

Coattail Riding Charges Hurlled In Colorado Senatorial Campaign

Editor's note: This is another of the dispatches on the most interesting and important of the election contests across the country.

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Denver, Colo. — The "coattails" of two presidents are waving in the Colorado campaign for the U.S. Senate.

Both former Gov. Dan Thornton, a golfing partner of President Eisenhower, and his Democratic opponent, John A. Carroll, confidant of former President Truman, have accused each other of "coattail riding."

Carroll, 55, a Denver attorney, was closely linked with the Truman Fair Deal administration both as a member of Congress from 1946 until 1950 and as a White House adviser following his defeat in a race for the Senate by GOP Sen. Eugene D. Milliken in 1950.

Carroll accuses Thornton of riding Mr. Eisenhower's coattails. Thornton says Carroll had to ride Mr. Truman's coattails in 1948.

Proven Vote Getter

Thornton, 45, a wealthy cattleman who wears the label of "Texas sharecropper's son" as proudly as he does his high-heeled cowboy boots and 10-gallon hat, was one of the first to support Mr. Eisenhower's nomination in 1952.

Thornton's fight for a pro-Eisenhower Colorado delegation to the 1952 Republican National convention left political scars which have never healed. But, a proven vote-getter in two races for governor, he received the senatorial nomination by acclamation at the Republican State

convention. When Sen. Milliken announced his decision to retire at the end of his present term in January, Thornton was believed to be the ideal candidate to run against Charles F. Brannan, former secretary of agriculture in the Truman cabinet and then the favored Democratic candidate.

Democrats and Republicans both saw the Senate race as a debate between Brannan and Thornton over farm policy. Mr. Eisenhower had named his

friend Thornton to head a national campaign to explain and defend the Republican farm program.

But Carroll nosed out Brannan by 1,987 votes to win the Sept. 11 Senate primary.

Carroll, who lost Senate race to Milliken in 1950 and Gordon Allott in 1954, is attacking the Eisenhower administration and comparing it unfavorably with the Truman Fair Deal.

Thornton, defending the GOP farm program, had challenged Brannan to a "cotton picking, wheat chopping and cow milking" contest. When Carroll won the nomination instead, Carroll and Thornton staged a one-hour television debate from Denver.

Thornton said the Democrats represented "socialism." Carroll replied that the so-called "socialistic" administration of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt had made possible the enrichment of northeastern Colorado with the Colorado-Big Thompson trans-mountain water diversion and reclamation project.

Thornton attacked Carroll's record on subversive control legislation. Carroll, interpreting it as a question of his patriotism, said, "I have been in two world wars. Let him (Thornton) tell where he was during the war."

Thornton said that he had offered his services to the war effort but "had a little trouble with a club foot" and also had lost a toe in a gunshot accident as a youth.

Carroll proposed statewide debates, marching "shoulder to shoulder to tell the people what each of them will do if elected."

Thornton rejected the proposal and replied, "We'll be debating from here on out."

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Meal of Nails Sends Fakir To Hospital

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Tractor Company Files Circuit Court Suit

Hauptert Tractor company, 3610 North Pacific highway, Medford, has filed a complaint in circuit court against Fred and Earl LaBranch, co-partners in L. and L. Logging company.

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show and was rushed to a hospital.

Location Notices Filed in Courthouse

Location notices have been filed in the county clerk's office for three mines in Jackson east Jackson county. Both claims are located south of Lincoln.

W. McLaughlin, 330 High st., Ashland, and A. F. Dyer, Pine st., Ashland, have filed claims for two mines in the Green Springs mining district in south-

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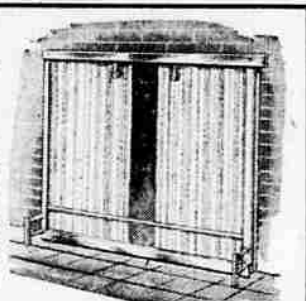


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