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## Red Spy Net Exposed!

# Operating Not Only In Canada

This illuminating article is by Thomas M. Johnson, a member of the U.S. Military Intelligence Reserve Society, author of "Our Secret War" (the complete story of the military spying and counter-spying of World War I), co-author of "What You Should Know About Spies and Saboteurs' (published at the outset of World War II) and writer of innumerable articles for leading magazines on the subject of secret intelligence:

The largest and most threatening intelligence service in the history of espionage is in operation today on a scale unimagined by the average person. By every means, open and concealed, Soviet spies are taking advantage of the trustfulness of unsuspect-ing people to milk them of every fact, method or discovery that can help the U.S.S.R.

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Red espionage is so brazenly aggressive that the United States has had to employ counter-agents, of whom three have been killed. The Soviet secret "apparatus," comprising thousands of agents and informers, is aided increasingly by American fellow travellers and certain of the two million persons in the United States who were born in countries that are now Russian satellites.

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The Russians are using in the United States every trick they were caught using in Canada, but on a far greater scale.

#### Official Smoke Screen

They laid the foundations during the war, when as "Allies" they sent to both countries large military and industrial missions. In the United States some 3300 Russians,

the United States some 3300 Russians, including many experts posing as underlings, swarmed over the country, visiting factories, laboratories and testing grounds. They were denied little save the atomic secret, and other Russian agents were already nibbling at that.

Some members of these missions were master spies who, under cover of their authorised work, gathered military, naval, technical and diplomatic intelligence. Over all is the M.V.D., the political police formerly known as the N.K.V.D. The various networks consist of numerous "cells." There were ten such networks in Canada during the war; in the United States, per-

haps 50. In each large American city there was at least one network; in Washington perhaps ten. Russian military intelligence alone had five cryptographers in Washington as compared with one in Ottawa.

In March, Russian Government employees in America totalled 3696. Another 143 are attached to the United Nations headquarters. In contrast, the United States has only 210 representatives in Russia.

#### **Worldwide Organisation**

Dmitry Z. Manuilsky, now Foreign Minister of the Ukraine Republic, is representing it at the United Nations. He was and maybe still is the head of the Comintern. This genial cynic, one of the last survivors of the Old Bolsheviks, picked many of the super-agents now openly or furtively ruling super-agents now openly or furtively ruling the satellite States. Manuilsky's master hand built up the Comintern's elaborate world-wide records of friends and foes, and the secret service with which it has striven toward its avowed object: world revolu-

Russian intelligence operations are aided by the Comintern and its subsidiaries, the Communist Party organisations in various countries. The world revolutionary organisation, supposedly abolished by Stalin in 1943, still maintains in Moscow vast files of information on Communist Party members: information on Communist Party members; their lives, aptitudes and usefulness. On this data Soviet Intelligence draws when seeking recruits.

Leaders of Russian espionage abroad are frequently changed, partly to confuse the local authorities, partly to give more Russians experience in foreign countries. Some agents are accredited Soviet Government representatives; others are provided with forged American passports and a false name

and life story. Some are men selected by the Russians from among their polyglot Axis prisoners and forced to return as spies to countries they have previously visited

#### The Secret Communists

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The work in the field is directed by the "C.I. Reps"—Communist International Representatives—tricky men of many races, aliases and identities. In the United States their word is law in the Communist Party's inner circle. They know on which of the 70-odd thousand members to lay the finger for secret work. Some members are told to resign from the Party, stay away from meetings, do nothing, save when called upon for information or other service. Party members in Government jobs are sometimes carried on Party rolls under aliases, or their membership cards destroyed. Others associate openly with various "front" organisations used to conceal spying or the paying ciate openfy with various "front" organisations used to conceal spying or the paying of spies. The Communists claim that for every actual Party member ten more are ready to do its work, a statement confirmed by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation. That would mean an army, regulars and guerrillas, of 750,000—mostly secret.

Acting independently of the regular network is a special group of ace operatives who execute extraordinary missions including assassination and kidnapping. They

who execute extraordinary missions including assassination and kidnapping. They work under the Chief of the Interior Department, Laurenti Beria, member of the all-powerful Politburo, who reports to Stalin personally.

The preparation in the United States of the assassination of Trotsky in Mexico City; the mysterious and still-unexplained disappearance from her hotel in New York of Juliet Stuart Poyntz, American Communist



LAURENTI BERIA From Moscow he directs the special agents who carry out assassinations, etc.

firebrand believed to have been in the Soviet service; the still-unsolved murder of Carlo Tresca, anti-Communist Labor editor, in New York; and the unexplained "suicide" of General Krivitsky in a hotel room are all believed to have been the work of this energial group of operatives. special group of operatives.

#### **Seek Military Secrets**

The main objective of Soviet espionage recently has been the atomic bomb. The English scientist Allan Nunn May, who was described as a "charming, shy little man with a dry sense of humor," got im(Continuedon page 4).

## **NOTES ON THE NEWS**

The recent appointment of what is described as a "Consumers' Committee," composed entirely of women, to "supervise" the operations of five Victorian marketing Boards, is being hailed as a forward step in the battle of Women's Rights. However, on closer investigation the role of these female functionaries seems to amount to this:

If they are dissatisfied with the operations of egg, onion, chicory, maize, and potato marketing Boards, they can LODGE COMPLAINTS with the Government through the Minister for Marketing, Mr. McKenzie.

Fancy that, now! All the bodies, which the women members represent, had that right before. They could always complain.

This looks like a very cute trick to silence people who previously were very strong critics of Boards. Most of the organisations supposed now to be represented were previously utterly opposed to these bureaucratic Boards; but now, presumably, they will have a "vested interest" in them in them.

#### REDS' REQUIREMENTS

The "British" Communists have put for-A declaration of emergency and powers to mobilise the nation's resources. (That's the first requisite of all Dictatorships.) (2) All migration be prohibited for three years. (That's the thin edge of the wedge (That's the thin edge of the wedge to prevent the victims from escaping, as in Russia.) (3) Ration cards to be issued only to those capable of and doing useful work. (Here we see Hitler's selective survival plan.) (4) Employers of non-essential abor to be prevented from engaging new workers. (Naturally these Commo sadists would want to hand out the ration cards and decide what was useful work) Holidays abroad, "for workers only," is another objective—but, of course, "workers" would never have enough money for such holidays. Well, these Red objectives could not be bettered if complete serfdom is required so on their own statements we see required; so, on their own statements we see the Communists in their true role, which leaves nothing to choose between Red Stalinites and Brown Hitlerites.

#### RATIONING REACTION.

Following Food Controller Strachey's statements in defence of rationing, come the following results of tests on children carried out by Dr. T. Peters Edwards, Medical Officer of Health for Wrexam, Denbighshire (England), viz.: "Boys of 5 years were 9-l0ths in. shorter and 1.2 lb. lighter; girls were 3-5ths in. shorter and 1.4 lb. lighter. Boys and girls of 8 years were all 1-5th in.

shorter and also lighter. Only the 14-yearshorter and also lighter. Only the 14-year-olds showed an increase in weight and height." The Doctor commented: "The older children, well established in life before rationing began, were least affected. It seems as if school milk and meals have not offset rationing." This factual evidence should debunk Strachey.

#### STRIKE SETTLERS

Now that Socialism is firmly established in once-free Great Britain, coal production is falling and industry is being slowed down to a walk, while strikes are more numerous than ever. The next stage of socialistic serfdom is seen in the attitude of Union executives towards the 4000 collier clerks in South Wales; here the National Union of Mine Workers are determined to break the strike, not by improving the conditions, but strike, not by improving the conditions, but by using its own members to fill the strikers' jobs—that is, supplying Unionist blacklegs. This only goes to show the raw deal given to workers when the Socialists take over. to workers when the Socialists take over. Closely related to this is a report of June 26, which stated: "Britain will receive about 140,000 tons of coal from U.S. next month; this is the first instalment of the 600,000 tons allocated from U.S." It must be galling for the socialistic theorists in Britain to have to import coal from capitalist America. It's a case of taking coal to Newcastle in reality. castle in reality.

#### LIVING-COST LOAD.

According to a recent Gallup Poll in this country, seven out of every ten men and eight out of every ten women are finding it harder to make ends meet than a year ago. harder to make ends meet than a year ago. Their problem is crystallised and expressed, as "wages are not keeping up with prices." For many years, those who understand exactly why Incomes don't equal prices tried to influence people to "reason out" this problem, but with very little success. Now that a substantial number of people have learnt the hard way, and now "feel" the problem, it should be much easier to convince them that there is a way to increase (Continued on page 4.) (Continued on page 4.)

## Warning to Victorian Housewives

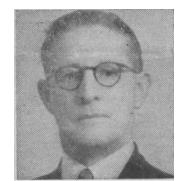
In the Melbourne "Herald" of July 21, appeared the following: — "State Ministers for Agriculture were bluntly warned by the Minister for Commerce (Mr. Pollard) today that Commonwealth organisations for the marketing of agricultural commodities were being retained on a doubtful constitutional charter, and might collapse at any time.

"Mr. Pollard, who was opening the meeting of the Agricultural Council, said that the Commonwealth Government was anxious to maintain market organisation, and would assist in doing so.

"Its powers, however, were becoming more restricted and the power of control was passing progressively back to the States."

Up to a point, this decentralisation of power may appear to be a very good thing. On closer examination it may not be quite as good as it looks, insofar as the consumer of primary products is concerned.

Some months ago, having a foreknow-



MR. R. POLLARD, M.H.R.

ledge of Mr. Pollard's announcement, the Potato Growers' Association of Victoria (and similar organisations in other States) made request to the State Government that

a poll of growers be taken with the view of establishing a Potato Marketing Board. (We are here dealing only with the situation in Victoria.)

Seventy-five per cent of growers voted in favor of a Marketing Board. The present writer is one of the 25 per cent, who voted against the establishment of such a Board.

Let me here state that if 75 per cent, of growers wish to have their business handled by a Board they have every right to get

by a Board they have every right to get what they asked for. What they have no right to do is to thrust their ideas, and Board control, on the 25 per cent, who do not want it.

Candidates for election to membership

of the Board were readily forthcoming and duly elected as follows: —A. C. Boustead (Chairman), M. H. Dyer, L. Timmins and J. Wilkinson, growers' representatives; Mr. Hubert O'Brien, a Melbourne solicitor and former Deputy Potato Controller, Government nominee ment nominee.

Let us now hark back to a date just prior to the election of the Board, when Mr. L. Timmins (a born, "dyed-in-the-wool" bureaucrat, if ever there was one) was addressing

a meeting to solicit my vote as a grower. I asked him the two following questions:

1. If a Board was established, would I, as a grower, be permitted to sell direct to the consumer?

The answer, an emphatic No!
2. As no power existed to control acreage, how could the Board operate success fully? Answer: It could not without control of acreage. Legislation from State Parliament would be sought to empower the Board to control acreage.

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### TOTALITARIANISM v. PROPERTY The Nature and Basis of Freedom

(Radio Talk by ERIC D. BUTLER over 3CS Colac.)

It is doubtful whether there has been greater abuse of any word than there has been of freedom. Like democracy, freedom seems to mean different things to different people. One of the greatest of Englishmen, WILLIAM COBBETT, made a very accurate observation about freedom in the following words:

"Freedom is not an empty sound; if is not an abstract idea; it is not a thing that nobody can feel. It means — and it means nothing else - the full and quiet enjoyment of your own property. If you have not this, if this be not well secured to you, you may call yourself what you will, but you are a slave.

Millions of people who today believe that they have freedom are nothing better than slaves. And the terrible fact must be faced that slavery is increasing all over the world. Instead of being able to make provision for their own security and start their children in life with at least a small inheritance, more and more people are becoming depend-

ent upon Governments.

As Governments are made bigger and stronger, so they become more and more corrupt, and the individual has less and

less control over his own life.

There is no doubt that there is a conscious policy to drive the individual down the scale of existence, to make him merely one of the mob, to destroy his most divine attri-butes: individual initiative and the power of self-determination.

of self-determination.

Instead of the more widespread ownership of property of all descriptions, we have increasing confiscation by various methods. Complete nationalisation of all property simply means that the individual has no property rights whatever.

The London "Tablet" of December 30, 1944, in commenting on the attack upon private ownership of property in Great Britain, said:

"... It is indeed offensive to the ruling class that any man should possess wealth, which is not a salary from the Government, terminable at the first hint of indiscipline. That is the real 'social offence' of the man of property, small or great: that in proportion as he has property, he feels and acts like a free man, and is therefore always a potential political opposition. The greatness of England has been in the abundance, generation by generation, of such men: and our policy in Europe should not be shamefaced towards property, but should proclaim that here and nowhere else is the essential recipe for the maintenance of free political

#### Non-Party Action Need

It is very significant that the first attacks upon English property owners were made when so-called Conservative Governments were in office. The British wartime Coalition Government initiated most of the considerate legislation gives a considerate the considerate of the considerate and the considerate considerate the considerate considerate the considerate considerate the considerate con socialistic legislation since carried on by the present Socialist Government. The Auspresent Socialist Government. The Australian Labor Government under Mr. Curtin merely carried on where the U.A.P. Government left off. Merely changing Governments will not stop the ever-increasing drive for more Government power at the expense of individuals.

We can only get genuine democracy and genuine freedom by increasing the power.

genuine freedom by increasing the power of the individual over his Governments. Electors will have to initiate reforms, which will make Governments release their present enormous powers, to the benefit of individuals.

individuals.

Instead of Governments taking more and Instead of Governments taking more and more of the individual's money in high taxation and spending it for him, the individual wants the right to spend his own money as he individually desires. If the Government wants some of the individual's money, it should be compelled to approach him at election time, stating how much is required and for what purposes. If the Government's proposition appeals to the individual, he may care to surrender some of his money. It would be an excellent idea if no Government were legally permitted to increase taxation without first approaching the electors and asking for their sanction.

Instead of Governments dispossessing people of their property by various means of trickery or by straight-out nationalisation, strict Constitutional safeguards should prevent Governments from attacking private

prevent Governments from attacking private property rights by any method.

#### Totalitarian Tactics

The notorious Communist, Professor H. J Laski, after seeing Stalin last year, said that Socialism and Communism are merely two distinct roads to the one objective.

The Communist objective is, of course the World State in which no individual will own anything and thus be at the mercy of "the State." The Communists propose to reach their objective by straight-out confiscation, but Laski and his friends have had to adopt different tactics for the English-speaking countries

English-speaking countries.

Their first step is to get a parliamentary majority by any means whatever. It is then claimed that this gives the Govern-ment the legal right to do as it pleases even to dispossess people of their property.

However, so that there will not be too much outcry, this dispossession is also done "legally." Compensation is paid, either in money or in Government bonds. But note what then happens: by deliberate inflation or by taxation of various types, the Government strips the individual of his com-

Professor Laski understands this tech-

nique of legal robbery very clearly, as revealed in the following statement reported in the "Scotsman" of January 7, 1946:

"Professor Laski said he had never been

worried about compensation so long as there was a Labor Chancellor of the Exchequer who could fix the levels of taxation, especially Death Duties, Estate Duties and Legacy Duties. Compensation was a book-keeping transaction."

Being a Jew, no doubt Professor Laski understands the instruction in the "Talmud" that it is praiseworthy to despoil the Gentile of his property.

#### Vote and Basic Rights

That is exactly what is being done by the Socialists in Great Britain today. And note that it is being done as the result of the manipulation of the political vote, a vote that is obviously becoming progressively less useful for protecting the individual against the rising tide of gangsterism now threatening the very foundations of our Christian civilisation.

There are certain fundamental rights of the individual, which should be above control by the political vote. When the Barons compelled King John to sign Magna Carta in 1215, one of the rights laid down was



WILLIAM COBBETT

that no individual, even if sent to prison, or in debt, could be dispossessed of his tools of trade.

We teach our children how our British rights can be traced back to Magna Carta —at a time when Governments take individuals' tools of trade by the simple process of nationalisation!

Here in Australia we are more fortunate than are the people in Great Britain; we have a written Constitution, which limits the powers of the Federal Government, while Upper Houses in the Parliaments of all States except Queensland prevent State Governments from making open attacks upon property and other fundamental rights. All attacks upon the Federal Constitution, Upper Houses, and every other limit to the

power of Governments encroaching on the rights of individuals, should be strenuously

#### Crux of the Problem

The crux of the problem confronting civilisation is whether the conscious policy to centralise the power of Governments, a policy which can only reduce the individual to a mere pawn in the game of power politics, can be defeated. No reforms, however desirable, can be introduced in the face of centralised control.

In order that centralised power can be defeated, it is urgently necessary that more individuals develop their individual initiative in effective action against all policies, which seek to weaken the rights of individuals. All reforms must, of course, start with the individual. That should be clearly understood by a Christian people; but so many Australians are no longer motivated Christian philosophy as were their forefathers. Instead of striving to save themselves, they look to the Government to save them. This servility must be thrown While Rules are required for Society they should permit the individual to develop himself in his own way; the Rules should protect certain basic rights, which make the individual contained free. individual genuinely free.

Not as well known as Lord Acton's famous statement about all power corrupting is his profound observation that "All liberty consists in the preservation of an inner sphere exempt from State power." That is the great value of private property and availability of a heritage to every individual.

But all Governments, with their increasing taxation, increasing prices, delegation of parliamentary authority to irresponsible bureaucrats, and social security schemes, increase State power at the expense of the individual.

When there is a more widespread recognition of this menace of increasing Government control, it will become progressively harder for the present totalitarianism to continue. Appropriate methods of reform will arise when there is enough understanding. When enough people really understand what freedom means, ways and means will be developed to get that freedom.

### ALBERTA S.C. BOARD REPORT

In recent issues we have published three instalments of the Alberta Social Credit Board's Report, recently presented to the Alberta Legislative Assembly. Here is a further instalment of this notable document:

There is no reason to believe that any fundamental change has taken place in our tundamental change has taken place in our political or economic systems in the last half century. There is, therefore, every reason to believe that the major disasters, which afflicted the nations of the world between the two world conflicts, will again be repeated with greater intensity during this period of truce, which precedes a possible Third World War. Wars, depressions, and the many other evils that cause human suffering are, generally speaking, caused suffering are, generally speaking, caused by the actions of human beings. It follows that more desirable conditions can be and must be brought about by right action on

must be brought about by right action on the part of a sufficient number of people.

In the world of material science, men have found that when a given set of conditions prevail, a certain result may always be observed, no matter how often the experiment is repeated. Thus scientific "laws" are discovered and may be applied by anyone for constructive purposes. In the field of social organization, the same by anyone for constructive purposes. In the field of social organization, the same scientific approach can be made, definite "laws" of human association may be dis-covered, and applied, and when the right law is applied, the results will automatic-ally be right and desirable.

Results accrue to human beings through some form of "association." It is the association of a man and a hammer that drives a nail. It will be necessary for the individuals who comprise Society to decide what results they want in common and associate themselves to achieve their objective. In that direction lies the only hope for free nations and a happier world.

#### What Is Democracy?

Democracy has often been defined as "government in accordance with the will of the people." This means that in a genuine Democracy, the people should get the results they want from the management of their affairs. In other words, the people should be the supreme authority in the country. This type of organization would automatically ensure freedom of the

There are two conditions indispensable to the successful functioning of Democracy. The people must be able to:
(1) State in a definite manner the

results they want in common.

(2) Command obedience to their wishes from those who manage their affairs — their governments and those who operate industry, trade and finance. The systems, which have been designated as "democratic", have failed dismally to function as outlined above. Even in countries where the outward forms of Democracy have been most successfully established, the people have obtained very few of the results they wanted. On the contrary they have had insecurity, poverty, want and war meted out to them and have seen individual freedom diminishing at an alarming rate.

#### **Doubtful Definitions**

Past experience leads us to conclude that either democracy is an inefficient and undesirable system, or what we have called democracy is not genuine democracy at all. It would be well, therefore, to examine carefully the many definitions which we have been led to believe to be the essence of Democracy. of Democracy.

of Democracy.

We accept, without question, for example, the idea that Democracy is "majority rule." We believe that the secret ballot and the universal franchise are the labels, which identify any genuine Democracy. Moreover, we believe that Democracy cannot exist without political parties. There are sound reasons why we should doubt the validity of these and other terms, which have been so freely used to describe the Democratic ideal.

#### **Democracy by Permission**

We have shown in past Reports that We have shown in past Reports that economic power has become a monopoly of International High Finance. Using that power they have been able to dictate the policy of all governments and gain control over every sphere of human activity. At the present time, they are busy consolidating and extending their power to achieve their ultimate objective — a World Slave State

Any action on the part of the people, which would give them true freedom, would endanger the position of the World Plotters and their plans for world domination. Any move of that kind has, therefore, been effectively halted by one means or another. On the other hand, it has been or another. On the other hand, it has been their strategy to permit the people to have privileges in trivial matters, which would not interfere with the plans for world domination and yet deceive the people into believing that they were achieving a greater measure of democracy.

We are, therefore, justified when we question any so-called democratic reform or principle; for if it was permitted it was because the World Plotters knew they could and would control the measure for their own purposes

(To be continued.)

## DESTRUCTION OF THE ECONOMIC VOTE

The following is a short essay submitted during Mr. Eric Butler's first **Social Credit Training Course:** 

The steady growth of tyranny in this and other, countries has been that of a weed dependent for its sustenance on the destruc-tion of a genuine effective vote in almost every phase of human activity. In the political sphere the use of Parties to remove genuine choice, manipulation of electoral boundaries and the extension of the franchise to young inexperienced people are a few of the more obvious methods used.

Proxy voting in companies has lessened control by the shareholders, and the emotional approach bolstered by a steady flow of propaganda has dealt with the rank-and-

It is, however, in the economic field that the more subtle and most deadly methods have been used to destroy democratic voting. Money, which is a highly efficient and flexible mechanism by which the individuals comprising society can control, regulate and initiate the flow of goods and services to their own desires, has been, and still is being subject to more and more attention from the would-be dictators in our midst.

Money's effectiveness as an economic vote is being attacked from many angles, some being readily evident. For instance, there is the reduction of the amount of money votes held by individuals and their transfer to institutions by means of taxation. The policy behind this is not the outcome of a desire to assist the housewife to do her shopping, as is sometimes pleaded,

but simply to transfer the function of choice which is inherent in the possession of a pound note, from the individual to the planner who believes that he knows what is good for the individual.

Destruction of the purchasing power of savings by controlled inflation and the imposition of death and gift duties keeps the ball rolling towards the mouth of the planner's goal. And, of course, there is sales tax if you have any purchasing power left to spend

to spend.
Coming to the more subtle tactics we find the ration coupon and the permit, which seek to limit the use of the few remaining votes left to the individual. And just in case there is any general disregard for these devices we have the leaden weight of the bureaucratic army of occupation with its orders and regulations to destroy or hold back the natural production of our soil and

- A. McPHERSON.

Mr. Butler reports that the above essay was typical of the general high standard of work done during his first Course. Melbourne readers who desire to do the Social Credit Training Course are requested to note that the second Course starts next Tuesday evening, August 12, at the Douglas Social Credit Rooms, "The Block," Elizabeth Street, Melbourne.

#### COMING SOON!

At long last we are able to announce that Mr. Eric Butler's book on the "Protocols," for which we took orders over twelve months ago will probably be available within the next few weeks. We desire to apologise to those whose money we have been holding for so long, but we have had many difficulties in getting this book published — finally getting it published outside Victoria. No further orders for this book, which we expect to have a worldwide sale, will be taken until we can announce that we actually have supplies.

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## **Evolution: Fact or Fairy Tale?**

(To the Editor.)

Sir, -Your correspondent, John Byrt, is a veritable Rip van Winkle. The only evidence for human evolution he appears to know anything about (and even here he does not state the facts correctly) is the collection of fossilised bones of Pithecanthropus Erectus discovered by Dr. Dubois in 1891. The vast accumulation of fossils gathered since that date has passed

It will probably come as a distinct shock to Mr. Byrt to learn that since 1891 scores of fossils relating to man's evolution have been brought to light. We have not one, but four skulls of Pithecanthropus adults and one of a Pithecanthropus child, the additional skulls having been unearthed by Dr. von Koenigswald in Java between 1937 and 1939. The remains of giant types were also discovered, one described as "enormously larger than that of any living or previously described fossil men." This skull, belonging to a type called Pithecanthropus Robustus, is extremely thick and has a lower jaw so big that it required powerful muscles to move it. At the top of the skull is a bony ridge to which these jaw muscles were attached, as in the gorilla.

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A fragment of a lower jaw belonged to a still larger type, which has been named Meganthropus Paleoavanicus. The same investigator, whilst on a visit to Hong Kong, recovered from Chinese apothecaries' shops three teeth "of human though primitive pattern and still larger size. The volume of the crown of the corresponding tooth of modern man." It has been estimated that if the rest of the body was of the same proportion the owner of these teeth must have weighed half a ton!

#### MORE IN JAVA AND CHINA

In Java were also found fossils of 14 different individuals of the Neanderthal group, which have been named Homo Soloernis.

In China, in the Chou Kou Tien caves near In China, in the Chou Kou Hen caves near Peking, there have been found about 30 Sinauthropus skulls, including five complete, or nearly complete. These fossils fall into two groups; those found in the upper cave having a full-sized brain case, while those from the lower cave have a cranial capacity little larger than that of Pithacanthropus

The lower jaw of Sinanthropus is dis-Ine lower law of Sinanthropus is distinctly ape-like, so much so that an English surgeon, Sir John Bland-Sutton, who examined the first completed skull, declared emphatically that it was the skull of a gorilla, the suggestion being, apparently, that Dr. Davidson Black and his co-workers had pulled what our American friends call a pulled what our American friends call a "fast one" and endeavored to foist upon the world as human the skull of an ape.

However the human, or sub-human nature of the lower cave fossils is fully established. The teeth are transitional, showing the "Dryopithecus pattern," thus linking the human stock with the Dryopithecus ape, which had long been regarded by Professor Gregory and other anthropologists as ancestral to man

#### DISCOVERIES IN AFRICA

In Africa, also, interesting discoveries have been made. Most "New Times" readers will recall the stir caused by the discovery will feed in the Still caused by the discovery in 1924 of the Taungs skull, named Austral-opithecus Africanus by Dr. Raymond Dart. The remains of three other Ausralopithecus individuals have since been found by Professor Brown. fessor Broom.

Some authorities regard this type as directly ancestral to Pithecanthropus; others as a collateral branch from the ape stem. Accepting the more conservative view, we have in Australopithecus an ape, which had made a tremendous stride forward to the attainment of human status, something that opponents of evolution have declared to be impossible!

Other African fossil discoveries were made by Dr. Leakey at Kanam and Kanjera, in Kenya. These are undoubtedly human, but represent a distinct species of man. Of Homo Kanamensis, Leakey says it was "so closely related to Homo Sapiens that it must be regarded as ancestral to that

species."
Yet other discoveries hailing from Africa are the Boskop, Oldway and Rhodesian skulls. The Boskop skull is fully human and markedly resembles the cranium of the modern Bushman. The Oldway skull is pre-Negroid; while the Rhodesian skull is Neanderthal or pre-Neanderthal. It possesses a number of distinctly ape-like features. It has great eye-ridges and an enormous upper jaw. Its brain capacity of 1280 c.c. is less than that of the ordinary Neanderis less than that of the ordinary Neander-

#### BONES FOUND IN PALESTINE.

Of the Neanderthalers themselves, many scores of fossils have been found. In a cave on the western slope of Mt. Carmel, in Palestine, a joint Anglo-American expedition under the leadership of Dr. Dorothy Harrod, of Cambridge University, brought to light the fossil remains of no fewer than 15 different individuals, including six complete skeletons of the Neanderthal and plete skeletons, of the Neanderthal and Cromagnon races. It is now held, contrary to the earlier belief, that Neanderthal man is directly ancestral to Cro-magnon man. The line of descent would therefore appear to be: Dryopitheous, Pithecanthropus, Sinanthropus, Homo Neanderthalis and Homo sapiens, with Eoanthropus (Piltdown Man) as a side branch from the main stem.

I make no reference to the evidence for the steady evolution of man from sub-human and pre-human types afforded by his stone implements and other archaeological dis-

I suggest that Mr. Byrt take "time off" to study the wealth of anthropological and archaeological evidence for human

evolution to be found recorded in the latest works on the subject. He may then feel disposed to agree with me that the evolution of man is as firmly established as the evolution of the camel, elephant, rhinoceros, dugong, horse, tapir, etc.

—Yours, etc., JOHN BOWDEN, Merrylands, N.S.W.

#### Mr. BYRT'S REPLY

(To the Editor.)

Sir, -First, I must point out that my previous letter did not claim to be a comprehensive treatise on the scientific aspects of the evolution theory.

Its purpose was primarily to warn readers of the "New Times" against the over-ready acceptance of political or philosophic creeds, which make a great show of solid foundation on scientific fact, when in reality this "fact" is at best an unproven hypo-

It was a warning against gullibility, against the uncritical acceptance of anything presented in the name of Science — and if there are many like Mr. Bowden about, that warning was

not out of place.

Take, for instance, the glorious logic of "if the rest of the body was of the same proportion, the owner of these teeth must have weighed half a ton!" Science! —why, a schoolboy would be ashamed to reason thus. I am rather surprised that your correspondent did not include in his imposing list of fossil remains the name of Hesperopithecus whose story was as follows: In 1922, Prof.



ONE OF YOUR ANCESTORS?

Gregory found a single molar tooth in Nebraska, U.S.A.; Prof. Osborn decided that it had belonged to an ape-like ancestor of his; the "Illustrated London News" published an article on him, with full-page drawings of H. and his wife. Sad to relate, the tooth was afterwards found to be

that of a peccary, or pig.

Without going into details of the fossils adduced by Mr. Bowden in evidence, I would offer the following comments:

#### THE CRANIAL CAPACITY

1. (a) Different individuals of the same species living at the same time show such large variations in cranial capacity that this is of very doubtful value in determining the antiquity of a species; e.g., the estimated capacities for different specimens of Sinanthropus range from 850 to 1220 c.c.

(b) Different workers manage to get very

(b) Different workers manage to get very different results for the same specimen, and I feel quite confident in stating that the results obtained can often be related directly to the investigator's evolutionary

#### CHRONOLOGICAL SEQUENCE.

(c) Even assuming the validity of the brain capacity criterion, the case is by no means as well ordered, as your correspondent would have us believe. Neanderthal "man," supposedly a rather recent ancestor of Homo sapiens, had a brain capacity as large as that of modern man. Piltdown "man" (on the doubtful assumption that these borns forcements. man. Piltdown "man" (on the doubtful assumption that these bone fragments belonged to the same creature) was likewise large-brained. Java "man"(Pithecanthropus) and Peking "man" (Sinathropus) were smaller brained. BUT the Castendolo skull, a much older fossil, had a brain capacity of about 1340 c.c. and the very ancient Kanam jaw (occurring in a Pliocene deposit) is of definitely modern type. definitely modern type.

disagree hopelessly trying to arrange the various fossils in a chronological sequence. In fact, there are many who insist that man's immediate ancestors were not ape-like after all. Professor F. Wood Jones would have us evolve from something resembling a tarsier; Professor M. Westenhofer, while maintaining stoutly his belief in evolution, thinks that there is "no known fossil of an ancestor of

#### CLASSIFICATION TACTICS.

3. For the benefit of lay readers, a note is necessary regarding the many and long-winded names of species quoted by Mr. Bowden. Geologists and biologists have succumbed so completely to their tyrant master that when a new fossil is discovered it is often classified according to the age of the rocks in which it occurs, or to the of the rocks in which it occurs, or to the fossils found in similar strata; again it is frequently possible to trace the classification directly to the pet theories of the finder. A fossil skull absolutely indistinguishable from a modern skull is nevertheless given a new name on the grounds that "it couldn't possibly be a modern type—our theory won't allow it." Similarly, when Dr. Dubois startled the world with his discovery of Pithecanthropus, he neelected to Dr. Dubois startled the world with his discovery of Pithecanthropus, he neglected to mention that he had already found fossils of two large-brained men; and Sir Arthur Keith comments on these tactics: "There is do doubt that if, on his return in 1894, he had placed before the anthropologists of the time the ape-like skull from Trinil side by side with the great-brained skulls from Wadjak, both fossilised, both from the same region of Lava he would have given them region of Java, he would have given them a meal beyond their powers of digestion."

VARIATIONS IN SPECIES
4. Please notice that I do not deny the existence of variations within a species, due to adaption to a changing environment. The shells of molluscs afford a good example of this. However, there is NO evidence that this. However, there is NO evidence that such changes can be transmitted to the off spring; there IS evidence that when conditions return to normal, the species reverts to its previous form. Is this evolution? The onus is on the evolutionist to establish that variations have occurred such as to render the modified type incapable of breeding with the parent stock. And I am able to endorse Mr. Bowden's opinion that "the evolution of man is as firmly established as the evolution of the camel, elephant, etc.," for this proof has yet to be seen.

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5. If Mr. Bowden lived in Melbourne, I am sure he would wonder why man at some stage along the track should have shed his remarkably useful hairy coat. If he can explain this, let him proceed a step further, and explain how a land mammal became gradually transformed into a whale, bearing and suckling its young under water. gradually transformed into a whale, bearing and suckling its young under water. Such a feat is manifestly impossible; but supposing our friend's imagination passes this test, let him then put forward an explanation, which is even faintly plausible, for the enormous gulf in mental activity between man and the rest of the animal kingdom—the ability to reason, the origin of speech, the use of fire, the fashioning of tools.

Let him tackle some of the real issues

Let him tackle some of the real issues of this many-sided theory of evolution, and we will feel more inclined to take him seriously.—Yours, etc.,

JOHN BYRT, B.Sc., Melbourne.

## "Coal, The Key" (P.E.P. Slogan)

By C. H. DOUGLAS.

(From "The Social Crediter.")

One of the difficulties which besets anyone who wishes to understand current events is the prevalence of the dishonest metaphor. That which is the title of this article is an instance of an attempt — on the whole, a successful attempt — to obscure an undisclosed policy by emphasis on a plausible means.

A key is an instrument, which produces an unique effect upon a lock. It postulates the nature of the effect, and that the effect is a desired effect. Coal does not uniquely open any lock; and the effect which its use produces may vary, and does vary, from that of baking our daily, rationed and adulterated bread, to the production by Chemical Cartels of high explosive, poison gases, soil sterilisers and the bread adulterants. In order to give meaning to the metaphor we have first to decide something, which is antecedent to coal. Why do we want more, or as much, coal? Would the world have been impossible without coal?

It would be easy, but it would not be

It would be easy, but it would not be realistic, to enter at once into the examina-tion of the economic uses of coal. But it is obvious that policy must precede administration, and it is therefore true, if somewhat surprising, to say, that the primary objective of the use of coal is the coal-miner and his Trades-Union in co-operation with the and his Trades-Union in co-operation with the Chemical Cartel and its financiers. Mr. Will Lawther boasted, quite probably correctly, that his Union was the most powerful political agency in the world, controlling forty Members of Parliament. Does anyone seriously suppose that Mr. Lawther and his miners, with their bellwether, Mr. Shinwell, would see coal, or the policies, which enthrone coal, superseded if they could prevent it? Or that let us say, Messrs. Du Pont de Nemours, and their affiliates, would permit the raw material of high explosive to disappear until they have acquired secure control of atomic energy? Besides, what would be the use of Highland Hydro-electric Schemes without a "coal shortage"? Vive les rackets!

If this approach to the problem of coal is correct, it can be demonstrated. And it is much more important than appears at first sight, because its demonstration cuts away the very foundation of Marxian Soaway the Very foundation of Marxian So-cialism, that politics are the outcome of economics, and as is so often the case in considering affairs from a Social Credit point of view, establishes the exact oppo-site. "Demon est deus inversus." Eco-nomics proceed from politics.

Now, so far as the British Isles are concerned, coal has been and still is the raw material of motive power. Why do we want motive power? To move things, and people. Why do we imagine we want to directly to the investigator's evolutionary beliefs. Dr. von Koenigswald estimated the capacity of the Pithecanthropus skull unearthed in 1937 as 750 c.c., but Prof. Weidenreich considers (from examination of photographs) that it "cannot be less than 850 c.c." Incidentally, Weidenreich has expressed grave doubts re the baby Pithecanthropus mentioned by Mr. Bowden, stating that certain features of the skull are "rather characteristic of modern man."

want motive power? To move things, and people. Why do we imagine we want to move things and people? We pretend that it "raises the standard of life." What is the "standard of life?" I don't know absolutely, but everyone knows relatively. We are definitely living on a lower standard of life, measured in general satisfaction, health, security and happiness, than we were fifty years ago, as the result of having moved more things and people. Why do we imagine we want to move things and people? We pretend that it "raises the standard of life." What is the "standard of life," I don't know absolutely, but everyone knows relatively. We are definitely living on a lower standard of life, measured in general satisfaction, health, security and happiness, than having moved more things and people. Why do we imagine we want to move things and people? We pretend that it "raises the standard of life." What is the "standard have deteriorated, common honesty is a fading memory, our architecture has turned to rabbit-hutchery, and we are steadily ruining our heritage of scenery and soil. But we have greatly increased our exports; and, since we are told every day, and nearly all day, that we live by our exports, perhaps coal is the key to exports. Let us see if we can find out why, since we are said to live by our exports, which are increasing, our "standard of life" is declining.

Parenthetically, let us dispose of the idea that the poor were poor because the rich were rich. The purchasing power of the pound sterling in basic necessities has been falling for fifty years, i.e. the cost of living, measured in the unit of account has been ricing.

Now, there is no known method of uniformly raising the standard of material living other than a fall in the price level, i.e., a rise in the value of the unit of account accompanied by a pro rata increase in available commodities. The present Administration, the first declared class Government in the history of the British Isles, ernment in the history of the British Isles, knows this, and is steadily and of set purpose, raising the price level and taxation so as to bring a larger proportion of the population under control and subject to bribery. The direct effect is to penalise the poor and honest. In this process it is causing, a general fall in the standard of living. It should be born in mind that taxation is just as much a constituent of the cost of living as any other expense.

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A simple instance of this is furnished by the "national ownership" of coal. A comparatively small number of royalty owners, the largest of whom was the Ecclesiastical Commission, derived handsome incomes from the infinitesimal (probably less than a penny nett price paid per ton for the raw material, which was legally theirs). These incomes have gone, and the general public pays 500 times the royalty for worse coal. That is a fall in the standard of material living, per se. material living, per se.

To grasp the bearing of this process on the real meaning of exports, the first essential is to eliminate the darling of the Socialist and the bureaucrat-collectivist accounting.

When our collusive broadcasting system announces that the month's exports were so and so, and the months' imports were thus and such, it is saying exactly what it intends to say, i.e., words which have no value whatever to anyone and give no information which would assist anyone to form an opinion as to our business position. What we want to know, and never do know is: What have we parted with; can we spare it; what did it cost us in labour and material; could we have employed the labour and material better from the point of view of an understood policy? And on the other hand, what have we got in return; is it any good to us, or could we have got it better otherwise; how much has it cost us; and does the complete cycle show a profit? Fortunately there is an exception to this general lack of information.

(To be continued.) When our collusive broadcasting system

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#### THERE IS A MOVEMENT IN YOUR

Literature and Information relating to subjects dealt with in the "New Times obtainable from the following movements: The United Electors of Australia, 343

Little Collins St., Melbourne, Victoria.

The Douglas Social Credit Movement in Victoria, 1st Floor, The Block, Elizabeth St., Melbourne, Victoria.

The United Democrats, 17 Waymouth St.,

Adelaide, South Australia.

The Electoral Campaign, 101 Collins St., Hobart, Tasmania.

The D.S.C.A. of N.S.W. and The Electoral Campaign (N.S.W. Division), 3rd Floor, 296 Pitt St., Sydney, New South Wales.

The Electoral Campaign (Queensland), Room 14, 2nd Floor, 142 Adelaide St., Brisbane, Queensland.

Douglas Social Credit Movement of W.A., 544 Hay St., Perth, Western Australia.

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#### **Notes on the News**

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incomes without inflating prices, and without robbing their fellow citizens, or sub-mitting to regimentation. If the National Dividend or "National Production Bonus" idea is put up simply as a solution, it will enjoy a much more favorable reception; now is the time to push the idea without idealis-

SMUGGLING SPREAD.

The spread of Socialism in Europe, England and elsewhere has brought with it a natural increase in crime and lawlessness, especially smuggling. In this connection, the London police have uncovered a colossal racket which is carried out by a Dutchman who is alleged to have smuggled 11 million choice flower bulbs, and, with the money received from them, bought goods in England which the Dutch people want, his own private yacht providing the transport. A large nylon fleet is also reported to be smuggling stockings and other goods from America to Europe. Here in Australia planes are reported to be smuggling goods in; and road transports are carrying huge quantities of interstate building materials at fabulous prices to Victoria. Maybe the natural ingenuity and spirit of adventure will yet save us from complete socialistic serfdom. Although described as a crime, it is really natural rebellion against stupid repressive bureaucratic regulations.

ECONOMIC EXPERIMENT.

The Swedish Government has now appointed a woman economist as Minister for Internal Affairs. There are 21 women Members, but the lady economist (Professor Karin Kock) is not an elected Member. However, she faces the same headaches as other economists in all parts of the world, and since her training and her degrees are the same, it's a safe bet her results will be the same. Swedish women are expecting big things of her—a bigger coffee ration is big things of her—a bigger coffee ration is their first hope, but the Professor says "there isn't a hope of this"; more bread is another objective which the Professor also thinks will be very difficult. Likewise, she does not hold out much hope for more coal; but she's very keen and confident on atomic plans and scientific schemes. All in all, one cannot help feeling sorry for the Swedish women if they place any faith in economists—male or female.

#### WARNING TO VICTORIAN **HOUSEWIVES**

(Continued from page 1.)

The above-mentioned power is being sought. If the city dwellers in this State desire to have a plentiful supply of potatoes

to eat, they had better get busy and question their State Members about it.

The aim of the Potato Marketing Board is Monopoly. It cannot successfully fully function unless it controls and restricts the supply of potatoes on the market. Its object, in miniature, is the objective of the World Food Board—control of the people's

World Food Board—control of the people's food supply.

Now, I, being a grower, fully realise that the potato grower must have a payable return for his produce, but he is going the wrong way in trying to get it.

Already the Federal Government has made a cut in subsidy payments on potatoes and allowed prices to the consumer to rise. With the end of Federal control next year the subsidy will cease and prices rise still higher.

higher.
At present it does not seem likely that At present it does not seem likely mat the State Government will subsidise the Victorian consumers of potatoes, but what does look likely is that less potatoes will be allowed to be grown in order not to "flood" the market, although the consumer cannot afford to buy them at higher prices.

Such is Socialism, fostered by Monopoly Finance

Finance.
—H. A. Hotchkin, Wynsover Jersey Stud,
Thorpdale, Vic.

#### **Second Social Credit Training Course** Starting

Mr. Eric Butler will be starting his second Social Credit Training Course next Tuesday evening, August 12, at Social "The Block," Elizabeth Street, Mel-

Most of those who attended the first Course are very keen to go through the Course again, making themselves thoroughly conversant with Social Credit in all its aspects. All those who desire to become effective Social Crediters are urged to start the second Course next Tuesday evening. Those attending will find the Course stimulating and interesting. There will be no charge for attendance at the second Course. A silver coin collection will be taken after every lecture. A special invitation is extended to new readers of the "New Times" to be present. They will find the lectures conducted in an informal atmosphere and will have a chance to meet other Melbourne people interested in studying Social Credit.

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#### THE CANADIAN REPORT ON COMMUNIST **ACTIVITIES**

It is significant that very few copies of the revealing Report of the Canadian Royal Commission on espionage and other Communist activities in Canada have reached Australia. Even most Members of our Federal Parliament have never seen the actual Report itself.

In view of the great importance of this Report, Mr. Eric Butler's booklet, "The Real Communist Menace," of which we have a limited edition, should be obtained and carefully studied by those democrats who want to fully understand the real Communist menace ist menace.

The major part of this booklet is the complete re-publication of the most important chapter in the Canadian Report, "The Development of Ideological Motivation," which states: "The evidence before us shows that in the great majority of cases the motivation was inextricably linked with courses of psychological development carcourses of psychological development carried on under the guise of activities of a secret section of what is ostensibly a Candidate of the course of the cou adian political movement . . . that these secret 'development' courses are very much widespread than the espionage net

It is also stated: "It has been established, for example, that Sam Carr and Fred Rose, M.P., both Moscow trained, not only designated Canadians for recruiting into the espionage ring, but took an active part with others in fostering the courses or study groups wherein suitable motivation for estoups wherein suitable motivation for espionage was gradually developed, thus broadening the base from which further recruiting was carried on, and in some cases was in fact undertaken by them, for the espionage network itself."

This Report is of the greatest importance to democratic Australians. In his Introduction to "The Real Communist Menace," Mr. Butler quotes from page 11 of the Report, where it is stated that there is not only a conspiratorial organisation operating in Canada, but also in "other countries."

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We understand that Mr. Butler had great difficulty in getting this booklet published. Eventually it was printed in a Victorian country centre, thus making the selling price of the booklet higher than is normal for such booklets. However, no one should allow the price to prevent him from obtaining it.

ing it.
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#### S.E.C. JOURNAL AND THE COMMUNISTS

COMMUNISTS

In our issue of July 25, "E.D.B." in his "Significant Political Pointers" mentioned how the Melbourne University journal, "Farrago," had been taken from the previous printers and is now being printed by the Federal Press, which is a disguised Communist organisation. We now learn that the journal of the Staff Officers of the Victorian State Electricity Commission was in February of this year transferred from its previous printers to the Federal Press. We wait with interest to see what the non-Communists in the S.E.C. are going to do about the matter. Or is their apathy such that a few Communists can use them and their money for their own purposes?

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#### Red Spy Net Exposed!

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portant facts and uranium samples for a Russian service. Recently several American scientists with atomic knowledge have been approached by foreign scientists who, though in the country under the highest auspices, ask questions indicating an interest more military than scientific. One American scientist was detected in Chicago handing a package to a Russian agent known as "Adamson." Investigation showed "Adamson." Adamson. Investigation snowed Adamson had entered the country from Canada on a forged passport. The F.B.I recovered the atomic data at the spy's New York hotel. "Adamson," however, managed to

Russian agents also seek information on the B-36, the new American bomber that can carry an atom bomb anywhere on earth; on new radar, on plans for increasing the on new radar, on plans for increasing the capacity of the Panama Canal; on what strategic materials the United States is stock-piling; on American defence plans in the Arctic. Important plans dealing with guided missiles are said to have been stolen from an experimental laboratory in Virginia by a man who with seeming reluct ginia by a man who with seeming reluctance had consented to join the staff. A later double check revealed him as a Rus-

#### **Diplomatic Channels**

The happiest hunting ground for Communist spies is Washington. Much confidential information about American foreign-policy moves, including many secret papers, has reached Communist circles. Fellow travellers within the U.S. State Department have sometimes influenced even the making of foreign policy.

So many listening devices had been discovered in the American Moscow Embassy, including one in a wall next the desk where the Ambassador dictated his secret cables that before the recent conference General Marshall ordered a special check. It revealed nothing. But the British found in their Embassy six microphones of a new type almost undetectable.

Since the war ended, American diplomats in Russian satellite countries have been burglarised, and Ambassador Richard C. Patterson in Belgrade had evidence that his telephone was tapped. His Embassy was continually supervised by spies. Those satellite nations, which have missions in the United States, have been dragooned into United States, nave been dragooned into helping the Russians in their spying. Diplomats of several satellites travel freely about the country getting into contact with Americans of the same descent, spreading propaganda for Red "democracy" and organising espionage "cells."

#### **Industrial Information**

To help Poland's economic recovery, the United States lately admitted a mission of 21 technical experts, who studied American industry and inventions. Before they left, a Polish Embassy official ordered each man to write a report on whatever he had seen that might be of military value. To those reluctant to spy upon their hosts he said: "I'll report you in Poland where your families still are."

Amtorg Trading Corporation, an official agency of the U.S.S.R., recently published several thick volumes which included full descriptions, photographs and ground plans of great American automotive and airplane or great American automotive and appraise factories, power plants, blast furnaces, railroad networks, bridges and dams. The books not only purport to be a "buyers' guide" for Soviet industry; they are also very complete atlases for the use of saboteurs or bombers.

Amtorg had also led in another large-scale legal intelligence operation: the acquisition by Russia of a description of virtually every industrial, chemical and military discovery or appliance ever patented in the United States. Archaic laws direct the U.S. Patent States. Archaic laws direct the U.S. Patent Office to sell abstracts of all patents to anyone at 10 to 25 cents each. One single Russian order was for 60,000. In addition, they have demanded and received all German patents, including military developments, which the U.S. seized from 1941 through 1944.

In return the Russians reveal to other countries about 50 patents a year. They greet with scowling suspicion inquiries about the German patents under their con-

#### Stopping the Leakages

To stop leaks General Marshall has made the U.S. State Department button up. Re-cent investigations of the 23,000 employees have caused several hundred resignations, a few discharges and one indictment. To combat espionage abroad an expert in security will soon be in every American Embassy or Legation.

Such measures will help to slow up the Russian "apparatus." But counter efforts are severely handicapped. In peacetime it is impossible to exercise surveillance over Russian communications. In addition to secret radio codes and their sacrosanct dip-lomatic pouch, they have innumerable air and ship couriers. Many seamen are Communists.

Only constant vigilance can furnish safeguards against the tireless and fanatic efforts of the worlds most sinister spy sys-

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