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"A WEEKLY FOR THINKING AMERICANS"

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Mr. Mark Lassiter,
Snow Hill, N.C.

Dear Mr. Lassiter:-

Your demand at the recent American Legion meeting that Communist activities at the University of North Carolina be stopped is most timely. For several years this newspaper has been in the fight, although we couldn't accomplish much except to inform the public. It seems incomprehensible to me that all efforts to wipe out communistic influences at Chapel Hill have been squelched by men more anxious to uphold the perverted liberalism of Senator Frank Graham and his associates than to restore our university to American standards.

The only way to put a stop to Communist activities at Chapel Hill is to elect men to the General Assembly pledged to that very goal. I am a candidate for the lower house and will spearhead my campaign on this very issue. I would appreciate your sending me information that you have on this subject, as I want to give it the fullest publicity both in our paper and over the radio. I must have authenticated facts if I am to prove my points. The great trouble has been that we have a feeling that certain conditions are not right, but we cannot run them down. Therefore, names, dates and other details are important.

There seems to be a protective curtain covering communist activities in our national government, universities and even in some church circles. Wherever they can bid for attention they are subtly at work. It is the proper province of all red blooded Americans to fight it to a finish.

Wishing you success in your objective and assuring you of my close cooperation, I am

Cordially yours,

Paul R. Lawrence
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