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Force And Viciousness

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 drenched 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 directed 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 lawlessness, and given a considerable part of it the thin 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. 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 the 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 communistic rule of force must seem quite imaginary.

'X' Marks The Spot—

It was ballots rather than bullets that downed James W. (Wyatt) Earp in the five-man Democratic race for sheriff of Sedgwick County, Kan. Denver Bland, a captain in the sheriff's patrol, won the race. Earp, who claims to be a cousin of famous frontier marshall Wyatt Earp, can console himself with this thought: ballots are equally effective as bullets in politics, but they're far less final. Earp can get up to shoot again for the office.

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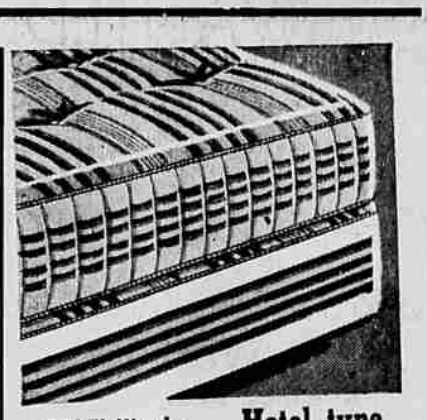
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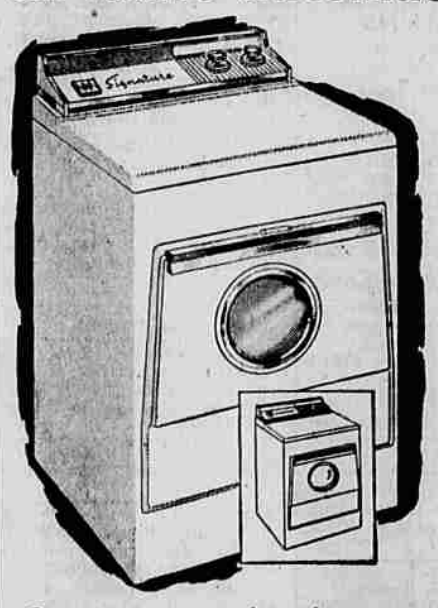

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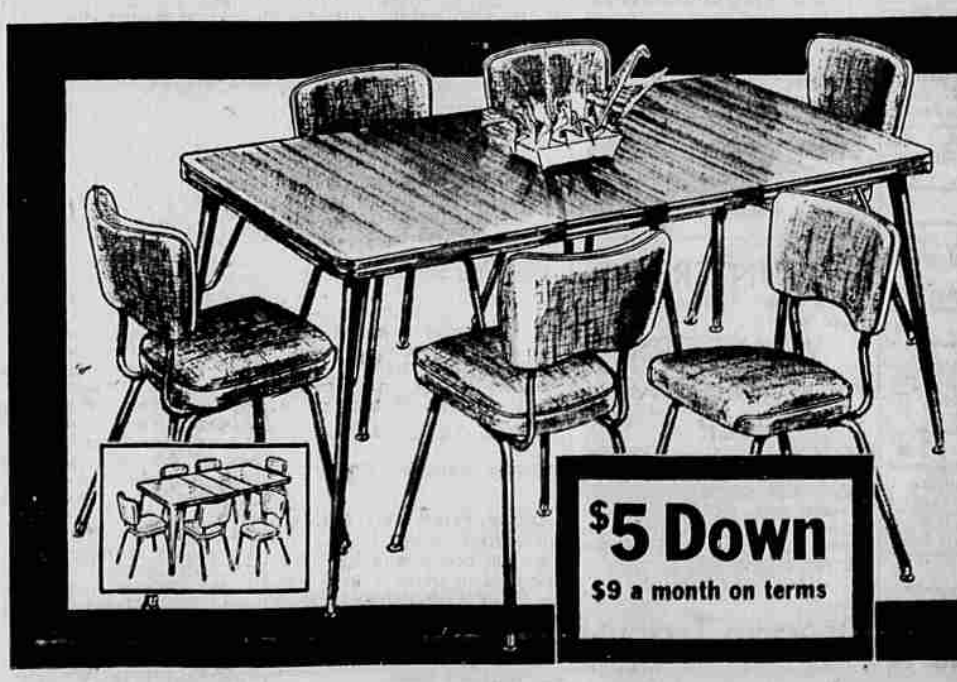
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