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T-Model Laws In The Age Of Power

PROFESSIONAL malcontents may grumble mightily but Gov. Hodges is everlastingly right in endorsing periodic inspection of motor vehicles and chemical tests for detecting intoxication.

Until these two earnestly offered proposals are enacted into state law North Carolina's highly publicized program to promote public safety will continue to be mounted on a T-model chassis.

Tar Heels cannot lick power age problems with old-fashioned tools. Some of our present tools are outrageously obsolete.

Yet there are still influential legislators who not only back at sterner, surer methods but demand the abolition of the whammy as well. They say it isn't "sporting."

Motorists who want to be "sporting" about their lives, limbs and property should confine their driving to Army artillery ranges.

Whammies can't possibly hurt the motorist who is not violating the law. Neither can unmarked patrol cars — also viewed with some vague and unexplainable alarm in the North Carolina General Assembly.

If unmarked patrol cars are wrong then why not put detectives back in uniforms?

If chemical tests to detect drunkenness are unconstitutional why not declare fingerprinting unconstitutional?

If it is wrong to test vehicles why isn't it just as wrong to test drivers?

It's been said before but it is worth repeating. The basic goal of the State of North Carolina in the field of traffic safety should be three-pronged:
1—Make sure the motorist has a safe vehicle to drive.
2—Teach him how to drive it safely.
3—Make him do it.

It is all so simple. But there is nothing so simple as demanding courage and resolve in Raleigh's legislative halls as simplicity.

Prevent Tragedy In Missions Of Mercy

CITY Councilman Herbert H. Baxter's plan to limit right of way privileges of Charlotte's ambulances represents a minimum answer to a dangerous problem.

If decent standards of safety are to be maintained for emergency vehicles the City Council will approve it without unnecessary delay.

Mr. Baxter is no longer suggesting that ambulances observe all traffic regulations, including red lights. He is merely proposing that an ambulance on an emergency run come to a stop at a red light, sound its siren and proceed with caution.

Polio: The Personal Peril & Penalty

HAVING won the battle for a polio vaccine, Americans are letting slip the war against the disease itself.

They are not using the vaccine. Seventeen million doses are piled up in warehouses. Millions of children have received only fractional protection from one or two of the recommended three doses, while other millions of children and adults haven't rolled up a sleeve since the vaccine was made available.

Doctors say the vaccine is safe and effective. They say the bloodstream is the only sensible place to store it. President Eisenhower has warned that apathy now is the chief ally of the disease, and appealed for more vaccinations.

A cabinet officer is so distressed by lack of use of the vaccine that he urges the press to crusade for vaccinations as strongly as it demanded availability of the serum.

We don't think that would help. The vaccine and evidence of its great effectiveness are present. The terrible effects of the disease are well known. Summer is coming, and with it the inevitable attack of the virus.

The peril of apathy doesn't need to be preached. It needs to be avoided, but if the desire for healthy children isn't enough to prod parents into doctors' offices for vaccinations, nothing is.

It should be noted, however, that the peril is a very personal thing, and so is the penalty for ignoring it.

Noisy Music? Look Who's Talking!

WELL tolerate no more lofty complaints from highbrow music buffs who look down their lorgnettes at the "awful instrumentation" of native American jazz. Frequent targets: Shorty Rogers' Huguoborn, George Wettling's wood blocks, Sam Stewart's singing bass and the washboard of primitive Dixieland.

In London the other night a classical composer, presumably serious, presented a "grand, grand overture for orchestra, organ, rifles, three vacuum cleaners and electric floor polisher."

From The Greensboro Daily News

NEW WORDS FOR WEBSTER

GLANCING through the addenda section of the big new Webster's in our office we get the feeling that a bifaceted boys who compiled the huge volume must stand on street corners with an ear cocked for a new word, then race back to the office to get it in the latest edition.

They seem to have included everything except rock 'n' roll, but we can't recall hearing that before Anno Domini 1956, date of this publication. Every other slang word generated in dance halls, juke joints and army barracks is there.

And these have been entered, say straight-faced editors, "only when there is evidence that the slang term has been in use for a considerable length of time, and when it has been used in a printed work which is likely to continue to be read."

For example, we noted: Alligator ("a devotee of hot jazz"), bebop ("jazz characterized by rhythmic and harmonic complexity and innovation, lengthened melodic line, usually loud bravura execution, and the singing of nonsense syllables"), hepcat ("a player of hot jazz"), also a devotee of hot jazz"), and jam session, jitterbug, jive, longhair, offbeat, reffer, riffer and square.

If dictionary makers have dipped into jazz for additions to their lists, they haven't stopped short of the funnies either.

Two words were introduced by the late E. C. Sagar through his cartoon PORCUPINE: (1) gon, (one hired a slinger, bomber, incendiary or the like by racketeers or outlaw unionists for terrorizing industry or workers) from a sub-human creature called "Alice the Goon";

and (2) jeep, the Army's multipurpose vehicle with four-wheel drive, from GP (general purpose) through association with the sound "jeep" made by a rentlike wordworker (Eugene), another character in Sagar's comic strip.

Great social and political upheavals, as well as advances in scientific progress, create a flood of new words. The New Deal, the Fair Deal, the rise of Hitler, the Russian Revolution, the cold war threw up new expressions.

World War II was especially productive. As a matter of fact, the first entry in addenda section of WEBSTER'S NEW INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY, SECOND EDITION is: A-bomb.

Coming along behind A-bomb are: Aokack, all-out, AWOL, bazooka, blitzkrieg, bombardier, booby trap, cloak-and-dagger, combat fatigue, commando, concentration camp, crash program, displaced person, Dunkirk, fifth column, foxhole, fraternalism, frogman, GI, grenade, hush-hush, Panzer, phony war, pin-up, snafu, Roger, Seabee, Wehrmacht, V, V-1, V-2, V-E Day, V-J Day and VIP.

As a final thought let us be thankful that as one of the simplest languages English has a tremendous absorptive capacity. In recent weeks two Asiatic nations have announced that unless their national languages—Hindi in India and Mandarin in China—are brought up to date progress in those countries will be retarded.

Scholars must work for years on the tough job of adding technical and scientific words to those ancient languages.

And over here dictionary editors are only hard put to write down and define new words as fast as they're invented.

An Affair Of Honor

Puppets And Aggressors

By WALTER LIPPMANN

THE KADAR government in Hungary has been stalling as long as it dared on the question of a visit to Budapest by Mr. Hammarskjold. He first proposed to go there on Nov. 13, and it now looks as if the Kadar government might not receive him until 1957. Such stalling is in itself a serious offense against the United Nations. For how as a member of comity and decent respect for the world organization can a member refuse to receive the secretary general of that organization?

In the spirit, if not in the letter, the Kadar government's treatment of Mr. Hammarskjold amounts to saying that though Hungary has diplomatic rights in the General Assembly in New York, the United Nations organization has no diplomatic rights in Hungary. This is not an acceptable doctrine, and if the Kadar government continues to stall, the least that the General Assembly can do is to suspend the right of Kadar's representatives to participate in the General Assembly.

HORVATH'S ARGUMENT Kadar's representative in New York, Mr. Imre Horvath, is insisting that while his government is now ready to negotiate about receiving Mr. Hammarskjold, the United Nations do not have any legal right to concern themselves with the Hungarian question. His argument is that in Hungary, as distinguished from Egypt, there

was no external military intervention. "The Soviet forces were present in Hungary with the approval of the Hungarian government, even at the request of that government."

This is a falsification of the issue and of the historical facts. The Soviet forces have been present in Hungary since the end of the World War. But the question is, at the request of what Hungarian government did the Soviet forces so into action against the Hungarian people? The answer is that they went into action at the request of an illegitimate government set up by the Soviet forces themselves. It was Kadar, the puppet of the Red Army, who "requested" the Red Army to suppress the legitimate government of Nagy, and to suppress the popular uprising in support of Nagy.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS The official record of the U.N. shows that on Nov. 1 and again on Nov. 2, the U.N. received communications from Imre Nagy, the Prime Minister of Hungary. The first one stated that the Hungarian government had demanded of the Soviet ambassador the withdrawal of the Red Army; it declared the neutrality of Hungary; and it asked for the help of the United Nations. The second communication, dated Nov. 2, informed the U.N. that large Soviet military units were crossing the border and marching toward Budapest. Two days later, on Nov. 4, Nagy had been deposed, Kadar was

calling himself the Prime Minister, and was calling to the U.N. had "no legal force." There can be no doubt that between Nov. 2 and Nov. 4 the Soviet Army overthrew the legitimate government of Nagy and installed the illegitimate government of Kadar.

HITLER'S TECHNIQUE There is a question of principle involved in this affair which, if it is not effectively challenged, would set up a most dangerous precedent. It is the claim that a great power may lawfully conquer a weaker country if it sets up a puppet government which approves of the conquest. This is Hitler's favorite technique of conquest, and the men who collaborated in Hitler's conquests are known as Quislings. Kadar is the Hungarian Quisling, and the whole argument made by his representative in the U.N. boils down to saying that the Soviet action is lawful because Kadar approved it. This is like saying that Hitler had a right to take over Norway because Quisling, who was appointed by Hitler, approved of what Hitler did.

The U.N. cannot afford to acquiesce in this argument, and for the sake of the future it ought to find a way to pronounce judgment upon it. For the argument as it stands, when related to what actually happened in Hungary, is a formula for aggression. It amounts to saying that external



"After All, A Girl Must Have Time To Freshen Up"

intervention is allowable if there is a puppet government to approve of it.

U.N.'S DUTY The honor and authority of the United Nations are deeply engaged in the Hungarian question. This means that the U.N., having found itself thus far unable to intervene effectively, must nevertheless refuse to accept the oppression of the Hungarian nation as an accomplished fact.

There is evidence, notably in Nehru's change of course, that an understanding of the reality of the aggression in Hungary is spreading.

It needs to be spread. For what has been done yesterday by manipulating a puppet government in Hungary might be done tomorrow in Syria, in Iraq, in Jordan. If it were done, it would gravely disturb the peace of the world.

Just Keep It Simple, Santa, And Forget About Geegaws

By ROBERT C. RUARK

A LONG about this time of the year I generally write a small note to Santa Claus, being rather firm about what I don't want for Christmas. Maybe it just disappears in smoke, but it's been pretty successful so far.

Number one on my "don't" list is that new fangled device called Pagemaster, a pocket device which makes your life an open book. The copy reads: "If you're wanted, the operator puts your name in the air." Whenever you are, when your personal signal unit gets your frequency, it buzzes gently and pleasantly, telling you to pick up the nearest phone and call the operator."

YOU'RE DEAD Brrrr. I'd rather keep a pet rattlesnake in my pocket. No polerium is too murky to hide you. Once the old lady gives you one of those things and commands you to wear it, your last ally is gone. You can't tell the boys to say "just let it" or "He hasn't been in all day." You're dead.

Please do not bring me any of those "perilous" perfumes with hairy-chested manes that are guaranteed to make me smell like smoked leather, fir forests, or a pop still in process of manufacture. This applies to shaving soap in permanent mugs with cute sayings written on the sides.

Give me nothing with built-in tinkles, ash trays, cigarette lighters, drink-measures, cigarette boxes. If I wanted a Swiss ringer in the house, I'd hire one.

Kindly refrain also from delivering any do-it-yourself kits of any nature. I have saved off my last muddle as a contribution to science, and have concluded that if God had meant me to be a mechanic, I would have had more success with my Meccano set when I was a kid.

I have a barbecue but do not desire any aprons with witty sayings, chef's caps, or similar paraphernalia. I have four dogs and crave no presents for them, such as rubber cats, tinkling bones, or programmed feeding bowls. The damn beasts are too spoiled already.

Especially European history. Did he stop to think how Britain and France acquired a colonial empire? Those lovers of freedom and democracy are past masters in subjogating, invading and enslaving weaker nations.

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People's Platform

Letters should be brief. The writer's name and address must be given, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the editors. The News reserves the right to condense.

Invasion Of Egypt Was 'Outrageous'

Florence S. C.

MR. JOHN W. Hester, is wrong as he could be "like Bungled Crisis," People's Platform, Dec. 4.

Legally Nasser has the right to nationalize an Egyptian company with due compensation to the stockholders who are foreigners.

What Does Mr. Hester want anyway, a new international law?

Insatiable Appetite

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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Rayburn Angered

Four years ago, Roberts angered House Speaker Sam Rayburn by jumping up on a short date ago, Hester. Now when Truman announced he wouldn't run for reelection in 1952, Afterword, Roberts remarked to several people that Truman had double-crossed the Democratic Party with his announcement, making it as he did without telling party leaders in advance.

This got Roberts in bad with Speaker Rayburn. But the Speaker is also opposed to making House patronage jobs subject to guess it that he'll use his influence to keep Roberts on the job.

Man Is Never Satisfied

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