

### Hatred-Of-America-Campaign Boomerangs; Fear Is Result

What do Russians think about Americans? Does the "man in the street" really believe the government's propaganda? William L. Ryan, an AP specialist who traveled 6,000 miles in the Soviet Union, found some interesting clues.

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The Malenkov government's hate-America campaign has failed to catch on throughout the provinces of the Soviet empire, and it has the elements of a boomerang. In city after city in the Soviet Union, I failed to find hatred of America. There was fear. There was puzzlement. But except among the most trusted servants of the party itself, there seemed to be an attitude of questioning, a touch of skepticism, sometimes outright disbelief in Communist propa-

and made a gesture indicating the outpouring of words.

"In America," he said, "you have free speech!"

"Yes," I said.

"How good it must be to say what you want," he said slowly. "Don't you say what you want?" I asked innocently.

He shrugged and grinned. We talked of trifles for a bit. He piled me with questions.

In another place I talked to a youngster of 14 in the uniform of a railroad worker. I began by asking what his uniform meant. He was studying to be a "mastyer," which could mean anything from repairman up to foreman.

The boy, grave of mien and seeming old beyond his years, peled me with questions about the United States. He asked if all students in America wore uniforms, if they could study whatever they wanted, if they knew much about the Soviet Union. At each answer he nodded thoughtfully.

**Meditative Woman**

In a waiting room I sat next to a woman of about 55. The talk was brief. She asked if women in America did heavy labor. I said it would be against the law, that women were not considered physically able to do such work. A meditative smile wreathed her wrinkled, wind-burned face. She folded gnarled hands on her ample lap and heaved a sigh.

I talked with a young Soviet engineer for several hours. He had been an officer on the western front in the war. He professed admiration for American's easygoing ways in contrast to the restrictions placed upon Soviet soldiers.

The engineer admitted the United States was technically far superior to the Soviet Union, that America could give its people far more than the U.S.S.R. could. But he expressed belief the new government meant what it said, that things would be different "in two or three years." But he was aware there was a long way to go.

Vatican City, one-sixth square mile in area, is Europe's smallest independent state, notes the National Geographic Society. Monaco, the second most diminutive, is almost three times as large.

### Hampton And Vicinity

With the dawn of the New Year, new hopes arise—hopes that 1954 will be a better year for the whole world and its people.

At North River Rink on January 2, Nine Mile Creek team defeated Glasgow Road by the score of 13-3.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Callbeck recently celebrated 40 years of married life at their home in Craapaud, attended by their many relatives and friends.

Mr. Kenneth Ferguson has returned to his native province, following an extended period of absence and employment in the Province of Ontario.

On December 31, many citizens joined the heavy traffic of motor vehicles passing over an unusually slippery highway, to attend matters of business in the city previous to the ushering in of A.D. 1954.

Mr. G.R. Ferguson of H.M.C.S. Stadacona, Halifax, was granted leave of absence to be present to participate in New Year festivities with his family on January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Myers returned to Moncton, N.B., where Howard is steadily engaged in building contract work to spend Christmas among relatives and friends, and to join in a family reunion with their daughter Gloria, who is attending school here.

640 persons, including many from this district, attended the game between Milton and Cape Traverse teams played in the new rink at Craapaud on Saturday evening, the score resulting 5-4 favor of Milton. Craapaud W.L. added \$130.00 to their bank account, from canteen services, efficiently rendered during this game.

Students from this district attending Colleges and Universities here, and on the mainland, following enjoyable Christmas and New Year holidays at the homes of their parents, have returned to re-

sume their work at their respective source of education.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sentner, Saskatoon, Sask., have been visiting relatives and friends, residing in Prince and Queen's Counties, following an absence from their native province of over 30 years. Included among Mrs. Sentner's nearest-of-kin are Mrs. James Arling, Bedeque, and Mrs. W. E. Callbeck, Craapaud.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon MacDonald have returned from Wallace, N.S., where they went by rail, to be present at the marriage of their son, John. Following the bride's reception, this popular young couple left to enjoy a wedding tour through the Maritimes, previous to proceeding to their new home in Toronto, where John has a satisfactory position.

On December 29, a large representation attended the official opening of the fine modern rink at Craapaud. Interesting addresses were given by district representatives in the Legislature, Mr. Myers and Mr. Stewart, also by Brig. Reid and Mr. Cullen, the latter declared the rink open officially, as Minister of Industry and Natural Resources. Craapaud W. L. will have charge of the rink canteen during the skating season.

Wide interest was manifested in the marriage of Miss Jean B. Myers, daughter of Frank Myers, M.L.A., and Mrs. Myers of Craapaud, and John A. Dean, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Profit, Calgary, on St. John's Anglican Church, Craapaud on December 28, service performed by the rector, Rev. Mr. Esary. Mr. and Mrs. Profit will reside in Calgary.

**Breadalbane and Vicinity**

Mrs. Gordon Reading, Montreal, visited her sister, Mrs. Millage MacLeod during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley J. Murray, Halifax, and Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Murray, Fredericton, P. E. I., were guests of "The Murrys", Breadalbane, on December 26.

The young folks of this vicinity enjoyed an afternoon of skating on the Dunk River, January 2.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Willis, East Royalty, were visitors to Breadalbane, on January 3.

Mr. Wilbur Robinson, Loyalist, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Robinson during the weekend of January 3.

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**Bedeque Notes**

—Dr. and Mrs. McVicar and children, Charlottetown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Henderson, on January 2.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Reid, Middleton, have returned to their home after spending the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Bradshaw, their daughter, Joan, and their son, spent a week visiting with relatives and friends in Boston. They returned home on January 2.

The sincere sympathy of this community and the surrounding communities, is extended to Mrs. (Dr.) Hugh Simms, of this village.

on the tragic death of her only sister, Mrs. Foster Roblee, of Springhill, N.S. She and her husband were on their way home after spending New Year's eve with Mrs. Roblee's parents Mr. and Mrs. Harvard MacDonald, River Street, Stellarton, when a three-car collision occurred, on the icy highway. Mr. Roblee was seriously injured, and was rushed to Aberdeen Hospital, New Glasgow. Besides her husband and parents, and sister, Mrs. Roblee is survived by her little five-year-old daughter, Sharon.

The death occurred in Calgary on December 20 of Mr. Jesse Wright, the last of the triplets born to Mr. and Mrs. A.T. Wright of Bedeque. Mrs. Colin Craig, formerly of Middleton, is now residing in Vancouver, but the only surviving member of the Wright family. The late Mr. Jesse Wright was overseas in the First World

War. A brother Mr. Charles D. Wright, who passed away about two years ago, was for many years a resident of Tryon. Mrs. Colin Craig spent several months in Middleton with her sons, Mr. Wilfred and Mr. Walter Craig last summer.

**Conway and Vicinity**

—Mr. Gordon Toombs, Summerside, was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar MacNeill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson were recent visitors to Summerside on business.

Mr. Erland Henderson, medical student at Dalhousie University, Halifax, N.S., has returned to his

studies after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Henderson, Freeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Adams were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wall, Malpeque, during the holiday season.

Mr. William Newcombe, Northam, has been working on the telephone lines at McNeill's Mill, Conway, Freeland, Foxley River and Poplar Grove recently.

Mr. Sterling Oatway, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Oatway, is spending some time in Truro, N.S., where he is seeking employment.

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