

FEATURES

Political Parties Present Confused Ballots on Election Day '88

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Election Day! Does this strike fear, horror or curiosity? This year's ballot will be one of the longest, most complex ballots in the history of the Commonwealth. The fundamental tool of democracy is threatening this year to undermine its very purpose. Due to the numerous names on the ballot, the Democrats are listed in three columns of two names. This gives the

impression of only two candidates. The order will be: Al Gore/Jesse Jackson, Mike Dukakis/Jennifer Wesner, Gary Hart/Lyndon LaRouche, Paul Simon/Dick Gephart. The Republicans are listed in a straight vertical line. The order for them will be: Pat Robertson, Jack Kemp, Bob Dole, and George Bush. You may be puzzled, since most of these candidates have withdrawn from the race, but rest assured it is correct. Their names will still be on the ballot and yes, you can still

vote for any one of them. Also on the ballot will be candidates for U.S. Senator, Attorney General (PA), Auditor General, Treasurer, Supreme Court Justice, Superior Court Justice, Congress, some State Senate seats (Odd numbered districts), State House, and Presidential convention delegates. In Philadelphia, voters will see the names for state committees and ward executives (committeemen). You may get the idea of just voting for your presidential choice and not

their delegates. I must stress that for a candidate to achieve victory, he must get the delegates too.

On the Democratic ballot the delegates are committed to a specific candidate but the Republican ballot is the opposite. The Republican delegates are supposed to be non-committed. Republican voters may want to call their party office and find out who is pledged to whom. I urge everyone to exercise their constitutional rights and vote! If you are still confused

look in the newspapers before Election Day. Newspapers will always print the ballot. My advice is to get a copy and look over the choices, circle the number of the candidate, numbers are easy to follow.

This is your election and you can make a choice. Don't let any party official tell you how to vote. Investigate, research and take a look at the candidate's record. See where he stands on important issues and most of all, Vote!

POETRY

CORNER

IMMORTALITY

Rivers do not end
They open into.
As I have seen them
Giving birth to oceans

Dying,
I am as smoke rises,
Following currents,
Opening out,
Settling in
Between here
And where the wind
Will go.

As I have seen
Death
Following forth to fill
Oceans,
The breath of my
Childrens' seed,
I will be.

RECOVERY JUST FOR TODAY

Just for today I will try to live through this day only, and not tackle my whole life problem at once. I can do something for twelve hours that would appall me if I felt that I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

Just for today I will be happy. This assumes to be true what Abraham Lincoln said, that "Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be."

Just for today I will adjust myself to what is, and not try to adjust everything else to my own desires, I will take "my life" as it comes and fit myself to him.

Just for today I will try to strengthen my mind, I will study, I will learn something useful, I will not be a mental loafer, I will read something that requires effort, thought and concentration.

Just for today I will exercise my soul in three ways: I will do somebody a good turn, and not get found out; if anybody knows of it, it will not count; I will do at least two things I don't want to do-just for exercise. I will not show anyone that my feelings are hurt; they may be hurt, but today I will not show it.

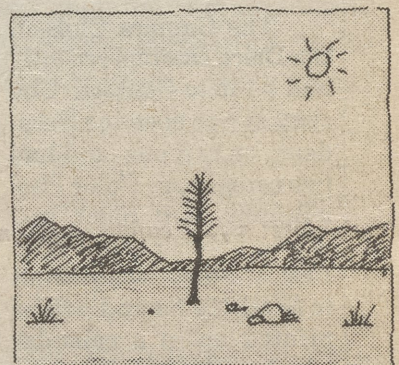
Just for today I will be agreeable. I will look as well as I can, dress becomingly, talk low, act courteously, criticize not one bit, not find fault with anything, and not try to improve or regulate anybody except myself.

Just for today I will have a program. I may not follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will save myself from two pests; Hurry and Indecision.

Just for today I will have a quiet half hour all by myself, and relax. During this half hour, sometime, I will try to get a better perspective of my life.

Just for today I will be unafraid, I will enjoy that which is beautiful, and will believe that as I give to the world, so the world will give to me.

-Author Unknown



Growing.



Growing.



Gone.



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