

Uptown Bridge Views

Editor, States-Item:

Because of your biased opinion of Jefferson Parish I feel sure this will never be printed. If truth is a part of your credo you will print it. In the interest of fairness you should print this.

Many New Orleanians are fighting against an uptown river bridge. Why? It will enable many of them to get to their jobs in the outlying parishes faster and easier. How many tradesmen from Orleans Parish are presently employed at the Louisiana Power and Light at Nine Mile Point? I'd say at least 75 per cent of them work out of New Orleans. I know this to be a fact as I was one of them.

This is just one parish. How about the construction jobs over the past ten years in other parishes:

Re: your editorial "Bridge Blackmail" I heartily concur with the Jefferson Parish Council. A domed stadium in New Orleans will avail the parish a big fat nothing but you do need a bridge for your tradesmen to get to their jobs in other parishes. The action taken by the council is not blackmail. It's good politics!

J.M.

Uptown Bridge

Editor, States-Item:

What is it that the people should know about the proposed uptown bridge?

Everything unknown is magnified. We rely on your editorials to inform and awaken the people. Please help us save our city from further destruction. Men make our cities.

Lillian Moise

Ungrateful Public

Editor, States-Item:

I think it's time for all these people who deplore arrests to take stock of themselves. Don't you?

As the mother of a detective, I would like to know if they would like to be subjected to death at all times, at the risk of trying to protect ungrateful people like them.

Why don't they act like decent human beings and they wouldn't have to worry about being arrested. I'm also tired of hearing policemen called pigs. I know most all police officers come from good families, are educated and do their jobs to the best of their abilities.

They are paid to protect the people, not to hold their hands when they do something wrong. If these ungrateful people are not satisfied tell them to send their husbands, sons, fathers, or brothers to do the work these officers do and maybe be killed, trying to do what is right. See how they would like it if the shoe was on the other foot.

I hope you will print this letter as I read your editorials every day.

Mrs. L.J.B.

Another View

Editor, States-Item:

The day was beautiful, bright and sunny, a lovely day for fun, frolic and parade viewing. Huge sums of money and a like amount of time spent to make the season which this day was the finale the biggest and the best.

The professional loafers, drifters without the manners of an animal (pets are house broken), the degenerates of all ages and races and sexes had a ball.

The working people had a day off Feb. 10 and either left town or stayed home. They were afraid to go out.



One of the best known and admired citizens of New Orleans suffered a brutal, senseless injury while giving of himself — his music, as a result that music may be stilled. The glittering night parades were lovely, but that same element that injured Al Hirt lurked in the darkness every night, the evil of greed and plain lack of ordinary common decency.

God help the normal person that had a desire for a doubt, of course you could always buy one from the agile and ruthless, experienced in fighting children of both races.

The police and maskers had the fortitude of the Christians facing the lions and should be praised for their efforts, endurance and determination in casting pearls before swine.

Mrs. G. Van Cooper

How Far Gone?

Editor, States-Item:

A person can only wonder just how far gone the greatest nation on earth is when we see men like Judge Haggerty not only running loose but still serving as judge.

There was a time not so long ago when an enemy of the city and nation would have been put behind bars. But one thing is for sure about Judge Haggerty, he might have been declared innocent on a legal

technicality but the main trial is yet to come. He will one day stand before the great God of Heaven and be judged. There will be no loopholes or ways of escape. . .

The Rev. A. J. Ogden,
Lighthouse Baptist Church

Judicial Respect

Bay St. Louis.

Editor, States-Item:

Everyone I know in Mississippi and all my friends in New Orleans thought it a disgrace to New Orleans and the position of judge to show those pictures on television of Judge Edward Haggerty.

If they had no respect for Judge Haggerty, they should have thought of his position and their city.

I was at the Shaw trial 36 days. I drove in every day from Bay St. Louis and thought the DA did a wonderful job, but the public did not get the full story from television or the press.

Judge Haggerty was nice to all of them. He cooperated fully with them. How they can try to belittle and disgrace a man like him is beyond me.

Bea Georgi

Placing Blame

Editor, States-Item:

Many people are and will be blaming president Nixon for the results of budget cutting required to combat inflation. Cutbacks in government spending usually results in some loss of jobs. This is now happening at the Michoud space facility.

It is quite natural for these people to be upset. It is also natural for these same people wanting to blame somebody for their misfortune. But they are wrong in venting their anger at President Nixon and the Republican administration. They are just not aware of the facts that have led up to our sorry state of affairs.

If we must blame somebody, then, let's be honest with the facts and point finger at LBJ and the previous Democratic administration, backed by a Democratic dominated Congress. They tried to finance a costly war and the "Great Society programs" at the same time without increasing revenues to meet the ever increasing costs.

They failed to effectively control price and wage increases. This was fiscal irresponsibility and economic mismanagement at its very best. All of this has resulted in huge federal deficits and inflation which has gotten out of control. We have reached a point where the situation is serious and strong medicine is required.

We don't blame the doctor when he dishes out the medicine because we know it's for our own good even though we don't like it. Therefore, let's not blame President Nixon for the medicine he must prescribe for a sick economy. Too often we hear the fairy tale that the Democrats create jobs and the Republicans create unemployment. But this simple bit of folklore never explains the sequence of events leading up to either situation.

Guy F. Morgavi

the small society

by Brickman

