Bolshevism in Power

Towards the end of the First World War Communism set itself up in power in Russia. In doing so, it put under its yoke a good 150 million people—the population of Russia at that time (now 208 million).

Notice that we do not say that this seizure of power made 150 million Communists. No. Lenin's Bolsheviks were only a handful, but they were able to seize power by violence thanks to the chaos into which the war, which Russia had lost, had thrown the country. Even today, after 47 years of Communist control, there are only between 3 and 4% of all Russians in the Communist Party. But the Party holds the reins and all other political parties are forbidden. The Communist Party alone has the right to put forward candidates at the elections at every level of government, so that the country is always led by members of the Party. The lowest minority, which has legislative, executive, police, military and every other kind of power in its hands, is thus able to impose its will on the great majority. And the majority have not even the right to voice their complaints. A system of supervision and spying lets nothing pass without brutal repression.

If the Bolshevik revolt of 1917 did not make 150 million Communists it nevertheless placed the 150 million Russian subjects inexorably under the Communist yoke.

The Expansion of Communist Rule

Since then there has been the Second World War—the war we were told was fought to guard democracy and civilisation, for the freedom of nations to govern themselves. Well, it is during the years which followed this so-called “war of liberation” that the Communist yoke has more widely and more swiftly spread across the universe. The number of persons held under its hand of iron has mounted from 150 million to nearly 1,000 million.

Robert Welch expressed this vividly and impressively when he wrote in 1958:

"Since August, 1945, the Communists have averaged taking over seven thousand newly enslaved subjects every hour. And please remember that these people, whether in Indonesia or Iraq or Korea, have the same love for their families, think of concentration camps with the same despairing horror, and feel the same pain under torture, as do you and I."

"So let me repeat that. Seven thousand more human beings, just like you and me, have been brought under the incredibly brutal rule of a Communist police state, every hour, twenty-four hours of every day, 365 days of every year, for the past thirteen years. . . ." (The Blue Book of the John Birch Society).

For this expansion of the Red Plague, Moscow was not obliged to have recourse to the direct use of its armed forces. Moscow knew how to make Chinese fight against other Chinese, Koreans against Koreans, people of Vietnam against others of Vietnam. But not a single Russian regiment took part in all this progress of the Communist tyranny. If Russian tanks were brought into action in Hungary, or in some other of Moscow's satellite countries, it was to keep an already enslaved population under its heel.

The Communists obtained their successes by blackmail, lies, murder, and treason brought into being and carried on in the heart of the governments of which they wish to take possession, and by diplomatic pressures which use all these and other means. Communists are restrained by no ethical considerations in the choice of their means; for them, everything is judged by its effect: if they can win advantage by flattery, they flatter; if by killing, they kill.

Liberation made Impossible

And once they are the political masters of a country, the Communists immediately organise the most pitiless force to assure their permanence in that position. We have not yet seen a single example of a country freed after having been placed under the Communist yoke. A police force in uniform and an even more formidable secret police make everyone keep thoroughly submissive. In the countries under a Communist régime one may truly say that walls have ears. For a sentence of criticism let slip and reported, you may be called on by the police that very night or the next, and see yourself taken off—you don't know where. Your family may not know your fate for days, weeks, months, sometimes years.

Every beginning of revolt is pitilessly crushed. Thus, on 1st June, 1953, at Pilsen, an industrial town in Czechoslovakia, a spontaneous demonstration brought the whole population, who were beyond themselves with poverty and troubles, out into the streets. The demonstrators invaded public buildings, fought the Communist public servants and trampled underneath the portraits of Stalin and Gottwald. But that very evening, tanks and machine guns re-established Communist "order". American troops, in barracks less than forty miles from there, remained deaf to the desperate appeals of the Pilsen workers for help.

Two weeks later, on 16th June, in Soviet East Germany, in East Berlin itself, a rebellion broke out against the dictatorship of the Walter Ulbricht government. The demonstration, which was begun in the morning by seventy factory workers, brought out 12,000 men on the first day. The number was doubled the next day by a contingent of 12,000 more workmen who had (continued on page 4)
Vietnam

Senator Paltridge, the Minister for Defence, will arrive in Saigon just in time to experience yet another of those coups d'état which regularly punctuate what must be called, for want of a better phrase, the political scene in South Vietnam. The pattern of events is now pretty familiar. The Americans put pressure on the army commanders to appoint a civilian government with some semblance of being responsible to the people. Whatever government is appointed is immediately opposed by the Buddhist political bosses who stir up demonstrations against it. Protests and demonstrations lead to arrests and fighting until the army commanders step in, depose the government and appoint a military dictator. The Americans then put pressure on the army commanders—and so ad infinitum.

There will be great sympathy for President Johnson who has so far refused either to extend the war or to negotiate to stop it. It is an appalling choice for both alternatives have terrifying possibilities. . . .

Perhaps this is a war which neither side can win.


Perhaps, and perhaps it is a war which the U.S. Administration is determined one side shall lose.

The theory that the U.S.A. is governed by a collection of near-idiots, who therefore must be forgiven for the continuous series of “mistakes” which have ushered in one disaster after another and handed over three-quarters of the globe to overt or covert Communist control, is still prevalent and popular—because the alternative explanation is too “terrifying”.

Of course anyone can, and will, tell you that it is “idiotic” of the Americans to provide the communications system which enables the Egyptians to fly the arms supplied by Russia to the Congolese cannibal-rebels whose operations are directed by Communist Chinese advisers. If you were Secretary of Defence, you wouldn’t do anything so foolish, would you? From which it follows that our troubles, with worse to come, are simply due to the fact, Q.E.D., that Mr. McNamara, Mr. Rusk, and President Johnson are somewhat below average intelligence, so there is nothing to worry about, really. The situation is better left alone.
The Gravediggers

From American Opinion, November, 1964, we reprint a review, by Dr. Revilo P. Oliver, of The Gravediggers by Phyllis Schlafly and Chester Ward: Perce Marquette Press, P.O. Box 316, Alton, Illinois (75 cents):

Mrs. Schlafly, the beautiful President of the Illinois Federation of Republican Women, is one of the most able and lucid of American writers. Her recent book, A Choice, Not an Echo (same publisher, same price), has sold over two million copies and was undoubtedly the one publication that contributed most to the nomination of Senator Goldwater in San Francisco. It exposed the designs and secret methods of his enemies, rallied his supporters, and confirmed the wavering. It also encouraged the people back home to express themselves. I hear that at the Convention one of Scraton’s fantoches yelled at the lady, “My constituents have sent me seventy copies of your — book!”

Rear Admiral Ward is one of our most distinguished naval officers and one of our foremost experts on the realities of modern warfare. Both before and after his retirement, he has not hesitated to speak in loyalty to his country, and it is clear from this book that he has not been intimidated by the covert threats with which the McNamara-Yarmolinsky gang in the Pentagon tried to silence even retired officers who are outspokenly loyal to the United States.

The present work of collaboration is a masterpiece of clarity and conciseness.* In an eminently readable style it presents in brief compass the facts, concealed from the public by the professional liars in the Pentagon with the co-operation of most of our Press, concerning the deadly plight of the whole United States today. We shall soon—very soon—find ourselves in a position of hopeless military inferiority to the beasts of the Soviet.

The book reviews, step by step, the acts of treason by which the United States has been systematically disarmed and weaponized and defenses systematically sabotaged by McNamara, Yarmolinsky, Raskin, Raskov, Rostow, Nitze, Wiesner, Bunde, Gilpatric, Ball, and the rest of the sneaking creatures who have occupied the capital of our country and now think that they own us—that we are theirs to surrender for burial to Khruschev, when the time comes—next year, perhaps.

In April of 1961, the eminent General Bonner Fellers, reviewing the efforts then being made to destroy our military power and technological superiority (which, nevertheless, was still overwhelming), predicted that “In 1965, for the first time, we shall lag behind Soviet Russia in technology because we are planning it that way.” And a distinguished military expert, when questioned concerning the sabotage of our air force, also stated in 1961: “This policy is intelligible only on the assumption that by 1965 the United States will have ceased to exist as an independent nation”.

It is now 1964, and abundantly clear from this sober and completely factual little book that the plan is, at least, right on schedule. The authors raise no questions concerning the motives of the obscure little creatures that, as officers of your government, are digging your grave. And such questions, after all, do not really matter. The point is that it is your grave, and that you still have a choice whether or not you are to be put in it.


Our Forlorn Tomorrow

AN EXTRACT FROM A LECTURE GIVEN AT THE ROYAL UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTE, LONDON, ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12th, 1964, BY MR. JOHN CONNELL:

“If I may sum up, therefore, the prospect before Southern Africa seems to me to be: growing political, economic, and social chaos in the countries between the Equator and the Limpopo; increasing Communist influence, overt and covert; increasing calls for aid without strings, and a swift turn to Peking if the calls are not met immediately and unconditionally; and increasing pressure for the overthrow of white, minority governments; and in the Republic of South Africa a hardening determination and a strengthening capacity to resist all forms of attack. I concede that I have thus presented for your consideration what Lord Wavell called ‘the worst possible case’; I have done so not because I enjoy curdling anyone’s blood, or am naturally a pessimist, but because I believe the time of crisis to be very near, and I think the absence here of a resolute ability to meet that crisis when it comes is nothing short of tragic.

“Thirty-two years ago Rudyard Kipling wrote a grumpy prophetic poem called The Storm Cone. It is the last in his 1. S. Eliot’s perceptive selection of Kipling’s verses. Its first two stanzas are worth pondering:

This is midnight—let no star Delude us—dawn is very far. This is the tempest long foretold— Slow to make head but sure to hold. Stand by! The lull ’twixt blast and blast Signals the storm is near, not past; And worse than present jeopardy May our forlorn tomorrow be.

Here we are in that forlorn tomorrow.”

Waal, Now!

The more one sees of these post-election analyses, the more one wonders about that senator from—where was it?—Arizona. What was the fellow’s name? Harry? Barry? That was it: Barry Goldwater. Did he really exist? . . . Oddly enough, 27,145,000 votes actually were cast for Mr. Goldwater.

But how many were really for Mr. Goldwater? A “privately conducted poll”, we are told, indicates that barely five million were really for Goldwater. These were the kooks; the rest were party regulars. Not one in five Republican voters, says the New York Times, wants Barry What’s-his-Name to hang around.

—From the Richmond News Leader; quoted by Human Events, January 9, 1965.

The Gallup Poll’s annual list of the 10 most admired men in the United States has a new member: Barry Goldwater. The GOP presidential candidate ranked sixth in a list headed by President Johnson, Winston Churchill and former President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The Arizonan ranked above Billy Graham, Adlai Stevenson, Dr. Albert Schweitzer and Pope Paul VI.

—Human Events, January 9, 1965.
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY

made a forced march of thirteen miles from an iron works centre. In this case also, buildings were invaded, the police disarmed and beaten up. On the third day there were a hundred thousand patriots in command of the streets, occupying the Communist bastions and acclaiming their freedom. But the Red Army came: two armed divisions, 20,000 soldiers and 700 tanks. It needed less than this to put an end to what they had called “the three glorious days”. And the blood of the repression flowed under the very eyes of American, British and French troops who were stationed in the West of the same town, but who did nothing save prevent free Germans from the Western Sector from going to help their compatriots to escape from the Communist hell.

The Hungarian revolt which took place in Budapest in October, 1956, is better known. There was the same exaltation of patriots who had taken over the city and set up a free government. But on the fourth day came the arrival of Khruschev’s tanks which crushed it all amid the blood of their victims. There, as at Pilzen and in Berlin, there were the same appeals for help from the patriots and the same unbending attitude from the United States, whose propaganda had nevertheless encouraged the Hungarians to rise against Red Rule.

Let us repeat: once a country has come under the Communist yoke, it cannot extricate itself. Fists, sticks and stones can do nothing against machine-gun fire, long range guns and modern weapons, while the countries which are still armed and free refuse to intervene, through selfishness and cowardice if not complicity. Our free countries are more interested in their own comfort, in their investments, in the protection of their financiers’ monetary interests, than in the freeing of the nations crushed by Communism.

Selfishness and Blindness

But all that will perhaps have to be paid for. While the citizens of the countries which are still free are thus engaged in looking after their own comfort, while they remain unmoved by the invasion of their own countries by materialism, irreligion, practical atheism, corruption, the race for money and pleasure—while all this goes on the Communists are for their part at work to bring about the success of their plans, making more and more space on the great propaganda platforms, putting their own men or their forerunners in positions of command, distracting or poisoning the spirit of the masses, conditioning the population of coveted countries to prepare them for the imposition of their yoke.

In the face of the Communist danger, people are too apt to imagine themselves at grips with an ordinary enemy. It is a too widespread illusion to consider Communism as a Party to be fought in an electoral battle; or as an Ideology to be fought on intellectual ground. Certainly a Party and an Ideology cannot form part of Communism, but Communism is more than that: it is a CONSPIRACY, a diabolical and devilishly organised PLOT, tirelessly pursuing its aim of putting the whole universe under its yoke, country by country, solidly anchoring each of its conquests, giving way nowhere, always moving forward, demanding concessions of others but conceding nothing itself. A CONSPIRACY to establish a World Police State, from which no one will ever be able by human means to escape.

Essentially Satanic, this plot is helped by all that comes from and belongs to Hell. It is powerfully helped by the active apostasy of Christian countries which refuse any reference to God in their political, economic, financial and social institutions. It is powerfully helped by the worship of Mammon or the thirst for rule over others which seems to inspire the life of so many intellectuals and politicians. It has been and continues to be well served by the financial system of collective debt which naturally engenders collectivism and everywhere reduces individuals and governments to financial helplessness, forcing them to abdicate their independence, initiative and personal responsibility. Populations thus pass from economic slavery to political slavery from which only one more step is needed for them to end up in the slavery of the Police State, in the régime where a livelihood is conditioned by loss of freedom. A régime to the future of which all those who wish to be the élite of society consciously or stupidly contribute. See with what unanimity the majority of intellectuals reject a correction of the financial system which, like Social Credit, would guarantee to each individual at one and the same time his livelihood, his freedom and the possibility of shouldering his own responsibilities. These gentlemen who think they have been put into the world to draw profit from others rather than to serve them certainly do not allow the brutality of a Police State, but they nevertheless have the philosophy of such a state by their thirst for power over others, and it is not on such a prostituted élite that we can rely to save us from Communist tyranny.

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