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WESTBROOK HOIK SAYS: Why Was Eastern Cash Used Against Nevada's McCarran? (Copyright ISM. Kina rtataraa Syadleatt. toe.) LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Being on the ground, and having my satchel with me, I called on Al Cahlan, the editor of the Review-Journal, to show him documentary proof that an Eastern letterhead group had hosed about Bldg., Pittsburgh, that he threw in a hundred. Mr. Goldsmith, the papiermaché dragon whom I am supposed to be afraid of, gave $350. Mr. and Mrs. PEGLER $8,000 into Nevada in the last election. The people of Nevada, of course, knew nothing of this attempt to nullify their votes. Mr. Cahlan said over and over. “Well, what do you know—?” as he thumbed through copies of reports to the clerk of the House of Representatives in Washington. To be sure, it is quite legal for private societies to do this, but I keep saying that if it is wrong for rich corporations to do it, then the same law ought to forbid the same sort of frustration or nullification of the ballot by rich Eastern persons who get their heads together and write checks to achieve secret purposes in states where they don't live. The Committee on National Affairs, of 100 East 50th St., New York, which is actually the Waldorf Tower, sent $5,000 to John Conlon, of Las Vegas, for the campaign of George E. Franklin, Jr. Franklin was Senator Pat McCarran's opponent in the Democratic primary. Pat beat him easily and now it is going to come up his turn to put some pointed questions to Arthur J. Goldsmith, the kapok dragon of the Waldorf Tower, whose private apartment actually is the headquarters of the Committee of National Affairs and a lot of other letterhead bunds which use secret slush funds to swing elections, with nobody the wiser in the states thus invaded. Senator McCarran is going to have charge of an equivalent in the Senate of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Hard, Tedlou. Work such things as the Committee on National Affairs have to report contributions received above $100, and their disbursements for political purposes, to the clerk of the House. And the clerk has got to let you see them but he doesn't have to let you take pictures of them. The upshot is that such groups get the protection of a secrecy which Congress did not intend them to enjoy because you have to copy the reports in detail. This is such hard, tedious work that few of us are willing to do it. The roster of this Waldorf Tower- er thing is a familiar list of weary, dreary old letterhead names. I tried George Fielding, Elliot, Frederick G. McKee, of Pittsburgh, Dr. L. M. Birkhead, Russell W. Davenport. Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Edgar Ansel Mowrer, Newbold Morris, and Mrs. William Dick Sporborg. What do they mean to you? Or anyone else? The late Buchanan committee of the House, which investigated “lobbying,” would not investigate this Waldorf Tower gang, whose reason for supporting Pat McCarran's opponent was to bounce old Pat out of the Senate because he put through the anti-Communist immigration bill and then put it through again after red-herring Harry Truman vetoed it. Yes, and old Pat demanded recognition of the government of Spain whereas most of his opposition had cheered Stalin and Tito. There was never any room to doubt that Pat was an Un-Communist. Why the Contributions? This organization called the Committee on National Affairs with the disguised New York address, reported that it had sent $5,000 to John Conlon, 1008 S. Third St., Las Vegas, “for the campaign of George E. Franklin, J.r.” and $500 to the Washoe County Veterans' Committee for Franklin. Washoe county is Reno. Mr. Franklin was a combat flier with a good record, but that would hardly explain why his election over Pat McCarran was so important to Mrs. Hannah Troy. 530 7th Ave., N.Y., that Mis Max Asooli, 23 Gramery Park, gave $200 each. John Hay Whitney gave $200. Marshall Field gave $100. But the biggest checks came from Lessing J. and Edit G. Rosenwald, of Jenkin's town and Alverthorpe, Pa., respectively, who gave $2,200 and $3,000, respectively. Mrs. Stanley L. Richter, of West Lake Farm, Danbury, Conn., gave $1,650 to a half dozen of these letterhead slush-funds. That makes me wonder because I used to live up that-away, and I just don't remember any farmer lady of that name around there. I keep wondering why sunbonnet Sue, of West Lake Farm, Danbury, Conn., would sacrifice her egg-money to lick Senator Pat McCarran as far away. 'Worked Both Ends,' George Fielding Elliot, Dr. L. M. Birkhead, Russell W. Davenport, Mrs. J. Borden Harriman and most of the other tired old letterhead names contributed nothing but their dignity, such as it is. Elliot is a professional gasbag bloviating for hire. Old Birkhead is a mildewed Bible-whacker who works the democracy gag. That is the kind of potato-peeler he sells from his pitch. It's a living. Mr. Cahlan, the editor of the Review-Journal, was about to fold away his notes when his eyes bugged and he said, “Well, I be dam! George E. Marshall got $2,582.44!” Mr. Marshall was the candidate for the Republican senatorial nomination, and Mr. Cahlan said Marshall never told him a word about any money from the Waldorf Tower. But this meant that the dragon worked both ends against the middle. After this I happened to speak to Senator Molly Malone, of Nevada, a Republican, about this use of Eastern slush-funds in the cactus and keno state. Senator Malone said it naturally made his people sore to be done this way in secrecy by city people on the seaboard far away. But, practically, it wasn't so bad. after all. “Both of their candidates got licked so their $8,500 was wasted and Nevada always welcomes fresh money” Senator Malone said. “But our folks won't like it. I know that for sure. Nevada folks are people and citizens just as good as New York people.” Senator Soaper Views the News By H. V. WADE At times a “great
debate" aeems as mixed as Ed Wynn's wrestling match in the old Revue, wherein an adversary emerged from the pile wearing Ed's glasses. Mr. Truman, in saying he has no intention of gagging the general, is one with the poet who addressed the ocean: "Roll on" etc. Women control 80 per cent of the nation's wealth, and do you know' why? Well, a three-year-old girl child is shown in a New Yorker ad with her hand in the pocket of a slightly older boy. Hailstones the size of baseballs fall in Oklahoma, and our though are with all league recruits returned to Okmulgee to sharpen up their fielding style. History will not remember May 1951. 'ts a halcyon interlude. Yet if next month's bridegroom but knew, these are the last of his carefree days. A New York emporium handles 49 separate items calculated to induce sleep. Or the gamut from a to zzzz. Another great debate moves on to a close with only one conclusion in sight, viz. That foreign policies are stranger than fiction. Liechtenstein is a Principality on the Upper Rhine between Austria and Switzerland. With a po- she tossed $200 into the kitty, or lice force of about 50 men and to Leon Falk, Jr., Farmers' Bank with no military forced.