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CAPITAL REPORT

Pro-Russia Blurbs Via TV—Tax-Free

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WASHINGTON, May 11.—Even while it faces a death rap from the Internal Revenue Bureau, the Fund for the Republic blithely continues to flaunt its pro-Russian, anti-anti-Communist proteges and propaganda, now via TV.

The Treasury Department, weeks ago, served notice on Fund President Robert Maynard Hutchins to show cause why the tax-exempt status of the Fund should not be revoked on the basis of past activities.

Under the terms of the original \$15,000,000 from the Ford Foundation, this would put the FFR out of business and the remaining seven million dollars, more or less, still on hand, would revert automatically to the original donor.

This prospect seems to affect the showman former boy wonder of the University of Chicago not at all. In a fatalistic resignation to disaster, Dr. Hutchins picks up the sponsorship tab for the Mike Wallace TV show, and the opening presentation was an old familiar character with an old familiar line: Cleveland's millionaire, Cyrus S. Eaton.

Mr. Eaton, at 75, is best known as the patron of Pugwash. He financed the two scientific conferences at that Nova Scotian coastal village, at which the Communist Russian and one Communist Chinese delegates were in attendance.

The leading American delegate was Calvin's Dr. Linus Pauling, who has been a prolific Communist front member. The conference ended with profound admonitions to the world against continuation of the hydrogen bomb tests and a general paraphrase of other highlights of the Kremlin party line.

Mr. Eaton's background, however, is not as significant as what he had to say for himself in his TV appearance. For example, by way of demonstrating that he is not living in a police state, Mr. Eaton mentions the Central Intelligence Agency. Mr. Allen Dulles' amusement resort—Mr. Dulles' job is to check the FBI to see if it is doing its job.

This will be news to both Mr. Dulles and Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, because the CIA has no such authority, even by the name of police.

As for Communism generally, hear Mr. Eaton's words: "Politicians, people in government office generally have believed that Communism is a frightful thing that must be destroyed and that any suggestion that it be allowed to live is endangering our country, and all of that is folly. You must destroy it there to stay."

What Dr. Hutchins and the Fund for the Republic will do in their "Festival and Freedom Series," all under the name of education. Meanwhile the Red propaganda machine broadcasts Eaton's bleatings to the world, quoting him in Moscow.

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