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American editors are against communism and socialism, first, because such governmental philosophies destroy political freedom; second, because they destroy a free press.

Any successful move to socialize an industry in the United States, undermines by that much, personal liberty, the foundation of a free press, and the unrestricted opportunity of individuals to choose a line of work or an employer. Under socialism and communism you work for the state and like it, or else.

This is why individuals and newspapers wishing to retain their independence should oppose government ownership of business in our country, while they have a chance. Don't be lulled into a false sense of security by thinking it can't happen here.

EVERY STORE WINDOW
In mid-July the Soviet government reduced the prices of some types of goods sold in its state-owned stores. And that provides an interesting commentary on living standards under a system in which

the state controls everything, and has no competition.

The average Russian industrial worker earns 500 rubles a month. A bicycle, under the new price, will cost him 1,120 rubles—more than his entire income for two months' labor. A mid-sized automobile will cost 9,000 rubles. As a New York Times account sums it up: "The average Soviet industrial worker... must work two and a third hours to earn enough rubles to buy a bottle of beer, more than a month to buy a radio set and nearly eight weeks to buy a sewing machine."

There is an example of communist abundance. By contrast, the American worker, even in these days of inflation, buys each day foods and goods which would seem the wildest luxury in Russia.

What makes that possible? First of all, every American producer must hold costs to the minimum if he is to survive the competition. Secondly, the same thing is true of the stores where we buy our goods. Whether we patronize an independent or a chain, another store down the block or in the next town is aggressively competing for our business, and is trying to offer better quality, a lower price, a wider selection, or some other inducement. In a nation where the government owns the factories and the stores, no inducement is necessary.

Every store window in America, as a matter of fact, is an argument for the free enterprise system of doing things.



By Charles L. Egenroad

Washington, D. C.—WHO SAID THIS? (With apologies to the popular radio program of the same name.)

"... the desperate need of the United States for ships ought not to be used as a weapon to obtain closed shops where for 25 years no closed shops have existed..."

Mr. Truman said that in commenting on a strike in a Diesel engine plant in St. Louis, Mo., May 29, 1941.

"If it becomes necessary to tell men and women where they can or must work, we will have to have an effective priority and allocation system. We must eliminate fear of peonage and racketeering... and they must be certain that they will not be exploited for the profit of any individual."

Mr. Truman said that in an address in Kansas City, Mo., on October 21, 1942.

"... I shall vote for the amendment, but I think the time has come

when labor unions, cooperatives, and similar organizations which have grown to such vast proportions during the past few years are going to be required to make an accounting of their funds and of what they do with them, for the benefit of the public and in the public interest. There is no difference between a labor leader with too much money to spend on an election and Mark Hanna with too much money to spend on an election."

Mr. Truman, who vetoed the Taft-Hartley Act and who heads the party which is pledged to repeal that Act, said this on the floor of the Senate on January 19, 1944.

"Although war requires that we curtail our privileges and allow the various agencies to exercise powers that we would never consent to in times of peace, the war does not require that we do this in such a way that after the war we cannot restore the American way of life."

"I don't want Government officials, whether selected from the rank of business or not, determining who will produce and how much will be produced."

Mr. Truman, who want Government controls, said that in an address before the Industrial Conference Council on September 24, 1942.

"No" to the Norris Amendment on June 1, 1939, to expand TVA.

Mr. Truman said "no" when he voted on the amendment. Now he is asking millions with which to expand TVA.

"A statesman is only a dead politician. I never want to be a statesman."

Mr. Truman said that in a talk before an A. F. of L. meeting in Kansas City on September 26, 1944.

State Nebraska Picnic At Corvallis Sunday

Corvallis, Aug. 12 (Special) Former residents of Nebraska will hold their annual picnic at Avery's Park in Corvallis on Sunday, August 15, according to D. R. "Doc" Conn, President of the association that includes Oregonians of "Cornhusker" lineage.

Nail driving contest, hog calling contests, a stage show and band concert are other entertainment features that will highlight the day. The festivities will be broadcast over radio station KRUL.

"We're extending an invitation, through the press, to every former resident of the 'Cornhusker' state to join the fun," said Conn, "and we're guaranteeing a full day of entertainment for all who attend." Free coffee is being furnished and picnickers are requested to bring their own lunches.

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SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION
Suit in Equity To Quiet Title IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR JACKSON COUNTY ANNA E. NEWTON and MORTON E. NEWTON, wife and husband, plaintiffs,

vs.
SARAH E. WRIGHT and JOHN DOE WRIGHT, her husband; SARAH GIHLERT and JOHN DOE GIHLERT, her husband; FRED W. WRIGHT and LUELLA WRIGHT, husband and wife; OR IF ANY OR EITHER OF SAID DEFENDANTS BE DECEASED, THEN THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS, IF ANY, AND ALSO ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN COMPLAINT HEREIN, Defendants.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS, AND EACH OF THEM:
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON you and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the Complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within four (4) weeks from the date of the first publication of this Summons; and if you fail to answer, for want thereof, the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in their complaint, to-wit: That plaintiffs be adjudged and decreed to be the owners in fee-simple of the real property situated in Jackson County, Oregon, particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Lots Five (5), Six (6), Seven (7) and Eight (8), in Block Two (2), Pattison Addition to the City of Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon, free and clear of any and all right, title, claim, estate or interest of any kind and nature on the part of the defendants or either or any of them.

By order of the Honorable H. K. Hanna, Judge of said Court, made and dated August 4th, 1948, this Summons is served upon you by publication thereof for four successive weeks in the Central Point American, a weekly newspaper of

general circulation, printed and published in Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon, the date of the first publication thereof being August 5, 1948, and the time for answer expiring September 2, 1948.

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SUIT IN EQUITY FOR DIVORCE ALIAS SUMMONS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR JACKSON COUNTY
CLYDE K. JAMES, Plaintiff,

vs.
EVA JAMES, Defendant.
TO EVA JAMES, the above named defendant:
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within four (4) weeks from the date of the first publication of this Alias Summons; and if you fail to answer, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in his complaint, to-wit:

1. That the Bonds of Matrimony heretofore and now existing between plaintiff and defendant be

dissolved, and that plaintiff be granted a divorce from the defendant;

2. And for such other and further relief as to the court may seem just and proper.

By Order of the Honorable H. K. Hanna, Judge of said Court, made and dated the 15th day of July, 1948, this Alias Summons is served upon you by publication for four successive weeks in the Central Point American, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon, the date of the first publication thereof being the 29th of July, 1948, and the time for answer expiring the 26th day of August, 1948.

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