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SOVIET LURING REFUGEES IN U.S. TO "COME HOME"

SEEKS TO CRUSH RESISTANCE CORES

Under the above head, the New York World-Telegram ran a front-page story by Frederick Woltman and Jack Steele, Scrips-Howard staff writers, that the Kremlin for more than a year has been spearheading a new kind of propaganda invasion of the United States on an unprecedented scale.

Its targets are a half million refugees, including Ukrainians, who have fled from the Red regimes since World War II and several million immigrants who arrived here earlier from nations now within the Communist orbit.

The American public is scarcely aware of the existence—let alone the danger—of this Moscow-directed offensive.

The Svoboda and the Ukrainian Weekly have commented upon this matter frequently.

The tactics used by the Communists cover a wide range. At one extreme, Red diplomats and agents—with a campaign of premeditated terrorism—have brought police state methods directly to America. These instances, however, are relatively few.

Of far greater importance is the massive drive on individual emigre families here, coldly calculated to exploit their roots. Here the appeal is to fond memories of the "homeland" and their kinfolk left behind.

Homeland Kin on the Air

From East Germany and the satellite capitals, tons of personal letters and "Return to the Homeland" propaganda newspapers have been pouring into this country.

All of it is addressed personally to the emigres, few of whom had any contacts with relatives or friends behind the Iron Curtain for years—or even decades.

And the flood is still growing.

To get their message to the Free World, the Reds need not resort to balloons or smuggling devices. They simply use the U.S. mails.

More recently, short-wave transmitters have been beaming special broadcasts nightly from the Iron Curtain territory. As bait, they invite individual refugees in the U.S. to listen to the voices of their mothers, fathers, wives and children in the "homeland."

The N.Y. World-Telegram report by Woltman and Steele states "that the softening-up campaign is aimed at refugee and nationality communities in every corner of America—Russian, Polish, Czech, Ukrainian, Georgian, Hungarian, Estonian, Latvian, Lithuanian, East German, Rumanian and Albanian.

These groups are hard-core islands of resistance to Communism in the U.S. As living symbols of the millions victims of Red tyranny, they serve as constant reminders to other Americans that the Communists are not to be trusted.

Far beyond their numbers, such as those of the Ukrainian National Association and the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, they have wielded influence, in one fashion or another, which have helped to shape the anti-Communist policies of this country as well as other Western governments.

Ostensible purpose of new Soviet propaganda invasion is to lure these exiles back be-

KUCZMA RECEIVING AWARD



Left to right: Vice Admiral E. W. Cleton, USN, Chief of Naval Material; Honorable Raymond H. Fogler, Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Vice Admiral N. L. Boyar SC, USN (Ret.); Mr. Kuczma; and Mr. William F. Schnitzler, Secretary-Treasurer, AFI-CIO.

Navy Labor Relations Advisor Receives Distinguished Civilian Service Award

Julius E. Kuczma, Labor Relations Advisor to the Department of the Navy, received on May 29 the Navy's Distinguished Civilian Service Award in a ceremony held in the Navy Department. The award was presented by the Honorable Raymond H. Fogler, Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

The citation for the Distinguished Civilian Service Award reads in part as follows:

Mr. Kuczma has made a distinct contribution to the national defense. His diligence, perseverance and tact have resulted in the strengthening of relationships between the armed forces and labor. In his associations with labor, he has kept paramount the overall objectives of the Navy and the Department of Defense with respect to the security of the nation... In recognition of his

Refugees Poking Fun at Reds

Iron Curtain refugees who are targets of the Communist come-home drive are responding by poking fun at the Reds.

One story they tell concerns two refugees who decided to find out whether there is any truth in the Red claim that everything is happy and prosperous within the Soviet Union.

So they agreed that only one of them would go and return a message to his comrades in America. They worked out this code. The returnee would send back a picture of himself. If he was standing up in the picture it would mean that conditions in the Soviet Union are fine and that others should join him. If he was sitting down, it would mean that life there was still terrible, and that the other should stay in the United States of America.

After a few weeks the picture arrived. It showed the returnee stretched out flat on the ground.

Another story concerns the refugee who went back to an Eastern European satellite. He sent a glowing letter to a friend about the wonderful new life and urged the friend to "come home," too.

But the returnee advised the friend, before returning, to buy a certain kind of trunk to carry his belongings. And he sent along the address of the store where his friend could get one.

When the friend went to the store address, he found not a store, but an undertaking establishment.

RECEIVES B.A. DEGREE

A student from Cohoes, N.Y. at Western College for Women, Oxford, Ohio, received her B.A. degree at the 101st Commencement exercises at Western College on June 4. She is Miss Maria Kasianczuk, member of Branch 57 of the Ukrainian National Association.

Miss Kasianczuk, daughter of Nadia Kasianczuk of 17½ Johnston Avenue, will receive her degree in Mathematics. After graduation she will return home and she plans to work on the Engineering Aide Program at General Electric in Schenectady, New York.

UNA Branch 206 in Woonsocket, R.I. Observes 45th Anniversary

Last Sunday, June 3rd, the Zaporozka Sich, Branch 206 of the Ukrainian National Association, in Woonsocket, R. I. observed its 45th Anniversary with memorial services for its members who have passed away, in both the Ukrainian Catholic Church and the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, and a banquet-concert featuring the male chorus Bandura, with talks interspersing the musical numbers.

The chief speaker was Mr. Dmytro Halychyn, Supreme President of the UNA. He made it a point in his talk to greet four of the remaining charter members of Branch 206. "It is not sufficient," he said, "that you members of Branch 206 continue to do your best to keep your organization growing and expanding; what is also required is that you groom for office future leaders and organizers drawn from the younger generation."

Another principal speaker was U. S. Congressman Aime Forand, who spoke about the Ukrainian struggle for national liberation. He queried the 300 audience present how much each and everyone of them has done to help their kinsmen in Ukraine to free themselves of the Soviet Russian yoke.

Others who addressed the gathering were Rhode Island Attorney General William E. Powers, Woonsocket Mayor Kevin K. Coleman, Miss Anna Chopek, Mr. Nicholas Dawyskyba and Mr. John Kokolski, members of the Board of Advisors of the UNA.

Saturday afternoon an organizational conference of officers and members of various UNA branches in Rhode Island was held. It was addressed by Mr. Halychyn, and conducted by Mr. Kokolski.

N.Y.C. St. George's Post Holds 10th Anniversary Banquet

On Saturday evening, May 19th (Armed Forces Day), the St. George Post, No. 401, Ukrainian Catholic War Veterans, held its Banquet and Ball at the George Washington Hotel, 23rd Street and Lexington Avenue, New York City. Prior to entering the banquet hall, the guests of the Post were welcomed at an informal cocktail hour held in the ante room of the hotel's Regency Room.

A large group of persons prominent in Ukrainian American affairs heard the following persons after a hearty steak meal: John J. Barston, Chairman of the Banquet Committee and Judge-Advocate of the New York County C. W. V., Treasurer James C. Smith of the New York County C.W.V., Lieut. Michael Luchuf of the New York City Police Department, Post Commander Michael Husar, Rev. Patrick Paschak, O.S.B.M., the Post Chaplain, and the Very Rev. Nicholas Kohut, O.S.B.M., Provincial in charge of the United States activities of the Basilian Order. New York City Magistrate Walter J. Bayer was also a scheduled speaker, but because of unforeseen circumstances arrived too late to do so.

A special feature of the evening was the presentation of a Thousand Dollar check to Father Kohut by Mrs. John J. Barston and Mrs. Michael Husar on behalf of the members of the Post. This check was in partial fulfillment of the Post's pledge to furnish a patriotic mural for the entrance hall of the New St. George Parochial School which is now in the process of construction. In line with their motto "For God and Country," the veterans have picked "George Washington Praying at Valley Forge" as the subject of their gift.

Another feature of the evening was the presentation, on behalf of the Post, by Commander Husar, of a solid gold past commander pins to past commanders Peter Tynetski, Michael Luchuf, Emile Husar, John J. Barston, Harry Polche, and Peter Slowitsky. This ceremony was high-lighted by a bugler sounding "Taps" during a moment of meditation for departed comrades.

In their speeches, both Father Kohut and Commander Husar called for greater participation on the part of all veterans in civic activities and in keeping the spirit of Veteranism and Catholicism burning brightly on the part of Catholic veterans. Commander Husar also welcomed any unaffiliated veterans present at the affair and invited them to drop into the Post's Clubrooms at 33 East Seventh Street in Manhattan on any evening for a "lookin'" as to what they were missing by not joining any veterans group.

English Language Courses for Ukrainians in New York City

The school is offering a special intensive course for beginning students. They will be able to complete virtually a full term's work in only nine weeks. There will be classes to accommodate persons who wish to study in either the morning or in the evening. Higher classes are offered on a less intensive basis. There will be an opportunity for all enrollees to make marked progress in English during the summer.

There have been many Ukrainian-speaking students enrolled in the school for the spring term, just ended. It is expected that there will be many more in the summer term, June 6-August 10. will enjoy individual attention in small classes as they study in what is a truly cosmopolitan atmosphere.

Ukrainian Pickets Predominate in Demonstration Against Arrival Of Soviet Clergymen

The arrival last Saturday of the eight Soviet clergymen at the Idlewild Airport in New York last Sunday was marked by a demonstration against them there by persons who are kinsmen of those who today are enslaved by Soviet Russia.

By far the largest in number of the demonstrators were Ukrainians. They carried banners and placards, with such slogans as "Go Home, Servants of the Devil," "Beware of the Trojan Horse," "Coexistence with the Devil, Never!" "America, Be Not Fooled by the Lying Red Clergy," "Free Ukrainian Metropolitan Joseph Slipyi," "Stop the Reign of Terror and Religious Persecution in Ukraine," "Allow Religious Freedom in Ukraine," and others of similar nature.

The Soviet group was headed by Metropolitan Nikolai, one of the high leaders of the Russian Orthodox Church, who takes his order from the atheistic Kremlin regime.

Another demonstrating group represented the International Council of Churches, and the American Council of Christian Churches.

Professor A. A. Granovsky Honored

Dr. A. A. Granovsky, a member of the staff of the University of Minnesota for twenty six years, is to retire from active service to the State of Minnesota on June 30.

In his honor the staff of the Department of Entomology and Economic Zoology, the graduate students presently on campus, the civil service staff of his department representatives of the Administration of the University, representatives of the insecticide industry, field and truck crop members, golf club superintendents, and members of cooperating departments within the University gathered in the party dining room on the Agricultural Campus on May 24 to commemorate this event.

He was presented with a bound volume of letters of appreciation for his work from his students now employed in entomological fields throughout the world. Brief talks were given by representatives of various fields in which Professor Granovsky has been actively engaged, stressing his many contributions to science, to the University, the people of the state and to agricultural growers.

Certificate of Merit Presented to Dr. Granovsky

On May 28 the University of Minnesota presented certificates of Merit to the retiring members of its academic and civil service staffs in appreciation for the many years of service of those leaving the University services on June 30.

Among those so honored was Professor A. A. Granovsky who, for his valuable contribution to the growth and development of the University of Minnesota received his certificate from the President of the University, Dr. J. L. Morrill, which read—"The Regents and the President of the University of Minnesota in Recognition of Devoted Service Express Their Gratitude and High Esteem Through the Presentation of this Certificate of Merit to Alexander A. Granovsky, Member of the Staff 1930-1956 Whose Name Is Inscribed in Official Records For All Time As One Who Has Contributed To Our University and Our State..." About 600 attended the ceremonies.

Pianists Cited For Musical Accomplishments

Two Ukrainian pianists are first honor plaque after one year pianistic study. She is a fourth grade student at St. John's Ukrainian Catholic School, where she is an active member of the Junior Sodality. This talented youngster is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Ivankov of 405 Myrtle Avenue, Irvington.

Marie will receive her fifth honor plaque for pianistic attainments. She is a sixth grade student at Chancellor Avenue School where she is pianist of the school orchestra. She is the daughter of Mrs. Marie Cieplak and the late Michael Cieplak of 849 Chancellor Avenue, Irvington.

They are 9-year-old Kathleen Ivankov and eleven-year-old Marie Cieplak of Irvington. Both prodigies are members of St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Newark.

Kathleen will receive her

JUNE 17th—FORMAL OPENING OF THE "SOYUZIVKA"

Countless numbers of persons from various states will descend next Sunday, June 17, on the "Soyuzivka," the famed resort of the Ukrainian National Association, located in the Catskill Mountains, just past Kerhonkson, N. Y. They will come by cars and buses.

The occasion will be the formal opening of the "Soyuzivka."

All arrangements have been made for the housing, dining, and relaxation for the visitors. A Field Mass will start off the formal opening ceremonies.

There will be brief addresses in Ukrainian and English by supreme officers of the UNA.

In the course of the day, a fine program of Ukrainian songs and dances will entertain all those present.

Many families and individuals have already made their reservations to spend their vacations this summer at the "Soyuzivka." It will prove to be, as in the past years, a glorious vacation for them.

Those who have not as yet made their reservations, should do so immediately.

