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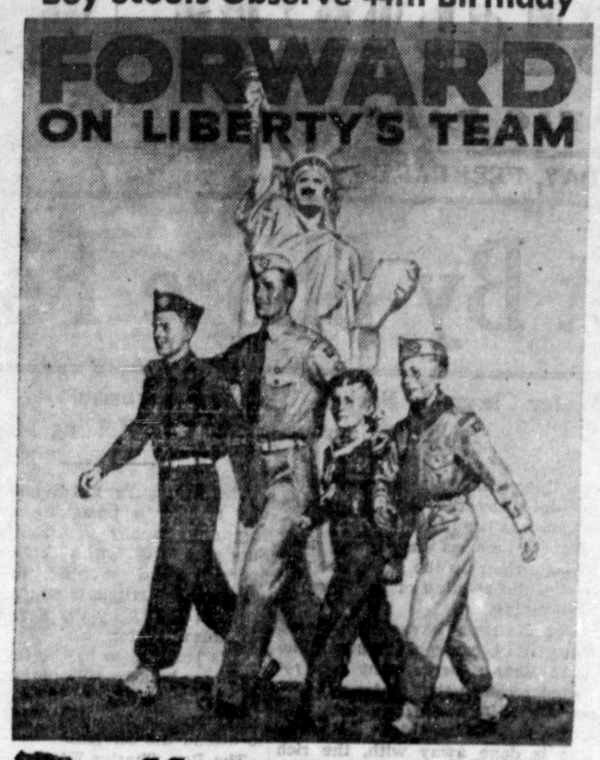
Unbelievable Difference

William L. Ryan of the Associated Press recently returned from a news assignment in Russia, and wrote a series of articles on life in that "workers' paradise". Two of his articles dealt with what it is like to shop in Russian stores, which are owned by the state and are therefore non-competitive. And the prices of goods, of course, are established by the state.

The shopper must generally stand long in line. Service is slow and indifferent. Supplies of goods are limited and when the prospective consumer finally gets his turn at the counter he frequently can't find what he is after. Quality is extremely low by American standards—which are competitive standards. And prices—save for bare subsistence foods and a few other items—are almost unbelievably high, in the light of the average Russian family's income. Currently, the Russian bosses are making some effort to better matters, but progress is taking place at a snail's pace.

No one should be surprised taht this should be the situation under communism—or under any other system where the government is the economic dictator and where competition as we know it ,is outlawed. Any monopoly—governmental or other—inevitably results in high prices, poor goods, and shortages. Only free competition can create abundance, and give us the best possible goods at the lowest price. The unbelievable difference between a typical American retail store and a typical Soviet retail store is proof of that.

Boy Scouts Observe 44th Birthday



44TH ANNIVERSARY 1954
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Official Boy Scout Week Poster

The 44th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America will be observed during Boy Scout Week, Feb. 7 to 13, by more than 3,300,000 boys and adult leaders. Since 1910 more than 21,000,000 boys and leaders have been members.

Boy Scout Week will highlight the "Forward on Liberty's Team" theme which seeks to produce a greater functioning manpower and provide a higher quality program for an ever-increasing membership.

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