

Kuhn, Farnum Tackle Issues in Statements

(Editor's note: Between now and the general election, Nov. 3, The Observer will welcome statements by rival candidates for office. We'll edit them as to length, and run them.)

Opposing candidates for the 19th Congressional District rates Richard Kuhn (R) and Billie S. Farnum (D) had these statements to make:

Said Kuhn:

Billie Farnum should be "chagrined" to have to run on the Democrat party's slogan of "let us continue."

The GOP candidate said the American people are hoping that many of the practices going on in Washington won't continue, "and they are going to elect Republicans to Congress to see that these practices are discontinued!"

"Let us continue what?" the GOP aspirant asked. "Continue the wheeler-dealer Bobby Baker type misuse of public trust and the disgraceful whitewash the Democratic party inflicted on America in the Billie Sol Estes incident?"

He said, the public throughout the 19th District has indicated that there is a growing uneasiness about the glib promises of the Democrats. "They want to know why there is talk of economy, yet the budget is higher this year than any wartime year of World War II. They don't want this kind of deception to continue," he declared.

The GOP candidate said the Country is "not ready to continue down the road to socialism so glowingly painted and baited followed by Billie Farnum and the rest of his party's spongers. Let us not continue deficit spending which breeds inflation and ruins the savings and dreams of the so-called 'little man' — who is simply you and I," the Republican candidate said.

"Waste and weakness, corruption and coverup, these are what the Democrats are offering to continue in Washington," Kuhn charged. "I say it's time to get back on the track. It's time for moral principles for common sense in spending, for honest Government and for a Government that's not afraid to let the people know what's going on."

Explaining why he is a "team player" — and why he wants to join President Johnson's "Great Society" effort — was the weekend theme of Billie S. Farnum, Democratic candidate for Congress.

He kicked off the effort at a rally in his honor Friday evening in Roma Hall, 2777 Schoolcraft, Livonia, that was co-chaired by Livonia Councilman John Dooley and Ed McNamara. The townmaster, Sheridan Holman, introduced many local candidates from Livonia and Redford Township before presenting Farnum.

Farnum, who as Auditor-General is now Michigan's

"watchdog of the tax dollar," is campaigning in the new 15th district. It contains Pontiac, western Oakland County and . . . in Wayne County . . . Livonia, Northville and Redford Township.

"All successful endeavors are the result of teamwork," Farnum said in one appearance. "The Johnson goal — the 'Great Society' — is a blueprint for what America will become in the next few years. What will be built — either with or without a plan — will be communities, highways and facilities equal to all those built since pioneer days. Our growing population makes this necessary."

"The Johnson Administration needs Congressional support to keep its many-faceted program for our future on course."

"For example, it needs votes for its Housing and Community Development Program, for its Natural Resources Development Plan, for its Educational Program, for its Youth and Manpower Retraining Program, for its Property-on-the-Farm Program, for its Economy and Efficiency in Government Program and much, much else."

"Coupled with such plans and programs there must be support for the National Defense and Security Program. It is vital that fear of the bomb be reduced as a means of making a fertile seedbed for prosperity. And there must be the kind of support I will offer for the Foreign Affairs and Mutual Security Program so that the world can join in promoting the trade that leads to peace and prosperity."

"I will support the 'Great Society' approach," Farnum concluded, "and work into it an implementation plan for use in our own district. I know that we can plan on Johnson Administration support for implementation of plans for our own growth in terms of water level studies, drainage control, community college encouragement, road building, conservation of recreational resources and all the rest."

The Livonia City Councilmen Comment

BY PETER A. VENTURA

AND MUTUAL ASSISTANCE.

Change is never easy. Change requires that each of us maintains command of his own emotions, control and self-discipline. Change requires that we make room for the new, guiding and controlling it, but NOT STIFLING IT. For, without change, there can be no real progress, no real freedom.

We must each realize that it is vitally necessary for us to have responsible community leadership, not just in selection of elected officials, but from each of us personally, as business men and family men.

We ask of our elected leaders sacrifice, guidance and discipline. We ask of them moral integrity. We must, however, ask of ourselves these same qualities.

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Bidding Due on New I-94 Link

The State Highway Department will open bids Nov. 5 for the start of construction on the final gap in I-94 between New Buffalo and Port Huron.

Estimated cost of the project is \$8 million — the largest single road construction contract ever let by the Highway Department. Previous high was a \$4.9 million contract for construction of a section of Grand Rapid's North-South Freeway.

Construction of this section will provide motorists with a continuous freeway from the Blue Water Bridge at Port Huron to New Buffalo near the Indiana line, a distance of 275 miles.

The project calls for preliminary work on a 6.3-mile section of six-lane freeway from 8-Mile Rd. north to Masonic Blvd. in Macomb County.

When completed, all of I-94 in Michigan will be open to traffic with the exception of a one-mile section from New Buffalo to the Michigan-Indiana state line. This section can't be built until Indiana provides a freeway connection at the state line.

200 Cars Crash In Demolition Derby Sunday

Another 200-car Demolition Derby will be staged before the grandstand at the State Fair Grounds in Detroit Sunday afternoon, Oct. 4, starting at 2:30 p.m.

Promoter Pete Spencer decided to repeat the popular sports spectacular after successfully introducing the smashing, crashing highway-clearing event last weekend.

Many Figure 8 race cars normally seen in action at other race tracks will be in the Oct. 4 rendition. These cars were unable to participate last Sunday because rain forced a postponement of the season championship race at Flat Rock Speedway until this weekend.

The Demolition Derby is open to any driver 18 or over. Entry blanks are available at the Ralston Street gate to the State Fair Grounds.

The 2½-hour Demolition Derby on Oct. 4 will, like its predecessor, be in five stages — four elimination heats and the grand finale.

The surviving driver in each heat and the runner-up will be provided fresh cars for the feature. Other drivers who can get their cars running again, will also be allowed to enter the final heat.

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