

THE EDITOR'S LETTER BOX

(To be published, letters must be of less than 250 words and bear name and address of writer.)

EDITOR REGISTER:

I am writing to urge a YES vote this Tuesday for the School Bond and to voice a few opinions. I have just learned that the enrollment at Napa HI School this year will be approximately 3,200 students PLUS. It seems to me that one of the finest things we can do for our young people is see that they have the opportunity for a thorough and satisfactory education. There are several good reasons why the School Bond must not fail to pass—

1. The old HI School is hardly adequate to educate 3,200 students. There will be an overcrowded situation which can only hinder, remember, there are more students on the way.
2. We may be forced into double sessions and this must be avoided. We cannot guarantee complete education by taking away the time to teach or learn.
3. The HI School is old and needs remodeling. A NEW and 2nd HI School could only add to our community.
4. This could be the most important reason of all—The student of today will be the leader of tomorrow. In research, government, labor and education. We must give our students the opportunity of a first class education, good teachers and good surroundings. A new HI School will not only make teaching more pleasant but learning more rewarding.

I urge everyone (with or without children) to get out and back the School Bond — VOTE YES — Take a positive stand for positive action. Let's build a bridge of understanding across the generation gap and give our kids a chance.

SHERMAN E. ALLEN JR., D.C.
1845 Jefferson St., Napa

EDITOR REGISTER:

Every voting citizen in Napa who has any doubt about the fact that a new high school is desperately needed should go to our high school and follow just one student back and forth across the campus for ONE day. Our high school campus is no ordinary campus. It is as much as two blocks from one end to the other.

Many students, for instance, have their lockers in the old Junior College building (now referred to as the North Campus). A student may pick up books in his locker on North Campus and then have to walk two blocks to the southwest corner of the campus on Lincoln and Marin for a one hour class, then all the way back to North Campus (another two-block walk) for the next class, and so on—back and forth across campus the entire school day. Some students cross the campus in this manner as many as eight times a day.

You may say they are young and the exercise does not hurt them, that you had to walk 3 or 4 miles to school when you were young — But did you have to wear a heavy coat or jacket and rain boots and carry an umbrella ALL DAY? This is what our young people have to do in the winter. Try walking across the campus on a rainy day! I feel that as a voting citizen of Napa, the city belongs in

BOB SCOTT,
2129 Euclid Ave., Napa

some part to me—and when I can get \$8,000,000 worth of property for \$8.10, I for one will vote to buy it!

MRS. ROBERT J. WINSLOW,
2073 West Park Ave., Napa

EDITOR REGISTER:

It has been interesting to read the many letters pro and con on the school bond election.

There are those people who are against new money outlay in any form. Then there are some who are willing to vote for bonds if a reasonable economical building plan is presented—say on the order of El Cajonro school. Together with abandoning such administration "frills" as bowling, golf lessons, etc., something even the rich school districts like San Francisco can't afford.

We have also the type of letter from people who have never attended a board of education meeting in their life even though they have a flock of school-age children and therefore say "the sky's the limit" on spending and nothing is too good for our children! (An expression of the latter sentiment I have also heard from some school board members.)

The people who write letters of the last category classify any opponent, be he rich or a poor pensioner homeowner, just getting by on his meager income, as a pernicious skintuit trying to deprive the children of their birthright. So, Mr. Editor, where is the "Fairness" you mention in your Sept. 4 editorial?

JOHN KNUDSEN,
2462 Merced St., Napa

EDITOR REGISTER:

The quality of a community goes hand in hand with the quality of its educational system. It is folly to expect to attract high quality business and industry to our community, to help the home owner's tax base, un- less we can offer their management a first rate educational system for their families and from which to draw competent employees. Help yourself by improving the total environment of this area with a yes vote on the school bond.

A major responsibility of all Americans is to provide a good education for the next generation, children or no. Someone from the past has provided each of us with that privilege. Now it is our turn! WILLIAM A. GARNETT,
1286 Congress Valley Rd., Napa

EDITOR REGISTER:

Let's hope that Napa votes on September 17th! Here's the chance of a lifetime! A second high school and a modernized present high school mostly paid for on a long term basis with negligible effect on the tax rate. What more can we ask? It's almost a gift.

You can forget the opposition argument on your sample ballot! That's the usual pie-in-the-sky argument. Remember in 1967 when they promised the 1968 legislature would solve our school financing problems? But it didn't happen! Nor will the Watson amendment solve anything. It will only create a financial crisis.

We can solve one problem in Napa right now with a "yes" vote on September 17th. Let's do it!

BOB SCOTT,
2129 Euclid Ave., Napa

EDITOR REGISTER:

I have listened to the pro and con regarding our coming school bond election. I have also tried to evaluate each side of the question objectively and would like to focus the thinking voter on a few facts as I see them.

Good education costs; yes; but it also pays off by providing a better informed citizenry, more employable workers and young people who will be contributing members of society.

More modern school buildings would help attract the kind of industry that Napa needs to broaden the tax base which would decrease property taxes regardless of any legislation in the hopper at present.

It is just good business to take the lowest bid for an equal product. If Napa fails to approve this bond election, a new high school will cost even more in the future and a tax increase somewhere is inevitable.

The need is now. The time to qualify for a state loan is now.

Let's be far-sighted, look beyond the immediate slight increase in taxes and approve the bond election.

JOHN L. MURDOCK,
Businessman and Taxpayer
34 Chapel Hill Dr., Napa

EDITOR REGISTER:

I am appalled at the distortion of facts being presented by the Napa County Taxpayers' Association concerning the role of school administrators in the forthcoming school bond issue. The District Attorney's answer to the "Investigation" was printed Wednesday, Sept. 11, and stated: "There were no violations on which Dr. Payne and his committee could be criminally prosecuted and there were no violations of the penal code." As a taxpayer, I would hesitate to admit that an organization which deliberately prints such a falsehood is representing my interests.

It seems to me that the issue, as far as the Taxpayers' Association is concerned, should be how the passage of the state loan-bond proposal will affect taxes. All information I have studied clearly points out that the cost absorbed by the taxpayer now, is far less than it will EVER be. In addition, it is my understanding that the STATE Taxpayers' Association urges defeat of the Watson Amendment because it doesn't, in fact, live up to the claims the local association implies.

What kind of Taxpayers' Association representatives do we have that would advocate an inevitable (and sizeable) raise in income and/or sales taxes (to keep from paying a penny a day now and having adequate high school facilities). AND ignore the issues in an attempt to discredit the acts of school administrators?

Taxpayers, please think for yourselves — vote YES on BOTH state loan and bonds September 17th.

MRS. KEITH PAHRE
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Monday, Sept. 16, 1968

EDITORIAL

THE EDITOR'S LETTER BOX

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EDITOR REGISTER:

There are certain forces of evil trying to destroy the California farmer. In the last hundred years in our own Napa Valley we have always had good farmer and labor relations. I have picked grapes in Napa and cotton in Kern County. I have never met a farmer who was unfair with me. The farmers pay as much as they can and still operate at a profit. The farmers in the Napa area who were forced out of the poultry and dried fruit business left not because of labor trouble but because of low prices for eggs and fruit.

DON OAKLEY

Smart Aleck At Stanford

Newspaper Enterprise Association

Herewith, the statement issued by Stanford University Student Body President Denis Hayes on the announcement that Dr. Kenneth S. Pitzer, president of Rice University, had been named new president of Stanford:

"The appointment . . . without benefit of student participation or even student advice, represents a gross abuse by the Stanford trustees of the legal powers vested in them

"No students were asked to meet Dr. Pitzer prior to his selection, nor were any of us granted access to his files. We were not even informed that he was under consideration, so that we could have conducted some research of our own."

Student Hayes also complains that no sampling of Rice University students' opinions about Pitzer were made.

"In an age where the relationship of a university president to his students is of such critical importance, this kind of investigatory negligence is inexcusable."

It must be noted that Hayes, exercising his office as spokesman for all the thousands of the university's students, knows nothing about the new president and has nothing on or against him. That does not stop him from going

Now we are faced with a new situation where an outsider comes to a small Kern County town and tries to organize a group of men that do farm work. It is fitting and proper to do this. No one should be allowed to exploit anyone else to organize if they wish. I think it should be made clear that the grapes in Delano are being picked and that the average wage is \$2.40 per hour. It should also be made clear that in most vineyards it takes two to three weeks to pick the crop. That of course depends on the size and number of men working. Now if the public stops buying table grapes it will only do one thing. These grapes will go into wine and brandy.

G. A. PROUTY
1207 Soda Canyon Road

EDITOR REGISTER:

Following my protest against "standard design flooding" with the original proposed bottom width of the Napa River at Lincoln Ave. of 100 feet, the specifications were changed to 135 feet, still much too narrow.

Old Man River keeps his own set of books. Time was, his flood channel at Third St. was over 400 feet with a reserve channel where the fairgrounds are today, but the oldtimers robbed him and Old Man River establishes his own "standard design flooding," overflowing the area above Third St.

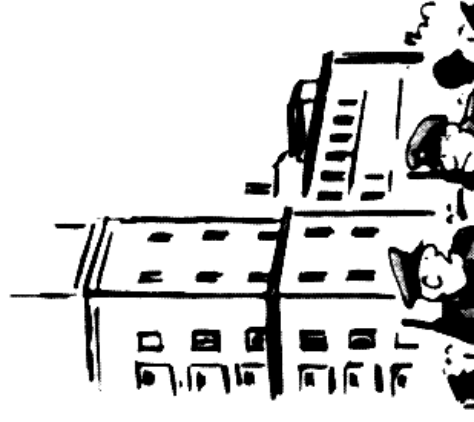
Nature's "standard design storm" is the minor one of which we have had several since 1955, miraculously breaking up only a half hour or so before egghead engineering's "standard design flooding" might turn into a major flood.

It would have been cheaper had the city council passed an ordinance specifying the limit of a "standard design storm," and many tens of thousands of Big Brother's planning money could have been spent by Sargeant Shriver promoting London's and Hubert's "standard design revolution." (White House, August, 1965).

For data the local War on Poverty for a hundred grand or so might well send out unpaid volunteers (in the dry season to keep their feet dry) looking for people flooded out. Thus refugees found in August might share in the portion of the hundred grand which stuck to the ceiling.

ORRIS McCARTNEY
44 Franklin St.

BERRY'S WORLD



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Tuesday, Sept. 17, 1968

THE EDITOR'S LETTER BOX

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EDITOR REGISTER:

There may be urgent arguments for gun-control laws but to my knowledge they have not yet been advanced. Instead, I hear:

1 - "We need gun-control laws because three prominent men in the past five years have been assassinated."

Gun-control laws, so far as I can determine, could not have prevented those tragic deaths nor can they prevent others.

2 - "Gun-control laws will reduce crime in our streets."

As large a percentage of murders in 1967 (nine per cent) were committed with 'personals' weapons (hands, feet, fists) as with shotguns. Three times as many murderers used knives (20 per cent) as used rifles (six per cent). Handguns are the weapon of choice in murders (48 per cent) and in holdups and burglaries; but regulating their sale and requiring their registration would hardly make them unavailable to criminals.

3 - "Gun-control will lessen tension in our cities and suburbs."

If, indeed, the suburbs and ghettos are arming themselves, this is surely a symptom, not a cause, of tension. If blacks and whites have become so estranged, there is little likelihood that either will give up weapons.

4 - "Gun laws will give police yet another weapon to use against known criminals and rascals."

We tend to applaud the increase of police powers against the "other fellow," but the other fellow of yesterday may be us tomorrow. Historically, the right to bear arms has been one of the first to be abridged by incipient dictatorships. Can we be sure we will never be faced with one here?

I am a housewife, live in the suburbs, have never owned or fired a gun, have no plans to purchase one.

NANCY REYNES
1696 Ridge Road
Sonoma

EDITOR REGISTER:

I would like to answer Mr. Davis' letter in the paper on Sept. 14. You ask why we can't have a high-rise structure for a school since we have one for a hospital.

For one thing, patients don't have to dash madly from class to class. They have elevators, too. I shudder to think of the accidents which could occur by pushing, jostling students. (Sorry, but there are some.) And I can't believe that the father of four children could look at our high school and say, "Yes, those education - murdering, ramshackle buildings are the ones I want my children to attend..."

Think over both of your ideas. Either your kids will be in traction, from a fallen building or from falling down stairs, or we can build a new, modern high

school. Take your choice.

ARLETTA KELLEY
1065 Rose Drive

EDITOR REGISTER:

Again I am writing a column in your respected daily newspaper. This time it will deal with this so-called agricultural preserve, or call it green acres or any other name. It is a stupid and un-called-for measure that was passed over on us small farmers for entirely selfish reasons on the part of a few large landholders in this beautiful Napa Valley of ours. Should not so binding a law, or call it what you wish, been put up for a vote by the owners of ranches in the so-called preserve? What is our county, state and federal governments going to do next?

To pass such a law I suppose they, our county supervisors, think they have the power to do what they wish. What a fallacy to entertain such a thought. We, the people, elect them to serve as supervisors, to serve us. They are our servants, my fellow farm owners. Not for them, five in number, to dictate to us what we can do and what we cannot do. Who, may I ask the board of supervisors of Napa County, pays the taxes on our beloved farms? Why shouldn't the farms get smaller acreage, and some forced off entirely by the already big landholders in this valley who relentlessly buy more and more acreage? Small farmer, to the assessor's office and compare the difference between your small farm assessment per acre and that of the large farm and you will be amazed to see that the large landowner is not assessed one half the amount per acre that you are.

JOHN A. HEID
2230 Laurel St.

DON OAKLEY

Olympic Records

Newspaper Enterprise Association

If an Australian doctor is right, sports fans can look for some track records to fall at the forthcoming Olympic games in Mexico City.

According to Dr. John B. West,

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EDITORIAL —

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EDITOR REGISTER:

I am writing to answer Ellen Hoelt's question as to why the Napa College doesn't have enough used books. I have made several attempts to sell my books back to the book store and was told, "Last Friday was the last day," or, "We aren't using that book again this semester," or, "We have already purchased enough of that particular book." I would be interested in answers to the following questions:

1 — Does one of the local stores have the franchise for the college book store, or is it part of the school and just another method of profit for the state.

2 — Why is it necessary to change text books so often in lieu of adding supplemental pamphlets that could be published inexpensively? Could it be that classes such as typing, book-keeping and shorthand change so rapidly that they require a different text book every year or two?

3 — Why must the cost of text books be so high? I can purchase a pocket novel at the grocery store for 35 cents, yet text books for psychology, philosophy, history, etc., cost approximately \$10 each. If the physical quality is the reason, then why not have paperback books since they are of no value to me after one semester anyway.

4 — Why does the Napa College have a book store? Is it there to support the student in his desire to obtain an education or is it another means of making profit?

ANITA DIXON
2758 Iowa St.

EDITOR REGISTER:

As a student at the junior college I read with interest the letter from Ellen Hoelt concerning her problem in obtaining used text books from the local college book store. I, myself, have found that it is quite difficult to resell books. They have only two days in which you may take advantage of reselling your books for one-half price and you must be prepared to wait in a long line. The books are sold to an out-of-town buyer and only a few are kept by the local store for resale so as not to jeopardize the sale of new ones. It would seem to me their main concern would be to give the college student the best opportunity they could to obtain used books at a minimum cost rather than the promotion of the sale of new ones.

I have wondered for some time why it wouldn't be possible for a student store to be set up at the beginning and end of each semester. It could be run by student volunteers or an interested local organization such as Community Projects and the turnover of the books be handled in any one of a number of ways. The easiest perhaps would be on a consign-

ment basis. If nothing else, I feel they should have an open referral list available to the students. This list would contain the names of the student along with the books he wishes to sell, and another list would have the books they would like to buy.

I think any method devised to help our college students acquire their books at a minimum cost would prove to be a most worthwhile undertaking.

E. LACAZE
2232 York St.

EDITOR REGISTER:

In answer to Ellen Hoelt's question, where is the Napa College Book Store hiding all the used books, I would like to say a few words on the subject. I have tried several times unsuccessfully to sell my used books to the book store. Each time I was told last week was the last day for buying used books, that I would have to wait until next semester to sell them.

From my own experience I have concluded that the book store is not interested in purchasing any more used books for resale than absolutely necessary. They would rather sell new books. I feel that all the students should be able to sell their books to the book store anytime during the semester provided it is not a discontinued book. This would be a tremendous help to all the students in finding used books available to them and disposing of the books they no longer need. This would be such a great aid to help give all our students an equal opportunity for the education that is so badly needed at this time.

SARAH DARLING
2122 Lone Oak

EDITOR REGISTER:

I was dismayed, as I am sure many Napaans were, to read about the planning commission's decision to deny the Acostas a permit to rebuild their house on Green Island Road. While I disagree with the county regulation that will ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~family~~ ^{family} to rebuild their home, I must admit to feeling some sympathy towards these men who felt it their duty to enforce this regulation even though "feeling like a heel and heartless."

My feelings changed to utter disgust when I read on to the matter concerning Silverado Properties where the planning staff had recommended denial, based, I assume, on county regulations, yet their request is granted, with the explanation that they "are running a first-class operation and they are certainly more aware of their problems than we are."

Is this not a classic case of "money talks"? Has the Silverado development ever been denied anything by Napa? Granted they (Silverado) will do a lot for Napa, but can't people like the Acostas also do a lot for Napa?

If "running a first-class operation and awareness of problems" is the criteria for waiving regulations, then I propose that it must certainly be applied to this family. They appear to be raising a family in a manner to be proud of. We could use a few more people like them and a lot less officials who vote according to who or what you are.

IRENE A. BROCK
2359 Redwood Road

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“... But if I can Smith become a U.S. citizen would we call HIM an ‘Afro-American?’”
John Berry
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Friday, Sept. 20, 1968

Letters To The Editor

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EDITOR REGISTER:

It is with a great deal of pride and satisfaction that I write this letter in regards to the school bond victory. The margin of victory in my estimation was significant proof of the quality of the great majority of citizens who reside in Napa. Furthermore, it proves the intelligence of our community to sift through facts and not be misled by groups who forever are undermining issues by vague and distorted information. Perhaps I should have re-phrased the sentence and said by supplying the public with mis-information.

Now that the issue is over a great deal of thanks should go to the citizens committee who gave of themselves in time, energy and financial aid. Those devoted group of people who do these civic duties not for personal gain but due to community pride and an interest in the future of our young people, tomorrow's leaders, I feel this group of citizens should be retained as a consultancy group and work with the school board, the architect, et al, till construction is completed and finalized.

BERNARD GOBLER
1100 Larkin Way

EDITOR REGISTER:

Bill Nunes, long-time Napa Valley realtor, undergoes heart surgery Dec. 1 at the Stanford University Hospital in Palo Alto and will require a minimum of 16 pints of blood for this delicate and most serious operation.

Since the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank is furnishing the blood and would prefer to replace what is used rather than charge the patient, it has been necessary for Bill to search out

donors. At this point, he is far below the required minimum.

Bill, a friend of mine, is a fellow human being in need of help right now and so I make this appeal to the citizens of Napa who know him and those that don't, that he would be thankful to anyone who might wish to donate blood to his cause.

Details as to when and where one can donate may be obtained by calling Bill at 224-6320, or by making a donation in the name of Bill Nunes, Stanford University Hospital, Palo Alto, at the nearest blood bank.

JOHN J. FUTINI
1012 Terra Verde Drive

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"Will you stop calling me 'sc' happen to be a

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Saturday, Sept. 21, 1968

EDITORIAL—

THE EDITOR'S LETTER BOX

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EDITOR REGISTER:

To be proud of a job well done is to have done it. With so many people involved in the bond-loan issue, we find it impossible to thank each one individually. So we are using this means to reach you. Thank you for a job well done. The news media for factual and complete coverage, the speakers bureau, our captains of each area, the people walking miles distributing material and answering questions, the young students helping wherever possible, the members of the victory squad working on election day, the babysitters, and drivers - too many to call and thank personally.

We will have two high schools, but the most important thing of all, we have just experienced the wonderful feeling of taking part in a city-wide effort to improve our standard of education and upgrade the quality of young men and women entering the world of business. Thank you one and all.

PEGGY LEMKE

130 Hickory St.
WERDNA ORGAN
65 Westwood Ave.

EDITOR REGISTER:

Members of the William J. Cavagnaro Post No. 9300, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, wish to thank the many fine merchants in the city of Napa that purchased tickets for performances of the John Strong Circus, Friday, Aug. 30, 1968. Through your generosity our post will be able to help many needy veterans and several hundred children of Napa were treated to an evening of good, clean entertainment. We thank the Napa radio station, KVON, for

DON OAKLEY

Golfing Perils

Newspaper Enterprise Association

So next holiday you're going to escape all the nuts on the highway and spend a safe and sane day on the golf course?

Putt around with these statistics, as reported by Saga magazine:

Before the end of the year, more than 10,000 golfers, caddies and groundskeepers will have been skulled by flying balls; 1,600 will have been accidentally slashed by flailing clubs; 500 will have been felled by lightning; 2,000 by heat prostration and 1,200 by overexertion and 1,500 either run down by, or overturned in, golf carts.

Fore! + + +

Who, says the horse is the forgotten man?

Through the miracle of modern technology, a new, light, all-weather horseshoe with built-in shock absorber is now available.

their many fine free spot announcements of the circus and Mr. Fong of the Napa Grocery Center who donated the place to hold the performances of the circus.

GAYLORD J. NEWELL
Post Adjutant
1626 Carol Drive

EDITOR REGISTER:

We look to the educational department for leadership and guidance. Sept. 17, Napa passed bonds and loan election for \$2,775,000 and \$5,830,088 for high schools. Dr. Payne informs us we are gaining some 500 elementary scholars yearly, that four elementary schools are on double shift and that several elementary schools will need temporary classrooms to get along until new construction can be accomplished; and we must begin immediately to solve the elementary housing needs.

All these are necessary, but all are bills on property alone, on our homes and farms and they are destroying the family farm. Dr. Payne, Dr. Clark, the school superintendent and all school boards of Napa County should start immediately to enlist the support of the entire school-state structure and newspaper editors to correct this unfair tax distribution. Surely this is their first duty in representing the community, and regardless of other property tax reliefs. The school building costs should be shared by the whole community.

Napa County Administrator Albert Habberger writes on Sept. 13: "Property taxpayers are overburdened. Present basis for property tax is outdated. Most important need at present, some type of property tax relief, etc.

Representative Don Clausen, speaking in Napa Sept. 16 states, "Need for taking apart of the tax structure from top to bottom." Governor Brown and Governor Reagan have called for fair play in tax laws, surely it is the first duty of our school officials to take the lead in fair school taxation.

E. W. BENTLEY
1335 Sprout Ave.

EDITOR REGISTER:

This letter will deal with welfare and the county government in general. Mr. Hotelling, may I ask you for some sort of reply to these questions? How many employees are working under you? Do you, yourself, actually believe in your job as the head of this very expensive welfare department? I was led to believe when Social Security started that it would take care of all the needy, it having been in existence, I believe, nearly a generation.

A percentage of the most needy must be taken care of by taxpayers, and don't misunderstand me that I am against everything. Another question, how many people in Napa County receive welfare checks? Is it true what I have heard talked around that

you solicit people to go on welfare? Every, let's call the welfare department 'business', has to have its clientele or else it will not be appropriated money, our money, us taxpayers money.

The bigger the clientele the more money appropriated for its functioning, the more the head of the department is paid and an army of employees.

This must stop or else we the absolute supporters of this growing department of welfare will surely bankrupt us all. I call on the supervisors to cut down drastically on the appropriations to this unwanted and unpopular welfare department.

Napa city is digging ditches by the miles. Put those people able to work to dig them by hand, no matter how deep. Your welfare recipients would have more respect for money and be much better citizens.

JOHN A. HEID
2230 Laurel St.

EDITOR REGISTER:

The Napa County Heart Association wishes to express its appreciation to The Napa Register for the cooperation shown us in publicizing the third Annual Heart Slag held Sept. 14. This event is one of our major fund-raising activities and we recognize much of its success is dependent on advance publicity. Your assistance was very beneficial and we thank you for your willingness and effort.

DOUGLAS HAMILTON, DDS
Pres. NCHA
BARBARA HICKS
Pub. Chrmn., NCHA
1019 Pearl St.

EDITOR REGISTER:

Last Tuesday, voters in the Napa Unified School District approved a much-needed bond issue-state loan proposal for new high school facilities. Voters apparently thought the proposal was sound and the need was great for the 73.8 per cent yes vote was far greater than the two-thirds needed.

The New High Schools Committee was a citizens group who worked for several months to inform the public on the issues of the election and to encourage yes votes. The committee is proud of the way voters responded to the need for new high school facilities and that they recognize that education is an integral part of community progress.

The number of volunteers on the New High Schools Committee was more than a thousand. Most of these were men and women who went door to door, trying to reach every home in the district. Naps should recognize that without this grass roots, volunteer effort there probably would not have been a victory Tuesday. The enthusiasm of these workers and its effect on the community was simply tremendous. They did a terrific job.

ART YOUNGBERG
KEN IMRIE
Co-Chairmen
New High Schools
Committee

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Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1968

FRIDAY

THE EDITOR'S LETTER BOX

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EDITOR REGISTER:

I would like to answer Miss or Mrs. Kelley's letter of the 19th in defense of a high-rise structure for educational purposes. In the first place, pushing, justling, horseplay or running should not be tolerated in hallways or classrooms. The gunky students should be punished or even expelled, if necessary, for such acts. Such was the laws of my alma mater. I respected them and so did the other 2,000 students in the school.

You speak of ram-shackled buildings. Why do you tolerate the outrageous use of Quonset huts for school rooms? You want fine modern buildings scattered over "Hell's Half Acre." Wait until the students clamor for covered walkways to protect them from wind, rain, etc. What will you say to them then?

As far as stairways are concerned, I wouldn't think of subjecting a student to climbing stairways. Haven't you ever heard of escalators? Mrs. Kelley, I will presume you are married. Some day take a drive to Concord, Calif., and take a good look at the way Sun Valley Shopping Center is constructed. Visualize this as a school. Instead of a mass of shops. Take notice of the temperature inside, the indirect lighting, the escalators, the wide, wide passageways. This type of structure could solve a lot of ills.

I strongly believe in education; but I also believe in getting the most for my money, just as you do. I'm sure, if something is worth doing, it should be done right.

THEODORE DAVIS
1407 Summer Ave.

EDITOR REGISTER:

We'd like to thank you, our families, friends and all those good people, for the help after we lost our home in a fire recently. It's really nice how people respond to their fellow neighbor in time of need. Again, sincere thanks to all.

CHARLES ESCAMILLA
2413 Main St.

EDITOR REGISTER:

Remembering the unfair treatment given Barry Goldwater by ABC's TV show "Meet the Press", it was not surprising that the New York Times representative and the ABC interviewer asked George Wallace loaded questions, questions they knew to be dishonest and then made interruptions while he was trying to reply. This was on Sept. 22.

In particular, when Gov. Wallace told them what has been kept out of most of the Northern and western press that housing, education and welfare had been violating the civil rights laws when it threatened to or did withhold funds in situations where stu-

dents refused to consent to be bussed across town, because, it said, more students should have wished to leave their own neighborhood schools, the newsmen deliberately made vocal noises to obscure his replay, the other one quickly audibiting with a different, loaded question and vice-versa. They made quite a snide game of it. Mr. Wallace reminded the New York Times representative that it had cued the American press with their statement that Castro was the George Washington or the Robin Hood of the Caribbean.

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EDITOR REGISTER:

I have just finished reading your article entitled "Little Tolérance Left" and I'd like to add my two cents worth. I agree that if the students do not like the way the schools are run they do not need to attend the schools but on the other hand why blame the students entirely. Why not put the blame where it belongs at the door of the parents and other adults of today? Who started raising the children by not correcting them and letting them do as they please? By letting them sass and not show proper respect to their elders when young? Are they to blame if the parents were too busy to be bothered with them? The parents of today are so busy working to make ends meet or having a life of their own that they do not have time for the children. So the children do not feel needed or loved.

From babyhood they are pushed off on someone else to raise or are left alone to raise themselves the best they can. Parents think that as long as they put a roof over their heads, clothes on their backs and food in their stomachs they are doing their duty. They do not take time to be with their children, to listen to their troubles, etc. So what do the children do? In order to be noticed they become hippies or worse. Of course, there are many who, in spite of their parents, turn out to be nice kids, but, as a rule, it is of no credit to the parents.

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EDITOR REGISTER:

Secretary General U Thant is remiss in his duties to the United Nations in proposing a resolution for anything less than a cease fire for all sides. Our news media should diligently impress this upon him forthwith and without letup. His responsibility is world-wide, and not one-sided. Peace in the world cannot be a

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Letters To The Editor

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EDITOR REGISTER:

If any of you conservative Republicans feel the new leadership Mr. Nixon is calling for will be any different than that of Johnson and Humphrey, just look at Mr. Nixon's record.

During the Eisenhower-Nixon administration, American prestige abroad hit an all-time low. In South America our flag and embassies were burned. Our state department officials were subjected to danger and degrading treatment. In the Caracas airport a man spat in Mrs. Nixon's face. Nixon himself was covered from head to foot with spit during the parade into the city. What did this dynamic 'new leader' do upon his return home? Did he ask to have foreign aid to these people stopped? Did he deny and an apology for these insults? He merely stated, "We had a wonderful trip." And now 10 years later, he is professing indignation over the insults and desecration of our flag.

Mr. Nixon says he has the experience and can end the war in Vietnam. Many of us still remember the 'ending' of the Korean war by Eisenhower. The peace talks began in 1951 under Truman and continued until July 1953. We did the same thing then as we are doing now: playing patty-cake at the conference table while many fine young men were killed needlessly. General VanFleet said, "We were denied victory in April and May when we had the enemy on the run. We could have won and should have won." This was under the Eisenhower-Nixon administration. Finally, in July, 1953, Eisenhower accepted a truce on Communist terms, selling out the anti-communist government and people of Korea and gained nothing for squandering American lives.

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THE EDITOR'S LETTER BOX

(To be published, letters must be of less than 250 words and bear name and address of a writer.)

EDITOR REGISTER:

There was a time, not too long ago, when a political candidate needed only to point a derisive finger at the "fright peddlers." But and "prophets of doom" and his election was assured. Although it was a known fact that insurrections were already in the planning stage, an absolute blackout of this information existed throughout the public news media: TV, radio, newspapers, national magazines. Those who knew the facts and were trying to warn the public were vilified, ridiculed and silenced.

Since the Watts holocaust, which burned and gutted nearly 1,000 buildings and caused property damage of \$40,000,000, public opinion has begun to change. No longer can the news commentators get away with their glib label, "fright peddler." The amusing aspect of all this is that the big magazines, which were so indignant about any mention of future trouble, have now become the loudest "fright peddlers" of them all. Reporting on future plans of Negro militants, one such publication claims these militants envision nothing less than the complete extermination of the "moderate" Negroes in this country.

Booker Griffin, a Watts leader, is quoted as saying, "They shot a whole generation of Toms in China, and we got to take care of that whole generation between (the ages of) 35 and 45."

Think of it. Without a qualm, he proposes to wipe out a whole generation of his own people. This not only gives us an idea of what their future course will be, but also shows clearly the affinity these Negro "leaders" have for the Chinese Communists and their methods.

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EDITOR REGISTER:

The Cine Film Society would like to take this opportunity to thank The Napa Register for the coverage it has given the society's film showings during the months of the summer. We are happy to say that this has been

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Contrary to the arms controllers, who maintain that since nuclear war is so horrible it must be avoided at all costs, war is always possible, at whatever level of intensity. —Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, former commander of Strategic Air Command.

This is my first revolution, so naturally I'm a little nervous. —Daniel A. Kir, 20-year-old volunteer manning a Paris rioters' aid station.

our most successful season in our four-year history. The group screened over 35 features and at least as many shorts spanning the years from 1890 through today and coming from almost every major country on the globe. Every type of film was presented and several of the motion pictures are often considered among the best ever made. The film class had the opportunity of viewing the widest possible spectrum of cinema available, discussing films, and trying their own talents at film-making. We saw many new faces attend showings this year and we hope that they were inspired to work for furthering the cinematic art, along with the other arts, in Napa.

This was probably the last season of Cine under the direction of its organizers. The group wishes to let the general public become aware of a policy we have developed this summer and in which we would encourage the public to also take part. Whenever you attend a local theater, let the manager know what you thought of the program. Be honest with him and criticize or praise. Tell him the films you'd like to see shown. The local managers are very interested in the audience's reaction, and they are quite friendly and easy to talk with.

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EDITOR REGISTER:

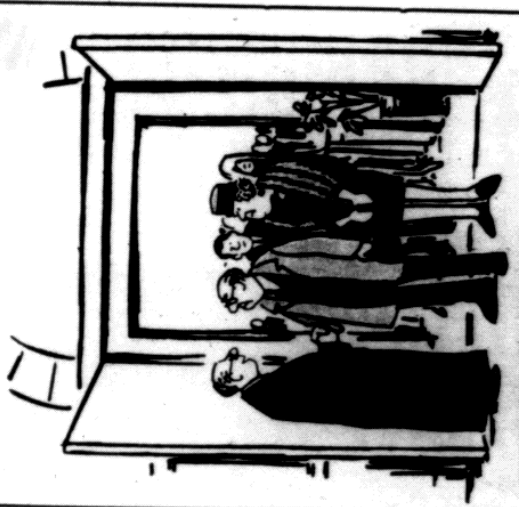
On Sept. 17, the voters in the Napa Valley Unified School District approved a much-needed state-loan-bond proposal to solve our existing high school needs.

In addition to the more than 1,000 volunteers who helped carry the vital information to the voters was another unheralded group. These are the business, professional people and citizens who readily gave of their money to cover the necessary expenses. I have never been involved in any fund raising function where there was so much spontaneous response to the need.

There were well over 200 contributors. Time does not permit writing each of you a special letter of thanks from the community. You deserve the gratitude of all of us. I hope that you will accept this public acknowledgment as a profound thank you.

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