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Trade Is What Russia Needs

As this page frequently has reiterated, trade may be the key to unlock the iron wall of isolation around Russia. A U.S. News and World Report survey of the things Russia has and what it needs shows that the USSR is one of the backward areas of the world, a nation with 52,-000,000 more people than the United States and 4,686,000 more square miles of land than the United States, but not much else.

The land and population supremacy of the Soviets has tended to make people that Russia is a tremendously strong competitor for the U.S. That Russia has twice as much iron ore as the U. S., more manganese, bauxite, and considerable coal and petroleum has strengthened that fear. Actually, Russia is much weaker than the U.S.

. Its iron, coal and other minerals are in the ground and production facilities are inferior. Its supply of skilled workers is short. The land area figures are misleading because much of Russian territory is frozen, swampy or desert; there are only about 100,000,000 mor acres of arable land in Russia than the U.S.

Transportation is a fundamental Russian weakness Railroads and rolling stock are poor, highways cannot compare to America's. The U.S. has 37,240,000 more motor vehicles than Russia, better airline service. Communications is another Russian bottleneck. Mail is undependable, there are few telephones outside the large cities (Americans have 3,500,000 more telephones than Russians).

Russia's industrial output is still 6 per cent below 1940 levels. It produces less steel, coal, oil electric power than the United States.

The result of poor distribution is a Russian standard of living that is lower than anywhere else in Europe. The average Russian has 65 square feet of housing compared to the Amer-Ican's 280 square feet. Bathfubs, running water, redio, television, motion pictures are luxuries limited to rich city dwellers. Black bread Is the average Russian's daily menu and he is always hard up for a new suit of clothes,:

To give the average Russian anything near the kind of life enjoyed even in austere Britain (American standards are utopian, indeed) would require trade with the West. Even when such aspirations are condemned as treason, the yen to keep up with the Joneses is pretty universal. Today, the United States is the Joneses, setting the pace for the rest of the world, and the average Russian would be only too glad to copy our capitalist-built two-bedroom house, with bath and radio, four-door sedan, and chicken or steak every Sunday,

Trade with the West is probably the only way he can get what he wants, so Russia may soon be willing to softly talk business and leave the big stick at home.

Pot Pitching Pebbles

Russia throwing stones at the Atlantic pact Is like the pot calling the kettle black.

The agreement between the Western nations is a multilateral pledge of mutual aid. It is the kind of regional treaty allowed by the United Nations Charter, but the soviets have kicked up a howl of protest, asserting that it is just a roster of the team aimed at aggression against the communist "people's democracies."

making. Since 1943, the USSR has worked quietly to line up the members of its own organization, terming these alliances as simple friendly gestures between its ever-loving satel-

Czechoslovakia was the first to sign a treaty with Russia in 1943. In 1945, Poland and Yugoslavia joined the list; Hungary, Bulgaria and Finland entered agreements with Russia in 1948. These arrangements all tied the satellites firmly to the Kremlin.

To complete the interlocking set-up, the gatellites have made alliances among themselves: Yugoslavia signed treaties with Poland, Czechoslovakia and Albania in 1946; with Bulgaria, Hungary and Rumania in 1947. Czech-Polish, Bulgar-Albanian pacts were made in 1947. Last year Bulgaria got together with Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Hungary; Hungary signed with Rumania and Poland; Rumania joined with the Czechs. This year the circle was strengthened with pacts between Poland and Rumania, Czechoslovakia

There's considerable difference between the treaty-making in the East and West. The Atlantic pact gives no single nation domination stretch yourselves, don't curl up and whine.

over the others but, rather aims to integrate the members into an economically harmonious group with some collective security. Russia wants agreement between but fears federation of the satellites, meanwhile keeping them all under the Kremlin's sore thumb. Still, the basic purpose of these East and West alliances is the same: making nations commit themselves on the side of East or West.

So the old proverb might be changed to: Let him who is without treaties, get the moss off

A Day to Abolish Old Maids

Mother had her day in May: l'ather's is coming up this month, and National Baby Week was duly observed by merchants delighted to part with numerous items for infants to wear or tear into. Now a Pennsylvania spinster is campaigning to have June 4 set aside as Old Maid's Day. In fact, she and a few score other feminine members of the elderly unmarried set celebrated the occasion in several east coast cities.

It is fitting indeed to give proper notice to the spinsters in the population. They are an institution without which most families simply could not do. Who is always on call as a baby sitter whose only remuneration is the child's affection? Who is always willing to provide bed and board for the family pet while its owners are on vacation? Who is the confidential depositary of everyone's secrets and the generous dispensator of gratuitous advice? Who visits the afflicted, cheers the woebegone, bandages the scraped knee and always remembers birthdays? Why, the Maiden Aunt, of course.

Perhaps the best way to express our regard for her, the family's favorite spinster, would be to do away with her as quickly as possible, Not by mayhem or murder! Not by declaring an Old Maid's day' But by setting aside a Day to Abolish the Maiden Aunt-with the view of calling attention to all her virtues and accomplishments, especially the attention of bachelors who ought quickly to reduce the ranks of spinsters.

Loss in Portland Symphony

Not Portland alone, the whole state suffers from the decision to discontinue the Portland Symphony orchestra. It has been the principal musical organization of the area and under Conductor Werner Jensen gave performances of superior quality. The Portland concerts attracted music-lovers from over the state and the nearby portion of Washington; and the orchestra journeyed to other points, including Salem to present concerts. Now they are ended, and the hope of early revival as dim. It is a sad commentary on our culture that we can provide mass entertainment, make money out of sports, sustain dog racing and indulge liberally in luxuries, but can't seem to maintain a fine orches-

Questions of location should not kill off the new highway to Silverton. At present the old road is in bad shape and repairs or replacements are urgently needed. State and county engineers should get together and agree on a location and push the road through. This is a very important secondary highway whose improvement has been put off too long. Get the job done this No such spotlight fell on Russia's own pact- summer.

> The Chinese reds gave a partial answer to the question whether they would trade with the west or not. They pungled up \$100,000 worth of gold bullion to pay for a tanker-load of fuel oil needed to keep the Shanghai power plant running. Sure they'll trade; but it will be pretty much of a cash-on-the-barrelhead exchange for the time being.

> A camera has been invented which exposes and develops a film and makes a print in the space of a minute. That's just what the news photogs have been looking for. Now if someone would invent a one-minute process for making engravings newspaper art would really be on a short-order basis.

Papers are getting some fun out of the fact: that the governor of Florida is coming to California for a bride. Judging by her picture though, he didn't pick a California lemon.

Dean G. W. Gleeson told graduates at OSC they will sacrifice unlimited opportunities if they emphasize "security." In other words,

Arabs Need Red China's Green Tea

By James D. White

SAN FRANSCISCO, June 12 -Red China grows green tea, and this is important to France. It seems that the Arabs of French Morocco and Tunisia insist on green tea and will have no other. They "grow restless" say the French, when they can't

They probably "grow restless" for other reasons, too - including French reasons - but anyway France has sent a man to Shanghai to see about buying green tea from Red China, the main source for green tea.

France also would be interested in reaching some understanding with Red China about Indo China. It is just south of China and has a revolt going on since 1945 against French rule.

This revolt is lead by a local communist named Ho Chi-Minh. If the French are not worried about his getting help some day from Red China they have completely lost their touch.

They haven't of course, which is one reason they talk about green tea as they seek trade relations with Red China. Diplomatic relations usur ly follow the

trade with Red China is not by any means confined to France. Speaking of tea, China used to sell most of her surplus to Russia, pressed in bricks like plug tobacco. Recently, however, the

Soviets have grown more and

urge to trade, and the urge to

more of their own tea in southern Yet last week Moscow was reported to have detailed former foreign Minister Molotov to

direct Russian policy towards This job would be bigger than it sounds. We might think that it should be simple to keep com-

munist China friendly to communist Russia. Outwardly, yes, but in the light of history the two countries

don't mix much. Now, however, China is going communist, and this changes the picture in more ways than one. China has more than twice as many people as Russia, and already has a communist party

If a small satellite like Yugoslavia can give Moscow a headache, what about a big, unmanageable place like China?

about half as big as that in Rus-

Russia is supposed to be the center of the communist world. What if China outstripped her particularly in appeal to near-

ly 700 million other Asiatics whom Russia hopes to influence? Could the Red hierarchy in Moscow tolerate communist authority spreading from any other center? Can Russia be sure China will always follow the true word

from the Kremlin?

China needs many things that she cannot get from Russia machines and technical help on

many kinds. China also has things to sell, such as green tea for those who insist upon it. She has antimony to strengthen the type this is printed with, hog bristles for paint brushes, casings for sausages, tungsten for electric lamps and steel alloys, and a number of other things the world is used to buying from her.

As expected, Red China wants to trade, and also as expected, the world's merchants want to trade with her.

If Soviet Russia has given the Chipa policy job to Molotov, it because the job of keeping China the approved shade of Red will be a very big one.



"More production is the answer to a slump, Jenkins! . . . from now on, 95 instead of 70 sandwiches come out of a five-pound ham."

Henry Warms Up to Battle **Bulls in Spain**

By Henry McLemore NEW YORK, June 12-If it is possible for a man to have four jokers in his mental deck, then I have them.

I a convinced of this, and when I finish this column I am going out to shop for a nice, cool, cut-on-the-bias, summer-weight straight jacket for myself.

am still partially lucid. Ye s terday I read a magazine article about pygmies. Today, high

Let me ex-

plain, while I

in New York's Chrysler Building. I booked a trip on Panl Americar World, Airways

which will take me to the Belgian Congo, the home of the pyg-

Now why in the world did I do that? Don't ask me. I don't know. I have lived 42 years without pygmies, and all of a sudden I feel that I must meet of the little fellows. wouldn't be quite so absurd if pygmies were to be found as close, say, as Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, or Dallas. But I am going all the way to Leopoldville, which is an overnight trip from New York on the map alone, to watch pygmies skip and prance in the jungle.

Why couldn't I have felt an urge to meet some Three-Eye League baseball players, or some St. Louis barbers, or some Boston street sweepers? I could have gone and seen them and have been back home in a week, but this trip I've arranged won't get me home until it is almost time to hang up my stocking for Santa Claus to fill

I'm taking off early in July, and the first town I will horrify will be Lisbon. I understand that Lisbon is just about the most expensive city in the world today, and that a man is lucky if he can get by on fifty American dollars a day. As my budget for the entire trip is scarcely more than that, I have been trying to figure out how I could afford to stay in Lisbon more than 13 minutes, and I think I have the perfect plan.

Lisbon, as you doubtless know, is the world's center of espionage, so I am going to pose as an American, high in atomic bomb circles, and get foreign agents to wine and dine me in the hope of extracting a secret or two

I shall register at Lisbon's leading hotel under the name of Professor Henry Plutonium Mc-Lemore, and give my address as Oak Ridge, Tennessee, And when dining and wining in the most plush cafes, I shall continually refer to B-36, B-39, the B-1 vitamin and all other B's imaginable. I trust that the foreign agents who seek me out will be wellheeled and ready to spend freely on the gabby "American Profes-

From Lisbon I go to Dakar, then to Johannesburg, where I hope to root around in those diamond mines and pick myself up a pocketful of carats. After wearing out my welcome in South Africa, I hop to Madrid, where I hope an offer to fight a few bulls will bring me in enough money to continue on to Rome, Florence and Paris.

I have never fought a bull, but between now and my departure I am going to take up the art of being a matador. No. I am not foolish enough to start right off practicing on a real grown-up bull. I am going to start learning by waving a cape at a small animal - something FT. LEWIS MAN KILLED like a dachshund. They tell me that an angry dachshund is very fierce, and I hope by worki ing general at nearby Fort Lewis larger animals.

should be ready to enter the lane.

arena with perfect confidencegored to death.

what is going to happen to me on a much broader scale. there. I am going to be run over and trampled by 25,000 American school teachers spending a CVA Hearing

any of you want a pygmy, let me know the size you want. Frankly, I believe the best all-round size is two-foot-two, eyes of blue. But, of course, your taste



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which appear more vulnerable Columbia river basin. He told the to those with better prospects, committee he thought congress Utility stocks for example have should appropriate at least \$200,held their ground or advanced over the year.

There is some basis for the opinion that the current pessimism in Wall street is badly overdone. Some of the prices seem far too low in relation to current earnings and dividends. Actually the stock market never did capitalize on the war boom. Trading was generally quite restrained. The reported great increase in amount of stocks sold short reyeals the common tendency of traders to overdo; and when they start to cover prices will re-

In some respects the situation in the stock market shows a fundamental change in wealth pattern in this country. There has been a great increase in the quantity of securities offered the public, but the wealthy classes under prevailing systems of taxation are unable to carry them all. The class of small proprietors and artisans who now are "in the money" are not educated to buying stocks; yet they have a great reservoir of capital which ought to be employed in productive enterprise.

To what degree fear of the political future may affect the market I cannot say. On long range that may be more justified than fear as to the economic future of this country. Our economic sinews are fill strong and vibrant. Our political sinews are deteriorating under socialist penetration. That however is not of immediate general concern as far as the stock market goes. It will travel its own sweet way, and prove a false guide as often as a correct one.

At present business is tapering off, as was inevitable after the war boom. My own opinion, offered for what it is worth, is that the stock market is exaggerating the ills of business, present or in sight.

Better English By D. C. Williams

By D. C. Williams 1. What is wrong with this

sentence? "I value your patronage above any other." 2. What is the correct prounciation of "extricable"?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Oscilate, annihilate, ventilate. 4. What does the word "proneness" mean?

What is a word beginning with ha that means "calm, peace-ANSWERS

Say, "more than any other." 2. Pronounce with accent on first syllable, not the second. 3. Oscillate. 4. Inclination of mind. heart, or temper. "There was a certain proneness to self-gratifacation." 5. Halcyon.

CAMP MURRAY, Wash., June

12-(AP)-The aide to the commandwith one I will learn in minia- was killed and six soldiers were ture, so to speak, how to handle critically injured in a headon collision at camp entrance here early After the dachshund, I will today. Dead was C pt. Kermetn take on a bulldog, and after the Morrisette 28, of Monterey, Calif. bulldog, a Shetland pony, and State patrolmen said Morrisette's after the Shetland pony a cow. car, traveling northbound, sud-By the time I get to Madrid, I denly swerved into the southbound

By Lichty Demos Hold Judgment on Farm Program

DES MOINES, June 12 -(AP)-Anxious to hold 1948 election gains, midwest democratic leaders reserved the right tonight to propose changes in the Truman administration's controversial Brannan farm program.

A farm belt party spokesman made this clear as many top-ranking administration chieftains including Secretary of Agricultural Charles Brannan, author of the plan - arrived here for a twoday conference with democratic leaders from 16 midwestern states. The purpose of the meeting is

to plan strategy for next year's congressional campaign in a broad agricultural area that promises to be a major battleground for control of the next congress. Secretary Brannan believes a

new program he laid before congress recently will do the job. He will explain the plan tomorrow and give his reasons why he thinks it a good program - and a vote

Speaking for the midwestern leaders, James C. Quigley, Nebraska national committeeman and chairman of the democratic midwest conference of states, said his group would reserve judgment until they hear the secretary. In general, the plan would sup-

port farmer returns at considerconfident that the crowd will be ably higher levels than would the bored to death while I'm being so-called Aiken long-range farm law due to go into effect in 1950 I have made no plans for unless changed by congress, It Rome or Paris because I know would use government subsidies

I promise to bring every single one of my readers a souvenir. If Slates Krug as **First Witness**

WASHINGTON, June 12-(A)in pygmies may not be the same. The house public works committee will begin a hearing June 20 on the administration proposal to establish a Columbia Valley Administration in the Pacific north-

> Chairman Whittington (D-Miss.) announced today that Secretary of Interior Krug will be the first witness. He will be followed by Assistant Secretary Krug appeared before the sente public works committee two

weeks ago and urged enactment of

the bill to set up the CVA in the

000,000 a year to keep the CVA operating after it takes over Darold Satern the functions of the army engineers and the reclamation bureau Named Silverton

in the seven northwest states. The senate committee plans to Recreation Chief renew its hearings on the CVA this week, probably Wednesday or Thursday.

4-Story Fall Fatal to Man

PORTLAND, June 12 -(P)- A four story fall down a waterfront grain elevator shaft was fatal last night to Comfort H. Knapp, 63,

Portland. Police said A. C. Stoutenberg reported hearing the shaft cables rattling and looked around to see Knapp's body falling. Knapp was working on the seventh floor level and struck a ledge on the third floor level.

His skull was fractured and he was pronounced dead on being admitted to a hospital, the coroner's office reported.

SILVERTON, June 12-(Special) -Selection of Darold Satern, former Silverton high school baseball and basketball player, as summer recreation director here was announced Sunday by Wade Scott, president of Silverton Recreation

association. Satern, who just finished his junior year at Pacific Lutheran college, will head the program of playgrounds, softball and swimming which is to get under way in about 10 days.

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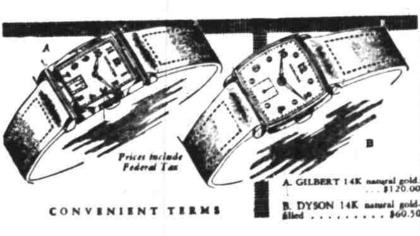
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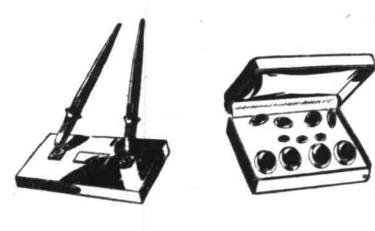
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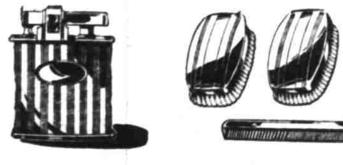
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