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WHAT'LL YOU HAVE?

Which is your choice for the next president of the United States? There are two sides to every question, and THE TWIG would like for you to see both sides of this one.

ADLAI STEVENSON

I was sitting on the fence until a few weeks ago, because both men seemed equally capable as leaders, and both were trying to stand relatively independent of their parties. Recently, however, Eisenhower has weakened to the Republican machine to such an extent that he is not Eisenhower but a puppet operated by the machine. We don't want a president that dictates or one that is dictated to by the money power.

I choose a governor who seeks the voice of the whole people and knows their needs and wants rather than a general who gives orders and takes orders. I choose a governor who has had experience in local government; one who has shown what he can and will do in a political office. Adlai Stevenson has not tolerated corruption in any form; he has cut non-essential spending of the government in Illinois; he has built a reputation for economy; he has eliminated the need for borrowing by raising enough money to meet current spending.

My candidate is in favor of as much local government as possible. Only when local government fails to act should the federal government step in, he says. Stevenson has also taken a definite stand on education. He in-

creased state aid to education in order to insure a good education for poor children, and he is in favor of increasing the salary of teachers. It is Stevenson's belief that the Negro who is capable of doing a job should be given a chance. He stands for equality in opportunity for all.

Stevenson supports many of the Democratic policies now in practice, but he does not hesitate to take a stand where he disagrees. With Stevenson as president, I will feel secure, because I know what his domestic and foreign policies are. With Stevenson it won't be "a change . . . and I hope it works." It will be rather "a change . . . and I know how he works."

PENINA BOWDEN.

DWIGHT EISENHOWER

We have heard time and again of the perilous situation this world is in, but have we stopped to think how close home it really is? Have you stopped to examine the situation here in America—to think what will happen if such conditions continue? The future of the United States depends a great deal on the man we choose as president. In such a capacity, we need a man who has put his trust and faith in God; a man who has knowledge, sincerity, and integrity for the job—Dwight D. Eisenhower is such a man.

Although some of our fellow Americans seem to think that his status as an army general disqualifies him for the presidency, let us not forget that this year as well as four years ago the Democrats wanted Eisenhower for their presidential nominee. Now, however, they say that the affairs of this nation would be hopelessly bungled if they were placed in the hands of a military man. At a time when our country is actually engaged in war such experience in international affairs is one of his greatest assets. Only a man who has seen and experienced the conditions of the world can understand them well enough to lead a country toward improving them. As commander of our European forces during the Second World War, he was called upon to make immediate decisions which had their affect on the entire world. The results of these decisions are proof enough that Dwight D. Eisenhower is capable of leading our nation.

Now let us take a more personal look at present-day conditions. Some people take it for granted that if a Republican is elected to the presidential office, our country will again be thrown into a depression like that of the early 1930's. If the facts of that depression are clearly presented, one will note that not only did we have a Republican president, but also a Democratic Congress. Ike promises that if elected president, he will see that the full power of the government will be exercised to prevent a depression. In any event, if



one man alone can be held responsible for our economic conditions, who will take the blame for the prevailing inflationary conditions? The Democrats enjoy the phrase, "Everyone is well off today." But are we? Can the free flow of money recompense for the lives which have been exchanged for this so-called economic prosperity?

Dwight D. Eisenhower not only wants to restore normal economic conditions, but also to restore moral standards to our nation. Perhaps one reason he chose to run on the Republican ticket is that he is against the crime, corruption, and communism which seem to be so prevalent in our government, and re-realized he could do nothing about it, if elected by the party in which the "mess" occurred. Dwight D. Eisenhower is a qualified candidate for the presidency of the United States. When you vote, vote for the man, not the party.

JINX CORBETT
 SARAH CAUDLE

Dear Aunt Susie . . .

I really can't begin to tell you all the interesting things that have happened since I wrote you last, but I will tell you a few of the high spots.

First of all there was Decision Day. I like Rush Week and all the excitement, but Decision Day I like best 'cause that's the day people have to come out and say or rather act exactly what they mean. Maybe this sounds a little silly, but it seems to me that sometimes when an issue comes up and people are supposed to say a definite "yes" or "no," they simply avoid it and beat around the bush. Oh, I don't mean real big things, like whether or not to be good (maybe that too), but just day to day episodes that only seem to matter at the time they occur. On Decision Day there's no such beating around the bush. You do exactly what you intend to do, when you intend to do it. I wish more of our college conventions allowed people to act that way.

You remember me telling you how much I dreaded going to chapel when school first started this year. Well, you'll probably be pleased to hear that, for a number of reasons, I now actually look forward to chapel. One reason is Dr. Campbell. He says the truest things, things you've known all along and just never put into words. Not so long ago, he made the observation that sometimes when you want something so much for yourself, you often unknowingly deny that same thing to someone else. This seems to me to be food for thought. Another reason I like chapel is the cute way the Student Government and other campus organizations have of putting their points across. The other day they had a darling skit on wearing hats down town, a thing of contrasts. I think after seeing that little skit the girls will be more conscientious about their appearance in down-town Raleigh and all over the campus, for that matter.

Now that all my tests are over, I "feel" like not picking up a book for the next week. I wish there were a way our teachers could work it out so we wouldn't have all our tests at the same time. It never seems to occur to them though, and I guess that if we "used our time correctly" we wouldn't have any trouble, but if there's one thing I like to do on Saturday afternoon it's to go to a football game. There have been times in my academic career when to make a grade I'd better forget the football game. What to do?

Well, Aunt Susie, I've written far more than I meant to so I'll close with this little verse from Tagore, whom I am currently mad about.

Well, some are wise and some foolish, some are watchful and some careless. There are eyes that smile and eyes that weep—and madness is in my eyes.

Love,
 Evilina.

"May God Forgive Us"

Corruption in Government—we see and hear about it every day—on the radio, in the newspapers, and in general conversation. But do we know why our government is corrupt? Do we know exactly what forces are responsible for the actions of the men whom we place in Washington? Are these the men whom we have been led to believe have only our nation's best interest at heart? Who can answer these questions? We have all formed opinions about these questions—unless we have blandly accepted someone else's opinion—but few of us have taken the time and trouble to read and investigate the facts leading up to the corruption that has permeated the very core of our government.

"May God Forgive Us" is a famous letter giving the historical background to the dismissal of General MacArthur. Written to a friend by a Massachusetts business executive, this letter presents with convincing honesty how the foreign policy of the United States has helped the Communists to win one victory after another. The facts are here to read how pro-Communists have infiltrated the State Department, causing us to deceive, abandon, and disown our allies in Poland and betray Chaing Kai-shek, our ally in China. In Yugoslavia, Albania, and Bulgaria the story is the same. How much longer will it be before these patient Communist forces right here in our own government rise up and hand Stalin the keys to our front door?

Korea is a practice field for Stalin's jets; the war there simply a rehearsal of the war that is to come. We are following the course which the Communists have planned for us by spending ourselves toward bankruptcy, by indecision and confusion, by "weak-kneed ineffectiveness and humiliating appeasement." Unknown quantities of war material and our newest armament are being poured into the hand of the Communists to be used against us.

Following are some statements made by Robert H. W. Welch, Jr. in his famous letter:

"Unless a miracle can be worked, in awakening the American people to an angry and determined stand, Communist China will presently be seated in the United Nations with the blessings of our 'allies' England and France. We are giving our strength more and more to others as we approach closer and closer to being left alone.

"Our own government is literally falling apart at the seams. There not only is neither truth, nor honesty, nor honor to be found in its decrees or in its actions; they are no longer even expected, and their absence is brazenly taken for granted. There is no charted course to which our people subscribe, no goal toward which we might confidently aim, no leadership that either leads or has any sense of direction. As a whole, or in its separate departments and bureaus, our government is at an all time low; in efficiency, in economy, in integrity, in clarity of purpose, in the calibre and character of its top personnel, and in the respects and regard accorded it by the American people."

This pamphlet, "May God Forgive Us," should be read by every American citizen before the coming election. Mr. Welch does not ask us to believe everything he says. But once we have read it—well, at least we will be convinced that the corruption in our government and Communism are walking hand in hand, and it is up to each of us to see to it personally that this corruption is dug out of our State Department and our country. The writer of this letter tells us how. "Make your voice heard and your vote felt. Write letters, make telephone calls, personally speak your sentiments—to newspaper and magazine editors, to senators and congressmen and local representatives, to teachers and preachers and just plain friends. Use judgment in order to be fair, restraint in order to be effective, but persistence in order to be heard. And don't let up. The Communist never let up."

MARY ANN CASEY.