

Telegram Dr. Edgar Wayburn

The reports that have reached me on your suspension of the editor of the Sierra Club Bulletin and your alleged ~~reasons~~^{are} and justification for doing so disturbing and so disillusioning ~~that to~~ and so demoralizing to those who still retained a trust in your impartiality that ~~to much of the membership that you should consider it~~ your first obligation to the membership and to the Board of Directors

The reports that have reached me on your suspension of Hugh Nash, ~~the~~ editor of the Sierra Club Bulletin, and your ~~alleged~~ justification for doing so are extremely disturbing. To those who still retain some feeling of trust in your sense of fair play, in your ~~ability to~~ dedication as president of the Club to act impartially above considerations of self-interest, you owe an immediate accounting. If your suspension of Hugh Nash was not politically ^{that fact} motivated ~~it~~ should be made clear beyond any possibility of doubt. ^{simply} If on the other hand it was, or could be interpreted as, a move to eliminate an obstacle to the advancement of your candidacy for election ^{becomes a} to the Board of Directors, then it ~~is~~ crude political act ~~and a~~ in the calculated technique of your campaign and must be understood as such. To risk this latter interpretation, if without substance in fact, is to jeopardize ~~your reputation~~ for a short-sighted purpose your reputation of integrity and your usefulness to the Sierra Club.

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