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Notes For A Letter To Stalin

consequence to the Communists, and despite the simplicity of the Pearson plan as compared with the Wallace program, we have a notion that the master of the Kremlin will look favorably on the Friendship Train proposal and reply. For that reason, we hasten to set down these notes before

COLUMNIST DREW PEARSON, emulations of the presidential Candidate Henry A. Wallace, has written an open the interest of effect relations between the Soviet Union and the United States. His letter, published in The News yesterday, tempts us to defer our work cents' worth to the cause of getting Stalin straightened out on his American affairs.

Mr. Pearson took his typewriter in hinds to sound out Stalin on the idea of an American Friendship Train for the Russian children a relief project that is intended to prove to Stalin and his people "that the American people "wan" of fair. That we are written that the stall, even read it. He docen't have the special standing with Communists which Henry A. Wallace enjoys, so naturally he docen't expect that his open letter will receive the same special treatment that was accorded to Wallace a few days after the latter his original to Wallace a few days after the latter his original to Wallace a few days after the latter his original to Wallace a few days after the latter his original to the Communists, and despite the same pecial transmit that was accorded to Wallace a few days after the latter his original to the communists which conserved the Pearson plan as commended to the Russian and American Despite Mr. Pearson's smaller political consequence to the Communists, and despite the simplicity of the Pearson plan as compared with the Wallace program, we compared with the Wallace program, we compared with the Wallace short program to the communists, and despite the simplicity of the Pearson plan as compared with the Wallace program, we construct the subject takes advantage of the communities which we have a considered the United New Yallace program we will be with the Wallace when the work of the Wallace and the Wallace Allace and the Wallace and the Wa

Until the Soviet takes advantage of the numberless opportunities that exist for cooperative action through the United Nations and the regular diplomatic channels, it seems to us that private plans for friendship gestures and open letters to Stalin are
out of order.

The Lady Needs Scrubbing

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An Interior Department appropriations
bill now pending before the Congress
would remedy one of the minor scandals
of our time. For 62 years the Statue of
Liberty has symbolized in the minds of
the world the sprawling, brawling and
wealthy land at whose doorstep she stood.
She was America's official greeter to the
millions of soldiers returning from European battlefronts, spelling out to the
soldiers returning from European battlefronts, spelling out to the
homesick JoI as he strained for the first
glimpse of native shores the nation's hearty
"Well done and welcome home!"
Of late, however, the Lady of Bedloes
has gotten in a dowdy way. The halfmillion yearly visitors to her New York
Harbor island home find the colosiaus
standing inconguously amidst untidy rubble and deteriorating shacks. Only two
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unstructive refreshment stand and a
shabby pier for the little boat that brings
tourists from Manhattan's Battery Park.

The remaining ten acres of Bedloes 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 about. In between are tin cans and

tered about. In between are tin cans and miscellaneous eyesores.

The Interior Department bill would provide \$500,000 for the sorely-needed clean-up job. Under National Park Service plans hard-surfaced walks will replace the old cinder paths, new sea walls will be built, the whole island landscaped with green the whole island landscaped with green than the status.

intaily a neating system will of instance.

In the name of the nameless and number-less refuges for whom the sight of the statue meant sanctuary: in the name of two generations of American soldiers who knew that they were home again and why knew that they were home again and why they went to Europe, when they saw her flaming torch; in the name of a great lady who cherishes her self-respect; let's give her a beauty treatment.

The Armed Services An Opportunity

"GOOD pay, security and a chance for advancement." What more could any young man want? These are the inducements offered by our armed services. Eighty per cent of the U. S. budget for the fixed year 1984 is in payment for past the fixed year 1984 is in payment for past many the second payment of the past of the fixed year. Eighty-five per cent of total Federal budgets aime 1915 have been for war or preparation for payment of war. These are facts which we all must deplore, but which should be driven home jinto the consciousness of each of us, particularly the "rising" generation which will have to fight the battles and reconstruct the mess we have made of the world.

world., .

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

better than we did.

The profession of arms is one which is alien to our scheme of things, but it is one which, when we had to, we could do as well as any other, and, judging from the results of our encounters, we have emerged not without success. At this time of full employment, the armed services are suffering comes these for any arms of the fact it is being a constant of a management of the fact is being a constant of a management of the services are suffering to the constant of the con

ployment, the armed services are suffering from a lack of manpower, a draft its being considered, and the young men who are coming of age should seriously consider the advantages offered by volunteering now for any of the branches of the armed

services.

The services offer as good an education as can be obtained in the colleges, as well as more personalized experiences. Any young man who does not seriously investigate making a career of the Army, the Navy or the Air Force is not being fair to himself.

From The Greensboro Daily News

South's Problem No. 1

North Carolina as-a part of the South shares in this prime problem. Its popula-tion has increased only 1.9 per cent since 1840, according to census reports, however hard it may be for a house hunter jo be-lieve it. Considering our high birth rate, it is evident that a lot of Tar Heels must have left for fields which looked greener to

have lett for Heuse Smith when them.
What can the South do about this? The answer its obvious. Provide more opportunities.
What is the South doing about 11? It is becoming more industrialized, although it needs to diversify more. It is encouraging

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.

Burke Davis in an article in the Baltimore Evening Sun entitled "Conserving the Mental Top Soil," asys: "Young men have always been one of the chief exports of the Southeast. In latter times it has seen uncounted thousands of its promising young college graduates stream my college graduates stream young college graduates stream young college graduates stream for the Southeast. In latter times it has seen uncounted thousands of its promising young college graduates stream young college graduates stream when the proposition of the country since 1940. Many were in war work and some will drift back but the trend is outward.

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North Carolina as-a part of the South and its principles and the south in general—has plenty of the first two and comparatively little of the last three. But natural and human wealth are the things from which technological, capital and institutional wealth are made capital and institutional

Local Police Court fines are 50 per cent Local Fouce Court fines are Su per cent, higher for the first four months of 1948 than for the same period last year. Inflation has thus appeared in still another unexpected place. The rate of fines has not been raised, so we suppose this is 141 as case of more people feeling able afford them. — Faducah (Ky.) Sun-Democrat.





People's Platform

Lift The Arms Embargo

-S. R. CHESLOCK.

TERATION and re-lieration is needed to bring forcefully before the public that U. S. money is being used to carry on the war in Pelestine by Abdullsh & Co. as the tool, but Bevin. of Britain, as the motive power behind the puppet. Every bullet, every shell, every tank, and every plane is indirectly being supplied by us through the money Britain has begsed from us, which in turn she is parcelling out to her puppets to carry out her will.

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

empty gesture? Life the arms embargo so that Israel can buy arms to defend herself!

The Optometrists Say Thanks

Editors. THE NEWS:

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

And the Nr. C. Optometric society need in Charlotte

"Whreas, the City of Charlotte has served as
host of the 1948 Convention of the North Carolina
State Optometric Society and whereas numeric
the pleasure and success of the meeting, therefore,
be I resolved that the North Carolina State Optomcividuals and organizations, preciation to those
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go on record as expressing its thanks and appreciajon and that the secretary be instructed to send a
and The Charlotte News and the Hotel Charlotte."

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-BEN B. BOSS, O. D., Acting Secretary N. C. State Opto-metric Society, Inc.

The People's Platform is available to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications should be less than 306 toods, typecoritien if should be less than 306 toods, typecoritien if billed and obscenity will be deleted-otherwise anythino goes. Each letter must be signed although, in exceptional cases and upon reguest, the will withhold the uriter's name. Editors, we will withhold the uriter's name. Editors,

Too Many Potatoes

Farm Price Support Issue

By OVID A. MARTIN Associated Press Staff Writer

THE lowly spud threstens once again to cause I sood officials, farm leaders and possibly politicals many head-chee during the next four months, part officials to start flowing to market within a few via a volume far above consumer needs. If the control of the c

The cost to Uncle Sam in the past two years exceeded \$125,000,000.

prices intended to be equally fair to farmers and tuers of farm products.

Farm leaders fear that a serious postes surpusports program that Congress might vote lower guarantees than the 60 to 50 per cent of parity shared by the program that Congress might vote lower guarantees than the 60 to 50 per cent of parity shared by the program that Congress might vote lower guarantees than the 60 to 50 per cent of parity shared by the program that Congress was presented as the configuration of the program of the program of the program of the products and the parity price is higher—since farm costs have risen compared to the postess however the products how the products have the products how the products have the products how the products have t

parity price is higher—since farm costs have rishen. Some of the postates busylit by the Government will be diverted into livestock, feed, alcohol, and other buy-products. But because of a shortage of processing facilities, officials said some of the sputs. Potates moving to market this Spring and Summer contain a high percentage of moisture and are thus very prefatable, has been trying to get farmers to produce fewer postatoes. Farmers actually have to do not be a support of the product of the product down on postato acreages, but the use of more fertilizer, better seed stock, and improved insectucions have increased yields per acre.

James Marlow

Men Of Communism

WASHINGTON

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A COMMUNIST leader gets to
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work his way up. He may join the
party for a number of reasona;
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The report shows this: The average age of those 506 leaders is 46.

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Stewart Alsop

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tionalism is being used to further the median ends to organizally realtion of the median region of the median region in the median region is not the median region of the median region of the median support financially a political party called the "Nationalis Bourteen as a haven for ex-Nais, Yetthe chief Soviet maximum is the Communitation People's Congress.
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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Secret New Lobby Formed To Wreck ERP

Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON

PRIOR to the Wiscensin primary, in which Gen MacArthur's Presidential, ambitions took their severest joil,
no Demoratic leaders were entimusated about MacArhur's

Shortly before the Wisconsin balbottan, bowever, they feel
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who has particultary apent two long years in Japan prosections. During the visit Keenan told Preedent. Truman
about a conversation he had had with Gen. MacArthur an
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the National Autport, drive to the While House, report to the
President Truman agreetly integered, remarked that if
was tempted to send for him right aquy.

N. NOTE—More recently President Truman has sent word
to MacArthur dovising him that he is welcome to regirm to
the United States any time he chooses, if he wants for edanger our interests there. However, the President has
made it clear to MacArthur that he will not exercise his
authority as Commander-in-Chief to order him nome.

Secret New Lobby

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MySTROIDS organization, called the Poundation for
A Ecpnomic Education, has set up a viscorous leibe aimed
at werefuln the European Recovery Program. It is now
how entertaining Congressmen, writing statements for them
Brains behind the movement is Loonard Read, hought
to Washington last month by New York's Republican Rep,
about 33 Congressmen, at the fashington leiber Hotel,
the has now organized a spatished of itselfationst Congress—

mes who are 17thg to block appropriations for Burney Sweral other dinners have been said. But Brech has kept discretely in Intle background. His centact man is Percy Graves, forcer assistant to Sen. Owen Brewster, who now makes Gwinn office his needingularies: substantiats lobby include John Phillips of Californis. A. L. Miller of Netraska, Howard Buffert of Nebraska, Max Schwabe of Miscouri, Lawrence Smith of Wiscourin, Frederick Smith of Ohio and Issued statements containing identical paragraphs. The material is prepared for them by Reed, migneographed by a stenographic service and delivered to them by Graves. Reed statements containing identical paragraphs.

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DEEP and devious are the ways of John L. Lewis.
The other day a little notifeed news item appeared in the
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Mine Workers' District 12. Illinois, had been given a job as
director of the Kansas City office of District 5.

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WHEN Rep. Runt" Bishop of Illinois heard that a cripple,
WLODNIE Franklin, was being fired as Democratic House
outselves in order to create a loin for the son of Rep. Leo
Allen, also of Illinois, Bishop remarked:

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What Rep. Bishop didn't know was that the crippide
doriesper had been doing dod jobs for Bishop without pay,
On that very day he had taken home 7,000 envelopes to
address for the Illingic Congressional after hours.