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PARTY PRESTIGE LOST

Douglas County Democrats still are buzzing with indignation because of the introduction of "Multnomah County politics" into what was supposed to be a peaceful and harmonious party rally.

When State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson launched a surprise attack on both Monroe Sweetland and Mike De Cicco, rival candidates for Democratic National Committee, the audience was stunned. But banqueters have since recovered and are voicing anger because of the turn of events.

Pearson's tirade, having the devastating effect of an A-bomb explosion, wrecked the Jefferson-Jackson Day banquet held Friday at Evergreen Grange Hall. Anticipating a love feast, the party faithful were forced to listen to an ill-tempered tirade.

Until late years Oregon had a respectable Democratic party. Despite the fact that Democrats were far outnumbered by Republicans, the party had such strong leadership that it seated governors, occupied a solid place in the state legislature and obtained substantial division of county offices.

But the party has been sold down the river to the Socialist crowd. Factionalism has developed, with powerful groups organized to wrestle for power. Multnomah County leadership, divided into rival camps, is exploiting the party for the aggrandizement of a few self-appointed, power-hungry politicians. Much truth is to be found in Pearson's indictment. However his words and actions leave one with the impression that he is frustrated by his own numerous failures and inability to gain the post of party dictator for himself.

The sorry appearance of Democratic dirty linen, exposed on the party line at the local banquet meeting, would indicate that thorough cleaning is advisable.

A move to erase the party leadership from Multnomah County and to vest control in the hands of upstate forces dedicated to returning the party to original principles and prestige with complete divorcement from the Socialist crowd, undoubtedly would find many enthusiastic adherents.

WHITE HOUSE JUVENILE

The wrangle between rival groups in Oregon's Democratic party is no more of a sorry spectacle than the juvenile tantrums exhibited at the White House.

President Truman's words and actions of the past few days have been like those of a small boy who stamps his feet and yell defiance when denied his own willful way.

He uses tactics of doubtful legality to seize the steel industry. Then, without waiting for determination of his rights, he goes over the head of management to grant wage increases, giving away money that is not his own and to which he has no claim. Then he swaggers his authority by declaring it within his power to seize any business or industry in the name of public welfare, with himself as the sole judge, jury and executioner.

Despite the fact that his defense budget of the past year had so much money it couldn't all be spent, causing considerable damage to domestic economy through cancelled defense orders, he berates Congress because it proposes to reduce his new demands for a record-shattering budget. If Congress trims his demands, he threatens to keep it in continuous session.

It is not surprising that some congressmen are calling for impeachment. We imagine they aren't too serious, with Truman scheduled to go out of office this year. But it seems a complaint for removal on the grounds of mental incompetence would have some justification.



Don't talk to me about the way PUPPIES can tear up a place. Puppies don't climb to the roof! You should see our garage right now! Anything that two kittens could climb on and pull down or over is pulled down and dragged or scattered over the cement. They romp up and down the attic steps and around and over everything. You aren't lay a thing down in the night they bump and thump in the attic!

Kittens don't chew and swallow everything they can chew and swallow as puppies do! I remember one puppy who lived through his devouring of a big chunk of my new blue felt bedroom slipper. And then there was the case of the "Spitz." Spitz! When we found another home for him he was half as big as an elephant and left behind him a thirteen-foot lily pool without a thing in it but mud. I can see him now, rolicking to that pool and flinging himself into the water with a joyous heave so that the lilies and such flopped madly about — as long as there were any lilies to flop.

Each time in the pool he came out with a lily bulb or whatever he could find. My cute little lily "Spitz!" But there was one really little woolly dog that had been in a vaudeville act. Was he full of tricks? A little ball of dirty white wool washed, he was a sight to behold. It was that dog that saved our house from fire. The natural gas came on in the night and flared up, setting fire to woodwork and Rags scratched at Dad's face and whimpered, then ran to the top of the stairs. Then Dad smelled the varnish and got into action but fast!

Puppies and kittens! Why DO

we put up with their tricks? Makes me think of something the "Stubborn Foo" Estee Aubrey Brown, said in her book by that name (a story of the U. S. Indian Service published by the Caxton Press, Caldwell, Idaho 1952). "Mrs. Burr liked me because I liked Tom (her black cat). Between two people a love of animals is a tie that does not tangle and fray like the zest for saving souls. There is only one way of liking cats and far too many ways of bringing salvation to the Indians."

Deadlocks Stall Truce Officers

MUNSAN, Korea (AP) — Each side Monday refused to recognize that problems exist on the two deadlocked issues in Korean truce talks. There was no hint of compromise.

Col. Don O. Darrow, a United Nations Command staff officer, said the Communists refused to "discuss or even acknowledge" the issue of military airfield construction in Korea in the event of an armistice.

The UNC wants to ban the building of military airfields during a truce. The Reds have called this interference in the internal affairs of North Korea.

A UNC communique said the matter of which nations shall supervise a truce "has been solved" by the UNC suggestion that only four nations — Sweden, Switzerland, Poland and Czechoslovakia — form the neutral nations supervisory commission.

The Reds want Russia on the list. The Allies do not.



REPRESENTATIVE of the drill teams coming to Roseburg to appear in competition at the state convention of the Order of Jobs Daughters held here Thursday, Friday and Saturday, of last week, was the group above from Bethel No. 40 of Oswego. The girls placed second in the class for which they were entered.

Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

WASHINGTON — Ambassador-at-large Philip Jessup was included among those who suffered more-than-passing swipes from William C. Bullitt when the former ambassador to Russia testified recently before the Senate Security Subcommittee.

Bullitt, as noted Monday, made a clown out of the Baltimore juggle, Owen Lattimore, who for one seems to have retired in silence to lick his wounds. Bullitt also cuffed the moustache of Secretary of State Dean Acheson a time or two in his testimony.

When Acheson's minions get through rigging up the files, I suppose we'll have an answer from the State Department. However, a number of good Americans in the State Department have lately developed the habit of telling the whole truth, which often makes awful monkeys out of Acheson's spokesmen, so there may not be any answer from that quarter.

Jessup, you'll recall, was the genius who set up the State Department round-table conference in August of 1949 that was designed to suck in a number of prominent American apologists for the Department's sellout of the Chinese Nationalists. He has lived to regret this ill-conceived, but in 1949 he was loquacious as usual. Here is, in part, what he wrote to Bullitt then, according to Bullitt's files:

"We should very much appreciate it if you could find time to employ at this time, either in the earliest possible date a summary of your views as to the objectives which U. S. policy should pursue, and the methods which it should employ to this time, either in the Far East as a whole or in that part of it with which you have been particularly concerned. A contribution from you will be most helpful and will assist us materially in providing for our survey the broadest possible base of expert knowledge and advice."

Now mind you, this was after the State Department, Secretary Acheson and General George C. Marshall all had done the best they could to invite the Communists to take over China. In fact, it was after the State Department had issued its insulting white paper, blaming the Chinese Nationalist government for failing to lick the Chinese Communists. The fact that the State Department was rigged with Red-loving diplomats who did everything they could to get the Nationalists from getting U. S. arms and supplies was never mentioned.

Bullitt knew much about it. He had served many years as a diplomat under the late President Roosevelt, and he knew his way around. His reply to Jessup is a classic. It should be required reading for every member of the State Department, but I doubt if a copy is allowed in the building. Here it is:

"Your letter dated August 18, asking for my views as to the objectives which U. S. policy should pursue and the methods which it should employ at this time in the Far East, has reached me."

"I am reluctant to reply. The Department of State's publication of its white book on China, after the appointment of Mr. Fosdick and Mr. Case (both invited to the State Department round table conference), but before their report, seems to indicate that those distinguished gentlemen, for whom my respect is high, have been summoned not for the purpose of inventing effective policy, but in the hope that some of the weight of the Far Eastern albatross, which now hangs on the neck of the Truman administration, may be shifted to their shoulders."

"The white book prejudices the case. By half truths culled from reports of incompetent public servants, it produces a picture so remote from reality that its chief interest lies in its proof of the lengths to which our government officials will go to protect their vested interest in their own mistakes."

"Furthermore, Mr. Acheson, in his letter has written: 'The unfortunate but inescapable fact is that the ominous result of the civil war in China was beyond the control of the government of the United States. Nothing that this country did or could have done within the reasonable limits of its capabilities could have changed the result; nothing that was left undone by this country has contributed to it.'"

Local News

Meeting Announced — The Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary will meet Friday at 8 p.m. at the Legion Hall. Members and those eligible to membership are invited.

Go To Portland — Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Pearson of Roseburg went to Portland Sunday to spend a couple of days attending to business.

Xi Epsilon To Meet — Xi Epsilon Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi will meet tonight at 7:30 instead of 8 at the home of Mrs. Wayne Croch in Huerst with Mrs. Ted Shultz as hostess.

Back From Meeting — Dr. A. B. Smith, 1500 Garden Valley Road, has returned to his office, following a trip to Salem to attend the chiropractors and naturopaths meeting held Saturday and Sunday.

Enjoy Weekend — Mr. and Mrs. Carl Muller and Dr. and Mrs. V. J. Anderson returned to their homes in the Oak Hill apartments Sunday night following the weekend at Tenmile Lake.

Discharged from Hospital — Russell Surkamer has been discharged from Mercy Hospital where he has been hospitalized for the past week. He underwent surgery, but is reported improving.

Meeting Announced — Members of District No. 12, Oregon State Nurses Association, are requested to meet Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the nurses home at the Veterans Hospital. Dr. Bruce Hetrick will be the guest speaker.

Visit Sunday — Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kurtz, Mrs. Ethel Turner and Ora Welker of Roseburg went to Susan Creek Sunday to visit Mrs. Charles Boyd after when they visited Mrs. George Biddle also a resident of Susan Creek who has been critically ill and is reported much improved in health.

Home From Vacation — Mrs. Clifford Collins and Carol Anne returned recently from a month's vacation to Charleston, W. Va. She was accompanied to the East by her sister Mrs. Donald Burton of Roswell, N. Mex. Mr. Collins flew to Roswell to accompany his wife and daughter on the return trip to Roseburg. They stopped in Tijuana and Juarez for a couple of days.

Attend Dance Jamboree — Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Franzen, Mr. and Mrs. Norville Cokerum and Mr. and Mrs. E. Messinger attended the Folk Dance Jamboree at Coos Bay last weekend. The group was from Roseburg.

Guests At Hughes Home — Miss Patricia Todd, honored queen of Salem Bethel, and her junior princess, Carol Hewitt, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Washington Hughes on South Main Street during the state convention of Job's Daughters. Miss Todd was elected junior princess of the state of Oregon of Job's Daughters at the convention.

Take Family Home — Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Merrifield of Portland came to Roseburg over the weekend to take their four children John, Carol, Jean, Andrew Scott and Tommy back home with them. The children spent three weeks in Roseburg with their maternal grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. John L. Haskins, at the Veterans Hospital Post while Mr. and Mrs. Merrifield made a trip by plane to Michigan, Florida, New Orleans and Los Angeles.

Attend Board Meeting — Mrs. Bruce Hetrick, president of the Roseburg Lady Lions, accompanied by Mrs. Glenn Clute and Mrs. Edell Bryant of this city, drove to Salem last week to attend the spring state board meeting held April 17. Also attending from Roseburg were Mrs. Bruce C. Elliott and Mrs. J. P. Motschenbacher. The latter was appointed on the committee to revise the state constitution and by-laws of the organization. A luncheon was followed by a business session and program, at which time two children from the state blind school gave a demonstration. The Lady Lions have a state project of assisting with the program financially for the state blind school.

In Tournament — Elliott Motschenbacher, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Motschenbacher of Roseburg, and Tom Scheidel represented Willamette University Salem in the speech tournament at West-point this week. There were 32 college delegates participating. The two Salem contestants were accompanied by Dr. Howard Runkel, speech and drama coach at Willamette University. They were in New York Monday as guests at the United Nations sessions. They will return to Oregon next Monday. Mrs. Elliott Motschenbacher is spending the week in Roseburg as guests of her parents-in-law Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Motschenbacher. She will return to Salem Sunday. She accompanied Mrs. Motschenbacher home from the Lady Lions spring board meeting. Mrs. Motschenbacher was accompanied to Salem for the meeting by Mrs. Bruce C. Elliott of this city.

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

(Continued from Page One)
Between now and the first day of next January, we are going to get this thing done and done right."

Being thus bitten in the leg by the President, members of the house armed services committee bit right back, asserting that the slashes in the military budget merely eliminated Truman's wastes and excesses.

What is the truth of the matter? I don't know, but I'm pretty certain that if Congress and the President went about the job seriously and cooperatively they could squeeze six billion dollars out of our fantastically swollen federal expenditures without anybody ever missing it—except possibly a few minor bureaucrats and boondogglers who might lose their jobs as a result of the squeezing.

I'll bet we'd even be MORE EFFICIENT if we cut out our drunken spending and got down to the hard brass tacks of getting a dollar's worth of results for every dollar put out. Did you ever see an efficient wastrel?

I sometimes wonder about these big corporations. Are they really as smart and super-efficient as they claim to be?

That crack is prompted by an AP dispatch relating that in 1951 Charles E. Wilson, president of General Motors, earned a total (in bonuses and salary) of \$566,000. A company statement says the federal income tax on that amount would be approximately \$470,000.

Albert Bradley, executive vice president and chairman of the finance policy committee, earned \$486,100. Harlow H. Curtis, executive vice-president in charge of general staff activities, got \$471,200. Frederic G. Donner, vice-president in charge of finance, received \$391,395.

Taxes of these others must have bitten relatively as deeply as in the case of President Wilson.

The AP dispatch adds that under General Motors bonus plan 64 top executives and directors earned a total of \$10,880,415 last year.

Mind you, I'm not complaining about the size of the salaries and bonuses going to General Motors' top brass. Management EARNs IT'S PAY the same as labor, and it is an accepted principle in business that the bigger the responsibility the bigger the pay. Labor recognizes that principle, just as management does. Too union officials get big pay and earn it by the responsibility they carry.

What I'm questioning is the plain

horse sense of paying huge salaries and bonuses to high-up corporation executives, who, after piling up to Uncle Sam, have only relatively small amounts left.

If that ten million dollars received by General Motors' 64 top executives and directors had been distributed out in dividends to GM's 452,000 shareholders, most of whom are in relatively low income brackets, the tax on it would have been far less. If it had been cut in half, this upper echelon of GM management would still have received nice pay checks, of which a much larger share would have been take-home pay, the shareholders would have benefited, and the total tax would have been smaller.

The answer, I suppose, is that GM saved a lot of taxes by paying those high salaries and charging them to expense. That illustrates the screwball nature of our present economy.

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