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'PINCHOT'—AS HE REALLY WAS'

The Portland Journal, traditionally democratic in poli-
tics, but which couldn't stomach a third or fourth term
for president FDR in 1940 or 1944 or President Truman
in 1948 and supported Wendell Willkie and Governor
Dewey in the two subsequent elections, has done an-
other flip-flop and is now advocating the election of
Governor Stevenson.

In criticizing General Eisenhower on his Portland
speech opposing the proposed federal monopoly of
national resources in the northwest under the proffered
Columbia Valley Authority, the Journal says:

"In his Portland address Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower dwelt
at some length on the program and policies of 'that great
Republican conservationist, Gifford Pinchot.' Oregon was not
a particularly auspicious place for this reference on the part
of a Republican nominee for political office. The Oregon
legislature of 1901, a Republican body, bitterly protested
against Pinchot's historic plan to create the U. S. forest re-
serves in the department of agriculture. Pinchot attributed
this Oregon slap to low politics on the part of the vested
interests."

What Ike said on Pinchot was: "Now for many years the
National Administration has been trying to corrupt the pur-
poses of our forest and land management agencies despite
the devoted service of the thousands of fine people in those
agencies; but the political bosses of these people in Washington
have departed far from the purposes laid down by that great
Republican conservationist, Gifford Pinchot."

The present editors of the Journal ought to go back
and read its old files of the initial years of that news-
paper. The Journal printed a full account and editorially
vigorously supported the celebrated land fraud trials in
1905 and '06 conducted by Francis J. Heney as special
prosecutor appointed by President Theodore Roosevelt.

The real instigators of these timber frauds were a
group of millionaires from the middle west, who having
exhausted the timber resources of their own regions
moved over to the Pacific coast to steal its land and tim-
ber resources fraudulently by use of dummy entymen,
perjured titles and corruption of officials, to loot and
pillage and waste the forests. They would have com-
pleted the job if TR had not adopted the national forest
plan devised by Chief Forester Pinchot, which preserved
our chief asset.

The Oregon legislature, largely controlled by the big
timber thieves, and itself permeated with corruption, as
proven in the land fraud trials, of course bitterly op-
posed the conservation program and adopted the resolu-
tion the Journal now favorably comments on. And one of
the results was the election as governor of George E.
Chamberlain. He effectively cleaned house, appointed
young Oswald West as state land agent, who ended the
steal of school lands.

The federal grand jury at Portland indicted 27 promi-
nent politicians and citizens, who were tried and con-
victed and received prison sentences. Among them were a
U. S. senator, a congressman, two former U. S. attorneys,
several members of the state legislature and others of
more or less prominence.

Pinchot was the originator of the national forest ser-
vice and of the conservation program initiated by The-
odore Roosevelt, and from it stemmed the national park
service. Will G. Steel, "father" of Crater Lake National
park, always gave Pinchot credit for promoting its crea-
tion by the president.

Pinchot joined Roosevelt's "progressive" party in 1912
and was an ardent "Bull Moose." After his retirement
from forestry he was twice elected as republican governor
of Pennsylvania by the liberal faction of the party. A
brief biography of him reads:

Gifford Pinchot 1865-1946. American political leader, b.
Simsbury, Conn.; studied forestry in Europe; became first
professional American forester; chief of forest service, U. S.
Dept. of Agriculture (1898-1910), instituted charges against
U. S. Secretary of the Interior Richard A. Ballinger, main-
taining the secretary had reversed Theodore Roosevelt's con-
servatism policies; President Taft upheld Ballinger and dis-
missed Pinchot (1910) for insubordination. Professor of For-
estry Yale (1903-36); founder, with his brother Amos, of
Pinchot School of Forestry at Yale; commissioner of forestry,
Pennsylvania (1920-22); Governor of Pennsylvania (1923-27,
1931-35); prominent in initiating measures to settle great coal
strike of 1923; author of "The White Pine" (with H. S. Graves,
1896), "The Adirondack Spruce" (1898), "A Pioneer of For-
estry" (1891-1895), "The Fight for Conservation" (1909) and
other forestry books.

UNSUBSTANTIATED ATTACKS

The Capital Journal takes issue with one of its col-
umnists.

Last week Drew Pearson on this page spent several
columns implying that Senator Dick Nixon, the Republi-
can vice-presidential candidate, might have wrongfully
used his senatorial influence to help out contributors to
his "expense fund." But Pearson admitted he could not
say specifically that such was the case.

In Friday's column, Pearson said "the St. Louis Post-
Dispatch unearthed the fact that Dana Smith, the lawyer
who collected the \$18,000 for Nixon, had used Nixon's
influence through his administrative assistance to try to
get a \$500,000 tax refund from the government."

The facts appear to be these, according to the San
Francisco Chronicle:

"Smith did not seek out Senator Nixon personally in
connection with his tax claim. The fact is that Nixon's
administrative assistant called the justice department to
introduce Smith and save him time in getting an appoint-
ment with someone to whom he could present his claim.
"The refund is still under dispute, and it has not been
publicly shown, or even alleged, that Nixon personally
intervened in the matter, much less 'used influence with
the federal government,' as stated by Pearson."

There was mention in the same column in listing "Nix-
on's Millionaires' Club and the concessions of contracts
they have with the government" of a Los Angeles man
and a tax amortization write-off. Pearson added, "it is
not known where Nixon or his office helped."

This sly method of attack on Senator Dick Nixon is
uncalled for. If the columnist had some definite facts,
that is one thing. But he didn't have against the Republi-
can vice-presidential nominee, who told the American
people the financial facts-of-life of his particular case
in the recent dramatic radio and TV program.

Pearson weakens his otherwise interesting and lively
contribution by such unsubstantiated attacks on Nixon
as in his Friday column last week.

BY H. T. WEBSTER The Timid Soul



POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Private Kim Tells Own Story On White Horse Mountain

By HAL BOYLE

New York (AP)—The Allied world has a new battlefield hero today—Private Kim, a first class fighting man.

Kim is known to his United Nations comrades as a "ROK," and he is the GI Joe of the Republic of Korea, where the name Kim is even more common than Smith is in America.

For more than two years Pvt. Kim has been too lightly regarded, often distrusted as a rabbit in uniform who would throw down his gun and run if the going got rough.

That never was a fair picture of the average South Korean soldier, but there were few to point out the facts about him.

But Pvt. Kim is now telling his own story in the best way he can—with bayonet and hand grenade.

Whatever he was two years ago, the terrible fighting on White Horse mountain has shown that Kim has graduated into one of the world's best infantrymen.

That peak is a key terrain feature dominating the supply road to Seoul, only 50 miles away. And Seoul is to Kim what London is to an Englishman or Paris to the French.

In five days and nights of continuous battle fought in mud and cold rain the vital peak changed hands 20 times.

Every time the outnumbering hordes of Chinese Reds pushed Kim off the top ridge, he stubbornly clawed a bloody path back.

Kim did it on his own while the peoples of the western world, who have often asked, "why don't the South Koreans do more to defend their own country?" watched in growing wonder.

These people of the west probably still fail to realize the real significance of the battle for White Horse mountain.

Whether it is finally won or lost it is a kind of Alamo to the new Republic of Korea army.

Psychologically, Pvt. Kim for centuries has felt inferior to Pvt. Chang of China.

He has always been "the little brother" in an Oriental sphere bossed by "the big brother," Pvt. Chang.

But Pvt. Kim now has proved to himself and doubtful world on

OPEN FORUM

T. J. Enright Answers T. C.

To the Editor: Apparently Mr. Thomas C. Enright has forgotten, or failed to learn of the many false promises made by the present administration and its immediate predecessor.

In 1932, FDR, in his campaign, promised that if he were elected he would have the income tax reduced not less than 25 per cent, particularly in the lower brackets. Instead of that, and in the lower brackets, it was increased 400 per cent. Not only that, but the exemptions were

cut for a single person, from \$1,000 to \$600; for a married couple from \$2,500 to \$1,200 and for each dependent child from \$1,000 to \$600. The higher brackets, of course, were hit still harder.

So, T.C. may have his Adlai, Harry, F.D.R. outfit, but this is one Tom Enright who is proud of the fact that he voted against the New Deal four times.

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WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND Democrats Having Trouble With Senator from Florida

BY DREW PEARSON

Washington — Political Notes from Around the Nation — The democrats have had to do some quick house-mending.

Sen. Bill Fulbright of Arkansas has been summoned to Springfield to smooth the ruffled feelings of various Dems who feel they've been slighted. Adlai hasn't had a chance to hold everyone's hand.

Sens. Lister Hill of Alabama and Clinton Anderson of New Mexico are helping stroke down the ruffled fur.

One rupture broke out in Florida when sedate Sen. Spessard Holland, Democrat, threatened to bolt to Eisenhower, even though he led southern spokesmen in Chicago in pledging allegiance to the party. What happened was that Holland was sitting on his hands; so ex-Sen. Claude Pepper, noting the political vacuum, walked in and began to fill it. Pepper's work for Stevenson began to build an organization which might dominate the state.

Some Dems at Springfield figure they could save a lot of money if they just closed down Democratic national headquarters in Washington. The entire campaign is being run from Springfield. Wilson Wyatt, not Stephen Mitchell, is the mastermind.

Along the Route of the Truman Train—Colorado is still considered a Republican state, despite Truman's recent whistle-stop at every hamlet along the Denver and Rio Grande RR.

The fact that Ike spent nine weeks in Denver is hard to overcome, though he wasn't any great help to his own political leaders. During the entire stay he didn't once talk to the Republican state chairman, the Republican national committeeman or the republican state central committee.

Fishing, bridge and conferences with the national GOP occupied most of his time.

Ike will sneak in a bridge game whenever he gets a chance, also hasn't lost his taste for "westerns."

Truman got squawks from local Democrats about the way the government was treating Colorado uranium miners. Joe Williams, candidate for governor, and State Sen. Stephen McNicols complain that uranium miners can sell their ore to only two mills, United States Vanadium Corp., and the Vanadium Corporation of America, which won't let miners follow their ore through the mills to see if it's properly assayed. (Secrecy regarding uranium and the A-bomb is given as the excuse.

Miners aren't satisfied that they always get full pay, due to inability to check the assay. In the old days of gold-mining, a miner could always check the assay of his ore.

Independent uranium miners produce more than 60 per cent of the domestic uranium output, but, thanks to the secrecy of the atomic energy commission, they are getting fed up.

Dewey and Ike—Full story of Tom Dewey's private session with the general before the latter's endorsement of McCarthy is gradually leaking out. Dewey has kept completely in the background, but in this case had a three-hour session with Ike in New York, begged him to shun McCarthy. His reasons were that Ike would lose the independent vote, alienate far more people than he would win. Dewey told how he had gone to Illinois in 1948 against his better judgment to endorse Gov. Dwight Green and ex-Sen. Curley Brooks, two Chicago Tribune isolationists. It hurt him materially.

Eisenhower listened attentively, finally agreed to cold-shoulder McCarthy.

It is now known that Arthur Summerfield, plus Senators Ferguson of Michigan and Hicken-

looper of Iowa, with Tom Coleman, McCarthy's campaign manager, conferred at the Hotel Washington next day, then flew to Ike's train in the midwest, got him to reverse his pledge to Dewey.

Ike came into the press car of this train later to tell newsmen that McCarthy had not persuaded him to omit two paragraphs from his speech praising Gen. George Marshall. But what actually happened was that Chairman Summerfield, knowing that the praise of General Marshall was in the Milwaukee speech and figuring it would be considered a slap at McCarthy, sneaked McCarthy up a service elevator to the Pere Marquette hotel at Peoria to Ike's suite. There McCarthy begged that Ike not praise Marshall at Milwaukee. The general finally concurred, struck out the two paragraphs.

After the Milwaukee speech was all over, McCarthy groused privately that the general hadn't been cordial to him.

Cow-Pasture Politics—Genial Gov. Dan Thornton, the ex-cowboy, now running for re-election as governor of Colorado, is considered a good bet to be secretary of the interior if Eisenhower is elected.

However Dan may have a hard time getting re-elected himself. For one thing, the Taft people are cool; likewise the veterans, because of his draft deferment on the ground he was in the cattle business. Finally, Dan has been out of the state so much that he's being called the absentee governor, and has held back on filing the number of days he was absent since May. He's supposed to file this in order to let the lieutenant governor draw pay as acting governor during Dan's absence.

If Governor Thornton does join the Eisenhower cabinet, it will bring joy to his delightful wife, Jessie, niece of the late Andy Mellon, who, when reminded that she was "first lady of Colorado," joked "Yes, first lady of a cow pasture."

The governor has raised some of the top prize bulls of the west and southwest.

Mormon Influence—Most influential church not merely in Utah, but in Idaho, Nevada and southern California is the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints—better known as the Mormon church.

It was probably pure accident that, on the day before President Truman arrived, kindly elder statesman David O. McKay, president of the church, announced that it would take no stand in politics. He urged people to vote, but vote their own conscience.

This was interpreted to mean that the strong Republicanism of 80-year-old elder statesman Reuben Clark, who served as ambassador to Mexico in the Hoover administration, should not influence church members this year.

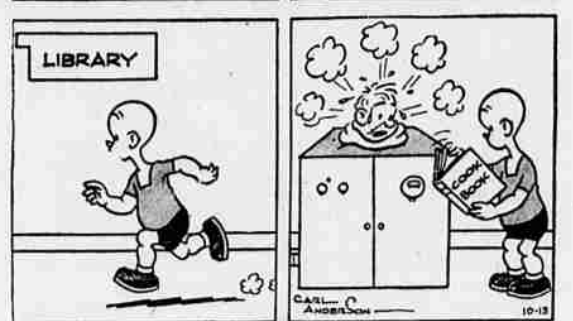
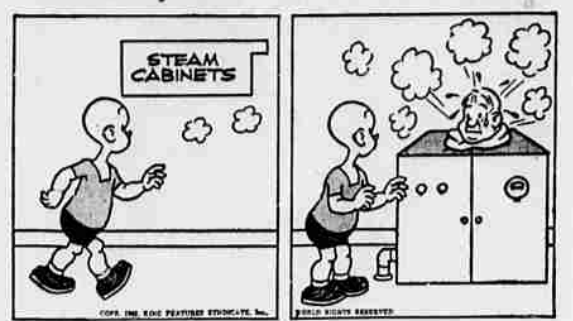
President Truman seemed to enjoy his visit with President McKay at Brigham Young university, and vice versa.

Significantly, the president took this occasion to announce the appointment of another Mormon, Eugene H. Merrill, as commissioner to the federal communications commission. This makes two Mormons out of seven members of this important body which regulates radio, TV, telephones and telegraphs. The other is Rosel Hyde of Idaho, a Republican.

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BY CARL ANDERSON Henry



DOESN'T DISAPPOINT CUSTOMERS

Shoe-Shine Boy Becomes Star But Stays at Old Stand

By ALINE MOSBY

Hollywood, (AP)—The burlesque dancers, the shooting gallery owners and the "winos" down on skid row have a celebrity in their circle, LeRoy, the bebop shoe-shine boy, landed in the movies.

LeRoy Daniel still shines shoes every day at his fancy stand near the corner of Sixth and Main. But one day soon his customers and his co-workers around skid row can see him on the screen as a new dancing movie star.

For nearly 10 years now, LeRoy has been dancing around his shoe-shine stand for the paying guests and just plain passers-by. His rags and brushes make the rhythm. But, if you like an extra touch, you can put a nickel in the juke box alongside his stand.

The boys on the street would smile and clap, but not many thought anything would come of LeRoy's dancing. But LeRoy did.

He once took a leave of absence and danced in night clubs south of the border. And now and then he'd hustle over to a theater and win 15 or so on an amateur night.

One day, 30 miles away at

Tessie's Brief Reign as Forelady
New York (AP)—Tessie Brennan's brief reign as forelady in the blouse factory is at an end. It's back to a sewing machine for Tess.

Her husband Tom, 42, stormed into her Brooklyn domain Thursday and threatened owner Samuel Rosenglick with a gun "if you don't take my wife off as forelady."

Brennan told police later: "The job of forelady is going to my wife's head. She's making too much money."

Brennan was held today in \$1,500 bail for a hearing Oct. 20 in Brooklyn Felony court on assault and gun-toting charges. He apologized to Rosenglick, and the boss replied: "To keep peace and a happy family in my factory, I'm going to get another forelady. I'm going to do what you asked—give her the old job back at the machine. She can do anything in the factory that she wants, but she can't be forelady."

So Tessie, 43, goes back to the machine where she started 11 years ago. And her forelady's salary of \$59 a week shrinks back to \$50.

"We're a happy bunch and we want to keep it that way," sighed Rosenglick.

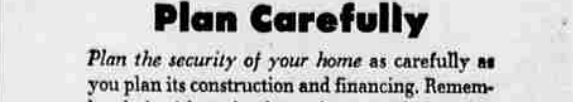
Unusual Hour for Hymns

Chicago, (AP)—Complaining residents called police early Sunday to complain that they were being serenaded with the hymn, "Ride On, Prince of Glory."

Police tracked the music to a church where a faulty time clock started a phonograph playing at 2:15 a.m. It should have started at 5 p.m.

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