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FLOODED WASHROOMS

The august State Department is having a peculiar plumbing problem — clogged toilets.

Reason is they are being used as wastebasket disposals.

This unusual practice is a direct consequence of the long-raging case of Otto Otepka — the western security official suspended for giving information to Senate investigators. It has been revealed that in an effort to get evidence against Otepka State Department officials tapped his phone and closely scrutinized the contents of his wastebasket.

This disclosure apparently has sent a tremor of fear throughout the State Department, and wastebaskets are being surreptitiously emptied in toilets. The result has been clogged pipes and flooded washrooms.

To halt this practice, the Department has posted a printed notice on bulletin boards reading:

"To All Employees: Subject: Disposal of Paper.

"There have been serious floods of restrooms which, General Services Administration has advised, have been caused by the disposal of paper in both toilets and urinals. This practice should be discontinued, and trash receptacles used for the disposal of paper."