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Morgan answers

Democrat Robert Morgan, running for reelection as North Carolina U.S. senator, has answered his Republican opponent's charges by quoting the record, which is available to anyone who is interested in seeing it.

The anti-Morgan television advertising for the Republican in recent weeks attack Morgan's voting record on the Panama Canal, the B-1 bomber and national defense, and aid to Communist-governed Nicaragua.

The anti-Morgan statements are simple, brief, and misleading. Here, paraphrased, are the Republican charges on these subjects, and the essence of Morgan's rebuttals. They are among the other charges and Morgan's detailed replies contained in Morgan's recently published "White Paper."

Charge's in 1978, Morgan supported the Carter administration's "give-away" of the Panama Canal.

The Canal treaty was a revision of the one entered into in 1903. The revision was recommended by five presidents: Democrats Kennedy, Johnson and Carter, --and Republicans Nixon and Ford. The revised treaty was endorsed by Republicans Nixon and Ford, before Carter. Voters in the Senate, besides Morgan, for the revised treaty, included Republican Minority Leader Howard Baker, Russell Long of Louisiana and Hayakawa of California (editor's note--these are "flaming liberals"?).

Morgan voted for the revision in the interest of the continued safety and operation of the canal, on recommendation of five presidents and the military chiefs of the U.S.

The charge: Morgan voted against the proposed B-1 bomber in 1977.

Morgan's reply: Morgan campaigned in 1974 supporting the B-1. The next year he supported appropriations to continue building the B-1 through 1976. He supported the B-1 till Carter cancelled the program. Only after the cancellation did he vote to delete funds because, he said, their only purpose of buying five prototypes, which would set on the ground unused and practically useless was to "bail out the contractor." Also voting to delete the B-1 funds after Carter cancelled the program were Sens. Harry Byrd, Stennis, Eastland, Talmadge, Jackson, and Nunn (editor's note--all "flaming liberals"?). Morgan calls them "strong Senate advocates of national defense."

Charge: Morgan voted to cut funds for defense.

Morgan's reply: he voted against a proposed add-on of \$1.6 billion to the defense budget, which would have sent the budget to \$131.4 billion. That would have made the budget far beyond what had been recommended by the Senate Appropriations Committee and what the House bill called for.

Charge: Morgan voted to give \$75 million to "Communist Nicaragua."

Morgan's reply: After the revolution (which ended the dictatorship of Somoza), the U.S. was confronted with this alternative: withdraw completely and consequently let Nicaragua become another Soviet satellite, like Cuba, in the Western Hemisphere; or try to salvage what we could, to encourage a moderate and democratic form of government.

The \$75 million emergency aid package is conditioned on the new government's respecting human rights, encouraging early and free elections, stop further expropriations, and institute a system of judicial review. Also, they money is a loan, not a gift, and it can be terminated any time Nicaragua violates human rights, cooperates with international terrorist organizations, stations foreign troops on its soil, or stematically limits freedom of speech and the press.

The Nicaragua aid bill was passed by a clear majority in the Senate. Among those voting with Morgan for the bill were Baker, Bentsen, Robert Byrd, Lugar, and Nunn.

Morgan also points out American aid is a calculated risk: if successful, it can help preserve democracy; by improving the Nicaraguans' economic plight, it may prevent them from turning to communism and it offers the Nicaraguans a broader spread of assistance -- they don't have only Communist help to rely on.

Morgan's Senate record is available to Morgan's Republican opponent and his supporters as well as to the Democrats.

The difference between the Morgan and his Republican opposition is Morgan is using the record; the Republicans are not.

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Outlook brightened

Recent developments brighten Raeford's prospects for improving the economy of the area: approval by the U.S. Economic Development Administration of a \$720,000 grant for helping pay for improving the city's waste-water system; and the selection of the city for a Governor's Community of Excellence Award, which will be given in Raleigh October 29.

Improvements to the waste-water system, with corrections in disposal practices being made by three local industries, must be made before the city get more industry.

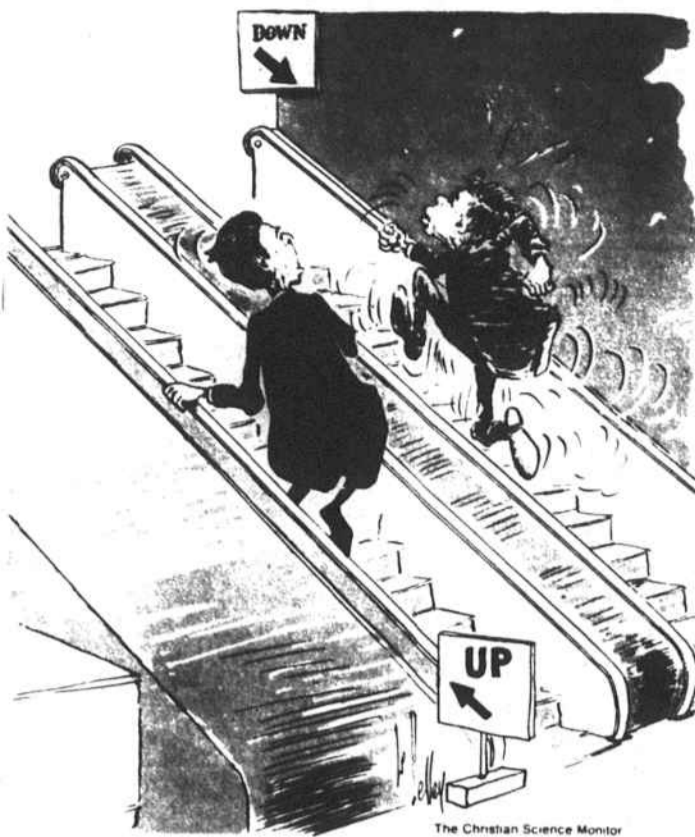
The Community of Excellence Award means essentially they will have an edge when recruiting industry, as Gov. Jim Hunt has put it. The State Department of Commerce in its promotion effort will give special attention, when working with industries looking for plant sites in the state, to the award-winning communities.

In regard to the waste-water system grant, the city will have to put up \$180,000, of which half is expected to come from State Clean Water Bonds money, and the rest from the sale of city bonds and from the city's capital improvements budget.

All this doesn't guarantee the Raeford area will get new industry, but it does mean the community's chances to attract new industry looking for a home have been improved greatly.

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Running neck and neck



The Christian Science Monitor

It's a Small World

by Bill Lindau

Thought for today:
"Keep the juices flowing by jangling around gently as you move. Go lightly on the vices -- the social ramble ain't restful. Avoid running at all times."

"And don't look back. Something might be gaining on you." -- Leroy Satchel Paige, oldtime pro baseball player, quoted in the novel, "The Old Neighborhood", by Avery Corman.

Joe Garagiola, the network television sports commentator and former Brooklyn Dodger player, quoted these sayings from his onetime teammate Yogi Berra:

"It ain't over till it's over."
And one October afternoon when it was darker in the outfield in the stadium than it had been a few weeks before, Yogi said, "It's getting late earlier."

One of our acquaintances of several years back might have had a brilliant career in broadcasting if he'd only learned to think before he spoke. But his career ended right after it got started. He was given a commercial about a local men's clothing store sale of shirts to read.

He read it just fine. But then, on his own, he added: "I know these shirts are good. I bought one of them just the other day in Charlotte."

Getting out a newspaper at times takes getting over some obstacles. Earlier this year, for example, *The News & Observer* had a fire. On other occasions, presses and typesetters break down, or power goes off at the wrong time.

Then there are some that are much less dramatic. One time, for instance, *The Weekly Marshville Home* as late getting to the post office. It was being printed at the time in Rockingham, about 40 miles east of the old home place. The fearless reporter was heading west in the company stationwagon from the press with the load of freshly printed papers destined for the various postoffices when the machine slowed down and stopped.

It had run out of gas.
The wagon was an oldtimer. Someone had forgotten to advise the reporter, a new arrival at the paper, that the gas gauge always showed the tank was half full.

The gas gauge was still showing the tank was half full when the car run out of gas.

All was not a total loss that day, though. The reporter had to walk only about a mile and a half before he found a public telephone and summoned the boss, with his own stationwagon, to the scene. The transfer of papers was made, and the carrier completed his appointed rounds.

Another time, the head man of a weekly grabbed the company camera, dashed out to the scene of a traffic accident, shot up a roll of film, then returned to the office and to other things he had to do.

Unfortunately in his preoccupation with other pressing matters, he forgot to develop the film.

Later, he went out and worked the camera on another wreck but this time went directly to the dark room to develop the film. There'd be no chance of forgetting this time, by golly.

It was then that he found that someone had forgotten to put film in the camera.

I was working for a little paper whose financial troubles were common place.

One day not long after I'd been on the job, I heard a bunch of

railroad cars had been derailed a few miles away.

So I got the company camera, but then found out the office was out of film. I went to a local drug store to buy film. I short of cash but the company had credit there.

This time, however, the sales lady told me when I tried to charge the film that the company did have credit, but it wasn't any good at the time, as it was two months overdue paying the bills.

So I went back to the office, got the manager to give me the price of a roll. Since it takes times to clear six overturned freight cars from a railroad track, I did arrive in time to get some pictures, in spite of the delay caused by the financial flap.

But I didn't realize how bad off we were till the day when they repossessed the office coffee pot.

And *The Biblical Recorder* cancelled its subscription.

It was a free subscription. Getting a story that's hard to get was a minor problem on some papers I've worked for.

Still they always came out. That's why I believe in miracles.

Browsing in the files 25 years ago

Thursday, October 20, 1955
John A. McGoogan, servant of Hoke County since its formation in 1911, died quietly in his sleep shortly before 7:00 o'clock Sunday morning.

Coach Floyd Wilson took his Hoke County High School football team to Loris, S.C. last Thursday night and they came home with a victory, first for the team in 18 games.

Census report shows that 2,790 bales of cotton were ginned in Hoke County from the crop of 1955 prior to October 1.

Captain and Mrs. Gilbert M. Ray and children, who have been in Japan for over two years, landed at San Francisco, October 8th.

15 years ago

Thursday, October 21, 1965
Abandonment of literacy tests in voter registration has had no effect in Hoke County, according to election officials.

The highway patrol has abandoned flashing red light on top of patrol cars and has switched to blue.

The General Services Administration this week accepted Raeford's new post office and federal building after an inspection of the property.

A House of Raeford turkey exhibited at the N.C. State Fair last week was sweepstakes winner in the dressed poultry show.

CLIFF BLUE... People & Issues



A GAMBLE... With President Carter and Ronald Reagan so close in the presidential sweepstakes, the decision of both to engage in a face-to-face television debate on October 28--just one week to the day before the election, is a gamble with the highest stakes possible.

Should either make the same mistake that Ford made four years ago, in denying that one of the foreign nations was under communistic domination, it might cause either candidate--Carter or Reagan, to lose the election.

Between the two, Carter is probably the clearest speaker, and Reagan the best orator.

Millions of American voters, most with their minds made up, but still enough "swing votes" to decide the election, will in all probability be looking on. You can bet your last dime that both men will be coached to the limit before the bell rings on Tuesday evening, October 28.

POLLING... Almost before dawn the next day the pollsters will be attempting to ascertain the impact on the voters across the land.

1960... In 1960 when John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon debated Kennedy was adjudged to have won over Nixon in the first debate as Nixon was recuperating from an illness some weeks before the debate. The last two debates were regarded as about even.

Reagan was hardly an equal match for Anderson in their debate. However, in our opinion, neither Carter nor Reagan would be an even match for Anderson so far as mental alertness and sheer debating skills concerned.

In the Reagan-Anderson debate, Anderson was always ready to grab the bait when the hook hit the water.

BRYAN... William Jennings Bryan, whose renowned oration--the "Cross of Gold" in Chicago on July 8, 1896 won for him the first of three Democratic presidential nominations, said later that before he got up, to speak he felt like lying down, but when the time came to speak his sickness went away. He said the audience in the old Chicago Coliseum would rise and cheer him as if they had been trained for a week. Well, we are sure Carter and Reagan would wish

for the same response from the millions who will be listening across the land.

CONGRESS?... In recent days and weeks we have been reading about Congressmen in Washington being tried and found guilty in the "Abscam" trials and convictions.

Frankly, we feel sorry for people in high positions come to such an end as has befell Congressmen Michael Myers of Pennsylvania and Congressman John Jenrette of South Carolina, both Democrats.

Some people can take honor and responsibility and not let it pull them down because they have integrity and stability. Others are less solid, like these two men; are alright on the surface but without the fortitude to stand temptation.

Had these two men never been elected to Congress, they might have went through life as men of average integrity.

The movies of the two men appeared to demonstrate fully that they were guilty.

Some people can face temptation and not let it faze them; others will succumb to it, maybe feeling that others are doing the same thing.

It's the very small minority in the Congress and the State legislative assemblies and others positions of public trust that yield to the temptation to succumb to bribes and pay-offs.

However, the "Abscams" trials and convictions should alert the "Weak" ones in Congress and in other positions of public trust in the long run it is dangerous to even talk with people suggesting a "payoff," as more congressmen than usual in the last few years have learned to their sorrow. People in public office whether it be in Congress, State, legislatures, county or municipal government should remember that more often than not sins will find them out--if not in this life; in the life beyond.

It is refreshing to note the comment of Norman J. Ornstein, a political scientist at Washington's Catholic University who in a U.S. News & World Report article says: "I see a cleaner, better Congress now than at any time in modern history. Members are more conscientious, issue oriented, not corrupt and not afflicted with personal problems. But any problems they do have are far more likely to be reported."

Puppy Creek Philosopher

Dear editor:
This hasn't got anything to do with the international situation or inflation or politics. It's about what to do with the nation's trash. Where're we gonna put it?

Early day American Indians solved the problem easily. When a camp site became too littered, they stepped carefully out and moved to another site. This is impractical today. Sure, if Washington say produced more trash than it could walk through, the city could up and move some place else.

But where? It's one thing to have a new shopping center spring up near your town, but what town would want Washington out there too? Bringing in Congress and all that... you know what it'd do to land values.

One solution has been the Sanitary Land Fill, more accurately called the Unsanitary Land Fill, but nobody wants one near his house. I've never seen a Land Fill that shouldn't have been some place else. And no fence has ever been built around one high enough to keep paper from being blown over the countryside.

But there is a solution, not only for where to dump our household trash and garbage but also the nation's nuclear waste, obsolete

warheads, barrels of poisoned chemicals and other necessities of the modern world.

As I understand it, the government has set aside 100 million acres of wilderness in Alaska which is maintained in its original condition... no mining, no drilling for oil, no lumbering, no roads, no tourist lodges, no hunting, no camping. Just no trespassing.

In other words, the 100 million acres are to be enjoyed in your mind only. A city dweller can sit in his apartment and glow over the fact there are 100 million acres of land up there in Alaska untouched by human hands.

Here's the trash problem solution: swap 50 million of those 100 million acres for an equal number of acres on the moon and set aside those moon acres for the mental enjoyment of people who go in for that sort of enjoyment. Then use the borrowed 50 million Alaskan acres for the Supreme National Dumping Ground for the entire United States. Alaska is so far away the odor from the dump would never reach the rest of us.

Alaskans may complain, as well they should, but how many votes does Alaska have?

Yours faithfully,
J.A.

Letters To The Editor

Correction

A line in Lilmar Gatlin Taylor-Williams' letter to the editor published last week should have read "each edition," as Mrs. Taylor-Williams wrote it, instead of "addition," as it appeared.

The News-Journal apologizes to Mrs. Taylor-Williams for the error and is happy to make the correction.

This Is The Law

Home Solicitation Sales

A door-to-door salesman called on Mrs. Jones in her home and showed her samples of china. Mrs. Jones decided to buy a set and signed a contract.

The next day, however, she decided that she could hardly afford it, and she looked for some way to get out of the contract.

What could she do?
She has the right to cancel the sale until midnight of the third

business day after the day she signed the contract in her home.

Cancellation occurs when the buyer gives written notice of cancellation to the seller at the address stated in the contract. If given by mail, the notice is given when it is mailed.

Furthermore, if the buyer has not received the goods within 30 days after signing the contract and the delay was the seller's fault, the buyer can refuse the goods and receive a refund of any payments made.