

sulting in personal or professional disaster or fought on less sanguinary grounds—must be related to the dynamics of a state-supported and -supporting ideology.

*November 7, 1966*

DAN C. HELDMAN  
*University of Texas*

TO THE EDITOR:

In his review of my book *Stalin's Russia* (*Slavic Review*, December 1966), Professor Sidney Heitman quotes me as saying that Stalin was “probably the greatest” man who ever lived. The first sentence of the book actually reads (page 1), “Stalin was probably the most important man who ever lived.” There is a moral world of difference.

*January 6, 1967*

FRANCIS B. RANDALL  
*Sarah Lawrence College*