

CAPITAL REPORT

Reds Dupe Scientists

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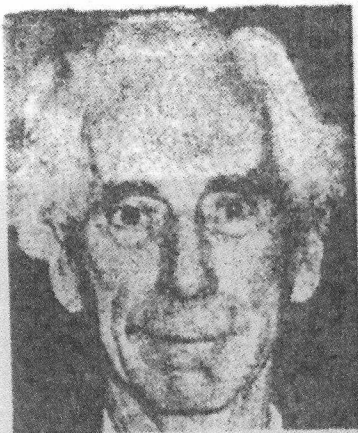
WASHINGTON—In the charming fishing village of Pugwash, Nova Scotia, a little-noticed conference has taken place which illustrates the naivete and tragedy of our age. There were 23 guests from 10 countries, assembled in the vacation home of Cyrus Eaton, Cleveland tycoon. Five came from the Soviet empire; 13 from the Free World; 7 were Americans.

They represented the cream of the world of science gathered to discuss the perils of the H-bomb—indeed a timely subject and one which concerns all thoughtful men.

Unhappily, the meeting was conceived under dubious auspices. It was dreamed up by Bertrand Russell, a brilliant British philosopher, but also one of the world's leading tuzzyheads when it comes to the Communist conspiracy.

Some months back, in a splash of spectacular statements, Mr. Russell lashed at the United States, called it a police state in the grip of the F. B. I. Since then he has been using his tremendous prestige to paint America as trembling and frightened, afraid to think and afraid to talk. This is the man who sired the Pugwash conference.

The Canadian-born host, Cyrus Eaton, is of a different stamp. A great industrialist and philanthropist, he knows and appreciates America. But like too many businessmen he does not understand the devious ways of the Kremlin. He devotes himself to arranging the exchange of ideas between Communist and free world scientists. This, he thinks, will "preserve peace." The visionary Mr. Eaton bought Mr. Russell's



BERTRAND RUSSELL
"Fuzzyheaded" dupe—



CYRUS EATON
Among the duped!

suggestion. Hence the conference in his Canadian idyll, "Thinkers Retreat."

The Red world sent some of its biggest guns: from the Soviet Union, their No. 2 scientist, A. V. Topchiev of the Soviet Academy of Science; from Poland, Professor Danysz of the University of Warsaw; from Red China, Professor Chou Peiyuan, vice rector of Peiping University.

On the surface these men look and act like all other scientists and give the impression of selfless devotion to their high

calling. In sinister fact, they are puppets of Moscow trained to destroy the United States. That's why they were present.

For four and a half days and nights they huddled in intimate session with their Western colleagues, deliberating and exchanging ideas. The world will never know exactly what was "exchanged," for the participants had agreed that their talks would be private. No interviews were granted while the conference was in session.

However, when it was over, the spokesman for the Red contingent expressed great satisfaction. Professor Topchiev faithfully echoed Khrushchev's phony co-existence line and assured that the Soviets are sincerely devoted to peace and the safety of all humanity. Above all he pitched the idea that Communist scientists are no different from Western scientists. Just a band of brothers working together in search of scientific truth.

Professor Topchiev told newsmen: "We Russian scientists have always urged greater exchanges of information and views. At this meeting we found that other scientists think as we do on the dangers of atomic war. This is a good beginning. We must have future meetings."

All this is very well, very "progressive" and very peace-loving, except that such meetings can be most dangerous to the security of the United States. The well-informed science editor of the London Daily Express strikes a solemn warning. According to his sources, there is a new leakage of U. S. atomic secrets to Russia.

This should not surprise us. The history of Soviet atomic espionage shows an unsurpassed technique for filching the most jealously-guarded secrets. It would be irresponsible to believe that the Russians have lost their skill.

Moscow does not send its scientists abroad as a mere public relations gesture. It seeks secret atomic information and its scientific luminaries know how to ferret. Under the guise of a friendly exchange of views the Kremlin emissaries hope to

And the missing pieces in their atomic jigsaw puzzle.

Highly placed American security officers suspect the Russians of perfecting a new brainwashing technique. Instead of relying exclusively on the "co-optation" of Western Communist-minded scientists, they now seek to pry loose our atom secrets by encouraging "friendship" among all scientists. Many free-world scientists are politically immature and consider it perfectly proper to discuss their atomic theories with their Red counterparts.

Why make things easy for the Kremlin by inviting their agents to our shores?

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My Lord:

Editorial and news coverage of our Pugwash meetings has been all but unanimously favorable throughout the United States and Canada. I shall be sending you a representative selection of articles and editorials in the near future.

Meanwhile, I am enclosing the one unfriendly column that has appeared extensively in Canadian and American newspapers. The author, Fulton Lewis, Jr., is universally noted for his fanaticism and violent prejudice against everything Russian and Chinese so that his opinions are thoroughly discounted. Despite his desire to attack the Pugwash conferences, you will note that he felt impelled to describe the participants as "the cream of the world of scientists."

Sincerely yours,

The Right Hon. Earl Russell
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