

Back Stairs: Stories Would Amaze Dog

By MERRIMAN SMITH
UP White House Writer

Back stairs at the country White House. If President Eisenhower's dog, Heidi, could read, she would be amazed at the rate of stories printed after she rode to Gettysburg in the presidential motorcade last week. Reporters unfamiliar with the menagerie at the Eisenhower farm really let themselves go, and one even went to the point of describing how Heidi, a handsome Weimaraner, breakfasts daily on two poached eggs on toast with two strips of bacon. Members of the family and White House staff say this is downright "ridiculous."

Heidi was a gift to the President from the son of a cabinet member nearly two years ago. A number of news stories were written about Heidi and the other dogs around the Eisenhower farm last winter.

Heidi and the other dogs reside normally with Ivan Feaster, the President's farmer here at Gettysburg.

About six months ago, Heidi was sent away to a dog trainer to be taught to obey simple commands and after her training was completed, she was delivered to the White House for transshipment to Gettysburg. And that is how she showed up in the White House auto caravan last Friday.

Dewey Long, the White House transportation chief, has been out of circulation for several weeks. Dewey, who has arranged and directed presidential trips for more than two decades, has been rather ill at a hospital in Takoma Park, Md. His family and friends were worried

about him for a time, but he improved sufficiently to go home for Christmas Day. Once by his own fireside, his improvement seemed to speed up and while it may be some time before he is back on the job, he is on the mend and feeling much better.

The weatherman had the most of this past week in White House party scared Gettysburg. For the first four days the President was at his farm, the forecast was for either sleet, snow or chilling rain. And each of these four days dawned bright and sunny, with the temperatures ranging from below freezing at night to the high 40s in the daytime.

If the President ever gets

snowed in at Gettysburg, and if the visibility is operational, he'll probably be airlifted back to Washington by helicopter. In fact, the Air Force has made some practice runs to the Gettysburg airport in the past few days.

The grass landing surface was too soggy to permit landing a conventional plane, but the helicopter had no difficulty getting down.

The fellows at the Bureau of Labor Statistics where the cost of living is computed might be interested to know that the \$1 shrimp cocktail at the Gettysburg Hotel contains exactly five shrimp. They're the most delicious 20-cent-each shrimp in these parts.



MEETING IN CAIRO, Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser (left) and United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld discuss Mideast problems. (International)

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Flora R. — He throws up the past at me. James R. — I don't think she's really changed.

Flora R. — I wonder if it pays to be honest and truthful. I was no angel before I was married. I came from a broken home and I had no supervision at all when I was a teenager. I ran wild and got into plenty of trouble. A social worker finally helped me to change my way of life. Friends advised me not to tell my husband anything, but I'm honest by nature. I couldn't sell my husband a bill of goods. I told him all about my past. He forgave me and I thought all would be forgotten.

Now, after three years of marriage, my husband starts throwing these things up at me. I would walk right out on him, but we have a year-old baby. I don't want my child to have the kind of problems I had. I want to make a decent home, but how can I?

James R. — If it were just the past, I could forget about it, but I don't think Flora has really changed even now.

I have begged her to stop using so much makeup and wearing the kind of clothes she wears. Wherever we go, men stop and stare after her. She flirts all the time with the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker. Is this the way for a respectable woman and a mother to act?

I never would have brought up the past if it weren't that one of our neighbors finally asked whether Flora had ever been a chorus girl or something. How can I help

but think about all the things she told me when she still hasn't toned down? One of my friends told me everyone was shocked that a conservative guy like me married a girl like Flora.

The Council: James doesn't mention whether Flora has changed her dress and style of makeup since marriage. We're willing to wager she hasn't changed — but the things that once attracted James now worry him. And why? If men stare at Flora now, they probably stared at her before her marriage. Then James was proud. Now he is ashamed. From his account, it is not so much the story of Flora's past that works on him as a few words said by a neighbor and a "friend."

James is being very unjust both in bringing up the past and in making veiled insinuations about the present. He evidently has nothing to go on in the present, except Flora's preference for flashy dress. He seems unable to back his suggestion of her flirtations with "the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker."

We think it might be advisable for Flora to tone down on the dress a bit since it bothers her husband. But the biggest change in this relationship should come from James. He should be proud of his wife's honesty and her apparently sincere desire to create a decent life for herself and her family, and should cast out the worm of jealousy which is destroying a potentially good marriage. (Copyright 1957, General Features Corp.)

BUTTE FALLS

Pingle Family Has Reunion

By MARY JO HARRIS
Butte Falls — The Pingle family had a family reunion at the Mil Mar ranch Christmas day.

Members of the family attending totaled 18 and included Mr. and Mrs. William Atkinson Sr., of Long Beach, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. William Atkinson Jr. of Tacoma, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Livingston of Medford, Allen Pingle from Davis College, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. George Hubbard and daughter of Prospect, Bob Gillmore and his room-mate from Union Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pingle and family of Butte Falls and Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Pingle, host and hostess.

Mrs. Ernest Smith entered the Osteopathic hospital recently for tests and observation. Mrs. Smith was released after several days and will re-enter the hospital Jan. 2 for X-rays.

Bruce Pingle Jr. and Miss Julie Pingle, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pingle, were home for the holidays. Bruce is a Seaman in the Navy, stationed at San Diego aboard the U.S.S. Alamo, LSD 33, and will return to his ship Jan. 5. Julie is a junior at the University of Oregon at Eugene. Sunday, Dec. 29, Bruce and Julie went skiing at Tomahawk in the Klamath area.

Clay Conley spent a week in the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital recently combating the flu. Clay was released this past week and is now convalescing at his home.

Thursday, Jan. 16, is the date scheduled for the next Home Extension meeting, which will be held at the home of Mrs. Don C. Smith. Mrs. Maxine Hammond of Rollands Studio of Beauty in Medford will give a demonstration on hair cutting.

Miss Linda Hawkins, Junior candidate, was crowned basketball queen Dec. 14 at the Butte Falls gym during the half-time of a game between Butte Falls and Eagle Point.

Other candidates were Juanita Sheppard, senior; Bonnie McKeen, sophomore; and Virginia McAllester, freshman. The contest for queen consisted of selling seasonal tickets for home basketball games. The girl selling the most tickets won the title and letter. Yell leaders this year are Dolores Brown and Nita Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. William Harris and children and Miss Linda Hawkins spent Christmas day in Grants Pass at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Helbig. Mrs. Harris is a daughter of Mrs. Helbig.

A baby girl weighing seven and one-half pounds was born Dec. 23 to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McComb at Coos Bay. The baby was named Christie. The McCombs are former residents of Butte Falls and Jerry is a brother of Mrs. William Harris.

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The Hollywood Scene

By VERNON SCOTT
United Press Writer



Vernon Scott

Hollywood — Proof that movietown still is the land of the bizarre and zany was established this week by a comic opera film-napping involving a movie star, the Italian consulate and an enraged Italian producer.

Plot: Theft of movie "Il Grido," made in Italy by Franco Cancellieri. Scene: Projection room on Sunset Blvd. Narrator: Steve Cochran.

"We made this picture together with the understanding that Cancellieri would release it in the Western Hemisphere," Cochran says.

Profit Percentage "The trouble is Cancellieri had a percentage of Western profits, so he felt he should also determine how the picture would be shown in this country. According to our contract, he was supposed to deliver me a duplicate negative of our original film. But he refused, claiming he couldn't get a permit to export 'Il Grido' out of Italy.

"Well, last month the picture was set by the Italian government in a diplomatic pouch to the Italian consulate in San Francisco for the International Film Festival.

"It was supposed to be sent right back to Italy, but Cancellieri began showing it around Hollywood looking for buyers — which wasn't part of our deal.

Threat of Suit "I threatened to sue, but he kept showing it. So I set

up a screening for a fictitious exhibitor here on the 'Strip.' Then I called by old buddy Jack LaRue to help me steal the film.

"While Cancellieri and I and the bogus exhibitor were watching the picture, LaRue was taking each completed reel off the camera and hiding it in my car. Finally, Cancellieri found out what was happening and started screaming like a Neapolitan opera. He tried to call the police, but he doesn't speak English.

"To quiet him down Jack gave him the toughest mobster look you ever saw. Jack was wearing a dark suit, black shirt and white tie — like they used to wear in old Jimmy Cagney movies.

Film in Safe Place "We finally left him there and ditched the film in a safe place. Then I had to hide out for a couple of days. The district attorney wanted to arrest me for grand theft. I finally returned the picture to the Italian consulate and got a promise that it would be returned to Italy. So I at least stopped my partner from selling the film without my approval.

"He's finally calmed down and we're negotiating again. But it's tough. We've got a million bucks tied up in the picture and we've got to come to terms.

"Cancellieri will be going back to Italy soon, and he wants to leave it all in the Italian courts. But it will take two or three years to get it straightened out over there—and by that time the picture will be an antique."

Panama hats are not made in Panama, but in Ecuador where their production is a major industry.

Snow Storm Greeted 1958 in Midwest

BY UNITED PRESS

A white, chilly new year greeted much of the nation's central section today, curtailing holiday travel in the Central-Mississippi valley and the Great Lakes.

Three to 18 inches of snow accumulated Tuesday and today across Kansas, Nebraska, Northern Missouri, Northern Illinois, Wisconsin and lower Michigan.

A near zero cold wave swept over Iowa, Missouri,

Kansas, and eastern sections of Nebraska and Oklahoma hard on the heels of the snow storm. Occasional rain was expected along the Pacific Coast from Northern California through Oregon and Washington.

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Youth Confesses Slaying of Woman

New York — A 16-year-old boy, traced through an obscenity he scrawled in a telephone booth, confessed Tuesday night to the murder of an attractive mother.

Detectives identified the boy as Warren Yeager of Queens Village, a third-year high school student.

He admitted repeatedly stabbing Mrs. Mary Nerich, 44, near her home in Queens Village two nights before Christmas. Yeager fled with the woman's purse after the attack and left her to die on the sidewalk.

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