

Gomulka Speech at Mongolian Party Anniversary

PAP releases yesterday gave no indication that Gomulka made the strong criticism of "leftist-deviationists" predicted in some quarters. The agency text of his speech in Ulan Bator may be described as routine and innocuous (denunciations of imperialism, West German revanchism; support for a UN seat for Mongolia; full independence for the emergent nations; the socialist nations to save mankind from thermonuclear war, etc.). He blamed the lack of a German peace treaty for the transformation of West Berlin into a "hotbed of diversion and provocations against the socialist states". Radio Warsaw has as yet not broadcast its version of the Gomulka text and it is interesting to note that the special to the Tuesday NY "Times" contains passages not released in the PAP dispatch, especially since the NY "Times" quotes a PAP correspondent. In any event Polish news media have chosen not to make public Gomulka's insistence (according to the NY "Times") that Communist unity is still a fact: "Our enemies counted on the disintegration, or at least the essential weakening of...Communist unity. They tried to take advantage of our ideological discussion to attack the socialist countries. Events have dashed all their expectations".

Western Territories

Radio Warsaw reported yesterday the results of a public opinion poll taken in the city of Szczecinek (Koszalin) among persons who have resettled to the Western Territories from other areas in the country. The findings of the poll were apparently very positive. According to the Radio, 90 per cent of the new settlers felt themselves to be "stabilized", or established. Those most satisfied with their new environs were persons in the 25-39 age group, as well as elderly people. Those least adjusted to their new circumstances were aged 16-24.

It was noted in the broadcast that a feeling of insecurity was observable in very young people in all areas of the country and that their feelings of restlessness in Szczecinek should not be construed as a rejection of life in the new territories per se, nor should it reflect the presence of a political problem.

Agriculture

"Trybuna Ludu" reported on July 7 that the Parliamentary Commission for Agriculture and the Food Industry has made its assessment of the current situation in agricultural production and purchasing (up to the close of the

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agricultural fiscal year, June 30). The situation with regard to grains and rapeseed was described as better than that of last year. Production of meadow hay over the past (fiscal) year has increased to a level 10 per cent over the average of the past three years. The cattle population grew by 5.7 per cent, as compared to the planned stipulation of 3.5 per cent. The number of hogs grew by 8 per cent, considerably above the planned increase of 3 per cent. The greatest livestock increases were noted in the western and northern voivodships.

Peasant farms raised their investments (their own funds plus loans from the Agricultural Development Fund) by an estimated 10-15 per cent over the past fiscal year. For the first time since their establishment the PGR's have shown an aggregate profit (200 million zloty). Circa 70 per cent of PGR's have reached solvency.

Vice-Premier Piotr Jaroszewicz has chaired an administrative conference of the Council of Ministers which made its annual confession to an insufficiency of supplies necessary to agriculture - harvesting machinery, artificial fertilizers, chemical weed and pest killers and spare parts for agricultural equipment. Special "technical and organizational" steps will be taken to remedy the situation. (Radio Warsaw, July 10).