



So, we will watch and wait. Dick Nixon, whose character and fighting edge have been tempered in the forge of past defeats, is on the glory road again. To become President of the United States he will have to earn it with every ounce of intelligence, compassion, guts and salesmanship that he can muster. And Why Not?

Can He Do It?

The Republican National Convention, in Miami last week, ended predictably. Despite the cautious pre-balloting optimism on the part of Rockefeller and his supporters and last ditch attempts by the Reagan camp it was pretty much a foregone conclusion that Nixon would take it quickly and neatly. If the Republican Party ever needed to see the results of a unity effort, it needed it this year. Despite substantial inroads made by the GOP in the last Congressional elections the big question in the country's mind was whether or not a national leader of stature could emerge from the ashes of the 1964 Republican incineration. This, of course remains to be seen. Nixon has been nominated. Can he be elected?

There is a good deal to be said in Dick Nixon's favor. His supreme effort to pull together the various factions within the party, during the past year and a half, shows uncommon good sense. During this period American politics of the cult of the personality, it is refreshing to see that he is not trying to make over the party in his own image. Only rarely does a man come along who is statesman/politician enough to do that. To compete for the title of Mr. Republican or Mr. Democrat seems to be the "in" thing in American politics today. We have observed too many light-weights performing their particular kind of rain dance in the political arena of late; the only problem for them, of course, has been that their gyrations have yielded precious little precipitation. No, Dick Nixon isn't a "this" Republican or a "that" Republican; he's a republican Republican. That's good, and that will get him votes in November.

It still remains to be seen whether Nixon can come to grips with the problems that beset our country, come up with workable solutions and then sell them to the American public. He has his work cut out for him. The war in Vietnam, reckless Federal spending, crime in our streets, poverty - all cry for priority of solution. To compound the situation, he has a vast and viable conservative element that he must reckon with if he ever hopes to be elected. To say that the Conservatives are "fed up" with the direction our country is going in is a giant understatement. There are signs that Conservatives see Nixon as a reasonable alternative to the Alabamian who aspires to the presidency, (see RESULTS OF POLL) but we will not tolerate a middle-of-the-roader.

Results of Poll

For the past two weeks we have been receiving the results of a poll which we conducted, as a public service, to determine who our readers support for President of the United States. We give you here the results, by percentage of the total votes mailed in.

Wallace	37.5%
Nixon	35.5%
McCarthy	12.5%
Reagan	6%
Rockefeller	6%
Humphrey	1.5%
Johnson	1%

This is Conservative country, so Wallace's showing is not surprising. What we did not expect is the surprising show of support for Richard Nixon. It appears that under the Conservative surface beats a Republican heart.



Dear Sir:

Well that time of the year is coming again, when our legislators in Albany and Washington will come home to their respective election districts, and with angelic looks upon their faces, tell us how better off we are because of the laws that were passed during the previous term. They will then seek our support so they may continue the works of benevolence

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A Case of Socialism!

When it was announced that the State was about to take over the Long Island Rail Road, this publication attacked the idea as pure outright socialism that would only compound the troubled plight of the users of this utility. The rail road had been faced with many problems over the years due to the transition from a freight-commuter line to an almost totally commuter line. Many of these problems were brought about by the cumbersome and archaic entanglements imposed by various government agencies. Some of the "great" minds led by big government thinkers like Rockefeller felt that the only way out of the mess was to impose even more government on the line. The line was brought under total government control when it was annexed by the state and placed under the autonomous aegis of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. To do this the politicians put the taxpayer in a hook for about 30 years by selling bonds.

From that time forward, the service offered by the line has deteriorated and the cost of transportation has risen substantially even when you consider the fact that taxpayers have been pouring untold millions into the coffers through the power of the authority to sell bonds.

Not only have the users of this line been subjected to the indignity of having to ride in filth-laden cars, steaming hot in the summer and freezing cold in the winter, and schedules that don't mean anything, but now we see the line has cut out more than a third of the trains during rush hours.

The MTA has acted in a high-handed manner in everything it has done. Its billing this county for the upkeep of the stations without giving an itemized accounting of what it had done for these funds is a typical example. Unfortunately, our Suffolk County board did not have the guts to refuse this outlandish bill, as the leaders in Nassau and New York City. The authority has persisted and will continue to follow the path of the "public be damned" as long as it can continue to operate under the socialistic protection of an authority. Its leader, William Ronan, just had his salary raised to \$70,000. This was kept hidden from the public until uncovered by the news media. This jump in salary has made him the highest-paid official in public office, exceeded only by the President of the United States.

We read last week where Assemblyman Duryea was hopping mad because a West End Democrat had appointed a committee to investigate the rail road. He was mad because the Democrats would be getting a lot of mileage in publicity out of an investigation of this type around election time.

Instead of being hopping mad, Mr. Duryea would be doing his constituents and the rest of New York State a service if he would appoint a committee to find a private company to take over this socialistic venture from the state and return it to private enterprise where it belongs. Of course, for this to become a reality the rail road would have to be able to establish realistic rates for services rendered and to be free from many of the cumbersome regulations that were developed, some of which pertain to the old wood burning steam engine.

We are sure that under the free enterprise system and divorced from governmental control the Long Island Rail Road could be a successful, profit-making venture.

We suggest that Mr. Duryea grab a few of the headlines for himself in a bold and daring move to get this state out of its socialistic doldrums and return it to the basic capitalistic system that made this state an Empire State.

It is obvious that socialism will not work, as we have witnessed since the state took over control of the line. Government has never been known for using its head about business. It is totally incompetent in this field. None of the many in government would attempt to run their own business in the manner in which they attempt to run the government. We the public are the stockholders in government. It is time we changed management or management changes its way of doing business. Let's put into office people who are dedicated to running government in the most economical form and keeping its paws out of areas in which it is not competent. Let's see if our representatives have the imagination and ability to get the state out of the Long Island Rail Road. And Why Not?

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High Priced Baby Sitters

Another socialistic scheme has just been knocked down by the county board. This one was to set up two day-care centers for children of women on welfare who were to be trained for jobs.

In principle, Suffolk Life finds much merit in this proposal. We are for anything within reason that will rehabilitate chronic welfare recipients into useful taxpaying citizens. The only trouble with the defeated program was its astronomical cost. Under the free-spending, free-wheeling welfare giveaway in this county, the welfare department had projected the total cost would average about \$5,000 per child to operate. Many welfare mothers have several children. It could, conceivably, cost as much as \$25,000 to take care of just one family.

The plan was seen through by the county board and knocked down because of the cost. We hope it does not end here. We think the idea has merit and could be realized under our free enterprise system at far less money. There are a number of private day schools, nursery schools and private homes that are willing to take care of children for working mothers. Their fees are considerably less than \$5,000 per child per year. Checking into this, we find that placing a child in a private home where a child receives lunch and snacks plus supervision and guidance by a

competent mother, the tariff is in the neighborhood of \$15.00 per week or \$780.00 per year. Day schools or nursery schools average in the neighborhood of \$25.00 per week or \$1,300 per year.

Many of these are run by former teachers and offer a hot lunch plus snacks. Some even offer transportation.

It seems ironical that these private businesses can offer competent service, make a profit and pay taxes on less than 25% of what the county claims it needs. We think this is just a typical example of why our taxes are so high. It might be wise for leaders with courage to look for other ways of letting private enterprise do the job of government. The taxpayers would profit. And Why Not?

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Dear Mr. Editor:

May I respectfully request that the signer of the letter "A Resident Of Oakland Avenue" in the August 14th issue of Suffolk Life, relative to speeding on Oakland Avenue, Southold, contact me.

We have had splendid cooperation from the Southold Town Police in our efforts to reduce speeding in Southold.

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Lessons To Be Learned

We have heard much cooing from the doves in the last few years and particularly in the last six months about getting America out of Viet Nam. The primary arguments have been that the administration has nurtured a psychopathic fear/hate complex against communism; that, in fact, the communists are not as bad as we make them out to be and would allow the people of Viet Nam free elections. Our doves also admonish us that we have no right to be on this foreign soil because we were never asked by the people to go there and assist them in their quest for freedom.

The facts are that we would not be in Viet Nam if we had not been invited. We would not be involved in this long and costly war if the situation were solely an internal revolution by the people of South Viet Nam to determine their own form of government.

We maintain troops in many foreign lands—by mutual agreement. We have commitments in England, Turkey, West Germany, Japan, Korea and many others. The reason that we give generously (and with great cost) of our military strength is that these host countries wish to avoid just the kind of takeover that we have witnessed recently in Czechoslovakia. Our policy, of necessity, is dictated by the only principle that the communists understand and respect—military might.

Is there an official or citizen of this country who would not welcome an end to this bloody war and free elections so that the South Vietnamese could chart their own course? Of course there isn't. Even though there is the chance that the South Vietnamese might choose a communist form of government, we would support such a move provided the Viet Cong and the NLF give Saigon and us a guarantee that these elections would be truly free and impartial and that they would abide by the results. History, however, bears out the fact that the North Vietnamese will not abide by decisions that are contrary to their beliefs. That is what this war is all about. When Viet Nam was split into two countries the north immediately began to infiltrate and wage a frightful and deadly terrorist war against the south.

This publication does not like war. It detests the idea that man will slaughter man. That men, in our day and age, have to resort to physical force to settle political or ideological disagreements is a sad commentary on the human race. This publication is

realistic enough to comprehend the fact that in order to have peace with honor our opponents must have the same desire that we have and if they don't, and we still want peace at any price, as many of our doves are advocating, then we must be prepared to surrender to them. Well, let the doves surrender. We say to surrender in the cause of supporting freedom is to surrender freedom itself. Are we really prepared to do that? Do we really cherish our freedom? Can we compromise our ideals and remain strong? We say never!

To this editor and to this publication our freedoms are too valuable and were bought too dearly to be eroded by those few who would compromise us at the bargaining table or in the field of international politics. These are the freedoms that the new government in Czechoslovakia was encouraging with the complete approbation of the Czech people. These are the freedoms that the Russians must crush or Russian leadership will die, and that is why the Russians crossed the Czech borders.

The doves are advocating that we lay down our arms as a sign of peace to the world. How can they be so naive? Let us continue to fight until the other side ceases its bellicose attitude and agrees to free elections in Viet Nam. Let us not permit our desire for peace to carry us to the point of going soft on communism. And Why Not?

Drive Extended

John Q. Public has not come through, as hoped, in supporting the Central Suffolk Hospital building program. As a result, the hospital is about 25% or \$200,000 short of its goal of \$800,000. We would hate to see public apathy prevent this goal from being reached. The need for additional hospital facilities is desperate.

When we find ourselves in need of hospitalization we will want a room and the necessary hospital

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services to expedite our recovery. We are not going to be turned away because our community did not feel that it should support this project, yet it is a cold hard fact that we may have to be turned away if each and every one of us don't respond generously to our hospital's appeal.

Suffolk Life cannot urge you strongly enough to do what you can. The building committee will welcome all donations. They will gladly work out deferred payment plans for up to three years. Let's look to the future of our community and to the future of our fine hospital. What is it going to be worth to have up-to-date medical facilities waiting for you when you need them? It could be a matter of life or death, and that's worth plenty.

If you would like to talk to someone personally about the hospital or what you can do to insure its future you may send in the coupon printed below or call Park 7-8220. Won't YOU do so today. And Why Not?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

The last two sentences of your editorial "Can He Do it?" (Aug. 14) prompt this letter.

It appears that Nixon has been able to fool gullible conservatives that he is "one of them." To those who feel they are well informed, they seem to feel Nixon's exposure of UN architect Alger Hiss as a Communist is enough to put him in the conservative camp. But as a great Democrat used to say, "let's look at the record."

Nixon's background puts him in the internationalist, one world corner. He has sponsored legislation for the United World Federalists and sponsored the infamous Atlantic Union Resolution which was co-sponsored by J. William Halfbright and Hubert Humphrey. The Atlantic Union Committee, by its own admission interested in World Government, has had

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Nixon sponsor its legislation.

Nixon has called for repeal of the Connelly Reservation which prevents the World Court from intervening in United States affairs.

He opposes the Bricker Amendment which prevents the president from surrendering Constitutional privileges to an international body.

He believes in negotiations with the Communists.

He supports cultural exchanges with the USSR even though J. Edgar Hoover has repeatedly warned they are used for spying purposes.

In Moscow in 1959, he apologized to Khrushchev for the US Congress passage of a resolution commemorating "Captive Nations Week" which calls for US assistance in freeing Eastern Europe from the Reds. Nixon said "this was a foolish resolution."

Nixon has stated, "I am just as strong for a liberal Republican in New York as I am a conservative Republican in Texas.." but he has proven his strong opposition to conservative congressmen from California.

He attended a fund-raising dinner for N.Y. Senator Javits. Campaigning in 1962 for governor of California he fought against Proposition 24, a statewide move to outlaw the Communist Party. Needless to say, he lost.

CORE has praised Nixon for having seen "the relevance of

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