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Why U.S. Reds Quit The Party

J. Edgar Hooyer, director of the FBI since 1924, emphasizes hat the danger to the United States from master Red plotters is as great as ever. In this week's installment of his book, "Masters of Decelt," Hoover tells how U.S. Communists after years of membership finally broke from the Red party.

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Just as important as knowing why persons join the Communist Party is an understanding of what may induce them to leave.

By recognizing and promoting the influences that cause communists to discover the fallacies and evils of communist doctrine and practice, persons in free countries can do much to defeat the communist international conspiracy.

Communists, even the hard-core Party members, potentially can be converted.

standing woman communist in To the individual who asserts, the Pacific Northwest region of Later, while out on bond, she Once a communist, always a the Facilic Northwest region of Later, while out on bond, alle always take precedence. As sugcommunist," I say: "No. Any communist may have his eyes opened to what's wrong with communiam. The communist tober 1953. should not be rejected as hopelessly lost. But she, too, became disillu-

sloned. As did Louis Budenz, "THE EX-COMMUNIST should Bella Dodd, Howard Fast, and Jonot be belittled or despised, Hel taking a stand for freedom.

communist is today one of our

Road," "My Giorious Brothers" and other books, Gult the Party after years of membership and

Browder was on his way out as head of the communist movement, Barbara sat down to write an article for the communist press. In it, from sheer force of abit, she defended Browder. But then what experience had

taught her in the Party asserted itself. William 2. Foster was now the boss no matter what. She tore up the article.

Later, back on the Party line, she wrote another article, supporting Foster. But she was confused by this sudden Party switch. Out of this confusion, this "great surprise," as she termed it, came an inkling of the fact that the Party was not what it claimed to be, "democratic," but a fraudulent deception.

1. It was one thing, however, to break intellectually with the Party, another to break openly. She had broken with the commu nist world of tyranny yet was held by the power that had robbed her of freedom. The indeciston began to tear her apart.

She was spiritually sick. At first she kept saying to her

self and the Party, "I'll be all right: Just give me a little time. told the FBI what happened I'll work this-out." meeting. "People literally moved

Reporter Helps Her Find The Way Out

2. The inability to live a nor-they are not blind. Their eyes Her indecision ended in March,

and sympathetic citizen can do to help convert a communist.

Traynor Hansen, a reporter distributing literature, attending

Smith Act trial. He Had noticed, woman compained that she was members are hounded to donate as others had, that Barbara Har. "sick and tired" of her husband's the last dellar.

of the other defendants.

Party circles that she was in his counsel that she go to the gested in the references above to Khrushchev concerning the

Party in keeping the rank and disputable, evidence of antifor the FBI to go to her.

credit, she did not try to evade ily, often backfires.

that was just his hard luck.

poured scorn and contempt on .COURIER-JOURNAL the FBL They try to paint our Friday, May 23, 1958 agents as brutal thugs. One

highly placed member, visited ostracize him. Finally, though by the FBI, turned what was hesitantly, he said he was now expected to be a fifteenminute willing to "risk" being with the interview-into-a five-hour dismajority of Americans! cussion, during which he said,

Party members should not The Party considers the FBI its prime enemy and Party fear the hostility of their former members are expected to de-Party associates. To be denounce nounce the FBI." ed by communists is an honor.

4. Fear of disgracing their The FBI wants sincerely to help these individuals. They families.

should feel free to counsel with Many members trapped in the us. Party without the knowledge of Communist Party members can their wives or parents dread

be assured that they will be cor that their loved ones will know ilally received, not embarrassed, of their involvement and that their information will

kept strictly confidential. One man, asked if his wife should they so request or if and children knew of his comthere is good reason to protect munist background, began to cry. Another said he would do their Identity. anything to keep his young son 2. Fear of being regarded as a

from knowing. stool pigeon."

This fear, played upon by the tacted a Party member. "Don't talk to me at home,' she said. communists silent. "I don't want the children to

Our agents asked one Party know. Call me on the phone." "Suppose a criminal Her wishes were respected, nember.

Many members carry within gang kidnaped one of your chil-5. Fear of not being "received their hearts the influence of redren. What would you do?" The back" as a Ioyal American. ligious training received while answer: "Call the FBI," "Would

they were young. They find no you want the FBI to make in-The answer lies largely with their chairs away from me. I belief that it is honestly intent comfort in and rebel at a materi- quries to locate the yongster?" the Party member himself. It is "Yes." "Would you expect citi- within his power alone to break never attended a Communist such as racial inequality of op- doctrine purports to reduce zers having pertinent knowledge completely with communism. He portunity or inadequare housing, man's problems and destiny to of this criminal conspiracy to will be judged by his actions, not eventually are dislibusioned, if an economic formula. give that information to the alone by his words.

FBI?" "Certainly," he said, The biblical advice holds true: The communist member fur-. . by their fruits ye shall

nishing information to the FBI know them." is also doing his moral and patri-PATRIOTIC PERSONS must otic duty in helping crush a crimdo their share to help those who inal conspiracy. To remain silent have become disillusioned with is to assist the Party, Commucommunism. Some are driven nism, like a criminal gang, back into the Party by the ignorthrives when people able to ance and rancor of noncommucombat it refuse to do so.

nists. 3. Fear of personal safety and It obviously is discouraging to the wavering communist when

he hears or reads of the truly Some members fear the rabid hatred that the Party spews out reformed communist being char-

at members leaving-the 'move- acterized as a "renegade" and "traitor" --- terms which would

normally be used by communists A West Coast communist, themselves.

though disillusioned, didn't break

with the Party. He fared that NEXT WEEK - Taking orders his communist friends would from the Kremlin.

reputation.

ment



Communist parade in 1930 in New York City shows many women as active members of Red party in U.S.

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with all its ruthless intolerance answer: no. He came home any- ligion is a myth have eventually for the processes of the mind." how and was severely disciplined. stirred his doubts.

Persons who join the Party in

In another instance a woman 4. Discrepances between Party told the FBI what happened practices and claims,

walked out of the meeting and in correcting some social evil, alist solution to life. Marxist

Party meeting again."

1954. What happened then illus. mal life. trates what an understanding

There is no end of assignments:

for the Seattle "Post-Intelligenc. meetings, getting petitions sign-lers stay in fancy hotels, or take er," had covered the 1953 Seattle ed. Though herself a member, a vacations, while rank and file They Fear To Quit

tle lacked the flery disposition putting the Party before her and the children. The Party's instructions must

dicted, tried and convicted under FBI since it would have been im- the case of Barbara Hartle, there crimes of Stalin rocked the the Smith Act in Seattle in Oc proper under the circumstances is a reason for this tactic of the Party apparatus. Then came in-

lile members busy.

To Barbara Hartle's lasting -But - the constant monopoliza- 1956, the capping blow to com-

These, then, are some of the are opened, as were Barbara Hartle's, by Internal squabbles reasons why doubts concerning The Party makes constant de-mands on the member's time. trumped up evidence, minds. They discover that Party lead- Reasons Why

Why do many still hesitate to break with the Party? The an-

5. Communist tyranny in Rus-sia and behind the Iron Curtain. influence of false fears. 5. Communist tyranny in Rus-

The sensational revelations of 1. Fear of the FBL

> One member, when interviewed by the FBI, expressed amazement at the cordial' treatment

accorded him, "I though you felism in Russia and in November, lows would drag me from my house.'

Gommunists for years have

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munist pretensions, suppression