

\$19 Million Annually Enters District Through Export Trade

Washington—More than \$19 million a year enters Oregon's Fourth Congressional district from the United States' expanding export trade. The exports are almost equally divided between manufactured goods and agricultural products.

The estimates of the impact of world trade on the Fourth District appear in a recent Export Origin Study, one of a series of state and district analyses prepared from various Government sources by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The district survey follows distribution of the study on Oregon, and is now being sent out by the committee for a National Trade Policy, a voluntary bi-partisan organization supported by business, labor, farm and consumer groups.

Manufactured Products
Manufactured products totaling \$9.7 million were exported by nine firms in the district in 1960. The companies employed almost 5,000 workers, about 11 per cent of all manufacturing employees in the district. Their exports were almost 10 per cent of their total shipment value.

District exports were doubtless higher than indicated,

since some companies did not respond in the survey. About 55 per cent of Oregon's manufactured exports were reported.

Lumber and wood products, primary metals, and paper and related goods are the district's chief exports. Among the exporting manufacturers are the Weyerhaeuser Company's two Springfield plants, producing lumber and wood products; the Georgia-Pacific Corporation, also shipping lumber from its Springfield and Coos Bay establishments; Morris P. Kirk and Son, Inc., a Medford subsidiary of the National Lead Company; the Crown Zellerbach Corporation, with a plant at Lebanon exporting a variety of paper products.

Agricultural Exports
The Fourth District's 1960 agricultural exports were valued at \$9.6 million, made up of field crops (\$6.2 million); fruits and nuts (\$1.7 million); livestock and livestock products (\$1.2 million); and vegetables (\$480,000). Pears, plums and prunes were the area's leading export fruits.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 5 per cent of Oregon's farm workers owe their jobs to exports. Applying this proportion to the Fourth district indicates

that nearly 900 of the area's 17,400 agricultural workers are needed to produce the foreign shipments of farm commodities.

Nationally, U.S. exports are running at a near-record rate of more than \$20 billion a year. About 75 per cent of this total is in manufactured or semi-manufactured goods, and about \$5 billion represents agricultural products. The United States exports about half the rice, wheat and cotton it raises; two-fifths of the soybeans; and one-third the tobacco.

Imports Commodities
Like every other part of the United States, the Fourth district imports commodities from other countries, but most of these are non-competitive products used by a wide range of U.S. industries. Agricultural products imported consists largely of coffee, tea, spices, flavorings and the like, not grown in the United States.

Actually, the U.S. sells \$5 billion a year more than it buys, with about two-thirds of the imports being non-competitive.

The importance of foreign trade to the Nation—and its economic impact on individual states and local districts

—is now being debated in Congress. Where public hearings started March 12 of the Administration's new Trade Expansion Bill to replace the present Trade Agreements Act which expires June 30.

President Kennedy has urged Congress to act without delay to meet changing conditions, because the European Common Market is crystallizing its trade patterns now, and the U.S. may find itself frozen out of this vast market.

Foreign Competition
Since some domestic producers may face damaging foreign competition, a "trade adjustment assistance" plan has been proposed by President Kennedy as part of the new trade legislation, recommending assistance to enterprises (industrial and farm), and workers who suffer damage from increased foreign import competition.

The President told Congress that "when considerations of national policy make it desirable to avoid higher tariffs, those injured by that competition should not be required to bear the full burden of the impact. Rather the burden of economic adjustment should be borne in part by the Federal Government."

The importance of imports to the U.S. economy has been

recently stated by President Kennedy: "We need imports if other nations are to have the money to buy our exports and the incentive to lower their own tariff barriers. . . . We need imports to give our consumers a wider choice at competitive prices. We need imports to give our industries and defense establishments the raw materials they require at prices they can afford—and to keep a healthy pressure on our own producers and workers to improve efficiency, develop better products, and avoid the inflation that could price us out of markets vital to our prosperity."

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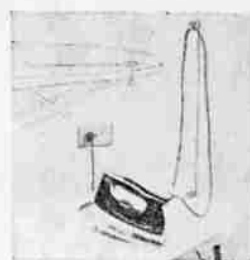
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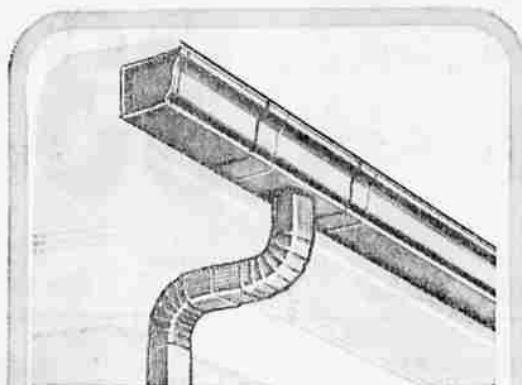
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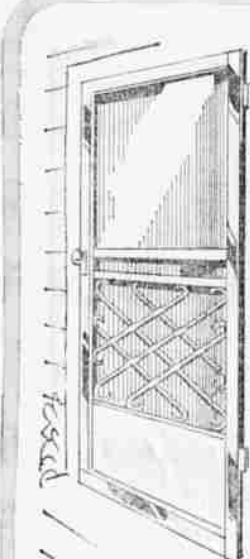
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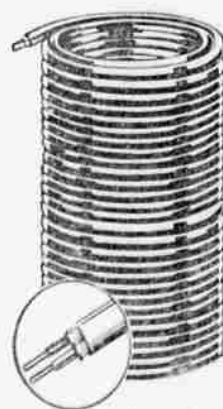
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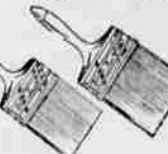
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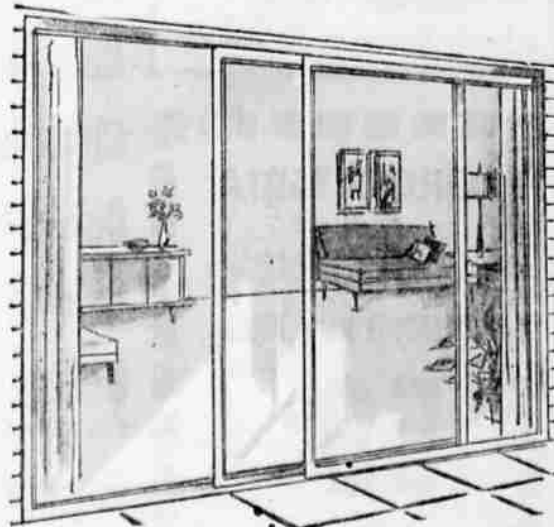
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Religion in America

Titov's Search for God During Orbit Theme of Red Propaganda

By LOUIS CASSELS
UPI Correspondent

The great English essayist,
G. K. Chesterton, who became
a Christian late in life, once

remarked that he owed
his conversion to athe-
ism. The more he studied
the arguments by which
atheists sought to dis-
prove the existence of
God, the more he felt

that he had a pretty flimsy
case. As a result, he said,
"there arose in my mind the
first wild doubts of doubt."
Russian cosmonaut Gher-
man Titov recently gave
Americans an excellent dem-
onstration of what Chest-
erton was talking about.

While visiting the Seattle
World's Fair, Titov got into
a discussion of religion. "I
don't believe in God," he said.
That statement was not sur-
prising, since Titov is a dedi-
cated young Communist, and
the non-existence of God is
one of the prime articles of
Communist faith.

Then Titov added, as if
that clinched the case, that
he had looked all around for
God while he was orbiting
the earth in his space capsule,
and "I didn't find anyone
there."

Wasn't Joking

Anyone who thinks Titov
was joking should note that
Moscow Radio has been be-
laboring the same point, in
great earnestness, for several
months. The fact that Soviet
cosmonauts didn't see God
during their trips through
space has become the chief
theme of Communist anti-
religious propaganda.

Intelligent Christians may
be inclined to dismiss this
whole argument as too lud-
icrous for discussion. But it
ought to be taken seriously,
because it sheds a good deal
of light on the reason why
doubt is so prevalent in

the world today, not only
among Communists, but also
among sincere and upright
citizens of America and other
free nations.

The reason is succinctly
stated by J. B. Phillips in his
superb book, "Your God Is
Too Small," published by the
Macmillan Co. and currently
available in a Macmillan
paperback (\$1.10).

"The trouble with many
people today is that they have
not found a god big enough
for modern needs," says
Phillips. "While their expe-
rience of life has grown in a
score of directions, and their
mental horizons have been
expanded to the point of be-
wildering by world events
and by scientific discoveries,
their ideas of God have re-
mained largely static. It is
obviously impossible for an
adult to worship the concep-
tion of God that exists in the
mind of a child of Sunday-
school age, unless he is pre-
pared to deny his own expe-
rience of life."

Primitive Conception

In his remarks at Seattle,
Titov made clear that his
conception of God—and even
an atheist must have some
conception of what he is reject-
ing—is extremely primitive.
He has apparently never been
exposed to any idea of God
more adult than the picture
of a grey-bearded patriarch
sitting on a cloud in a geo-
graphical heaven somewhere
in the sky.

Phillips lists a number of
somewhat more sophisticated
—but in the long run, equally
inadequate—conceptions of
God which "still linger un-

consciously in many minds,"
including the minds of some
professing Christians. They
range from the terrifying
notion that God is a sort of
hanging judge who spends his
time recording human sins,
to the bleak conviction that
he is a remote "managing di-
rector" of the universe who
could not possibly be con-
cerned with the trivial affairs
of creatures on one insignifi-
cant planet.

Cites Urgent Task

One of the most urgent
tasks of the church in our day,
Phillips believes, is to hold
up for skeptics and half-heart-
ed believers an authentic
Christian concept of God who
is at once the Ground of all
being, the Creator and Sus-
tainer of the whole vast uni-
verse which man is beginning
feebly to explore, the Author
of the incredibly complex
laws which science is seeking
dimly to understand, the
Source of all truth, beauty
and purpose—and who is yet,
at the same time, so close to
each of his human children,
so full of loving kindness to-
ward them, even in their way-
wardness, that the One who
knew Him best could think
of no human term which de-
scribed Him better than
"father."

The convinced atheist may
find this concept of God in-
credible, too. But it is surely
better for men to reject—or
accept—a mature idea of God
than to argue pointlessly over
childish caricatures.

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