

'Keep Them Poor and Busy' Principle of Commie Rule

Hong Kong—(U.P.)—"Keep the people poor and keep them busy" is the basic principle of Chinese Communist rule, an analysis of mainland reports shows.

Those two conditions, the Communists have found, are the best means of maintaining control of the population. Reports from both Communist and independent sources show that, instead of generating social unrest, they have produced dependence on the government and pliability to further controls.

The two conditions are supplemented by high-tension indoctrination, social reformation, political suppression, mass arrests and mass killings. They have enabled the Communists to keep the population more or less tightly under their thumbs. Reports reaching here reveal that during their two-and-a-half years under Red rule the Chi-

nese people have been given little respite. They have been pushed almost unrelentingly through a hard-grinding gauntlet of "movements," "campaigns" or "drives" in a life of virtually continuous tension.

"Struggle" stressed food requisitions, cash contributions, troop - comfcting, work competition, production increase, and the "struggle" against landlords, reactionaries and local despots enter into the picture. There are victory bond drives, the "resist United States and aid Korea" movement, the "suppression of counter-revolutionaries," church independence movements, and the donations drive to buy heavy weapons for Chinese "volunteers" in Korea.

All have been used to keep the people keyed up but under control. The latest drives are the "thought-reform" movement for intellectuals and the purge inside the Communist Party and government service against "bureaucratism, corruption and deviationism."

The other policy principle of keeping the people poor is also being vigorously carried out. Wages and profits have been kept at a low level by regulation or taxes.

State enterprises have been expanded and private business strangled and gradually brought under state control. Export and import trade, the textile industry, banking businesses and many others for instance, already have been put under complete state control.

Taxes Way Up

Taxes in present-day China are reported to be among the highest in the country's history. Some of the taxes on the "unwanted classes," the landlords, for example, are described as "liquidatory" in nature.

Numerous levies supplement the taxes in keeping the people down to the state-envisaged financial level. Leaving aside the many small levies, there was the big "cash contribution and loan" drive in 1949. Contributions were made to the government and some cities paid as much as the equivalent of U. S. \$1,000,000, which took away a

Youngsters Made Court Wards After Sex Parties Told

Los Angeles—(U.P.)—Twenty-three members of a juvenile sex club became court wards Thursday after a shocked judge heard reports of their frenzied sex parties, some allegedly on a school grounds.

One of the 19 boys, aged 11 to 16, involved in the investigation was a president of his class. The four girls are aged 12 to 14. Started Three Months Ago

Superior Judge William B. McKesson heard testimony that the parties went on for nearly three months before they came to the attention of authorities, who first learned of them from the parents of a girl who had been asked to join.

"Our daughter told us," they reported, "that the parties were common knowledge among pupils of the school."

Parents of a brother and sister involved in the orgies said that school authorities knew of the parties last October but failed to notify parents.

On School Grounds

"Some of the acts were right on the school grounds," they charged.

McKesson and Court Commissioners Norman Holden and Robert J. Hamilton interviewed the youngsters, whose names were withheld, before disposing of the cases. McKesson held a private hearing in chambers for the girls before the boys went into court.

McKesson warned them to reform, or learn that there are sterner tribunals than the juvenile court.

One 13-year-old girl told him of participating in normal and abnormal sex practices with nine boys. Another girl said she had been intimate with 10 boys at the parties.

Footlighters Board Elects New Officers

Miss Ruth Kilbourn was elected vice-president of the Footlighters civic theater group at a meeting of the executive board last evening. Frank Buchter was elected president recently at an annual general meeting.

Other new officers elected by the board are Art Ayres, treasurer, and Earl Knight, business manager. Bernie Roberts was reelected secretary.

Committee members appointed at the meeting by Buchter are Miss Kilbourn, play reading committee chairman; Mrs. Buchter and Mrs. Knight, special events and wardrobe; Miss Jerilyn Jerome, hostess chairman; Miss Bernice Scofield, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Edward C. Kelly, membership chairman.

large proportion of the money the people had saved from the nationalist days.

In 1950, there was the big "victory bond drive," which cleaned up another estimated U. S. \$200,000,000 from the people. Last year, there was another big "donations drive" to buy planes and heavy weapons for the Chinese "volunteers" in Korea. That collected about U. S. \$236,000,000. The general belief is that a new drive will be launched this year, but no one knows just now what it will be like.

These money-collection drives have clipped off any private income, partially, or wholly, that might have been obtained despite taxes and regulations.

A Chinese businessman, recently arrived here from Tientsin, said:

"The Communists allowed our firm to make five to 10 per cent profit. Anything above that was considered excessive profits and led to charges of speculation or hoarding.

"Even the five to 10 per cent profit did not belong to us. It usually ended in Communist pockets—as taxes and levies."

He said it is the same with workers. Sometimes they are given a raise, but often some sort of a drive soon afterwards takes it away.

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SECTION TWO

Opposite Comics

TODAY FOR GROCERIA SAVINGS!



TOP COMMANDERS—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, at his SHAPE headquarters at Rocquencourt, near Paris, greets Adm. Lynde D. McCormick, supreme commander of all North Atlantic navies. An officer accompanying the admiral from the United States said that Russia had "stolen" the secret of an American mine which can float in the sea for days undetected and cannot be swept up by ordinary minesweepers.

Waitress Makes Lucky Stumble Over Jewelry

Houston, Tex. (U.P.)—When attractive 23-year-old Jerry Hillburn stumbled over a salesman's brief case in a crowded hotel lobby she wasn't wrong when she told him "That thing must be filled with rocks."

It was. The "rocks" were diamonds being carried to a prospective client by a jewelry salesman.

It was a lucky "stumble" for the brunette coffee shop waitress, though. Impressed by her appearance, the salesman landed her a job as a jewelry model with his client's firm.

Especially named for honeymooners is a guest house in suburban Sydney, in Australia. It's the Cooloon, on Kissing Point Road, Turramurra.

White Collar Girls Will Participate In Kiwanis Kapers

Members of the Rogue Valley chapter of the National Secretaries association are participating this year in the Kiwanis Kapers and Minstrel show presentation of "Gee! Washington."

Five members of that organization are cast in a "White Collar Girls" song and dance skit. They are Marion Langley, Janet Snider, Pat Eastwood, Pat Cox and Jean Brown. Also in the act is Dorothy Lind.

Tell Disillusionment The skit concerns girls who have come to Washington, D. C., attracted by the glamor of the city. Each tells her disillusionment and the group sings "White Collar Girls' Lament."

The show is set for March 5, 6, 7 and 8 at the Medford senior high school auditorium. Sponsors are the Medford and Ashland Kiwanis clubs. The Medford club will use its share of the proceeds for its underprivileged children's project.

Tewa Indians of New Mexico have been known to grind up bumblebees and place them in their dogs' food that they might become good hunters.

Coffee consumption in the United States increased from 8 1/4 to 18 pounds, on a per capita basis, between 1881 and 1950.

Romance Languages Laboratory Completed

Atlanta, Ga. (U.P.)—A romance languages laboratory has been completed at Emory university here.

Made of control panels, recording booths, and earphones, the laboratory resembles an interpreter's booth at United Nations headquarters.

The new equipment will enable 30 students to listen to any one of six languages at the same time. Students will use language-teaching records, listen to foreign broadcasts and the Voice of America, and make progress recordings of their own voices.

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