

Tocks

August 19, 1976

Mr. Theodore J. Reiman
114 McKinley Avenue
East Hanover, New Jersey 07936

Dear Mr. Reiman:

Thank you for taking the time to respond at length to my recent questionnaire. The results of this national issues poll will be helpful to me as I continue my work in Congress.

I have read with interest your comments in support of the Tocks Island Dam and in opposition to divestiture of the big oil companies. I have also noted your belief that "the best way to help the unemployment problem is to get off the back of business." (and your support of continuation of the B-1 Bomber. The arguments which you advanced in support of these positions, ^{were} persuasive.

Please continue to share your views with me, and do not hesitate to contact me when I can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Helen Meyner

HM/fg

August 18, 1976

Dear Congresswoman Meyner;

The following are my views on topics that seem to be in the news lately:

1. I think the Tocks Island Dam should be built as water is very vital to the whole economy. In reference to the above I read where Hopatcong is having a water problem and we don't even have a drought. A reservoir cannot be built overnight so its essential to keep ahead of the problem.
2. The exploration for oil and gas should not be held up. I am totally against having the oil companies being divested of some of their operations. That's like doing away with grocery supermarkets and bringing back the small grocery stores which would only make the cost of living rise. There is plenty of competition in the oil business and I think they are doing a good job. The price of gas may seem high to some some but considering the prices paid for gas in foreign countries we are doing okay. They should try to get the automakers to improve their gas mileage and I believe then people wouldn't complain about the price of gas.
3. I'm a postal worker and I think the way to help the unemployment problem is to get off the back of business by making it easier to do business without the many regulations and paper work. The Humphrey-Hawkins Bill is not the answer to full employment. I think before the federal government complains about business they should put their own house in order by cutting out waste and being more efficient in their operation. Sunday's paper had an article which stated that the cost of running the federal government comes to something like a million dollars per member of Congress.
- 4.. We should remain strong militarily because I do not trust the Russians. In the event of a major war we are not going to have time to arm ourselves as we did in previous wars. I'd rather err on having too much than not enough and I think we should go ahead with the B-1 bomber. If one would look at a world map of Russia in the year 1940 and then a current map they would see that their influence has increased tremendously. I'll go for relaxing our strength when the Russians give back the control of the governments of Poland, Finland, East Germany and all the ~~the~~ other countries that were sold down the river at Yalta but until then we should remain strong.

Yours truly;

Thomas J. Reimer

DO YOU FAVOR:

	Yes	No	Undecided
1. A constitutional amendment prohibiting abortion?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Increased spending for national defense?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Creation of an independent, non-regulatory agency for consumer protection?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Increasing the present \$750 tax exemption rate?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Increasing foreign aid for humanitarian purposes as opposed to military purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Strong Federal action against cancer causing chemicals, pollutants, and additives regardless of the cost to the economy and industry?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. A public works job program which would make the Federal government the employer of last resort?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Strict Federal controls on the manufacture, sale, and ownership of guns?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. A national health insurance system financed in a manner similar to social security and covering virtually all medical bills?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Relaxation of Federal anti-pollution laws?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Which three of the following do you regard as the most crucial domestic issues facing our country today? (Check three)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Protection	<input type="checkbox"/> Tax Reform		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crime	<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment		
<input type="checkbox"/> Drugs	<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Protection		
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Gun Control		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government Spending (1)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Inflation	<input type="checkbox"/> Health Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Mass Transit	<input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizens Aid	<input type="checkbox"/> Women's Rights		

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