

Boy Wonder Says He's No Longer Active In Company

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Earl Belle, widely publicized "boy wonder" president of a big business combine now under federal investigation, says he is no longer active in the company.

The 26-year-old Pittsburgher, head of Cornucopia Gold Mines, Inc., a holding company with diversified interests, made the statement yesterday after being located in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Belle had been absent from his Pittsburgh offices for several days and associates said they didn't know his whereabouts.

Court actions in two states and probes by federal bank examiners and the Securities and Exchange Commission are under way.

Belle stated he no longer is active in Cornucopia when informed by newsmen that A. A. Franks, Boston clothing manufacturer, had asked the Massachusetts Supreme Court to increase a \$100,000 bond by Belle to protect an investment in Cornucopia.

The 1936 University of Pittsburgh graduate said he doesn't know when he'll return here. He added that he expects to go to Buenos Aires, Argentina, in a week or two.

Meanwhile, the Peoples Union Bank & Trust Co. of McKeesport, Pa., filed a suit on a \$250,000 judgment note against Eastern Development, a subsidiary of Investment Corp. of Saltzburg, Pa., one of several firms in the Belle-headed combine.

The bank asked that the firm be placed in receivership, asserting its records had been removed and hidden and that "the sheriff will be unable to find any of the defendants' assets, except possibly one filing cabinet."

An SEC investigator, Theodore S. Kliten, said, "We have done some checking here but the job must be completed in Washington. This thing has many ramifications and it would be impossible to tell how long the investigation will take."

No formal charges have been placed against Belle. The U. S. attorney and the FBI say they are not investigating his affairs.

"DENNIS THE MENACE"



"THERE'S A GUY DOWNSTAIRS. BUT HE'S NOT A BURGLAR 'CAUSE HE'S NOT WEARIN' A MASK."

Demo Magazine Praises Vice President Nixon

By LYLE C. WILSON
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WASHINGTON (UPI)—It would be reasonably accurate to write that the current issue of "The Democratic Digest" is a solid if not deliberate salute to Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

The Digest is published by the Democratic National Committee. It is a well edited political pamphlet. The July issue arrived on news desks here with a mimeographed attention-caller to the fact that the pamphlet's emphasis had been diverted from the Adams-Goldfine episode to center on the vice president.

The Digest's cover bore a Nixon cartoon and the lead story dealt with Nixon, undeniable evidence that Democratic strategists rate Nixon their No. 1 political opposition, the man most likely to cause the Democratic Party serious trouble in the elections of this year and in 1960.

That is a solid tribute to a young man who is in an office which traditionally is a political dead end. How dead an end it has been is indicated by a paragraph from this week's Saturday Evening Post in which Stewart Alsop writes of Nixon, as follows:

"Since 1836, when Martin Van Buren inherited the crown from crusty old Andrew Jackson, no vice president has been nominated as his party's presidential candidate. Yet already, two years in advance, Vice President Nixon has the 1960 Republican presidential nomination sewed up in a nearly puncture proof bag. He unquestionably has a better chance than any other man to be the next president of the United States."

It is with such a that in mind that Democratic strategists hammer away at Nixon in preference to beating their drums about the currently timely story of Sherman Adams' friendship with Bernard Goldfine. The fact that Democratic sharpshooters are diverted from the fine target offered by Adams to concentrate on Nixon does to a considerable degree endorse the judgment of columnist Alsop that Nixon has the 1960 Republican presidential nomination in the bag.

This Democratic judgment was not recently come by. The Democratic high command has been on the offensive against Nixon consistently. During the early Eisenhower years, the opposition was reluctant to tackle the president, personally. He still was too much the popular hero. A bruising political attack on him could have aroused public resentment.

Nixon became the presidential whipping boy. That phase is long past, however. The opposition no longer seems to attack Eisenhower but turns to Nixon as the major target and the more formidable obstacle to Democratic election victories.

The Digest calls the roll of Nixon's political problems and they are substantial. The lead story is titled "Nixon's California Dilemma." The pamphlet wonders whether Nixon will campaign this year for Sen. William F. Knowland, the Republican candidate for governor of California, remarking that Knowland is running on "a flagrantly reactionary anti-labor program."

Knowland is making a reform-the-unions campaign and advocates right-to-work legislation which would bar the closed shop. The Digest happily scents trouble there for Nixon because, if he campaigns for Knowland, "Nixon will seem to put himself in the Old Guard camp of the G.O.P."

"Nixon has been working for years to gain coloration as an internationalist and economic moderate to win support from the (Thomas E.) Dewey wing of the party. How can he keep this camouflage suit on and still work for Knowland?"

The Democrats would be pleased if Nixon found it impossible to campaign for Knowland. It will not be that way, however. Nixon will be there!

Television Culture Corners To Be Returned To Critics

By CYNTHIA LOWRY
NEW YORK (AP)—Television's culture corner—Sunday afternoon—will be returned to the thinkers, the intellectuals and the critics in the fall with some slight remodeling.

Omnibus, for instance, will be back on NBC—but cut to an hour's length and presented on alternate Sundays. Wide, Wide World, which lost its sponsor, may be missing from the lineup. Ed Murrow's new Small World may be dropped into CBS' Sunday schedule. Such programs as Conquest, Twentieth Century, Comment, Outlook and the news interview shows are expected to return.

The Sabbath's Snug Harbor is emerging as a unique period in television's programming. Large numbers of average citizens have found intelligent talk, stimulating drama and good music a welcome change from a steady diet of mayhem, audience participation shows and giveaways.

Historically, Sunday afternoon has attracted comparatively small audiences. Hence it has been difficult to sell to sponsors interested in reaching the masses with their toothpaste, cigarettes, lipsticks or some such product bought in all income brackets.

More recently, however, networks have been discovering that their Sunday afternoon viewers were folks to be proud of—substantial, smart, educated, bank-rolled. One result has been sponsor interest by companies who want to reach more affluent audiences.

But many of the Sunday afternoon shows have remained without sponsors. They have continued partly because the shows give prestige to the networks. As a matter of fact, when NBC or CBS are of a mind to boast about their programs or attempt to prove that not all programming consists of Westerns, who-dunnits and panels they are likely to use a Sunday afternoon show to point up the argument.

Still another reason for the networks' continued willingness to go on underwriting live Sunday afternoon shows is that they have proved a valuable workshop in which to develop and refine ideas and skills.

This Drama Not On TV

GATLINBURG, Tenn. (UPI)—When the scene opens, here is a truck driver leaning in to fix the tan belt on his vehicle.

And over here is the 11-year-old son of Elmer C. Carter. He has a slingshot.

The boy watches the truck driver. What he sees is a target—one he can't resist.

The boy aims, fires. The truck driver jumps.

Now we switch to the office of U. S. Commissioner Harve Duggins, where the truck driver is complaining that the boy used a good-sized rock for ammunition, and that more than his pride has been injured.

Duggins hears all the facts, orders Carter to pay a \$15 fine for contributing to his son's temporary delinquency and instructs the boy to find something besides a slingshot with which to amuse himself.

And finally we flash to a scene involving just Carter and his son. The father is inflicting a bit of discipline—in the same general region that the truck driver was wounded.

Pianist's Wife Generous; Offers Spouse To Nation

HOLLYWOOD (UPI)—Escalated by her husband's charges that she tried to kill him, Mrs. June Levant today made a gift of sharp-tongued Oscar Levant to the world.

"He's gotten too big for one woman," said the former actress-singer—a veteran of 18 years of marriage with the shaky pianist. "So I have decided to give him to the world. I hope the world can take him as well as I have all these years."

The latest episode in a little drama which might be entitled "Oscar Levant Faces Life" was spread across the front pages Thursday when Oscar claimed she tried to kill him with a pair of scissors at their Beverly Hills home.

Angry shouts from the Levant home in their staid, fashionable neighborhood brought police to the scene. Officers found a highly excitable Oscar claiming his attractive wife had tried to kill him after an argument over "other" women.

"I didn't try to kill him. What woman hasn't said she was fed up with something her husband has been doing? I threw a shoe at him. So what? He hasn't got a mark on him."

As for Oscar, he was determined not to go back into his home without "an armed guard."

"This isn't the first time she's beaten me up," said Levant, who tells the world his troubles on a local television program. "She's beaten me up. She's done it before. I'm no match for her physically. I have a heart condition."

Mrs. Levant, more put out than furious over her husband's claims, described Levant as a "neurotic man who is famous for having nervous breakdowns."

"But he not only has them, he gives them," she quipped. "He seems to feel he has a corner on misery."

On camera, Levant freely describes his trips to the psychiatrist's couch interspersed with graphic descriptions of his many ailments. In short, he states, "I'm sick."

Trujillo To File Denial

SAN PEDRO, Calif. (UPI)—Gen. Rafael Trujillo Jr., fun-loving Dominican Republic playboy, has instructed his attorneys to file a denial to a damage action brought in the case of the dunked actress.

County Marshal George H. Gordon boarded the generous general's 350-foot personal "man-of-war", the Angelita, Thursday and served a writ on two of Trujillo's attorneys.

Specifically, the legal document demanded Trujillo file an answer to a \$10,000 damage suit brought by actress Lynn Heyburn, who charged she was dunked in the pool of a \$200,000 mansion rented by Trujillo on his first stay in the island.

Attorneys Guy Ward and David Heyler Jr., representing Trujillo, said they were told to file an answer denying Miss Heyburn's claims and pointing out that the actress was guilty of trespassing by being on the property in the first place.

After Trujillo returned from Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., where he failed to receive more than a "Certificate of Attendance" at the Army's Command and General Staff School, the girl-giving playboy promised a star-studded party on his yacht.

Nothing has been said of the nautical affair, however, since actress Zsa Zsa Gabor bowed out as the "Hostess With the Mostest" in a preliminary bash at a Beverly Hills hotel.

Reports have been circulating that the 29-year-old officer soon will up anchor and sail back to his homeland, leaving behind the publicity and the actresses with the expensive sports cars and furs.

Scots Hang Mass Killer

GLASGOW, Scotland (UPI)—Peter Anthony Manuel was hanged at Barlinnie Prison today for the murder of seven persons. He may have murdered more.

The 32-year-old New York horn woodcenter, who moved to Scotland with his parents when he was four, was buried in the prison courtyard.

Manuel was condemned on May 29 after a 16-day trial in which he was convicted of seven murders. He was accused of two other murders, and suspected of others.

Although Britain largely has ended the death penalty for a single murder, the laws still provide for hanging if a man is convicted of mass murder.

Nun Named 'Miss Demo'

SPOKANE (AP)—Sister M. Consilia is delighted. She found out yesterday she was the winner of a "Spokane County Democrat" contest.

And flabbergasted Democrats found out that the 22-year-old Roman Catholic nun is more non-partisan than Democrat, with strong admiration for President Eisenhower.

The Miss Democrat contest was run as a party promotion stunt, open to all young women in the county. The winner was to be chosen on the basis of an essay on "Why I Should Exercise My Right to Vote."

Party officials figured on an attractive miss they could show off at the Democrats' state convention next week in Yakima. They even made plans to have her accept the \$100 first prize check from Gov. Albert Rosellini.

Sister Consilia decided to enter the contest under her family name Bonnie Jean Brown, after reading about it in the newspapers.

Her mother superior promptly announced that Sister Consilia, Miss Spokane County Democrat, would not only accept the \$100 prize money, but would go to the convention to get it from the governor.

HOT AIR

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—With temperatures ranging up to 116 this week, an Arizona Republic editorial today advised: "Don't talk about it. That just stirs up more hot air from the people who want to tell you how much hotter it was the last time it was 'really-hot.'"

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Family Weekly

In The **SUNDAY** Herald and News