

MASTERS OF DECEIT

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI since 1924, emphasizes that the danger to the United States from master Red plotters is as great as ever. In his book "Masters of Deceit," Hoover explains how the day-to-day life of a devoted communist differs from that of a loyal citizen.

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INSTALLMENT NINE

Eleanor is washing the dishes. Her husband, Henry, has just gone to work. The two children are scurrying around the house, getting ready to leave for school.

There is a knock at an outside door. The caller is Ruth, who lives across the street.

Ruth is chairman of the East Side Communist Club. Her husband, Robert, is secretary of the Communist Party and a full-time paid functionary.

The name of the city and state are not important in this instance. Eleanor and Henry are typical of many devoted Communist Party members.

Party Chores For Housewives

"Starting the day at just night," smiles Ruth. "Four kitchen work is all lined up. You can come and help."

Ruth outlines her plans. The state office needs some typing done this morning. Eleanor was a stenographer before she married and often helps on a part-time basis at headquarters.

That is not all Ruth has for Eleanor to do this day. In the afternoon Eleanor is to make "some calls"; that is, list some committee. She must pass out word that the next meeting of the county executive committee will be held on Friday evening. This message cannot be given over the telephone or by mail, of course. Then tonight there will be the regular meeting of the East Side Club.

Eleanor probably won't get home in time to fix supper. If she doesn't, the kitchen make do with some cold left hand dishes. Henry is scheduled to meet with the Party's education secretary tonight and he won't be home for supper.

Life in the Party! For members there is little if any time for activities outside the Party.

The housewife is doing typing, running errands, telegraphing, arranging meetings, collecting dues. Her husband, while working at the grocery store, in the shoe factory or at the service station, is serving the Party's ends there, or thinking of his Party assignment after working hours—such as distributing literature, soliciting money, serving as a courier.

If anybody joins the Communist Party except to lead an easy life, he is completely misguided indeed.

Party work is hard, tough work. The Party's a ruthless taskmaster. The member's whole life is dominated. The Party is his school, source of friends, and recreation, his substitute for God.

Communism wants the total man, hence it is totalitarian. That is part of its indoctrination policy: by concentrating all attention on the Party, other interests are squeezed out.

Paid Leader Gives Orders

The man who keeps this subjective regime of activity going on among members of the East Side Communist Club or its counterparts is the paid Party functionary. He is the key to the whole apparatus. Working on national, state and local levels, he pumps energy, gives orders, comes, goes, threatens, smiles, scowls, pleads anything to keep the Party bustling that is in accordance with Marxist strategy and tactics.

Most of these Communist functionaries are old-timers with ten, fifteen, or twenty years of service. Some have been trained abroad, as in the Lenin School in Moscow.

They are transferred at frequent intervals, depending on the needs of the Party. One may

serve as an organizer in California, as a section secretary in Rhode Island, then as a fundraiser in Florida. Their full-time job is to advance the communist cause.

Most are men, but the Party employs women functionaries, too, especially on the lower levels. During World War II, when many male comrades were drafted, a number of Party offices were run by women.

Salaries vary, depending on the size and location of assignment, but they average fifty to seventy dollars weekly. The communist official will probably live in a modest neighborhood. His wife will patronize the corner grocery store, his children attend the local school. If a shoe store or a butcher shop is operated by a Party member, the official will probably get a discount on his purchases.

Most Party officials drive cars, usually older, and less expensive models.

Except for special affairs, communist activity is slight early in the morning. The organizer, coming in from meetings around midnight or one o'clock, will sleep late. But that doesn't mean all day. One Southern communist official was severely censured for sleeping too late; then the Party bought him an electric alarm clock.

Functionaries eat away from home a great deal. They generally are well-served on "cozy" places where they can talk with a minimum of observation. "Home," to the Communist organizer, is more a place to sleep than anything else.

If a Party convention is to be held, and out-of-town delegates are coming in, the organizer may turn his apartment into a temporary hotel. Using spare cots, beds, and blankets he will "put up" a half-dozen visitors.

The official's job is to see that everybody has something to do all the time, so he is always asking for something, imposing some task, exacting money. He may, for example, approach a member for a donation: "We need five hundred dollars. Sell your car and donate the money."

Red Leader Solves Personal Problems

He must know how to overcome fears, suspicions, laziness. He must be ready to deal with such situations as a "love triangle" whenever it may become disruptive.

In one case, a young Party member, married, decided that she wanted another member's husband. The man's wife, however, was determined to fight. The problem reached such bitterness that the trio's Party work began to suffer. So the state chairman stepped in.

The young woman and her "lover" requested Party approval for a divorce. The wife, with fire in her eyes, told the state chairman she wanted three months' leave of absence from the Party to concentrate on regaining the love of her husband. The state chairman brought Party pressure to bear upon this fight. There was no divorce.

When any problems arise, such

President Names Catholic To Atomic Energy Post

Washington—(NC)—President Eisenhower's nominee to succeed Lewis L. Strauss on the Atomic Energy Commission represented the Chief Executive in Rome at the 1956 celebration of the 80th birthday and 47th anniversary of the coronation of His Holiness Pope Pius XII.

He is John A. McCone, 56, a Los Angeles businessman and engineer. Mr. McCone's name will be sent to the Senate for confirmation as successor to Mr. Strauss, whose resignation as chairman of the AEC became effective on June 30.

A White House press office spokesman said that President Eisenhower will not designate a new chairman of the commission until Mr. McCone's appointment is approved by the Senate. They said they had no information on whether the President will choose him or some other member of the AEC as chairman.

MR. McCONE is former president and director of the California Shipbuilding Corporation, the Joshua Hendy Corporation and the Joshua Hendy Ironworks; chairman of the board of the Pacific Far East Line, and director of the California Bank of Los Angeles, the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company and the Industrial Indemnity Company.

His previous government positions have included service as a member of the President's Air Policy Commission in 1947, special consultant to the Secretary of Defense in 1948, and Undersecretary of the Air Force, in 1950 and 1951.

MR. McCONE, born in San Francisco, on January 4, 1902, graduated from the University of California in 1922. He is a regent of Loyola University in Los Angeles.

A Knight of St. Gregory since 1935, Mr. McCone received the decoration of the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Sylvester from the Pope in March, 1956, when he was in Rome as the President's personal representative at the celebration of the Pope's birthday and coronation anniversary.

At that time Mr. McCone had a private audience with the Pontiff and conveyed to him a personal letter from President Eisenhower. He relayed the Pope's greetings to the President and the people of the United States when he returned to this country.



JOHN A. McCONE

as changing jobs, adopting a child, lawsuits, etc., the Party expects that members will solve them with the Party's advice.

It encourages paternalism, dependence on central authority, in every way it can. Not because it is humanitarian or generally interested in the members' welfare. No, if a member is sick, tied up with a lawsuit, or unemployed, his Party work will suffer. Each member should be in top working shape at all times and he must be made and kept completely dependent. Consequently, the discipline of the Party, exercised through the functionary, extends to the most intimate details of personal life.

HERE ARE actual cases about which the FBI learned:

A Communist Party member in Ohio desired to adopt a child whose parents were members of the Catholic Church, and the member had taken steps to join the Church. The Communist state chairman was furious and opposed the step. Finally the member asserted his independence and left the Party.

One communist, in the Party's eyes, manifested "bourgeois" tendencies. He spent too much time working on his house! He was removed from his Party position.

A member in the state of Washington went to Alaska, without permission, to secure a job. He was suspended on the ground that he would attract the FBI's attention in Alaska.

A young communist attending a Party training school in New York was told the Party had decided that he was to marry a young woman who had just arrived from Hungary on a student visa. The ceremony was performed, and it enabled the girl to stay in the United States. With her U.S. citizenship established by the marriage, the girl secured a divorce.

The young communist was sent to West Virginia as a functionary and started living with another girl. She also had a citizenship problem. This was met when the two were called to New York for a meeting. In passing through Elkton, Md., they secured a marriage license and returned there for the ceremony after the New York meeting. The girl then went on to Chicago to do Party work.

The Party functionary can and does order members to re-

sign from one job and accept another, to move from one town to another, to stop seeing their families and friends, to lie, cheat, or steal.

Members Pay To Support Party

Dues are collected monthly from each member. The dues are based on a member's income. Here is a sample schedule of dues:

Income	Dues Per Week	Dues Per Month
Housewives	..... \$ .50	..... \$ 1.50
Students	..... .50	..... 1.50
Unemployed	..... .50	..... 1.50
To \$50	..... 1.00	..... 3.00
To \$100	..... 2.50	..... 7.50
Over \$100	..... 5.00	..... 15.00

Dues help control the member. The Party official can keep track of him, see if his interest is waning (if he doesn't want to pay), and also, if possible, determine how much money he actually has (which the Party can later extract).

The Communist Party member must also donate money "voluntarily." Every member must pay, and pay until it

hurts. The Party conducts an annual fund drive, involving the whole membership. During this period, say September 1 to October 15, a white heat of intensity is reached. No member, regardless of excuse, is spared.

How much must a member give during this drive? Usually the whole membership is divided into groups, and each group has a minimum.

But that is not the end of "donations." There are extra assessments or special fund drives. Party leaders have been arrested, they need help! (Defense Fund). The "Worker" needs money -- urgently! (Press Fund). The Party must have \$100,000 in thirty days! (Emergency Fund). An "emergency" is always stalking the Communist Party. The best way to solve it is more money. The only thing better is more money. The cost to members at least a day's pay for each special fund.

The Party functionary knows how to obtain contributions. Visit the prospective victim. Take along an out-of-town comrade (he's the high-pressure expert) and a local member. The latter should have plenty of money with him.

The prospective victim might say, "Yes, I'd like to contribute, but I haven't any money now." The easy way to get the money, the local comrade would interrupt and say, "Fine, I'll lend you the money. Would a hundred dollars be enough?" This squeeze works, a leader advises. Blank checks are also carried.

Even Death Serves Red Cause

One member seriously proposed that bodies of deceased comrades should be sold for medical experimentation. The Party would gain doubly: first it demanded the fee for the cadaver and then the money ordinarily spent for the burial. It would not be out of character.

The Party urges that will be executed naming the Party or certain functionaries as beneficiaries. Large sums are thus often gained.

A number of direct and indirect bequests to communists could be cited.

Over the years the Party has been blessed by angels and foundations whose money, made through the American free enterprise system, is then used in an attempt to destroy the system that made wealth and affluence possible.

To join the Communist Party does not automatically mean life tenure. Memberships must be renewed every year. This represents another means of control. If a member is delinquent in dues or donations, he'll have to pay a penalty, perhaps contribute ten dollars, or be disciplined.

As indicated above, even in death a member may become a pawn to enhance the Party. The passing of a prominent comrade invariably is the occasion for a "state funeral." The departed member is now a valuable showpiece and his passing is exploited to the fullest extent.

On such occasions the deceased lies in state on the day of the funeral, with "mourners" passing the bier. A large, blown up photograph of the deceased, draped in black, hangs at the rear of the stage. An honor guard of from two to four comrades stands at attention wearing red armbands.

At the funeral of Peter V. Cacchione, an elected member of the New York City Council, nineteen speakers delivered eulogies. Henry Winston, a member of the National Committee, delivered these parting words at the interment. "We are confident, as you were, dear Peter, in ultimate victory. We will carry out your heritage."

Through it all runs the hope, not of life everlasting, but of communism everlasting — if the members can be stirred up to work harder.

Next Week — How U.S. Communists punish "out-of-line" members.

College Grant
St. Bernard, Ala. — (NC) — St. Bernard College has received a grant of \$7,000 from the Rasch Foundation for Catholic Activities, Inc. of Wilmington, Del.

Father Starts Court Move To Force Girl From Convent

Hillsboro, Ore. — (NC) — A non-Catholic father has taken preliminary steps for an appeal to the Oregon Supreme Court from a Circuit Court decision which allowed his 19-year-old daughter to remain as a postulant in a community of nuns.

Ivan R. Miller has ordered a copy of the official record of the Circuit Court trial which was held last March. At that time, Mr. Miller instituted a habeas corpus proceeding, seeking an order from the court which would force his daughter to leave the convent and return home. However, Circuit Court Judge Glen Heiber ruled that the daughter, Alice, a convert to the Catholic faith, might remain in the convent of the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon in Beaverton, Ore.

MR. MILLER HAS 35 days in which to complete his appeal to the Oregon Supreme Court against the Circuit Court ruling. In the Circuit Court case, Mr. Miller directed the suit for a writ of habeas corpus against the Sisters of St. Mary and Mother Coleto, the superior of the community.

Mr. Miller claimed that his daughter entered the convent as a result of undue influence and coercion, and that she was being restrained from leaving. Judge Heiber ruled that the girl had entered the convent freely and was free to leave at any time.

Judge Heiber also declared that Alice had been emancipated from parental control as a result of repeated ultimatums by Mr. Miller, demanding that she either give up her Catholic faith or leave home. Such ultimatums, the judge said, "were tantamount to forcing her to go elsewhere to live."

"If necessarily follows," he added, "that Alice Miller may pursue her course in life consonant with her own conscience and dictates."

Mr. Miller has described himself as a Protestant, although he does not attend any church. At the time of the trial his wife reportedly supported his position.

Alice and her sister, Lois, also a convert, were educated in Catholic schools. Alice entered the Church on November 28, 1956. Lois had entered earlier.

The girls left home in June, 1957, following a series of disputes with their father over questions of religion.

Alice informed her parents by letter during the Christmas holi-



MISS ALICE MILLER

day of 1957 that she planned to enter the convent. At that time, Judge Heiber's ruling said, Mr. Miller "admonished Alice that he would make a 'nervous wreck' out of her by means of legal proceedings to prevent her entry into the defendant order."

Hospital Plans

New Orleans — (NC) — A \$4.5 million construction program has been announced by Hotel Dieu, a century-old hospital conducted here by the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

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