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## Do We Contribute Once Or Many Times

Some people still question the program of the Central Douglas United Fund because of what they consider the "scattergun method" of providing funds for a lot of agencies.

The specific answer to this is that if a donor has preference, he may say which agency or agencies should receive his gift.

But these objectors are missing the point of the United Fund altogether. Certainly the value of bringing all annual fund-raising into one campaign more than offsets any unhappiness with a certain agency within the United Fund fold.

Under the system of every agency conducting separate campaigns, these objectors and everyone else are "plagued to death" with requests. The best remedy to that so far is this one of united giving.

The support for the program, both by participating agencies and by donors has been growing, as it deserves to. Beside consolidating fund-raising drives, it has other intrinsic values. It's a major project for the community as a whole, rather than a splintered activity handled by only those vitally interested in particular charitable programs. It tends to reduce campaign expenses, because one administrative system is instituted, instead of the several necessary for separate drives. Finally, the members of the board of directors serve as a board of review of the expenses of the organizations involved. This has a tendency to keep costs at a realistic level.

Benefits can also be seen for the cadre of workers who do a good job of campaign work once, but then are called on again and again each year. They can, under the Central Douglas United Fund program, put all their efforts into fund-raising once a year, instead of time after time as new drives crop up.

The united giving program is a good one, but it still meets with a lot of opposi-

tion from agencies not within the CDUF framework (and all worthy agencies may be invited to join). They feel they can do better alone. They may for a while, but public reaction against one drive after another will finally catch up with them. Their failure to recognize this will hurt them eventually, and it certainly hurts the United Fund in its efforts to establish a single campaign.

Again this year, CDUF and employers are working together to allow workers to make their pledges of donations in installments. This has the tendency of assuring more money for the agencies because the donor doesn't feel he is being "socked" all at once.

The entire United Fund system has been worked out to make the campaign as painless as possible to all concerned.

This year's campaign goal is \$69,936. The CDUF has never achieved its goal, but as support grows, the goal comes closer. Perhaps this is the year of success.

Included in this year's United Fund organization are YMCA, Salvation Army, Retarded Children's Association, Mental Health Association, Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts, Arthritis-Rheumatism Foundation and American Red Cross, all local agencies. If the goal is reached, \$8,500 of the total will go to the Oregon United Appeal which supports agencies serving on a state-wide basis. Last year, the United Appeal gave service to nearly 60 children from the county. The CDUF estimates at the rate of \$3.70 a day per child, service to county children alone amounted to \$31,794.10.

The goals and activities of all agencies involved have been tested and accepted for years. The question isn't the merit. It is whether we contribute repeatedly through the year or all at once. The Central Douglas United Fund provides the answer for that question.

## THE LIGHTER SIDE:



## Kid Knows Where St. Nick Lives

By DICK WEST  
WASHINGTON (UPI) — You can make of this what you choose, but the first Santa Claus letter to come to my attention this year struck me as being symbolic of the times.

It was written by young James Daubney of Uxbridge, Mass., and Jimmie apparently does not believe all that jazz about Santa living at the North Pole.

At any rate, he mailed his letter to Washington, D. C. which figures.

Even the kids must know by now when you want something, Washington is the place to write. Furthermore, the letter was delivered to a congressman. Which also figures.

Old St. Nick may be noted for his benevolence, but he never came up with anything that could touch the recent military pay bill passed by Congress. And when did Santa ever leave a tax cut in anyone's stocking?

In this case, however, the routing of the letter was not so much of a Freudian slip as a matter of postal myopia.

The letter was addressed to "Santa Clause," and the Post Office, with typical efficiency, delivered it to the office of Rep. Don H. Clausen, R-Calif.

A mistake like that wouldn't have happened if Jimmie had used Santa's zip code number.

There is no doubt, however, that Jimmie did the right thing in sending the letter to Washington. It would take a congressional appropriation to pay for all of

the things he wants for Christmas.

If the items on his list were stacked end to end, we wouldn't need the Apollo space program to reach the moon.

As an indication of what the rest of us parents will be up against this year, Jimmie's early bird gift list is itemized below. I have used his spelling, mainly because I can't spell very well either.

First page — "Smoke gun, cement mixer, boat trailer, truck, truck dump, horse trailer, truck & trailer, fire engine, bulldozer, indian set, cow set, airplanes, Popie Saller punching bag, puppet, train set."

Second page — "New clock, U. S. space team, sky diver, cargo plane, Mr. Machine, Mr. Mercury, robot comando, King Zor, farm set, Blue & Gray army set, combat set, Big Bruesir, exploding tank."

Third page — "Gas station, car, truck, car, sub, plaine, racing car set."

This makes me glad that some of my sons are girls.

## The Almanac

By United Press International  
Today is Wednesday, Oct. 9, the 282nd day of 1963 with 83 to follow.

The moon is at last quarter. The morning stars are Mercury and Jupiter.

The evening stars are Jupiter and Saturn.

On this day in history:

In 1701, Yale College was founded.

In 1781, George Washington fired the first gun at the siege of Yorktown.

In 1858, a mail-carrying overland stagecoach reached St. Louis, Mo., after a trip of 23 days and four hours from San Francisco.

In 1958, Pope Pius XII, the 261st pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church, died.

A thought for the day — The American president, James Monroe, said: "National honor is the national property of the highest value."

MADE SURE

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, England (UPI) — Ronald Newick was fined \$8.40 recently for damaging an outdoor telephone booth despite his plea that "I was told the phone was out of order so I made sure by pulling the wires out."



## Kenya's Kenyatta Tries Tranquility

By ROBERT C. RUARK  
A recent visitor who lives in Kenya, which gets its independence in December, and whose leaders are now holding "uhuru" talks in London, reports very favorably on the conduct of old Jomo Kenyatta, the murder architect of Mau Mau who is now the country's prime minister, foreign minister and chief of internal and external security, meaning cops and soldiers.

Jomo in recent months has been courting the white settlers, at the same time that a million settled acres have been appropriated with token payments (by the British government) and with another million up for grabs next year.

Things Tranquil  
My reporter, who has lived in Kenya most of his life, says that things have been tranquil enough since the elections which informally handed over the government to Kenyatta and Co. He also says that the remaining whites are praying that nothing happens to Jomo, who seems to have a firm grip on his people as well as his fly-whisk and his bottle.

"I wouldn't have believed it a year ago," says my informant, "but when the old boy spoke to a big group of white farmers the other day, they actually cheered him. He referred to himself as 'that horrid old man, Kenyatta' and to the settlers as 'you dreadful damned colonialists' with great humor, and when he said, 'Now what are we going to do about and for each other?' they cheered themselves blue."

Rumblings Ominous  
I would dearly like to believe that all will go well in my beloved land — which I can no longer enter, being described as a "prohibited immigrant" — but the rumblings from London were ominous even before the Constitutional Conference opened.

And well before official independence is declared in December, Kenyatta has already been quoted as writing off the existing constitution, a kind of 'Ten Commandments on which Kenya's bid for independence was hurriedly granted, on the grounds that it is "unworkable." Already the intent to smash up the regional system in which various tribes from seven sectors will have a say in the government is evident. Already it has been announced by Tom Mboya, the country's Bobby Kennedy, that the jury system will be abolished and the old tribunal system established.

Kenyatta's KANU party swept Ronald Ngala's moderate KADU party clean in the elections, and only the other day a number of Ngala's elected members to the Legislative Council crossed the floor and joined the KANU group. This puts Kenyatta and KANU clearly in the command of a country, in the time-reckling pattern of one man, one party, which our friend Ben Bella so clearly has demonstrated in Algeria, and which Emperor Kwame Nkrumah so ably practices in Ghana.

Party Is Weapon  
Kenyatta's party is a weapon of his Kikuyu tribe, and Mboya's Luo tribe. Mr. Ngala's loyal opposition party, KADU, was supposed to represent the conglomeration of savage minorities — the Masai and Kipsigis and Kisii and Wakamba and Samburu and Galla and all the rest, to the West and South and North. This representation was supposed to be handled by regional government in seven sectors, and was so written in the constitution.

Prediction Holds  
My earlier prediction still holds. Tribal hatreds being what they are, if Kenyatta and Co. sets up a dictatorship in that lovely land, there will be hell to pay, even if it does hold off until well after independence day. The Belgian Congo looked pretty smooth and happy, too, and three-and-a-half years later they are still trying to keep the United Nations forces around to prevent the happy emancipates from eating each other.

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## ANNOUNCES DISCOVERY

DAR-ES-SALAAM, Tanganyika (UPI) — British anthropologist Dr. L. S. B. Leakey reports he has discovered that two apparently different races of early man lived together.

Leakey, who earned international recognition for his discovery of the earliest known species of man, said he uncovered remains of another race living in the same location.

He named the new discovery the Pre Zin Man. The fossilized remains were found in Olduvai Gorge where Leakey has been excavating for 20 years.

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## Opinions From Readers

### Pasture's Productivity Is Reduced By Burning

To The Editor:  
Douglas County is blessed with one of the most beautiful river valleys in the state. Yet each late summer or fall as we drive up the North Umpqua highway we are faced with scorched, blackened hills and fire killed trees. Not from lightning, nor even from the carelessness of travelers, but deliberately set by misguided natives on the pretext that it "gets rid of the brush and makes better pasture."

Both ideas were demonstrated years ago to be erroneous by scientific research and good range management practices. Most species of brush are stimulated to sprout more vigorously and spread more rapidly following fires. Some brush seeds actually require heating or burning to make them germinate. Equally fallacious is the belief that burning makes more and better grass. Just the reverse is true. Burning releases large amounts of stored nitrogen and phosphorus when the humus in the soil surface is destroyed by burning. These minerals so necessary for grass production are quickly leached out and lost with the winter rains. Thus, the productivity of the soil is deteriorating with every burn.

Livestock ranchers in California long ago found that the new bright green grass on burned pastures was so succulent and weak in protein that animals often became sick and died with scours. Leaving some of the stubble they found provided more substance to the feed and actually gave the new growth a chance to produce more

volume of high quality forage. Everyone from the President on down is expressing concern about our natural resources; soil, water, range, forests and even the air.

Even if you don't mind the beautiful Hundred Valleys of the Umpqua filled with smoke part of the year don't you think someone should tell some of our local stockmen that Grandpa may have been right that the grass looks greener following a fire but stock can't live on looks and that they are reducing the productivity of the land every time they set fire to it!

Dr. Walter Lowdermilk, internationally known soil conservation specialist, put it most eloquently after returning from several months work in the Holy Land. He felt that had Moses foreseen the abuse and destruction of the land and natural resources primarily by grazing he would have written an Eleventh Commandment in the following vein:

"Thou shalt inherit the holy earth as a faithful steward, conserving its resources and productivity from generation to generation. Thou shalt protect thy fields from soil erosion and thy hills from overgrazing by herds, so that thy descendants may have abundance forever. If any shall fail in this stewardship of the land, his fertile fields shall become sterile deserts and gullies, and his descendants shall decrease and live in poverty or vanish from the face of the earth."

As Dr. Hugh Bennett, first chief of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service, once said: A man should so live as though he were going to die tomorrow but should farm as

though he were going to live a thousand years.

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### Statement On Gillnetter Number Gets Argument

To The Editor:  
The Editor's Corner, Oct. 3, "Commission is determined to protect the gillnetters," aroused my curiosity as to where Mr. Stanton got his information regarding gillnetters. He says: "A very few gillnetters operate on the Columbia River." Just what does he call a "few?" If several hundred are a few then by that standard, we have very few loggers around Roseburg. I wonder if Mr. Stanton ever stood on the hill in Astoria at night during fishing season? The river looks like a city.

Also he says: "Most of them fish as a partime operation. Virtually none is wholly dependent upon fishing as a means of livelihood." Wrong again! For most of them it is their livelihood. Naturally they can fish during season only, which they do not control, same as loggers work whenever possible.

It's good propaganda to fool the dear old public.

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Editor's Note—Oregon gillnet licenses in 1961 were 704, in 1962 the licenses numbered 674. Troll licenses, on the other hand, were 675 in 1961 and increased to 735 in 1962. This information is gathered from statistical records—C.V.S.

## Dominican Group Calls For Return Of Bosch Regime

SANTO DOMINGO (UPI)—The outlawed National Assembly elected an outbreak of anti-government disorders here Tuesday by demanding the immediate restoration of "constitutional order"—presumably meaning the return of ousted ex-President Juan Bosch.

A communique did not say where or whether the assembly had met or how many of its members were present.

The communique, signed by Senate President Juan Casanova and chamber President Rafael Molina, said the assembly would "welcome international support" for the Bosch regime.

An undisclosed number of persons were injured Monday when police clashed with "student" demonstrators at the university here. The Interior Ministry announced Monday night that 65 arrested rioters included "10 university students, 19 students from other schools and 36 known agitators for (Bosch's) Dominican Revolutionary Party."

The government reimposed a "state of siege" Monday night on the national district — Santo Domingo and the area immediately surrounding the city—to curb the disorders called for by Bosch in a broadcast from Puerto Rico.

Sporadic clashes between "students" and police guarding the university campus continued through the night. The students pelted the police with stones, and the police replied with tear-gas bombs.

### IMPROMPTU STRIP

MONGHIDORO, Italy (UPI)—Dante Mazzini, 31, was working on top of the local church steeple this week when a lightning bolt stripped off his clothes and melted his wristwatch but left him uninjured.

## Chinese Defector Submits To Police

TOKYO (UPI) — Communist Chinese defector Chou Hong-ching told Japanese police Tuesday he asked for political asylum at the Soviet Embassy in order to get to Nationalist China, not Russia.

Chou, 44, surrendered to police in the morning. They were waiting for him when he walked out of the Soviet Embassy, where he had sought refuge Monday shortly before the technical delegation for which he was interpreter was scheduled to fly back to Communist China.

He is being held for investigation of violation of the immigration law, since his visa expired Sunday, but the government indicated he probably would be permitted to go to Formosa.

The Soviets washed their hands of the matter when they learned of Chou's wish to go to the Nationalist Chinese.

The Nationalist Chinese Embassy began negotiations with the Japanese Foreign Office today for Chou's release and said the Japanese government should "respect the wishes of Mr. Chou from a humanitarian standpoint."

The fact that Chou was choosing Nationalist China took some of the political significance out of his act, which was first believed connected with the current dispute between Communist China and vice versa occur with relative frequency.

## Cuban Refugee Group Calls For Storm Aid

MIAMI (UPI) — A Cuban refugee organization has appealed to President Kennedy to give aid to Cuba, lashed since Friday by killer Hurricane Flora.

The following cable was sent to the President by the Association of Relatives of Freedom of Cuban Political Prisoners:

"Mr. President: "Please help in any way possible for humanitarian purposes and for Christian charity our Cuban people and thousands held in political prisons (there) who are deeply suffering the devastating effects of the hurricane."

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