

Red China Said Passing on Food Shortage to Allies

Washington — (AP) — Red China, the hungriest of Communist nations, seems to be passing on some of its shortages to the rest of the Soviet bloc, western analysts said today.

There are indications that Russia's recent 25 to 30 per cent increase in meat and butter prices may have resulted partly from a halt in Red Chinese meat shipments to the Soviet Union.

In recent years Communist China has supplied an estimated 5 per cent of Russia's meat.

Major Upheaval
But since 1960, presumably in part because of the ideological rift between the two Red giants, there has been a major upheaval in Soviet-Chinese trade.

In 1959 this trade totaled \$2.1 billion. In 1960 it dropped to \$1.6 billion and in 1961 to \$918 million. There apparently has been a similar drop in Chinese trade with East Germany and other European satellites.

This has caused a commercial crisis in the Communist world which cuts both ways.

It undoubtedly has contributed to food shortages in eastern Europe. It also means that Russia and eastern Europe are deprived of an outlet for manufactured machinery.

New Study
The almost world-wide Communist failure in food production and the interrelated effects throughout the Red bloc have come under new study recently in Washington.

It also was apparently a major subject of last week's Moscow meeting of Communist party leaders under the Communist Council for Economic Mutual Assistance.

The Soviet Union, with a population 20 per cent larger than that of the United States and six times more farm labor, has never been able to produce more than 60 per cent of the U.S. agricultural output. Experts have given several probable reasons:

— Climate. Most of Russia's agricultural land lies farther north than Minnesota, and much of it is dry.

— Organization. Soviet agriculture is a hodge-podge of

40,000 collective farms, theoretically owned by their workers; 8,000 "state farms" in which the workers are more like factory employees, and 16 million small individual plots. The collective farms are considered by U.S. experts to be unmanageably large, covering on the average 15,000 acres. The state

farms are even larger, 20,000 acres.

— Policy. Russia has deliberately put a vast amount of its capital into industry rather than agriculture.

— Methods. Soviet farms use only one-third as much fertilizer as U.S. farms. Advanced crop dusting is even less prevalent. Prices have

not always encouraged the small farmers to increase their crops. In some cases, they have been asked to sell at a loss.

In eastern Europe, reports last week continued to indicate food problems.

Called for Steps
In East Germany, the Communist party newspaper

Neusdeutschland called for steps to correct meat and milk shortages.

In Bucharest, housewives were lining up to buy the only available meat — cows heads and tongues, chopped horsemeat and horse brains.

In Prague, students demonstrated against meat shortages.

In Poland, panic buying was reported immediately after Russia's meat and butter price increases.

Could Be Crucial

In Red China, per capita food output is estimated to be lower than in 1950, with the average diet below 2,000 calories a day. The minimum diet for a day's work in Asia is estimated at 2,300 calories. China has had three bad

crop years in a row. It may be that this year could be crucial for the Peiping regime.

Farm programs in Communist North Korea and North Viet Nam also are reported to be in trouble.

By contrast, Japan and Nationalist China on Formosa have greatly increased agricultural production.

In Cuba, food production is estimated to have dropped 15 per cent in the last two years. Rationing was started this year.

As Western officials see it, the fate of Communist efforts to solve agricultural problems may be the most significant factor in the outcome of the cold war struggle.

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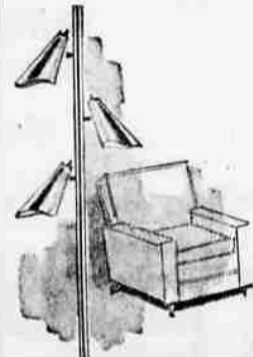
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