



Willmott's and Why-Not's

BY DAVID J. WILLMOTT, Editor

This year we are going to have to be content with making sure that the congressmen we elect are the men we can trust if it falls to them to select our next President. We will have to trust that they will abide by our decision and cast their votes as we want them to.

There is a movement afoot whereby Congressmen and Senators, and their opponents, are signing pledges to abide by the popular vote and not be swayed by party loyalties. This is only fair and democratic. Many incumbents, however, are refusing to sign or agree to such an idea. In essence, they are saying that the public be damned; that they will vote as they see fit regardless of how the public feels.

We would like to see each of our congressional and senatorial candidates, as well as incumbents, pledge openly, and without question, that they will support this concept of democracy. And Why Not?

Presidential Election

Your vote for President of the United States, in reality, does not count. You will not vote for Nixon, Humphrey or Wallace. You will vote for delegates to the electoral college who are not even legally bound to follow the dictates of the electorate. If the electoral college cannot come up with a definite majority, it will then pass to the House of Representatives to elect a President and to the Senate to elect a Vice President. If a state has an equal number of Democratic and Republican representatives then that state is ineligible to cast a vote.

This is the sad state of affairs that we face in the coming election. After the very close election in 1960, an uproar was heard to do something to correct this antiquated method of selecting Presidents before the next election. 1964 came and, with the wide majority of votes won by Johnson, little more was done to change the electoral system. This year, with a strong third party bid by George Wallace, it is evident that no candidate is going to receive a majority of the popular vote. It is becoming even more evident that no candidate will be able to win the majority of the electoral college. This means that the selection of the next President of the United States will fall to the members of the House of Representatives, and they are not bound to vote for the man who musters the most popular votes.

Three candidates have been elected without a majority of the popular vote: Adams in 1825, Hayes in 1876 and Harrison in 1888. Eleven presidents have been elected without having a plurality in fields of three or more candidates. This system should have been changed long ago. The electoral college system and the House and Senate by-product came about because our forefathers felt that the electorate did not have the sense or the intelligence to choose the leader of this country. They wanted the final word on this matter. Even though the system has shown its weaknesses over the years, our legislators have never seen fit to change this system to allow the people to have the final word in choosing who they want to represent them. It is too late to do anything about changing the system now because a constitutional amendment is required which takes a minimum of a year to enact. The preliminaries on this amendment, however, could be done now so that it is in the works for the next election.

Great Investment

The best move that the Suffolk County Board of Supervisors made this year was the decision to purchase a piece of ocean front land in Southampton running west from the Shinnecock canal to just east of the town beach in Tiana. This eleven hundred foot parcel of land will cost the taxpayers over three million dollars, but it is, without a doubt, the most sensible investment the supervisors could have made. This stretch of land is one of the last large tracts of ocean front available on the island. It is a beautiful stretch of beach and is ideal for swimming and surfing. The land is bounded on the north by Shinnecock Bay and would be ideally suited for the development of bay beaches and a good marina.

Three million dollars is a lot of money to invest at a time like this when our taxes are skyrocketing, but, to us, the investment makes good fiscal sense. Our recreational facilities are our biggest asset. If they are not public they are of value only to those who

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privately own the property. The investment of this money will surely pay dividends in the future. If handled properly, parking fees can pay for both amortization and interest on the bonded indebtedness. Parking fees would not have to be set high for this to be accomplished. They could be patterned after Southampton's which offers daily parking for \$1.50. Some of the commercial parking lots along Dune Road have been providing nothing more than a dirt facility, have been filled to capacity and have been charging upwards of \$5.00 this past summer. It was estimated that one lot alone made over \$3,000. in one day over Labor Day weekend.

The preserving of this beach property for the future is a wise move for other reasons. Many of us can remember when you could go to any one of the ocean beaches during the hottest days of the summer and there would not be more than thirty to forty people on the beach. Nowadays, the beaches are reaching the saturation point on weekends which reminds us of the west end beach crowds. These new beaches will guarantee, at least in part, that our children will have a beach to go to in the years to come.

Suffolk Life salutes the supervisors on this wise and far-sighted move. Our children will thank them for it. And Why Not?

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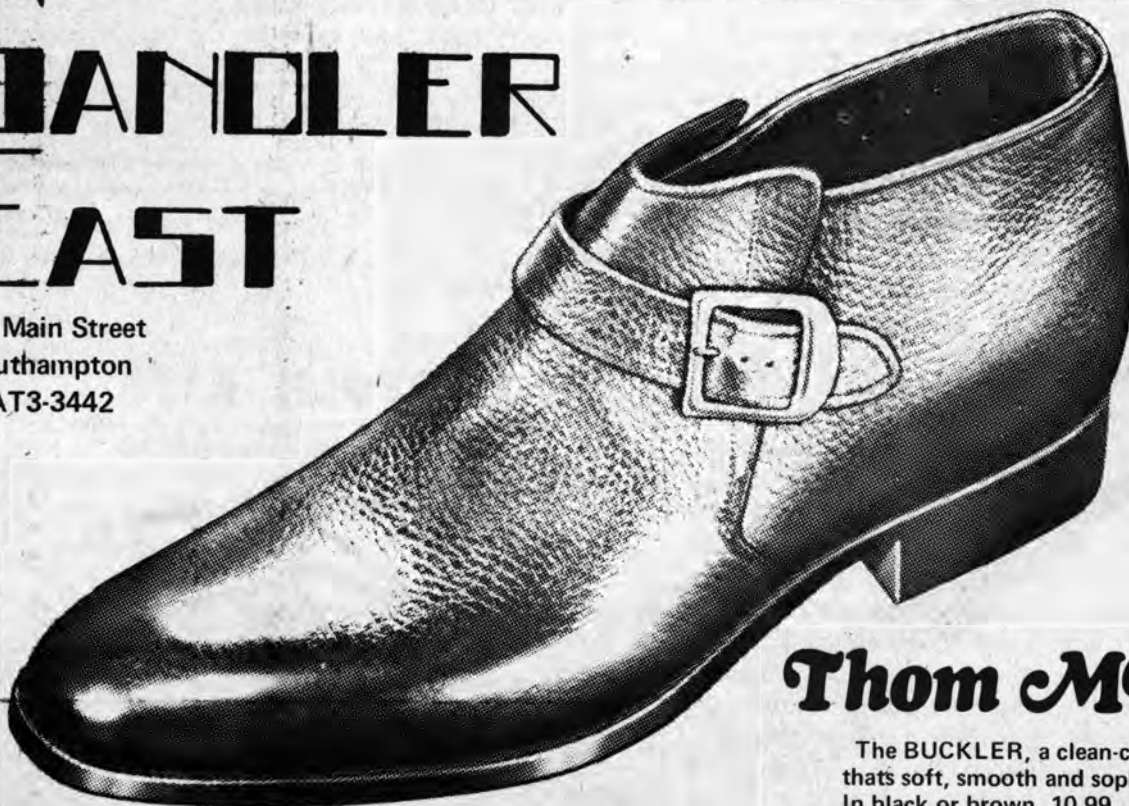
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As we have grown, our former facility on Griffing Avenue in Riverhead seemed to shrink. Five years ago, when we first moved into the Riverhead location, from our garage at home, we had difficulty in just filling the front office. As time went on and more people joined our staff and we acquired more equipment, we always seemed to be able to find a corner here or there to fit things into. With the advent of going into paid circulation, which necessitated the keeping of enumerable records, we just ran out of corners, and it became very obvious that the time had come to seek a new location. We also realized, through our constant contact with eastern Long Island businesses and with the public, that there was a compelling need for graphic art services in this rapidly expanding area.

Our new facilities now make it possible to serve these needs. In our graphic arts center we now have an experienced and talented public relations expert, professional copywriter and our national award-winning commercial artists. We cordially invite the business community and our reading public to avail themselves of these services. As time goes on we will add additional services that may be required to meet the growing needs of eastern Long Island.

It would be inappropriate if we did not thank the people who have made our growth possible. It is you, our readers and subscribers, with your loyalty and support, who we are most grateful to. If it were not for your readership, your response to our advertisers' messages and your reaction to our articles and editorials, we could not have enjoyed such rapid growth. We thank you for this vital support and hope

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What Question?

The Presidential election seems to have almost completely overshadowed our local elections. This year we have candidates for the House of Representatives, the Senate, the State Assembly and the State Senate. On the county level we have candidates for Sheriff, District Attorney and County Clerk plus several judgeships. Most of these positions are crucial, at this time, to eastern Long Island. The legislators, who will represent us in this next session, will be facing issues of greater-than-normal importance.

Some of the national problems that confront us are the possible nightmare of having Calverton converted into a jetport, what to do about our seashore, its development, and conservation problems, the Russian Fishing Treaty and our transportation problems among other things. All of these matters require the attention of politicians who have the knowledge of what their constituents want and the ability to get legislation enacted.

For eastern Long Island residents the New York State political races are of even more importance. The burning issue of secession of the East End is going to require the absolute dedication of men who are in favor of this move. The questions of the proposed New England bridge, the jet port, growth of Suffolk County, our school problems and taxation must be answered, in detail, by the candidates who aspire to public office.

These important issues cannot be bypassed or overlooked. The candidates for state political office must spell out their opinions on these matters in detail. To be sure, the Presidential election is of vital importance, but, primarily, we want to know what is going to happen in our own back-yard.

We urge the candidates to spell out their feelings in our Letters To The Editor Column. To date, we have not received one comment from a politician running for office this year. Mr. Nixon's coattails may not provide the ironclad guarantee of success to lesser political aspirants. We also urge our readers to seek out their answers to pressing questions through this medium.

Suffolk Life reaches every registered voter from Port Jefferson east to Orient Point and from just east of Chogue to Montauk Point. We willingly donate this space for the issues to be openly discussed so that the public may be informed. And Why Not?

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Utmost Importance

Ted Sharretts of Bridgehampton, Chairman of the Committee For A New County, Inc., spoke before the Riverhead Rotary Club on October 9th. Some of the facts he brought out, relevant to the county secession movement, were startling.

The Miller Report, an independent auditing paper using counties with similar populations and geographic sizes as the proposed new county, indicates that the new county will have a tax rate of approximately \$6.50 to \$7.00. Compare this with the staggering estimates of what Nassau and Suffolk Counties will be paying in 1970 to 1975 (as indicated by the Nassau Suffolk planning board) of \$15. to \$16.50 per hundred dollars of assessed valuation. Next year, based on present estimates, eastern Suffolk will pay almost forty million dollars as its share of the county taxes, but, if we were an independent county, we could operate efficiently and provide all necessary services on a total budget of thirteen to fourteen million dollars. Incidentally, the estimated forty millions of dollars to be paid by US next year makes up nearly 25% of the proposed budget for the county, but it is being paid for by only 9% of the total county population.

The demands of the west end, upon the county, for additional services are rapidly pushing Suffolk into bankruptcy. This is not an idle statement. All county departments are under orders to cut down on all unnecessary expenditures in order to keep cash outlay more in line with cash income. Suffolk County has just about reached the limit of its ability to raise tax monies. The new budget is predicted to equal, or even exceed, the legal limitations of taxing powers established under the county charter.

The sorry fiscal situation in Suffolk County has been the result of incredibly rapid expansion of the west end and the unfortunate problem of having politicians, rather than hardheaded business men, running the government. There is, and has been untold waste at all levels of government. There are thousands of ways that the county government could economize under efficient management. Politics, however, do not make for responsible fiscal management and there are too few men in our county government with the courage or ability to implement ways of saving money.

We can, as residents of a new county, starting from scratch, choose any form of government that

we feel best serves our common interests. One recommendation is that we set up a form of government similar to a business corporation. Each taxpayer and voter would be a stockholder and would elect a board of directors to oversee the operation of the county. The board of directors, in turn, would hire a manager to oversee day-to-day operations. We feel that such an arrangement has compelling arguments in its favor. If a tight hand is kept on government, in the beginning, we can start our new county on a sound fiscal basis and keep it that way.

If the east end is ever going to split off from Suffolk county, **THIS IS THE YEAR!** This will be the last time that we will have the opportunity to get a "home rule" message through the county board. We will be operating under a reapportioned county board after January 1st, 1969, and the east end will have only about 10% of the vote on the county board. You can be sure that the west end will not give up those critical east end tax monies—money that represents over double our proportionate share of county taxes.

It is imperative that YOU, our taxpayers, register a firm opinion on this matter of secession among your friends and neighbors between NOW and election day. It is **CRITICAL** that you vote FOR secession on election day if you want to retain a voice in the management of your own county's affairs and the future of your county.

One more point: Mr. Sharretts pointed out that Assemblyman Duryea's prime stated reason for being lukewarm on the subject of a new county is the question of the population requirement as set forth in the state constitution. It has further been suggested that if Mr. Duryea will look into the legal language used in setting up the population requirements, new counties, with less than the stated population figure, can be created. The population matter seems to be the only thing that keeps Mr. Duryea from working a "bill" through the Assembly. We hope that he will throw his full weight and prestige behind the "new

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county" proposal. Such is the hope of the vast majority of east end residents. Mr. Duryea's prestige and political acumen can make Peconic County (or Montauk County, if you prefer) a reality. If the people of the five eastern towns indicate that they want a separate county, Mr. Duryea is morally committed to do everything in his power to see it through to reality.

Mr. Duryea has the obligation to speak out on this question NOW. What will he do NOW? We have offered him space in Suffolk Life to make his opinions known, just as we have offered the same open forum to all other candidates. May your constituents hear from you Mr. Duryea, on this vital matter? And Why Not?

Why?

Although we do not support George Wallace for president, one must, in all fairness, pause long enough to see which way some winds are blowing and why. Politicians are asking "why all the support for Wallace?" The phenomenum of the masses raising their voice against established precedents has them dumbfounded. It has them as dumbfounded as the British were with the colonists for being dissatisfied with domination and control over this country. The parallel is very similar.

The people, the little people who have made America great, are resentful of taxation without representation. Politicians, in their smug, holier-than-damn attitude, have forgotten the average person too long.

Their know more, see more and do more attitude has caught up with them. People are fed up with them. People are fed up with politicians in general. George Wallace offers them a relief. Their vote for him will not be so much a protest vote as an honest vote for someone who has told them what they want to hear and how they want to hear it. You will find both white and Negro voters casting their lot with this man. A friend of ours was in Washington, D.C. last week and asked a Negro cab driver for his opinion on who was going to win. The driver replied: "I don't know who is going to win, but I am going to vote for Wallace. "Our friend, a bit astonished, asked why he was going to vote for a man who has a record of being a segregationist. The driver said, "At least with Wallace I know where I stand."

Politicians, whether presidential candidates or candidates for dog catchers, have adopted an attitude of talking out of both sides of their mouths. The truth is the farthest thing from their mind.

The day of the warm handshake, the friendly, sincere smile and all-American humor, are over. Americans want answers as to where their leaders are taking them. They want to know what the leaders really think. Good or bad, they feel more comfortable in knowing where they stand. They don't want phony promises - - like give-away programs that they pay double for. They want direct action on today's problems in a language they can understand.

They want to know why their children in school are denied the existence of God. This in a country whose very foundation was based on the belief in the Almighty and in the hereafter. They want to know why a lawbreaker has more rights than the offended. This in a country which was founded under the principle of law and order. They want to know why they are paying ungodly taxes in the name of defense when we can't even defend the 89 men who were kidnaped on the Pueblo. They want to know why we are sacrificing our men in battle if we don't want to win. They want to know why we continue to support, with dollars, contries and men who do not give a damn what happens to us. They want to know why what is good for the people of California must be good for the people of Maine. They want to know why a man who is perfectly able to work won't take a job which offers \$75 to \$150 per week but will, instead, take unemployment and welfare. They want to know why the government wants to register the guns when there are 20,000 laws on the books control the use of guns and the government is incapable of keeping guns out of the hands of lawbreakers. This list could go on and on, but it would only serve to show why people are supporting Wallace for president.

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This publication will not support Wallace for president. We will support another candidate and the reason will be disclosed in a later editorial. However, to those people who honestly support George Wallace **MORE POWER TO THEM.** If they believe in this man, they would be falsifying their vote if they voted for someone else. It's a wasted vote, a hypocritical vote if you vote for a man that you do not believe in, a man whom you do not believe will be able to do for you, the voter, more than any other man.

This is a democracy. Every man is entitled to his opinion. No man and no newspaper should say "shame" to a voter because he will not support the candidate of their choice. It is a shameful example of democracy when opponents must resort to coercion to persuade voters to go along with their way of thinking. And Why Not?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Dave,

Reading the articles in your paper on reapportionment has made me think of just how life might be 20 years from now on Eastern Long Island, depending on the outcome of the reapportionment voting.

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to live, but the fact still remains that the East has many things to offer which could not be replaced by industrial development. Agreed that the East should remain the same way it is now, tourist oriented, light industrial areas and the very open and country spaciousness it has always been. The eastern Suffolk population respects western Suffolk's ways of living and they should in turn respect the Eastenders way and will to live.

I am 21 years of age and I am presently serving in the United States Army and due to a number of factors I will not be able to vote on this matter. If I could have my way and a chance to vote, I would, and I would urge everyone else to vote YES in the referendum for a separate county, as your decision now will be your future way of life.

Sincerely
Richard W. Siegel
Viet Nam



Nixon's The One

The voters this year are faced with three choices for president. The American Independent Party offers George Wallace as its candidate. We agree with much of what he says but are left with the feeling that he says what he knows a tired America wants to hear. We question his sincerity. We question his ability. He lacks experience pertinent to every facet of the highest office in the land.

The Democrats offer much of what we have already had in the past eight years. True, they admit that the country is in a mess both internally and in the international sphere, but their answer to our problems is Hubert Humphrey. He espouses the same theories that have caused this country to falter when we should have been growing vigorously. The controlled economy has caused rapid inflation and regression of economic development particularly in the research field. We now have taxes on taxes and more people than ever refusing to work because it is possible for them to live comfortably on federal hand-outs. Humphrey's particular weakness is evident in his declarations on the ending of the Viet Nam war. His dovish attitude smacks of appeasement and would preclude our ever ending the conflict honorably. The ultimate result of communist appeasement would be the tragic loss of many more American lives. Anything but a completely honorable settlement of the Viet Nam war will result in more limited wars; not that an honorable settlement is any guarantee of peace, but, at least, the communists will hesitate before starting something that they know we would jump into. On the domestic scene, Humphrey's ultra-liberal leanings will only aggravate matters that are thorns in the sides of Eastern Long Islanders. In the not-too-distant future, additional openings will come up in the Supreme Court. Humphrey can only be expected to appoint more ultra-liberals to these positions. Any further interpretations of our Constitution, by liberal jurists, can only result in some bastard form of democracy. Do we want that or do we want the Supreme Court brought back into the mainstream of American life? Humphrey espouses the school of thought that big Federal government can do more for the people than local government. We feel that government that is closest to the people is the best form of government for all the people.

The Republicans offer Richard Nixon as their candidate. Although he is no Barry Goldwater, his basic leanings are towards conservative republicanism. We feel, that on the international scene, he will be able to command the respect of the communists. They will know that the days of fighting the Viet Nam war, with one hand tied behind us, are over. Nixon has courage and, if you can recall his famous "kitchen debate" with Khrushchev, he will take no nonsense from the communists. We feel that he thinks like a mainstream American. He wants peace but not at the cost of surrender.

Richard Nixon knows the value of hard work, has seen the results of effort and initiative in his own life, and we feel that these things will have a profound effect upon his domestic policies. He believes that the individual should do for himself, that we need better local government and less federal control. As President of the United States, Richard Nixon's fiscal policies will create a more favorable economic climate.

We feel that Nixon is the one man who can reunite the various factions in this country, not by legislation but by creating an atmosphere whereby each man will respect his fellow man for what he is. We believe that he will restore respect for authority and obedience to law, not through any magic formula but by the way he responds to the problems of his fellow Americans with honesty and forthrightness, and that people will realize that unjust laws can and will be changed through due process and not by rioting and demonstrations.

The country is uneasy. We desperately need a change in leadership. We welcome the ideas and philosophies espoused by Richard Nixon, and we urge our readers, after due consideration, to cast their votes for him. And why not?

County Near Bankruptcy

It has been reported that the county budget for 1969 will come close to the point of exceeding the

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legal limitations upon real estate taxation as stipulated in the county charter. In other words, expenses might exceed revenue. In business, such a situation would be grounds for bankruptcy.

It is a sad state of affairs that we have politicians, such as our county executive and the Supervisor of East Hampton, Bruce Collins, who admit publicly that they know of budget padding yet do nothing about it. We are sure that the other supervisors know of this padding but are afraid to admit it.

The whole system of raising and spending money in the county has been badly mismanaged, but our politicians have been very reluctant to blow the whistle because public repercussion could very well affect them politically.

We do not spend that much time at the county center to be fully cognizant of the situation that exists there, but it is obvious to us that there is too much waste of public monies — your monies. Ever notice the many county vehicles that our deputy sheriffs' take home each night? How about all those other unmarked county cars that we see at shopping centers and restaurants? You don't have to spend much time walking around the county center to see the time that is wasted by countless personnel in idle conversation. County employees make no bones about taking "sick" days off, even though they are not sick. Too many irresponsible county employees feel that it is their "right" to do this. They choose to

ignore the fact that these sick days are to be used only for legitimate illness. The cost of the loss of thousands of productive man-hours is borne by Y the county taxpayer.

We have suggested, on several occasions, that the entire spending of the county be put under public scrutiny. We think the time has come for the citizens of Suffolk County to demand an investigation into the operation of the county. A committee of solid citizens, charged with the responsibility of rooting out waste and duplication of effort, could reveal that millions of dollars of taxpayers money is being squandered needlessly. Such a study might not be politically popular, but it could be the most beneficial program ever undertaken in the county.

In order to be successful, this program would have to be undertaken by citizens who are totally divorced from politics. Such a committee could not be manned by party favorites, as most county committees are.

This editor has talked to many dedicated county employees who are as disturbed about the waste in the county as we are. They tell unbelievable stories of the misuse of personnel and equipment but are fearful of their jobs and won't come out with public statements.

The time for sweeping the dirt under the rug and forgetting about it is past. Now is the time to bring out into full view the waste and misuse of funds prevalent in our county government.

The supervisors are faced with two alternatives this year. They can call for a citizens' investigation into the cost of county government or call for a raise in taxes, which you and I will have to bear, in order to finance mismanagement and continued misuse of public funds.

A citizens' investigating committee should have full power to scrutinize the operation of all county departments, all county records, and they should have the power to subpoena witnesses. The investigation should be open and subject to public view. Irregularities, when found, should be dealt with immediately. The committee's findings should be made public and their recommendations, after a proper hearing, should be adopted or amended and followed.

The time is long past due to return the fiscal management of Suffolk County to a sound basis. For too long it has been in the hands of the politicians who have regarded it as their private game preserve. Action must be taken now. Our citizens demand it. And Why Not?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Dave Willmott:

Just read your article commending the County Board of Supervisors on its purchase of ocean front property in Hampton Bays. Many of us are wondering exactly how the traffic situation is going to be handled. The traffic situation in the

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EDITORIAL

VOTE "YES"

"Shall the Town of (5 Eastern Towns) petition the legislature and take other steps to create and erect the County of Peconic from the Five Eastern Towns of Suffolk County?"

Voters of the five eastern towns will be asked, next Tuesday, to vote on the question of splitting Suffolk County into two counties. This question is on the ballot only to get the opinion of the residents. The results of the ballot will have no official bearing on the creation of a new county, but it is, by far, the most important question that will be asked of us on election day. If, as we hope, the voters register a majority "YES" vote on this question, then our officials, both local and state, are obligated to initiate a specific course of action to bring about the creation of a new county.

Suffolk Life wholeheartedly favors the creation of a separate county. We have weighed the opinions of many, we have examined the feasibility studies and we have conducted our own poll on the matter. There are no doubts in our mind. We MUST have a separate county.

Under the reapportionment, that will go into effect this coming January, the five eastern towns will retain only 1½ votes out of a total of 18 on the county level. Impress that disproportionate figure upon your minds, good people, and carry it with you into the voting booth on election day. 1½ votes out of eighteen, yet we will continue to pay into the county coffers approximately 25% of the cost of operating the county while our hands will be tied and our voices stilled on matters pertaining to the spending of that money.

As part of Suffolk County it is estimated that our contribution to the 1969 budget will come close to \$40 million. As a new county we could operate for

between \$13 and \$14 million dollars, and this INCLUDES our portion of Suffolk's bonded indebtedness. We are satisfied that ALL necessary county services can be provided within these figures. NO important services would have to be eliminated. NO important services would be forced to curtail their budgets.

The splitting of the county could be accomplished in an orderly, economical manner, as was pointed out in the Griffenhagen-Kroeger report. Existing county buildings could be utilized by both counties on a "use" fee basis. Few jobs would be eliminated. Both counties stand to benefit—Suffolk gains financially by reducing her necessary work force and Peconic gains by picking up experienced ex-Suffolk employees.

The advantages in creating a new county are legion. We will be able to adopt a form of government that will be more in line with our needs and more responsive to our people. It will be more economical to run. Many of the services that we are now paying a disproportionate share for are ONLY needed by the west end. A new county will give each and every one of us an opportunity to have a say in the development of the east end and a voice in her destiny. Far from being isolationist, as some of the opponents of the new county make us out to be, our future will produce a coordinated and planned development based upon sound judgment and principles.

We cannot urge our readers strongly enough to pull the "YES" lever on this question on election day. We must show our county and state leaders that we are of one mind on this question. Vote "YES" and urge your friends and neighbors to do the same! And Why Not?



Buckley for Senator

The voters of New York have only two choices in the senatorial race. On the one hand they have two liberal candidates, O'Dwyer and Javits, and, on the other hand, a mainstream American candidate, James Buckley.

Javits, the incumbent, has one of the most liberal voting records in the nation. He believes that government can do more for the individual than the individual can do for himself. He is for taking away your earnings, in the form of increased taxation, and returning them to you in the form of services that you don't need and others don't deserve.

O'Dwyer got the democratic nomination by a fluke. He is a peace candidate and advocates getting out of Viet Nam at any cost.* This is his sole reason for running for the Senate. He has the support of many ultra-liberals as well as too many of the hairy demonstrating types. He offers no constructive solutions to today's problems.

Buckley offers a choice in this race. He wants to see responsibility returned to the people. He is for less government control. He offers the voter a choice between a liberal, giveaway, big brother government and a sensible form of government responsive to the people at a cost that we can afford.

Suffolk Life endorses James Buckley, the Conservative, for the Senate. And Why Not?

Catterson for Congress

Suffolk Life enthusiastically endorses James N. Catterson, Jr. of Belle Terre for Congress. Mr. Catterson is a young, talented attorney. He is a conservative Republican in thinking. His record in government service is impressive: he was an Assistant District Attorney of Suffolk County, tried 39 cases and won them all. He was involved in the investigation of recent political scandals in Islip Town. He showed his courage in retiring from the District Attorney's office when he felt that his services, because of politics, could no longer be effective. He could have gone along with the present administration and insured himself a comfortable political career. He chose not to do so, and we feel that he demonstrated a rare measure of character and integrity.

Of vital importance to all E.L.I. residents is Jim Catterson's deeply held conviction that individuals

must be the masters of their own destinies; that big government can never provide adequate solutions to men's social and economic ills. Mr. Catterson feels that the world owes no one a living, and he is emphatically opposed to a guaranteed annual income. He feels that government can do far more to create a climate whereby jobs will become available. Instead of wasteful Federal "make work" projects, he would offer tax incentives to industry in return for industry's efforts to recruit, train and make productive those many citizens who, for one reason or another, have been unable to work. He believes in helping those in need through incentives rather than through outright grants. Temporary grants too often become permanent grants. Mr. Catterson would fight for fiscal integrity and a balanced budget. His views on these matters are extremely sound and practical as well as knowledgeable.

Two years ago, Jim Catterson was one of the first to advocate that the United States reexamine her policy in the conduct of the Viet Nam war. He saw the futility of our course of action then, and the events of the past two years have borne him out. We have spoken, at length, with him about this situation, and he is as frustrated as most Americans are about Viet Nam. He knows that there are no easy answers, but he is dedicated to the conviction that we can only negotiate a settlement through strength. He is keenly aware of the communist philosophy that "What is mine is mine and what is yours we will talk about." He feels that the United States cannot continue to make world-wide commitments which she cannot keep without sapping her vitality, her manpower and her fiscal strength. His opinions on foreign policy strike us as making extremely good sense.

Mr. Catterson is firmly opposed to "long gun" registration. Drawing upon his substantial law enforcement background, he has told us that he favors a plan whereby the purchaser of a gun would be required to wait 72 hours before taking possession of it. Most crimes of violence, that involve firearms,

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are crimes of explosive emotion. Such a waiting period would, in effect provide a cooling-off period for the purchaser. Mr. Catterson's position on this matter is one of the first we have heard that would provide effective gun control while protecting the basic rights of our citizens.

Jim Catterson resents the Russian/American fishing treaty. He points out that the Russians violated the terms of the agreement. He cannot understand why our legislators continually support measures designed to butter-up our implacable Soviet enemy. He favors an extension of our limits on territorial waters that would keep foreign powers from robbing our natural resources. His views are right in line with our local commercial and sport fishing interests.

And now we would ask our readers to search their hearts and minds before they vote on election day. Has the incumbent Member of the House, who is running for reelection, really accomplished much for the First Congressional District and for the country or has the honeymoon lasted too long and have we been too devoted to the cult of the personality? This paper feels strongly that the latter is the case. Let's look at the voting record. FACTS don't lie. While the Americans For Constitutional Action, a conservative group, rate Pike as having voted the conservative line only 26% of the time, the Americans For Democratic Action, an ultra-liberal group has him voting liberal 53% of the time. Mr. Pike has not voted the way YOU want him to, Mr. Pike not really YOUR representative.

We need a change; we need it badly, and we need it now! Jim Catterson will give the First Congressional District the representation that it needs. He will vote the way this district believes; he will vote for YOU, and he will make a mighty contribution towards putting America back on the right track. Vote for Jim Catterson! And Why Not?

Giuffreda for State Senate

Suffolk Life recommends sending Leon Giuffreda back to the State Senate. He is willing to introduce a bill for the separation of the five eastern towns into a new county. He knows the workings of the Senate and has stated to this publication that he will work for this measure as long as it is clearly shown that the people of the east end are in favor of this move. He would have a better chance of seeing this bill through committee than a freshman senator.

We were also impressed with his work on the Education Committee. A report, which he is in the process of completing, will give some long overdue answers to questions concerning the sky-rocketing costs of schools. This report will turn up some disturbing facts relating to the cost of educating students. Mr. Giuffreda wants answers to these discrepancies.

SUFFOLK NEEDS A REAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TEAM

FOR SHERIFF



JOHN J. GILLESPIE

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY



ALBERT T. GERVAIS



John J. Gillespie recently retired from the New York City department of Correction with the rank of Captain. Mr. Gillespie will implement the reforms necessary in the Sheriff's office. . . a rehabilitation program for inmates a training school for deputies and jail personnel . . . a riot control training program.
Captain Gillespie will lead a respected law enforcement agency. There will be no men with criminal records on his staff (even a 13 year-old infraction of the law is not acceptable). . . Captain Gillespie will work hand in hand with Albert Gervais to help prevent crime by developing a youth educational program.

SUFFOLK NEEDS JOHN GILLESPIE

Albert T. Gervais; as District Attorney, will take the initiative in investigating the infiltration of organized crime into our County and will not await the arrival of a federal or state "task force". He will see that the unqualified support of the prosecutor's office is given to the dedicated individuals of our Police Department and Sheriff's Office, our "army in the field", against the forces of crime and disorder. He will work to bring about an awareness among our youth that no grievance and no cause can justify crime or disruptions of order. He will take vigorous action on the local level to render the sale and use of illegal drugs so risky that it will not be entered into lightly. Mr. Gervais will put an end to the practice of using appointments to the District Attorney's office as political plums.

SUFFOLK NEEDS ALBERT GERVAIS

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BEFORE YOU VOTE—COMPARE!

JAMES L. BUCKLEY'S POSITION

Viet Nam—

The only immoral thing about the war in Vietnam is sending American boys to fight and die there without winning. Let's resolve to finish the job and bring the boys home. Let's end foreign aid to those countries trading with our enemies.

Taxes—

The quickest way to reduce our incredible tax burden is to cut down on big government spending. It's time Washington stopped embezzling our savings and insurance policies.

Law and Order—

A massive effort is needed to safeguard the lives and property of our citizens. It's time we began to enforce our laws: fairly, impartially, but let's enforce them.

Race Relations—

Liberal programs have only increased the dependency of our black brothers. Black capitalism, initiative and achievement must be substituted for vast, impersonal and ineffective Federal programs.

Welfare—

Current welfare programs lead to the disintegration of families and breakdown of personal initiative. Our welfare system needs basic and sweeping reform.

JACOB K. JAVITS' POSITION

Viet Nam—

Advocates an immediate bombing halt completely disregarding the fact that many American lives would be lost. Failed to support the end of foreign aid to countries that trade with our enemies.

Taxes—

Advocates more massive federal spending despite the fact that none of these wasteful, inefficient programs accomplish their goals.

Law and Order—

He's for it but has no ideas what to do about it.

Race Relations—

Mr. Javits feels that massive federal spending is the answer. He insults black people by offering a hand-out— —not a hand.

Welfare—

Mr. Javits promises more of the same worn-out liberal programs despite the fact that they don't work and we can't afford the waste

While Mr. Javits claims to support the candidacy of Richard Nixon, Mr. Javits' record and position on the issues are not compatible with Mr. Nixon's positions. Send the man to Washington who thinks and feels as you do and who will help implement the programs you believe in.

VOTE FOR
James L. Buckley
for U.S. Senator



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HAROLD E. HAAR—U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

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DON'T VOTE FOR THE COAT!

Congressman Otis Pike's principal opponent has admitted flatly that he's counting on riding into office on Richard Nixon's coattails.

A pair of coattails looks great at a wedding, but they could never represent you in Washington.

Congressman Pike has done a good, honest, industrious job of representing us in Washington.

Four years ago a small independent Suffolk weekly, the Moriches Tide, called Otis Pike

"The Best Congressman Suffolk County Ever Had"

This year a major Long Island daily, which covers Suffolk, Nassau and Queens, said of Otis Pike:

"He is one of the best men Long Island ever sent to Washington and we endorse him for re-election without reservation"—Long Island Press, 10/18/68

Last week other papers which think for themselves, from the mighty New York Times to the little Shelter Island Reporter, said this about Congressman Pike:

"He has our endorsement for a fifth term"—New York Times.

"We urge his re-election"—Suffolk Sun

"A man of fine achievements, remarkable principle, and thoughtful regarding expenditures"—The Port Jefferson Record (Republican)

"For Congress we enthusiastically endorse Riverhead Democrat Otis G. Pike as the hardest-working, most sincere representative Suffolk's First District can recall. He is a rare bird that should be kept in the nest"—Shelter Island Reporter (Republican)

Congressman Pike's previous opponents have run on the coattails of Dwight D. Eisenhower, Richard M. Nixon and Nelson Rockefeller. Congressman Pike has always run on his own two legs, and stood up on them for us in Washington. Suffolk's voters have always been able to separate the candidates from the coattails.

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Mr. Giuffreda's opponent on the Democratic side is J.E.B. Ladouceur, a bright and energetic advertising man from Smithtown. He would be an asset in state government if it weren't for his liberal leaning. Unfortunately, he is a proponent of big government and increased spending which we can no longer afford.

The Conservative candidate, James R. McCarty, is another capable young man but is not well enough versed in state government to be considered for state senator.

We recommend the re-election of Leon Giuffreda. And Why Not?

Duryea for Assembly

Suffolk Life once again offers its support to Perry Duryea in his bid for re-election as Assemblyman from the First District. Mr. Duryea is one of the most personable and intelligent men we have had the pleasure of meeting in politics. Our only basic objection to his efforts, as our Assemblyman, is that too often he has gone along with the Governor's proposals, some of which were alien to the wishes of his constituents in the First Assembly District. However, his political peccadillos have been more than counterbalanced by the things that he has been able to do for this district. One notable example was his successful effort in convincing Governor Rockefeller to withdraw his support of the Calverton jetport.

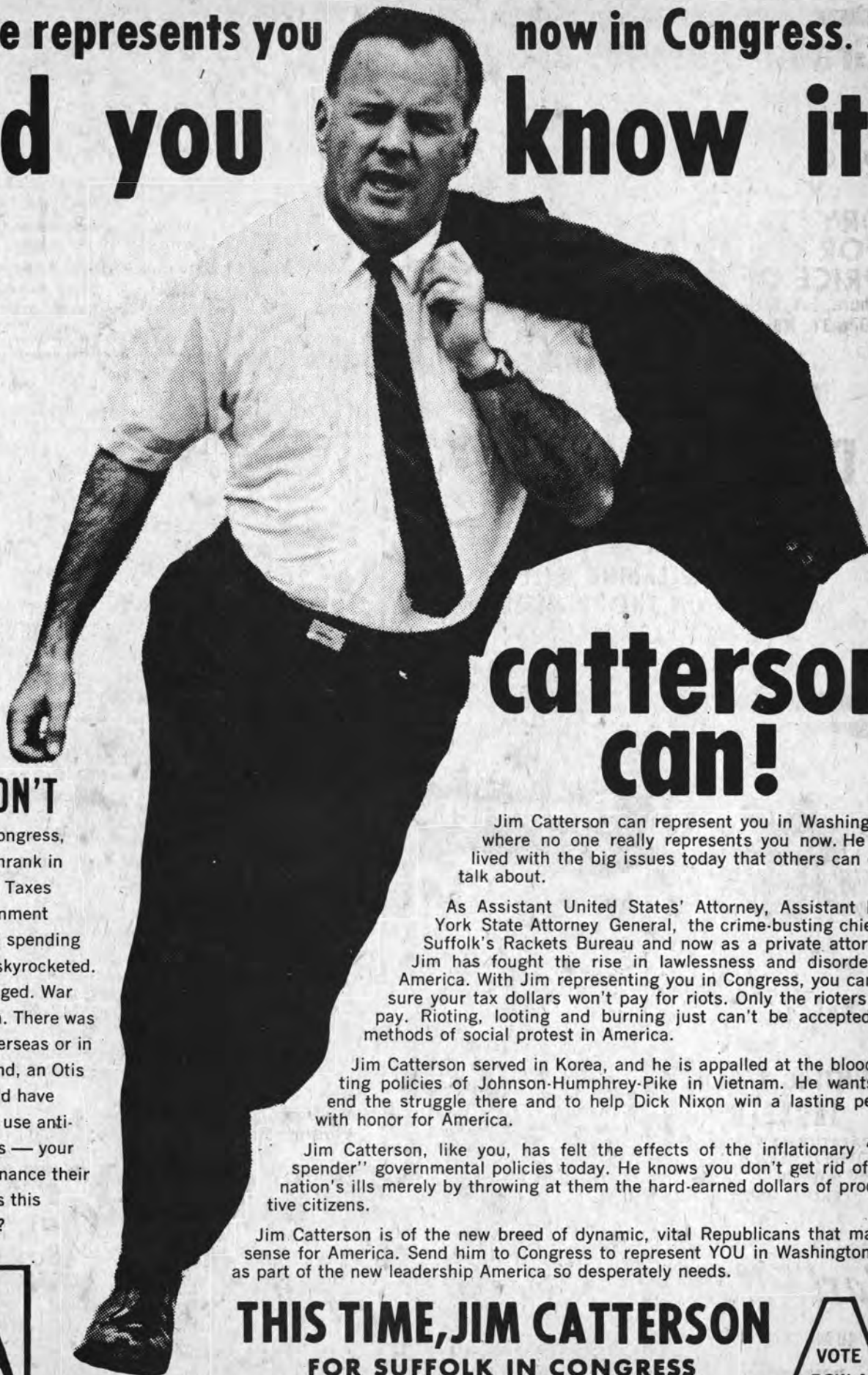
If he is returned to Albany this year, Perry Duryea will probably be the Assembly Majority Speaker. We feel that the Republicans have an excellent chance of capturing control of the Assembly. As majority speaker Mr. Duryea would be the second most powerful politician in the state and in a position to be instrumental in guiding a bill through the Assembly that could make the five eastern towns a separate county. He has stated that he will introduce a bill in the Assembly to create a new county and that he will work for its passage. His promised services to his district, on this one question alone, make it almost mandatory that we return him to Albany. We feel that on other issues he will continue to use his good judgment to the best interests of this district.

Mr. Duryea's Democratic opponent is Thompson McGowan. He also supports the creation of a separate county. His governmental background was as head of the urban renewal project in Huntington Town before moving to the east end. He would not have the power needed to push such a bill through the Assembly and we fear it would sit in committee and die there. We also feel that he does not know this area or the people as he should and, for this reason, would be unable to represent them adequately.

James Drew is the Conservative candidate for the Assembly. He is an extremely sincere man with deep

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Jim Catterson can represent you in Washington, where no one really represents you now. He has lived with the big issues today that others can only talk about.

As Assistant United States' Attorney, Assistant New York State Attorney General, the crime-busting chief of Suffolk's Rackets Bureau and now as a private attorney, Jim has fought the rise in lawlessness and disorder in America. With Jim representing you in Congress, you can be sure your tax dollars won't pay for riots. Only the rioters will pay. Rioting, looting and burning just can't be accepted as methods of social protest in America.

Jim Catterson served in Korea, and he is appalled at the bloodletting policies of Johnson-Humphrey-Pike in Vietnam. He wants to end the struggle there and to help Dick Nixon win a lasting peace with honor for America.

Jim Catterson, like you, has felt the effects of the inflationary "big spender" governmental policies today. He knows you don't get rid of the nation's ills merely by throwing at them the hard-earned dollars of productive citizens.

Jim Catterson is of the new breed of dynamic, vital Republicans that makes sense for America. Send him to Congress to represent YOU in Washington — as part of the new leadership America so desperately needs.

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