

INTERESTING TALK ON THE NEW RUSSIA

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has developed. Soviet Russia is short of capital and has little means to remedy this condition. A house committee divided the palaces, flats, apartments and homes of the wealthy into so many square feet. As a result a home which comprised several living rooms, a dining room that would seat fifty people, a Pompeian bathroom, very few sleeping rooms and one kitchen takes care of quite as many families as rooms. Instead of working out some communistic plan of getting meals, each family has its own table in the kitchen. On this table is an evil smelling one-burner gasoline stove on which each family is preparing its saucepan of tea and black bread.

Glad to Get Out

So many people living together naturally get on each others nerves. The family living in the bathroom of onyx and marble has to resort to the street for several hours each morning. In fact everyone is glad to get out doors to avoid the overcrowded conditions indoors. There are, however, some new, co-operative apartment buildings being erected.

The schools seemed to give a better idea of the real spirit of communism than anything else. They are an universal desire but not an universal reality. There are nearly enough of them and they are not compulsory. The schools are not divided into grades but into subjects. They are so-called laboratories and quite often are without either text books or apparatus. The teachers are often old revolutionists. They are very devoted, self-sacrificing and poorly paid. Russia has no intelligentsia. The people have the desire

to work. Work is counted as a privilege.

Experiment in Schools

Through the schools Russia is trying to develop a new kind of citizen. The children are being taught to have no selfish aims; their theory is to be that of serving others. They are taught that having money is not of any particular distinction. It rather places one in a prejudiced class. Sports, not competitive, are encouraged among children.

Communistic Spirit

The children of Russia look upon Lenine as one who would make a new industrial Russia and huge self-sacrifices for his country. This spirit that is being fostered is more that of religion than that of government. The new class is believing in this idealistic state. The atmosphere is almost that of a Methodist camp meeting forty years ago. In fact the communistic spirit is carried to such a degree that jobs are given to those who are one hundred per cent communistic instead of one hundred per cent efficient.

Mrs. Lewis spoke of the plays as all having the Christ like spirit and Messianic message. The hero is always educated.

Peasants Dissatisfied

There is, however, one class in Russia that is dissatisfied. This is the peasantry. To them, some twenty millions, was given the land. They have a highly individualistic spirit. It is between the communistic or city class and the peasantry or individualist class that Mrs. Lewis expects the permanent crisis to arise. Communism cannot control the rise of the rich peasantry. Tradition and numbers are in the country, while the dynamic power is in the town.

This new communistic spirit is more that of a religion than that of a government. It hates the orthodox church, which is declining with the young. It says, "Stop peering within your soul, be a doer. Russia will be saved by what one does." The aim of Russia inside is that of westernizing Russia.

No one could hear Mrs. Lewis without feeling stimulated and thrilled by her most graphic portrayal.

MERWIN MCGATH DIES; SHORT ILLNESS

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school. He held a position with American Can company during past summer, having worked up that position through several summers' employment with the company.

At college, where he had won a four year scholarship award and pledged to the nationally prominent Chi Psi fraternity, Merwin took a general course, but was working a career in the realms of chemistry. It was toward that end that he obtained his summer position with American Can company, which was of a chemical nature, as he went to place to place making tests of foods canned.

Merwin took sick with the influenza last August but failed to consult a physician. In October he entered the University of Chicago for his sophomore year.

He was brought to Highland Park about a week ago to the home of his sister, Mrs. Bennett, mother of Mrs. Bennett, a student here, at 938 N. St. Johns avenue, where he resided while in high school. He died about 4:30 Monday morning. The funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 p. m.

Born in Indiana

Merwin was born March 7, 1915 at Farmersburg, Indiana. At the age of three, he came to live in Highland Park. He attended the Elmhurst Place grammar school and was graduated therefrom in 1924.

He is survived by three sisters, Mrs. C. C. Bennett, Minta of Highland Park, Mrs. H. L. Huenink of Chicago, three brothers, John, Earl of Highland Park and Carl of Chicago; two nieces, Virginia Bennett, Doris Huenink and two nephews, Jeff Bennett and Billy McGath.

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