

# Real Estate Offensive Proposed

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy proposed a \$3.25-billion offensive yesterday to revive the housing industry, put better homes within the reach of millions, and help the nation's cities root out decay.

Underscoring the importance he attaches to these problems, Kennedy told Congress he wants the housing agency raised to Cabinet level.

Presumably, this would make the housing administrator, Robert C. Weaver, the first Negro Cabinet officer in U.S. history.

Kennedy's 10-point proposal, outlined in a special message, involved few new programs but rather called for considerable expansion of existing measures and some significant changes in them.

Some elements — like Kennedy's request for an additional four-year, \$2.5-billion authorization for grants and loans for eliminating city blight — are relatively non-controversial, although Congress might cut the totals.

The point most likely to strike sparks on Capitol Hill is Kennedy's request for authority to build 100,000 more low-rent, subsidized public housing units in about three years' time, with half earmarked for the elderly. Public housing always has been a bitterly fought issue.

Recalling Senate opposition to Weaver as housing administrator, some observers thought it likely this opposition might carry over in consideration of Kennedy's plan to establish a new Cabinet rank department of housing and urban affairs.

Among the least controversial of Kennedy's housing items were proposals for a 12-18 month test program of no-down-payment, 40-year mortgages for low-cost dwellings.

# Thompson Back After 'K' Talk

MOSCOW (AP) — U.S. Ambassador Llewellyn Thompson returned optimistic yesterday from a four-hour talk with Premier Khrushchev in Siberia.

Thompson told reporters he delivered a message from President Kennedy to Khrushchev at the Siberian city of Novosibirsk. The premier, now on a farm tour, had invited Thompson. Apparently he was eager to get the President's message, for never before had Khrushchev permitted a diplomat to make such a journey.

Thompson said he met Khrushchev outside Novosibirsk for a session lasting two hours and 40 minutes. It was then he delivered the message from Kennedy. The ambassador stayed on for a long luncheon.

# Russian Space Ship Orbits Dog; Man May Be Next on Schedule

MOSCOW (AP) — Soviet scientists took another step yesterday toward putting a man into orbit. A five-ton space ship carrying a female dog circled the earth and landed safely, the government announced.

About 200 pounds heavier than the first dog-carrying space ship recovered last August, the vehicle followed close to a calculated orbit and landed on target somewhere in the Soviet Union, the Soviet news agency Tass reported. It was the fourth launching of what the Soviets call space ships.

Aboard was Chernushka (brunette), and she returned from her venture more than 150 miles above the earth suffering no apparent ill effects, Tass said.

The Soviets said Strelka and Belka rode a space ship for about 435,000 miles at a minimum altitude of about 190 miles before being retrieved last Aug. 19. Both are still healthy and Strelka has since given birth to six pups.

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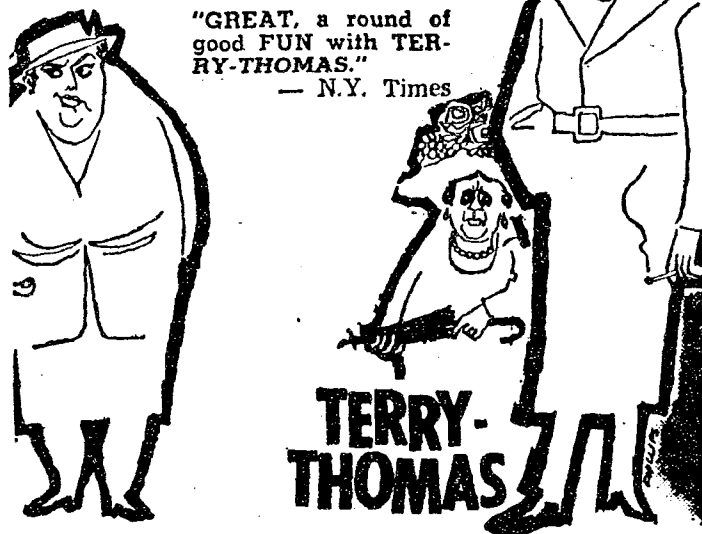
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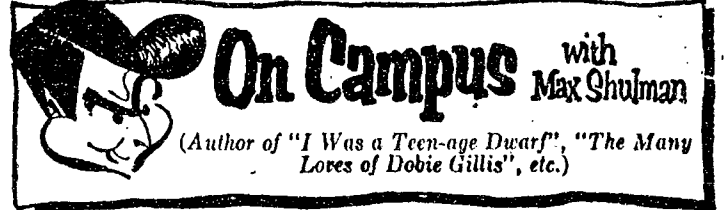
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## WORDS: THEIR CAUSE AND CURE

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Where are word origins (insects) to be found? Well, sir, sometimes words are proper names that have passed into the language. Take, for instance, the words used in electricity: *ampere* was named after its discoverer, the Frenchman Andre Marie Ampere (1775-1836); similarly *ohm* was named after the German G. S. Ohm (1781-1854), *watt* after the Scot James Watt (1736-1819), and *bulb* after the American Fred C. Bulb (1843-1912).

There is, incidentally, quite a poignant little story about Mr. Bulb. Until Bulb's invention, all illumination was provided by gas, which was named after its inventor Milton T. Gas who, strange to tell, had been Bulb's roommate at Cal Tech! In fact, strange to tell, the third man sharing the room with Bulb and Gas was also one whose name burns bright in the annals of illumination—Walter Candle!

The three roommates were inseparable companions in college. After graduation all three did research in the problem of artificial light, which at this time did not exist. All America used to go to bed with the chickens. In fact, many Americans were chickens.

Well sir, the three comrades—Bulb, Gas, and Candle—promised to be friends forever when they left school, but success, alas, spoiled all that. First Candle invented the candle, got rich, and forgot his old friends. Then Gas invented gas, got rich, bankrupted Candle, and forgot his old friends. Then Bulb invented the bulb, got rich, bankrupted Gas, and forgot his old friends.



They became fast friends all over again

Candle and Gas, bitter and impoverished at the age respectively of 75 and 71, went to sea as respectively the world's oldest and second oldest cabin boy. Bulb, rich and grand, also went to sea, but he went in style—as a first-class passenger on luxury liners.

Well sir, strange to tell, all three were aboard the ill-fated Lusitania when she was sunk in the North Atlantic. And, strange to tell, when they were swimming for their lives after the shipwreck, all three clambered aboard the same dinghy!

Well sir, chastened and made wiser by their brush with death, they fell into each other's arms and wept and exchanged forgiveness and became fast friends all over again.

For three years they drifted in the dinghy, shaking hands and singing the Cal Tech rouser all the while. Then, at long last, they spied a passing liner and were taken aboard.

They remained fast friends for the rest of their days, which, I regret to report, were not many, because the liner which picked them up was the Titanic.

What a pity that Marlboros were not invented during the lifetimes of Bulb, Gas, and Candle! Had there been Marlboros, these three friends never would have grown apart because they would have known how much, despite their differences, they still had in common. I mean to say that Marlboros can be lit by candle, by gas, or by electricity, and no matter how you light them, you always get a full-flavored smoke, a filter cigarette with an unfiltered taste that makes anyone—including Bulb, Gas, and Candle—settle back and forget anger and strife and smile the sweet smile of friendship on all who pass!

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