

Editor — Patrick J. Buchanan's article published December 14 is curious.

His opposition to meaningful election reform is what one would expect from the fox after successfully getting into the henhouse.

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Editor — I couldn't disagree more with Patrick Buchanan who says the taxpayer shouldn't support political campaigns. Who does he think pays for them now? The taxpayer-consumer, of course — by increased prices for goods and services, and by having to pay the taxes that wealthy special interests don't pay, if he wishes to know.

The milk producers generously "gave" a million to Mr. Nixon's presidential effort so the American people would "donate" a hundred million to the milk people. That hundred million would pay for quite a few political campaigns, and that's only one little example.

I'm afraid that the actions of such as Messrs. Agnew, Kalmbach, Mitchell, Nixon, Stans, et al, have given conservatism a bad name. No longer is conservative a term used to describe the politically cautious, but it seems to be a euphemism for greedy, or perhaps, hypocritical . . . and these people wish to respectfully be called conservatives. No sir, let's get this greedy bunch out and reform campaigns so that "one man-one vote" isn't just an empty phrase.

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