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Notes For A Letter To Stalin

COMMUNIST DREW PEARSON, honorary Presidential Candidate Emulating Stalin of Russia in the interest of better relations between the Soviet Union and the United States...

Mr. Pearson took his typewriter in hand to sound out Stalin... He is naturally an American Friendship Train for the Russian children...

The columnist is uncertain that Premier Stalin will answer his letter, or that he will even read it. He doesn't have the special standing with Communists which Henry A. Wallace enjoys...

Despite Mr. Pearson's smaller political prestige to the Communists, and despite the simplicity of the Pearson plan as compared with the Wallace program...

The Lady Needs Scrubbing

AN Interior Department appropriations bill now pending before the Congress would remedy one of the most scandalous items in the Federal Budget...

Of late, however, the Lady of Bedoes has gotten in a dowdy way. The half-million yearly visitors to her New York Harbor island home...

The Armed Services An Opportunity

GOOD pay, security and a chance for advancement. These are the inducements offered by our armed services...

There is no use for us to apologize. We have done the best we could. It has turned out badly. But we have hopes for our sons and trust and believe that they can do

From The Greensboro Daily News

South's Problem No. 1

THE South has always had plenty of problems, but the most difficult and damaging one still is the drain of brains, the loss of many of its most intelligent and best trained young men and women to other parts of the country...

Population statistics show that slightly more than 1,500,000 Southerners have left their section of the country since 1940. Many were in war work and some will drift back to the area...

What can the South do about this? The answer is obvious. Provide more opportunities. What is the South doing about it? It is becoming more industrialized...

Mr. Stalin goes off half-cocked again. The main thing they want to get the Premier is that he is making a great mistake if he continues to encourage the practice of corresponding with division...

Our second point for Premier Stalin is that there are not many Americans who share the Wallace or the Pearson view that we have not amply demonstrated our desire for friendship with the Russians...

Our third point is that the time for a united demonstration of a change of policy on Russia's part is running out fast. Until the Soviet takes advantage of the numerous opportunities that exist for cooperative action through the United Nations...

The remaining ten acres of Bedoes Island look like an abandoned junkyard. There are the remains of some huts and some temporary barracks left behind by the Army and WPA. Piles of cinders are scattered everywhere...

The services offer as good an education as any other. But natural and human wealth are the things from which technological, capital and institutional wealth are made. The last are what the bright young men and women who stay home produce...

Local Police Court fines are 50 per cent higher for the first four months of 1948 than for the same period in 1947. Inflation has thus appeared in still another unexpected place...

A MYSTERIOUS organization, called the Foundation for Economic Freedom, has been formed at Washington, D.C. Its program is aimed at entering the European Recovery Program...

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People's Platform

Lift The Arms Embargo

MORGANTON Editors: The News: LITERATION and re-literation is needed to bring the people of the world to the realization that Israel can buy arms to defend herself.

Every bullet, every shell, every tank, and every plane is indirectly being supplied by us through the money Britain has begged from us, which in turn she is parceling out to her puppets to carry out her will.

Yet this vile, detestable creature who poses as a man—Britain states his intention of carrying out this diabolical plan to wipe out Israel with U. S. money, supposedly supplied to hold up his collapsing Colossus, but used partially to subdue a people's fight for freedom.

Major Lyal Wilks, Laborite member of Parliament, certainly not an anti-Britisher, in a letter to The London Times states: "Does public opinion in America appreciate that every tank and airplane now being used by the Arabs has been supplied from the United Kingdom?"

By OVID A. MARTIN Associated Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON THE lowly spud threatens once again to cause food officials, farm leaders and possibly politicians much headache during the next four months. Potato supplies are expected by Agriculture Dept. officials to be short by at least 20,000 bushels by the end of July.

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Secret New Lobby Formed To Weave ERP

WASHINGTON Several other dinners have been held, but Reed has been busy with his new lobbying contacts. He is now in New York, where he is working with a group of men who are trying to block appropriations for Europe.

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The Optimists Say Thanks

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HICKORY Editors: The News: THE following is a resolution passed at the meeting of the N. C. Optometric Society held in Charlotte April 18-20:

Whereas the City of Charlotte has served as the site of the 1948 Convention of the North Carolina State Optometric Society, and whereas numerous individuals and organizations have contributed to the pleasure and success of the meeting, therefore, be it resolved that the North Carolina State Optometric Society express its appreciation to those individuals and organizations.

Whereas the press of Charlotte and the Hotel Charlotte have been most cooperative in making this a successful convention, therefore, be it resolved that the North Carolina State Optometric Society go on record as expressing its thanks and appreciation to the press and the Hotel Charlotte for their cooperation in making this convention a success.

THE People's Platform is available to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications should be less than 300 words, typewritten if possible, and must be accompanied by a return address. Libel and obscenity will be deleted—otherwise anything goes. Each letter must be signed although in exceptional cases and upon request we will withhold the writer's name—Editors, The News.

Too Many Potatoes Farm Price Support Issue

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The Government has been trying to get farmers to produce fewer potatoes. Farmers actually have cut down on potato acreages, but the use of more fertilizer, better seed stock, and improved insecticide have increased yields per acre.

Deep John L. Lewis

Deep and devious are the ways of John L. Lewis. He is now in a position to make a political bid for the Presidency. The other day a list of names of men appearing in the paper, it is said that Ray Edmondson, formerly of United Mine Workers District 12, Illinois, had been given a job as

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A COMMUNIST leader gets to the top the way a man gets to be a bank president. He has to be the most successful in the party for a number of reasons: 1. He must have a cold belief that Communism is best for mankind.

The report shows that. The average age of those 508 leaders is 46. Many had not been workers. At least 100 were in the U.S.A. and the Pacific.

SCHOOLING MEN Among them are a lot of professional men: Teachers, architects, engineers, lawyers, and economists. Nearly half have been imprisoned, many more than once.

GRADES OF FOUR has been active as a labor organizer, about one out of three as a Communist Party member, and at least one out of four has done some fighting against the Communist Party.

They have played the game of world revolution for years with the eyes of the world on them. On the board or only momentarily withheld.

Stewart Alsop Cat And Mouse

BERLIN EVERY new arrival in Berlin U.S. complains of a sense of unreality. The city is so different from the moldy-trunked backdrop of the runed city, the life of the American suburb, complete with hot dogs, urinalysis and a steady flow of tourists.

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German Nationalism

THE way in which German nationalism is being used to further Soviet ends is generally realized. It encourages German nationalism (which needs precious little encouragement) the Soviets have encouraged German nationalism.

THE Soviet campaign to correct this situation by forcing the Western powers out of course already well under way. There has been nothing

Lewis's Candidates

LAST year Gov. Green came near committing political suicide with Illinois miners and labor general when 111 miners voted for him. He was re-elected but protested that mine conditions were bad, and after a State mine inspector had reported that the mine should be closed, Gov. Green was re-elected.

GOP Nepotism

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