

Sound Advice

THE CAUSE that has a margin of right in its favor will succeed despite all obstacles. If communism is the panacea for all the ills in the world, as its protagonists maintain, the Russians could do nothing better than to concern themselves with establishing a model communistic government in Russia, conserving their resources, skill and energy for the task of demonstrating its advantages to an openminded world. If the principle of private ownership of property is wrong in practice, as against the principle of state ownership of all property; if the principle of encouraging individual thrift on the strength of greater compensation and, eventually, greater personal gain, is wrong, as against the principle of driving the individual to perform skilled or unskilled services for the state, receiving in return only what is necessary to live according to state regulated standards, then why not demonstrate the advantages of the latter among credulous Russian peasants and communistic adherents?

Why not do this, and demonstrate the advantages of a communistic state in operation, rather than rule the Russians by the bayonet and spend fabulous sums, plus human energy, at large in the world in an effort to cause dissension, industrial and economic turmoil, in countries where there is domestic peace and tranquility, where racial and religious toleration is a fundamental principle in government and where nothing else is mandatory upon the individual than conformity to the law enacted by the majority of the people who compose the state?

In the name of decency the communists should keep out of America with their propaganda until they can demonstrate that they have established a government that distributes greater common good conducive to greater individual happiness than that which abounds in this free democracy, the realm of the Stars and Stripes the land in which the individual rights are all important and where the state is merely an agency for the protection of the individual that his domain of rights shall never be invaded.

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