

## Government Last to Adjust To Change, Huntley Says

Chet Huntley, a spokesman for American Airlines and the Continental Oil Company, speaking at the annual meeting of travel representatives, said that between now and the nation's 200th birthday in 1976 is the ideal time to suggest to the American people that they discover America.

"We can no longer afford to take ourselves for granted," he said. "We have some work to do, my friends, to discover who we are and what it is we want to be."

Commenting on freedom of choice, Mr. Huntley said, "We have turned too much of the decision-making process and the subsequent implementing processes over to a force, a power, an entity, which we call government. In my opinion government is revealing itself as a rather third-rate decision-maker and a contentious, uncertain and unpredictable control force."

"Government response to the environmental movement has been one of much less dispatch and wisdom than we might want," he explained. "The private sector of this nation, I believe, is ready and willing to build or produce under safe and sane ecological disciplines. But government is nowhere near ready to tell us what its disciplines are and what its parameters of environmental safeguards are"

Mr. Huntley cited consumerism as another example of governmental inadequacy. "The most frequent plan for

consumer protection is the weary old program of another agency and the creation of another army of government inspectors. In my opinion this bureaucratic expansion is not necessary. Government has tremendous powers of publicity and exposure. It has the powers of subpoena. It has the powers of prosecution and detection and investigation.

"Or take the matter of the sources and the distribution of energy in the months and years ahead," he continued. "Believe me, this concerns all of us in the tourism and travel and recreation business, because if we don't have the energy to get there, we're going to stay home."

He explained that more than 62 federal agencies have some authority over some aspect of our energy supply, and that each agency and committee is often in conflict with all or most of the others. He added that, "We try to adapt and adjust, but everlastingly it seems to me government is the last to make the adjustment, to change its ways."

"For nearly 30 years, the Federal government has tried to reduce farm output to certain levels—and has failed. For more than 40 years, the Russians have tried to raise farm output to certain levels—and have failed. It just goes to show you that governments should get out of the farming business.—Harold S. May, The Florence (Ala.) Herald.

## Two Bike Tours Through Europe Are Planned

Two hosteling and bicycling tours through Europe will be offered this summer by Camp Swatara, a church-related organization sponsored by Brethren Churches in Eastern Pennsylvania.

The tours are open to all

## 84-Year Old Man Repays Old Tax Error to Gov't.

WASHINGTON—An 84 year-old Pennsylvanian has sent U.S. Senator Richard S. Schweiker (R-Pa.) \$65 for the Internal Revenue Service to "relieve his conscience" over a decades-old tax error.

The check Schweiker forwarded to IRS covered a "small error on an income tax return" plus interest. It had been sent to Schweiker at the taxpayer's request by his grandson. The grandson wrote Schweiker, "Grandfather has no records which go back far enough to file a revised return, so we are sending the check to you to forward it to the appropriate fund."

The grandson told Schweiker, "Many years ago, my grandfather made a small error on an income tax return. He is extremely conscientious, and now at 84 years of age, that mistake still worries him. Recently I figured out with interest payments what the cost of his mistake was. The amount of the check covers the entire mistake. I'm sure it will make him feel much better," Schweiker was told.

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youths, regardless of church affiliation.

The first tour, to be conducted for persons aged 22 and older, will include Luxemburg, Northern Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands. Cost of the trip will be approximately \$575, including transportation from New York and all other expenses, excluding bike purchase.

Deadline for applications is Feb. 15.

The second tour will be for youths aged 17 through 21, and will include Luxemburg to Kiel,

northern Germany, from there to Sweden, and returning to New York via Copenhagen.

Cost of this tour will be approximately \$500, excluding bike purchase. Deadline for applications is March 15.

Further information and applications can be obtained by contacting Mrs. Miriam Weaver, 626-8130, or the local church office, 626-2131.

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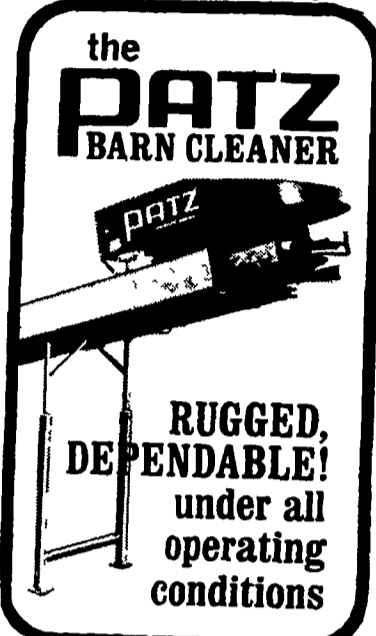
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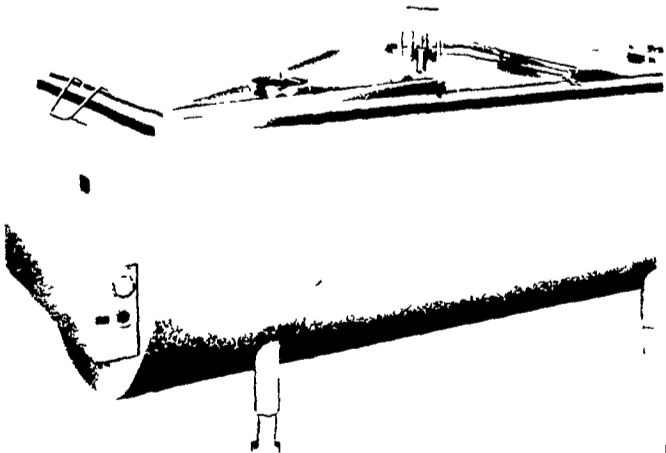
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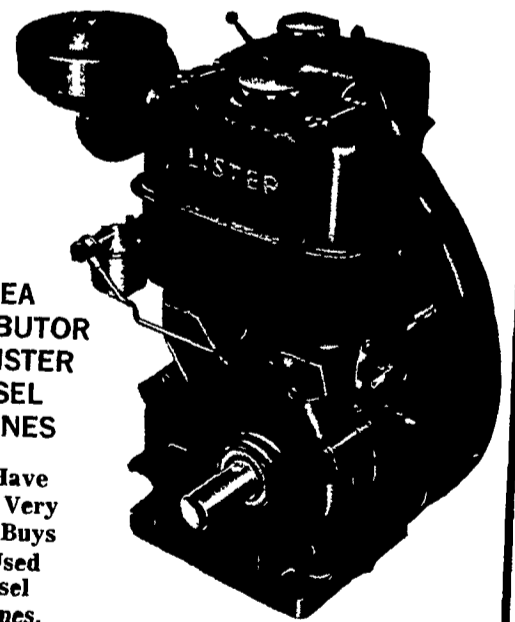
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