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Participants Of The Press

Fulton Lewis Jr., III

(This is the third of three articles on Fulton Lewis Jr. of The Providence, R. I. Journal.)

MY INTEGRITY as a reporter had never been questioned before.

In a sense, this statement made by Fulton Lewis Jr. in 1947, was a reflection on his integrity as a reporter.

Up to that time his integrity as a reporter had been attacked many times.

The fifteen-week study of Lewis broadcasts showed that more than 75 per cent of all his program contained statements that could be regarded as misleading.

The parish and rural scene of the nation's high-pressure Federal Housing Expediter, Mr. Wilson Wyatt, who was going to cure the postwar housing shortage by diverting a \$50,000,000 project of metal prefabricated housing, came to an abrupt end of the road today.

A student of Lewis' reporting might recall that: "The violent and indignant attack which young Mr. Wyatt made against me..."

Lewis failed to remind his listeners that the government had arrested a certain war-surplus factory go to the American business press...

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Now To Cut Down On Those Damn Democracies



NEW INTEREST IN CONSOLIDATION

A FEW weeks ago a local newspaper ran a picture taken inside the County Courthouse. It showed the door to one of the County offices being held open by the lady's bulky Institute of Women Voters reports was consolidation.

ing examination of consolidation possibilities. They have not yet adopted consolidation of the health departments as an objective; they have decided to postpone every part of the Institute's survey to determine whether consolidation is feasible.

ATHLETIC SCANDALS EVOKE A MEMORY

MORE than fifteen years ago—in December, 1935—Dr. Frank P. Graham and the presidents of five Southern Conference institutions met in Washington to plan which, they believed, would keep college athletics in the amateur class and avoid the twin evils of over-emphasis and professionalization.

tragically clear that it is even more valid today. Somehow a system must be devised to keep intercollegiate athletics on a sane and sensible level.

Critics charged that the Graham Plan was naive—and indeed, some sections do appear naive when read against the background of today's high-powered and distorted athletic system—a system that measures a coach by his ability to win games, and his ability to win games by his skill at buying or otherwise enticing the most promising young recruits for his precious squad.

Such an outcome may spare the majority of U. S. colleges from the ravages of this disease. But it will be, at best, a partial solution since, by surrendering to the primary interest of the athletic system, it will be an abject confession by educators of their inability to apply such civilized instruments as intellect, reason, and determination.

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

FOR three generations, William Randolph Hearst set his own limits in exercising what is traditionally known as the "power of the press." To this vast influence, he also contributed a fabulous personality of striking contrasts, ardent devotion, and violent hates.

print photographs of Negro leaders and educators. Years later when it was obvious that he would no longer achieve high election office, his editorial policy switched completely around and he became the "jockeyman" for an intense "nationalism."

His hates were powerful and dreadful things to encounter. He destroyed the lawyer, Bill Fallon, for personal reasons, with the same intensity that he went after Woodrow Wilson and the League of Nations, and with the same disastrous result.

Time alone will decide whether the new techniques and methods he introduced into journalism cancel out the damage his brand of editorial irresponsibility and sensationalism have done a great profession.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Ground

(During Drew Pearson's absence in Europe, his staff will contribute an occasional column from Washington.)

EVEN as Congress is considering another \$307 million appropriation for China, this column has uncovered shocking and disturbing evidence about the \$125 million that has been received from the American taxpayers. The indisputable fact is that huge sums have disappeared into private bank accounts.

Whidemen Grab Hunks Of China Aid

\$596,620.77. However, this was later scaled down to \$448,708.33.

The contract called for payment to be made in U. S. dollars "concurrently with the receipt of Chinese negotiable promissory notes in the Bank of China on Oct. 1, 1947. Yet General Chou kept hogging over minor details, and delaying the payment for three years.

Overdue Payment

ON June 16, 1948, the Office of Foreign Liquidation hired a private accountant in Manila, Philippines, Maj. David Hsiung, demanding: "We request that action be taken to reimburse this office in the amount of \$448,708.33 as quickly as possible, since this amount has been outstanding since 1946."

Washington Pipeline

JOHN DUNLAP has recommended the dismissal of four of his top aides—for covering up tax scandals. He has sent his recommendations to the White House... A Pentagon team en route to Korea to recover the money...

People's Platform

Letters should be brief, written on one side of the paper. The writer's name must be signed, but may be withheld from publication at the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

Driver Age Limit Hit CHARLOTTE. I believe that the complaints from a few people around the Freedom Park area are unjust, I hate to believe that model flying is a hobby that should be discouraged...

No Place To Fly CHARLOTTE. I HAVE a problem which needs some immediate action. My nine year old son, Bob, has been selected by the Plymouth Manufacturers to represent Charlotte and the State of North Carolina in their model plane contest at Detroit on Aug. 25-29, 1951.

Append said that the superior officer that Lewis spoke to every day during the period in question said Jordan never mentioned uranium compounds, atomic plants, Harry Hopkins or any of the story.

There, he reported some Russian pilots bringing furs into the United States without paying duty.

That was Fulton Lewis Jr., reporting through middlemen in an attempt to buy \$250,170 worth of aviation gasoline. Yet the Nationalists have a procurement office in Washington that could have made the purchase much easier.

Not-in-another case, the Chinese Nationalists went through three middlemen in an attempt to buy \$250,170 gallons of aviation gasoline.

This let the money that was originally appropriated to pay for the surplus equipment, still in the Bank of China, on Oct. 18, 1948.

Let's see now, how many "shoping days to Christmas"—Fort Myer (F.M.) News-Press.

Nothing can hold liquor as well as a bottle—Pure Oil News.

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