.m. Sunday. There will be approximately 30 amateurs from the Vallejo and Napa area operating for the 27-hour period. All equipment used is operated from emergency power sources.

The North Bay Amateur Radio Association welcomes any person who holds any amateur class ticket to help operate and help Vallejo's amateur association gain the points needed to get to the top position in their transmitter class. The club is sixth in the national standing last year for stations in the same transmitter class.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I would like to bring to your attention an issue that affects all the people of Vallejo as well as those of the nation. This is the 18 year old vote.

The time of change is here in this country and it is being seen all too vividly. There is destruction and general turmoil in many of our major educational institutions. This also affects Solano College.

The problem is: Unrepresented people dissatisfied with our present system. These are people with no vote. The possible solution is to let these people have their say. In the ballot box. To deny them this chance is to ask them to express their discontent in a different way, possibly with violence.

The issue is non-partisan. It is supported by many of our best known statesmen, as well as our president and his predecessor. Support for the 18 year old vote is filtered down our political spectrum to Vallejo's civic leaders.

This is an issue of trust. It is time for the people to share responsibility with the

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

In the past two weeks Miss D. L. B. has told us she is educated, intelligent and experienced in child care. From the tone of Miss D. L. B.'s letters and the manner in which they are written I will agree that she is indeed intelligent. However, I would remind her that most people would find her credentials a little weak in the areas of experience and child raising.

Inasmuch as I am a firm believer in the basic honesty and inherent sense of fair play of American youth, I would make only one request of Miss D. L. B. I think she owes Opinions of the People one more letter on this subject.

I ask Miss D. L. B. to go to our local library and thoroughly investigate the results of Sweden's fourteen years of mandatory sex education. I particularly request her to research the areas of illegitimate births, premarital sex relations, drugs, crime, alcohol consumption and the suicide rate. To help her in this research I particularly recommend the articles in the April '69 Readers Digest, News and World Report, February '66 issue and the March '64 L. A. Times report titled "The Kings Physician Petitions Government for Removal of Sex Education Program."

Upon completion of her research I ask Miss D. L. B. to report her findings and conclusions via this column. I would like her to tell us why she thinks the results of a mandatory sex program in this country would be any different than they have been in Sweden and if she thinks those results are desirable.

H. E. Menzel

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

As a student at Vallejo Senior High School, I am writing about the predicament of our future education and social status in the City of Vallejo.

As many of you voted against the tax override for the furthering of education of all schools in the Vallejo District, you just voted away your child's, grandchild's or neighbor's child's right to equal education, smaller classes, more money for materials, new books and more teachers.

It's a hard job to become a teacher. The number of credits expected are tremendous and the pressure on a teacher is tremendous although it may seem small. Why should a teacher remain in a district where the income is so small?

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Certainly the Supreme Court has revealed itself as being capable of impropriety through extra-judicial activities on the part of its individual members that compromise their obligations as jurists and taint the integrity of the tribunal as an institution. It would seem, therefore, Congress cannot logically nor in good conscience permit the justices to be excluded from the same code of ethics applicable to other federal judges if equality is to prevail.

Recreation Needs Vital

State Sen. John F. McCarthy, R., San Rafael, has re-introduced legislation, vetoed last year by the governor, to require the State Department of Water Resources to consider "related recreational uses" in any flood control or water conservation program in which the state participates.

We heartily endorse the measure and commend Senator McCarthy for his advocacy of the merits of planning for public recreational facilities in connection with multiple-purpose water resource projects which afford the opportunity for outdoor recreation.

It is a concept that wisely was included in the original planning and development of the Monticello Dam project which now has become Northern California's foremost water-oriented recreational mecca without interfering with the project's primary purpose as a water conservation facility.

As Senator McCarthy points out, his bill therefore continues existing state and federal policy on a permissive basis by stating that recreational uses shall be given consideration and provisions shall be made for such uses when engineering and economic features of a water project make it practical.

In these times when more and more open space is sought for commercial, industrial and recreational development, it is imperative that public lands must be made available wherever possible for varied but compatible recreational uses. Otherwise, the cost of furnishing outdoor recreation facilities and enhancing fish and wildlife values is prohibitive.

We urge the Legislature and the governor to view Senator McCarthy's measure (Senate Bill 426) favorably in the realization that although it initially will require greater cooperation in the planning and design of water resource facilities, the long-term value to the state and its citizens will more than compensate for this investment.

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Many voters feel the money allocated to the school is not being spent judiciously. That is one reason the vote on the tax override school election went down two to one.

R. S.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I would like to reply to an article titled "Cigarette Bill Hit." The article, in my opinion, amounts to striking back at an honest attempt by one of our state senators to curb a painful disease . . . lung cancer.

These vicious and violent attempts by individuals and small segments of society to push social vices must come under government observation and control.

Advertisement, by means of a highly technical use of the arts and science of human response, have virtually lured and raped the innocents of society with their perversions of social appeal. Advertisers of the use of cigarettes have not been truthful. They do not represent the phases of hacking and coughing that accompany habitual use of tobacco. They do not warn that the less harmful use of filtered cigarettes invariably leads to a much stronger and more harmful use of tobacco. They do not point out the fact that cigarette smoking is often a screen for the use of narcotics.

There is not sufficient warning for the individual who responds quickly and strongly to the ill effects of cigarette use.

In his article "Cigarette Bill Hit," Mr. MacArthur says, "To indulge in this perhaps questionable pleasure." Here again he resorts to the questionable aspect of cigarette harm. I do admit with him though that Mr. Beilenson's measure would be a powerful opposition to this entire harmful enterprise. Mr. Beilenson's measure does not deal with what people want to do, it deals with what a small group of people want to impose on others by the use of advertising.

DAVID C. ELSDON

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

So the Servicemen's Club is forced to close for lack of support and funds. Isn't that interesting. Why do you suppose support and money has not come from all of Vallejo's patriotic, 100 per cent Americans (and proud of it!) who fly their flags on appropriate holidays, buy flag pins by the thousands, support their local police with vigor, derive their income (and pensions) from the military establishment and spew forth a never-ending LIP SERVICE of gratitude and support for these proud young men who are the defenders of our freedom, our saviors from the Communist Plot?

But, these are mostly young boys, too young to really know anything — too young to vote. Many of them will be going off to Vietnam (or aboard ships having "accidents") and will be dead soon anyway. I hear some of them smoke pot and read dirty books — and many who do return may go to College and become "dissenters." I wonder why?

SINCERELY,
(MRS.) LAUREL CLINTON

to help them. It is prepared in times of national or local emergencies.

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Any persons interested in obtaining an amateur radio license or helping in Field Day and seeing the Vallejo Amateur Radio Association reach the top of their transmitter-class would be welcomed at the next meeting at 8 p.m. on June 25 in the Red Cross building at Alabama and Marin Streets.

ALLEN AMES, WA6FDB.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Can it be truthfully said that the United States of America is a Christian nation?

This is a very serious question with far reaching implications and ramifications. Most of us are aware of those who are trying so hard to downgrade our country, the church and Christianity itself. There is much to criticize and we are not perfect, unless we refer to our honestly intended purpose as an obedient and Christian nation.

The United States has been notably Christian in its relation to other countries and without flaw, but it has persevered in the its defense of smaller, weaker nations and of Christian principle. It has not always been right and for these reasons has rightful claim evidences of the Christian nature of our country and loving Heavenly Father, in addition to 14 million church members living in this country, has yet other countless millions who have not bowed the knee to Baal or to the great mammon of unrighteousness and hate.

God also has numerous millions in our country who, according to the light they have had, have been loyal to Him in their hearts and undoubtedly will be going through the gates into The City before many others who have been counting upon their own self-righteousness to save them.

Your reading of this article and your conclusions will not be fair to the subject unless the ensuring two or three articles are read in connection with this one.

REV. RAY M. LAWRENCE

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I am a Brazilian exchange student, from Sao Paulo, in a visit of six months here in Fairfield.

I have been enjoying everything here in the States, the friendly people, the way of life, and the Times-Herald as well.

But today, reading your newspaper I found a big mistake, so I think I'm right trying to correct it.

On page 12, of Vallejo Times-Herald, Thursday, June 19, in "Rocky Gets Tight Security in Brazil" you: "This South American industrial center . . ." referring to Sao Paulo. In fact Sao Paulo is the greatest Latin America industrial center.

Then, almost in the middle of the article you wrote: "Sao Paulo, the nation's second largest city . . ." Sao Paulo is actually the biggest Latin America city, with a population of 7,000,000, being the Brazil's biggest city by a difference of 2,000,000.

Thank you very much by reading this letter and wasting your time on it.

Sincerely yours,
GIL AFONSO DE ANDRE

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This is an issue of trust. It is time for the people to share responsibility with the people that it affects the greatest today, our college students. These students already have full legal responsibility in court. Let's also give them the responsibility of choosing their destiny.

To refuse them this right is to stand still and to continue with the problems of today but to grant 18 year olds the vote is a step toward progress.

Volunteers who are of voting age who could pass a petition favoring the 18 year old vote are asked to call Mike Malachweil at 642-9945.

Michael Keedy, Publicity Chairman
Robert F. Kennedy Young Democrats

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

What great and wonderful miracle is all this sex education in our schools supposed to accomplish? 20 years of it in Sweden and it seems by now if it were any good facts should show it. Instead, many prominent Swedish doctors and educators say there is almost an epidemic of venereal disease, unmarried pregnant girls, drugs and crime. Our constitution says we will separate the church from the state, so prayer was kicked out of the schools. OK. Fine. Now, if parents feel that teaching sex or not teaching sex is their own individual religious and moral duty shouldn't this same law protect them? Sex education cost the taxpayers several hundred thousand dollars per year. This money should be used on proven programs.

MR. TAXPAYER

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

As a high school student, I would like to commend the incoming and outgoing Teen Page editors for their time and effort spent in submitting news for the teenagers of Vallejo. This has been wonderful for teenagers, as not only does it provide students with school news but it also gives the student a sense of maturity in that he has his OWN special section of the newspaper devoted to students. I would especially like to praise Peter Glick, outgoing editor, for his very professional-like editorials. His outstanding editorials stimulated quite a few minds and I hope he will continue his work in journalism. I know we will be receiving some more fine editors, especially from HOGAN, but I still think they deserve credit. Now I would like to urge everyone to support the Saturday Teen Page, especially the students!

PATRICK ALILANI
HOGAN HIGH—JO

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Re: Letter from Mrs. Donna Lenzi dated June 9, 1969.

Mrs. Lenzi states "However, I do believe in the democratic process of law." If Mrs. Lenzi really meant this statement I urge her to join with Parents United in requesting the School Board to pass a resolution requiring that all programs of a controversial nature be placed on a ballot before being considered for use in our schools.

J. C.

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Only the strong survive and I am hoping all students will be strong enough to survive the blow.

DISAPPOINTED

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Eleanora Porter stated in her recent letter, "Violence results when these old guards fail to consider and respond to the just demands of non-violent demonstrators for change." Who is authorized to determine if a demand is "just?" Our courts and our elected officials, Federal, State and local are well equipped to consider changes and do consider them.

Take note of the recent changes beginning in 1954 when "Mr. Civil Rights" saw the first fruits of 25 years of uphill work. He has been arrested once during forty years of civil right activity, and that for peaceful picketing in violation of a court injunction. He is not trying to wreck our society by acts of violence. He wanted to have a fair chance to get a piece of the action and he has. The uphill struggle for civil rights succeeded by 1964. Anyone in America, black, white or purple has a fair whack now. Inequalities remain in various areas that are more galling than hampering. Please don't kill the dog to get rid of the fleas.

JRC

We want to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many persons who donated their blood for the six and one-half hour open heart surgery recently undergone by our late sister and aunt, Mrs. Ernestine Sanders.

We want to especially thank Mr. Jose Gmuca who, with the cooperation of Mr. Larry Alarid, Shop 36, Vice President of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 2145, undertook the task of soliciting donors from among our fellow workers at the yard. It is indeed gratifying to know that men of such high calibre and unselfish dedication are with us and will come to our aid in time of great need.

These generous donations of blood and kind expressions of sympathy are very consoling during our great loss.

THE CLINTON DICKSON,
SR. FAMILY

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Hurrah for the 100 block of Sheridan Street. Five flags were displayed on Flag Day which is quite a record I would say. I rode through a few streets and I saw that in some there were no flags, in others one or two.

I am almost sure that our block had an exceptional display compared to others. It would have been so patriotic had the rest of the neighbors displayed their flags.

I hope that for the 4th of July our whole block will demonstrate how proud it is of this country.

O.A.

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Today I want to thank You, Father for the marvelous gift that I call my skin. My mind isn't big enough to understand its wonders. I know that it protects me and shelters me even when it is injured. As I glory in the fact that my skin seals out invaders that would otherwise attack me, may I see more clearly than ever before that it isn't really mine. It's Yours, for You made it. Help me to find deeper reverence for the skin of every man I meet. I offer this prayer in the name of Jesus, Whose skin must have been brown. Amen.

—Webb Garrison, Evansville, Ind., minister, Central Methodist Church.

EDITORIALS

May They Rest In Peace

A serious threat to Solano County's autonomy as a responsible local jurisdiction capable of determining its own destiny has been removed by the Legislature's rejection of two major proposals aimed at creating a mandated form of regional government embracing the nine counties of the Bay Area.

The action of the Assembly Local Government Committee late last week in consigning regional government bills authored by Assemblyman John T. Knox, D., Richmond, and William T. Bagley, R., San Rafael, to interim study without public hearings means the measures have been given a well deserved burial.

Assemblyman Knox, as chairman of the committee which sounded the death knell of his bill, pronounced the final requiem when he said his plan failed to attract "substantial public support" and he therefore is terminating his campaign for a regional government.

Of the two measures, the Knox bill was by far the most ominous in its objective by denying Solano County and its cities the right to decide for themselves whether they wanted to become a part of a regional organization with taxing, bonding and condemnation powers that could subordinate local interests to the whims of the more populous counties.

The rejection of the Knox and Bagley proposals represents a decisive victory for perceptive groups and individuals who see any mandated form of regional government as a usurpation of the right of self-determination and the principle of home rule. Moreover, it is an example of what organized effort can accomplish in preventing the creation of another level of bureaucracy inimical to our best interests.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Citizens of Vallejo:

I would like to express my appreciation to the directors, hostesses and all the others involved in establishing the Servicemen's Appreciation Club at 611 Florida St.

The club has provided we servicemen with a place to go, dance, enjoy music and games, reading, and the opportunity to make new friends. Your unselfish act of helping others is certainly a milestone in this city of rather selfish, unfriendly people. Your servicemen's club stands out like an oasis in the harsh desert, providing a place of comfort to servicemen.

Unfortunately, the mouth of Vallejo is bigger than its heart. Vallejo is supposed to provide recreation for the servicemen. As a serviceman, I ask where? I've been here nine months and found none. Since the majority of us are under 21, we can't go to bars if that's considered to be this town's recreational facilities.

Now, due to the City of Vallejo's overwhelming support, which has been nil, the club is being forced to close. Thank you citizens of Vallejo.

Where has Vallejo's hand of friendship gone . . . into the serviceman's pocketbook . . . about the only way to make friends in this city it seems. Many other servicemen besides myself have a very dim view of this city.

I would like the citizens of Vallejo to prove me wrong and help support the Servicemen's Appreciation Club.

C. H. REICHERT
Sergeant, USMC
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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I wish to express appreciation for our public school administration's careful study of possible family life and sex education programs for our schools.

As a minister I support their efforts because:

1 — In counseling situations I constantly see the tragic results of inadequate sex education — the home is not doing the job.

2 — There is value in discussing sexuality in the classroom under the guidance of a carefully trained teacher. Since a youth's peers exercise great influence, why not have the group arrive at high standards together?

3 — Judging from past knowledge, I know the administration will carefully screen and train the teachers.

4 — Two years ago a teacher and I directed a family life-sex education program in a church to which youth of the community were invited for six weeks; attendance, 70 high school students. The youth and their parents were highly appreciative — especially because communication improved in the home. While successful, it reached a very limited number of students.

5 — We have been making our youth pay the price of ignorance too long. Jesus told us that the truth would make us free — it's not our enemy. If we are going to fear something let's fear ignorance.

I have 3 teen age youths. Even though I consider the guidance I give them in sex



ANOTHER POLLUTION PROBLEM

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

The local Kennedy booster, Michael Reed, is urging us to support the move to reduce the voting age to 18. He implies that the destruction and turmoil in colleges might be stopped by letting these unrepresented, dissatisfied youngsters express their discontent at the polls.

The established facts show that college violence is planned and instigated by trained agitators, largely Communist. A very small percentage of students are suckered into participation. Voting is hardly a factor.

Mr. Reed says the issue is non-partisan. Non-partisan like Maoism? Non-partisan like the Kennedys and their kind appealing for Negro votes with impossible promises and open encouragement to lawbreaking?

Our ambitious demagogues are always looking for new sources and means of garnering votes. The prospect of stuffing the ballot box with millions of teenage votes by posing as youth's champion and spouting pleasant fairy tales is highly tempting to some politicians.

Voting is a serious matter. A person should have enough awareness to know

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

I wish to express my disagreement with an editorial printed on Friday, June 20, 1969 in the Times-Herald entitled "The Court Does It Again."

I believe that the Supreme Court acted most judiciously in reversing the action of the House of Representatives in their expulsion of Representative Adam Clayton Powell. This action returns to the people, the decision as to who will represent them.

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I am seriously concerned with the attitudes expressed by many local city and county officials on the issue of San Francisco Bay Conservation. The Resolution passed by the Solano County Board of Supervisors endorses the idea of Bay Conservation but goes on to say that the county cannot afford controls which will possibly retard industrial development. As a conservationist, I am very concerned with this attitude since it indicates that in reality the officials in power are more concerned with exploitation than development.

San Francisco Bay is an excellent example of an exploited resource. At one time the bay covered nearly 600 sq. miles, now it covers only 400 sq. miles. San Francisco Bay is the unique feature of the whole west coast. Fill the Bay and we will have created another region similar to Los Angeles and other huge urban blobs. The Bay Conservation and Development Commissions fears of unwise action by local jurisdictions, cities and counties, are real. Each city and county piously says it is opposed to bay fill, except in the case of its own very necessary need for fill projects.

If San Francisco Bay is going to be saved, the citizens of this region will be required to assume the responsibilities that their elected government representatives have not had the courage or intelligence to assume.

Write to Senator Jack McCarthy and Assemblyman John Dunlap and tell them that you favor BCDC legislation providing for strong controls over shoreline development

PHILIP KAY

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

The frenzied and always intemperate opinions of the military, either from ideological or sociological motives, have been capturing the headlines lately. Are military officers really the big spenders? Who forced the military to accept the fall-out shelter program, TBX-Plane, M-16 rifle, B-70 bomber, X-111 plane, Sheridan tank, an aircraft carrier that was obsolete the day it was christened, a 50 million dollar blunder, refitted a battleship at 30 millions of dollars?

Who once declared, "No defense contractor should be allowed to lose money on a Government contract," and, "There would be no more ceilings on defense spending, military needs would be the only criteria," which led to enormous, concealed industry profits?

Who prevented the Admirals and Generals from speaking out with "gag and muzzling" rules, EXPLAINED as "Giving guidance to military officers?" Who by-passed the Joint Chiefs of Staff and ignored professional military advice. RE: Cuba, Vietnam? Congress must take the blame for some of this waste.

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to become a part of a regional organization with taxing, bonding and condemnation powers that could subordinate local interests to the whims of the more populous counties.

The rejection of the Knox and Bagley proposals represents a decisive victory for perceptive groups and individuals who see any mandated form of regional government as a usurpation of the right of self-determination and the principle of home rule. Moreover, it is an example of what organized effort can accomplish in preventing the creation of another level of bureaucracy inimical to our best interests.

The defeat of the Bay area regional government concept through lack of popular support is not the result of any single effort. It came about because enough people became concerned over the potential dangers involved in the issue to voice their objection convincingly, logically and decisively.

More than three years ago, the publisher of this newspaper recognized the incipient threat to local autonomy which proposals for a metropolitan government then under consideration posed to the smaller counties bordering a metropolitan government then under consideration posed to the smaller counties bordering his 18 years as a State Senator.

Under his direction, a 32-page memorandum was researched and prepared by his former legislative assistant and circulated among legislators of both houses, the governor, the boards of supervisors and Chambers of Commerce and local agencies in this area. It represented the first real effort to alert local jurisdictions of the self-defeating nature of their inclusion in any form of regional government.

Since the publication of the memorandum in January, 1967, the Times-Herald has published numerous editorials on the subject, never missing an opportunity to express its position and the need for positive action to prevent Solano County from being absorbed politically by a regional organization with which it has no geographic, cultural, economic or social identification. Similarly, the publisher has appeared before the San Francisco Bay Area Council and other groups to argue Solano County's case.

No little credit for the defeat of the Knox and Bagley bills also is due the Solano Board of Supervisors, the Solano Mayors Conference and individual city councils and Chambers of Commerce whose strong opposition contributed to the downfall of the measures. State Sen. John McCarthy and Assemblyman John Dunlap also are to be complimented for their efforts to eliminate objectionable features of the Knox plan during its development.

Although the regional government bills are dead for this session of the Legislature, there can be no relaxation in our efforts.

the administration will carefully screen and train the students.

4 — Two years ago a teacher and I directed a family life-sex education program in a church to which youth of the community were invited for six weeks; attendance, 70 high school students. The youth and their parents were highly appreciative — especially because communication improved in the home. While successful, it reached a very limited number of students.

5 — We have been making our youth pay the price of ignorance too long. Jesus told us that the truth would make us free — it's not our enemy. If we are going to fear something let's fear ignorance.

I have 3 teen age youths. Even though I consider the guidance I give them in sex education to be adequate, I still will want them to have the benefit of classroom discussion and new knowledge.

REVEREND JAMES O. HULIN.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Was it by chance of design that the first column on page one and the last column on the last page (30) should tie in so well with what Technocracy has been trying to tell the American people for the last 36 years?

When the American people straighten out the social troubles in our Country (if they can) before we reach chaos and the point of no return, then we will be able to show the world the way to peace and not be telling them, or having them tell us.

You have been very kind in printing my articles in your Opinions of the People. It seems to have been well read. A few that I know have told that they have read them, one stranger called me by name when he saw the Monad that I wear. I have had two telephone calls by timid souls (anonymous) to tell me that I am a commie. A Berkeley student wrote me for more information, and later called at my home. I feel quite flattered.

I thank you.

J. SEWARD

523 Wilson, Vallejo

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

As the world turns, many people would like to turn back the pages to the yesterdays where at one time people cared about people.

Remember when people visited the sick, the poor and needy and dear old mom and dad? But today, people put off today what they can do tomorrow. But tomorrow never comes.

Let the welfare care of the sick, poor and needy. Who cares? While dear old mom and dad are still waiting for ships that never come in. God bless them.

But when God calls the roll up yonder, everyone shows up for the funeral. It's sad but true.

It seems as though the good old days are gone forever . . . when people cared about people.

E.A.W.

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Where was the Hogan Class we were all so proud of?

I and others I have talked to were very disappointed in their commencement exercises this year. Don't our seniors deserve as much as a football game?

The band was represented, but not in uniform. The choir sang and didn't show the courtesy to stay . . . they disrobed and left. A school administrator made a rudely worded request for the cheerers to stop which agitated the group on as well as the rude people who applauded him.

Hogan Administration we hope for better next year.

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I do not approve of misconduct by anyone and I do not think that it should pass unpunished but I also feel that Mr. Powell represents a strong voice for some downtrodden people in this country.

K. LOVELAND

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

I found your editorial in last Friday's paper titled "The Court Does It Again" rather appalling.

I fail to see how in the world we can expect to maintain peace between races if our leading home town newspaper fails to cooperate. I have followed Mr. Warren's career since 1953 and have been deeply impressed by this man who fights for what he believes in and speaks out against what he is opposed. Capital Hill would be a place of pride, not scorn, if more people in Congress had his kind of character.

No one is perfect, especially in this day and time, but when a person is doing his best for all the people then I think that person deserves some credit for doing his thing.

JOHN L. LEE

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Businessmen have swallowed the false Socialist line that agitation among students and all minorities is only the product of frustration and youthful idealism. They have accepted the idea that it is spontaneous rather than planned and promoted. Now the true character of the "movement" has come to the surface, revealing the role of SDS and other pro-Communist organizations in the destructive militancy. Businessmen are only now learning that the real target of all this agitation and violence is our economic system of individual initiative. At the moment of awakening, business has become the objective of a campaign of infiltration and disruption led by SDS. The time has arrived that nearly everyone knows it is necessary for them to, individually or in groups as small as two, start crusading to save Republic USA before it is eternally too late. The idea that citizens should be ridiculed because they are opposed to various forms of Communism is being abandoned.

Constructively,

H. L. HUNT

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

The Vallejo Choral Society would like to express our gratitude to the Vallejo Times-Herald for their cooperation and excellent publicity given to our organization during the past year. We have just closed a very successful year, and your help contributed greatly.

Most sincerely,

HANNA SCHMUTZ and

HAZEL HASSETT McMAHAN,

Publicity Chairmen

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LAWRENCE W. JAKSCH

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

It never fails to amaze me that there are people living in America so oblivious of the great blessings our land and its people provide.

They speak in terms of treason and sedition while they enjoy the blessings that are provided by the things they curse. The only truth they convey is that God is just in His righteous judgment against their kind.

I thank God that the great majority of our youth today neither sympathize with nor patronize their un-American garbage.

We, who are content to earn our living and respect the rights of others, will always be opposed by greedy discontents. We who share the burden of democracy will always have the extra burden of barking dogs biting at our heels.

A note to Eleanora: You place yourself with those who hate the present way of life in America and I am trying to block your way. Thanks, I hope I'm successful. When your kind get the upper hand, we'll all be behind the iron curtain and you'll find out how Moscow deals with traitors that oppose their system.

DAVID ELSDON

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Editor Taking a cue from James Forman's attempts to shake down the churches to the tune of a half-billion dollars, I herewith demand, as a private concerned citizen, that our nation's churches, whose members constitute a majority of our voters and legislators, rise up from their pews and do something about stopping the senseless war in Vietnam.

If said churches do not meet this demand, I shall at every opportunity and in a lawful manner accuse them of hypocrisy and self-interest and criminal apathy.

Two-thirds of our citizens are members of an organized church. Unless America is indeed a military dictatorship, 37,000 young men would not have been forced to give up 30 years of their lives in Viet Nam without the tacit approval of a majority of our righteous church-going citizen voters.

Perhaps a revision or updating of a few commandments would be in order. For example, Thou shall not kill unless it serves to bolster the economy. Thou shall not be greedy and wish for thy neighbor's house, etcetera, unless American industry needs more foreign trade outlets.

If there is a God, he has probably long since given up hope for the human race, and perhaps never once listened when he was asked for aid in helping to kill fellow humans on a battlefield.

M. J. VERCOR

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Even though school is out, Cub Pack 117 of Benicia continues its work with boys age 8 to 11, emphasizing the positive values of patriotism, religion, and moral and physical fitness. To finance our programs, outings, awards, insurance and recharter fees, the Pack is sponsoring the sale of Freedom brand fireworks, a proven Fourth of July favorite, in the King's Market parking lot, East Fifth and O Streets, Benicia. Profits go into the pack treasury, to help Pack 117 grow as it helps boys grow up.

Very Sincerely,
VALESKA CHANG

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OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE:

Wont' you consider the Pack 117 stand when you are buying your fireworks? Coming from Vallejo, take the Fifth Street off-ramp on the freeway. We're right there!

Please celebrate July 4th by helping support Cub Scouts of America, Pack 117.

CHARLES R. STOGSDILL,
Cubmaster, Pack 117