

TEACH IN ON CHINA

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Session one opened with Dr. Han Suyin, author of 'Love Is A Many Splendoured Thing' and practicing M.D. in Hong Kong, who described the Red Guard as mischievous children merely letting off steam. She closed the session with the assurance that if the United States did not cease escalating the war in Viet Nam, China would certainly go to war.

In the second session, Mr. Hirendranath Mukerjee, leader, of the Communist Party in India, was the most demagogic of the speakers. His sundry dramatic gestures fascinated the audience and delighted the photographers.

He immediately captured his listeners by assuring them that they were indeed no "dusty desert of dollars" as was the United States and that Canadians certainly had a vivid personality.

Mr. Mukerjee spoke of "the hurt which even as a Communist, I have received from a Communist country" in reference to the Sino-Indian military confrontations. He spoke most eloquently for co-existence with China and concluded that: "As sure as the sun will rise tomorrow socialism will triumph over the world." However, he added, "victory does not come itself, it has to be dragged by the hand."

Session three, as session two, was entirely for co-existence with China. Therefore, disagreement was not a major feature of this session.

Session four, without a doubt, was the climax of the Teach-in. In one corner was the outspoken and highly capable Mr. John Men-

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CHINA FACTS

Area: 3,767,751 sq. miles (third largest country in world)
Coast Line: 5,653
Population: 6,500,000,000 Est. (most populous country)
Population Density: 149 people per sq. mile (U.S.: 51 people per sq. mile, India: 356 people per sq. mile)
Population Distribution: 80 per cent rural; 20 per cent urban.
(Canada: 30 per cent rural; 70 per cent urban)



INDOCTRINATION ANYONE?

The International Teach-in held this week in Toronto by the University of Toronto was acclaimed an overwhelming success. But was it?

Initially the Teach-in was purported to be a meeting ground for ideas (in particular, co-existence or containment for China) to be presented fully by capable authorities on the subject.

It certainly cannot be denied that the co-existence segment of the topic was ably presented since ten of the twelve speakers

were for co-existence. This left two, one of whom spoke in vain since the audience was unable to hear Lord Lindsay due, partially, to acoustical problems. And then there was one - Mr. Charles Burton Marshall.

Hence, the teams lined up along the scrimmage line ten to one with one on the sidelines. This is the way that the Teach-in set about educating the Canadian and American students to the full range of aspects on the problem.