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MORE ABOUT COTTON

LAST Friday, in an editorial entitled "Weakness in Cotton 'Blue Case'"...

The editorial has been interpreted in cotton trade circles as a criticism of the legitimate and long-standing practices in the buying and selling of cotton.

The editors of The News recognize that cotton trading is a highly complex system, and admit quite readily that some way must be found to get the exchanges open again so that the thousands of existing contracts can be fulfilled and other normal contracts made.

Nonetheless, we would reiterate certain basic factors:

- 1. The average price for cotton during the Dec. 19-Jan. 25 period (43 cents) is slightly in excess of the cotton farmer to plant the 18,000,000 bales...

A GIFT—WITHOUT STRINGS

THE reluctance of Congress to approve the gift of 2,000,000 tons of wheat to India reflects unwelcome news to the Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru...

NEWSPAPERS AND ADVERTISING

COLLEAGUE of ours down the line—the editor of the Hamlet News-Messenger—had a visitor the other day. It was a woman who said the paper wasn't being fair in publishing an advertisement...

Anyone who has been reading The News lately knows how we felt about the wildcat strike, but our opinion on that strike itself hasn't anything to do with our opinion about the attitude of the Hamlet editor's visitor.

We feel, along with the News-Messenger editor, that a newspaper has not only the right but the responsibility to publish any advertisement "duly received and paid for so long as that advertisement does not violate the moral code, is not anti-American or otherwise subversive, is from a reputable person or business concern, and does not violate the law in any other manner...

escalator clauses must be worked out to protect traders, processors, manufacturers, distributors and retailers all along the line. Since most of them operate on a percentage mark-up basis, the price of the finished product will increase much more than the price for the raw material.

Other factors—shortages of labor, fertilizer, insecticides, and machinery—may well be more influential than price in discouraging the farmer from producing more.

In considering this question, one cannot isolate cotton from the whole domestic economy. The same pressure being applied by the cotton bloc Congressmen is being applied by the Congressmen who look after the growers of our other basic agricultural commodities...

PRODUCERS SHOULD REALIZE TV PAST EXPERIMENT STAGE

NEW YORK (UPI)—Producers of television news are not unconscious of the boons of gracious living it has brought them...

LOGIC

PERHAPS the spectacle of Mr. A. B. (Happy?) Chandler, who is reported to have offered his head for batting practice if the people who run major league baseball will only let him be commissioner again, has rattled ordinary thinking on a subject...

Chinese Straws In The Wind May Be Hard To Interpret

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

THE CRISIS in Asia is clearly approaching another turning point as important as the Chinese intervention in Korea...

Under these circumstances, it is natural that Mao Tse-Tung should have hurried to Moscow to discuss the altered outlook with the masters of the Kremlin...

Unfortunately, the American policy-makers in the United States are in the position of being pretty sure that this meeting has taken place, without knowing what decisions were reached...

One of the most striking of these reports is an analysis of recent developments in China by experienced military observers there, the gist of which became known here during the visit of Premier Chen Yen...

But there have certainly been renewed danger signals on China's southern borders. Chinese units have appeared in the remote tribal corners of North Burma...

There is evidence that the Chinese army in Yunnan is passing supplies to the Burmese Communist guerrillas in Siam. There are warnings of a coup d'etat which would overthrow the present pro-Western government in favor of a China-linked regime...

Discouraged by their misfortunes in Korea, the Chinese may seek a serious settlement there, in which case the rest of Asia may be considered as temporarily safe. The need of Communist China for their position in Korea by withdrawing enough to shorten their supply lines...

'I Haven't Changed Anything Except The Crew'



People's Platform McCarthy's Contribution

Editorial: The News: WITH reference to your editorial, "A New Low In McCarthyism," you did not tell us what Senator McCarthy's "motives" are...

American people can read in their newspapers from day to day about the trials and convictions of the people McCarthy has been trying to get out of our responsible Government positions...

NOTE: The News has received one other letter about this one about the McCarthy editorial. It bears what appears to be a pseudonym, unlisted in the city or telephone directories...

A Word From Montequieu Editorial: QUOTATION from Montequieu, Volume I, Book 27: "If an enemy strikes any American community and even its support and preservation, consists in every man's being allowed to speak his thoughts..."

But as the people have a certain knowledge of the necessity of submitting to the Russian yoke, they pay them from the well founded hope of their discontinuance; their burdens are heavy, but they do not feel their weight; while in other states the

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

THE man who really dominates cabinet meetings these days is not the President but Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson. Truman is so fond of Wilson personally, so determined to give him complete power...

Cabinet Meetings Dominated By Wilson

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From The Baltimore Evening Sun

organized baseball is not yet widely held. But there is a certain logic in the approach that is hard to deny. One Judge, Mr. Kenesaw Mountain Landis, was eminently successful. One Senator, Mr. Chandler, has been unsuccessful. Ergo—go to the judiciary and see what might as well get somebody really good.

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