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Bob Ringer Guest Speaker At Knife, Fork Club Meet

Bob Ringer, an auto racer and car salesman turned humorist-evangelist, spoke at a full-house meeting of the Rogue Valley Knife and Fork club last night at the Rogue Valley Country club.

Ringer, who with his two young sons frequently drives in road races, explained he started on the lecture circuit as a humorist as an outgrowth of his experiences in training automobile salesmen. A young looking man, last night he approached the problems of America today as one who sees a need to find the amusing angle in everything that happens.

Christian Message

The main portion of his talk was devoted to a lively running fire of jokes and anecdotes, but he interspersed these with a serious message of Christian evangelism, pointing out the growing problems of crime, of juvenile delinquency, of world tensions, of alcoholism and other problems about which Americans are concerned.

The happy person is the spiritually balanced person, Ringer declared, and he stated that the need of the times is for wider acceptance and practice of Christian doctrines, although he said "going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than sitting in a chicken house makes you a chicken."

One who is sure of his faith, Ringer indicated, is then free of the basic insecurities which deprive him of his sense of humor, and he deplored what he said is a collective loss of Americans' former ability to see the amusing side of things. He offered as a formula for happiness a Christian faith and the acquired ability to "give every situation the

Accusation Made In Speech Before Merged Convention

New York — (U.P.) — New York Gov. Averell Harriman charged today that President Eisenhower's appointees are using the Taft-Hartley act to bust unions.

Harriman made the accusation in an address before the convention of the new 16,000,000 member labor organization formed by the merger Monday of the CIO and the AFL.

The New York governor singled out Vice-President Richard M. Nixon, Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay and former Assistant Secretary of Commerce Lohair Teeter as men high in the Eisenhower administration who are unfriendly to labor.

"Unhappily, there are people in high places who don't like your marriage," Harriman said in his speech prepared for delivery to the new merged labor organization.

"What these enemies of American labor fear is that this marriage will last. And at this very moment they are plotting, and carrying on, a powerful and systematic attack designed to weaken the influence of labor in American life."

Cites Indiana Case

"It is any wonder that the NLRB has been turned over to men with long anti-labor records?" Harriman said. "Or that these same men have tried to use the Taft-Hartley act to bust unions, as they did a few days ago in the case of a UAW local in Indiana."

"You remember President Eisenhower himself said the law ought to be amended so that it could not be used to bust unions. But it wasn't, and now his very own appointees are using it that way."

"It's high time we quit talking and eliminated from law the injustices of Taft-Hartley," he said.

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Asks Retirement Benefits

1. Extending and raising the minimum wage to \$1.25 an hour.
2. National minimum standards for unemployment insurance.
3. A medical care program to eliminate medical cost bankruptcy.

He also called for equitable retirement benefits for widows, better rehabilitation services for the handicapped, better education and training services, a national system of insurance for temporary disability, retirement benefits for the permanently disabled, federal aid to education and provision for the needs of older people.

General Motors Tells Plans for Franchises

Washington — (U.P.) — President Harlow Curtice announced today that General Motors Corp. will revise its franchise agreements with auto dealers—under fire by Senate investigators—to offer dealers a five year contract instead of the present one-year agreement.

Curtice made the surprise announcement as the Senate Monopoly Subcommittee resumed hearings on GM's activities as the nation's major industrial giant.

Curtice made public a telegram to all GM car and truck dealers advising them that, if agreeable, selling agreements which were signed effective Nov. 1 for one year will be extended to expire to Oct. 31, 1960, instead.

The one-year franchise had been criticized by former GM dealers, and some current dealers, in subcommittee testimony.

Hitler Claimed Groomed by West

Rangoon, Burma — (U.P.) — Soviet Communist Party boss Nikita Khrushchev today declared that the United States, Britain and France groomed Adolf Hitler as "their bloodhound" to set against Russia.

Khrushchev charged the western powers are using the same tactics with the new West German army.

Khrushchev, touring Burma with Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin, delivered one of his harshest attacks yet on the West in a speech at Rangoon City Hall.

"The history of the pre-war years gives sufficient evidence that the western countries made one concession after another to Hitler, pushing him against the east, against our country," he said.

"However, everything turned out in a different way."

"One Hitler whom the ruling circles of England, France and the U.S.A. were at the time feeding up as their bloodhound intending to set him free against the U.S.S.R. broke loose and attacked those who fed him."

Many leaders of the western countries do not even consider it necessary to conceal that they are preparing a West German army against the Soviet Union," the pudgy Russian leader said.



ALLEGED SWINDLER—Millionaire playboy Robert Schlesinger (above) is shown as he returned to New York voluntarily from Canada to face charges he swindled three men of \$330,000. He had been sought on the charges since last June.

little twist needed" to turn tragedy to comedy and worry into amused confidence.

Next meeting of the group will be in January with Harrison Wood as the speaker. Club President Eric Allen Jr. was toastmaster of last night's meeting.

STRIKE UNSETTLED

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Time Bomb Explodes In Cyprus Building

Nicosia, Cyprus — (U.P.) — A time bomb smuggled by anti-British terrorists into one of the most heavily guarded buildings in Cyprus exploded last night but there were no casualties.

The bomb heavily damaged the headquarters of British District Commissioner Martin Clemens. Authorities said casualties would have been heavy if it had gone off during the working day.

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