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This is a very interesting account of the planning and preparation that transpired within the German high command concerning the invasion of England. The source material is official records, diaries, memoranda and other official and semi-official papers. The book gives a good picture of the interplay of personalities and its effect on Hitler. Perhaps the major lesson learned by reading this book is that sea power is mandatory in conducting amphibious operations. The lack of appreciation of sea power on the part of certain members of the German General Staff is reflected in many of the decisions presented. Even with the advent of air power, superiority at sea is necessary for invasion. *Operation Sea Lion* also highlights the effect of no coordinated planning.

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Wolfe, Bertram D. "Marxism — Yesterday and Today," and Lichtheim, George. "Marxist Doctrine in Perspective." *Problems of Communism*, November-December, 1958, p. 24-31 and p. 32-37 respectively.

Two essays surveying the status of Marxism today — whether the doctrine is essentially abstract and unrealistic, its concepts broken down and its prophecies shipwrecked; or whether it is akin to practical "liberalism" less utopian and revolutionary than it is generally believed to be.

"Report on Taiwan." *The Atlantic*, December, 1958, p. 4-8.

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"Soviets Flight Testing Nuclear Bomber." *Aviation Week*, December 1, 1958, p. 27-29.

Describes the aircraft and nuclear engines of the bomber which this article claims is being flight-tested in the Soviet