

40 Statement About the Death of David Lawrence.*

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FOR MORE than half a century, David Lawrence wrote with clarity and conviction about the public issues of our times. At his death he was not only a dean of his profession but also one of our most distinguished patriots.

Along with millions of other Americans, I shall miss him deeply.

NOTE: Mr. Lawrence, 84, died in Sarasota,

Fla., on February 11, 1973. At the time of his death, he was the writer of a syndicated column and editor and chairman of the board of U.S. News and World Report.

On April 22, 1970, at a White House ceremony, Mr. Lawrence was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom for his contributions to journalism. See 1970 volume, Item 191.

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