

# Mysteries Surrounding Kremlin Gradually Being Lifted; New Big Tourist Attraction

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Moscow (UPI)—Some of the "secret rooms" of the Kremlin, closed to the public since they were built centuries ago, have been opened to the press. "And this is where Lenin lived and worked... and here the czars entertained their guests," said the guide in a

matter-of-fact tone. The Kremlin! It's very name to westerners sounds of mystery and intrigue, a frightening citadel behind whose medieval walls rulers from Ivan the Terrible to Stalin moved in shadow. But today in the "new" Russia you can buy ice cream and postcards at the Kremlin

gate. Opened to the public five years ago after the death of Stalin, it's become a grade A tourist attraction. Yale students with crew cuts and cameras mill through the ancient walled five-block square "city" of churches and palaces, now museums and government offices. Many of the rooms are never open to tourists, but the other day correspondents were given a rare tour of them. The Russians made a virtual shrine out of the rooms where Lenin lived and worked, in the building where Khrushchev holds press conferences. Lenin's apartment and office are just as he left them. On his desk are his gluepot, ink-

well, a calendar opened to the day after he died and a small carving of an ape examining a skull. There are dishes in the kitchen and sheets on the bed. Lenin's quarters are simple and modest. But not so the Grand Kremlin Palace of the Czars. Two stone lions guard the carved and painted staircase leading to the royal private apartments. Every ceiling is painted in rich designs or portraits of the czars and drips with ornate golden chandeliers; every door is carved or painted, often with the royal symbol of a two-headed eagle. Ordered Restored "The czars used many pal-

ace rooms as barracks and stables," we were told. "Lenin thought they had been kept in very poor condition and he ordered them restored." When Khrushchev reopened the Kremlin, the restoration work was continued and still isn't finished. One of the royal family's private chapels (there are "six or seven" in the palace, the guide thought) was used as a store room for so long the Kremlin landlords forgot it was there. To reach that newly "discovered" treasure we filed down long narrow high-ceilinged corridors, down twisting narrow stairs with carved stone steps. At the end was a gem of a little chapel, its walls and pillars covered with religious murals. Icons, or religious paintings, many studded with jewels, cover the walls of some of the other family chapels. In another the doors are overlaid with blackened (oxidized) silver beaten into religious frescoes. Steam radiators and electric light switches look out of place in the exquisite sitting room where the noble Boyars, in their long beards and flowing robes, used to wait for an audience with the czar.

Signs of New Order Now and then you see signs of the new order. A huge painting in one elegant reception room shows Lenin talking to a group of eager, excited Russians. The huge gold-and-white ballroom now is the scene of Kremlin receptions and adjoining is a new wing where the Supreme Soviet meets. In one cold, dark hallway

## Portable Service Station Designed

Houston, Tex. — (UPI) — A Houston firm has designed and put into production an all-steel portable service station which already has attracted considerable attention in gasoline marketing circles.

The portable station, produced by the A-1 Pump & Tank Co., was hailed by its developer as the answer to competition and cost problems in retail gasoline marketing. J. M. Tajan, co-owner of the firm, said the price of the portable station is about \$8,000, compared with the \$30,000 to \$40,000 usually spent to build a service station.

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COTTAGE GONE—What was once a beach cottage lies in what was once a street at Folly Beach, Charleston, S.C. The foundation of the house can be seen in the background at right. (UPI Telephoto)

## Story of Little Child Explains Russian Attitude on Economy

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New York (UPI)—If you think as does chairman Khrushchev that the Soviet will overtake the United States shortly in its economic growth, let a little child lead you out of that delusion.

Dr. Colin G. Clark, director of research of the Econometric Institute, told the little girl story to the Senate-Economic Committee to illustrate the Russian situation.

"Much of the concern about attempting to increase the rate of growth of the U.S. real national product has arisen because of the supposed rate of growth of the real product of Soviet Russia of 6 per cent a year or more," he said.

"This figure, or even figures as high as 8 or 9 per cent a year are frequently quoted by public officials and by university professors who should know better.

"At such rates of growth, they go on to say, it will only require a comparatively short period of time before the real product of the Soviet Union overtakes that of the U.S.A."

Scanty Evidence Dr. Clark went on to point out that evidence of Soviet growth is not only scanty, but also subject to the multitudinous distortions of statistics practiced by Soviet spokesmen.

Most of the figures, he said, are based upon the experience of the immediate post-war years when the Russian economy was being restored after its wartime devastation.

"It is natural that at such a time, the rate of growth should be, for a few years, above normal."

There you have the background. The Soviet making a high percentage recovery after the war mess. That high percentage then is projected to the future—and thus you have a big push that certainly on paper would seem to surpass us in no time.

Now for the story of the little child. There was a little child who was very ill. It had lost weight to mere skin and bones. The doctor found the cause of illness and treated the child properly. The recovery was remarkable. The child gained weight at a fast clip.

Thereupon, the doctor plotted a graph of the child's weight growth, and projected it into the future. Would Overtake Father And, what do you know, the doctor found in his projection that the child in a year's time would weigh more than his father.

A doctor who worked that way, said Dr. Clark, would be regarded as unfitted to practice medicine.

"But," he added, "economists can commit a similar error."

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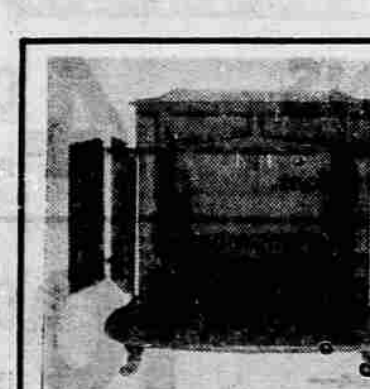
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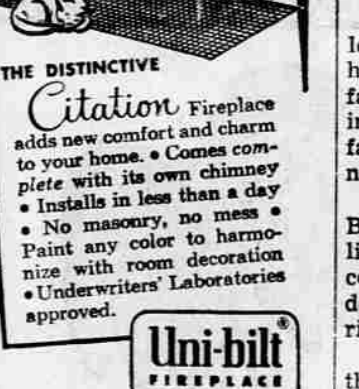
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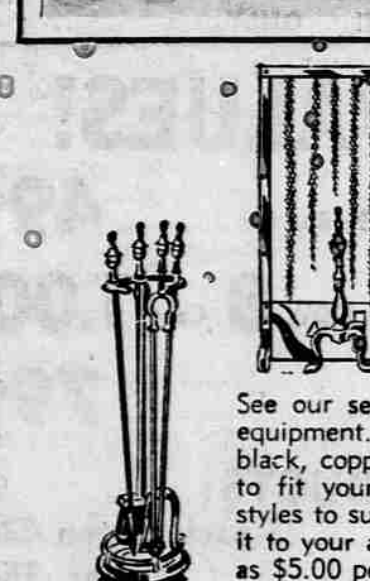
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## The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Bill F.—Mother should leave Dad.  
Mrs. F.F.—I haven't the spirit.

Bill F.—I am 17 and have a younger sister and brother. My problem is my dad, who is running around with another woman.

This thing has been going on for about two years and everyone in town knows about it. I have even seen him with this woman when I've gone out on dates with my girl. I felt like killing him.

I have been trying to get my mother to leave him, but she has no gumption at all. Next year I'll be out of high school and I'll be able to support her. I asked a lawyer and he told me Dad would have to pay for the younger kids. I can't see any sense in putting up with a guy like that.

Mrs. F. F. — I know I should leave Fred, but it's true I have no gumption. It's all his fault. He ground my spirit into dust when he was unfaithful to me after the first nine months of our marriage. My only consolation is that Bill will never be anything like his father. He is very considerate of me and he just detests his father for his horrible behavior.

The way I feel about it is there is, no sense in leaving Fred now after I have put up with him for all these years. I know him and I know that he'll soon tire of the other woman and will come back to me — until the next time.

The Council: It isn't always easy to determine where the blame for a marriage failure started, but we would say that at the present moment Mrs. F. F. and her husband are about equally at fault.

Adultery is certainly a cardinal sin, but from the human point of view there are other sins too. Mrs. F. F. is committing quite a few of them when she works on her son's pity to tie him to her in an ugly bond based on hatred for the man who is his father.

For better or for worse we are all identified to some degree with our parents. When one parent turns a child against the other, he or she may enjoy a moment of vindictive triumph, but in the long run the child suffers. He feels the "bad" parent is in him in some way. He hates at least half of himself, and oddly enough, it often turns out that he imitates the very qualities he detests in the "bad" parent. We don't doubt that Mrs. F. F. has endured hardships

in her marriage. It is natural for her to feel some bitterness and self-pity. But the brakes must be put on such feelings. At one point or another she must become aware that she is not a mere victim of fate. The possibility for creating something better out of her life lies within her.

No outsider should tell Mrs. F. F. what course to follow. The most important thing for her is to make a choice for herself. Her declaration of lack of spirit is sheer self-pity. When she decides to give up wasting emotion on herself, she will find that she has both spirit and common sense. She might have found the way out of her dilemma long ago if she had called on these resources.

As for Bill, we would advise him to keep out of his parents' personal business as much as possible. He should remember that he is not in the best position to make judgments and he should be aware that even the worst sinners can have qualities worthy of respect and love. (Copyright 1959, General Features Corp.)

## Hearings Slated On Train Speeds

Salem — (UPI) — Four hearings involving train speed and rail safety devices in several Oregon cities have been set by the Public Utility Commission.

Oct. 20 at Condon the PUC will hold a hearing on train speeds on the Union Pacific through Wasco, Moro, Grass Valley, Condon, Arlington, Ione, Lexington and Heppner.

Oct. 27 at Salem hearing will be held on the application of Southern Pacific to put in automatic signals in Independence.

Oct. 29 at Madras the PUC will hear an application from Oregon Trunk Railway Company to operate automatic signals at Culver.

A fourth hearing will be held Nov. 3 at Springfield on an SP application for protective devices in Springfield.

## Instruments Used To Monitor Water Supply

Philadelphia — (UPI) — Because water distilled from the sea sometimes loses the alkalinity that gives it taste, sensitive instruments are being used to monitor the water supply on the island of Aruba off South America. When the alkalinity level drops too low, according to Leeds & Northrup Co., which made the instruments, they automatically signal a valve to let soda ash into the system.

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