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Mundt Bill-1

WASHINGTON
The House of Representatives has approved a piece of legislation...

Under the bill, 'Communist-foreign organizations' must register with the Attorney General...

The fourth test is 'the position taken or advocated by it (the front) in relation to the matter of policy'...

One of the 'methods commonly used' under the Communist political organizations...

Before this can appear in print, the Attorney General will have to make the opinion of many who have studied the bill...

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Clues To Peace Talk Puzzle

Russia is in no position to wage a major war and her leaders entertain no idea of world domination...

Most observers—and that apparently includes everyone in the Truman Administration and the Republican Congress—are inclined to look on the Russian move for a settlement with the greatest suspicion...

The big question we have to answer is whether this is a real peace offer or whether it is a shrewd move to bolster Russia's position...

Diplomatic quarters are asking whether the move might be a ploy to gain time in order to weaken the Marshall Plan for Europe...

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'Shout Freedom' Mecklenburg

IN LEONETTE BLYTHE'S historical drama of Mecklenburg, which opens a two-week run at the Southern States Fair...

Old Gov. Bill Tryon, Lord Cornwallis and George III of England were stationed and pained by the forces which were unleashed among a lot of Carolina backwoods-men in the 18th century...

This movement ran so strong in the Carolina that it produced the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence...

Somehow in Blythe's stirring drama of those times, 'Shout Freedom,' one of the characters remarks prophetically on the events in revolutionary Mecklenburg...

Stay That Way, Charleston

WHENEVER I am asked about parts of the country I have seen I am always tempted to say that I have seen most of the United States and that I have also been Charleston...

South and north of Broad Street lie two different worlds. North of Broad Street live the middle-class families, kind, warm-hearted people, full of prejudices and envious...

From 'Two on a Continent,' by Lill Foldes, New York: Dutton, 1947. Excerpts quoted in 'The Christian Science Monitor.'

This is the time of year when many of us look forward to a Charleston visit. Those who have never been there should prepare themselves for a surprise experience...

From The St. Louis Globe-Democrat

UN---Not A Bust

NONE is so flimsy-minded as to believe the glistering hopes in which the United Nations was created almost three years ago have been fulfilled...

who doubt Russia is sincerely seeking peace who concede that the Soviet's economic position and the thinking of Russia's leaders is correct...

America and Western Europe have now started on an immense prepreparedness and rehabilitation program...

If Russia isn't prepared for war now and has been convinced that she can't keep up with the West in the military race...

Under this interpretation, Russia's present 'peace offensive' would be viewed as a preliminary stage-setting operation for a possible offensive in the future...

Events in the near future will tell the story. Meanwhile, there is reason to believe that in Moscow has had enough of the cold war.

how much free men in America have achieved since May 20, 1775. It is also a heartening promise, for the same spirit which has inspired the men of the American Revolution...

In 'Shout Freedom' we also have impressive evidence that freedom stimulates the creative impulse in men in the cultural field as well as in the political and other fields...

Mecklenburg treasures its memories of John McKnitt Alexander, Thomas Polk, Captain Jack and others who figured in the heroic events depicted in this symphonic drama...

It is not an experience which can be savored in haste. The culture of the city and its people is dedicated to leisure. Business flourishes, to be sure, but it adapts itself to the centuries-old and it finds its own rhythm...

To stroll from St. Michael's south and turn into the side streets which were important when New York City was a village and properly to absorb the atmosphere of the place once again adds the bustling varieties of the present and gets a better perspective...

If you are lucky enough to have a true Charlestonian for a friend you should not mention these things, however. To try to prepare ourselves for a surprise experience...

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Not only that, but through United Nations debate, the Western democracies have been drawn closer together. More nationalistic suspicions have been dissipated than we realize...

The United Nations is not dead. It has not become an ash and a hoax of ideals. One important function of it is to act as a means of Kremlin compromise when that time may come. It is an avenue for rapprochement. UN is riddled with faults...



How Secure?

IN 1935 Congress passed the Social Security Act as a bulwark against future depressions. Foundation of the Act was a system of insurance by which the Federal Government would collect from a worker a small percentage of each pay check and from his employer an equal percentage of each pay roll...

Twelve years later, less than half of all retired men of 65 or more were receiving benefits from over 24 million workers under the Social Security Act...

On the average a retired worker under social security in December, 1947, was receiving \$24.90 a month. If he had non-working wife over 65, he was getting another \$12.45...

In contrast, the average payment for an old person was \$37.42 a month. By the end of 1947, over 22 million old people were receiving this form of assistance...

It is clear that one basic objective of the Social Security Act—to do away with as much need for relief as possible by building up an insurance system which would pay adequate benefits inuring with only limited success...

In the 80th Congress, the Senate Finance Committee has had a subcommittee on Social Security, headed by Edward R. Steiintz Jr., former Secretary of the Federal Reserve of the University of Virginia...

Only about three out of every five workers in the country pay social security taxes. Of the monthly average of \$6 million paid civilian jobs in 1947, just over \$4 million went to the Social Security system...

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Social Security Issue Revives

forms. 1 million employed by educational, religious, and other non-profit organizations. Also 2.5 million railroad workers, 2 million Federal employees and 3 million state and local government employees...

The Federal and railroad workers have their own Federal retirement systems. But the other 18 million workers have no choice but to rely on Social Security unless their employers work out private pension systems or the workers themselves demand the high cost of commercial insurance annuities...

The gap in old-age and survivors insurance coverage versus social insurance, not only on workers in the excluded groups, but also on those states where 25,000,000 required supplementation either by State or Federal old-age insurance systems...

Old-age assistance also a part of the social security system is financed in part by the Federal Government. But there is no correlation between a state's resources and the Federal Government's contribution...

A SECOND weakness pointed out by the Advisory Council is that benefits now paid are not enough for retired persons to live on. A monthly income of \$25.00 is not enough to live on in many parts of the country...

With one exception—Delaware—the states where insured workers are concentrated are the poorest. The average income of the insured workers in the 10 poorest states is \$1,000 a year...

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Dr. v Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

GEORGE POLK, the American news commentator, whose Bay bullet-pointed, bound-up body was found in Solon, Ohio, in a letter before his death about his ground attack with the Greek Government...

In the first place, only the Greek Government had access to the information that the American construction company had been building a road on the other hand had everything to gain from the interview with Polk which he sought...

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Coup For Wallace

HENRY WALLACE HAS SPOKE a tremendous case in getting his peace plan accepted, in substance, by Premier Stalin. Official American news reports observe that it is almost unheard of for the head of the Soviet Government to accept a peace proposal by a private citizen...

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