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HEATER CAMPAIGN

By Charles V. Stanton

A nationwide campaign is in progress to have heaters serviced in advance of the winter season.

This, particularly, is true of oil heaters, which, because of their automatic operation, often go too long untended. The saving in fuel consumption from a clean burner, servicemen declare, will more than pay the charge for the checkup.

How often do you read that some fire was caused, often with loss of life, because of a defective heater or flue? The word comes through nearly every day of some such accident somewhere in the United States. Many of these accidents could have been avoided by a checkup.

This seems a peculiar time to be talking about heaters, yet, it will not be long until they will be in daily operation.

Some of us still remember the old wood stove and the woodbox that had to be filled every day with fuel and kindling. The wood heater is passing out of the picture. It still is in use, but is not as prevalent as a few years ago.

People in cities today are heating their homes with oil, gas or electricity. A great majority of these burners are automatic, or semi-automatic, and need occasional check-up from an expert.

I write because only a few months ago the serviceman discovered that the pipe conveying smoke from my oil heater was burned through at the top. The holes didn't show. I would have paid no attention. Perhaps the house would have burned. At least we'd have had smoke damage. As it was, the pipe was replaced and no damage resulted.

These modern gadgets have their advantages, but they also have disadvantages and now is a good time to get that checkup — before the heater goes into regular use.

BILL CAUSES RUCKUS IN CONGRESS

Oregon congressional members, Morse, Neuberger and Porter, who put on a buddy-buddy front, apparently are quite wrought up over the Lillie Moore property.

Porter had a bill passed in the House giving the building and the property on which it stands to the city of Roseburg to be given, in turn, to the Historical Society. Neuberger brought the Porter bill into the Senate. Then Morse upset the appellation by declaring the bill failed to conform to the "Morse formula" requiring a payment of 50 per cent.

Now Porter has a new bill that would get around the "Morse formula," but it won't be heard until the next session of Congress.

The trouble with these bills is that one man can block them.

They come up on what is known as a "consent" basis. All minor measures are handled in like manner. If no one objects the bill is passed. But if one man objects, the whole piece of legislation is bottled out. Thus, Morse can break down the work of the other two members of the Oregon delegation.

I don't presume he is adding to his popularity with either Neuberger or Porter.

I'm wondering how long this buddy-buddy farce will be continued?

FLYING IS TOO COMPLICATED

The Oregon State Board of Aeronautics puts out an interesting little magazine, *Oregon Air News*. The magazine appears monthly. I find it most interesting and informative. But each issue, it seems, contains news of additional complications to private aviation.

The last issue tells of new equipment along the line, for which aircraft will need receivers. Control centers are setting up new time operations. The Portland International Airport has designed a new high-speed corridor, to be used by jets. Private aircraft better stay out, or else —

I love flying. I like to fly in jallops. I enjoy private flying. But it is getting so that the private operator has too many things to do, too many things to remember, too many places he can't fly.

All this new complication may be a fine advance in the field of aviation, but I'm betting someone gets hurt.

—Bruce Blossat—

When a horribly burned union official staggers into a hospital, as happened in Pontiac, Mich., you see the ugly face of America's second or gangster government.

Both this man and his uncle had appeared before the Senate Rackets Committee, though neither had said anything worth recording. They have been serving as officials of the disreputable Teamsters union. A torture by fire, said the victim, was connected with "union business."

His story was disputed by the police who set out to trace the burns to an equally sordid source—an accident in the torch-bombing of a business establishment.

In any event, the incident is dredged in force and lawlessness.

NOT LONG BEFORE, we heard the dismal tale of women witnesses before the committee being threatened by Chicago restaurant union officials if they dared to talk.

And if a bombing was involved, there have been a dozen such forays in the past year.

Obviously these acts and threats are committed or incited by men who recognize only the authority of force — force which they feel free to apply in pursuit of their criminal goals.

Men of this character have spread their network not merely through some labor unions but into countless businesses. They have built a truly vast empire of law-

lessness, and given a considerable part of it the veneer of legitimacy. They have so entangled the legitimate and the criminal that law enforcement officers and legitimate competitors are hard pressed to separate the two.

BY EVERY DEVICE from bold stealing and racketeering to subtle pressures and shady bookkeeping, these ruffians exact tribute from the American people. One way or another, we all pay this gangster tax.

Unfortunately this supergovernment is either feared or tolerated in such degree that no measures of lasting effectiveness are taken against it. The gangster tax is one levy we could do something about, but do not.

Most of us who live in the shadow of criminal government do not end up burned to a crisp, as did Frank Kierdorf in Michigan. We do not seem to suffer at all. The levy we pay is indirect, and we ignore it or pretend we do not know it exists.

But this freedom from force or threat of it is something not enjoyed by those who dare to tangle with our "other" governors. Ask any who have tried, or even indicated they might try.

For them, the proud distinctions we make between our government of liberty under law and the Russian communicative rule of force must seem quite imaginary.

And Now, a Few Words From the U.S.S.R.



Reader Opinions

Visits By Governor Defended By Backers

The recent letter in your columns signed by Glenn Wellman was noted with a great deal of interest by others of us who, like Mr. Wellman, "read the papers pretty carefully." He says Governor Robert D. Holmes is making a lot of "purely political" trips within the state on "office time," so to speak, while Secretary of State Mark Hatfield sits hard at work at his desk (except for time off for a honeymoon). Mr. Wellman seems to have missed a good many of the news reports about Mr. Hatfield's trips.

But first there is a point which I am sure most Oregonians understand, even if Mr. Wellman does not. When the chief executive of the state attends such local celebrations as the Astoria Festival in Brookings, the Miss Oregon pageant at Seaside, and so on, he does so because the citizens of those communities proudly invited him. They consider it an honor that the Governor should take time from his busy office schedule to visit them, and they are well aware that his presence means extra publicity for their towns, which in turn means additional visitors and helps assure financial success for such enjoyable and worthwhile community ventures. These fairs and festivals help bring tourists to Oregon (tourism is our third largest industry) and as Governor of ALL the people, Bob Holmes would be derelict in his duty were he to ignore the hospitable invitations from these communities.

Furthermore, Governor Holmes feels that he can govern best when he is close to the people, knows their needs and their thinking. His trips about the state — like his first-ever "Grass Roots" Oregon Planning and Development tour — enable him to talk with and listen to thousands of Oregonians who don't have a chance to come to his Statehouse office. And of course Bob and Marie Holmes do have a wonderful time at all of these special events!

Mr. Wellman mentions the Ashland Shakespeare Festival attended by Gov. and Mrs. Holmes. Mr. and Mrs. Hatfield were there, too. He says Governor Holmes made a speech at the labor convention in Roseburg. For his information, Mr. Hatfield was there (away from his office) much longer than the Governor, and his speech (in which he appealed directly for labor votes) could in no way be construed as non-political. Taking still more time away from his desk, Mr. Hatfield also made hand-shaking visits to several lumber mills in the Roseburg area, while the Governor was away from his office only an afternoon and back at work the next morning in the Statehouse.

Mr. Wellman might also be interested to know that, whereas Governor Holmes, as commander-in-chief of the National Guard, briefly attended the ONG encampments at Ft. Lewis and Camp Clatsop in order to review the troops as part of his official duties, Mr. Hatfield (who has no official connection with the ONG) went to Ft. Lewis and Camp Clatsop for the sole purpose, so far as I know, of making some political hay.

Let us be honest about these things: Oregon now has a full-time Governor who is devoting his time, his energies, just to being governor. That is the most effective kind of campaigning.

Marguerite Wright
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Salem

Special Gift Wrapping Urged On Local Stores

Don't people here ever give presents?

I ask that question because frequently I shop in town for gifts and find that sales people are very reluctant about putting merchandise in a box.

On one of numerous instances,

a clerk stuffed an expensive, lavishly trimmed white slip into a very dirty and damaged, too-small box, thus soiling the garment. This, in my opinion, is a very poor way to do business.

When one gives a gift it represents the store from which it was purchased, as well as the person who gives it.

It is pleasurable to wrap packages personally, but I feel it would make for good public relations if merchants would at least have boxes for gift-giving.

A plain white box, a single piece of tissue paper, perhaps a small, gummed seal having the store's name, is an inexpensive and very profitable way of advertising.

Gift-giving is an indication of personal pride. Gift-wrapping and the way in which merchandise is handled is an indication of business pride.

It is to be remembered that gifts bought in Roseburg and sent from Roseburg represent Roseburg!

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Central Labor Council Expresses Appreciation

To the people of Roseburg and vicinity:

We, of organized labor in Roseburg and vicinity, wish to thank each and every one for the many courtesies and kindnesses extended to the delegates of Oregon AFL-CIO at the recent convention held here in Roseburg.

The editors and employees of The News-Review and the radio stations are most certain to be commended for their unbiased coverage of the convention as well as a thank you for the courtesy The News-Review distributed at the convention.

Our special thanks to Lloyd Rogers, News-Review representative, as already evidenced by an unanimous vote of the delegates attending the convention.

Hotel, motel, restaurant, lounges,

—Hal Boyle—

NEW YORK (AP) — How can you tell whether a man's really a big shot in the big city?

It isn't as simple as it used to be in "Diamond Jim" Brady's day.

Anybody could tell at a glance Brady was important. He'd have a diamond stud in his shirt the size of an ox's eyeball. And on his right arm he usually was wearing Lillian Russell, one of the famous theatrical figures of his day.

But success today isn't so ostentatious. You have to look for the prestige symbols.

What are they? A survey of office peasants here revealed that, in their opinion, a man has truly arrived if —

He goes to lunch at 1 p. m. instead of noon.

He is on an unlimited expense account.

He comes to work at 9:30 instead of 9 a. m., and leaves at either 4:30 or 6:30 — depending on his whim.

He never has any cash in his pocket, and if he wants a newspaper off the corner stand, whoever he's walking with has to pay for it.

He carries an attache case. (The slimmer the case the more important he is.)

Two Secretaries

He has at least two personal secretaries. (An executive who has to share his secretary with another executive is a hopeless failure in the modern office hierarchy.)

His office has a closed door. It has wall-to-wall carpeting and the paintings on the wall are originals. Somewhere in it is at least one live green plant, which he and one of his secretaries — the prettier one — playfully water together.

He has a wife who is a committee chairman of a socially ac-

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

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managing its resources intelligently for the benefit of the people of the Middle East, the United States will help.

But we won't initiate the job and we won't attempt to BOSS IT. Recognizing what he termed "the great upsurge Arab nationalism," he said he didn't consider the status quo (meaning the situation as of now) in the Middle East "sacrosanct."

That is quite a concession to Arab aspirations.

He reiterated his promise that ALL U.S. troops will be withdrawn whenever their withdrawal is requested by a "duly constituted" government of Lebanon or when UN or other action eliminated the original danger that caused them to be sent.

It was a statesmanlike presentation of the aims of the United States, and it drew prolonged applause from the delegates to the UN General Assembly, before which he spoke.

What of Russia?

Her foreign minister Gromyko listened to the speech. When it ended, he and his aides stood silently as President Eisenhower left the Assembly chamber.

Then he got up and blasted U.S. intervention in Lebanon. He charged that the United States is the main threat to peace in the Middle East. He said the policies of the United States and Britain "threaten to hurl mankind into the abyss of a new war, with all its consequences." He accused the United States of "trampling the UN charter under its feet by sending military forces into Lebanon."

He shouted that before anything constructive can be done U.S. troops must be withdrawn from Lebanon and British troops must be withdrawn from Jordan.

BUYS PORTLAND STORE

PORTLAND (AP) — Coast-To-Coast Stores, Inc., has added the Portland wholesale operations of Marshall-Wells to its string of more than 600 stores in the Midwest and Northwest States, the purchasing firm said here.

The Marshall-Wells warehouse here, which has been in operation since 1912, was included in the sale.

The price was not disclosed.

And so on.

HIMMMMM.
With even better grace, we could say that before anything constructive can be done in the world of today Russia must get her troops out of Hungary. She must get them out of Poland. She must get them out of Czechoslovakia. She must get them out of East Germany.

RUSSIA is the great imperialist. Gromyko's job was to CONCEAL that basic fact.

But—

He didn't threaten to start shooting.

The correspondents comment that he was somewhat milder than expected.

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