

Split Between Communist Phases Said Our Last Opportunity To Win Cold War

Unless this country recognizes the differences between the various types of communism and seizes the present opportunity to widen the growing gulf between them, we may lose our last opportunity to win the cold war, Dr. Frank Munk, Portland, told an audience of about 500 persons at the high school auditorium last night.

Dr. Munk, native Czechoslovakian who spent two months in that country and Poland last summer, declared there is growing, fierce hatred between what he termed "national communists" and "cominform communists" within the Russian orbit, and that this is communism's greatest weakness.

This growing tension within the ranks of communists explains the split between Tito of Yugoslavia and Stalin, he said and added, "Tito worries Russia more than the atom bomb."

"This government, in order to weaken communism as a whole, may have to support it in some of its aspects," he said, and added that the United States is already supplying limited aid to Tito. "There is a deep split through the Russian orbit, and we must widen it," he emphasized.

Our policy should not be merely to suppress, but to divide, he said, and added that this country, "pushed the Chinese communists into the Russian's hands." Both during the main body of his lecture and during the question period, Dr. Munk stressed that the Chinese nationalist government "is beyond help" and while the way might not be clear now, events later might be such that we could divide the Chinese communists from Russia. He said the fact that the Chinese communist leader, Mao Tse-Tung, has spent so much time with Stalin in recent weeks could indicate growing differences.

Was No Schism

As long as communism was confined to Russia, there was no schism in the party, he said, and added that in the last analysis, Russian communism is just the latest expression of Russian imperialism. The pattern of spreading influence is almost exactly the same as it was under the czars," he declared and added, "communism is more typical of Peter the Great than it is of Karl Marx; Marx would be amazed if he could see what communism is today."

When communism becomes established in another country, then that country and its leaders become nationalistic in tendencies, become intoxicated with their own power, and resent Russian interference, he explained.

Dr. Munk stated most Americans are afraid of communism without actually understanding it. "The energy and drive behind communism are the age-long aspirations of the masses; these forces, long held back, are now being released. These forces grew from resentment of imperialism, of racialism, of the so-called divine right of the white race and of other social injustices. The masses will no longer be held back; they no longer accept poverty and hunger as their due. Communism is using this force, this ground swell," he stated.

Old Classes Going

He said communism is "plowing under the thin layer of the old dominant class which in the past had all the good things of life in some countries," and added, "if communism did nothing but spread education, biased even though it is, that in itself would have been a tremendous upheaval."

"We concentrate on only the ugly features of communism," he said. "We do a disservice to democracy if we do not give the devil his due. The communist governments have done things which other governments should have done, and these things are irreversible."

Dr. Munk said his dislike of communism had been greatly strengthened by his stay in his native country last summer, and pointed out that because Czechoslovakia is the only one of the Russian orbit nations which previously had known democracy, had been highly industrialized and had been oriented to the west, the course of events there is now in the nature of a laboratory experiment in communism. He said the Czechs are not only having the philosophy of their government changed, but that communism is exercising a monopoly on thought. "The Czechs find it hateful," he said.

Few Realize Changes

The speaker stressed that few in this country realize the complete change which communism brings, and the enthusiastic and fanatical leadership which it creates. "It literally creates a new type of human being," he said. "Some of the fanatical communists would murder their own mothers if told to do so." He said communist youth spend practically their entire time in party activity and that it toughens them physically and intellectually. In comparison he said the youth of this country are being almost pampered, and that "sometimes I believe we aren't going to be tough enough to cope with communism."

Dr. Munk described conditions as he found them in Czechoslovakia last summer and said the process of nationalism of retail business was going on. "Its rapidity amazed me," he said. "When I arrived about 90 per cent of retail business was not nationalized; six weeks later only 30 per cent was not. It is difficult to comprehend the personal tragedy this meant." He said agriculture is also being nationalized.

Production Down

Dr. Munk said production is down in that country, in spite of all manner of communistic ruses to bring it up. He described the party's methods and said the much discussed book, "1948," might just as well have been labeled "1949" as far as Czechoslovakia is concerned. The "tenner system" whereby one party member keeps watch over 10 others, and the vigilance of "cadremens," leave no personal liberty or privacy to anyone, he declared, and said "its like constantly having one's actions and thoughts x-rayed."

He told of the system of labor camps, the treatment of those "politically unreliable" and said "Czechoslovakia not only has full employment, she has compulsory employment."

He said a lack of experts for business and industry is only a minor weakness of communism, and that a greater weakness is the creation of a new ruling class and new standards. "The difference between those at the top in the party and other citizens is greater in Russia and in communist countries than are the economic difference in our country," he said. "Only top ranking party leaders own cars and have decent homes. They are not popular; they 'put on airs' and in some instances are worse than the ruling classes which communism displaced."

Many Phased Threat
Dr. Munk said the "threat of communism" Dr. Munk said it consisted of many layers, including the agrarian, social and political revolution. He said the agrarian revolution should be encouraged, with division of land among the peasants, but that the rise of police states and rule through the cominform are "dangerous aspects." The speaker said the strategy of the democracies must be to encourage some aspects while fighting others and that "rule by the cominform is only a tool of Russian foreign policy."

He said Italy would go communist eventually unless the large land-holdings are divided among the peasants and urged this country not to try to sell the idea of private enterprise to all of the European countries. "It



KIWANIANS KAPER—End Man Don "Sambo" Newbury, left, and Interlocutor Ray Baker are shown warming up for their roles in the second annual Kiwanis Kapers and Minstrel show. A preview performance at reduced price for boys and girls of the valley has been set for 3 p.m. Sunday at the Ashland junior high school gymnasium. Local talent for the show will be "put together" at Ashland tonight. Dress rehearsals will be held Friday at Ashland and Tuesday at Medford. Regular performances are scheduled Wednesday and Thursday, February 22 and 23 at Ashland and the following Friday and Saturday at Medford senior high auditorium. Parents who attend the Sunday preview will pay the full admission price.

Underworld Figures Believed In Mexico

Los Angeles, Feb. 16.—(U.P.)—Three underworld figures missing from two rival Los Angeles gangs—including asserted mob leader Jack Dragna—may be in Mexico, police intelligence squad Lt. Grover Armstrong said he learned today.

"I have received information this morning that Dragna may be across the border in Mexico," the officer said.

Armstrong said he also was checking on reports that Frank Niccoli and David Ogul, top-ranking henchmen of Mickey Cohen, with whom police believe Dragna is fighting an underworld war to the death, have been seen in Mexico.

Well, They Wanted It Warm, Didn't They?

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 16.—(U.P.)—A 22-year-old janitor's helper was charged today with setting fire to two rooming houses because the occupants "hounded me for too much heat."

Authorities filed two arson warrants against Frederick Fierke. Police said he admitted setting one fire December 4 and another last Sunday.

just cannot be done," he emphasized.

The United States must not over-emphasize the military threat of communism, Dr. Munk stressed, and said that Russia thinks her real chance lies in infiltration and revolution, a cold war, and that she was not anxious to engage in a real war. "This is not primarily a military problem," he declared, "and if we concentrate on bombs, we will lose the cold war. Wars are not fought by the military only, but by diplomats, teachers and scientists. We over-estimate the generals." During the question period he said "the military always prepares to fight the last war."

No Secrecy
He declared this country put too much of a premium on secrecy and said "there is no such thing as secrecy; we only hurt our security when we try to believe we can survive by secrets." He said the open nature of science in this country in the past years was the main reason we were able to achieve the atom bomb first.

In closing his talk Dr. Munk said "The hope of this country does not lie in being negative—in being against things. It lies in freedom and equality, to which we do not always live up, but which is nevertheless the foundation of our dream. We must recognize the force of change, not the force of obstacles. If we accept a new and dynamic world, only then will communism be beaten."

Dr. Munk was introduced by Mrs. S. E. Phillips, president of the Medford League of Women Voters, which sponsored his appearance here.



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Winter Takes Toll Of Production In Douglas Fir Area

Portland, Feb. 16.—Winter took a heavy toll of lumber production in the Douglas fir region as output from west coast sawmills in January dropped more than 50 million feet a week below December figures, according to H. V. Simpson, executive vice president of West Coast Lumbermen's association.

Deep snows, frozen log ponds and low temperatures closed hundreds of the region's lumber manufacturing plants, Simpson said.

Logging camps are battened down except for a few along the Oregon and Washington coast.

December Output Down

Only 577,772,000 board feet were loaded out during January, some 32 million below December. Gross stocks at mills dropped in the face of short production to 594,720,000 board feet, lowest in 18 months while unfilled order files jumped to 804,320,000 board feet.

The weekly average at West Coast lumber production in January was 133,342,000 board feet. Orders averaged 213,633,000 and shipments 148,095,000. Weekly averages for December were production 184,427,000, orders 174,904,000 and shipments 187,113,000.

Chambers Ex-Boss Jumps To Death In Manhattan

New York, Feb. 16.—(U.P.)—Former Time Magazine Foreign Editor Laird S. Goldsborough, 48, who bossed confessed communist spy courier Whittaker Chambers, had no reason for jumping to his death from a Manhattan skyscraper, his wife said today.

Goldsborough, a wartime counterespionage, and nephew of Federal Judge T. Alan Goldsborough of Washington, D.C., plunged from his ninth floor office in Rockefeller Center last night, striking a passerby in his fall.

Mrs. Goldsborough said her husband who became a freelance writer after leaving Time, never was involved in the Alger Hiss perjury trial at which Chambers, his chief assistant when he was Time foreign affairs editor, was the key government witness.

Dead line on Classified Ads: 5:30 p.m. for following day; 10 a.m. Monday noon Saturday for Sunday a.m.

BETRAYED BY PHOTO

Milford, N. H.—(U.P.)—After having lived here quietly for 15 years, Thomas A. Campbell, 50, was arrested and sent back to Massachusetts as a parole violator. Authorities had noticed his picture, with his alias and address, in the inquiring photographer's column of the New Hampshire Sunday News.

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