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THE MASTER fact in the world situation — a fact which is conveniently overlooked by most American writers and commentators — is that Russia's prime objective in its present maneuvers is the winning of time. And a short-sighted American leadership is giving Russia and her satellites this allimportant objective.

In doing this they are perhaps signing the death warrant of this republic. Time is a matter of life and death to world Communism. While a peace-blinded American people drown themselves in the vodka of "peaceful existence," Communism cynically prepares for the world showdown which it sees in the years ahead. That showdown will come when Communism finds itself strong enough to strike.

Let us consider how world Communism is using the priceless factor of time to its strategic advantage. Four basic but related activities are being furthered by the time gift which America is so irresponsibly offering. These are:

(1) The liquidation of opposition in the Communist countries.

(2) The upbuilding and consolidation of their productive resources in preparation for a future world war.

(3) The perfecting of intercontinental ballistic missiles.

(4) The infiltration of their agents into strategic positions in our nation in preparation for conquest.

An analysis of these four Soviet operations will place the actual present situation realistically before us.

The liquidation of anti-Communists in the Iron Curtain nations is steadily strengthening the Red leaders and eliminating the possibility of a revolt of the peoples. The existence of widespread unrest behind the Iron Curtain has been authenticated by all responsible reports which have reached us. In the case of Red China it was spectacularly instanced by the 14,209 Red Army prisoners of war who, after the Korea armistice, chose to go to Formosa rather than return to the Communists. The Free World has millions of friends behind the Iron Curtain. Their presence is a powerful threat to the Red rulers in

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the event of war — they are the Achilles heel of the Communist leadership.

Unfortunately, unless we do something about it, this resistance factor within the Red world is certain to diminish and well-nigh disappear as the years pass. Without outside aid and encouragement, the anti-Communists will grow disheartened and give up the struggle.

In Red China, as recently as 1952, a total of 1,000,000 guerrillas were reported to be operating clandestinely behind the lines in Mainland China, many of them directed by short wave from Formosa. Most of these resisters have now about given up the fight. Few enclaves of rebellion are still operating. In the case of China, irresolute American policies are primarily responsible for this shrinkage of the resistance. Instead of aiding and encouraging the 1,000,-000 who were ready to fight our battle, Washington permitted them to wither on the vine.

Such irresponsible disregard of long range strategic factors has been characteristic of American policy throughout the Cold War. Our words have often been realistic, but our deeds have been stupid.

Aside from Communist repression, one factor which is certain to wipe out much of the anti-Communist opposition in the Red countries is the disappearance of the pre-Communist generation. The mortality tables work for Communism. We may expect few resistance leaders from the youth generation which has grown up, or is growing up, indoctrinated under Communism.

The time to encourage resistance to Communism in the satellite nations is now while there are still millions of potential resisters. This irrefutable fact was recognized by the United States in 1952 by the passage of the Kersten Amendment. It has been given lip service by the many Americans who have generously supported the Crusade for Freedom. Unfortunately, little has been done by those in authority to implement it, as "Liberation" has been replaced by "co-existence" as the slogan of the Administration.

World Communism is also winning on the level of consolidation of its resources, territory and personnel in preparation for World War III. The program target of the Communist nations in this field is the consolidation of Russia, China and most of Asia and North Africa into a single co-continuous economic unit — prosperous, teeming with a technically trained productive population, and invincible to outside attack. Such a vast coordinated population mass, if unchecked, will inevitably dominate the world.

A preliminary step toward this grandiose objective is the development of wide-scale East-West trade. The Communist rulers have estimated that they can shorten their preparedness timetable by several years if they can induce the Free World to strengthen the Red economy by strategic goods and exchange of know-how.

We are witnessing the first rumblings of this inauguration of East-West trade in the present obscene scramble of British, French and American traders for Communist trade. The propaganda for East-West trade has become the principal activity of the pro-Communist stooges in all the Free countries. It is snowballing as the months pass.

Even the United States, which does not need Soviet trade, is swallowing the Moscow bait. Washington is steadily weakening the ban on shipment of strategic goods — a ban which was not effectively enforced. The Department of Commerce reports that during 1954 we carried on a trade with the Iron Curtain countries of 1,615,000,000. This was five times the total for 1953.

The importance to the Reds of the imports which they are obtaining from the United States and the other free nations can only be gauged in the light of the projects which Russia and Red China are now feverishly pushing.

One of these projects is transportation. Communist blue-prints call for a great modern communication system which will interconnect Siberia, and its burgeoning war industries, with the untapped resources of Red China. An important link in that network — a railway between Alma Ata in the Uzbek Republic of Southeast Siberia and the Sinkiang border — is already nearing completion.

Another Red master project, still on the planning boards, is a railway connecting Urumchi and Kashgar, spanning the whole vast province of Sinkiang. Another line which will connect with this trunk is now under construction from Lanchow to Pingfan. These are but geographic names to the average reader but in terms of logistics they mean a continuous rail route between the wealth of Northwest China and Siberia. When they are completed, the Russian and the Chinese economy will be interconnected into a single throbbing productive machine.

An American export policy, which blindly disregards the danger of vastly strengthening the economy of an enemy who is pledged to our destruction, will lead to disaster.

ANOTHER Communist program which looms like a baleful shadow on the backdrop of our American future is Soviet atomic development. We know little or nothing about this development except that it is far advanced. And yet our American leaders at Geneva seriously proposed that we exchange our atomic know-how with Russia!

Given the respite of time, and aided by the blind co-existence policies of the free nations, the Communist bloc in a relatively few years will have lifted its economy to a height comparable to our own. And this will be the signal for World War III. We of the Free World will have been in the unique position of having helped to fabricate our own destroyer.

However, the Communists, on their strategic chessboard, have worked out an alternative plan which, if successful, can bring us to our knees more quickly. They will use intercontinental ballistic missiles.

The intercontinental ballistic missile is a pilotless rocket designed to reach America in less than one hour, from Russian launching platforms. It does not need to be guided all along its course to the target. It is the ultimate weapon of world conquest.

The American people must not deceive themselves concerning Soviet ability to perfect this weapon. With the aid of German rocket experts and scientists, who were prevented from coming to America, it is within possibility that the Russians will have intercontinental ballistic missiles in from two to five years. If they have the help of traitors in our midst, they may be able to shorten this period even further.

We can understand the present Soviet zeal for "Peace" in the light of this ballistic missile possibility. Russia needs only to reassure the Free World by two to five years of pretended peacefulness, and she will have the weapon of world conquest in her hands. Even if the United States, in the meantime, should have perfected the same weapon, Russia still will have the advantage because she can strike first.

American political ethical concepts make it unthinkable that the United States should strike the first offensive blow in a world war. The Soviets expect, with the help of traitors within the United States, to paralyze the American capacity to resist, before an effective counterattack can be mounted. In this expectation they are probably right unless we awaken.

Certainly, with this possibility before them of crushing America by a pushbutton attack, the Communists will not be likely to risk an old-style war in the interim. They will play the sure thing. For this reason, their present "Peace" overtures become understandable.

Bur Russia has yet another weapon in its arsenal to reinforce her others. This is the weapon of skillful infiltration of the enemy. It is the weapon of placing her agents and dupes at the choke points of the American war apparatus. The practiced skill of Communism in accomplishing this stealthy task has been shockingly revealed to the American people during the last eight years.

The present particular targets of Red infiltration in America are the Department of Defense, the Atomic Energy Commission, the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Council, and all major defense plants and communications centers. How far the Communists have succeeded in placing their stooges in these agencies is extremely difficult to ascertain. Only the most effective security system, supported by all American officials, can throw a screen around our sensitive agencies which can halt the infiltrators.

Unfortunately, with suicidal perversity, a great army of so-called "Liberal" Americans, aided by columnists, radio and TV commentators and by many of the nation's intellectuals, are furiously engaged in a campaign to discredit the security system.

The same Left-wing writers and publicists who are most insistent upon an American policy of appeasement and co-existence with Russia are loudest in their denunciations of anti-Communist vigilance in our government. They are the most scornful in their denial that there are spies and infiltrators in high places, and the most outspoken in their abuse of government anti-Communist agencies. All of which, wittingly or unwittingly, plays dangerously into the hands of Russia's long range plans.

B^{UT} there is a psychological danger in the present appeasement and co-existence thinking of so many of the American people. The time comes when appeasement becomes a compulsive habit.

Many Americans will be still appeasing when the guided missiles begin to drop and the knives of the traitors are plunged into our backs. The Left-wing irresolution, in the face of Communism, is a doctrinal drug which eventually destroys its victim. Russia, sustained by its fanatical faith, may well believe in its final victory as it contemplates those who have been deciding American and British policy during the post-war years. The Russians may well believe that they are heading for a painless conquest.

In view of their past performance, it would not be surprising to find some of our Left-wing writers and public figures arguing on decision day that "Peace" with world Communism, after all, is not so bad, and that the real enemies who must be liquidated are the wicked anti-Communists who have provoked Russia. The irrationality of the co-existence mind leads inexorably to such an absurdity. For appeasement is a habitforming narcotic.

America is approaching the most dangerous period of her long contest with world Communism. It is a period in which we may lose our whole fight for survival because of the delusions which are in our own minds. The sands in the hourglass are fast running out for American anti-Communist policy. If, in our hunger for peace, we allow Communism to win the precious battle for time, we face the strong prospect of actual annihilation.

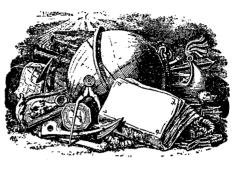
It is for these total stakes that Communism is now maneuvering shrewdly with the weakly-chosen statesmen of the Free World.

World Makers

Chicago, Indianapolis and Bryan, Ohio, have one thing in common. They are the only United States cities where the "world makers" live and pursue their unique calling. This highly skilled group of men and women, working in seven busy factories, produces several thousand globes each day — from tiny six-inchers to monsters more than four feet in diameter and weighing 750 pounds. They range in price from about \$2 to just under \$1,000.

To visit any one of these seven American globe manufacturers is a fascinating experience. In a sort of "cosmic mill" atmosphere of terrestrial charts and maps, spheres and gluepots, you watch worlds in the making, beginning with the initial map drawing, coloring, forming of spheres, right down to the finished product, spinning on its axis.

Globe making, one of the most ancient of industries, burgeons on world strife, war causing sales to shoot up, and peacetime bringing a slump. Before World War I, globes were considered mainly as tools for



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scientists and scholars and for school use. Few homes owned one. The American public simply was not interested in doings outside its borders. War headlines caused a mild globe consciousness — but when America eventually became drawn in, sales zoomed.

Peace brought a slump. But with the attack on Pearl Harbor, there was an unprecedented demand for globes, which manufacturers had difficulty filling. Many buyers had a personal stake in the activities of troops, the victories and repulses of allied forces, because loved ones were involved. The Korean war brought another rush to buy. Sporadic flareups all over the Far East have kept sales steady.

There is another factor responsible for the healthy growth of globe sales: the use of the globe as a travel consultant. More and more Americans, once content with a vacation trek of a few hundred miles, are visiting far distant lands.