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For George McGovern

Ted Sorenson Makes 'Pit Stop'

Mr. Theodore Sorenson, advisor and speech writer for the late President John F. Kennedy, made a campaign stop on campus last week on behalf of Senator George McGovern.

He addressed a group of students and faculty who were jammed into the Gallery Lounge. Currently a lawyer in New York City, he had been making hurried campaign stops for McGovern in the pivotal industrial states of the Northeast. He opened his remarks with an analysis of the Gallup Poll released earlier that day which gave McGovern 36 per cent of the expected vote while President Richard Nixon received 59 per cent, the remainder being undecided. "If McGovern closes the gap on Nixon in the last two weeks of the campaign at the same rate Hubert Humphrey did in 1968, we will have a photo finish in the balloting," he declared.

Sorenson then launched an attack on Nixon's posture as a politician. "Nixon has gained the reputation as being the most unprincipled political figure of our time. His reelection could doom the United States for the next 20 to 25 years into a nation of reactionary laws on guaranteed civil rights. This statement can be exemplified when we examine the current posture of the Supreme Court. In the recent decision which ruled the death penalty as unconstitutional, the decision passed by only a vote of 5 to 4. All of the dissenting voters were Nixon appointees. With more vacancies expected in the next few years, Nixon could create a conservative majority which would last for years," he stressed. "Half of the current Nixon appointees have received extremely low ratings from the American Bar Association," he continued.

Throughout his talk, Sorenson interpreted the actions of the Nixon Administration as a lawyer would view them. Related issues of the Presidents conduct of the war, crime control, the economy, and general American "way of life" as affected by four years under Nixon, were discussed.

Sorenson stated that as lawyer he is "concerned about the constitutional rights of those innocent bystanders taken into custody" during the mass arrests of the Mayday anti-war activities in May, 1971. "And how the then Deputy Atty. Gen. Richard Kleindienst said 'we'll

worry about the constitution later'; well I'm worried about it now."

He further attacked President Nixon's conduct of the war by stating "after the repeal of the Tonkin Gulf Resolution by the Senate in 1970, Nixon continued to escalate the war." (The Tonkin Gulf Resolution basically approved the power of the president to act as he saw fit in a "defense emergency" with limited Congressional input, although they were only temporary powers.)

"I have a growing fear of what the situation will be after another four years of a Justice Department which looks upon the 'Bill of Rights' as something to be evaded," Sorenson declared. "I worry about the rights of newspapers to publish the truth. I worry about an administration that hired thugs to spy on the Democratic headquarters at the Watergate Hotel, because - next year it may be your house," he continued.

Ted Sorenson, as again a lawyer looked at the Nixon Administration and its methods of crime control. "Crime rates have gone up 33% during the reign of the Nixon administration, including the most violent crimes. The government can play a role in stopping the flow of mail order guns responsible for assassinations and other murders. It can stop the flow of heroin - which is the cause of half the crime in New York City. Over \$5 billion of heroin enters the United States on a yearly basis from Southeast Asia where we are protecting the same corrupt generals who protect the flow of dangerous drugs into our country."

Speaking on behalf of Sen. McGovern, he declared that the "Federal government can set an example. A McGovern administration will do more than just talk, it will have a definite program to stop crime via the flow of mail order guns and dangerous drugs as well as setting a moral example."

By setting an example, Sorenson means ensuring that all people should be held in an equal light in the eyes of the law. "The present administration

discriminates against clients of the Office of Economic Opportunity because they afford to have lawyers, yet grant privileges to ITT and others."

He concluded his remarks with a quote from Sir Thomas Moore's "A Man for all Seasons" by paraphrasing it to read



From left, Dr. Robert Bresler, Ted Sorenson, and Marilyn Levin, Chairman of the Young Democrats who sponsored Sorenson's visit here last week.

"unless a nation abides by its laws and the leaders of that nation abide by the laws, that nation will be lost in the wind."

Sorenson answered the few questions fired at him with an aura of dignity and confidence. One student, who stated that he intends to study law, made three emphatic charges to Sorenson. Obviously pro-Nixon, the student questioned President John F. Kennedy's actions during the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962. He stated that Kennedy had imposed the blockade and called up reserves without prior Congressional approval. Many

reservists, including himself, the student stated, lost their businesses when called up and were given no reparations. Sorenson retorted by saying "I'm glad you intend to study law because you haven't as yet. As for the reservists, they were indeed reimbursed." As he tried to state that Congress did in fact give Kennedy the right to impose the blockade before it took effect, he was interrupted by the student saying that the Congressional approval came after the blockade. "I was a little closer to the situation than you were," he retorted, "and Congress did indeed give prior approval."

Sorenson clarified an earlier remark in response to another question by saying that Atty. Gen. Richard Kleindienst, during the ITT affair "did not recognize a bribe when he saw one." He also stated that a Congressional Committee was organized to investigate the Watergate affair, but failed to take action "when a Southern Democratic Congressman was induced by Republicans to stay away, causing the committee to fail to reach a quorum."

In response to further questions, Sorenson stated that in light of the Eagleton affair, it would be a "miracle" for McGovern to be elected.

McGovern Campaign Sees Upswing

HARRISBURG -- According to Larry Hochendoner, coordinator for McGovern-Shriver '72 in south central Pennsylvania, there has been a tremendous upswing in the McGovern campaign in the past week.

"Between Sargent Shriver's visit to Harrisburg two weeks ago, and the two television broadcasts by the senator, our financial situation is looking up, and we have more volunteers than ever before," Hochendoner asserted.

The McGovern volunteers are conducting what Hochendoner termed "the first issue-oriented canvass in south central Pennsylvania."

"We are contacting every registered voter in the seven-county area. The initial foot canvass is being followed by a phone canvass and a follow-up mailing to every person we have spoken to."

Hochendoner, a McGovern coordinator in six major primary states, said, "The well-oiled McGovern machine is back on the streets again in full force. We have hundreds of volunteers - and they are not all young and they are not all Democrats."

"The war is the real issue in this campaign and it is drawing the people to us, especially the Republicans. They are coming with their votes, with their contributions, and more important - with their time."

"We are finding that the people are no longer upset with the war purely on a moral basis. They are realizing the economics and social effects - such as the staggering economy, rampant inflation and an acute sense of helplessness and confusion because we cannot deal rationally with the present federal administration."

Social Committee Presents Film

On Wednesday, November 8, the Social Committee will present "Quacker Fortune has a Cousin in the Bronx".

Filmed entirely in Ireland, the movie comically depicts one man's attempt to cope with an industrialized society. Gene Wilder stars as the zany Quacker Fortune; he is best remembered for his role in "The Producers" for which he earned an academy award nomination.

Plan to be in the auditorium at 8:00 p.m. when the curtain will rise on one of the funniest films ever made. Admission is 80 cents or 40 cents with an activities card.

"The people trust George McGovern, and the position on the war that he has advocated for ten years. They want to end the war and they are willing and anxious to work to end it. This is the greatest single factor in bringing them to us."

"With all these people working with us, we will deliver a vote on Election Day that will carry this region, and the state of Pennsylvania, for George McGovern."

TARNHELM

by Tim Jacobs

TARNHELM is a literary magazine for the whole student body.

The idea-the concept- of this magazine is to provide both a creative outlet for the student body of Capitol Campus and to bring this creativity to the attention of the students here; for the edification and enjoyment of all.

We hope to produce two or three magazines this year. This means that there is, necessarily, a need for quick promotion of student poems, short stories, etc., in order to meet our stepped-up pace.

We have, already, nearly enough material to start editing and organizing the material, but we do need more. This material will be included in this year's first issue, due to come out either at the end of this term or at the beginning of the winter term.

In order to meet this deadline- if we expect to create two or three magazines this year- the cut-off date for submitting materials for the first issue will be November 3, with a possible extension to the tenth.