

Campbell Is Feared Tax Dollar Watchdog

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 WASHINGTON (UPI) — A current joke around Washington is that Defense Secretary Robert McNamara fears Joe Campbell more than he does Nikita Khrushchev.

Campbell does not carry a gun, has no authority to arrest or prosecute anybody and spends most of his time adding, subtracting and multiplying figures. He is the comptroller general of the United States and head of the General Accounting Office (GAO).

Even if he were inclined to do so, the President could not fire Campbell. The only way he can be removed from office is by congressional resolution or impeachment.

More than any other person in the federal structure, Campbell is the watchdog of your tax dollar, and when he barks, an alarm of anxiety and fear runs like a chill through the executive branch of the government. He has caught the federal departments and agencies in all sorts of monkey business.

Builds Clover Leaf
 In Nevada the federal bureau of public roads spent \$384,000 to build a clover leaf on an interstate highway in a desolate rural section occupied by four small ranches. The GAO investigation turned up the fact that the highway work also would make a house of prostitution more accessible to travelers.

The joke about McNamara and Campbell stems from the fact that the Defense Department gets more attention from the GAO than any other federal

unit. Not because it is less efficient than many other departments and agencies, but because it spends the most money. About \$50 billion a year is poured out by the Defense Department on installations scattered around the world.

The result is that Campbell and his men constantly are turning up such odd pieces of information as these:

—The Army spent \$9.4 million for 135 fire trucks designed to put out fires caused by the malfunction of missiles. It never occurred to anybody to test the trucks before buying them but somebody got around to it after the purchase. The test disclosed that the trucks would not put out missile fires in their initial stages. In fact, it is almost impossible to control a missile eruption fire when it first starts.

Find Uniform Expenses
 —The GAO found that the Army, Navy and Air Force were making an unnecessary expenditure of \$2.8 million annually because they could not agree on specifications for uniforms. Among the matters in controversy were the design of the waist of the trousers and the width of the belt loops.

—The U. S. weather bureau maintained a hurricane warning station at Miami, Fla. So did the U. S. Navy. The GAO raised the question of why two branches of the government were performing the same function. As soon as the question was raised it was decided to consolidate them at considerable savings.

—The Air Force in one year spent \$5.5 million to send material by commercial air freight



JOE CAMPBELL (UPI)
 Watches Spending

when it could have gone on cheaper transportation for less than \$1 million. One item was empty tool boxes worth \$10 each which were flown to Korea at a charge of \$40 each. Chemicals costing \$15 a gallon were flown to Japan where they could be purchased on the open market for 75 cents a gallon.

—Supplies purchased by the Weather Bureau were delivered to a storeroom where they were inspected and counted. Then they were moved to another storeroom two miles away where they were counted and inspected again. Finally they were moved back to the original storeroom and counted again.

Nothing is too small in the federal government to interest Campbell and the GAO men. The other day they turned up evidence that 60 Washington Post Office employees had been driving taxicabs when they were supposed to be on duty. Most of the men reported they were sick and had to go on paid leave and then hustled out and worked as cab drivers.

Campbell probably has the most secure job in the federal government. As was noted, he cannot be removed except by action of Congress and his term is for 15 years. He cannot be re-appointed, so there is no temptation to butter people up in the hope of keeping the job indefinitely.

The office of Comptroller General was created by Congress in 1921 and is, in effect, an arm of the legislative branch of the government. As such, he cannot investigate the activities of the Congress, but there are few

other areas over which he does not have authority. Two of them are the Central Intelligence Agency, which opens its books to nobody, and the \$50,000 yearly expense account received by the President.

The GAO never has a deficit. Last year it saved the federal government about \$162.8 million. It saves \$4 for every one it spends.

Campbell has a staff of about 4,800, including 2,000 professional accountants and auditors and 355 attorneys and legal technicians. Congressional committees constantly are calling on Campbell for assistance in their investigations, and the other day he got an appeal for help from the Senate Committee investigating the tangled affairs of Bobby Baker, former Democratic Secretary to the Senate.

Campbell immediately detached Lorin H. Drennan and Edward T. Hugler, two of his best men, from their regular jobs and assigned them to the Senate Committee for the duration of the investigation. It is doubtful if the names of Drennan and Hugler will be mentioned in the course of the inquiry. The senators on the committee will ask the questions, make the speeches and get their pictures in the papers. Drennan and Hugler will do the work.

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Christmas Bureau To Open on Monday At Local RC Office

The Jackson County Inter-Community Council has announced that its annual Christmas Bureau for the coordination of Christmas giving, handled through the Red Cross office, will open Monday, Dec. 2.

Purpose of the Christmas Bureau is to accept applications for Christmas baskets and coordinate the efforts of the community to see that the needs of all families in the county are met during the Christmas season and to help eliminate duplication of services.

Names of individuals or families in need of assistance during the holiday season ahead are being accepted by the Bureau at this time. These names may be called in by church and civic organizations, as well as from public welfare offices and individuals.

Participate In Program
 Almost every organization in the valley participates in some form of Christmas giving program and by channeling their efforts through the Bureau they can be more effective and better able to meet the need, the council noted.

Medford firemen are currently engaged in toy collection, repair and restoration. The toys will be distributed to children shortly before Christmas by the Salvation Army with the help of several local organizations which will provide volunteers to man the distribution center.

The Junior Red Cross will collect food through the schools, and this will be turned over to the Salvation Army to help fill baskets which they prepare annually. Members of the Elks Lodge help pack and distribute baskets for the Salvation Army and provide financial support for the basket giving program.

Arrange Parties
 Other organizations dress dolls, arrange parties for needy children during the holidays and pack and distribute baskets.

Under the Inter-Community Council Christmas Bureau, all

organizations making plans for holiday giving clear their program through the one office.

If residents know of a needy family they are asked to call the Red Cross office. Also, if an organization or individual wishes to take care of a family basket this Christmas, the Bureau will supply the name of a needy family. If a family has been selected, the Bureau should be informed to avoid duplication.

Red Cross volunteers will be manning the Christmas Bureau to accept names, screen applications and provide information to individuals and organizations. The telephone number is 772-4405.

250 At Memorial Service for JFK

ROGUE RIVER — More than 250 persons attended a memorial service Monday for President John F. Kennedy held in the Veterans of Foreign Wars hall in Rogue River.

John Harr, Rogue River High School superintendent, was principal speaker. Coordinator for the program was the Rev. Robert Parrott, minister of Hope Presbyterian Church.

Others who participated were the Rev. Charles Fuller, Assembly of God Church; the Rev. John Hig, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Medford; Mrs. Dugie Fabrick, E. G. Petrie, Rogue River postmaster; Boy Scout Troop 27, Rogue River; Wimer Boy Scout Troop; Cub Scout Pack and leader Mrs. Richard Hargitt; and Mrs. Robert Gail.

Assisting with the arrangements were members of the VFW and Auxiliary, the Lions Club, Rogue River Grange, Rogue River High School, Mrs. John Leyen and Mrs. William White.

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