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The Strange Career Of Senator Taft

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come sax reduction bill (later vetoed), dismaniting of OPA, emaculation of rent
controls, etc.

This has earned the Senator the undying
derethen of the country's conservative
press, but it remains to be seen whether it
will also earn him the Republican Presidential nomination. That honor will be bestowed upon him only if the Senator hasconverted pasqued the sentiment of the relaconverted pasqued the sentiment of the relation of the present of the relative of the relative
to not put their money on a leating horse.
Governor Deway, Senator Tait's principal
competitor for the 1948 nomination, seems
to recognize this full well. The Governor,
being fin a happy position where he desay thave to, its carefully uncommitted on all
the pressing issues of the day. If, for instance, the Tait-Bartley Bill turns out to
be the worst political mistake in Republican history. Mr. Dewey is not closely identifled with it. He might, if it becomes necesary, both out that his own labor record
as Governor of New York is comparatively
liberal, thus disassociating himself entirely
from Senator Tait's greatest achievement
lace his own views on record is far more
admirable than Governor Dewey's risual
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Senator not only commits himself when he
say the pressure of the senator's neck is out again.

And now the Senator's neck is out again.

Of Senator Taft

In an interview the other day he came out flathy against Universal Milliary Training, announcing that he would "fight it to the bitter end." Normally it might be considered smart politics to oppose UNT, but in this season of the great Red scare the reverse seems to be true. The opinion political organisations as that Ampt. And the course willing to accept it. Buch politic organisations as the Ampt. It such politic organisations as the Ampt. It such politic political accept it is the supporting of the properties.

There is little doubt that Senator Taft will bump head-on into Senator Vandenberg on this issue—even as he did when he joined the bittle little group that attempted to block the appointment of David Liftenthal to the Atomic Berrey Commission. Senator Taft's stand, indeed, might very well mark the end of the era of bipartisan co-operation on international affairs and split the Republican Party wide open. The Senator has been growing increasingly restive under the strictures of the bi-partisan foreign policy agreement, and has shown signs of longing for the simple, old days when he placed his faith in plain, unadulterated isolationism.

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semple, ou days when he placed his lattin in plain, unadulterated (solidonism. We don't know whether Benator Tait's remarkable record is the product of limited intellect or admirable courage. It is shot through with inconsistencies that can be explained only on the ground that he doesn't understand popular sentiment, or int't interested in it. Watching Senator Tait at work these days we can't escape the feeling that we have been through all this before—back in the days when another angry, able and fundamentally honest man, Burton Wheeler, backed himself into a corner from which he could never emerge.

The Un-Registered Mrs. Roosevelt

TUE editors of The Social Register being in The Register remained unimpaired. Nor, I multiple to the consistency of the social articles of the social articles seem to open the social articles seem t

It appears that a stage career is still be-yond the social pale, for instance, and marriage to a member, of the theatrical profession is equally contaminating. Thus Elliof Rocevett, who had been eligible on all other counts, was dropped from The Register when he married Paye Emerson a year or so ago.

And now Elliot's mother has also disap-peared from the list. Mrs. Roosevelt had graced The Register for many years, being born of blue-blooded parents and having married a product of Duchesa Country, Groton and Harvard. Even when, as First Lady, she began to display alarming symp-toms of social consciousness her standing

side excursions into radio.

It is curious indeed that The Register should ban her now, for the period between editions has been perhaps the most calm and orderly Mrs. Roosewell has ever known. Her political activity has been mild and restrained, conststing primarily of service as a sometime UN delegate. Her day, still faithfully recorded in a good many newspapers, is now not unlike that of any other well-born, wealthy wid ow of advanced years.

To those who take The Register seriously, being dropped from the list would probably seem a grave insult. To Elsenor Roosevell, who never did, it will likely seem a beliated compliment. Few women in American history have had less need of a printed record of the family connections to prove that she is a very great lady, if a rather unconventional one.

The South Will Miss Old Jim

OLD JIM CURLEY has gone to jail at last and those faithful, leather-lunged Boston Irishmen who idolised him will miss him and moura him. And, oddly enough, the South will miss Jim Curley,

eni miss nim sale mouin nim. Auc. Oduy, enough, the South will miss Jim Ourley. The South will miss Jim Ourley. The South will miss Jim Ourley to those citizens of the Hub who looked—as only a Botonian can look—down their moses at depraved and backward Dixie. When a Husy Long or a Cole Bissas or a Bob Reynolds capered across the national political stage and the Brahmins chorused, "Well, after all, what can you expect?" the sensitive Southerner had but to gesture to Boton's City Hall, the gold-domed Capitol of Massachusetts, or the Congress of the United States. Cid Jim was always the Christic States. Cid Jim Courley had to do was sak for office and it was his.

Even when his predeliction for fraud was established in court—as it was at least twice—the Riomorabe Jim did not suffer at the polis. After his last conviction, his admirers waited for him with signs and songs and made it clear that no judge could make their persecuted hero a bum.

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And Old Jim did it all just the way.

Theodors Bilbo did it. He was endowed
with a golden hongue and a conspicuous
lack of acruple and the ability to exploit
the class and religious prejudice of his constituency. He proved that demagosy pays
off in the Hub of the Universe just as
readily as it does in the far reaches of a
defeated Confederate state.

Yes the Seruth will miss old Jim Circles

defeated Confederate state.

Yes, the South will miss old Jim Curley, Boston's personnial reminder that It Can Happen Anywhere. He was a great comfort when the stone came hurtiling down from the north, for he made it possible for the South so cans the right should be south by cast it right back again. Charitably, the South will congratulate Boston upon old Jim's final departure from the political scene, but, out of her own bitter experience, the South will recognize that Jim Curley was only a spectacular symptom of a deep and enduring political liness. Comfortably, she will wait for the conditions that produced Jim Curley to produce his successor.

Another Voice

Bravo! Bravo! Well Played!

MAYNE ALBRIGHT, youngest and last of three — beg pardon, four; as usual we were about to forget what's-His-Mame from Pinetown—candidates to announce for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, is beginning to indicate that he may know his political way around. Not that we deem his offer to debate the other candidates to be sither startingly original or particularly pertinent; but his rallying to the support of Pseudoent Truman's veto of the labor bull more nearly makes good of the labor bull more nearly makes good

riticularly pertinent; but his railying support of Freedent Truman's vero short of more nearly makes good aign sense.

So without cayll—also without commitment—we are constrained to call out a "Well played!" Too, we are disposed displayed to the fact that the 37-years of Freedents of Freede

sistance to Senator Umstead or to derive any help in return is decidedly doubtful; but he stands to lose nothing from the electorate—the ardent advocates of the labor bill are in all probability lined up for Charles M. Johnson, while the teachers upon whom Goear Barket is in great part relying are showing an increasing interest in all things ifederated, including labor.

The New Map Of Europe



People's Platform

On Social Security

Editors. Tex News:

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to some very sever criticam (Plynn, 'The Social Security Reserve' Swinde'. Harpers Magazine, Feb. 1939). Except as a matter of bookkeeping there is of course not much sense in the holder of a reserver fund on the course of the

Harsh Epithet? MONROE

Editors. The News.

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Fletchen, referred to a statement made by 73

Meckinburg ministers that Chief Littlejohn had

surrendered to the wet forces. The editors called

How can this harm epithes be justified in the

Bint of courtery and fairness, when the editors on

June 10 appealed to the doubtful voters to come

over with the set forces for a litter year experiment?

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Samuel Grafton

TRAVEL is educational. When you get away from you had not part with what I have issured for arrything.

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and ground and let it grow, the hell with them.

They don't want to work," said the would not part with what I have beared for anything.

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"The hell they have," said the

"Yes, they do," said the first. "That's why they have wars all That right, Bert? Don't they have the time," said the first man. tree beer in Russia?"

"And free vodks," said Bert.
"Once a month, I'll bet," said the
econd character.

"Once a month, I'll bet," said the second character.

"No, flows like water," said Bert.

"I see some of them foreign countries are shipping beer over here," said the first man.

"That's how they pay said the first man.

"Yeh, they probably made it with our grain," said the second. "Yeb, they processes the cond.
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Message From Greece

WASHINOTON
A roving editor who has made
Greece one of his stopping
points on a tour of Europe sends
an urgent message. The editor is
William R. Mathews of the Arizona
Daily Star in Tucson—a robustious
Westerner in the Teddy Roosevelt
tradition. From Athens he writes:

"Unless Governor Orkwold gets a move on and gets over here with real help, this thing will blow up in his face. It is getting worse as America takes her time.

The banditry has become a virtual civil war. All (nearly all) road and railroad travel between big cities has been stopped. The Russians are cook play for keep, and the cities of the cook of the coo

have none."

That warning, it so happens, is expressed in amiliar language in appreciation of the source of the Greek Embassy in Athens and, from Greek Embassy in Washington. The same notice of sources in the same of the source of sources in Athens Our chance of sources in Athens Our chance of sources in delay it is now nearly four months among president Trumma's measure President Trumma's measure on Greece and Turkey which was meant to sound a three-slamm diplomatic fire on the Near Eassern front.

NO EASY TASK

with him. It is not easy. Thousand the mission would in effect be the solution to help, but these impositions of the solution of the best of the solution of t

Orecce is not now on the front pages. The Marshall program for European reconstruction has superseded the Truman Doctrine in will be a break for Griswold. He will be a break for Griswold He will be able to get started without too bright a light being focused on the difficulties he is bound to encounter at the beginning.

But this does not mean that the contest is any less bitter nor any less important. The Communist leadership in the Balkans and the leadership in the Balkans and the Soviet Union might even welcome a diversionary discussion of Wests. The Continue to push for their objective in Greece.

Drew Pearson's : Vatican Paper Warns Of U. S.-Soviet Rift

WABHINGTON
THIS is going to be what editors call a "think" column.
A Working newspapermen also call it "thumb-suking."
Resean for the name is that supposedly you don't have to wear out shoeleather writing it. You suck it out of your thumb.

thumb.

Most of the time I am supposed to get news by crouching under the Cabinet table or lurking behind the scrap basket. of a closed-door Congressional committee-room.

However, you get awaluly tired of these crouched-undertable positions, and besides, even a calloused critic such as more times gets worried about the way the world is

if tolerant editors can put un with a "think" column.

So if tolerant editors can put up with a "think" columnhere goes.

Recently I noticed two editorials in Osservatore Romano.

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Back To Normaley

general strike of 1926. Labor had taken too many liberties, people were sore at labor, and a Conservative British Government not only broks the strike but practically wiped from the strike but practically wiped the strike strike strike strike the strike strike the strike str

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business to watch Washington rather closely. I can't help
seeing a lot of them.
And the House of Representatives the other day when it
came to publishing a Library of Congress report on Fascian.
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Now this report on Pascism taken by itself, is not important. In fact, many consider the report ineffectus written. However, it represents a trend—a trend tow forgetting some of the things we were fighting for.

Rebuilding Germany Rebuilding Germany
ANOTHER significant swing to extreme, in my opinio
A is the argument now taking place between Gen. Leaf
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