



Morse Told Smears Won't Work on Ike

ASTORIA (AP) — Wendell Wyatt, Republican state chairman, said Monday that "personal smears" by Sen. Morse (D-Ore) "on the President will fail."

Replying to accusations made Sunday by Morse in a television interview, Wyatt said that "Morse's tirade is typical of his present tactics of making false, irresponsible charges to divert attention from what he himself is planning."

Wyatt said that Morse had repeated "his charge that President Eisenhower has no political morality. In effect, he says that the President is dishonest."

"This is a strange accusation to come from a man who was elected in 1944 largely because he assured Republican leaders of his party loyalty and his faithfulness to Republican Party principles."

"The Republicans in Oregon will welcome the opportunity to debate the relative honesty of the Eisenhower administration with that of the Truman administration," Wyatt said.

He denied that Republicans were planning to spend large amounts to defeat Morse in next year's election. "Much more money is available to Morse and he will spend much more than the Republican candidate can possibly have available."

Syria President to Visit Pakistan Soon
KARACHI, Pakistan (AP)—Syria's president, Al Sayed Shukri Al Kuwaity, will visit Pakistan in February by invitation of the Pakistani government, the government announced.

A pressure point between these two Moslem nations is Pakistan's adherence to the western-oriented Baghdad pact. Syria holds to the majority Arab view against such alliances.

ROTARY CHIEF TOURS
SEOUL (AP)—Rotary International President A. C. Baker and his wife left here for Tokyo Monday winding up a three day visit.

to give each girl and boy. You see, we toy-makers have never had to work out a problem that hard before, especially without Santa's help.

He wiped a tear from his eye. "I'm afraid we may not get the present done after all," he said. Tomorrow: A Journey for Help.

Oklahomans Adding Happy Note to Girl's Tragic Christmas

DURANT, Okla. (AP)—This will be a tragic but at the same time a wonderful Christmas for 10-year-old Linda Womack.

Last Thursday morning, Linda's home was destroyed by fire and her three brothers, Leon, 19, Bobby, 14 and Persey, 7, burned to death, along with a friend, Irving Berry, 19. Linda's mother, Mrs. Persey Womack, suffered critical burns. The father already had left the house.

Linda was spending the night with Mrs. Mary Delozier, three doors away, when the fire occurred. She is living now with an aunt, Mrs. Alvin Buchana, her mother's sister.

Meager Christmases
The fire left Linda with little to look forward to at Christmas with her brothers gone and the prospect that her mother still would be in the hospital here. And acquaintances of the family said Christmases for the Womacks have been pretty meager for a long time. Linda has never owned a new doll and most of her clothes have been cast-offs.

Her father, a laborer, has during most of Linda's lifetime, found only seasonal work—and Christmas has never been one of his better working periods.

Town Opens Heart
But Durant has opened its heart to make this Christmas as enjoyable as possible for the round-faced, attractive little girl.

The "Christmas for Linda" project started when Tobe Moore appeared in District Judge Sam Sullivan's office with \$180 he had gathered "for that little girl." Then Mrs. Bud Garner showed up with a show box filled with everything from pennies to \$10 bills—a total of \$125.

At that Judge Sullivan took over. He and Mrs. Garner picked up Linda at her aunt's home and started on a deluxe shopping spree.

For the next hour and a half, the trio shopped wildly for new dresses, slippers, shoes, socks and other items of little-girl apparel. As the store owners learned who their young customer was, they added items to the pile.

Then, at one of the stores Linda was given a huge doll—the biggest and most beautiful doll she had ever owned.

Meanwhile, the Womack family fund still is growing. Mrs. Garner's 14-year-old daughter, Gwynne, has started a fund at school for Linda and as Judge Sullivan explained "everyone wants to help out."

So Linda, eyes shining as only a little girl's can over a first new doll, will have her most wonderful but still her most tragic Christmas.

The story so far: In trying to get a place where the toy-makers can work on Santa's Christmas present, Steve and Nancy have had a sign put at the entrance to a workshop tunnel saying "Tunnel Caved In. Do Not Use." But Santa went into the tunnel anyway, and to Nancy's surprise, found a real cave-in.

Chapter IX
Nancy couldn't understand it. Tinker had said he was going to put up a sign at the entrance to the tunnel to fool Santa Claus into thinking there was a cave-in in the tunnel, but now Santa said he had found the tunnel really was blocked by dirt.

Carrying a shovel, she followed Santa back into the tunnel, but she found that the tunnel was too narrow for them both to dig at once at the pile of dirt which had apparently come down from the roof, so Santa did all the digging.

Almost miraculously three dwarves had appeared with wheelbarrows and were carrying away the dirt that Santa was shoveling. They kept coming back for more dirt and carrying it away.

More and More Digging
Santa kept digging and digging, but there seemed to be no end to the dirt and rocks that were blocking the tunnel.

After a while Santa began to get tired. Nancy offered to help, but Santa said he was afraid more dirt might fall down from the ceiling and he asked her to stay out of the tunnel.

Tinker came to the end of the tunnel and Santa called out to him, "Is there anyone trapped in this tunnel?"

All Escape Cave-In
Tinker replied, "No, everyone is accounted for. Why don't you quit digging?"

"I want to get this cleaned up," Santa replied, and he shovelled all the faster. The dwarves hauled away more dirt and more dirt.

Finally, Santa stopped. "I give up," he said. "There seems to be no end to it. As long as no one has been hurt, I guess I'll just let it sit for a while."

The tired old man went back to his office to rest. Immediately Nancy turned to Tinker. "I don't think there was a real cave in of the tunnel."

Tinker Poets Santa
"There wasn't," Tinker replied, smiling. "When I saw how deter-

mined Santa looked when he heard about the trouble in the tunnel I know you couldn't stop him from coming down here. So I hurried on ahead with a bunch of dwarves and elves and we filled the tunnel with dirt so he would find what looked to be a real cave-in. When Santa started digging away at the dirt I sent some dwarves with wheelbarrows around through an old tunnel to pick up the dirt that he was digging. Then they brought it around to the back of the pile and dumped it on. He kept digging through the same dirt time after time. I thought he never would quit.

Of course he never could dig clear through as long as we were dumping the dirt on the other end of the pile, and he could never see us because he could never get the tunnel clear.

"Now we will block off the old tunnel again and use this one to get to our workshop. It didn't work out quite as you had planned it, Nancy, but we do have a workshop in which to finish the present we're making for Santa Claus. By the way, let me dig through this pile of dirt and take you back to look at the present."

Through the Hole
It didn't take Tinker long to dig a hole through the pile of dirt and Nancy crawled through the hole after him. Tinker filled it back up, just in case Santa should come back.

In the workshop, Tinker and Nancy found several elves busily at work. In the middle of the room was a small, metal box. It was the most beautiful thing she had ever seen in her life. It was made of beaten gold and was linked on the edges with jewels. On the sides, the metal was beaten into the form of pictures. Nancy could see that the pictures showed all of the dwarves and elves at work in Santa's workshop. And on the top was a picture of Santa himself, holding his hand out to two children. And with that Nancy squealed, "why, that's Steve and me."

"That's right," said old Grundy, who was the elf in charge of making the present. "You children have been of such help we thought your picture should be on the box, too."

Too Hard to Finish
"The box itself is done," Grundy continued. "But I'm afraid we may not be able to finish the machine that goes inside it — you know, the machine that tells Santa what

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