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Communism: 1957 Model

The Communist Party in the United States is presently in the throes of another reorganization. Its national committee has written a 5000 word new constitution for the party, which is to be rubber-stamped at the party's national convention to be held in New York City on February 9-12 next-year.

In all actuality, however, the new party constitution has been cooked up as part of the current attempts being made by the party to reverse a 1953 order by the Subversive Activities Central Board requiring it to register "as a puppet of the Soviet Union"

Some commentators add another reason for the new party constitution. They are of the opinion that, having caught up with Tito's ideas about nationalistic-type communism, the communists here are beginning to think that there are more ways than Moscow's in arriving at their ultimate goal, which they label as universal socialism, but which is just a fancy term for communism, with all of its bestial cruel rule.

Of course, that is naive thinking. For the communists in Yugoslavia have as their boss the powerful Tito, strong enough to defy Moscow and set up his nationalistic form of communism. The communists in our country, on the other hand, have their bosses just some nonentities, not strong enough to even lift a finger against the big bosses—Khrushchev, Bulganin et al—in Kremlin. They simply must, as always, follow the party line as drafted for them in Moscow, or else suffer the consequences.

Incidentally, by coincidence, the party announcement of the coming new constitution comes just as economists are predicting that the current wave of business activity will continue into next year and that our economic prospects are good.

That kind of talk just makes misery for the communists. They simply can't stand American prosperity.

But Americans can't stand communism and all that it stands for, including the communistic Russia's enslavement of the Ukrainian and other freedom loving peoples. In our fight against communism, we should always stress this latter fact, and through our own efforts and with the cooperation of our fellow Americans help bring about the day when Ukraine and others now enslaved nations will be free and independent and when there will be no communist attempt by subversion to undermine and destroy our own free American way of life.

OUTSIDE THE IRON CURTAIN

An Agreement of the Ukrainian and Chinese Anti-Communists

On October 24, 1955, Jaroslav Stetzko, President of the Central Committee of the Anti-Bolshevik Bloc of Nations (ABN) and Ku Cheng-kang, President of the Asian Peoples' Anti-Communist League, Republic of China (APACLOC) signed an agreement to coordinate the work of the two organizations. Both declare their common objective to be to crush the international Communist Bloc, annihilate Russian imperialism and those nations enslaved by the Russian Imperialists in Europe and Asia to restore their independence in their original ethnographical boundaries.

The Fifth Congress of the Ukrainians of Canada in Winnipeg

The Fifth Congress of the Ukrainians of Canada, called by the Committee of Ukrainians of Canada met on July 2-5. The Congress was larger than any of the preceding four congresses. More than 500 delegates and hundreds of guests came from all parts of Canada, Halifax to Vancouver. The Congress which meets every three years aims to promote the cooperation of the

leading Ukrainian groups of all Canadian importance.

The Congress welcomed the Ukrainian Catholic Bishop of Winnipeg, Maksym Hermanyuk, and the Ukrainian Orthodox Metropolitan, Ilarion Ohiyenko.

Among the distinguished speakers were well known persons from Canada and the United States. Among them were the leaders of the three Canadian parties: George Drew, represented by John Diefenbaker for the Conservatives, M. J. Coldwells for the SSF and Solon Low for the Social Credit Party. Speakers from the United States included Prof. Clarence A. Manning and Miss Maria Beck, a councilwoman from Detroit. The Congress also greeted Dr. Robertson, the representative of Minister Paul Martin.

Ihor Guzenko Declares himself a Believer in Ukrainian Independence

The well-known official of the Soviet Embassy in Canada, Igor Guzenko, who left the Soviet service and chose freedom by unmasking the espionage work of the Soviet embassies is living incognito for his personal protection.

He has previously for for the same reasons not expressed his national Creed. For the first time this year he sent a written greeting to the Congress of the Ukrainians of Canada. In it he unmasked Khrushchev and accused him personally of genocide in Ukraine. He ended his greeting with these words: "I am certain that the time will come when I shall have the possibility and honor to greet in person a Ukrainian Congress which will contain representatives of a free Ukraine and representatives of the Ukrainians scattered throughout the entire world."

THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED NATIONS

By PROF. CLARENCE A. MANNING

It is today a truism that in the atomic age mankind must find a way to eliminate war with its accompanying holocausts and mass destruction, if civilization is not to be destroyed and the earth is not to be plunged again into a more than primitive barbarism. That truth has been forcibly imprinted upon the Western free world, perhaps too deeply, but it has not penetrated into the heads of the criminals in the Kremlin of Moscow.

The free world has lost sight in its dislike and aversion to war of another truth, equally vital, if mankind is to be preserved. That is the necessity for a reign of law and justice. The belief in that law was instrumental in the building of civilization to its present heights. Slowly but surely man learned the hard way that in the community and the nation there was no room for the outlaw and the criminal. The better forces of the community, as every American who watches television is well aware, were compelled to follow the lead of those men who were willing to risk their lives to introduce and maintain order. The horse thief and the killer found themselves in jail or on the gallows, before it was possible to talk about the maintenance of peace in the community. That struggle was not a pretty struggle. It was rough and harsh but it had to be won before a community could settle down in peace.

It is equally true of the organization of the world. The harsh realities are glossed over by timid sentimentalities and by idealists who are living far removed from sober reality. A Leo Tolstoy, arguing against the use of violence in maintaining order, may be as destructive to peace and justice as the most bloodthirsty bandit. The world must face this fact on the international scale. The League of Nations was shattered on this point. It could not take action when Mussolini invaded Ethiopia or when the Japanese marched into China. It found excuses and temporized. It was helpless before the fulminations of a Hitler and it found its voice only when it was too late and, in a last gesture of defiance, it found the Soviet Union guilty of aggression against Finland and expelled it from its membership.

Today the United Nations faces the same fate, unless it can make up its mind to act resolutely and firmly in the present crisis. In the Egyptian situation, it was able to persuade Great Britain and France to cease the attack on Egypt and to place a United Nations force between the conflicting parties so as to keep the peace. That was a positive side.

The situation is different in Hungary. There Khrushchev and Bulganin with their associates misread the temper of the Hungarian people and they believed that by their policy of de-Stalinization, they could safely change the rulers of the country and by a show of liberalism could quiet the pent up anger of the population. They failed for, although practically unarmed, the Hungarian people rose in revolt and there was nothing for them to do but send in the Red Army to inaugurate a reign of terror. They did it without a moment of hesitation.

No one wants to see the United Nations go the way of the League of Nations but even if it is not to be a super-state, no world organization can exist or hope to maintain a high reputation, if it is merely to palliate and cajole those nations who deny its principles. It is an open secret that the Ukrainian and Byelorussian representatives in the United Nations speak not for their peoples but for their masters in the Kremlin. It is an open secret now that Communism has not taken a firm root in any of the satellite countries, whether they are in

Europe or in Asia. It is an open secret that the Soviet Union will resort to violence, if it is crossed in any way, that if it votes any measure, even the most innocuous, if it wishes to show its power or advance its cause. That which is whispered in bated breath must be said aloud on the floor of the United Nations and the free world must be ready to take the appropriate action and call the Soviet Union before the bar of the world opinion and be prepared to make the charges stick at whatever cost. It must be ready to face the basic problem of world organization, the ability to punish a culprit nation as the embryonic community punished the individual outlaw or the armed gang. The longer that showdown is put off, the more devastating and destructive it will become. The Soviet Union has showed its hand in Hungary so clearly that the world can no longer doubt, if it has ever doubted in its heart, that Moscow is going to rule or ruin the world. The United Nations must heed that challenge and not be satisfied with half measures but it must proceed boldly to declare that the iron curtain must be abolished, that the satellite peoples and the non-Russian peoples of the Soviet Union must receive their liberty, for in the words of Abraham Lincoln, "The world cannot exist half-slave and half-free." The United Nations now has its chance and it must not hesitate.

SOVIET AGRICULTURAL POLICY AND THE NATIONALITIES PROBLEM

By VLADIMIR P. TIMOSHENKO

The continued excessive centralization of decisions concerning major changes of agricultural policy, despite the announced decentralization of agricultural planning, is well demonstrated by the manner of introduction of Khrushchev's two recent agricultural panaceas: (1) an expansion of crops on virgin land in the east, and (2) a sudden enormous expansion of corn cultivation. The first of these policies greatly affects the agriculture of Kazakhstan, where half of the total expansion has taken

IVAN FRANKO (AN APPRECIATION)

Address delivered at the University of Ottawa, Canada, on Sunday, November 18th, 1956 by SENATOR J. J. CONNOLLY, O.B.E., Q.C., Ph.D.

It is appropriate that a cultural function of this character should be held within the walls of a University. The year 1956 marks the centennial of the birth of Ivan Franko, a great Ukrainian, a great Poet, and a great Man. Because of my Irish descent, I have no difficulty in sympathizing with the aspirations of a minority racial group, and I can applaud the desire of 400,000 Ukrainians in Canada to refresh themselves at some of the source waters of their national cultural heritage. It is wholly appropriate for a minority group in Canada to do this. Canada is no monolithic state. Here we have diversity in language, in culture, in climate and in economic interest. We are united in the common ideal of Citizenship, of Freedom, and we have magnificent prospects, both economic and cultural, in which to develop this ideal.

Our country is young, relatively speaking it is underpopulated, and even the most pessimistic person predicts for Canadians a great future. In a sense we are still pioneers, and our children too will be pioneers, and we and they can say, as Franko said in The Pioneers—"We'll preserve a broad new standard; new life shall come to man."

Canada has no foreign axe to grind and has no imperial ambition. In the recent crisis in the Middle East we have demonstrated that we can be both objective and constructive. I hope too that we can be tolerant, and that we will continue to be tolerant as we manage both our domestic prospects and our international relations. Our own great Prime Minister has said this again and again, and never more effectively than he did in the following:—

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ing corn. But in most of the steppe area of the Ukraine, too, there is not enough moisture for successful corn cultivation, and in the Ukrainian forest-steppe area expansion of such an intensive crop as corn conflicts sharply with the most profitable crop of the Ukraine—the sugar beet.

Such a radical change of of the agricultural system, requiring complete reorganization of the established crop rotations and greatly affecting the entire agriculture of the national republics, has been undertaken by the central organs of the Soviet Communist Party in Moscow, without even consulting the Communist parties of the national republics, to say nothing of their farmers. A fixed acreage of corn planting has simply been imposed on every collective farm, although under the new system

CONTINUE YOUR U.N.A. MEMBERSHIP!

By THEODORE LUTWINIAK

Back in the 1930's many American-born Ukrainians joined the Ukrainian National Association. These people applied for all types of insurance, but the majority selected 20 Year Endowment and 20 Year Payment certificates. Also, many parents selected 16 Year Year Endowment certificates for their children. Today, as a result, these certificates are reaching their maturity dates and the UNA is suffering decreases where its total dues-paying membership is concerned.

It would be wonderful if the members whose certificates matured would sign up for new certificates. But 16 to 20 years is a long time and many of these members have taken insurance from other sources. Some have group insurance where they are employed; others have National Service Life Insurance; still others have insurance in American commercial companies. Consequently, not too many are signing up for new UNA certificates.

All the American born members whose certificates have matured receive a letter from the UNA urging them to continue their active membership by applying for new certificates. These letters are helpful; some of the members respond by contacting their branch secretaries for new insurance. But others feel they have plenty of insurance elsewhere and promptly forget the UNA letter.

The situation is quite serious in that it hampers some of the branch secretaries in their efforts to obtain new members. They are having quite a time of it trying to hold on to their old members without taking time out to get new members. Consider that for the month of December alone more than 175 certificates are reaching their maturity dates and you will have some idea of what the branch officers are against. They want these members to continue as members for many years; they are friends and lodge-brothers. Yet it isn't easy to get them to take

AN OPEN LETTER

By JOSEPHINE GIRAJLO GIBBONS

Dear UNA Branch Secretary: Being a secretary of a branch of the Ukrainian National Association myself—I know as well as you do—is not an easy job. The duties you have to perform in fulfilling your functions as the participant of that very important post in the executive board of your UNA branch are as much responsible as those of the president and the treasurer and other officers, and these duties are enough to take up more than your spare time; to devote yourself to them.

Bearing all this in mind, I take the liberty to intrude a bit upon your time and urge you to cooperate with the Svoboda and the Ukrainian Weekly by forwarding to them every report possible concerning the activities of your branch and the work and accomplishments of its officers and members.

In this manner the progress of your branch will be reflected on the pages of the Svoboda and the Ukrainian Weekly, for the edification of its readers, and it will be a source of inspiration to emulate the achievements of your organization, an integral part of the Ukrainian National Association.

If, in the course of keeping your branch records in ship-shape condition and, at the same time, going out to get new members for the UNA, you do not find sufficient time to personally send in news reports and general comments to the Svoboda and the Ukrainian Weekly, be then so good as to designate or have elected some capable and industrious person in your branch to take over this task, and to become a regular contributor to our UNA publications on matters of current interest.

NEW YORK VISIT BARRED TO RED OLYMPIC GROUP

Honolulu, December 11.—The United States cancelled today the American sight-seeing plans of eighteen Russian Olympic athletes and, "for security reasons," ordered them to fly home by the Polar route from Los Angeles.

IVAN FRANKO (AN APPRECIATION)

(Concluded from page 2) Franko saw despair in other circles when he wrote this: "Whoever gains all earthly wealth And finds in it his chiefest joy, The same its captive doth become For riches can the soul destroy."

THE KOZAKS

By KAREN LACHOWITZ (A fragment from Ukrainian history, written by a former student of the Ukrainian Cultural Courses of the Ukrainian National Association held in summer time at its "Soyuzivka" resort, and published for the education of our Ukrainian American youngsters.—EDITOR)

Manor College Glee Club to Sing Ukrainian Carols

Conforming with a precedence established many years ago, Ukrainian carols will once again echo throughout the Pennsylvania countryside.

Ohio Youth League Holds Meeting

Sunday, November 18th, the members of the U.Y.L. of Ohio gathered together at the Berea Bowling Center in Berea, Ohio.

U.N.A. BOWLING LEAGUE NEWS

While the Ukrainian Center Keglers and the Ukrainian American Veterans team continue to vie for the first place position in the U.N.A. Bowling League of Newark, the quintet from the Ukrainian Orthodox Church has been slowly but surely inching up the team standings and now is only three and a half games away from the top.

UKRAINIAN NATIONAL ASSOCIATION LEAGUE TEAM STANDING

Table with columns: Rank, Team Name, Won, Lost, Game High, Pins, Total, Average. Lists top teams like Ukrainian Center and Ukrainian American Vets.

TAKE PART IN DECORATING CHRISTMAS TREE AT EDISON COMPANY

This year the Regional Committee of Ukrainian National Women's League of America in Chicago took part in the decorating of a Christmas Tree at the Edison Co. together with other Nationalities.

Howland Sargeant's Statement On Admiral Leslie Stevens' Death

Howland H. Sargeant, President of the American Committee for Liberation, issued this statement November 30 on learning of the death of Vice-Admiral Leslie C. Stevens USN (Ret.), former President of the American Committee and considered a friend of the Ukrainian people fighting for their national liberties.

UOL Pre-Convention Dance Report

The cold wave that covered most of the Eastern United States didn't keep the Ukrainian Orthodox Leaguers from Youngstown, Cleveland, Butler, Arnold, New Castle, Moessen, Ambridge, McKees-Rocks and New York City from attending the first Pre-Convention Dance held in Carnegie on November 24th.

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