

# MAIL CALL

## Voting for politics a real wasted vote

If you don't vote for Ross Perot, you're throwing your vote away. If you don't vote for Ross Perot, you're voting for politics as usual.

There is no difference between Bill Clinton and George Bush. They are both part of the system. A system that has created a national debt of over \$4 trillion.

Vote for a real change on Tuesday.

David Cooksey  
Class of '93

## Clinton way too nice to be president

Clinton is nice to Congress when he says no term limits.

He is nice when he says more government spending without taxing me.

He is nice when he says: "Don't worry about inflation or the deficit."

He is nice to defense contractors with his high-tech boondoggles.

He is nice to teachers' unions when he says: "No competition for public schools."

He is nice to lawyers when he opposes tort reform.

He is nice to exporters when he supports free trade.

He is nice to inefficient industries when he opposes free trade.

He is nice if you supported the Gulf War.

He is nice if you opposed the Gulf War.

He is nice to pro-choicers when he says no restrictions on abortions.

He is nice to pro-lifers when he says fewer abortions on his watch.

He sounds nice to everyone. He is too nice to be president.

Michael Murray  
Research assistant  
Cyclotron Institute

## Study reveals Clinton economic flaws

Despite all the rhetoric by Clinton's supporters on how Clinton will revive the economy, a study by a private organization says otherwise.

According to the study, sponsored by the National Center for Policy Analysis, Clinton's policies would result in the loss of 747,000 jobs over the next four years and increase the federal deficit by \$113 billion.

This study was conducted by an organization that has frequently criticized Bush administration economic policies.

However, it said that the president's tax package proposed last spring was considerably better for the economy than the Clinton proposal because the Clinton plan would discourage private sector investment.

By contrast, the study said that the Bush plan would lead to the creation of 396,000 new jobs by 1996. This seems to be supported by the fact that the country's gross domestic product grew 2.7 percent over the third quarter of 1992.

Michael Buck  
Graduate Student

## Say no to four more years of excuses

In just a few days, we all have the incredible chance to change our country for the better.

Ask yourself whether you want four more years of

— a president who lied to the American people about taxes during the last election, publicly admitted lying about his opponent's last record during this election and says he'll continue to lie because he'll do anything to be re-elected

— the worst economy since the Great Depression.

— pro-family lip service and anti-family legislation.

— flagrant disregard for the environment on all levels.

— a vice president who's a national embarrassment.

— tremendous unemployment.

— inept foreign policy. Remember that Bush built up the Iraq military in the first place.

Clinton says that we can create new jobs without sacrificing the environment.

And that college education should be available to everyone. And that the welfare system needs to be changed so that welfare recipients who can work, do work. Clinton is actually talking about the issues, and his ideas are good ones.

After 12 years of excuses, it's time to re-enfranchise all of the American people and move forward.

Bush had his chance and failed; let's give Clinton the reins in November.

Sharon Sernik  
Veterinary student

## Truth about Clinton's economic plan

Kyle Sanders' letter states that "Hopefully, some people will make an effort to learn more about the real issues concerning the economy..."

Please allow me to help educate the voters on Clinton's economic policy.

According to a recent report by the National Center For Policy Analysis (a non partisan think-tank which studies the economic impact of every major bill) Clinton's economic policy would result in the following:

(1) Private sector investment in the United States would be \$413 billion less than under present policies, resulting in more than 1 million lost jobs by the year 2000.

(2) The nation's output of goods and services would be \$173 billion lower by 1996 and \$584 million four years later.

(3) The loss of tax revenue would result in the federal deficit increasing by \$113 billion.

This forecast does not include the

negative effects of mandatory health insurance, which could double the expected number of lost jobs.

This to me is not the plan of a visionary, unless that visionary sees a nation in worse decline than it supposedly is now.

I agree with Kyle Sanders that the important issues involve the economy, the federal deficit and our future. But, according to this report, Clinton is not the answer.

Paul Ache  
Graduate Student

## Get the facts straight before writing

This letter is in response to the Friday, Oct. 23 letter by Kyle Sanders.

I will grant that the upcoming election is one of the more important issues in the news today, but your belittlement of other current issues discussed in The Battalion was unnecessary.

At least the people who write in concerning local issues are expressing opinions on subjects about which they typically have knowledge, unlike your affiliation with election issues.

If you had watched the news or the debates, you would know that Bill Clinton never said anything about cutting taxes on the middle class.

He said that he would not raise taxes on the middle class to support any of his proposed new programs but he never said that he would not raise taxes on the middle class for other reasons.

In addition, you mentioned that Clinton would support a "system where students could go to other than their neighborhood schools." I guess you were letting us know that Clinton is supporting President Bush's proposal for a voucher system to reform the school system.

Other changes that President Bush, the person who "does not realize that our country is in need of change," proposes are line item veto power for the president and term limits for Congress.

Your comment about President Bush being "too proud to admit that he has made mistakes" further illustrates your cluelessness.

In the debates, Bush admitted that

his "no new taxes" was a mistake, and he subsequently requested that Clinton admit he made a mistake when he dodged the draft and protested against the United States in Russia, which Clinton would not do.

I would much rather read accurate and informed editorials about less important issues than read inaccurate and uninformed opinions about more important ones.

Ed Delise  
Class of '91

## Perot's gas tax poison for farming economy

Lately I have heard a lot of people praising Ross Perot's gas tax proposal. Obviously, none of these people live in a rural community where gas consumption is a necessity.

I live in a rural community and I feel that Perot's proposal would hit hard at home.

In a rural community, such as mine, many people make their living by driving around the countryside.

Farmers have miles of land to cover, to check their cattle or tend to their crops.

People would probably argue that the farmers should get more fuel efficient vehicles, but has anyone ever tried to haul a loaded trailer with a little truck?

Full sized trucks are required to pull the loads that farmers have to pull, which means higher gas consumption.


I admit that a fuel tax would help bring air pollution to a minimum.

However, that counts mainly for urban parts of the country where there are millions of people driving on a daily basis.

If the gas tax proposal is passed it would take a large chunk of income out of the farmer's pocket.

If anyone knows a farmer, you should know it is already hard enough for them to make a comfortable living without having another tax thrown on them.

John Roane  
Class of '95



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