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A 24-year-old Polish student escaped from Poland recently, because Security Police was persecuting him for contacts in the underground movement in 1948.

He studied at the Law Faculty of the WROCLAW University. Only about 20 per cent of students were sincere Communists; about 30 per cent were anti-Communists, although of course, disguising their opinion. The rest maintained an indifferent attitude.

Dr. JAWORSKI Iwo, Dean of the Faculty, lectured on social systems from feudalism to socialism and Communism. "Historia Ustrojow Panstwowych." He is an old professor who was attacked several times during the last few months; but he still keeps his office as the only expert on the subject.

Dr. PALENCIAK Jerzy lectured on the problem of working classes in ancient Greece, ROME and BABYLON; this concerns mainly proletarian revolts in ancient ages (Spartacus, etc.) He is a very good professor, but - our informant says, has never been a convinced Communist.

Prof. Dr. WYSLOUCH Seweryn ("Historia Panstwa i Prawa Polskiego") is an old professor from WILNO who is now doing his best to convince the Party about his positive attitude to Communism.

Prof. MYCIELSKI (Theory and application of Constitutional Law) before the war had lectured at CRACOW. Being no Communist, he must, however, follow the set-up line and interpret the law from the Marxist-Leninist point of view. That he is doing so without enthusiasm, can be gathered from his mechanical manner of exposing the subject.

The strongest stress is put on the lectures on Marxism-Leninism and on the "Theory of State Organization and Law," which presents all philosophical trends from the beginning of human history, interpreted from the point of view of MARX, LENIN and STALIN. A young, ardent Communist PIEMER Jozef, was in charge of these lectures. He also deputized for the Dean of the Faculty, and lectured on civil law and basic principles of Marxism during the second year of studies.

The main lectures on Marxism, were entrusted to a young professor STESZNY (?) a staunch Communist, also director of the Communist Party Voievodship School (Wojewodzka Szkoła PZPR) which trains new cadres of the Party. His deputy for both posts was Prof. JANKOWSKI Stanislaw, also a young, enthusiastic Communist teacher, devoting all his efforts to turning Polish youths into

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Prof HABER was one of the most active professors in the fight against religion. Although he was not qualified for the post of a professor, his loyalty to the Party kept him in office. All his lectures were presented from the materialistic angle, and Christianity, Christ and the Catholic Church were slandered on every occasion. He did not permit any criticism of his lectures, and no student known as a Catholic has ever passed an examination before him. He also lectured in the High School of Economics.

All students were made to study the Russian language compulsorily, and one foreign language according to own choice: English, French or German. They had to subscribe to two papers: a student's weekly "Poprostu" and the Communist Youth daily "Sztandar Młodych."

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