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Staples sues to void election of Ramstad

Associated Press

State Sen. Emily Staples, DFL-Plymouth, is seeking to overturn the election of Independent-Republican Jim Ramstad in District 43 because of alleged unfair campaign practices.

In a lawsuit filed in Hennepin County District Court she listed four complaints against Ramstad, who outpolled her 19,190 votes to 16,390 to win the west suburban Hennepin County seat.

She alleged that he distorted her record in his campaign literature by implying that she was soft on crime, favored higher taxes for pensioners and fattened her own pocketbook by voting for higher legislative pay and pensions.

Staples also accused Ramstad of accepting an illegal campaign contribu-

tion, campaigning illegally on election day and giving away food and beverages in violation of a law prohibiting candidates from treating voters.

Ramstad said the charges are "just sour grapes . . . and a slap in the face for the voters of the district."

The court has original jurisdiction in the case, but the Senate will be the final judge. DFLers have a 45-22 Senate majority.



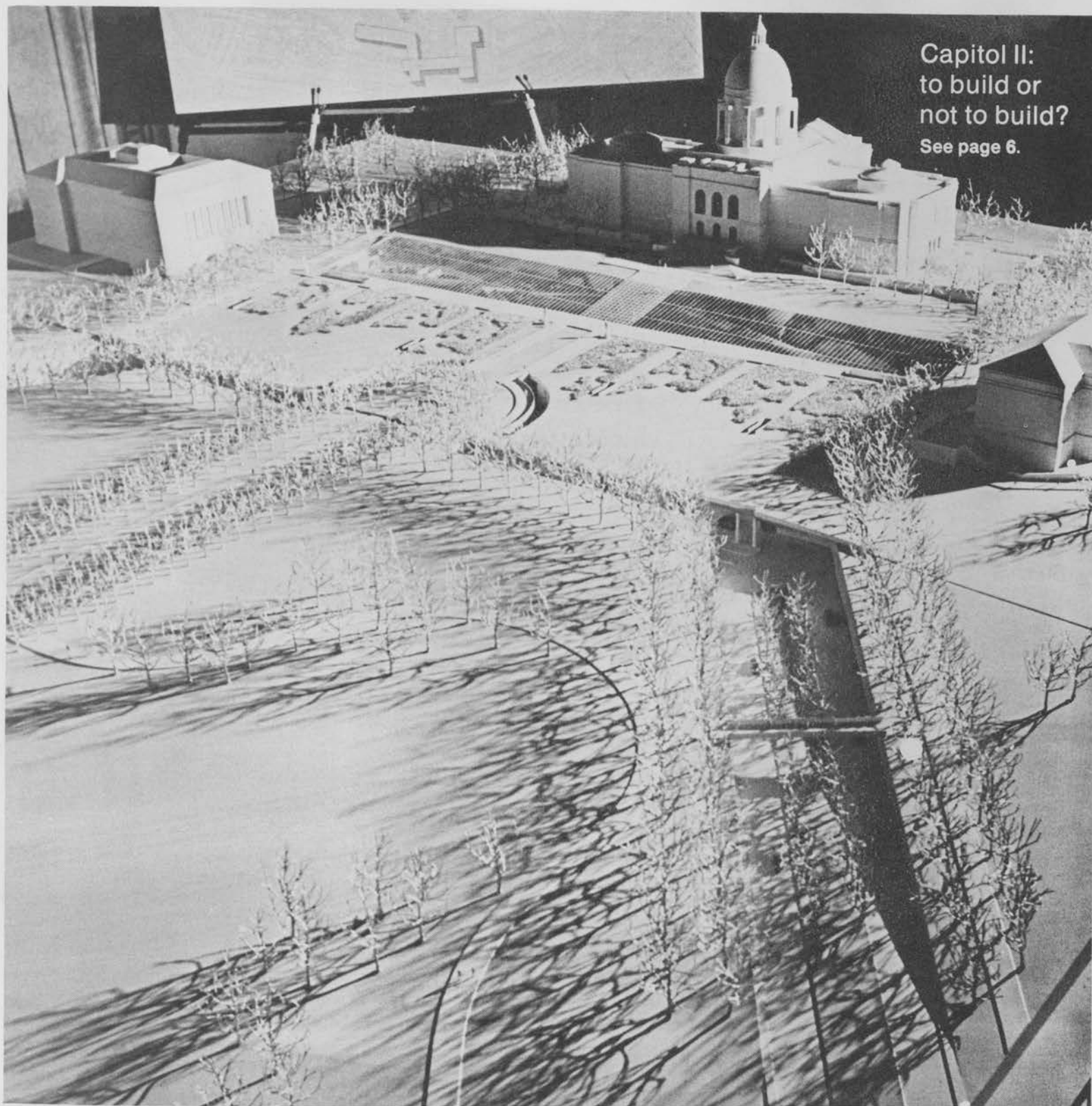
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—Sen. Staples (pictured at left during committee hearing.)

Women in the Senate: "The time was right."

by Karen Clark

In recent years women have been gaining increased prominence in government at all levels, with a growing awareness of the women's movement no doubt somewhat responsible for the upsurge of interest in politics. The Minnesota State Senate, no exception to this nationwide trend, now boasts two women Senators, Mrs. Nancy Brataas (I-R, Rochester) and Mrs. Emily Ann Staples (DFL-Plymouth.)

This is the third session for Sen. Brataas and the first for Sen. Staples. Both women emphasize that they wish to be recognized primarily as thoughtful, able legislators rather than as feminist Senators. This is not to say that Senators Brataas and Staples are not fervent supporters of so called "women's issues", but rather, that they are concerned with a broader range of issues and with representing their districts to the best of their abilities.

As Sen. Brataas put it, "I consider myself a dedicated person as far as trying to help women and supporting women's legislation but I don't think of myself as a 'women's legislator' nor do I think that I should."

"I don't see my position as being a militant feminist advocate, but just the fact that Sen. Brataas and I are here is advocacy in some respects," Sen. Staples added.

Preparing for the future

Sen. Staples finds the opportunity to direct change the most important aspect of the legislative process: "I am really very interested in change - systematic change - and looking toward the future rather than responding to crises. I feel that elective office is probably the best, most organized way to prepare for the future."

Sen. Brataas likes the intellectual stimulus that comes from ideas: "What I really enjoy most is the in-depth legislative work. To go from the administrative, data processing kinds of activities that I have been involved with, and, at this stage of my life to be dealing with ideas and concepts is a tremendously exciting thing for me."

Sen. Staples believes that some of the legislation that has been passed in previous sessions, though broad and sweeping, has "not really addressed the 'nitty-gritty' of an issue."

"I am interested in seeing that there is less legislation, fewer restrictions. I think of the amount of money being spent complying with rules and regulations at both the state and federal level and it becomes just

unconscionable. I would like to assist in coordination and decreasing the demands of all the paperwork we are imposing on people in every area of life," she continued.

Volunteer background helps

Interestingly, neither Sen. Brataas nor Sen. Staples started out with the career goal of state senator in mind. Both have done extensive volunteer work, in politics and in charitable organizations. As a result both women have high regard for volunteerism as an experiential background for people, especially women, seeking political office.

"Unless a woman is somewhere in the labor market where she has responsibility for other people, volunteer work is the best way to get substantive experience in issues and to learn to think and speak on your feet," Sen. Staples said.

"We have numbers of women who have received training - managerial, business and administrative planning training - through leadership positions they have held as volunteers. And I certainly believe this experience is transferrable to the legislative world," Sen. Brataas added.

The two senators share two of the same committee assignments, Employment, and Health, Welfare and Corrections. Both expressed deep interest in issues that come before those committees. Sen. Staples expressed special concern for health related issues, particularly nutrition and preventive medicine. She is also looking forward to serving on the Subcommittee on Economic Development and studying, in depth, the economic climate in Minnesota. Sen. Brataas finds the Employment and Commerce Committees especially interesting because of the learning experience involved. In addition, she is a co-author of the displaced homemaker bill which attempts to deal with the problems faced by growing numbers of mature women entering the work force. She is also a strong supporter of a measure that would set up crises centers for battered women.

Strong support for ERA

Perhaps not surprisingly, both senators are strong supporters of the Equal Rights Amendment and have pledged to oppose any action to rescind Minnesota's ratification. Such action, according to Sen. Brataas "... would be an insult to a progressive state such as Minnesota. In all areas of problem solving we have been a progressive state and to rescind our original action on the ERA would be an absolute insult to all of us."

Sen. Staples concurred, saying, "People tell me we don't need it (ERA) in Minnesota, O.K., we've been progressive but what about people outside the state; who can't own property in their own names and must live with inequitable inheritance laws; discrimination is still rampant."

Sen. Staples finds time the primary drawback experienced so far in her new role - she is discovering that there simply isn't enough time to do all that she wants to do. Committee meetings are often scheduled right through the day leaving little time to synthesize and prepare for the next day's active schedule.

Sen. Brataas also calls time demands a major concern. Each woman expressed a desire to have more time to spend working with their constituents.

Subtle discrimination?

In addition, Sen. Staples felt "There is certainly subtle discrimination against the women in the 'club' of the Senate. Part of this is, perhaps, being a freshman, part is, perhaps, being a woman, but it is certainly partly the fact of accessibility, of clubbiness; I'm not uncomfortable with it but I think a lot of business still gets done in the 'steam room'," she continued.

Sen. Brataas observed, "I think there is a burden on women, those of us who are the first, - whether we are imagining it or not - to try and do things well so that people will not say 'oh those women, give 'em a little freedom and look what they are doing.' You are fighting that constantly. But, I must say the members do not make me feel this way. I found that I was welcomed and helped by people from both sides of the aisle when I got here."

The time is right

Both Senators believe women have a future in politics: "There's a tremendous future for women in the Legislature," Sen. Brataas declared. Sen. Staples agreed, saying, "I hope more women are being encouraged to realize that they can make a truly substantial impact."

"The only reason I could get elected is because of the number of women who paved the way, running for local school boards, running for city council. And, I think the time in my constituency, for which I am grateful, seemed to have been right. I think the time in other constituencies is right as Emily Ann Staples has just shown. I think the Legislature is a great career, or step in a career, for a woman; an area where women can fully develop their potential," Sen. Brataas concluded.

The dawn of Sunset



News Analysis

by Dave Peterson

Editor's note: "Sunset" legislation is one of the most widely discussed governmental operations issues in state legislatures today. "Sunset" is a popular term used to characterize legislation which calls for the automatic termination of agencies or regulatory functions — unless extended by specific legislation.

"Sunset" appears to be dawning in the Minnesota Senate this year with the introduction and possible passage of legislation that would provide for a periodic seven year review of state government regulatory agencies.

The Senate Government Operations Subcommittee on Government Structure, chaired by Sen. David Schaaf (DFL-Fridley), has just completed several weeks of hearings on sunset bills and has recommended that the full committee act favorably on one of them, authored by Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey III (DFL-New Hope).

The Humphrey measure is not "pure" sunset since it limits its scope to the state's 80-odd regulatory functions. A "pure" sunset bill would mandate the periodic expiration of an entire government agency.

How Sunset Works

Under the provisions of the bill as passed by the subcommittee in late March, each selected regulatory function would undergo an 18 month review process in advance of its scheduled expiration date. Each year, approximately one-seventh (or one dozen) of the regulatory functions would come up for review. The process would begin with an internal review in which the agency would be required to answer specific questions to justify the continued existence of the function.

After completion of the internal review, the appropriate standing committee will recommend to the Legislative Audit Commission which functions should be given an in-depth performance evaluation. If the results suggested that the functions involved were not essential and that few problems would result by allowing the regulatory agency involved to go out of existence, the recommendation would be made not to renew statutory authority for the agency. Assuming the legislature concurred, the sun would then set on that regulatory function.

Looking for opposition

Subcommittee Chairman Schaaf said when his hearings began that he had some reservations about the bills, but apparently those reservations were overcome during the hearings and by substantial changes in the bill itself. Similarly, Governmental Operations Chairman John Chenoweth (DFL-St. Paul) is a supporter of sunset legislation, although he wants to proceed cautiously to avoid possible duplication of efforts. So is Sen. John Keefe (IR-Hopkins), who authored a similar measure to the Humphrey bill. (The chief difference in the Keefe bill is that it would have required an economic impact assessment of the proposed expiration.)

The fact of the matter is that it is difficult to find **anyone** (in the Legislature at any rate) who is strongly opposed to sunset legislation. (Perhaps this is because the idea is a traditionally conservative one which is now being championed by liberals.) There may be differences over approaches and over specific operational provisions, but there seems to be general agreement in the Senate that the legislative branch must begin to concern itself with ongoing oversight and that some kind of sunset law is the way it should be done.

Zero-based budgeting

Another popular governmental reform concept, "zero base budgeting," has also been looked into by the subcommittee this year. By forcing all state agencies to justify every dollar they spend (instead of just their new requests), zero base budgeting would also affect non-regulatory agencies and would thus complement the sunset approach. But the zero-base measure, introduced by Sen. Conrad Vega (DFL-South St. Paul), has been recommended for further study during the interim.

Immediate prospects

Whether or not the Humphrey sunset law makes it through the full legislative process this session is not yet easily predicted. It is one of the second-level priority items already identified by Majority Leader Nicholas Coleman, but with higher priority items such as the stadium, ban-the-can, Dutch Elm control, salary increases, and a panoply of other pressing issues awaiting attention, it could be that the sunset measure, like the zero base proposal, will undergo further study and refinement during the interim period.

Even so, some sunset law appears to be a virtual certainty before final adjournment in 1978. If, that is, anything is a virtual certainty in the legislative world.

Capsule

Senate News Round-up

Agriculture and Natural Resources

Several major environmental concerns have dominated committee attention during late February and March.

After extensive hearings in the subcommittee on Environmental Protection (chaired by Sen. William Luther, DFL-Brooklyn Center) the full committee passed a \$27.8 million bill to fight Dutch Elm Disease and assist local communities with replanting programs. It was then referred to the Finance Committee where it was later approved, and recently won Senate approval.

The full committee, chaired by Sen. Gerald Willet (DFL-Park Rapids), narrowly approved the controversial mandatory deposit bill at a March 22 meeting. The bill requires a ten cent deposit on all beverage containers.

After extensive hearings into the regulations and procedures involved in the siting process for power plants and power transmission lines, the Environmental Protection Subcommittee began discussion of ten different bills dealing with the powerline issue. The bills are expected to be heard in the full committee later in April.

Commerce

Two important pieces of "consumer" legislation — unit pricing and liquor price advertising — were introduced at meetings of the Commerce Committee in February and March. The unit pricing measure, which requires all grocery stores having more than \$750,000 in annual sales to display the cost of items per standard units for easier price comparisons, was approved by the full committee March 1. The liquor price advertising measure, however, was defeated.

Other important committee action included approval March 24 of a bill that would permit branch banking within economic development regions. Hearings on a proposal to establish a floating interest rate ceiling began in late March. Commerce is chaired by Sen. Robert Tenneson (DFL-Mpls.).

Education

Education Committee Chairman Jerome Hughes introduced a comprehensive early childhood and family education proposal in March and later included it in the omnibus education aids package. Other committee hearings have concerned the controversial school redistricting proposal, and review of a number of special education programs. A subcommittee recently approved a new school aid formula package.

Elections

A referendum would be placed on the 1978 general election ballot to determine whether 18 year olds should be allowed to hold elective office — if a measure approved by the Elections Committee wins final approval. (Currently 18 to 21 year olds are permitted to vote but not to hold office.) The voters would decide whether to change the Minnesota Constitution to allow these younger voters to hold any office to which they were elected (unless an older age is specified by the Constitution).

The Elections Committee (chaired by Sen. Edward Gearty, DFL-Mpls.) also approved a measure by Sen. David Schaaf (DFL-Fridley) that would establish a statewide uniform election time for all municipal, county and state offices, except township elections. The measure passed March 8.

Employment

Those who quit jobs will no longer be eligible to collect unemployment benefits, under a bill passed by the Employment Committee and later approved by both Houses of the Legislature and signed by the Governor. The measure also increases the amount employers must contribute to the fund and had broad business and labor support.

The Employment Committee, chaired by Sen. Roger Laufenburger (DFL-Lewiston), has also okayed a bill prohibiting age discrimination, and passed legislation to increase the State Minimum wage from \$2.10 to \$2.30 an hour, effective January 1, 1978.

A broad measure to reorganize the state's employment-related agencies under a new Department of Economic Security was introduced in March.

Energy and Housing

The Energy and Housing Committee passed a measure on March 10 that would lift the state sales tax on heating fuels during the months of July, August and September. The measure is designed to encourage users to fill their tanks during warm months and thus increase home storage utilization. Most committee meetings have been devoted to background presentations on energy and housing issues. Hearings on several energy related measures, including tax credits for home insulation improvements and for investment in solar energy, will be held during April, according to Committee Chairman Jerald Anderson (DFL-North Branch).

Finance

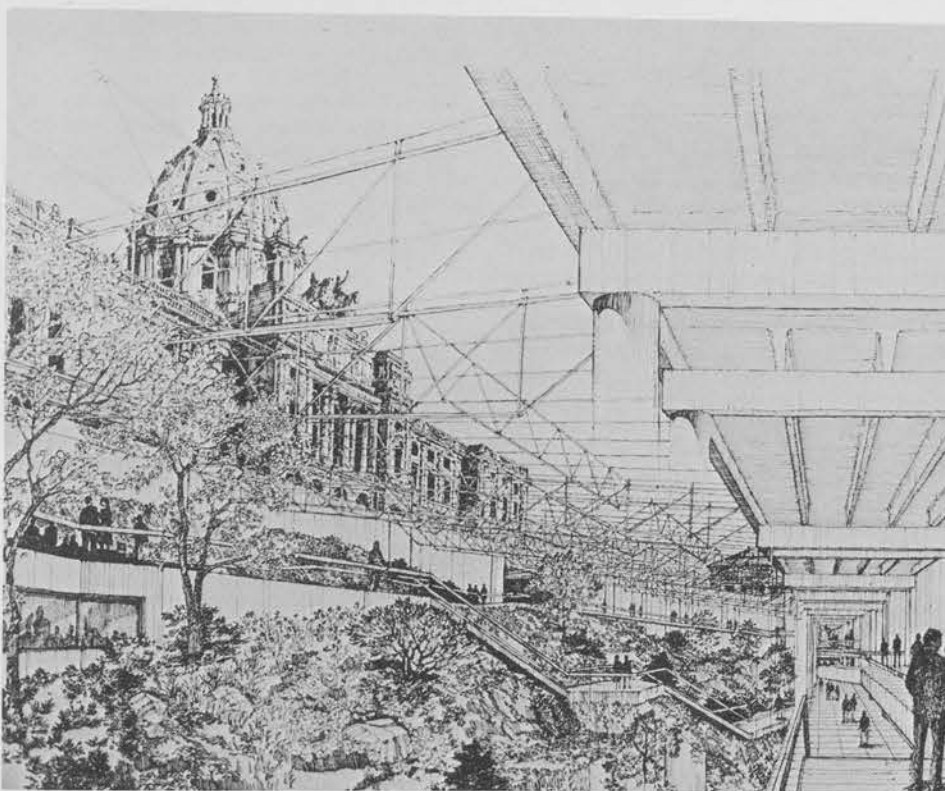
Most of the work being done in Finance has been handled by its four subcommittees, which have examined budget requests in detail and are now making allocations. The full committee, chaired by Sen. Roger Moe (DFL-Ada), okayed the expenditure of \$27.8 million to fight Dutch Elm disease after it had won Agriculture and Natural Resources approval. It also approved an \$11 million deficiency appropriation requested by the Department of Natural Resources to cover extra costs incurred in fighting forest fires last summer, and okayed the unit pricing measure approved by the Commerce Committee. Hearings on the proposed pay increases for top state employees and judges were held late in March and led to approval by the committee.

General Legislation & Veteran Affairs

A bill that would provide deaf persons with guide dogs the same rights granted to blind persons, was approved by the General Legislation and Veteran Affairs Committee (chaired by Sen. Howard Olson, DFL-St. James) in March. The committee also approved a bill to encourage oil recycling. It requires that anyone offering motor oil for retail sale must provide a recycling container on the premises.

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To build or not to build?



The Capitol Mall area (above) has been selected as the site for 'Capitol II'. The entire complex would be built underground and new landscaping and trees would replace the existing elms, many of which are expected to be destroyed by Dutch Elm Disease.

IMMEDIATELY ABOVE: Architects sketch showing view of the Capitol from inside the covered garden.

by Dave Peterson

A planned underground annex to the State Capitol — known as the Capitol Government and History Center — has drawn its share of attention and controversy since it was originally proposed. Plans, which moved a step closer to realization in March with the selection of the winning design (the culmination of a national competition), then took a giant step backward in April when the House DFL Caucus voted overwhelmingly against it.

The Selection

The selection, made by a nine-member jury of nationally-renowned architects and prominent Minnesotans, was announced March 8 by Solveig Premack, Minneapolis, vice-chairperson of the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board, the agency sponsoring the competition.

Helmet Jahn of C.F. Murphy Associates, a Chicago architect with considerable experience in designing public facilities, including the new State Office Building in Springfield, Illinois, created the winning design. It features the three levels — parking, a main floor, and a mezzanine — all completely underground and connected to the Capitol through a two-storied terraced garden, also underground and covered with a skylight through which the Capitol can be seen. (By building the structure underground, heating requirements will be cut in half; cooling requirements reduced by 20 percent.)

If built, the new Center would house a Minnesota Historical Society museum and classroom space, public meeting rooms for legislative and state agency hearings, an auditorium, public cafeteria, and parking for 450 cars, including 200 public parking spaces.

Of the original 261 architects who entered the national design competition, five semi-finalists were chosen by the jury last December to develop their designs further for the final judging. The entries included large scale models integrating the designs into the overall landscaping plan for the mall, along with 12 large drawings of floor plans and views of the building from various perspectives.

No funds yet

But funds for construction, estimated to cost about \$35 million (which includes furnishing, equipment, and area landscaping) have not yet been appropriated.

Supporters of the building, including Senate Majority Leader Nicholas Coleman (DFL-St. Paul), have not yet given up hope that the building will eventually be approved, even though the project has been abandoned for this session. Gov. Perpich had joined Coleman in publicly supporting the project in March when he announced that the Capitol Complex was the number one priority on his building list.

The Controversy

The intensity of the controversy over the proposed structure has heightened in recent months, apparently as opponents began to realize that the project was moving from the planning stage to the appropriation stage. Opponents have three basic objections: (1) they question the actual need for the facility, (2) they question the location, claiming it could be built for less money elsewhere, and (3) they argue that the building would destroy the character of the Capitol Mall. Critics also claim that the whole project has been planned in secrecy, although supporters quickly reply that the charge is not borne out by the record of public meetings held.

Supporters, such as Majority Leader Coleman defend the plans:

"Anyone who has tried to park at the Capitol when the Legislature is in session knows there is a parking problem. Anyone who has tried to get into a packed committee room for a hearing on a controversial bill knows that there is a need for more spacious rooms. Anyone who has seen the cramped facilities of the State Historical Society knows that we can and should provide more display space for historical exhibitions — currently the Historical Society can display only about one percent of its collection. Anyone who has been in the Capitol Cafeteria at noon knows that there is a problem with overcrowding there also. I just can't see how we can continue to say we are encouraging public participation in the governmental process and then turn around and say 'Sorry, there's no place to park, there isn't room for you, and bring your own lunch.' Improving public access is the only way to facilitate public participation."

Less money or more?

The more vocal opponents of the proposed facility maintain that parts of it — especially the parking ramp — could be built for less money elsewhere. Supporters replied that professional studies show the cost differences are nominal and that any increased costs for the mall site would go for additional landscaping, that it is more convenient for the public to have public function areas in close proximity; and that if legislative haggling over the funding of the proposal blocks its start next year, that increased costs caused by the delay would more than cancel out any possible savings achieved by changing the plans or location.

Seeing clearly now

Critics are also concerned about blocking the view of the Capitol and about altering the character of the Capitol Mall, a concern shared by Governor Perpich, so much in fact that he has hinged his continuing support for the project on it. But that too has been addressed in the design, in fact, over 11 acres of additional green space would be created. Peter Walker, a California architect who served as chairman of the blue ribbon selection panel, said after the selection: "(It) was the most beautiful set of drawings I've seen in a long time. We chose the best design for the Capitol area — it preserves the character of the Mall extremely well."

Another member of the jury, Vermont landscape architect, Dan Kiley, echoed those sentiments: "This is a very respectful yet modern design. The way the Capitol is seen from inside the building is just remarkable. The beauty of the Capitol always remains central to the design." (Kiley has worked on the Champs Elysees in Paris and the U.S. Capitol Mall in Washington, in addition to designing the master landscaping plan for the 20 acre Capitol area.)

Unless Coleman and other supporters change their minds and decide to abandon the project permanently, the issue will undoubtedly re-surface again in subsequent sessions.

Opinion

Minority

by Sen. John Keefe



During the 1977 session there won't be an increase in tax rates, but that doesn't mean state government won't be collecting more revenue. Actually, the people of Minnesota will be contributing millions of additional dollars to support the ever-growing state bureaucracy. This money comes into state government surreptitiously by way of inflation and increased wages. The I-R Caucus wants to do something about this tax, so we've introduced the tax indexing bill this session.

Under the indexing system, persons with larger incomes continue to pay a bigger percentage of their incomes to the government than do poorer and middle-income persons, but wage increases which merely keep pace with higher prices do not raise the average tax rate for any individual.

An example of what happens to the average family shows that a person lucky enough to have their income keep pace with inflation since 1971 is paying more than twice the state income tax in 1976. That means income went up 45%, federal tax went up 73% and state tax went up 118%!

This inequity to the taxpayers of Minnesota - who already rank Number 3 in the nation for the amount they pay for state income tax - is not the only inequity the Independent-Republican Caucus is addressing itself to this session. There is the ever-growing property tax burden which, according to the latest figures, could increase by 40% in the near future. So far, no real solutions have been explored by the DFL.

Complicated tax forms are yet another stumbling block for the average Minnesota taxpayer, who is expected to plow through a maze of directions to comply with Minnesota tax laws. Governor Perpich has stated that one of his top priorities is simplification of tax forms. The DFL leadership doesn't seem to be listening though - what has happened so far this session certainly hasn't simplified anything! Instead, we've been flooded with tax bills. Even the Subcommittee on Income Tax, which was set up to study

bringing state law into conformity with federal law, is getting bogged down with many variations - leading to even more complex and difficult rules to follow when filling out the tax forms.

Along with our effort to improve the tax climate in Minnesota, the I-R Caucus would like to see some much-needed action on Sunset Laws. By making our governmental units responsible for their actions and cutting our unnecessary bureaucracy, we can save tax money for the Minnesota citizen. (State government must learn to treat its spending dollars the same as they would be treated in the family budget.)

In this thrust to make government more responsive and efficient, we would also recommend a closer watch over federal funds as they come into our state. Since President Carter has listed as a top priority - streamlining and reorganizing government - we would hope that at some time in the near future, the Minnesota DFL would heed this command and finally act to carry it out. When and if they do, the I-R Caucus will be ready to lend its support in a united effort to bring Minnesota to the forefront of our nation with a fair, equitable and streamlined tax structure.

Another area of vital concern to the I-R Caucus is the current energy situation in Minnesota. The energy emergency that occurred this winter should furnish the impetus for some legislative action to assure our citizens that they won't be faced with such a shortage again next year. We support positive incentives for research and development and conservation rather than the penalties-and-regulation route so often pursued by the DFL.

The I-R Caucus believes that this positive approach can and will be a successful method for solving the energy problems in the state.

Majority

by Sen. Roger Moe



The early months of any budgeting session are traditionally highlighted by a running debate on taxes. January, February and March find the general public, legislators included, filling out tax forms, and as a result, a significant amount of each legislator's mail focuses on the income and property tax systems and their impact on family budgets.

Early this session legislative discussion and deliberation focused on our income tax system and proposals for simplified tax forms designed to provide close to 100 million dollars in additional income tax relief. However, in recent weeks the emphasis has shifted somewhat from income tax programs to property tax programs. That shift is largely the result of recently publicized predictions for annual property tax increases of close to twenty percent over the coming biennium. Although those predictions may be a little pessimistic, there is clear evidence that we may see substantial increases in property tax levies.

Although I share the growing public concern over potential property tax increases, I should point out that the legislature does not levy property taxes and, in fact, state government neither collects nor spends a single penny of property tax money. If we examine the property tax revenues closely, we will see that 51.5 percent of each property tax dollar goes to local school districts; 26.3 percent to the counties; 19.8 percent to local units of government; and 2.4 percent to special taxing districts such as watershed districts.

Looking at state revenues, drawn from such sources as the income and sales taxes, we find that nearly two-thirds of those monies are earmarked for programs designed either to allow local units to keep property tax levies to a minimum or to provide direct property tax relief. In recent years, state government has worked hard to reduce the property tax load counties, school districts and local governments must place on community residents. Over the past 8 years, for example, we have reduced the locally financed portion of school costs from 57 percent to 30 percent.

In that same time span indirect aids to local units of government have more than tripled. These aids, which include our homestead and circuit breaker tax relief

programs, have jumped from a 300 million dollar biennial appropriation 8 years ago, to close to one billion dollars for the coming biennium.

Direct per capita aids to local governments have also increased, reaching a record \$45 per capita this year. Minnesota, which less than a decade ago had the 11th highest property tax, has now dropped to 24th in the nation.

However, I realize that these past efforts will not help pay the coming biennium's property taxes. As a result, legislators are joining in the effort to devise programs to keep projected property tax increases to a minimum.

Increased local and educational aids will be an important step in minimizing those increases. By providing additional state aids to those local units we can reduce the property taxes they must collect from local property owners in order to finance their operations.

It also appears that some of the tax relief funds earlier earmarked for income tax relief may be shifted to property tax relief programs. Basically, we will work toward a total tax relief program which allocates tax relief monies to the areas and families most in need.

We will also be taking a look at the property tax system in general. At this time, the rapidly inflating values of farm land and residential dwellings is the major factor in projected increases. We have a "sellers" market pushing values up and, as a result, many farmers and homeowners have reached the maximum allowable homestead, circuit breaker and agricultural credits. This session we will be looking at programs designed to provide additional relief to both homesteads and agricultural lands.

Despite the fact the property taxes remain the domain of local governments, counties and school districts, I feel the legislature has an obligation to aid those units in keeping tax levies to a minimum. Just a few years ago the legislature made a strong commitment to helping local units reduce property tax levies, and I can assure you we intend to honor that commitment.

'Certainty in an uncertain world'

Editor's note: Sen. William McCutcheon (DFL-St. Paul) introduced the controversial "determinate sentencing" bill (S.F. 65) at the meeting of the Senate Health, Welfare and Corrections Committee Tues., Feb. 22. After approval the bill was sent to the Judiciary Committee where hearings were held during the week of March 20. Following approval by the Judiciary Committee, the bill was then sent to the Finance Committee before being heard on the Senate Floor.

While making his initial presentation of the bill, Sen. McCutcheon distributed background material gathered by Senate Researcher Frank Fly. The following article is comprised of excerpts from that material.

Determinate vs. Indeterminate

Determinate sentencing can perhaps be understood best by contrasting it with indeterminate sentencing. It is important to bear in mind, however, that in practice there is no sharp distinction between the two. Rather, the difference is one of degree, depending on how much discretion is given to the courts and state agencies in deciding how to dispose of an offender, and if he is imprisoned, when he should be released. In a "pure" determinate sentencing system, there would be no discretion at all, while in a "pure" indeterminate sentencing system, there would be total discretion; but in practice proposals and existing systems always fall between these two extremes.

Nevertheless, a fairly clear distinction between determinate and indeterminate sentencing can be made in theory, especially in terms of how each conceives of the purpose of sentencing. The purpose of sentencing under the indeterminate system is primarily rehabilitation. Broad discretion is given to the parole board to decide when an inmate can be safely released into the community, based upon its judgment as to how successfully he has been rehabilitated. Hence this system is based on the idea that punishment should fit the person rather than the crime.



Sen. Bill McCutcheon (DFL-St. Paul) explains his determinate sentencing bill at a recent hearing.

Punishment fits the crime

Determinate sentencing, by contrast, is based on the idea that punishment should fit the crime, not the person. It presumes that everyone who commits the same crime should receive the same punishment. The criterion for release is simply that a person has "paid his due" to society.

It is important to note, however, that advocates of determinate sentencing do not want to do away with rehabilitation. They urge only that rehabilitation is not effective unless it is completely voluntary, and that it cannot be used as a criterion for release. Their primary concern is insuring that the criminal justice system operates equitably, or justly, in the sense of everyone in the same circumstances being treated the same way. For this reason, determinate sentencing is sometimes referred to as the "justice" model of corrections.

More equitable terms

For the most part, S.F. 65 has impact only after the court decides to sentence the offender to imprisonment. The bill's main thrust is to insure that defendants imprisoned for the same crime serve terms which are reasonably comparable in length. Thus the bill does not attempt to control or eliminate discretion exercised in other areas of the criminal justice system. The bill does not reduce police discretion or eliminate plea bargaining. To do so is simply not one of the goals of a bill which seeks to make prison terms more equitable.

Also, the bill covers only crimes with felony penalties. The courts would continue to handle gross misdemeanor, misdemeanor and petty misdemeanor offenses as they do now. Since only felonies are covered, the bill obviously does not deal with offenses over which the juvenile court exercises jurisdiction.

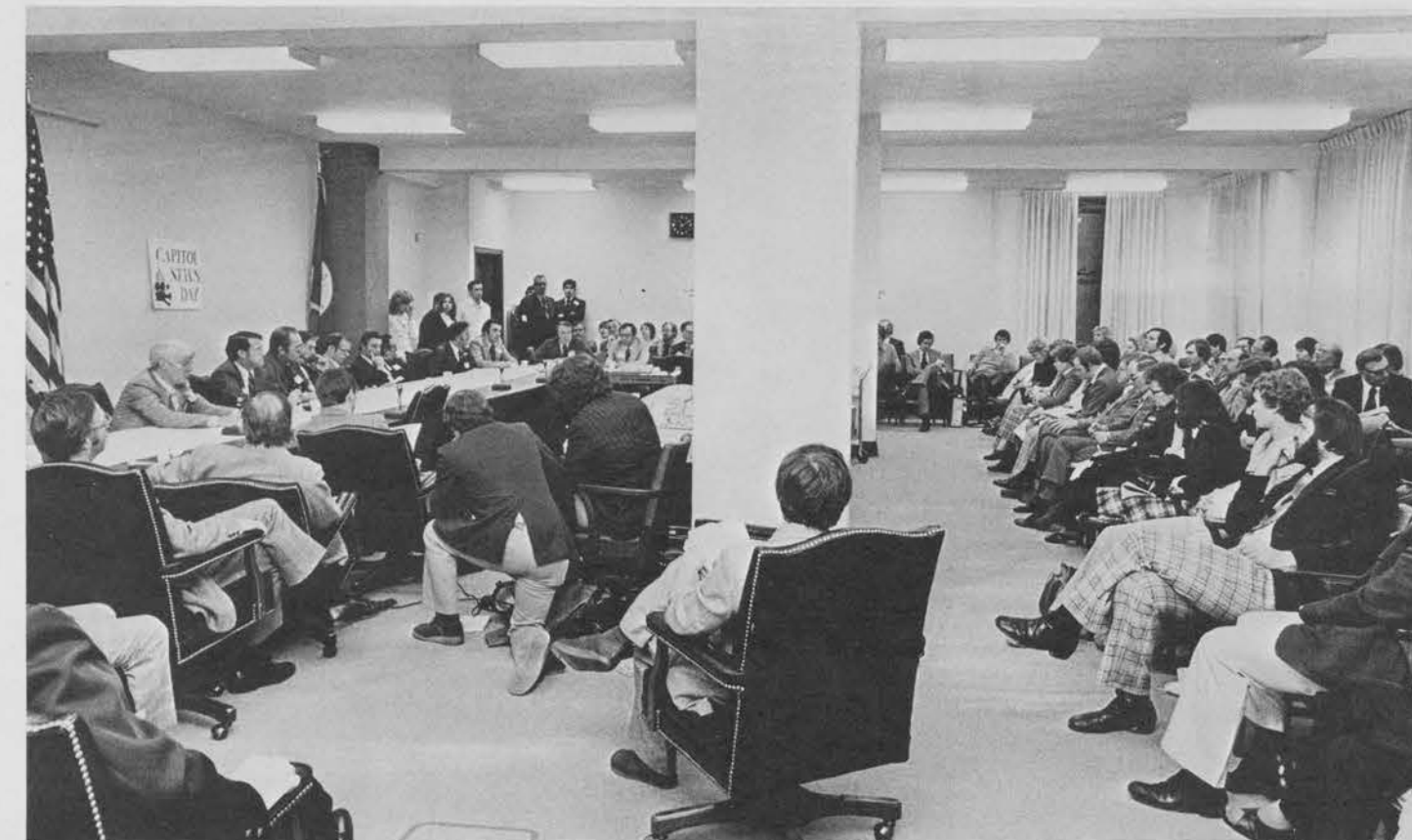
Discretion still important

The bill does not eliminate judicial discretion, out of recognition of the fact that there needs to be substantial flexibility in sentencing to take into account the circumstances peculiar to each crime. The measure actually makes the sentencing judge's decisions the single most important element in the entire process. The bill shifts the locus of discretion from the parole board, which would be eliminated, to the sentencing court. Under the bill the court retains absolute discretion to grant or deny probation in all cases except where the offense is a particularly serious crime against the person or where the offender has repeatedly been engaged in serious criminal activity.

The bill also allows the court substantial discretion in determining what sentence a defendant must serve if he is imprisoned. First, the court may increase or decrease the statutory sentence within the limits set forth in the bill. Second, the bill allows the court, in cases where very serious criminal activity is involved, to give the defendant an extended term of up to three times the statutory sentence provided for the crime for which the defendant is presently being convicted. Finally, the bill continues the court's present authority to give consecutive sentences in cases of multiple offenses.

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CAPITOL NEWS DAY



Outstate reporters who attended Capitol News Day got a chance to question all Senate and House Committee Chairmen at a morning session on Thurs. March 17 (top photo). Senate Majority Leader Nicholas Coleman and House Speaker Martin Sabo are seated next to each other beneath the Capitol News Day sign.

After the session, Rep. Tom Berg (DFL-Mpls.) playfully turned a TV camera on the reporter and camera-man as Sen. Clarence Purfeerst (DFL-Faribault) looked on. Berg chairs the House Local and Urban Affairs Committee; Purfeerst chairs the Senate Transportation Committee.

Earlier the reporters had attended a press conference by Gov. Perpich, who is pictured above thinking over his response.

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Government Operations

The Government Operations Committee, chaired by Sen. John Chenoweth (DFL-St. Paul), has begun examination of a number of government reorganization bills during the session and has approved a bill making the terms of state department heads concurrent with that of the Governor. It has also begun hearings into proposed "sunset" legislation and a zero-based budgeting measure. (See article on "sunset" laws on page 4.)

The committee approved the controversial salary bill and approved the Bloomington site stadium bill late in March.

Health, Welfare and Corrections

A proposal to require determinate sentencing won preliminary approval by the Health Welfare and Corrections Committee in late February, and then went on to be okayed by both the Judiciary and Finance Committee in late March. Senate action is expected in April (See the article on page 10).

The committee, chaired by Sen. George Perpich (DFL-Chisholm) also approved a measure establishing four crises centers for battered women, another that establishes several evening child care centers at state universities, and a bill that initiates statewide health screening for four and five year olds. In late March it also passed a bill that would close Hastings State Hospital.

Judiciary

A bill that would require all new homes built in Minnesota to be guaranteed to be free of structural defects was approved by the Judiciary Committee in late February and passed by the Senate and House in March. A conference committee was appointed to work out differences late in March.

The Judiciary Committee, chaired by Sen. Jack Davies (DFL-Mpls.), also approved measures that allow police officers to order one of the spouses involved in domestic quarrels out of the home for a cooling off period, another that outlaws use of electronic devices to avoid telephone charges, and many other technical bills. Determinate sentencing was approved April 1.

Local Government

The Local Government Committee, chaired by Sen. Myrton Wegener (DFL-Bertha) has considered and approved a number of bills with local significance. A measure that would allow counties to withdraw from regional development committees was introduced in March but no decision was reached.

Taxes

Two major topics — possible repeal of tax increment financing and a study of the impact of 1976 federal tax law changes — have dominated the activities of the Tax Committee in late February and March. Each topic is being studied by a subcommittee.

A bill that would exempt home improvements made on homes at least five years old from any increased taxes as a result of the improvements was introduced in March but no final action taken.

Transportation

Repeal of Minnesota's mandatory helmet law won its first approval in the Senate Transportation Committee in February. The Committee, chaired by Sen. Clarence Purfeerst (DFL-Faribault) also banned radar detection devices ("fuzz busters"), increased the weight limits for trucks, and considered legislation that would order a moratorium on freeway noise barrier construction.

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Conditional release

The conditional release provision of the bill allows the release of offenders into community corrections programs in order to facilitate their reintegration into society. To insure that this authority is not abused, and does not result in the institution of a quasi-parole program or in the early release of particularly serious offenders, the bill allows conditional release only during the last year of the offender's term.

At the same time, the bill insures that conditional release decisions will be made equitably, on the basis of uniform criteria, by requiring the commissioner to promulgate rules for the placement and supervision of inmates who are released, and by lodging the conditional release authority in a special three-member inmate review board.

The bill also includes a "good time" provision solely to give prison authorities an effective means of controlling inmate behavior. By specifying that good time may be earned on a day-for-day basis, the bill allows frequent punishment of an inmate who continually commits disciplinary infractions.

The bill would safeguard inmates' rights in this connection by requiring the department to abide by the due process procedures already used for disciplinary infractions in the state's correctional institutions in order to prevent an inmate from earning good time.

A question of balance

In his remarks to the Committee Sen. McCutcheon stressed that "the primary purpose of the bill is to provide certainty in an area filled with uncertainty." He went on to say "the bill strikes a balance between the judicial and medical models of sentencing. Further, the bill does not attempt to deal with the entire criminal justice system, instead, S.F. 65 deals with only the sentencing aspect of the process."



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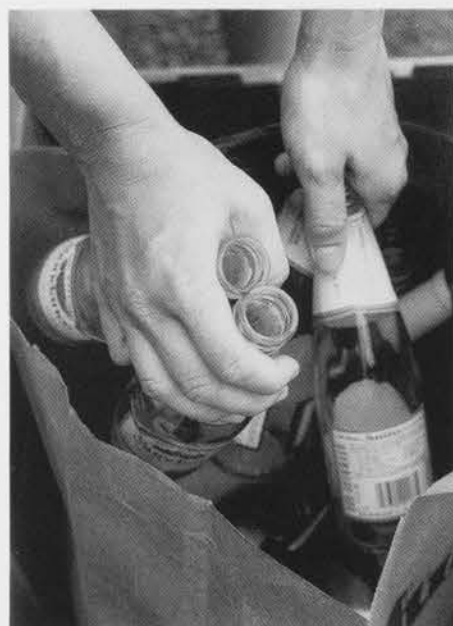


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Dear Emily Anne:

SIGNED (If you wish):

MAIL TO: Emily Anne Staples Campaign Committee, Myrna Marofsky, Coordinator, 13010 39th Avenue North, Plymouth, MN 55441

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Former state Sen. Emily Staples outside her Plymouth home.

photo by Charles Fredeen

Emily Staples Not quite ready to give up on politics

by Charles Fredeen
When Emily Staples joined
the state Legislature in 1977,

profile

she was only the second woman
in Minnesota's history to be
elected to the Senate, and the
first to claim a seat as a
DFLer, in what was basically a
good old boys' club.
For Staples, 55, seeking a

spot in the Legislature had been
an arduous trail that saw the
Plymouth resident start as an
Independent Republican
candidate for a House seat in
1972; was defeated; again tried
for a House seat in 1974, but
this time under the DFL banner
and was again beaten; and
finally captured a Senate seat
on the DFL ticket in the 1976
election.
Through all the attempts to

STAPLES,
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this paragraph*

realize her dream of participating in state politics, and despite her eventual defeat in the 1980 election, Staples has maintained a fascination and an outspokenness with the political process and the people involved.

Part of her candor comes from having been on both sides of the political fence.

Until 1973 Staples, like her husband, former Plymouth mayor Loring Staples, had been a strong backer of the IR party in Minnesota. That changed, however, with the declining support in the Republican Party for an Equal Rights Amendment and a pronounced shift to the right on social issues, such as abortion.

"I realized the Republican Party was moving to the right, while I was staying in the middle," Staples said. Something had to give and eventually it was a reluctant Staples who said goodbye to the Independent Republicans.

Although she has broken with the party, Staples still expresses fears about fundamentalist and one-issue stands recently taken by the IR--issues that also concern the first woman elected to the Minnesota Senate, Nancy Brataas, IR-Rochester, who served during the same period as Staples.

"I really am terribly concerned about the direction the Republican Party is taking," said Staples, whose position on a variety of social issues is 180 degrees opposite that of the IR party.

"I'm just absolutely stunned that the Republican Party would take a platform stand against the ERA," Staples said. "I just can't believe it."

"I feel strongly in freedom of choice and that the government should not dictate" whether or not abortion should be available to women, Staples continued.

"I'm not a one-issue person. I have many interests. You have to have many broad interests to serve in the Legislature."

Interests Staples pushed for in the Senate included health issues, small business programs, women's issues (she favors both national and state enactment of the ERA), economic development and tax

problems.

Following her defeat in 1980 to Independent Republican Jim Ramstad in one of the more expensive state races, Staples journeyed to Harvard University to obtain a master's degree (she graduated from the University of Minnesota with a bachelor of arts) and she presently is working as a community relations director at Spring Hill Center.

Although Staples is not holding elective office, she nevertheless has been keeping herself visible in various wide-ranging political activities with the Metropolitan Council, as a delegate to the recent state DFL convention where her "head never touched a pillow" and with state and national women's issues.

She is actively supporting the candidacies of both Walter Mondale for president and Joan Grove for the U.S. Senate seat held by Republican Rudy Boschwitz.

Hand in hand with that support for Grove goes rejection of mavericks such as state treasurer Bob Mattson, who has announced he will run against the DFL-endorsed Grove and the possibility that former Minnesota Gov. Wendell Anderson might do the same.

Mattson, said Staples, is "an unguided missile (who) is dangerously bright," while as for Anderson, "For his own long-term interests, I hope he

decides not to run. I think the convention spoke very clearly that they don't want him and that this is not the right time for him.

"It seems to me," Staples continued, "that Grove is the only candidate the DFL has that could beat Boschwitz, because they're so different on the issues."

Staples said she is unsure whether she will again run for elective office because her positions of being a fiscal moderate and social liberal are sometimes at odds with her district.

She doesn't, however, rule out the possibility of seeking an appointment to government, either at the state or national level, if a position is offered.

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Re-Elect Senator Emily

Staples

District 43

(Robbinsdale, Golden Valley, Plymouth, New Hope and Medicine Lake)

Prepared and Paid For By the Senator Emily Staples for Re-Election Campaign Committee
Larry Marofsky, Treas., 4092 West Broadway, Mpls., Minn. 55422. Tel. 536-8834

Dear Friends,

Over the years, District 43 has been acclaimed, not only for its high level of voter participation, but also for our tradition of clean, issue-oriented campaigns.

This year, however, a candidate has come along who is willing to defy that tradition, in a "win at all costs" effort. That candidate has let the desire for political victory cloud his judgment and has engaged in a vicious smear campaign based on false and misleading charges and personal attacks.

I truly regret seeing my opponent sink to such tactics, which I consider an insult to the intelligence and integrity of area residents. I urge you, when you go to the polls next Tuesday, to examine the issues, look at the **whole** record and consider the facts.

Sincerely,

Emily Anne

Emily Anne Staples
State Senator

smear!

**Don't be fooled
by a smear
attack!**

"I stand on my record."

— Senator Staples

His Charge:

That Senator Staples voted against inflation-proofing your state income taxes.

The Facts:

• Senator Staples voted to index state income tax rates at 85 percent the annual increases in the Consumer Price Index; • Voted to increased and index dependent credits; • Voted to double and index the standard deduction thereby providing 500 million dollars in income tax relief. (May 21, 1979 - Journal Page 3364).

His Charge:

That Senator Staples voted against tax relief for seniors and others on fixed incomes.

The Facts:

• Senator Staples voted in favor of increasing the dependent credit for seniors from \$80 to \$120, and to index these credits (May 21, 1979 - Journal Page 3364); • Voted to dramatically expand the low-income tax credit program (March 23, 1978 - Journal Page 5882; May 21, 1979 - Journal Page 3364; April 11, 1980 - Journal Page 6682); • Voted in favor of increasing property tax relief for 156,000 senior citizens totalling 33.8 million dollars (May 21, 1977 - Journal Page 2875; March 23, 1978 - Journal Page 5882; April 11, 1980 - Journal Page 3364).

His Charge:

That Senator Staples voted against pension relief for senior citizens and retired public employees.

The Facts:

• Senator Staples voted to increase the pension income exclusion from \$0 to \$11,000 for public pensioners (March 23, 1978 - Journal Page 5882; May 21, 1979 - Journal Page 3364; and April 11, 1980 - Journal Page 6682); • Voted for inheritance tax reforms which eliminated taxes on more than 90% of Minnesota estates (May 21, 1979 - Journal Page 3364).

His Charge:

That the DFL majority has increased the welfare budget by 400 percent since 1972.

The Facts:

• Since Senator Staples took office, increases in welfare expenditures have comprised less than 25 percent of our total budget increase (education expenditures, by comparison, made up 39.8 percent).

His Charge:

That Senator Staples voted herself a fully-vested pension after six years of service.

The Facts:

• Under provisions of the bill supported by Senator Staples, she will not receive any pension until reaching the age of 62, and only if reelected. Previously, the requirement was 60 years of age, thereby saving taxpayers \$1.8 million in the current biennium alone (March 23, 1978 - Journal Page 5952). • In addition, prior to the new law, a legislator could potentially retire at a pension equal to 100% of his or her final monthly salary. Legislators will now retire at only 50% of their average monthly salaries, and this is possible only after 20 years of service. Again, this change provides a great dollar savings to Minnesota taxpayers.

His Charge:

Senator Staples voted against sales tax exemption for your residential heating fuels.

The Facts:

• Senator Staples voted for a residential heating fuels sales tax exemption, and that exemption has been in effect since April 1, 1978 (March 23, 1978 - Journal Page 5882).

His Charge:

That Senator Staples voted against tax exemptions for Minnesota military personnel.

The Facts:

• Senator Staples voted to restore the exclusions of \$3,000 for instate military pay and the next \$2,000 of military pay if earned outside the state, and that exclusion is in effect (May 21, 1979 - Journal Page 3364).

**Respect and integrity, like a seat in the Minnesota Senate,
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Senator Emily Staples has *earned* your support.

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Re-elect Senator Emily

Staples



State of Minnesota

Jim Lord
Treasurer

State Executive Council
State Board of Investment
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November 10, 1980

The Honorable Emily Staples
State Senator
1640 Xanthus Lane
Plymouth, Minnesota 55447

Dear Emily:

I wish to extend my sincere regret with the results of last Tuesday's election on your re-election bid. Even though we DFL'ers didn't fare too well in many election contests, you have served in the finest tradition of DFL politics and can be proud of your achievements. I hope that the election results do not signal your retreat from DFL politics, we've all got to pull together for our next election effort.

I look forward to seeing you run again for elective office. If I can be of assistance to you in any way, do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely,

Jim Lord
State Treasurer

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
Secretary of State
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September 10, 1976

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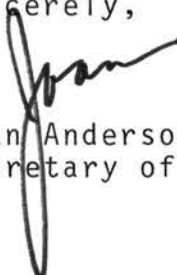
Ms. Emily Anne Staples
1640 Xanthus Lane
Wayzata, Minnesota 55391

Dear Emily Ann,

Thought you would enjoy these pictures.

Keep up the good work and best of luck.

Sincerely,

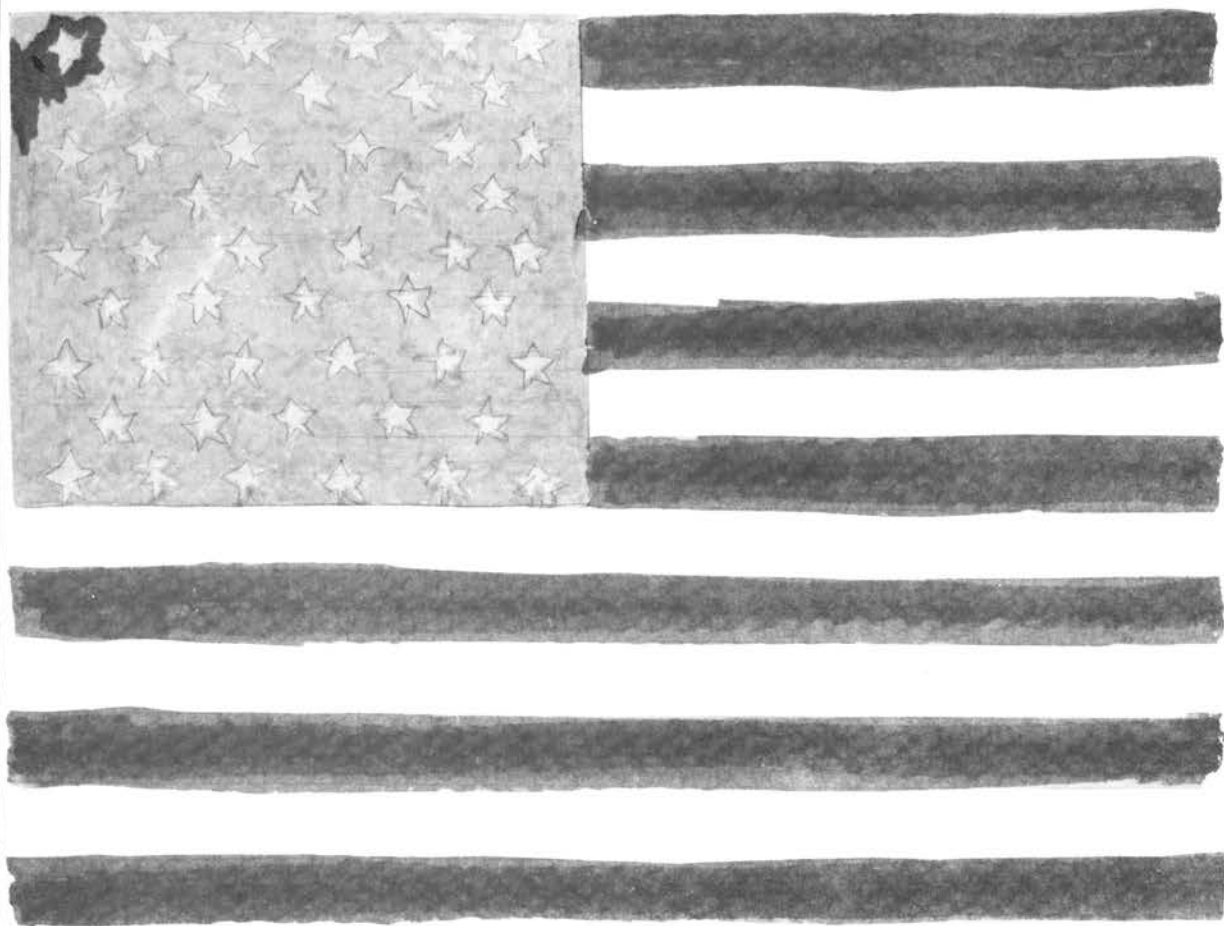


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November 11, 1980

State Senator Emily Ann Staples
1640 Zanthus Lane
Plymouth, MN 55391

Dear Emily:

I have tried several times to call you to share a few private thoughts in the wake of the election results last Tuesday. I first want to say what a fine race you ran and what an outstanding State Senator you have been. You have brought a number of new people into politics and they and the political arena are far better for your having served so well.

The second thing I wanted to indicate to you is that if you, in light of some of the more notorious irregularities that occurred in your race, wanted to begin an election contest or recount that I would be glad to assist in whatever way I could. I have learned from talking with others that you probably will not do so, but if you decide to have a recount or contest, please contact me and let me help in whatever way I can.

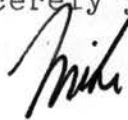
Lee Sheehy told me of his conversation with you when you returned my phone call on the Thursday night after election. I know that Lee, Dave Jones, Joe Barbeau and I, would love to sit down and talk with you and several of your close supporters concerning some reorganization and rebirth of our party at your first convenience. We have some time, prior to the 1982 elections, but not as much as we really need; so let's get together, if not before, right after the holiday season, and start doing some real planning and thinking for 1982.

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State Senator Emily Ann Staples
November 11, 1980
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Again, my congratulations to you on a race well run, and my sincere sympathies--only one who has also lost knows how hard it is to lose--but you have your positive accomplishments to look back on and some future contributions to look forward to. I am looking forward to working with you in the near future.

Sincerely yours,



Michael O. Freeman

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ALL OF US TO CONTINUE.

JOAN AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP AND FRIENDSHIP. WE
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April 21, 1977

Honorable Emily Anne Staples
State Senator
23G Minnesota Capitol
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Emily Anne:

Thanks so much for your letter. Its delightful of you to say that I've slimmed down. Unfortunately that is not the case.

Actually I did the Bunny number so that the Vice President could get a little more attention.


Its been a trifle hectic, but now it seems to be leveling out. Carol still hasn't found a job, so she is a little gloomy about that but something will come along.

I do want to see you when you are in Washington. I think we can get together without going through more than a dozen secretaries. Call me when you are in town - I'm at 456-7034, and located in Room 280 of the Executive Office Building. Unfortunately you can't just pop in, because you must be cleared in order to enter the building. If I'm not there to take your call, then ask for Kathleen or Carolyn and they will set up a time when we can get together.

I'm hoping to be back in Minnesota before the session ends and I'll stop by.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,


Michael S. Berman
Counsel to the Vice
President

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Associated Press

Easter bunny attends Mondale's party for children

Vice President Walter Mondale, right, posed with the Easter bunny and television newsman Martin Agronsky and his daughter Rachel at Mondale's residence in Washington Sunday. The bunny, who was the cen-

ter of attention at the party hosted by the vice president for children, was played by Mike Berman, Mondale's counsel.

Emily

Staples

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DFLers accuse IR of smear tactics

By Ed Thoma

State Sen. Emily Anne Staples (DFL-Plymouth) probably won't contest her election loss to Independent-Republican Jim Ramstad, she said Wednesday. Although she still feels such a challenge would be justified, Staples said she doubted any campaign law violations were substantial enough to have the District 43 race overturned.

"I'm not sure that it (a legal challenge) would be in the best interests of the district or the state," Staples said.

Staples had earlier said she was considering a challenge that would have charged Ramstad with including "false information" in his campaign literature, accepting illegal campaign contributions, and distributing campaign literature on election day.

Ramstad said he never believed Staples would sue. "You'd look pretty dumb, going to court with nothing," he said. "I don't think she wanted to sue. I think she was being pressured by the DFL caucus to sue."

Today is the last day Staples could file her challenge in Hennepin County District Court. To get the results overturned she would have to get a state Supreme Court ruling that major violations of the state election law, which affected the outcome, had occurred, and then get the state Senate to unseat Ramstad and call a special election.

The Staples-Ramstad race in District 43, which is located in western Hennepin County, is one of several races in which DFL candidates claim their IR opponents used "smear tactics" in their campaigns.

Senate Assistant Majority Leader Marv Hanson (DFL-Hallock) said Thursday that 14 DFL senators, some of whom were defeated, have told a caucus committee that they faced such tactics.

Hanson chairs a special DFL caucus committee investigating these claims. The committee held a meeting Wednesday afternoon, planning to hear some of those complaints. But turnout, Hanson said, was "disappointing."

"I think we'll be waiting on the Frank Knoll case," he said. That case involves a criminal complaint filed by Sen. Knoll (DFL-Minneapolis) against his opponent, Dan Biersdorf, charging that Biersdorf distributed false information during the campaign. That case probably will go to a grand jury in early December.

"The problem is that we don't have a good definition of 'false information'," Hanson said. ("False information" in campaign literature is specifically prohibited by state law.)

The disputed IR literature, which was centrally produced and mailed to targeted zip code districts, "contained a lot of half-truths," Hanson said. "It might say that you voted against income tax indexing in 1976, but it wouldn't say that you voted for it in 1979."

If Knoll, who carried his district by a wide margin, should be successful in pressing his complaint against Biersdorf, many other DFLers may also file criminal complaints against their opponents. Under state law, a candidate filing such a complaint can appoint an "associate attorney" to prosecute the case or work with the county attorney.

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KUOM 770 AM. 11 am, Options in Ed looks at the importance of good writing in the business world. 11:30 am, Larry May & Dr. Elanie May, asst

profs of Am Studies, discuss their new books on the Am family & their shared working schd. 1:30 pm, "A q of place: Simone de Beauvoir."

"New Life" Bible study. Bring your lunch. 12:15-1 pm. 150 Applby.

"The scientific approach & Christianity: are they compatible?" Wm. Monsma. 7:30 pm. Bethany Ch, corner of Oak & Essex St.

"Oxide isolation," microelectronics. 3:15 pm. 305 Lind.

Mn Timber Study Conf. Dec. 4-5. Ramada Inn-airport, Bloomington. Pre-reg: Ofc of Spec Prog, 405 Coffey, St. P. Before 11/21: \$20; after: \$22.

Eckankar, path of total awareness. "Prayer: harmful or helpful?" 7 pm. Eckankar Cntr, 807 SE 4 St.

"The Am Indian's fight for survival," Waubun-Inini (Vernon Bellecourt), Anishinabe Nation. \$1.50. 4 pm Sun. 508 N Snelling Av, St. P.

"Humankind's future in space," NASA astronaut M. Mullane. Noon-1 pm. Mississippi rm, CMU.

Tales, tall & true, by W. Loren Niemi, a Mpls storyteller, at the Falls of St. Anthony historical exhibit. 11:30 am-2:30 pm Sun. (Also Dec. 29 & 30.) Mn Historical Soc, 690 Cedar St, St. P.

"Voyage to the Stars," planetarium program, by Carl Sagan. \$2. 2 & 3 pm Sat & Sun. Central lib, Nicollet Mall.

Lab Rounds, J. O'Leary. 2:30 pm. 3-317 HSA.

"Risk factor changes among MRFIT participants after 4 years of intervention," J. Neaton, U of M. Biometry. 12:15 pm. 1220 Mayo.

Mn Orc concert preview, C.H. Smith. \$1. 6:45 pm. Green rm, Orc Hall.

The Family—health care. Free. 1-4:30 pm. Sheraton-Ritz Hotel, 315 Nicollet Av.

"Paul van Ostaijen: a truly experimental writer," Henk Majier, Dutch writer. 8 pm. 106 Folwell.

"Tudor women martyrs," S. Byman. The Rose & Thistle Soc. 3 pm. 710 Soc Sci Tower.

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship Bible study. 9:15-10 am. Check IVCF desk, CMU.

Mentor literary series: William Gass, novelist. 3:15 pm Sat. CMU Theater.

Issues in women's health: "menopause," Ann

Voda. 12:15 pm. 320 CMU.

ARTS—MEDIA

KUOM 770 AM. Fri: 2 pm, Ensemble Hesperion plays music from time of Cervantes (1547-1616). Sat: 1 pm, later versions of tunes by the pioneer group, The Original Dixie Jazz Band.

"A Celebration of Psalms (an experiment in theatre as worship)." \$3.50. 8 pm FSat. Bethel College. 638-6466.

Los Companeros concert. Greek-Chilean musical septet performs "Songs of Freedom." \$6. 8 pm. 125/175 Willey.

Pianist Earl Wild performs w/ the Mn Orc. 8 pm. Orc Hall, 371-5656.

"Ain't No Kings No More," an experiment in performing & visual arts. \$2.50 (\$2 students). 8 pm FSat. Nash Gallery, Willey.

"Greetings," an outrageous satire on the draft, Vietnam War & other things, w/ Robert DeNiro. Free. 1, 3, 5, 7 & 9 pm FSun. 325 CMU.

"Danceworks," Nancy Hauser Dance Co. \$3.50 (\$3 students). 8 pm FSat, 2 pm Sun. Guild of Performing Arts, 504 Cedar Ave, Mpls. 333-8268.

Cafe evening: Menachem Hadar's award-winning video-tapes from Israeli TV. \$1. 8 pm Sun. Jewish Comm Cntr, 4330 S Cedar Lake Rd, Mpls.

Irish dance: A Ceilidh (Gaelic for a dance party w/ songs, stories, refreshments & courting). Instrc 8 pm, dancing 8:30 pm. \$3.50. Oddfellows Lodge, 2703 E Lake St, Mpls.

The Rezone Dancers fall concert. 8 pm F-Sun. Ozone Dance Sch, 400 N 1 Av, 6th flr.

Ozone Dance Sch's interim session starts Nov. 24 (thru Dec. 20). Call 338-1101 for reg info.

"Pal Joey," Rodgers & Hart. Punchinello Players. \$3. 8 pm FSat. North Hall Theatre, St. P. campus.

"Mn's Magnificent Century" & "Sorcerer's Apprentice," films. Twice ea at 2 & 3 pm Sun. Am Swedish Inst, 2600 Park Av, Mpls.

"Hello & Goodbye," a play. S. African brother & sister confront ea other to discover who they are. 8 pm F-Sun (last weekend). Performers' Ensemble, 127 N Wash Ave. Res: 338-2484.

WMMR Radio 730 AM. Fri: 9 pm-midnight, "Buff me tenderly," comedy-music program. Sat: 8 am-noon, "Local music," w/ live interviews. Sun: 8 pm, Top 20 countdown, w/ J.J. Hunt.

Celidh, int'l folk dancing taught. Free w/ student ID. 8-10 pm. Norris gym.

Peter Nero performs a tribute to Gershwin w/ the Mn Orc. 8 pm Sat, 3 pm Sun. Orc Hall, 371-5656.

"Treasure of the Sierra Madre," Humphrey Bogart. \$1. 7:30 & 10 pm F. WBU Program Hall.

Heritage Festival Days, celebrating the contribution of Eng, Scand & German settlers. 1-4:30 pm Sat. Nokomis Comm Cntr, 2401 E Minnehaha Pkwy.

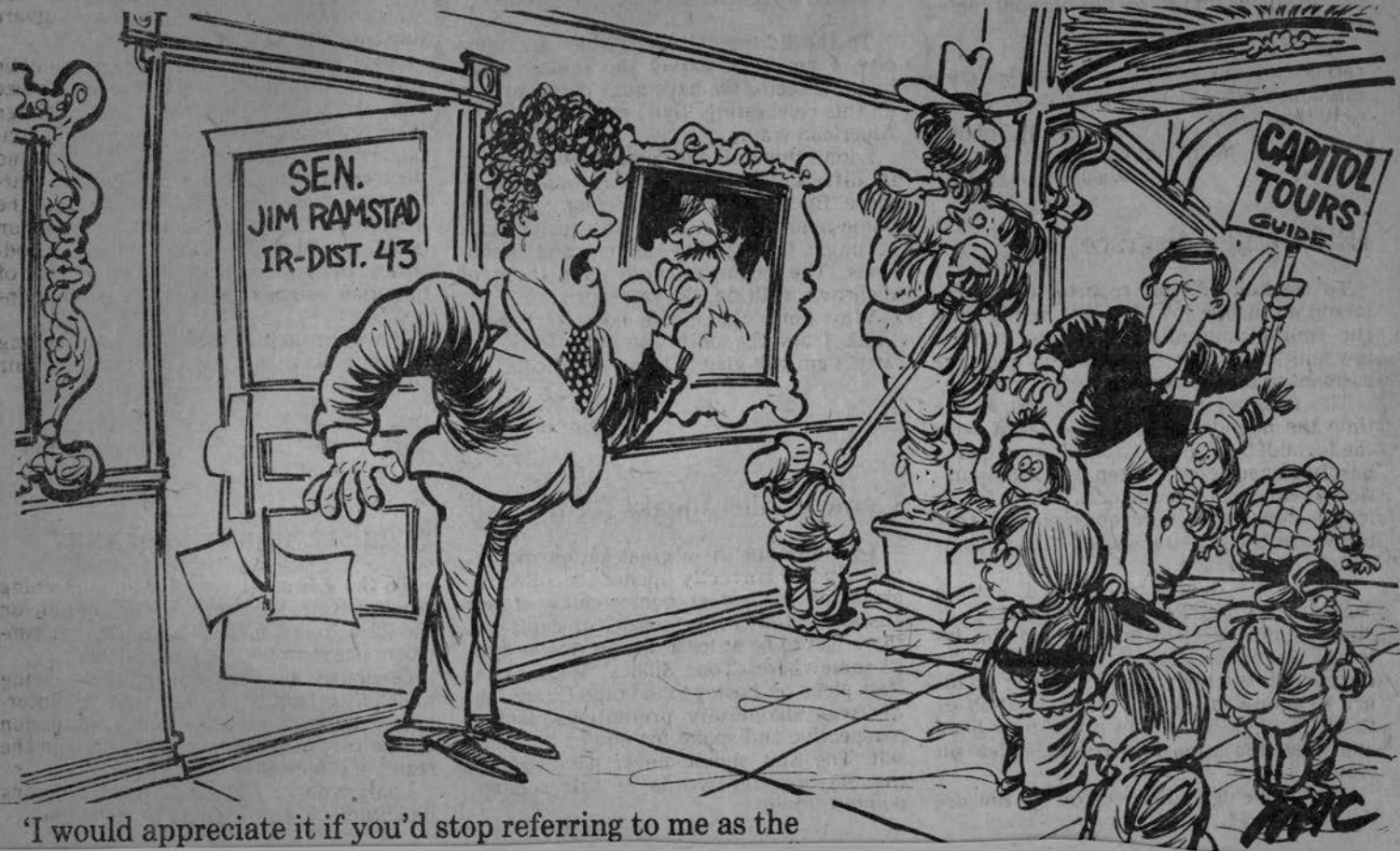
"Viscosity Prints," Middle Eastern art by Turkish artists, Gunduz Golonu. Opens Sun, thru Dec. 17.

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Government is going to spend your tax
dollars whether you like it or not.

The question is, on what?

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LINE ART: MONEY-GOBLING CAPITOL DOME
WITH \$ IN ITS HANDS.

COPY:

Senator Emily Staples helps make sure
that your tax dollars are spent where
they'll do you and your neighbors the
most good.

That's what she's done for four years
in the Minnesota senate.

And that's what she'll do for another
~~four~~ term

HEAD: You gotta know the territory.

INSET: LINE ART: CONFUSING BROKEN-ARROW
FLOOR PLAN OF CAPITOL

COPY: It takes more than machine politics,
money or tough talk to make a polit-
ician competent.

It takes experience.

That's what Senator Emily Staples
has.

And what her opponent doesn't.

HEAD: Talking v. listening.
Some politicians get it backwards.

INSET: LINE ART: CAPITOL DOME WITH GROTESQUE
HUGE EAR AND MOUTH

COPY: Too many do their talking in public,
saying whatever their audiences want
to hear.

Then they listen to back-room bosses,
special interest groups and image ex-
perts.

Senator Emily Staples does it the other
way around.

She listens in public. To learn what
you think and how you feel.

Then she saves her talking for the
senate committees she serves on. To
get your ideas and feelings across.

Loud and clear.

HEAD: After 25 years in the district,
 What does Emily Staples know
 about your taxes?

INSET: LINE ART: GRAPHICALLY-INTERESTING
 TREATMENT OF WORD "TAXES"

COPY: More than any other candidate, that's
 what.

 And she knows what it's like to raise
 and educate two boys and two girls.
 Both in good times and not-so-good
 times.

 She knows what community involvement
 means -- as a citizen, a mayor's wife
 and a state senator.

 Grass roots experience. Either you
 got it or you don't.

HEAD: The opposition imported a candidate
 from another state.

Do they know something you don't?

INSET: LINE ART; WEATHERED ROAD SIGN, POINTING
 TOWARD HORIZON, READING "SOMEWHERE ELSE"

COPY: They know Emily's outstanding record.
 It's one of the most respected in the
 legislature.

She's served on __ committees. __ as
chair.

She's authored or co-authored __ bills.
__ are now law.

And she's made sure your tax dollars
were spent where they'd do the most good.

So what does the opposition know that
you don't?

Nothing. Not any more.

HEAD: You be the judge.

ILLUS: TWO COLUMNS OF ACHIEVEMENTS, COMMITTEES,
 &c., HEADED BY

Ours. Theirs.

COPY: (to come)

HEAD: One investment worth more today than
 it was four years ago:

ILLUS: PHOTO SMILING EMILY

COPY: After four years in the senate, Emily
 Staples is worth more to you than ever.

 She's experienced. Knowledgable. Re-
 spected. And listened to.

 Which means she a better job of legis-
 lating the issues that affect you most.

 You loaned her your vote four years ago.

 Do it again.

LOGO: Re-elect Senator Emily
 STAPLES

TAG: (to come)

EMILY STAPLES
Ads
September 18, 1980

HEAD: Do it again.

ILLUS: SMILING EMILY

LOGO: Re-elect Senator Emily
STAPLES

TAG: (to come)

HEAD: I hear you.
Loud and clear.

ILLUS: SMILING EMILY

LOGO: Re-elect Senator Emily
STAPLES

TAG: (to come)

HEAD: "No" man.

ILLUS: SMILING EMILY

COPY: There's no machine, no
big-bucks interests, no
blind ambition behind
Emily.

Just experience, know-
how and compassion.

TAG: Do it again.

LOGO: Re-elect Senator Emily
STAPLES

TAG: (to come)

HEAD: Security blanket.

ILLUS: SMILING EMILY

COPY: Your best interests
are Emily's first
concern.

TAG: Do it again.

LOGO: Re-elect Senator Emily
STAPLES

TAG: (to come)

HEAD: Tough cookie.

ILLUS: SMILING EMILY

COPY: Emily Staples has fought
for four years to make sure
your tax dollars are spent
where they'll do the most
good.

TAG: Do it again.

LOGO: Re-elect Senator Emily
STAPLES

TAG: (to come)

HEAD: Sound investment.

ILLUS: SMILING EMILY

COPY: Your cost, one vote.
Due November 4.

TAG: Do it again,

LOGO: Re-elect Senator Emily
STAPLES

TAG: (to come)

HEAD: Good listener.

ILLUS: SMILING EMILY

COPY: Call Senator Emily
Staples. 296-4137.

TAG: Do it again.

LOGO: Re-elect Senator Emily
STAPLES

TAG: (to come)

Dear Friends:

Since my election to the Minnesota Senate in 1976, I have been stimulated by the enormous challenges facing those of us in public life. We must respond to the unique needs of residents in our districts. And, we must make intelligent decisions that shape the course of our state, respond to our immediate goals as Minnesotans, and correspond with our long-term needs and goals as residents of a strong, independent nation.

We must take steps to deal with inflation and its eroding effect on the family budget. We must be certain that our business climate--the backbone of our economy--is strong and expanding. We must take steps to control housing, health care, and energy costs. We must make every effort at the state level to decrease our national dependence on foreign oil.

And, we must continue our efforts to assure that every citizen in our state is recognized for his or her individual worth. Our senior citizens, who have made such a valuable contribution to society, must be assured of their rights to lives that are independent and financially secure. Our handicapped and disadvantaged citizens must be granted an equal opportunity to contribute their talents to society, for society can only benefit from them.

I have learned that one person can, indeed, make a difference in determining and implementing these goals. But my effectiveness as a senator is dependent on a unique partnership between you, the

constituent, and me--a partnership in good government. That partnership has been enhanced by your many phone calls, letters, and personal visits.

In the following pages, I have summarized some of my major concerns in the Legislature. They have been shaped by your concerns--concerns you have shared with me in our numerous encounters.

I have enjoyed working with you, and look forward to your continued support.

Warmly,

Emily Anne Staples

STAPLES AUTHORS LEGISLATION TO ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES

"One of the most challenging tasks as a state senator was ^{chairing} serving on the Economic Development Subcommittee in the Senate, where I learned firsthand of the problems faced by small businesses in attempting to establish or expand operations in Minnesota," Staples said.

As the result of her efforts on that subcommittee, the senator authored many major bills that were enacted into law to assist small business. They include:

Small Business Finance Agency

Perhaps the most important legislation concerning small business approved in the 1980 session established a Small Business Finance Agency, which will issue reduced interest loans to small businesses for operating or expanding projects, , including pollution control and waste disposal projects.

Senator Staples, who coauthored that legislation in the Senate, said, "I feel this loan program is essential--if many of our small businesses are to survive. With the prime interest rate, and businesses rates remaining exorbitantly high, the traditional sources of financing for small businesses have all but been eliminated."

The new agency will be authorized to participate with financial institutions in issuing loans of up to \$1 million to small businesses--if certain conditions are met. It will also be authorized to issue loans of up to \$100,000 from the proceeds of bonds sold to financial institutions (at least half of the loans granted in the program will be \$100,000 or less). It also will be able to issue loans of up to \$500,000 for pollution control projects, provided that those loans are guaranteed by an agency of the federal government.

Uniform definition of small business

Senator Staples was coauthor of another important bill that set a uniform definition of small business--to assure that state small business assistance programs and set-aside contracts to where they were intended to go--to small businesses. It defines small businesses as those having 20 or fewer employees, with gross revenues of \$1 million or less.

"Until now, state law set four definitions of small business, which were broadly drawn to include businesses which were not necessarily small, or in need of state assistance," Staples said. "The new law sets guidelines which are much more restrictive, thus enabling the state to target its efforts to small businesses."

Small business set-asides

Increasing the number of state contracts that are awarded to small businesses has been another of Senator Staples' major concerns. In 1979, she was an author of legislation increasing the percentage of state contracts that must, by law, be awarded to small businesses from 10 to 20 percent. The law also increased the percentage of those contracts that must be awarded to economically disadvantaged persons and minorities from 10 to 15 percent.

This session, Senator Staples continued her efforts to expand business opportunities for minorities, the economically disadvantaged, and the handicapped. She was the chief author of legislation authorizing the Metropolitan Transit Commission and other governmental units to establish a set-aside program for contracts with small businesses

operated by these groups.

Small Business Assistance Center

In an effort to help small businesses in Minnesota reduce the paperwork and expenses involved in licensing and applying for state aid programs, Senator Staples last year was chief author of a law creating a Small Business Assistance Center in Minnesota. The center, now in operation in the Department of Economic Development, is divided into two bureaus--the Bureau of Small Business and the Bureau of Business Licenses.

"Officials at the Bureau of Small Business report a large response from owners of small businesses across the state who need help in dealing with license and application procedures," Staples said. "The bureau also offers information on management and technical assistance programs. "

The Bureau of Business Licenses will initially study Minnesota's method of licensing businesses and recommend any necessary changes, such as the elimination of small business licenses.

Small business management education programs

Senator Staples was also an author of legislation to provide funding for business management programs in areas where they currently are not offered.

SENATOR STAPLES LEADERIN LEGISLATION FOR SENIORS, DISABLED, HANDICAPPED

Senator Staples has been one of the leading advocates in the Senate for programs to help the disadvantaged, the handicapped, and senior citizens. A member of the Health, Welfare, and Corrections Committee, she has authored many major bills to provide alternatives to institutionalization, to increase health care benefits for the elderly and disabled, to improve conditions for patients who must be institutionalized, and to increase the opportunities for the handicapped for independence and productivity. They include:

Nursing home pre-admission screening

Senator Staples was the chief author of this important new law, which establishes a screening program of nursing home applicants--to avoid inappropriate placement. Teams of social workers and public health nurses will be established to interview all nursing home applicants within 90 days of admission to determine if alternatives are available to nursing home placement.

"Studies have shown that many persons enter nursing homes simply because they believe they have no alternatives," Staples said. "In fact, many health officials believe that effective screening could reduce nursing home admissions as much as 25 percent per year."

In-Home Care Services

Senator Staples was the chief author of this major bill, intended to provide an important first step toward providing alternatives to nursing home care.

"For the elderly alone, the State of Minnesota spends \$250 million per year for nursing home care--and those costs are expected to increase about \$25 million per year--largly because of the steadily increasing number of nursing home residents," Staples said. "Those costs are particularly disturbing, because, a Legislative study commissioned two years ago found, many thousands of developmentally disabled, handicapped, and older people could be kept out of nursing homes, and several thousand others could be moved out of higher cost institutional care--if more in-home services were available."

The new law authorizes funding for a pilot program of such services--such as home health care, special transportation, home delivered meals, and other services to help the elderly or disabled remain in their homes.

Medical assistance earned income disregard for the disabled

This important new law, authored this year by Senator Staples, enables handicapped people to work without the fear that their incomes will make them ineligible for medical assistance.

"In the past, many handicapped persons have been forced to give up their jobs, because their incomes made them ineligible for medical assistance, when they simply could not afford to pay medical bills without such assistance," Staples said. "The new law will enable them to work, keep half their incomes, use the other half to pay work expenses and medical bills, and remain eligible for medical assistance."

Hearing Impaired Services Act

This important new law, authored by Senator Staples in the 1980 session, will improve and streamline services for persons with hearing problems, many of whom currently must deal with institutional barriers daily in their attempts to find adequate employment, obtain social services, and cope with day to day living.

"A recent State Planning Agency study has indicated that approximately 267,000 Minnesota residents have mild to profound hearing disorders," Staples said. "Of that number, more than 140,000 are at least very hard of hearing, and 39,341 are deaf."

The new law establishes a statewide network of coordinated services for the hearing impaired, and provides for the establishment of eight Regional Service Centers.

"The centers will be a place for the hearing impaired to go when they need help," Staples said. "They will make referrals, provide interpreter services, loan equipment and services, and work with local social service agencies to improve services," Staples said.

Another important provision of the new law requires the Commissioner of Economic security to adopt a plan to deal with underemployment of hearing impaired persons.

"Underemployment is a growing problem among the hearing impaired in Minnesota," Staples said. "Persons with hearing handicaps are often passed over at promotion time, or placed in below-average jobs, although this discrimination is prohibited by federal law. The new law should alleviate this problem."

The law also calls for the Commissioner of Welfare to strengthen state services to the hearing impaired through needs

assessment, staff training, and program development.

Vulnerable Adults

Senator Staples was a coauthor of this law, which increases protections against abuse or neglect of vulnerable adults--persons who, because of physical or mental impairments, are unlikely to report such incidents to authorities. It establishes a reporting system similar to that for reporting and investigating child abuse, and requires institutions and programs serving vulnerable adults to develop abuse prevention plans.

Retired Senior Volunteer Program

Senator Staples was the chief author of this 1980 law, which for the first time involves the state in funding the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)--a vital program involving seniors in almost every aspect of community life--in schools, libraries, nursing homes, nutrition and meals on wheels programs, and social and vocational programs.

"More than 8,000 seniors are actively involved in this crucial program in Minnesota," Staples said. "The new law will help to expand the program to areas that it currently does not exist, as well as enable some innovations in programs currently in operation."

Subsidized adoption

Senator Staples was the coauthor of this important law,

which establishes a 100 percent state funded program to subsidize adoptions for special needs children.

"This law has halped place many special children, who otherwise might not have been adopted," Staples said.

Medical Assistance Social Security cost of living disregard

Senator Staples was a coauthor of this law, which disregards Social Security cost of living increases in determining income eligibility for Medical Assistance. This law allows seniors, handicapped persons, and surviving widows and dependent children to keep more of their Social Security benefits and still be eligible for Medical Assistance.

SENATOR STAPLES CONCERNED ABOUT QUALITY, COST OF HEALTH CARE

Senator Staples has been a leading advocate in the Senate of measures to control health care costs and improve the quality of health care programs in Minnesota. Legislation she has authored includes:

Health care facilities certificate of needs amendments

Senator Staples was chief author of this measure, which reenacts and amends Minnesota law to bring it into conformity with federal law. The purpose of the measure is to control unnecessary health facility construction and expansion, and to limit duplication of health care services.

Hospital rate review

Senator Staples was chief author of this legislation, which allows the Commissioner of Health to periodically establish the acceptable level of increase for hospital acute care charges.

Poison Information Center

Senator Staples was chief author of this 1980 law, which establishes a statewide system, similar to the "911" emergency telephone system, to provide 24-hour emergency information on prompt identification, appropriate home treatment, or referral services to poison victims.

Dental Professionals Regulation

Senator Staples was a coauthor of this new law, which provides for stricter regulation of dental professionals, by requiring dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants who fail their clinical examinations twice to obtain additional education or training before they retake the exam.

HMO demonstration projects for special needs groups

Senator Staples was the chief author of this law, which allows the establishment of Health Maintenance Organization projects for persons who would not ordinarily be able to take advantage of such services--such as Medicare recipients, low income families, and groups of less than 50 employees covered by a single group health policy.

Reconstructive surgery

Senator Staples was the chief author of this law, which requires health insurance policies and HMOs to cover reconstructive surgery which is necessary because of injury, illness, or, in children, to correct a functional defect resulting from a congenital disease or anomaly.

SENATOR STAPLES CONCERNED ABOUT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Senator Staples was the author of numerous bills in the Senate which prohibited discrimination on the basis of age, sex, or race. This year, her most important effort was the Job Sharing bill, which she carried in the Senate. The law creates a two-year demonstration project on job sharing for state employees--which divides 50 full time classified positions in state executive agencies into 100 or more shared position.

"The demonstration project should provide an overall examination of the entire concept of job sharing, and how it might be used in the private sector," Staples said. "The concept has exciting long-range possibilities. It would dramatically increase not only the number of available jobs, but also the job opportunities for individuals who want to devote more time to non-job pursuits."

"As society moves away from its traditional male/breadwinner, female/homemaker roles, and more families become two breadwinner families, the flexibility provided by job sharing is a necessity."

SENATOR STAPLES COAUTHORSPROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT FOR BIPARTISAN COMMISSION

"History has shown us that the Legislature simply has been unable to redistrict itself," Staples said. "Of course there is a conflict of interest involved--a conflict that leads to unbelievable political bickering. In fact, the entire question was thrown into the courts after the 1970 census, because the Legislature could not reach agreement."

The senator therefore was the coauthor of the proposed Constitutional Amendment creating a nine-member bipartisan commission to draw new Legislative and Congressional district lines after the 1980 census. The question will be placed on the November general election ballot.

STAPLES WORKS CLOSELY WITH LOCAL LEADERS

Senator Staples has worked closely with city, county, and school district officials to pass countless important local laws. Hennepin County, for example, is involved in an extensive recodification process, due to legislation Staples authored last year.

"I think my response to local government needs is perhaps my most important responsibility," Staples said. "Local officials are involved in the decisions that affect our every day lives--decisions that have the most direct affect on every citizen. Local officials, therefore, are attuned to needs at the grassroots level--and that, as you know, is the most important level of the political process."



STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR

SAINT PAUL 55155

ARNE H. CARLSON
STATE AUDITOR

296-2551

June 18, 1979

The Honorable Emily Staples
State Senator
1640 Xanthus Lane
Plymouth, Minnesota 55391

Dear Senator Staples:

As you know, our office is establishing a task force to review the operation of the Office of the State Auditor. Mr. Peter Heegaard, a Senior VicePresident at Northwest National Bank in Minneapolis, will be the chairman of the State Auditor's Task Force on Operations. My primary objective is to obtain professional and citizen participation for a thorough study of this office with the goal of developing a number of recommendations on how its operation could be updated and improved. I would be honored if you would agree to serve as a member of the Internal Operations Subcommittee, whose mission will be to review the several agency functions which are outlined in the attached memorandum.

It is anticipated that the subcommittee will be meeting once a week on an evening mutually convenient to the membership, most likely between 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. The initial meeting of the subcommittee will be during the week of July 1 and hopefully the group will conclude its work by the first week in November.

The results of the subcommittee's effort will become part of an overall report that will be used by the State Auditor's Office to develop its legislative recommendations for the 1980 session.

Again, I sincerely hope you will be able to find the time to participate. Curt Sippel, Assistant State Auditor, will be contacting you by phone within the next several days to discuss your involvement. I thank you for your consideration and assistance.

Warmest regards,

Arne H. Carlson
State Auditor

AHC:pm enc.

September 1, 1981

Ted Kolderie
Search Committee Chair
Hubert H. Humphrey Inst.
of Public Affairs
University of Minnesota
909 Social Sciences
267 19th Avenue South
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

Dear Ted:

Thanks for your letter of August 17 asking for suggestions about a person to serve as Director of the Midcareer Reflective Leadership Program. My nominee would be former State Senator Emily Anne Staples.

I have not had an opportunity to discuss this with Emily, who is currently on a Bush Fellowship at Harvard, but thought I should just go ahead and respond to your letter in spite of that omission. I think there is sufficient biographical material on Emily available in various public documents but if you need something more specific, please don't hesitate to ask and I'll see what I can do about putting my hands on a resume.

I hesitate to say much about Emily because you undoubtedly know her quite well. She is an extraordinarily bright and personable individual with a strong background in public affairs--both as an elected officeholder and as a private practitioner on behalf of non-profit organizations.

She would also have especially good skills in the area of fund raising and clearly has a demonstrated ability to work effectively with persons in leadership positions.

If I have any additional ideas, I'll be sure to pass them on to you.

With best wishes,

APS:dt

CC: Emily Anne Staples

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What the hell you
never know what you
may interest you. Right?
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Reply dictated

August 17, 1981

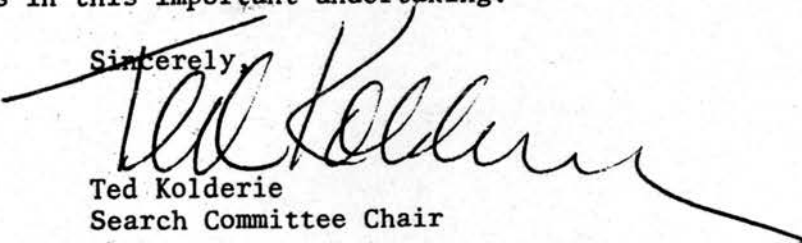
Dear Colleague:

The Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota is seeking a Senior Fellow to serve as Director of its Midcareer Reflective Leadership Program. A copy of the Position Announcement is enclosed. The person selected will receive a salary of between \$40,000 and \$50,000 per annum depending on his or her qualifications and experience.

If you are aware of anyone who is qualified for this position, please forward the candidates's name at your earliest convenience to me at the address shown in the Position Announcement.

Thank you for assisting us in this important undertaking.

Sincerely,


Ted Kolderie
Search Committee Chair

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Enclosure

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

DIRECTOR

MIDCAREER REFLECTIVE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota is seeking an individual to build and direct a new program of mid-career education for persons involved in public affairs--executives and policy officials in the private and public sectors who want to broaden their capabilities for leadership and deepen their understanding of the issues and processes of public life.

The Institute, Minnesota's principal memorial to Hubert H. Humphrey's life and career in public service, is expanding. Harlan Cleveland became its director in August, 1980. The Institute will be in part a teaching program, incorporating both the established programs leading to master's degrees in planning and public affairs, and the new midcareer program in reflective leadership which is now being added. The Institute is developing, as well, a program of action-oriented research, related to the principal policy issues emerging in the region and the country in the 1980's and beyond.

The Humphrey Institute reports administratively to the vice president for academic affairs. The director of the midcareer program will report to the director of the Institute. The program director will be appointed a Senior Fellow of the Humphrey Institute, University of Minnesota, and may carry a professorial title, as appropriate, for a term of years to be negotiated.

The individual selected as director of the midcareer program is likely to have been a successful practitioner in public affairs . . . a public-sector or private-sector entrepreneur . . . with a substantial record in the building and management of complex organizations; and to be reflective about this experience, as demonstrated either by teaching or by writing. Advanced degrees in the relevant field may be helpful but will not be required. Experience in the financing of organizations, especially through fund-raising, will be important . . . as will be, of course, a broad acquaintance with and a demonstrated ability to work effectively with persons in leadership positions. Finally, the candidate should be committed to the philosophy of the Institute, that "leadership" is more than administration and that "public affairs" is more than government.

The director will be expected:

- To take the intellectual and the managerial leadership in developing both the full-year program and its related part-time and short-course elements; preliminarily described in the Prospectus of June 1981.
- To find and to attract both faculty and participants for the program.
- To present and to explain the "reflective leadership" program and the Institute within the University and to the community.

Letters of application or nomination will be accepted until October 31, 1981. Applications should include biographical information, information about career qualifications related to the criteria described above and at least four names for reference. Suggestions of candidates for this position and applications should be sent to:

Ted Kolderie, Search Committee Chairman
Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs
909 Social Science Building, 267 - 19th Avenue S.
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

The University of Minnesota is committed to the policy that all persons shall have equal access to its programs, facilities, and employment without regard to race, creed, color, sex, national origin, or handicap.

The University of Minnesota is an equal opportunity educator and employer and specifically invites and encourages applications from women and minorities.

Emily

Staples

For State Senate District 43 4092 West Broadway Mpls. MN 55422
Newsletter Vol 1 No 1

With Emily's official registration as a Senate candidate on July 8, 1976, our campaign swings into full speed. Headquarters is buzzing every evening, the day hours are becoming more active, and the air conditioner is coming. Thanks to a great job done by Marilyn Brummer in setting up the Headquarters and in training staff, and by Sara Utt in recruiting staff, we have a very efficiently run operation.

The address of Headquarters is 4092 West Broadway and the phone is 533-7491.
DROP IN OR CALL IF YOU HAVE SOME TIME TO SPEND AT HEADQUARTERS.

As many of you know our Barn Dance was a great success. Everyone had fun! We made a lot of money! Plans are for this to be an annual event for the Senate District. Next year come and dance with SENATOR EMILY STAPLES. Special thanks again to Jack Henning, owner of the barn and a barn dance enthusiast.

ROBBINSDALE WHIZ BANG DAYS were a lot of fun for Emily. She spoke at an open forum Sunday and rode in the parade on Monday. Thanks to the Houck family for their terrific support: great singing from Mike, good pouring of punch by Marilyn, popular person in Heidi, and hard work from Dick. Thanks also to the others who passed out literature and helped with the open house, and to Margaret Legus for knowing the "real truth" about the size of this event.

We are now conducting a voter Identification canvass through headquarters. People are needed to do phoning for this canvass information. If you can help, call Sara Utt 545-5390.

Our STAR volunteer is our candidate, Emily, who has almost completed door knocking all of Robbinsdale. This is a great effort, which should motivate all of us to work a little harder.

Exclusive of Emily's time, some 600 volunteer hours have already been put into the campaign.

Tuesday night is scheduled as Knock and Talk night for August and September. A pool of 150 people is needed. From this pool we will ask people to commit themselves for from three to twelve Tuesdays of door knocking. A training session will be held. Each home will be given Emily's literature, offered voter registration material and given an invitation to an open house coffee party. If you can help, you are really needed! If you have sons or daughters, friends, etc we need them! Call Sara to volunteer (545-5390).

YOUR SUPPORT IS ESSENTIAL TO THE ELECTION OF EMILY STAPLES TO THE SENATE.

Tel. 533-7491

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**STATE SENATE
DISTRICT 43**

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ABOUT EMILY STAPLES . . .

CURRENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Hennepin County Bicentennial Planning Commission—Chairperson
- Hennepin County Library Board—Member
- Abbott-Northwestern Hospital—Executive Committee and Board
- United Way of Greater Minneapolis—Executive Committee and Board
- University of Minnesota—College of Liberal Arts Board
- KSJN-Minnesota Public Radio—Board
- Minnesota Historical Society—Board

PREVIOUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Breck School—Board
- St. Bartholomew's School—Board
- Wayzata School District—Chairperson, Year-round School Advisory Committee
- Minneapolis Junior League—President
- Women's Advisory Committee—Minnesota Department of Human Rights—Chairperson

POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

- Precinct Chairperson—1974-75
- District 43 Steering Committee—1974 to present
- Candidate for Legislature—District 43A

NATIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- National Trust for Historic Preservation—Committee Member
- Interstate Associate of Commissions on the Status of Women—Board

EDUCATION

- University of Minnesota—BA
- Washburn High School—Minneapolis

FAMILY

- Husband—Loring, Jr., former Mayor of Plymouth, member Metropolitan Transit Commission
- Children—Missy, 21, Tom, 19, Greg, 17, Kathryn, 12

WHY I AM SEEKING OFFICE

- I feel well qualified to represent the concerns of the citizens of District 43 in the Minnesota Senate. The need to translate these concerns into positive legislation, when necessary, is a number one priority for me. Long involvement with the political process helps me understand how to do this effectively.
- I am seeking your support and your assistance in a winning campaign which will culminate in a November victory for us all.



Emily

Staples

For State Senate District 43

(Robbinsdale, Golden Valley, Plymouth, New Hope and Medicine Lake)



Staples family — Emily & husband Loring Staples Jr., (former mayor of Plymouth & member of Metropolitan Transit Commission) Missy 21, Tom 19, Greg 17 & Kathryn 12.

Who is Emily Staples

- Resident of Plymouth (20 yrs.)
- Graduate University of Minnesota
- Hennepin County Library Board
- Abbott - Northwestern Hospital - Executive Committee
- United Way of Greater Minneapolis - Executive Committee
- University of Minnesota - College of Liberal Arts Board
- KSJN Minnesota Public Radio Board
- Minnesota Historical Society Board
- Hennepin County Bicentennial Planning Commission Chairperson
- National Trust for Historic Preservation
- Minneapolis Junior League - Past President
- Womens Advisory Committee - Minnesota Department of Human Rights Past Chairperson

Emily Staples is involved and experienced in the community and political process.

Elect Emily Staples to the State Senate from the 43rd District.

"A campaign of this nature is hard work, but I think you are worth the effort."

Emily Anne Staples

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THE HUMPHREY CHALLENGE FOR TOMORROW

- to reduce the burdens of the ever increasing high cost of living borne by Minnesota consumers
- to provide equity and justice in our taxing policies
- to reform our welfare policies
- to provide full employment so every man and woman willing and able to work is assured a decent job at decent wages
- to insure the dignity, independence, and security of our Senior Citizens
- to achieve real equality of opportunity for women and minorities in all fields of human endeavor
- to insure a strong, ever-vigilant national defense
- to protect our environment and natural resources
- to restore the vitality of our cities
- to assure Minnesota's family farmers enlarged and sustained economic opportunities through a national food policy of abundance and fair prices for the products they produce
- to adopt a vigorous energy policy

*"... to provide a government that **works**, one that is **competent**, one that is **fair**, and one that **cares** about the problems of individual citizens."*

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THE REASONS:

Control Inflation
Reduce Unemployment
Strengthen the Economy
Protect the Consumer
Expand and Conserve Energy Resources
Assure Farmers Fair Prices
Promote Equal Opportunity
Tax Reform and Justice
Sound Law Enforcement
Recognize the Rights and
Needs of Wage Earners
Control Government Spending
Make Government More Responsive
Maintain Revenue Sharing
Federal Partnership with
State & Local Governments
Maintain Veterans Benefits
Social Security Protection
Pension Security
Employment for Handicapped Individuals
Establish National Health Plan Program
Cancer Research
Mental Health Funding
Drug Abuse Prevention & Rehabilitation
Promote Child Nutrition and Health
Environmental Protection
Expand and Improve
Education Opportunities
More Homes and Better Communities
Protect Small Business
Preserve the Family Farm
Rural Development
Urban Improvement
Programs for Minnesota
Planning to Meet Future Needs
A Strong America Building the Peace

**FOR ALL THESE REASONS
AND MORE . . .**

HUMPHREY



**"When I think about children, I
think of the future, and I hope with
all my heart that the world we are
creating is the best one
they can inherit."**

Hubert H. Humphrey

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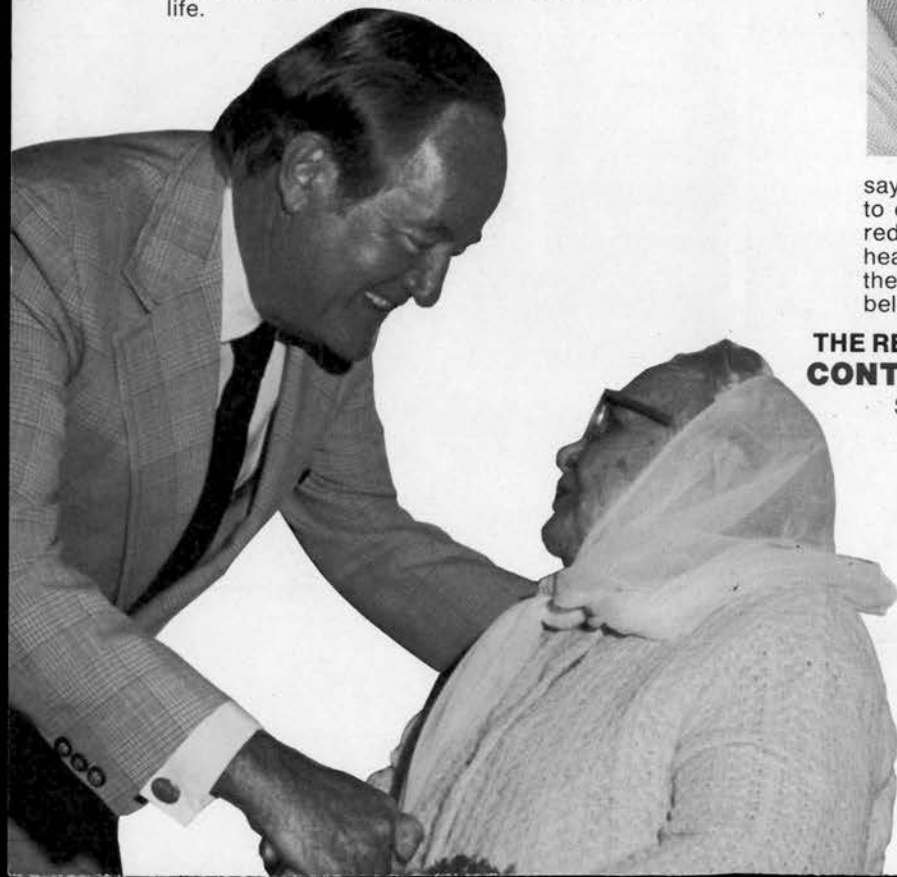
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HUMPHREY . . . THE MAN FOR ALL REASONS

THE REASON: SENIOR CITIZENS

Senator Humphrey believes that Older Americans should be able to live in dignity, independence and security. The man who fought for Medicare also has worked to improve Social Security and Supplemental Security Income and to ease the restrictions on Social Security recipients. Senator Humphrey's legislative efforts have focused on providing older persons with better nutrition and medical care, improved access to transportation, adequate housing, and expanded opportunities for recreation and enjoyment of the arts. In short, Senator Humphrey wants to see that older citizens have a place in the mainstream of American life.



THE REASON: FARM FAMILIES

As a member of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, Senator Humphrey knows the serious problems confronting America's farm families. Humphrey has led the fight to strengthen agricultural exports. He has championed the need to establish fair farm prices where the farmer can expect a reasonable profit in return for his investment and his labor. Humphrey is pledged to preserving the family farm.

THE REASON: EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL

Hubert Humphrey's life, both public and private, has echoed one phrase: "equality of opportunity for all Americans." Humphrey



says: "We must open the gates of opportunity to every American, white, black, brown, and red; young and old; man and woman; the healthy and the unfortunate; no matter what their creed." Senator Humphrey is a firm believer in "Liberty and Justice for all."

THE REASON: CONTROL INFLATION

Senator Humphrey believes that inflation remains a serious threat to the well-being of American families. Humphrey has said "the most effective way to reduce inflation is to restore the productivity of our economy. . . . We need a tough anti-inflation policy. . . . Restoring price stability will require re-invigorating competition in American industry." Humphrey recognizes the serious effect inflation has on family budgets, and especially on those with fixed incomes.

THE REASON: MORE JOBS

When the Democrats vacated the White House in 1969 unemployment was only 3.6 per cent. Today, unemployment remains at more than double that rate due to tragic mismanagement of our nation's economy. Senator Humphrey has championed measures designed to put Americans back to work—to provide the personal dignity and restoration of confidence that comes to a person who has a job. Most Americans want jobs, not welfare.

THE REASON: ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Senator Humphrey believes we need policies designed to insure economic growth, ample supplies of energy, and environmental protection. We must redouble our efforts to conserve scarce energy and mount a more aggressive program to develop new energy-producing technology. Humphrey was the author of legislation enacted in 1974 authorizing a massive Federal effort to develop solar energy. We cannot choose among clean water, healthy air, electric lights and heating. We must have policies that will provide all of these essentials.

THE REASON: TAX JUSTICE & REFORM

Senator Humphrey believes that "tax reform," while a top priority, is only part of the problem with America's tax structure. In leading the successful fight to lower Federal income taxes last year, Humphrey has pushed for a sense of "tax justice" so that the average American wage earner will not have to bear the major tax burden in this country. Humphrey also has sponsored legislation to reduce the crushing burden of inheritance and estate taxes which often force the unjust liquidation of family farms and small businesses.

THE REASON: FAMILY HEALTH CARE

Senator Humphrey knows that only a small fraction of the families in this country have adequate health care coverage. Soaring health care costs now eat up more than one month's pay for the average American. Serious illness of just one member of a family can lead to financial ruin. Humphrey says: "Good health is a basic right of every American, not just those who can afford it. Our people deserve a national health care program, especially one that will protect against catastrophic illness together with a program that promotes prevention of sickness through early health care."

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