

LETTERS TO THE

Half a Load

Editor — The disaster at Roseville was caused by almost two million pounds of bombs bound for Cambodia. That amounts to 30 B52 loads or just about half the bomb load our government is dropping on Cambodia daily.

Think about that.

PAUL F. GARRETT.

Palg Alto.

Watergate

Editor — Last Thursday morning I picked up The Chronicle nothing else being available.

On the front page: Watergate. I turned to the third section.

Abe Mellinkoff: Watergate. Joseph Kraft: Watergate. Jack Anderson: Watergate. Terrence O'Flaherty: Watergate.

For God's sake, give it a rest.

WESLEY BAREFOOT.

Half Moon Bay.

Editor — The current Watergate debacle makes the parliamentary system of government look better and better. Any English (or Canadian, or French) government that got into a mess comparable to Mr. Nixon's would be voted down instantly. We, however, are stuck with the current administration for "four more years," almost for sure. No President has ever been impeached, and I doubt that it will happen this time, though I am for it.

TOM TURNER.

Berkeley.

Editor — The following changes in our election laws would preclude recurrences of the Watergate affair:

- Private funding of political campaigns would be prohibited.

- Working, effective fair campaign practices committees would be established to insure against the unfair tactics that riddle nearly all campaigns . . .

- Limited terms of office for all elective officials with one six-year term for the Presidency.

- A "vote of confidence" provision so that when the nation is confronted with a foundation-shaking crisis such as Watergate,

the Congress could vote to retain or reject the administration in power.

- Campaigning would be confined mainly to live confrontations between the rivals on television.

- Incumbents would be required by law to face their challengers on live television a minimum number of times during the campaign.

- All written and radio campaign statements would be carefully screened by the fair campaign committees for truth and accuracy . . .

THOMAS T. STORER.

Pt. Reyes Station.

Editor — Why is the media so outraged at Watergate? Were they so outraged at the blowing up of banks, colleges, government buildings, desecration of the flag, highly publicized obscene mouthings of haters of America, and our courts being made a mockery of by the dissidents and radicals and their wild lawyers? I think not . . .

Remember the media told us we were outraged about the Lieutenant Calley ordeal? The deluge of support Lieutenant Calley received showed how outraged we were. Whenever the media decides to find out how the majority of us feel then we may believe in it again — until then, quit putting words in our mouths.

MRS. F. G. LACKLAND.

Fresno.

Refugees

Editor — Ibrahim Tawasha complains (Letters, April 14) that your March 6 editorial "unfortunately did not take into consideration the causes that prompted the "guerrillas" to murder two Americans and one Belgian diplomat. The exonerating circumstance is supposed to be the plight of one and a half million of the Arab refugees which he describes as being extremely gloomy for the last 25 years of the existence of Israel.

A million refugees live in territories occupied by Israel since 1967. Nearly a quarter of these refugees are fully integrated into the West Bank Arab society. They