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**Government Urged to Stop Red Schools**

Toronto Member Tells Legislature of Communist Doctrine Founded into Foreign Youngsters by Alien Groups.

On several occasions in the past The Advance has taken occasion to refer to the schools or classes conducted in Timmins and elsewhere in the North for the instilling into the minds of youngsters of foreign descent of ideas and opinions directly contrary to loyalty to this country. Toronto apparently is suffering from a similar evil, though in the city to judge by the statements made last week in the Legislature the alien schools for the undermining of the faith of the foreign children in Canada are not carried on upon as large a scale in comparison to population as they are in this North.

One day last week, Russell Nesbitt, member for Bracondale, told the Ontario Legislature that while communist leaders are behind the bars in Portsmouth penitentiary, because they were found guilty of preaching violence as a means to set up a new form of government, three schools are being operated in Toronto to teach children how to become good communists, if such a term is permissible. Mr. Nesbitt made public the findings of Toronto police investigators and strongly urged the Ontario Government to take steps to suppress this doctrine of the Soviet in Canada.

Boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 14 are now attending afternoon and evening classes learning how to elude police when mass meetings were interrupted, Mr. Nesbitt said. Under the guise of games, with such titles as "Sock the Scab," "Escape the Cop" and "Catch the Stool-Pigeon," they were being shown how best to escape arrest and foil the police.

"Particularly, we are told, this work of spreading Communist principles is carried on among the foreign-born in Canada who prove more receptive for the material," the speaker declared.

Requested by Officers  
Pointing out that he was bringing the matter to the attention of the Legislative Assembly only because of the request of "those officers entrusted with the enforcement of law and order in Toronto," Mr. Nesbitt read from the private report of Inspector Douglas Marshall of the Toronto Police Department to Chief of Police D. C. Draper.

This report flatly charged the Ukrainian Labour Temple, Bathurst street; the Jewish Labour League, Markham street, and the Finnish Club, Spadina Avenue—the latter in the same building as the Co-operative Restaurant, recently suspended and then reopened by police order—were schools actively engaged in the dissemination of Communist teachings.

Communist literature, Mr. Nesbitt continued pointed out that such instruction was necessary when the children were being taught to join in hunger strikes, distribution of literature and broadcasting of Communist information. In this way, he declared, Canadian-born children of foreign parents were being made a greater problem for police as radicals because existing laws aided them in protecting themselves as native Canadians.

Incorporating the inspector's report in his address, Mr. Nesbitt opened his references to Communism by stating that it was inherently unwise to send Communist leaders to the penitentiary while the work of teaching their doctrines was allowed to proceed unchecked. He did not quote fully from the report, he stated, nor the Communist literature in his possession because of its length.

Congratulates Price  
"Now, Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a few minutes of the House to turn to a matter which I have been requested to draw to the attention of the members, a matter which has been engaging the officers entrusted with the maintenance of law and order in Toronto, and which they have asked be drawn to the notice of the Legislature," said Mr. Nesbitt.

"Recently the Attorney-General took an action in which I heartily congratulate him. Several leaders of the Communist group were sent to Kingston penitentiary, but it is obviously unsatisfactory to sentence these men, members of a party which has been declared illegal, when their teachings are allowed to continue in Toronto.

"There are three schools in this city

where Communism is taught, located as follows," Mr. Nesbitt continued. "They are: The Ukrainian Labour Temple, Bathurst Street; the Jewish Labour League, Markham Street, and the Finnish Club, Spadina Avenue.

"There is one room in the Ukrainian Labour Temple with benches and a blackboard, in which about 75 pupils can be accommodated," he read from the report. "They have also a second room in the basement. Police have visited the temple on different occasions and found classes in progress. Boys and girls of 10 to 14 years have been found studying. They have also classes on these premises from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. for the section from 16 to 20, and from 4 to 7 p.m. for the 10 to 14 class, and there are other classes carried on during the evening.

"In addition to these schools, there are two summer camps located just outside the city limits. One is at Rouge Hills, Kingston highway, and is known as Camp Kinderveldt. At this place, Communist games are taught and played, the Red Flag is flown, and the Red International is sung, and the children taught disloyalty to the country of their adoption. I believe there was considerable comment made about this camp last year in one of the leading daily papers.

"The extent to which the party is able to operate is wide," continued Mr. Nesbitt. "Numerous organizations, known by other names, carry on the work, the same work, as the Communist party. They have newspapers of their own. There are between 50 and 60 papers and they have a circulation of over 40,000, reaching workers, particularly foreigners, with the doctrines of the Communist party."

**League Most Dangerous**

"To my mind, by far the most important section of the Communist League, and also the most dangerous, is the Young Communist League. This section of the party is very active in the education of the youth in all lines of the Communist doctrine. Schools are being conducted, summer camps organized, sports of all kinds organized, and the ultimate result is going to be, that children of to-day, born of parents of foreign birth, educated in our public schools and also the Communist schools, will in five to ten years, be confirmed Communists and radicals of the worst type, which no laws at present on the statutes of the country could deal with. Born in Canada, educated to be Communists, the results will be revolution.

"This can only be prevented if the Government takes active steps to suppress this doctrine of the Soviet in this country. Bring in legislation preventing the operation of these schools, to ban all foreign societies unless they hold Government charter, and then only after the most strict police investigation, the deportation of all those found to belong to such societies not chartered by the Government.

"The most stringent action must be taken if we hope to be able to cope with this situation in future years."

**Work in Schools Urged**

"School detachments should be set up in those schools where there are a number of Pioneers and children belonging to revolutionary children's organizations. The school detachment initiates campaigns in the school, carrying on the struggle for free school supplies, better school facilities, free meals and clothing for unemployed workers' children, against whipping, etc. The school detachments react to all the specific problems in the schools, rallying the school children to the support of these campaigns. The Pioneers direct and guide the school struggle, but have as their specific task the rallying of all school children in support of their campaigns.

"Children's clubs can be organized in such organizations as the WIR, O.L.D.L. Friends of the Soviet Union, Unemployed Councils. These children's clubs carry on specific activities depending upon the character of the organization. For instance, the children's club in the Friends of the Soviet Union, have as their main task the popularization of the Soviet Union, issue special children's material re the conditions of children in the Soviet Union in contrast to capitalist countries. Sell Soviet postcards, and combat the slanderous lies of the school authorities, against the Soviet Union. (A club has been set up in Toronto with 26 members).

"One of the central tasks of the Pioneer movement is to organize the children of the unemployed workers. It is therefore practical to organize unemployed workers' children's clubs, embracing all the children of unemployed workers. The club works in close co-operation with the unemployed council, wherever such exists. The club members actively participate in the work of the unemployed council, distribute leaflets, take part in all demonstrations, hold mass meetings, initiate campaigns based on children's demands. All activities should be prepared beforehand in an organized man-

ner. Child features should be introduced, such as canvassing for child signatures, organizing hunger marches and parades with appropriate slogans, etc. There are hundreds of cases of starvation and evictions which should serve as the basis for campaigns.

**Games Emphasized**

"The importance of games in educational work is not to be underestimated. Children's games have a double value; they are the training school for serious militant work and they are at the same time the expression of and the source of youthful energy and movement. The inclination of the children towards play does not need to be developed. It already exists. The task of the leader is to direct it into channels that will lead to the strengthening of class consciousness; of revolutionary discipline and solidarity; and at the same time to use such games as will stimulate the creative initiative of the child and lead to a common aim.

"It is the business of the leader not only to base the play programme on the instructive qualities derived from it but to see to it that the comrades

get satisfaction in practising the qualities of good Bolsheviks. Because of the inherent interest of children in plays, the leader has one of the greatest opportunities for Communist training in the use of this phase of our work."

Mr. Nesbitt continued by naming some of the games which he displayed listed on the pamphlets, each explaining how the game could be played with from 10 to 50 players and including such pastimes as "Free Harry Elmsman," "Catching the Shop Nucleus Organizer," "Win a Tractor for the Soviet Union," "Shooting the Whites" and similar names. Similarly, type questions were offered such as, "Where does there exist a proletarian state?"

"These children are taught, Mr. Speaker, to play games which are the exact actions of the Communists when they hold their meetings," said Mr. Nesbitt. "For instance, here is one game called 'Escape the Cop.' According to their instructions, it states: 'The comrades form in a double circle, facing the centre. Outside the circle is a comrade who represents a policeman, and another comrade is outside the cir-

cle that is supposed to be trying to give out leaflets at a school. The cop is to chase the pioneer. If the pioneer can get in front of any of the 'two deep' units forming the circle, he is safe and the third or rear pioneer on the outside becomes the one being chased by taking the place of the other comrade. Thus it will be seen that the comrade who is the cop has to chase several pioneers, before he is able or lucky enough to catch or tag him, thus making him it and immediately this comrade becomes the cop and the one that was formerly the cop becomes pioneer. And that, Mr. Speaker, is exactly what they do on the streets when they hold meetings."

**Songs Are Quoted**

Mr. Nesbitt declared songs taught Communist children in Canada included the following:

A stanza from a "counting out" song: "Hammer, sickle, Soviet star I love Soviet Russia with all my heart.  
One I point to with my hand Come with me to Lenin's land."  
Another extract read:

"Kisses we shall shoot To make all bosses shiver in their boots."  
Still another stanza: "Emmie, meenie, meine mo Workers robbed where'er they go. They can stop it if they are not too slow. The young comrades tell them so."

**THIS WRITER DOES NOT WISH MEAN PEOPLE MUCH GOOD**

A reader of The Advance has handed in the following clipping from a Nova Scotia newspaper. There is both humour and a moral in the letter. The moral, of course, is that nobody should be mean if they can help it, and usually they can help it.—  
Kempt, Jan. 2

Mr. Editor: Dear Sir:—Will you allow me short space in your paper, "I heard of a man who was so mean that when he was putting some brown sugar on his porridge he spilled some on the table; a fly lit on it; he picked it up by the wings and brushed the sugar off its feet on to his porridge so none would be wasted."

I guess that is a story, but I am going to tell you something I think is meaner than that, and is no story either. Mr. S. R. Bradley, former owner of Pulp Mill has been trying to fix up the old Dolliver property for a summer residence, but some person or persons keep taking out the windows, breaking others, till he had to put on shutters. But the last and smallest thing you could think any one doing was to cut off the lead pipe that stuck out through the side of the house from the sink.

I don't want to wish this person any harm, but I hope if he reads this he will feel so small his clothes will all drop off of him.

—Care Taker

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