2. the length of agenda
2.2 the # changes
3. the according to the News

1. Journal report to the public, agency visit and journal
2. asking for information about the to Finished

6. what are the differences between the USA and USSR?
Use, except in the us. the living standard is a little
higher. freedoms are about the same. medical aid and
the educational system in the USSR is better than
in the USA.

Why did you go to the USSR?
I am a citizen of the U.S. (as a tourist) visiting a country which I have a perfect right to do. I was also interested in the people and how this system works
U.S. also about these letters? I made no secret of my visit to the USSR
I registered with the U.S. Embassy. My citizenship might have been of some importance
Did you make contact while in the USSR? Did
you what about that type reading? I made - mostly to
the various tourist sights visited by - in which I
spoke about sightseeing and which I had seen in my
tourist visits. I expressed delight in all the interesting places
I mentioned in the report to Kruschev, museums, etc.
Red Square, etc. Khrushchev's speech to closing session
especially by saying I hoped our people would live in harmony
3. Did you break laws of visiting or living work in the USSR
under U.S. law a person may lose his citizenship of the U.S. by entering
or serving in the armed forces of a foreign state or taking an
oath of allegiance to that state? I did none of these
4. Is it all work in the USSR considered state work?
No. Technically only plants working directly for the state
mostly defense. — all other plants are owned by the
workers who work in them.
5. What about statements you made to U.P.I. agent Mrs Healy in Moscow
I was approached ~~at the time~~ ~~by a reporter~~ in the hotel
just after I had formally notified the U.S. Embassy in
Moscow of my future residence in ~~Moscow~~ the USSR
by the newspaper agencies in Moscow including
U.P.I API and Tass etc. who were notified by the Embassy
I did not talk them. I answered questions and gave
statements to three members of U.P.I. I requested her to
let me O.K. her story before she released it which is the
polite and usual thing. ~~She~~ Her version of what I said
just after she sent it I originally called her a complete pack
this. It which this is apologized but said her editor had told
her had added several things. she said London was very upset
about the story they is now I believe that she had already

[illegible] so that would make that [illegible]
it. and I didn't object to the [illegible]
[illegible] out of the one I got in U.S.
to permit stay we finished [illegible]
4. why did you remain in the USSR for so long? you
[illegible] in the USSR [illegible]
[illegible] the Colony stating that I would like to go [illegible]
[illegible] (my passport was at the colony for extension) [illegible]
[illegible] wanted me to come for this purpose because [illegible]
me about 4 years to get a permit to leave the country,
[illegible] for reason. In this connection I talked [illegible]
from the local county to the Russian authorities
(the reasons are very [illegible] and should [illegible]
foreigns lived about the country [illegible]
when I did get to move the Colony [illegible]
me back my passport and advised me to [illegible]
get a exit visa from the reasons for myself and
my Russian wife. this long and [illegible]
[illegible] from July 1962 until ____ 1962, I [illegible]
you see about 1 year was spent in Tyrin to leave
the country. that's why I was there so long without [illegible]
7. are you a communist? have you ever been a communist?
no of course not, I have never even been a communist
outside of the ones in the USSR but you can't help that
8. what are the outstanding differences between the USA and USSR?
freedom of speech travel outspoken opposition to [illegible]
political freedom to believe in god.
[illegible] thank you sir; you are a real patriot!!

1. [illegible] are [illegible] of the
[illegible] corp in the US, as we [illegible]
[illegible] question could be [illegible]
[illegible] is in the [illegible] for [illegible]
which white organization has the [illegible]
and action? I if the corp? will it [illegible]
in morally wise it is one of [illegible]
well? the end of [illegible] where does [illegible]
sent, is not [illegible] ground for a [illegible]
so go in very [illegible] for the [illegible]
[illegible] will [illegible] [illegible]
a corp in the USA? [illegible] wise, a [illegible]
one of [illegible] and [illegible] is necessary. only
if [illegible] [illegible] and the [illegible] is
right wing infiltrated organization of dis patriotic
[illegible] to the [illegible] of the [illegible]. I agree with
former President Truman when he said that "the
Nazis corps should be abolished."

2. My second reason is that [illegible]
country wide institution know as segregation. It is
I think the action of the segregationist minority and
the great body of indifferent people in the [illegible]
who do the United States more harm in the eyes of
the worlds people, than the whole world communist
movement. so I look at this audience [illegible]
of white faces before me where are the negro
amongst you (are they siding with the [illegible])
surely if we are for democracy, let our fellow
negro citizens into this hall. make no mistake,
segregationist tendencies can be unlearned
I was born in new Orleans, and I know.

In russia I saw on several occasions at
an international meeting the greatest glory in the
sport field was brought to us by negros. Though
they take the gold metals from their Russian
competitors that negros know that when they
return to their own homeland they will have
to face blind hatred and discrimination,

The Soviet Union is made up of many
races and Europe and Asia and
dark skinned people yet they live
in brotherhood many people with different
and religion.

The symbol of the American way, the liberal American
in this country is in mist of a minority group and
influence and numbers is very limited and their rights
to speak are suffering control by special groups
as Communist Party U.S.A. has little freedom
to function openly but by abusing the rights and
supporting their right to speak in our country
a treasonous wing of our straight and likewise
treatment of this party recognizing this danger
and devote, is treading to our basic principles
of freedom of speech and press. This would be
unfortunate however misguided so matter how much the
American public abhorrence of them must be alert
to be avoid. After all the Communist Party U.S.A.
has spent and they are still a pitiful group by subject

4. standard - most of us read enough about
certain right wing groups to know how to
recognize them and guard against their treasonable efforts.
I would like to say a word about them, although
this is probably the American born persons in
the U.S. who should be personal aware to
know and therefore left and without encounter. I
would never become a pawn- ~~dupe~~ professional
anti-communist such as Robert Welch of Necessity
I would stay away from any of the many right wing fanatics.
Our two countries have much too often to end
others to be staring at each other through - in an alien
cold war. Both countries have major short comings
and advantages. But only in ours is the word of
dissent ~~that is accepted of that majority of dissent~~, although
opportunity of ~~speaking~~ in returning ~~to~~
to the U.S. I hope I have awoken a few fellow well
thinking and voters who are indifferent.

I have done nothing alot of critizing of our system
I hope you will take it in the spirit it was given.
in going to Russia I followed the old principle
"Do what ever the truth and do truth shall make you free"
In returning to the U.S. I had done nothing more than that

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9-8 description of Radio factory
3-4 [illegible], facts and conditions
5&- description of T.V. shop
7-8-9. background of shops
10-11 Industrial workers
12. cancelled of "collective"
13-15 Demonstrations and meetings.
15-16 factory workers up and people
17-18-19. Export of city of Minsk
20 tourist permits + "tourist"
21-22 passports
23 collective farms and school
24. Vacations
25. Student quarters and dorit.
26. population fig. and textbooks
27. figs. for books for. books.
28. newspapers
29. Films
30. 15 films a day T.V. (BACK OVER. 30-35 HISTORIC DIARY. (COM.) 29-23)
31. T.V. + Radio
32 Radio
33 opera and museums
34. Y.C.L.
35. Y.C.L People police
36. central committe + Min.
37-39 Corruption in USSR
40. ~~Elections~~ virgin land "Victories"
41. Elections
42. No army
43. Army
44. Cafes
45. DESTR. OF MON. IN STALIN IN 1961

New work commenced.

SUN. NOV 2. MRS
MON. NOV 15. —

FOOT W. MRS
SUN. NOV. 1. RENT B.FFLE.
MON.

The capital of Byelorussia has 12 institutions of higher learning including a university and polytechnical institute. Besides these there are also medical schools and technical schools. Students are trained specially for the different sciences. The city has many nursery schools, kindergartens, elementary schools, seven-year schools, and factory schools. There are also technical schools and colleges for training workers in various industries. Besides the regular courses of instruction and political subjects, there are located near these respective institutions, medical stations where students receive free medical attention. Students are given special rooms. All rooms are 15-15 feet long and 5-6 students will get enough room to allow metal beds to be placed around the walls and a table and chairs in the middle. There is not room enough for closets so clothing is kept in suitcases under beds. Here, except during the three-month summer vacation, students live and study for 5 years. Common rooms with stoves, are also located at the rate of one room to 8 students living together, for cooking, the cleanliness of linen, and rooms, as well as the entire domicile is supervised by students. The number of students in the Byelorussian S.S.R. is approximately 239,000 in 5 yrs. 1,916,000 students

All students in higher educational institutions receive "STIPENDS" or grants of money at the rate of 40 rubles a month regardless of classes receiving for excellence to outstanding grades a bonus of 300 rubles the maximum of 50 rubles per month. Thus all students are paid to study in the Soviet Union, unlike the United States where students must pay tuition. To learn this is the reason why the Soviet Union studies out about 4 times as many engineers, 10 times as many agronomists, 7 times as many physicians and other specialists this in the Soviet Union has been done by the stimulation of (1.5) that any other country in the world. Regardless of the lack of dormitories and poloise living condition of the students. that we have in the U.S., it could definitely learn from the system of highly specialized educational system of the Soviet Union. A system which points out carefully individual political as well as vocational training into each and every student, just as at the factories and plant each and every institute there is a group chief, assistant and classes teacher who supervises as well as student.

At the present moment in the Byelorussian republic there are 3 Polish universities in operation, training Polish students with about a high education, this is an extend of Polish, but it is possible under the system in the Soviet Union.

Foreign language and also both portions of parents, in the Soviet educational plan.

25 Diary

JULY 6 TO JULY 20. We have found out which documents are necessary to apply for a exit visa. They number about 20 papers; birth certificates, affidavits from work and we just do papers out they say it will be 3½ months before we know whether they'll let us go or not. In the meantime nothing has had to change & different meeting at the office of work held by her boss at the direction of "someone" by phone. The young comm. Leauge headquarters also called about her and all had to go see them for it has The purpose (expressed) is to dissuade her from going to the U.S.A. NET EFFECT: MADE HER MORE STUBBORN & MORE CONVINCED THAT MARK IS RIGHT. WE ONLY HOPE THAT THE VISAS COME THROUGH SOON.

JULY 21 - SEPT 1 - I MADE repeated TRIPS TO THE PASSPORT & VISA OFFICE ALSO TO MINISTRY OF FOR. AFFAIRS IN MINSK, ALSO MIN. OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS, ALL OF WHICH HAVE TO STAY IN THE GAME OF A VISA. I EXTRACTED PROMISES OF QUICK ATTENTION TO [illegible]

SEPT. OCT 16. NO WORD FROM MIN. ("THEY'LL CALL US") MARINA LEAVES MINSK BY TRAIN ON VACATION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF KHARKOV IN THE URALS TO VISIT AN AUNT for 3 weeks. DURING THIS TIME I AM LONELY BUT I AND ERICK GO TO THE BANKS AND PUBLIC PLACES FOR ENTERTAINMENT. I ATTEMPT SOME THIS IN QUITE A FEW MONTHS NOW. I SPEND MY BIRTHDAY ALONE AT THE OPERA WATCHING MY FAVORITE "QUEEN OF SPADES." I AM 22 YEARS OLD.

NOV. 2 MARINA RETURNS BACK, RADIENT, WITH SEVERAL JARS OF PRESERVES FOR ME FROM HER HOMETOWN IN UKRAINE.

NOV-DEC. NOW WE ARE BECOMING MORE ABOUT OF A REALITY MARINA IS BEGINNING TO WONDER ABOUT GOING TO THE U.S. PROBABLY FROM THE STRAIN AND HER BEING PREGNANT, BUT WE GUARD AND SO THINGS ARE NOT TO BRIGHT LOOK WITH THE ONSET OF THE HARD RUSSIAN WINTER.

DEC 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY TUES. MARINA IS CALLED TO THE PASSPORT & VISA OFFICE. SHE IS TOLD WE HAVE BEEN GRANTED SOVIET EXIT VISAS. ONE FILE OUT THE COMPUTING CHECK AND THAT'S ALL. MORE WITH IN WEEK ITS GREATEST THING

NEW YEARS. WE SPEND AT THE ALBERT AT A DINNER PARTY AT MIDNIGHT. ATTENDED BY OTHER FRIENDS.

JAN. 4. I AM CALLED TO THE PASSPORT OFFICE SINCE MY RESIDENCE PASSPORT EXPIRES TODAY. SINCE I NOW HAVE A U.S. PASSPORT IN MY POSSESSION I AM GIVEN A TOTAL NEW Resid. PP. & CALLED "A.T.-FOR PAID." THIS SINCE THEY HAVE GIVEN US PERMISSION TO LEAVE, OUR VISAS ARE STAMPED TO July 5 '82.

D. DIARY — BOOK 12

FEB. 15. DAYS OF COLD RUSSIAN WINTER. BUT WE FEEL IT NOT
MARINA IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BABY ON MARCH 15
FEB 15 - DARLING MARINA MISS ME. ITS HER TIME. AT 3 PM WE
MARINA AT THE HOSPITAL I LEAVE HER IN CARE OF NURSES AND
LEAVE TO GO TO WORK. 10:00 MARINA HAS A BABY GIRL. I GO
TO THE HOSPITAL AT 5:30 AFTER WORK, I AM GIVEN NEWS
WE GOTA WONDERFUL A BOY. MARINA FEELS WELL, BABY GIRL OK.
FEB 23 MARINA LEAVES HOSPITAL I SEE JUNE FOR FIRST TIME
FEB. 28 I GO TO REGISTER (AS REQUIRED BY LAW) THE BOY
I WANT HER NAME TO BE JUNE MARIA OSWALD. BUT
THOSE BOLSHEVIKS SAY HER MIDDLE NAME MUST BE HER
SAME AS MY FIRST. A RUSSIAN CUSTOM SUPPORT BY
THE LAW. I REFUSE TO HAVE HER NAME WRITTEN AS JUNE LEE.
THEY PROMISE TO CALL THE CITY REGISTRY (CITY HALL) AND
FIND OUT IF THIS CAN BE DONE. I DO HAVE THE U.S. PASSPORT
FEB. 29. I AM TOLD THAT NOBODY KNOWS WHAT TO DO EXACTLY, BUT
EVERYONE AGREES "GO AHEAD AND DO IT, YO. RUSSKI". MARINA SEEMS
MUCH. THE LAST COMMUNIQUES ARE EXCHANGED BETWEEN MYSELF
AND BALOVAG. LETTERS ARE ALWAYS ARRIVING FROM MY MOTHER
AND BROTHER IN THE U.S.. I HAVE STILL NOT TOLD MARINA ABOUT
HIS MY OLDEST EXISTING ACQUAINTANCE, THAT WE ARE GOING TO
THE STATES, BUT OK. BUT I'M AFRAID HE IS TOO CLOSE A
YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE MEMBER SO I'M NOT TOO HOPEFUL.
MARCH 20 - MARINA QUITS HER JOB IN THE PHARMACY.
MARCH 26 - I RECEIVE A LETTER FROM DEPT. OF LABOR & NATURAL
SERVICE AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, THAT MARINA HAS HAD HER
VISA PETITION TO THE U.S. (APPROVED!!) THE LAST DOCUMENT. NOW
WE ONLY HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE U.S. EMBASSY TO RECEIVE THEIR
COPY OF THE APPROVAL SO THEY CAN OFFICIALLY GIVE THE GO AHEAD
[redacted] I RECEIVE A LETTER FROM MRS. PHILLIES (A [redacted]
MARCH 29 OF MY MOTHER, PLEDGING TO SUPPORT MY WIFE IN CASE OF
APRIL -

OK

and the local government, Parents Kyrgyz [illegible]
Their previous existence, to come to the town [illegible]
and become a citizen of one of the children's [illegible]
time, he said in a speech at the beginning [illegible]
1960, he doesn't know how to run his country.

Public use centers for young and old are
established principle in the USSR. Sanatoriums
sanitoriums and hospitals are usually found in beautiful
country but the best area of the Soviet Union for any
worker to get a vacation for one off their friends
should apply to the factory committee for a "Putevka"
or ticket reservation after showing that he has the
right to his two weeks vacation (30 days for persons
engaged in dangerous occupation or mining) he may
buy the Putevka from which to the Black Sea
Yalta resort area for instance, cost 70 to 500 rubles
depending on class of service then available (a worker
of the Trade Unions (a worker pays 1/10 of his pay
coming as dues a month) he may only have to pay
50% of the total cost if it is at a Trade Union
built home of rest or Republician institution.
Service at these places included three good balanced
meals a day, the attention of doctor and nurses, sports
and outing facilities, private beaches and [illegible]
~~in the sanatoria~~ and all necessities.

Most modest pocketbooks can however afford
journies ~~and~~ to rest homes nearer home, in the
case of Minsk, to ZHDOBI-4 located in mid wood
still 5 kms from Minsk, where the one service
is 25 miles the beaches fruit and sun can be had
for as little as 25-rubles for two weeks.

Other rest homes include Lesnoe and Narach
located 100 miles north-west of Minsk on the
shores of 2 mile long Lake Narach deep in the
pine forest of Belorussia where boating and
fishing can be had as well as the usual sport games
available for 35 or 40 rubles per day works [illegible]
vacation set up. The only [illegible] is sometime
lack of space, especially in summer, but this
is not an obstacle to one. Who plans in advance.
Russian workers always take advantage of these cut rates
and fairly good hotels to spend the rest and best
of their portages at least for a while, anyway.

this mostly covers briefly the [illegible]
I start by saying. I wish it understood that I
see the story BEFORE it is sent. "All right" she says "It's the
same to me what you do i'm towards to your life
the fast taking down your words! OK. I say, FIRST NO
reason for my coming. She asks about military service
I answer questions about my military service and then
you she asks why did you apply for Soviet citizenship
what are your reasons for coming here? I have waited
for two years in order to develop my Soviet
citizenship I have seen so much hate and injustice
in the U.S I have served in the occupation forces
in Japan and occupation of a country is impossible
what the Russians would call "imperialism" I have
chosen a socialist country since there are only two
main systems in the world; why the USSR." she asks
"why not China, where the living people is
not so bad" I have chosen the USSR since it is
the leader of the socialist camp. and the symbolic
champion of the cause of communism." what are the
reasons behind your to change your loyalty. "In the
U.S. you are know [illegible] are many shortcomings, racial
segregation and the repression of the underdog, the
communist party!" how long have you been studying
marxism. " I first started studying "marxism Ethics
I who is. "I always had to dig for my books in
the back, dusty, shelfs of library and old outlaw
books were the back bone of my reading [illegible]
philosophy, political economy etc." "In any library in
the most obscure places there are the prominent
anti-communist books we know so well but as
I say I allways had to dig for my book" what
are some impressions you go during in the occupation
forces." I saw the american military leading common
[illegible] a working side, the [illegible] side and oppression I
learned to hate the U.S. imperialist ruling [illegible]

Just, the kolkoz farmer may own a horse
or pig or even a cow, as well as his own plot
of land, usually ½ of an acre, but the Soviet
agricultural law is severe and the effect
does "advantage" Nowadays, though still without
electricity "collective farms" have their full share
organs and - speaks in every town. This is
part of the propaganda system designed by
Lenin to bring the cultural level of collective farms up to the level of the city dwellers.
School attendance for children of collective farmers
is compulsory as it is for all children up to the age
of maturity, after as up to the age when they receive their
passports, the public school are in general kept clean
3 story affair will not particular decoration but are well
80 rubles a month in stead general education with tuition
discipline from the student viewpoint is strong, study
school at 7 years old is tough to keep his place
school terms, which all students must write, is
near approached, is taught to read rapidly & attention
when anyone adult enters the room or who the
teacher asks a question. His studies, particularly
foreign languages, are apt to be harder and more
complex than. This american counterpart, science
is also emphasized, as well as patriotism and Soviet
History. An attitude towards his studies of employed
citizens is instilled in him at an early age,
and young russian students are apt to appear
more studious than americans.

Since most women work for a living in the USSR
(with or without husbands) they usually leave their
non-school age children in the care of the local
"children's garden". These are highly organized, semi-
subsidized day care centers for children, where balanced
and cooked hot, three meals daily is checked periodically
by doctors, and are reasonable and both mothers pay
for 30 rubles a month. Young children are given
pre-school preparation by trained day school
teachers who receive the same pay. A director
of such a school may receive 140 rubles a month or $70.00
after the 11-12 year course or may be 260 or 300 rubles or $130.00
following the years between the american grammar

DIARY (cont'd)

[illegible] for family (who must be so much) [illegible]
ella of ENNA there fancy cloth and make when
ordering in Oct. 1960 she began to get very close
thoughtful in intercourse on Oct. 21 She was
religion and very interesting as met in with a fine
on Oct occasions during nov. & 1960 both times when
of the last year at the music con. she left much to be desired
but still regarded as large & ft. 11. inch 180 lbs Stout
proportionately large fruitful breast hips wide and firm
but also pleasingly proportioned from a village near the
Polish border of strictly Russian peasant stock.
gentle kind womanly and understanding & reasonable
in heart. stubborn in both she combined all the
best womanly features with the kind weight, warm heart
I met her through one of her room-mates, Evelyn
Wilkins and Tonka together with still other girls kind in
room at the for. Com. Instit. Dow. in March 1961 the
victory week. I began to notice Nell seriously in
after I had parted ways with ENNA. Nell at first has
not seem to warrant attention until she in pretty plain
looking and freightly large. but I felt at once that
all was kind & her features were proportioned to
her size. A fact to be found out only after a good
deal of research. after a light affair lasting only
one and even Feb, we continued to remain on
friendly but conventional terms through 1961
up till may when after beginning married I no longer saw
Jane [illegible] Bermin - a silky, black haired jewish beauty
with fine dark eyes skin as white as snow a beautiful
mild and good but unpredictable nature, her only fault
was that at 24 she was still a virgin, due entirely
to her own choice. I met her when she came to work at the
factory I noticed her, and perhaps fell in love with her
to this minute I can't, we remained on middle terms
from the time we met to the time I left to marry I
myself many times to die or several occ. I loved her much
she my friend, but she would not have me. one last
time I saw her in Feb. 1961 after which I stopped seeing her.

worked for years at such jobs, usually of a skilled nature. Many immigrants have a short history of working jobs such as, Carlos Ventura, born Buenos Aires, 1934, resided there till 1955 when he emigrated to USSR, 1956. This is enough to indicate to any one who reads it that when along with many of his fellow immigrants will be given the proper treatment and attention, so that he never will be far away from his regular address, or his job at his work. But returned immigrants — who know a few french, spanish, and Eastern European languages will more respect than the russian born ones in particular, in the matter of being awarded an apartment every immigrant, no matter how important he may have been in his native country, he must be ready to work as ordinary worker. Contingent this as part of the reason why there is no interest of foreigners as to the high standard of life in the USSR.

99 12 miles outside of Moscow is a collective farm for foreigners tourist who wish to see a russian village collective farm, or it is almost every imaginable help to man possible including automatic milkers, feeders, even automatic floor cleaners. The collective farms at this place along with their contingent of the same variety place just south of Leningrad live in well built apartment houses with food and clothing stores built right into the first floors.

Besides a limited of anyone who doesn't want to be duped I suggest, you take the Moscow to Minsk highway for 24 miles until you come to the Mozhaisk where by asking directions you can in five minutes find a real collective farm, a village of the small likes and ways were known, even throughout the Soviet Union and although it's 50 minutes from the Kremlin it doesn't have electricity or gas, the tile plumbing is unknown and the only information is that done with a broom. There are 47,000 collective farms in the Soviet Union of this type with 2,400 state farms run by the government. Collective farmers number 45,5 million people or 31,4% of the total population.

Even trip to any city of the Soviet Union is fabulous
but to those who would like to know more about the
city about Leningrad towards the Finnish border
folks it to this category, but on the whole travel
Odessa was despot some city in the Ukraine on
Siberia coastal with was nobody all city along
the southern border of the USSR from Rumania to
India as forbidden, without a pass, all airports
and other points strictly are stopped at police
checkpoints to these areas. Train and plane and
bus terminals are not allowed to sell tickets
to these places without being shown a passport
or being shown a valid passport whose owner
address is in the forbidden city, persons allready
living in that city may travel back to and
from there homes, they may not bring others
in with out passes. Passes are given out by
the local K.G.B. offices directly and one must apply
directly to it.

It may be explained that in the
Eastern European custom all citizens upon reaching
the age of 16 years are given a "internal"
identification papers. on the first page is a photo and
personal information, on the following 4 pages are
places for the registering of address, this including
rented rooms, on the next four pages are places
for noting a particular remarks as to the conduct
by the police, on place for the next blank. the next
three pages are for registering the places of work
then the next page is for marriage licenses and
divorce, stamps, stamps is. "internal passport" are
changed for a new one every five years
a lost passport can be replaced after a short
investigation for 10 rubles. all persons regardless
of nationality are required to carry their passport
all time, also as a matter of fact nationality there are
65 in the Soviet Union are also marked on the
passport for instance a Ukrainian, a Ukrainian
a Jew as "evrei" Jew. an immigrant is marked
as to place of birth, as in the case of the many
argentines who - in the U.S.S.R. also on the

about the author.

When elections are instituted in the USSR
a whole huge mechanical apparatus is started
in some victory but to represent the whole
voice of deviant elements in abstentions (potential
possible voters (that is from the age of 16 up) are
well explained by "agitators" who go around
door in their district getting names and notifying
of their duty to the motherland in voting, in the day
the elections held throughout the country are in fact
January or March 18, 1962 to elect the Supreme Soviet
including Khrushchev, the people Soviet (house of Nationalities)
and the Soviet of nationalities, the agitators once on
January 24 and February 20. on election day all voters
go to the polls, usually a school, and vote they are
given a ballot which they dominately drop into a box
on the ballot is the single name of the candidate to
each post. That is any candidate designated by the
system receives a 99% favorable and predetermined vote
In each polling place there is a booth for secret balloting
(crossing out the candidate my writing in your own)
under Soviet law anyone can do this, nobody does for
to obvious reason that anyone who enter the booth
may be identified. there is a Soviet joke about the
floor dropping out from anyone stepping into the booth
but the fact is that if the entire population went to the
polling booths they could beat the system, having
years of mass discipline no fear have made the people
afraid to attempt any such demonstration. and
held no means of communication at the hands of a would
be candidate that is no way of communicating with the
people and urging the support for a third party candidate

(Cont)

corruption in the USSR take a major form - embezzling
pilfering of goods as in any such industrial society
the death penalty for embezzlement of state funds is large
was enacted as a measure to curb upon pilfering of goods
wages and embezzling of money and state funds.
any or any collective or state farm there is the a certain
amount of state goods illegally appropriated by the
collect farmers for their own private use to make up for
low wages and therefore lower living condition or for
sell to private individuals stores, or at the open market
type of dinner. stolen goods may consists only of a
pilfered loaf or piglet or may run in score of
sheep or cows stolen in truckloads quantities or
thick pine forest and sold by the appropriator
piecemeal or wholesale lots to crooked store supervisors
who are supposed to buy state meats and crops
at government prices but who pocket the difference of price
from the black market which making entrance in their
books that such merchandise was bought for state prices
such practice is so common that with out them
many stores would be allow at empty if they had to
rely on the egoistic, poor quality of good brought in
from the state slaughter houses at high price. At
existence of such a small fruit or milk store open
up wide opportunities for enterprising by the
person with a slight conscience about, it is almost impossible
for the authorities to act on such going on because of
difficulties in obtaining proof in acceptable amounts small
such going on are usually in small amounts. Materials
as electric appliances, food stuffs are all ridden with
speculation which often leads to poor goods or bad food
brought in and sold under the counter example we have
heat being used to substitute a "beef steer".

[illegible] work [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] property. Work wages and [illegible]
[illegible] profits matters in regard to [illegible]
passes and therefore the work passes [illegible]
[illegible] and out flow of what [illegible] called "labor
power" which in capitalist society [illegible] controlled and
determined by rule and method of production and
[illegible] conditions which are always [illegible]
capitalist society. Here for it is not [illegible]
the mere proletariat masses but rather the [illegible]
of state machinery which regulates production and the
in a practical sense, and [illegible] methods
of labor in economic crises which [illegible]
in capitalist countries due to automation and [illegible]
both of which are carefully controlled by the state which
builds and operates all enterprises in the U.S.S.R. In such
cases as there are of overflow of labor the [illegible] system
is [illegible] retained officially by the "living wage" system and
[illegible] service [illegible] is not [illegible] for them to find
[illegible] the desired work [illegible] there is no place for them
to the "virgin lands" [illegible] program is instituted
and surplus labor is promptly shipped off "[illegible]"
a promised room and board, this [illegible] [illegible]
and has been a spectacular failure mostly owing to
the quick subsiding of enthusiasm [illegible]
(for most part) the condition of 5 to a room [illegible]
erected "towns" of [illegible] wooden shacks will approved streets
in village condition, a 1000 miles from their mothers
and families in the overcrowded slack of work-demanding
cities, mostly women, [illegible], children, and a few of the
other [illegible] population center, condition for leaving the
virgin land center and going back home are simple
get up and go, but few do because they must pay their
own way back on cost of anything [illegible] while a work
and also [illegible] some condition which [illegible]

and in lieu of pay the night
in Jefferson in the summer. Drinking
a full glass of water around 200 miles
about [illegible] pay like one [illegible] pay.
Drink in the summer away [illegible]
most rugged in the world and by night
heard out up to 15 day sentence [illegible]
my time he went to without a court martial
for such minor offenses. Into it a bar
is known may be not like a prison. There
an American bar as we know it with cold
fountains, clubs where alcoholic drinks are served
check bars and N.X.'s, [illegible] soldiers in new clothes
to wear civilian clothes (this is against military
law) one might think such bars to be crowded
club even for a while but remain bare
and drab lifes on the outside the line in the
conflict of color between civilian and military life
when I told about the basic feature of American
military life in the U.S. Marine Corps. The [illegible]
soldier I knew usually laughed and said
have no daughter but his girls were the
and also were sign of admiration when I spoke
of our "underpaid" army especially the complete
dearth of publicly lectures under any system of operation
of army and state, and also the fact that at the
end of each [illegible] we could clear civics and pol
in a safe [illegible] to learn to move as
a band our own daughters with without a
well with money in our pocket and our own
military discipline clearly understood in our own

Russian military during the war in Korea
for several years while the U.S. Infantry
at 17 year of age, all able seamen for 4 years
standing. periods of service are from 2 years in the
to 3 years in the South Chinese submarine
much that many young men elect to join the
relatively easy route to sea for 4 years
to the 3 rather little call of ships in
the Pakhalin in the far north-east. clothing
are scarce in the beginning and in getting old
cloth clothes are usually ordered when they are
taken into a common pile to be cut off and stored
and brought back ~~with the~~ and ~~soldier~~ common
with the result that a soldier never gets the same
jackets and trousers twice. barracks are usually
bare and damp even in Minsk where they are
located in the older parts of town behind high
wall. passes are rare given except on holidays and
sometimes on sundays or after manoeuvres lasting
of 30 days in any armed force gazette in their
content are unknown. however to protect different
in pay after married mikalyan became commander
in chief of the Soviet armed forces in the early
1950's pay was drastically cut for common soldiers
(privates) from 600 rubles per month to (300 rubles
per month) a cost of 297 rubles 3 rubles are
brought to buy 12 packet of cigarettes 20 cigarettes to
a package. whereas 30 rubles was bought for a soldier
to save up for his discharge the pay of a lieutenant
in Minsk is 90 rubles new money. the drop of
money was less felt in the offices who since they
have only a 10% cut up to the rank of major

JAN. 2. ARRIVE IN MINSK. MET BY [illegible] WHO TAKE ME TO HOTEL "MINSK" I SHARE ROOM WITH TWO FOREIGN STUDENTS INTERESTED IN HOTEL AND WORK. [illegible] THIS NICE HOTEL. WE WANT CHEW. ROOM ABOUT 23 FLOOR. NOT MUCH FURNITURE ENTRANCE, WE ATTRACT EACH OTHER AT ONCE.

JAN 5. I MEET THE CITY MAYOR, COMRADE KHAROF. AND DISCUSS WITH HIM TO MINSK PROMISE AGENT-FREE. ABOUT "EMIGRATION" AND OTHER MATTERS ABOUT "UNCULTURED PERSONS" WHO SPOIL THE IMAGE OF SOVIET PEOPLE. MY INTERPRETER: ROMAN DETKOF. HERE FOR. RUS. I MUST NOT SPEAK

JAN. 10. THE WAY TO WORK I WALK THROUGH CITY, VERY NICE

JAN. 11 I VISIT MINSK RADIO FACTORY WHERE I SHALL WORK. THERE I MEET ARGENTINIAN STUDENT ALEJANDRO ROCCA BORN IN BUENOS AIRES. HAS TO WORK. IN FACT AND WANT TO GO TO HIS HOMELAND (NOW DICT. OF ARG.) IN MAY SPEAKS ENGLISH WITH FUNNY ACCENT HE WORKED FOR OTAK. COM. JO SARBEN. HE IS HERO OF A BOOK. A QUALIFIED ENGINEER. HIS WIFE MARRIED LIKHOIE HE SHOULD WANT TO TAKE SOVIET CITIZENSHIP. SAYS NO. MY FRIEND. OCCH. AND SAY SOON I SHALL HAVE PASSPORT

JAN. 13 SAT. I WORK AS A "CHECKER" METAL WORKER, PAY: 300 RUB A MONTH. WORK VERY EASY I AM LEARNING RUSSIAN QUICKLY NOW, EVERYONE IS VERY FRIENDLY AND KIND. I MEET MANY YOUNG RUSSIAN WORKERS MY OWN AGE THEY HAVE HEARD REMOTELY ALL WISH TO KNOW ABOUT ME EVEN OFFER TO HOLD A PRESS CONF. SO I CAN SAY. I REFUSE POLITELY. AT NIGHT I TAKE BACK TO THE THEATER, MOVIE OR OPERA almost every day. I'm living BIG ROOM AM VERY SATISFIED. I RECIVE A CHECK FROM THE RED CROSS EVERY 5TH OF THE MONTH "TO HELP". THE CHECK IS 300 RUB THEREFORE EVERY MONTH I MAKE 1400 R. ABOUT THE SAME AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE FACTORY! ZEGER OBSERVES AN ORIENTATION TABLE I DON'T LIKE: PICTURE OF LENIN WHICH WATCHES FROM ITS PLACE OF HONOUR AND PHY. TRAINING AT 11.-AND EACH MORNING. (COMPULSORY) FOR ALL. (SHADES OF N.G. WGHS!!)

MARCH 6. I RECIVE A SMALL FLAT ONE-ROOM APARTMENT NEAR THE FACTORY (5 MIN. WALK) WITH SPLENDID VIEW FROM 2 BALCONIES OF THE RIVER. ALMOST FREE (60. AND A MONTH) IT IS A RUSSIANS DREAM.

MARCH 13 - APRIL 81. - WORK, I HAVE LOST CONTACT WITH RUSSIANS AFTER MY HOUSE WARMING. I MEET PAVIL GOLOVACH A YOUNG MAN MY AGE FRIENDLY VERY INTELLIGENT & EXTREMELY RADICAL TENDENCIES HIS FATHER IS GEN. GOLOVACH COMMANDER OF NORTH WESTERN SIBERIA. TWICE HERO OF USSR IN W.W. 2.

[illegible] the Y.C.L. secretary of Oktober
[illegible] like [illegible] your [illegible] and of a [illegible]
[illegible] Russia of 18 years [illegible]
boy, his father is a [illegible] skilled metal worker
[illegible] for they have a full time secretary.
a Y.C.L. member is the youngest and least member of the family group
Oktober has worked at this factory for — years after
his 3 years in the navy in the Black Sea. He was fully elected
elected to the post of Y.C.L. secretary at our shop after the former
person received C.P. membership, usually on recommendation
if you don't yet him well, he takes his Y.C.L. duties seriously
collecting dues on every other pay day (which are the 5th
and 20th of the month) up to 1% of the total pay check (90 kopecks
90 copecks, he checks off name and is responsible for having
in the cash to the factory Y.C.L. committee. He is responsible
for posting directives handed down by the Y.C.L. factory committee
and for helping to draw up the list of Drooshniks who
shall have the duty during this month. Drooshniks are
volunteers civilians, who patrol streets and parks to preserve
and order hooligans, they are given a special card which
they carry and when on duty wear red arm bands. They
help to subsidize the police in the more routine work,
such as walking a beat in a usually quiet district. Drooshniks
always walk in groups of three and fours, often women
and girls are seen in this capacity. This custom is relatively
new, is not greatly used except on Saturdays and Sundays
when there are [illegible] groups a teenagers and a long number
of drunks to be seen. Both these kinds of groups are up
the downgrowth at least partly due to these voluntary efforts

Besides helping to draw up the list of Drooshniks in their respective
shops. Y.C.L. secretary are expected to set high example of
work and political awareness to their fellow members, and
to help the shop and section leaders get to know their
workers.

In much of the Young communist headquarters is a large
grey cement factory building or "[illegible] Prospekt" [illegible]
as in English "Red Army Street." Inside, the building is long
crowded with 200 rooms, an auditorium and meeting hall.
800 people are normally employed here to do the work of the
Y.C.L. also, here is the central committee of the Y.C.L. release
they review cadres of agitators and [illegible] directive party agencies
the actual political influence of this committee is almost
nothing. Since the L.C.C. Y.C.L. in all cities are directed by
the C.P. headquarters in their respective cities.

another means of distributing propaganda
through the apartments, or in English
point. These are located at Oslo or in small offices
open 16 hours a day. They are manned by volunteer
communist and young Communist party members, who
act for the distribution of pamphlets, bulletins and other
party literature, for the more or less informal meetings
of groups of Communist party members. Formed in
the early 1920's they were then point of armed workers
located near to each other, who could put down white
uprisings, or concertedly arrest anyone in the neighborhood
now their functions have slightly changed but they
still known that any party member may come in
and report disloyal comments all or unguarded moments
on the part of any citizen. Their is always a telephone
handy also. In Oslo there are 12 more known
but 58 appear in the telephone book. They can
be recognized at a distance by red flags and banners
draped over the doors and windows of the respective buildings.

The Young Communist League or YCL embraces all young
people from the age of 16, when they out grow the Pioneer
Pioneer League. 90% of all persons between the ages of 16 &
belong to this organization, although they may attain com-
party membership as early as 19 or 20 years. Signed on as
soon as they receive their "passport" at 16, they receive a
YCL party ticket and must pay a small due of 20 or 30
copecks a month. After this they are obliged to attend
YCL meetings, go on harvesting trips on week ends, during the
fall, to collective farms to help bring in the potato and
grain crop and to keep their studies up to high standard. A
flagrant violation of conduct or refusal to obey will
result in expulsion from the League, and is a block to further
progress in the direct future, since membership is considered
a prerequisite to living factory or Institute receiving request
for a place at higher educational institutions, but opportunities
are fairly common about 20% being expelled before reaching
the age when they may be chosen for comm. party membership.
A young ambitious student may become quite popular
and powerful by being elected to the post of YCL secretary
in the division at this post in one's local school or institute.
keeping track of party members and discipline, until chosen
for party membership. In this way young people get a taste
of what the party ... do for them to stay long the right attitude.

DIARY

NOV 17- DEC. 30 I HAVE SOMENT [illegible] RUSSIAN LAN. BOOKS I FORCE MYSELF TO STUDY I SPEND [illegible] IN MY ROOM AND READING NEWSPAPERS AND BOOKS. NO ONE TALKS IN MY ROOM. DINNER ARRANGED FOR. IT IS VERY COLD ON THE STREETS SO I RARELY GO OUTSIDE AT ALL. ONLY TWO MINUTES AND A HALF I SEE NO ONE SPEAK TO ANYONE ACCEPT [illegible] AND TAKE DINNER, WHO CARE TOO MUCH ABOUT ME. HOW I'M FORGOTTEN?, DURING DECEMBER I PAID NO MONEY TO THE HOTEL FOR DINNER FOR HOTEL I WAS EXPECTING ANY OF MONEY FROM USA. ON DEC 28. LEFT. THIS MONTH I WAS CALLED TO THE PASSPORT OFFICE AND MET 3 NEW OFFICIALS WHO ASKED ME THE SAME QUESTIONS I HAD A MONTH BEFORE. THEY APPEAR NOT TO KNOW ME AT ALL.

DEC 31. NEW YEARS EVE I spend in the company of Russian friends AT THE HOTEL BERLIN, SHE GOT THE DUTY. I SIT WITH HER until FAST NIGHT, SHE GIVES ME A SMALL "BOMBOM" CHOCOLATE FOR A NEW YEARS PRESENT SHE IS VERY NICE I FOUND OUT ONLY RECENTLY SHE IS MARRIED, HAS SMALL SON WHO HAS BEEN CRIPPLED, THAT IS WHY SHE IS SO STRANGELY TENDER AND CARING

JAN-4 NO CHANGE IN ROUTINE

JAN 5 I AM CALLED TO PASSPORT OFFICE AND FINALLY GIVEN A SOVIET DOCUMENT NOT THE SOVIET CITIZENSHIP AS I SO WANTED, ONLY A RESIDENCE DOCUMENT, NOT EVEN FOR FOREIGNERS BUT A PAPER CALLED "FOR THOSE without citizenship" STILL I AM HAPPY. THE OFFICE SAYS THEY ARE SENDING ME TO THE CITY OF MINSK I ASK "IS THAT IN SIBERIA?" HE LAUGHES. HE ALSO TELLS ME THAT THEY HAVE ARRANGED FOR ME TO RECIVE SOME MONEY THROUGH THE RED CROSS TO PAY MY HOTEL BILLS AND EXPENSES I THANK THE GENTLEMEN AND LEAVE LATER IN THE AFTERNOON I SEE ROBERTA 'SHE ASKS ARE YOU HAPPY' 'YES'

JAN. 6. I GO TO RED CROSS IN MOSCOW FOR MONEY WITH DIPLOMATIC (NEW ONE) I RECIVE 5000 RUBLES A HUGE SUM!! LATER IN MINSK I AM TO EARN 90 RUBLES A MONTH AT THE FACTORY.

JAN. 7. I LEAVE MOSCOW BY TRAIN FOR MINSK BELORUSSIA MY HOTEL BILL WAS 2000 RUBLES AND 80 TRAIN TICKET TO MINSK 300 RUBLES SO I HAVE ALOT OF MONEY LEFT. I WRITE MY BROTHER & MOTHER LETTERS IN WHICH I SAY "I DO NOT WISH TO SECRET CONTACT YOU AGAIN! I AM BEGINING A NEW LIFE AND I DON'T WANT ANY PART OF THE OLD"

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Opera is also a favorite [illegible] 32 opera and ballet houses throughout the [illegible] as compared with one in the United States. The principle opera house in New York, Metropolitan, Russia has their own operas written by Chikovsky and other Russian composers, while we have none. Ask any person can tell you about such splendid operas as "Reigle" "Ole Joan" "Queen of Spade" "Faurita" which in the U.S. most citizens are really looking in this field of art due not to the fact of facility that we are enclosed as the Russians think but do to the fact that we might do have the facility to put out production on. although there are those who prefer to remain tied to this T.V.'s and Cowboy shows.

Only Drama theatre numbers 50[redacted] with Non Belorussia. by amateur and professional groups in the Russian language of the republics. In minsk the Belorussian drama theatre on "VOINOVA STAYA ST. has a [illegible] of 55 productions running from 90 to 140 nights a month putting on 4 plays a week in the Belorussian language. Set and costumes were always well made in any productions I saw, but the scripts are apt to be over loaded with politics in the themes.

[redacted] Museums exist for the education and learning of the population of these; 36[redacted] are Historical Revolutionary 89,[redacted] historical, 171,[redacted] memorial, [illegible] house of Chkovsky on Chikovski st in moscow, now the american embassy) 421 of local or regional interest, and 122 are museums as well as 68 more of different kinds bringing the total to approx 907. There are [illegible] in the year 1959 43 million people visited these places of interest as well as 7,300,000 people who visited the famous permanent exhibition of soviet achivments in moscow "SAVIETSKI" park.

Here a huge display covering 25 acres was set up in 1955 it advertised real and fancied progress for tourist and Russian visitors. In it are SPUTNIKS and an jet airliner, a nuclear exhibition housed in a building 300 feet long, and showing an Industrial complex the light consumer industry is shown more as the Russians would like it to be and than as it is. with pocket radios. (these are now made in quantity, in the USSR) automatic washing machines with two agitators (from 1952-1958) this was 1.2 [illegible] all sizes and agitators) and vacuum cleaners (1952-1958 500,000) however this doesn't keep Russia from hoping that some day these things will be in mass-production, naturally, they still do

1957 U.S. Diary

OCT 31. CON WARNED ME NOT TO TALK ANY [illegible] TO SOVIETS BECAUSE HE SAYS I AM A "FRIEND" AND ANY REVOLUTION LEADERS HAVE A LONG TIME TO REMEMBER. AND A FRIEND WORDS REFUSES TO ALLOW ME AT THAT TIME TO RESOLVE MY C.Y.L. I STATE "MY MIND IS MADE UP" FROM THIS DAY FORWARD I CONSIDER MYSELF NO CITIZEN OF THE U.S.A. I SPEND 40 MINUTES AT THE EMBASSY BEFORE ANYONE SAYS "NOW FOR WHAT YOU WISH TO REFOUND ON YOUR MARXIST BELIEFS YOU RENOUNCE" I WISH TO DISSOLVE MY U.S. C.Y.L, NOT KNOW HE SAYS IN EFFECT. I LEAVE EMBASSY ELATED AT THIS SHOWDOWN, RETURNING TO MY HOTEL I FEEL NOW MY ENERGIES ARE NOT SPENT IN VAIN. I'M SURE RUSSIANS WILL EXCEPT ME AFTER THIS SIGN OF MY FAITH IN THEM. 2:00 A KNOCK, A REPORTER BY THE NAME OF GOLDSTEIN WANTS AN INTERVIEW FINGERCROSSED "HOW DID YOU FIND US?" THE EMBASSY CALLED U.S." HE said. I SEND HIM AWAY I SHOULD REALIZE THIS IS ONE WAY TO BRING PRESSURE ON ME. BY NOTIFYING MY RELATIVES IN U.S. THROUGH THE NEWSPAPERS. ALTHOUGH THEY WOULD SAY "IFS FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD." A HALF HOUR LATER ANOTHER REPORTER MISS MOSBY COMES. I ANSWER A FEW QUICK QUESTIONS AFTER REFUSING AN INTERVIEW. I AM SURPRISED AT THE INTEREST. I GET PHONE CALLS FROM "TIME" AT NIGHT A PHONE CALL FROM THE STATE DEPT ALL CALLS WITHOUT FINDING OUT WHO'S IT FROM. I FEEL I AM DISPLEASED BECAUSE OF THE ATTENTION 10:00 I RETIRE.

NOV 1 - MORE REPORTERS, 3 PHONE CALLS FROM BROTHER NOTIFY NOW I FEEL SLIGHTLY AGGRAVATED, NOT SO LONELY.

NOV 2-15 DAYS OF UTTER LONELINESS, I REFUSE ALL REPORTS PHONE CALLS I REMAIN IN MY ROOM, I AM FACED WITH DECISION

NOV 15 - I DECIDE TO GIVE AN INTERVIEW, I HAVE MISS MOSBYS CARD SO I CALL HER. SHE DRIVES RIGHT OVER. I GIVE MY STORY, ALLOW PICTURES, LATER STORY IS DISTORTED, SENT WITHOUT MY PERMISSION, THAT IS: BEFORE I EVER CAN HAVE O.K.ED HER STORY. AGAIN I FEEL SLIGHTLY BETTER BECAUSE OF THE ATTENTION

SEE NOV 15th INTERVIEW

NOV. 16. A RUSSIAN OFFICIAL COMES TO MY ROOM MAKES KNOWN I AM. NOTIFIES ME I CAN REMAIN IN USSR IF SOME SOLUTION IS FOUND WITH WHAT TO DO WITH ME, IT IS CONFUSING NEWS FOR ME.

small mile square block behind it stands the
steel radio tower the largest structure in Bethesda. The
radio tower and building are enclosed with high fences
and patrolling guards with dogs. Entrance into the
courtyard where the building itself stands
cannot enter without a special pass since it is a restricted
premises all those to a request studio near the
center, where production and performance, are held. Back of
the station and close to the broadcasting tower, and
way, the all important communication system are guarded
against sabotage or especially attempts, of the kind of
achieved by the American counter-revolutionary
nal-contents.

Near the television tower, 4 blocks out in
"Dalgbroadcasting" st. stands two towers 400
feet high each they are not lighted as broadcasting
quite the opposite in fact. They are connected
with high power cables strung between them and
jamming towers" used to block out high frequency
broadcast from abroad, the main target of these
jamming towers is the Munich and Washington
transmitter of the "Voice of America" programs
although they are employed to disrupt the B.B.C.
and sometimes French broadcast in Russian. The
towers are likewise guarded by armed guards and
entrance to the wire enclosed block house and tower
area is forbidden except by pass. The amount of
voltage used by these towers is known to be fantastic
and when one considers that needle lighting at work
places is only gradually turned on, even on the darkest
days, it is ironical and sad to think of the tax dollar
waste and efforts the Soviet government goes to in order
to keep other peoples ideas out. But the jamming frequencies
are only half those of the "~~Radio~~ Moscow" propaganda
programs, which may be heard on any short wave
radio in the United States, and without jamming!
these "Radio Moscow" programs aimed people in
81 countries that the Iron curtain so long as exist,
never did exist, and is in general a fiction
slander against the Soviet Union though up by
reactionaries such!!.

Oct. 28 (Con) R. MAKES NOTHING OF THAT. DAILY [illegible]
DAILY WISHES TO SEE ME ABOUT MY FUTURE. LATER [illegible]
AND CAN PICK ME UP AND WE ENTER THE OFFICE
FIND FOUR OFFICIALS WAITING FOR ME (ALL KNOWN TO ME)
THEY ASK HOW MY ARM IS, I SAY OK.. THEY ASK "DO YOU WISH
TO GO TO YOUR HOMELAND. I SAY NO I WANT TO SEVER CITIZ
I SAY I WANT TO RESIDE IN THE SOVIET UNION. THEY SAY
THEY WILL SEE ABOUT THAT. THEN THEY ASK ME ABOUT THE
ONE OFFICIAL WITH WHOM I SPOKE IN THE FIRST PERIOD (POLICE
HE DID NOT PASS ALONG MY REQUEST AT ALL BUT THOUGHT
TO SIMPLY GET RID OF ME BY NOT EXTENDING MY SOVIET VISA
AT THE TIME I REQUESTED IT) I DESCRIBE HOW THEY MADE NOTES
(WHAT PAPERS DO YOU HAVE TO SHOW WHO AND WHAT YOU ARE?)
I GIVE THEM MY DISCHARGE PAPERS FROM THE MARINE CORPS
THEY SAY WAIT FOR OUR ANS. I ASK HOW LONG? NOT SOON
LATER RICHARD COMES TO CHECK ON ME. I FEEL SOMEWHAT MORE SECURE WITH
Oct. 29. HOTEL ROOM 214 METROPOLE HOTEL. I WAIT. I WORRY
I EAT ONCE, STAY NEXT TO PHONE WORRY I KEEP RUNNY DIARRHEA
Oct. 30. HOTEL ROOM I HAVE BEEN IN HOTEL THREE DAYS IT SEEMS
LIKE THREE WEEKS I MUST HAVE SOME SORT OF A SHOWDOWN!
Oct. 31. I MAKE MY DECISION. GETTING PASSPORT AT 2:00 I DECIDE
AND TALK WITH RICHARD FOR A FEW MINUTES SHE SAYS; STAY IN YOUR
ROOM AND EAT WELL, I DON'T TELL HER ABOUT WHAT I INTEND TO
DO SINCE I KNOW SHE WOULD NOT APPROVE. AFTER SHE LEAVES
I WAIT A FEW MINUTES AND THEN I CATCH A TAXI. "AMERICAN
EMBASSY" I SAY. 12:30, I ARRIVE AMERICAN EMBASSY, I WALK
IN AND SAY TO THE RECEPTIONIST "I WOULD LIKE TO SEE
THE CONSULAR" SHE POINTS AT A LARGE LOCK AND SAYS "IF YOU
ARE A TOURIST PLEASE REGISTER". I TAKE OUT MY AMERICAN
PASSPORT AND LAY IT IN THE DESK, I HAVE COME TO DISCLOSE
MY AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP. I say matter-of-factly she nods
and enters the office of Richard Snyder one Soviet HEAD
CONSULAR IN MOSCOW AT THAT TIME HE INVITES ME TO
SIT DOWN. HE FINISHES A LETTER HE IS TYPING AND
THANK ME WHAT HE CAN DO FOR ME. I TELL HIM I HAVE
DECIDED TO TAKE SOVIET CITIZENSHIP AND WOULD LIKE
TO LEGALLY RENOUNCE MY U.S. CITIZENSHIP. HIS ASSISTANT (NOW
HEAD CONSULAR) [illegible] LOOKS UP FROM HIS WORK. SNYDER
[illegible] ASKS SOME PERSONAL INFORMATION, EACH QUESTION

SEE OCT 31 INTERVIEW

performance by people artists of the U.S.S.R. [illegible]
main comp of the modern 1050 Russ and the signal
with the playing of the national anthem and the singing of
Belgrevnia. Television however is not as far as it
is in the U.S. to the the week skilled and the cost
of television, a good one cost 300 rubles and do not
light table models for 190 rubles are only brought in 200
and quickly disipear. The really penetrating voice of radio
really comes from radio, sleep and eftenic it is
the means by which the Kremlin reaches into every
nook and corner of the most out lying collective farms and
villages. while 3 million televisions sets were sold
from 1952-1958 in the soviet union (fact and fig pp 39)
over 19 million radio sets were sold and this figure
is brought up considerably when one considers the fact
that doll collective farms which may not have a radio
in the place have programs fed to speakers in
each home from point many miles away in keeping
with the drive to bring the cultural level of the villages
farmers up. and in the soviet union there are
45,000 collective farms and 7,400 State farms with
65,500,000 people on them or 31.4% of the total population
(fact for 1961 pp. 21.) so radio may be said to be the
all encopsies. programs start on march at 600 and may
end as late as 12:00 however 24 hours a day broadcast are
made to all parts of the soviet union from moscow either
which can turn all station to it one called in a matter
of minutes this when stagein made his epoch making
trip into space! the entire soviet union was blanket
out with nothing but reports and intermittent music
for a solid day on this way the Government get
the most [illegible] out of its achiments
again when [illegible] made his flight for two days
this process was repeated. also all stations are
controlled from the Kremlin whereas Pravda
Kpsr below made a police speech, all stations in
the soviet union was stopped and every house on
the hour to the "hour" from Moscow unlike the USA
where small independent stations can operate, the soviet
union regards [illegible] contrals over all it state broadcasting
station which will a electric and the state finaced
and built. the radio and television station in
moscow is on [illegible] grey cement colored
building located of no. 6 Kalinin Street near the

[illegible] "easy to die" and "sweet death," [illegible]
[illegible] screams (I remember that) and now [illegible]
[illegible] my wrist. Poor Rimma stays by my side as [illegible]
(My russian is still very bad) four [illegible] into the night, I [illegible]
"go home" (my mood is bad) but she stays, she is my [illegible]
She has a stroke will only at this moment of writing [illegible]

Oct. 22. Hospital I am in a small room with about [illegible]
(sick persons) 2 others and a nurse. The room is very [illegible]
as well as the breakfast. Only after Mealtimes (2 hours)
observation of the other pat. do I realize I am in the [illegible]
ward. It's reception Disquiets me. Later in afternoon I
am visited by Rimma, she comes in with two doctors as I may
she must ask me medical quest. eg. Did you know what you
were doing? Ans. yes. Did you black out? No. Oct. I think com-
mon sense told the doctors I was not. This is a good sign
later they leave, I am alone with Rimma (Among the
mentally ill) she encourages me and scolds me like
says she will help me to get transfered to another section
of Hos. (not for income) where food is good.

Oct. 23. Transferred to ordinary ward, (airy, good food)
but nurses suspicious of me. [They know]. Afternoon I am
visited by rest of Komsomol of the Hotel, tourist office, who asks about
my health, very beautiful, excellent end., very merry and
kind, she makes me very glad to be alive. Later Rimma visits

Oct. 24 Hospital routine, Rimma visits me in afternoon
Oct. 25. " "

Oct. 26 An elderly American at the Hospital grew suspicious
about me for some reason. Also because at embassy I told
him I had not registered as tourist and I am in general
evasive about my presence in Moscow and at Hospital afternoon
Oct. 27. Stiches are taken out by doctor with "dull" scissors
Oct 28 I leave Hospital in interist Cth. with Rimma for
Hotel "Berlin" later I change Hotels to "Metropole" all clothes
packed, and money from my room (to the last kopeek) returned
as well as watch, Kind. Ludmilla Gintsova (tourist office head)
and asks invite me to come and sit and take with them.
And then I get lonesome at new Hotel. Feel very sorry for me.

[illegible] films shown in 1957/1960 — all
[illegible] especially "will Elijah Leyba," "Cre" "will Jim Conrad
"The Untold Voyage of Liberal" made in 1956 and "Story
of Iron Valley," made in the 1950's, other than "Iron Valley" and
the life of the cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin and the hero
technicians product of Soviet Hemingway's book.
"War and Peace" were also shown to our audience on
two reels.

Price for seats in movie houses public theaters
state do not charge for adults and children but
only for the location of rows: with the center rows
costing 50 copecks in the evening and front rows cost
30 kopecks. Morning until 5 o'clock and 5 copecks
charge per seat, after the price charge. Morning's
are at posted times on the ticket, and doors are
opened for only five minutes, while spectators
take their assigned seats. nobody ever has to stand
because tickets are sold only according to the number
of seats in the hall, per showing.

Television is organized and shown, in order not to
interfere full work in industries. Monday to Friday
evening programs start at 8:00 in the evening just enough
to allow any work to get home in time for the start
but not enough to allow him to take time off
to watch television as become a television addicts
we have in the U.S. . programs finish at 11:00 in
the evening so that all the workers can get enough
sleep. On Saturday start at 3:00 to compensate for
the day work day and end at 12:00 or 12:30, Sundays
programs start as early, as 10:30 in the morning and end
at 11:00 clock. Programs are varied but include as
always more than 30 percent pure soviet politics but
these are often good films, reviews of movies and actors
for the kids the best programs in Moscow are the ballet
performed from the Moscow and Leningrad Ballets
theaters also symphonic music concerts are often used
to break the monotonous run of politics and dry fact
c.d. figures. a schedule for a Sunday ~~afternoon~~ evening
is like the one I saw in Munich on Oct. 22. 1961
6:30 speech 7.25 Soviet army choir 20.25 a feature length
film. "Baltic Sky" 2nd part. 21.30 of the 22nd congress
of the communist party of the Soviet Union's country.

From Oct. 16 1957 Journal

Oct. 16 Arrive from Helsinki by train. Am met at the station and go car to hotel "Leningrad". Before the Customs (Oct. Tourist Ticket.) meet my Finnish guide Nina Ivanova. I explain to her I wish to apply for Rus. Citizenship. She is sympathetic but refuses to help. She checks with her main office Intourist; then helps me fill application for Citizenship. Nina with the Russ Reception Desk fill in and notarizes given about me.

Oct. 17- Nina meets me for Intourist Sightseeing but I must continue with this application so go to Consulate. Here I have an interview. Men. Asks me about myself and my reasons for doing this. I explain I am a Communist, not Christian but fully sym. but unfortunately now. She seems to be friendly to me. She tells me I am coming back on Oct. 18. My 20th birthday, we visit Rus. in morning and in the afternoon the Lenin-Stalin Tomb. She gives me a present Book "Idiot" by Dostoevsk.:

Oct. 18 Tourism. Am waiting since my visa is good for five days only and still not received from Intu. about my Reply.

Oct. 20 Dinner in the afternoon says Intourist office notified by the Passport Dept. that they want to see me I am excited greatly by this news.

Oct. 21 (Sunday) meeting with single official building street, black suit family. Good English, asks, what do I want? I say Soviet Citizenship, he ask why I give vague answer about "Great Soviet Union" He tells me "USSR only Great in Literature wants me to go back home" I am stupified I retreat, he says he shall check and let me know whether my visa will be extended (it expires today)

Eve. 6.00 Receive word from Police Official. I must leave country tonight at 12 Noon as visa expires. I am shocked!! My Dreams! I retire to my room. I have $100. left. I have waited for 2 years to be accepted My Fondest Dreams are shattered because of a petty official because of Bad planning I planned so much! 2.00 A.M. I decide to end it. Soak right in Cold water to numb the pain. Then slash my left wrist, then right wrist into bathtub of hot water I think "when Rimma comes at 8. to find me dead it will be a great shock. Somewhere Violin plays, as I

[illegible] every 4th population [illegible]
U.S. sell 10,000 movie houses in the U.S.S.R. will [illegible]
collection from clubs bringing the total to 11,000 [illegible]
the average number of times a Soviet citizen goes to the movies
per year, including men, women, and children is 11 times a year.

There is a joke current in the Soviet Union about Mr. Khrushchev
N.S. Khrushchev received his third Hero of the Soviet Union
Order, highest order in the Soviet Union. The newsreel
has put in the film. "Our Nikita Khrushchev" a documentary
circulated in the summer of 1961, of old films showing
Khrushchev in his younger days — a common in the Soviet
press, or touring Dictators after the war.

Half of the hundreds of films made in 1957-1961 were
either revolutionary historical or war stories after world
Virgin land or for world liberation stories, pro-Soviet
Republic law it own stories which shot pictures
concerning their respective places. In Belgrade the
the Bulgarian or Soviet Union, it employs scores of
operators, technicians, writers, technical fields and actors.
All of these have finished the artist and operators
higher school of Cinematography in Leningrad, a 3 or 4 years
year course, and have diplomas in their respective fields.
During the week of Oct. 9-15 the following movies were shown
in Moscow Kino Theatre, secretary film of the 1917
"Chess Sky" the film presented at the film festival in
Moscow in the July 1961, which took 3rd place. a film
about the war Illici Ova, it contains sequence of
the men shaken, of prisoners of war who is dying
out of the party, because he didn't die, — all good soldiers
must. This film is very symbolic of the new present
his condemning some of the tactics of Stalin and his
gluck. The fair a west German film, against militarism
and "The poor sleep" a Bulgarian film about the
resistance in the 2nd WW.

Foreign films make up quite a large percentage
of movie shown here since the young Soviet film
Industry is not well subsidized and cannot turn
out half of the demand for films.

German, Italian and French films, as well
as most numerous films from the "people republics" are
popular here. American films are few although well
liked for their technical skill and production.

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DIARY

MAY 1 - MAY DAY CAME AS MY FIRST HOLIDAY IN THE U.S.S.R. CLOSED AFTER SPECTACULAR MILITARY PARADE BY TROOPS PASSED PAST REVIEWING STAND WAVING FLAGS AND BALLOONS WE [redacted] ECT. I FOLLOW THE OTHER CUSTOM OF HOLIDAY BY SLEEPING IN IN THE MORNING. AT NIGHT I WENT WITH THE ZEGERS CHILDREN AT AN PARTY HELD BY THEIR 40 PEOPLE CAME MADE OF ARGENTINE EXILES WE DANCE AND PLAY AROUND AND DRINK UNTIL 2 AM. LEONARDO ZEGER ONCE AGAIN. 26 FORMERLY MARRIED, AND A TALENTED SINGER. WITH ZEGER IS VERY GAY, NOT SO ATTRACTIVE BUT WE HIT IT OFF. HER BOY-FRIEND ARTURO IS A HUNGARIAN CHAP, SILENT AND BROODING, NOT AT ALL LIKE ZEGER ADVISES ME TO GO BACK TO 26th. IT'S THE FIRST VOICE OF OPPOSITION I HAVE HEARD. I RESPECT ZEGER, HE HAS SEEN THE WORLD HE SAYS MANY THINGS, AND REALISES MANY THINGS I DO NOT KNOW ABOUT THE U.S.S.R. I BEGIN TO FEEL UNEASY INSIDE, IT'S MAYBE JUNE-JULY SUMMER MONTHS OF GREEN BEAUTY, NINE MILES VERY DEAD. I ENJOY MANY SUNDAYS IN THE ENVIRONMENT OF MINSK. WITH THE ZEGERS WHO HAVE A CAR, MOSCOW ALFRED ALWAYS GOES HOME WITH MARTA, LEONARDO SEEMS TO HAVE NO PERMANENT BOY-FRIEND BUT MANY ADMIRERS. SHE HAS A BEAUTIFUL SPANISH FIGURE, LONG BLACK HAIR, LIKE MINE TOO I NEVER PAY MUCH ATTENTION HER SHES TOO OLD FOR ME SHE SEEMS TO DISLIKE MY LACK OF ATTENTION FOR SOME REASON. SHE IS RIGHT STRONG I HAVE BECOME HABITUATED TO A SMALL CAFE WHICH IS WHERE I DINE IN THE EVENING THE FOOD IS GENERALLY POOR AND MEANS EXACTLY THE SAME AS IN ANY CAFE, BUT ONE POINT IN THE CAFE'S FAVOUR THE FOOD IS CHEAP AND I DON'T REALLY CARE MUCH QUICKLY AFTER THREE YEARS IN THE U.S.N.C..

JUNE-SEPT AS MY RUSSIAN IMPROVES I BECOME INCREASINGLY CONSCIOUS OF JUST WHAT SORT OF A SOCIETY I LIVE IN. MASS GYMNASTICS, COMPULSORY AFTERWORK MEETING, HOURLY POLITICAL INFORMATION MEETING. COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AT LECTURES AND THE SENDING OF THE ENTIRE SHOP COLLECTIVE (EXCEPT ME) TO PICK POTATOES ON A SUNDAY, AT A STATE COLLECTIVE FARM. APPARENT DUTY TO BRING IN THE HARVEST. THE OPINIONS OF THE WORKERS (UNVOICED) ARE THAT IT'S A GREAT PAIN IN THE NECK. THEY DON'T SEEM TO BE ESPECIALLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT ANY OF THE "COLLECTIVE" ACTIVITIES APART FROM A DEEP FEELING FOR [illegible] NUMBER OF THE PRESENCE, INCLUDING, OF LEONID, SHOP MANAGER SECRETARY, PAT FORTNIGHT, AND JOHN ON THE OUTSIDE. HE IS A NO-NONSENSE PARTY RECRUITER.

The coming of Fall, my dread of it, the
the mellowed in splendid hues and odors & that is delicious
plums peaches apricots and cherries abound but these last
two weeks I am a mighty brown color and stripped bare
from fruit. (At other times of the year we obtainable)
Oct. 18 My 25th birthday sees Rock, Paul, Ella
and I at a small party of my friends Ella a very attractive
Russian Jew I have been going walking with lately, friends of
the Radio Factory Bro. Rock and Otto are jealous of each other's
showing undue feeling to me. Both have set my affections for the first
time. Ella and Paul both have mid-terms (I don't smoke) the end of this
—Nov. Finds the approach of winter now. October has come
overtakes me in state of my conquest of Erna Stuckert
a girl from Riga studying at the music conservatory in the
~~Rock-Hotel~~ after an affair which last a few weeks we part
friends in Nov. I make the acquaintances of four girls living
at the Tech. Law. dormitory in room 212. Nen is very
interesting, so is Tonka. Tomi's and Alla. I usually go
to the institute dormitory with a friend of mine who
speaks English very well, Erika T. Tov is in the fifth
year at the medical institute, very bright fellow
At the dormitory we 6 sit and talk for hours in English
Dec. I am having a light affair with Nell Korobka.
Jan. New years I spend at home of Old Germain. I think
Eh in love with her. She has refused my more dishonourable
advances, we drink and eat in the presence of her family
in a very hospitable atmosphere. Later I go home drunk
and happy. Missing the river homewards, I decide to propose to her
Jan. 2. After a pleasant honeymoon-walk to the local
cinema welcome home, standing on the doorstep I propose
She hesitates than refuses, my love is real but she has more
for me, her reason besides lack of love; I am american and
someday might be arrested simply because of that simple
Polish Intervention in the 20's. led to arrest of all people in
the Soviet Union of polish origin "you understand the
world situation, that is too much against you and you don't
even know it" I am stunned, split second picture of my unborn
in listening to go on too stunned too think) I realize
she was there, drunk with me but only exploited my
being an american in order to get the envy of the other girls
who considers me different from the Russian Boys. I am a hero!

newspapers and magazines in the
will be printed, if not be informed
centralized and controlled. In 1957 periodicals
numbered 4,029 titles and reports, no copies
Newspapers numbered 1063 Union, republican
city and oblasty papers. with 13,
copies. foreign newspapers are not allowed in the
country except representative communist and party papers
such as the "Worker" United State, "Daily Worker" Eng
"Humanity" France, "Neu Kenung" East Germany, the
Daily Berliner, West Germany.
the main publication in the USSR are "Pravda"
organ of the communist party of the USSR and Izvestia the
organ of the council of ministers of the Soviet Union.
It was also known as Isvestia of the Soviet Union.
The first secretary of the communist party of the USSR
one nop. nikita S. Khrushchev. all editorial and key newspa
that their guidance from these two leading Dailies, signifying article
issued to them by TASS Soviet news agency, government controlled
all newspapers are organs of one or more ministry or their
subdivisions. In March the newspaper is Izdvestia Belyaev
organ of the central committee of the communist party of Belyaev
a sport newspaper is the organ of the Ministry of physical culture
a railroader newspaper is the organ of the ministry of
transport and etc. Every newspaper from Pravda to the
right on down consist of four pages except on special
which when the number is increased from 4 pages for
2 speeches to 8 pages for 3 speeches. absolutely in
and consequently, in a government controlled economy
when papers are used are covered as to show the 2 pa
plan. The first page in all Soviet newspaper is devoted
to party news and speeches. The second two, production
notice or local Industrial achievement and so do
opening of a new dam or the overfulfilling of quota at a plant
The third page is filled with foreigns news items, of an
unusual and exciting to ad. or utter news agency, they usually
uncover strike and clashes with police, crime and some
incidents in capitalist countries as well as other items
slanted to give a bad impression about all countries
except those who are members of the socialist empire
this follow Russian such as Cuba who are pointed as
progressive democratic fighting against Imperialism
from within, and capitalist expo and agent
from within.

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JAN 3. I AM MISERABLE ABOUT FULL STOP. I HAVE LOST MY JOB, THE 3RD IN ONE YEAR. NEXT I LOSE MY RESIDENCE PERMIT. I HAVE TO GO TO THE PASSPORT OFFICE AND ASK IF I MUST CHANGE CITIZENSHIP (RUSSIAN) IF SAY NO I'LL EXTEND MY RESIDENCE PASSPORT TO MOSCOW AND MY DOCUMENT BE EXTENDED WITH 5 YRS.

JAN-4-31 I AM STARTING TO RECONSIDER MY DESIRE ABOUT LEAVING. JOB WORK IS OKAY THE MONEY I GET HAS NOWHERE TO BE SPENT. NO ADVENTURES OR BOWLING HAVE NO PLACES OF RECREATION ABOUT THE TRADE UNION CARDS I HAVE MADE HAS ENOUGH.

FEB. 28 MADE MY FIRST REQUEST TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, MOSCOW FOR RECONSIDERING MY POSITION, I START "I WOULD LIKE TO GO BACK..."

FEB. 28rd recive letter from Embassy. Richard E. Snyder STATES "I could come in FOR an interview ANY TIME I WISH."

MARCH 1-16 I NOW LIVE IN A STATE OF EXPECTATION ABOUT GOING BACK TO THE U.S. I CONFIDED WITH ZEGER he supports MY JUDGMENT BUT WARNS ME NOT TO TELL ANY RUSSIANS ABOUT MY DESIRE TO RETURN. I UNDERSTAND NOW WHY.

MARCH 17 - I AND ERICH WENT TO TRADE UNION DANCE SOIREE BUT AT THE LAST HOUR I AM INTRODUCED TO A GIRL WITH A FRENCH HAIR-DO AND RED-DRESS WITH WHITE SLIPPERS I DANCE WITH HER. TOWN ASK TO SHOW HER HOME I DO, WONG WITH 5 OTHER ADMIRERS HER NAME IS MARINA. WE LIKE EACH OTHER RIGHT AWAY SHE GIVES ME HER PHONE NUMBER AND DEPARTS HOME WITH AN NOT-SO-NEW FRIEND IN A TAXI I WAIT HOME.

MARCH 4-18-31 - WE WALK & TALK A LITTLE ABOUT MYSELF AND TALK ALOT ABOUT FAMILY. HER NAME IS MARINA N. FRANKEL

APR. 14-30 WE ARE GOING STEADY AND I DECIDE I MUST LEAVE, SHE PUTS ME OFF SO ON APRIL 15 I PROPOSE, SHE ACCEPTS.

APRIL 30, AFTER A 7 DAY DELAY AT ZAGS AT 10 A.M. BECAUSE OF MY UNUSUAL PASSPORT THEY ALLOW US TO REGISTER AS MAN * WIFE TWO OF MARINAS [redacted] GIRL FRIEND ACTED BRIDESMAID, WE ARE MARRIED. AT HER AUNT LOVE WE HAD A DRINK, REGISTER FOR ABOUT 20 FRIENDS AND RELATIVES WHO WISH US HAPPINESS (IN SPITE OF MY ORIGIN I ACCEPT) MOST WHO IN GENERAL SEEMS, DEFINITELY TO MY REMAIN SINCE FOR. ARE VERY RARE IN THE SOVIET UNION EVEN TOURIST. AFTER A EVENING OF EATING AND DRINKING IN WHICH UNCLE MOSES STARTED A FIGHT AND THE FUSE BLOW ON AN OVERLOADED CIRCUIT WE TAKE OUR LEAVE AND WALK THE 15 MINUTES TO OUR LONE WE LIVED NEAR EACH OTHER. AT MIDNIGHT WE WERE ALONE.

32 of all the 62000 title printed in 1931 —
were technical or industrial self help books.
Other titles were for light reading. Of the rest many
were stories reflecting the struggle and victory of the Soviet
armed forces over the reich during the 3rd war
as well as heroic novels about young up the virgin
lands in Siberia and the wild country east of the Urals
as was described by Ewing Lewis in his book "Red
Steel in USSR." Love stories are few and for between with
them apt to be "boy loves girl" "girl loves
boy" how does increased production at his machine fit
with the admiration of Natasha, the shock brigade
young novels are very popular in the USSR because
of their comparitably racy basis, readers, foreign readers
seem to be drawn, because they write about the love
and laziness and immorality of their capitalistic countries
Every young book seems to be drawn to show
that if capitalism isn't dead or dying it should!

American authors include, Jack London, Ernest
Hemingway, and others
but other writers are often very popular in the U.S.A., but
not for the same reasons. Jack London wrote what we consider
adventure stories while the Russians consider them to be
reflective of present day life, Ernest Hemingway, wrote
"old man and the sea" a deeply touching story of man
struggle against nature and the sea, while here it is
considered an indictment of the capitalist society although
Hemingway unlike Jack London, was never a Socialist.

For a person, reading selected stories by foreign
writers, one gets a very depressing feeling and is
overwhelmed by the grayness and dullness of the life
depicted in them, other foreign authors include.
Leonard Frank, German novelist; William Saroyan,
things as they are "England; and most classical writers
such as Alexander Dumas "Count Monte" French author.
"Sherlock Holmes and Watson Stud" are also known and
read in the U.S.S.R. but rarely, like are few and hard to
find. Other [illegible] information wherever
one goes. Mark Twain books are also found
in practically every book store of co-operative. sell for 1.50
Sylvia or [illegible] stories rank high in publicity
and Sholokhov's [illegible] with the exploits and adventures
not [illegible] captured in the
by the young [illegible]

[illegible] foreign languages are compulsory [illegible]
in Engineering also relating a text on language is compulsory
The studied language in which Inventions and research [illegible]
English, German, French, Italian and Spanish with the
Eastern languages following. The rest books from which
these languages are studied are very interesting in themselves
and they combine politics and education at the same time
occurance. an example is that text in English or German
instead of giving on the life of Lenin founder of the Soviet State
or the structure of the communist party of the Soviet Union
the life of Stalin was a ground subject to fill a text book
book - these books are no longer in circulation
a good text book for English speaking students studying
Russian, is the one by Nina Potapova, Chairman of the Soviet
Society of friendship with the United States and England.
this book published in 1959, by the moscow publishing house
Izdatelstvo Vneshtorgizdat Bldg. 21, Smolensk is a good state
for persons interested in the Russian highly expressive
Russian language. Political texts are kept to a minimum
in this book and only make up about 30% of the text.
Most of the million of text book printed in the Soviet
Union were published at the central moscow publishing
houses a truly gigantic and monopolistic enterprise
and used for more digest to centralization where foreign books
are reprinted in the Russian language and also into
any one of the 100's languages of minority groups in the Soviet
Union. 95% of the population of the USSR. speak Russian, however
national languages are protected and propagated by the
constitution. 208,827,000 million people in the Soviet Union
114,114,000 could Russian as their national language
in comparision 37853,000, and Belorussian 7,913,000,
and Ukrainians 6,015,000. The remaining population
figures are distributed among 18 minor, and 60 further
groups. some of which have as few as 4,000 people speaking
the tongue. also there are 60,000 persons in the Soviet
Union who are from which not known origin of these
the Lenderare Yakutes 5,000; Aleuts 4,800; Ghyas
1,900; Koryak 1,800, Chukchis 1,100, Samoyeds 900,
Kamchadals 400, and Negidals (estimated) 400). This
the figures from significant language is not being
in the 1960 figures for the Soviet Union pp 34-35).

[illegible] BOY DOES. FOUND AS THINGS [illegible]
THAT I MIGHT DISAPPEAR TO MOST FOLKS I [illegible]
[illegible] WITH MARION.
JUNE - THE PERSISTENT OF CHARLEY TULL [illegible]
[illegible] WHO WAS FAIRFULL OUR AS I [illegible]
EVERY DAY AT THE FACTORY BUT AS THE MONTH WORE ON
I MISTED MIKE AND MISS MY WIFE MORE AND I STILL
DIDN'T KNOW IF MY WIFE OF MY DECISION TO RETURN TO US.
SAM IS MADLY IN LOVE WITH ME FROM THE VERY START.
ROAD RIDES ON LAKE MINSK WALKS THROUGH THE WOODS
EVENING AT HOME OR AT AUNT WALKS PLACE WHILE MARY
JUNE - A CONTINUANCE OF MAY, EXCEPT. THAT; WE GREW CLOSER
AND CLOSER, AND I THINK VERY LITTLE ELSE OF SIGNIFICANCE
IN THE LAST DAYS OF THIS MONTH I CONTACT MY EMBASSY
TO RETURN TO AMERICA. MY WIFE IS SLIGHTLY UPSET
BUT TRAIN ENCOURAGES ME TO DO WHAT I WISH TO DO
JULY - I DECIDED TO TAKE MY TWO WEEK VACATION
AND TRAVEL TO MOSCOW (WITHOUT POLICE PERMISSION)
TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY TO SEE ABOUT GETTING MY
PASSPORT BACK AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MY WIFE
TO ENTER THE U.S. WITH ME.
JULY 8 - I FLY BY PLANE TO MINSK ON A IL-20, A [illegible]
LATER AFTER TAKING A TEARFUL AND EMOTIONAL PARTING FROM
MY WIFE I ARRIVE IN MOSCOW REPORTING AT ONCE
[redacted] FROM THE AIRPORT I ARRIVE IN THE CENTER OF THE
CITY. MAKING MY WAY THROUGH HEAVY TRAFFIC I
DON'T COME IN SIGHT OF THE EMBASSY UNTIL 2:00 IN
THE AFTERNOON. IT'S SATURDAY WHAT IF THEY ARE
CLOSED! ENTERING I FIND THE OFFICES EMPTY BUT
MANAGE TO CONTACT SNYDER ON THE PHONE (SINCE HE
EMBASSY PERSONAL LIVE IN THE SAME BUILDING)
HE COMES DOWN TO GREET ME SHAKES MY HAND AFTER
INTERVIEW HE ADVISES ME TO COME IN FIRST THING MON
(ALL - JULY 8-13.)
JULY 8. INTERVIEW JULY 9 RECEIVE PASSPORT. CALL MARION TO ARRANGE FOR
JULY 14. I AND MARION RETURN TO MINSK.
JULY 15. MARION AT WORK IS SHOCKED TO FIND OUT THAT
EVERYONE KNOWS SHE ENTERED THE U.S. EMBASSY. THEY WERE
CALLED AT HER PLACE OF WORK FROM SOME OFFICIAL IN MINSK.
HE DOES NOW A MEETING AND GIVE HER A
REPRIMAND. THE FIRST OF MANY SHOCKING THINGS TO COME