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DUELING POLITICAL CARTOONS

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Here's what provoked me:

I read numerous newspapers and have found some that carry both Doonesbury and "Mallard Fillmore." Often, these "cartoons" appear next to each other in the "editorial" or "viewpoint" section. I decided to suggest this to the Minneapolis StarTribune.

Here's my response:

Dueling Political Cartoons

I value the StarTribune's Opinion/Editorial section, even though my "politics" varies greatly from that of the newspaper. I ask only that all legitimate viewpoints be given a chance to publicly express their opinions. I have a suggestion for the newspaper that I think would add value.

Currently, Garry Trudeau's "Doonesbury" appears in the "Comics" section. It's an excellent example of a clever presentation of political and cultural commentary. It's certainly a high-quality production offering insightful satire from a progressive perspective. It has earned its wide distribution. However, it's no "comic strip."

There's another excellent syndicated "strip" that offers political commentary, but this one isn't currently published by the StarTribune – Bruce Tinsley's "Mallard Fillmore." It also is clever and humorous and consists of political and cultural commentary. In contrast to Doonesbury, Mallard Fillmore comes from a conservative perspective.

What a wonderful exchange of ideas would be achieved if the paper published these two political "strips" right next to each other. But this time, keep them out of the "comics" and put them in the section set aside by the StarTribune for political commentary – the "Opinion Exchange" section.