

'Free-Love' Prof Carolina-Bound

Free love proponent Leo F. Koch, former professor at the University of Illinois, has been named head of the science department of a new coeducational preparatory school to open next fall near Rosman, North Carolina.

The biology professor, whose views on pre-marital sex resulted in his dismissal from the Illinois post in 1960, will join the faculty at Summerlane School, situated on 165 acres in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Presently employed as a science teacher at the Presidio Hill School in San Francisco, Koch is still fighting his dismissal from the university post and has vowed to carry it to the Supreme Court if necessary. His defense is being handled by the Illinois division of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Summerlane School, according to Koch, will be "a relatively free and liberal institution."

The school declares in a brochure that most of its staff "have already worked in the uniquely American freedom experiments, Koinonia, Macedon, Highlander Folk School, etc." (All are purportedly integrationist schools; Highlander's Communist supporters were described in TOCSIN, Feb. 27, 1963).

ANARCHIST MOVEMENT

"Our staff is active all year," continues the Summerlane brochure, "in the work of People, the anarchist social work movement sponsored by Paul Goodman, Joseph Heller and Paul Krassner."

Goodman was a member in 1960 of the Liberal Project, which published the far-left "Liberal Papers"; he also sponsored a General Strike for Peace last year. Krassner is editor of the smutty satirical Greenwich Village magazine, the Realist, which was advertised in the Communist-lining National Guardian of March 2, 1959.

Summerlane, which also operates a camp, has a "community of teachers" and a "volunteer workers for peace" project with migrant workers, according to the New York publication, Herald of Freedom. The camp is an integrated project for pre-teenagers and teenagers who work with migrant farmers.

Founded on the philosophy of A. S. Neill's Summerhill School, the camp permits children complete freedom. "Students are accepted without test or discrimination . . . There are no rules concerning purely private behavior," says a brochure. "There is no censorship of any kind."

LIVING JOY

"The staff is part of the community," continues the description. "They have legitimate private aims, goals and points of view . . . Since the staff are human they are not expected to hide their weaknesses from the children . . . We believe in living joy, freedom, creativity, explorations, work and love."

Director of the Summerlane School and Camp is George von Hilsheimer of New York. Both Hilsheimer and Goodman are on the Committee for Leo Koch, launched in 1961 to protest the professor's ouster.

Koch, a former University of California student, was a delegate to the California Youth Legislature in 1941, according to the Daily Californian, campus newspaper.

The 1948 California report on un-American activities includes the Youth Legislature among Communist-front groups which had sponsored a 1940 mass meeting of the American Peace Crusade in Los Angeles to protest conscription, "military rule" and the alleged demise of "free speech."

Slate Finds New Agitation Pretext

Slate, radical left-wing student political party at the University of California, has found yet another agitational issue.

A Slate-organized picket protested "the University's participation in the war effort" during Charter Day exercises March 22 outside the men's gymnasium. It attacked "secret research" in particular.

The student party found a way to hold the picket despite a University rule concerning on-campus protests: Slate simply withdrew official sponsorship while "encouraging" its members to participate as individuals.

Slate, which helped organize student demonstrations against the House Committee on Un-American Activities in 1960, is currently led by Robin Room, an Australian exchange student interested in American left-wing political organization. Room was among signers of a newspaper ad last month asking permission for Communist Party members to speak on campus.

Past Slate chairmen include Ken Cloke, Michael Myerson and Mike Tigar, all of whom served on the organizing committee for the Communist World Youth Festival held last summer in Helsinki. Tigar, now a London-based correspondent for Berkeley's FM station KPFA, later wrote a report on the festival featured in two Communist publications.

At last year's Charter Day exercises, President Kennedy was the featured speaker. His visit was picketed by a number of local Communists and their children who asked clemency for atom spy Morton Sobell.

Rabbi Responds To CP Fronts

"Bill of Rights Dinner" cries the dark type in an ad late last year in the Communist-lining National Guardian. "171st anniversary, Dec. 15, 1962. . . . Toastmaster: Rabbi Robert E. Goldberg. . . ."

And once again, Rabbi Goldberg of Congregation Mishkan Israel, New Haven, Conn., responds to the call of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee of New York, Communist-front sponsor of the dinner of which he is a board member.

Also named as speakers were old-time Communist-fronters Corliss Lamont and Robert Colodny. Formerly a Bay Area resident, Colodny now teaches at the University of Pittsburgh; his Communist front connections extend from the Spanish Civil War, in which he fought on the Communist side, through the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

Goldburg has similarly responded to Communist front movements since 1949 when he lent his support to the Civil Rights Congress for its National Legislative Conference in January of that year.

In the years following he has covered the whole Communist-front spectrum: opposition to the Atlantic Pact, clemency for the Rosenbergs, clemency for Morton Sobell, abolition of the HCUA, repeal of the Walter-McCarran Immigration Law.

A compilation of public records made by Circuit Riders, Inc., Cincinnati, credits Goldburg with these other Communist-endorsed affiliations:

American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, signer of open letter protesting denaturalization proceedings, Worker, Aug. 13, 1950, and open letter asking release of persons jailed under the McCarran Act, Daily Worker, Nov. 17, 1950; American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, sponsor, Daily Worker, April 4, 1951.

Also, ACPFB, signer of statement protesting alleged "widening attacks on foreign born" by Dept. of Justice, Daily Worker, Oct. 30, 1952; and sponsor of ACPFB National Conference to Defend the Rights of Foreign Born Americans, Dec. 13-14, 1952, and Dec. 11-12, 1954.

Also, sponsor of ACPFB conferences in March and Oct. 1955, Dec. 1956 and Dec. 1959; ACPFB financial contributor, Dec. 1959; American Peace Crusade, sponsor, Daily Worker, March 15, 1951; Civil Rights Congress, signer of call to national conference, Jan. 17-18, 1949.

Also, Committee to End Sedition Laws, signer of statement in defense of Steve Nelson, Nov. 19, 1955; Committee for Medical Freedom, signer of statement, June 1952; Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, sponsor of exhibition of work by artist Rockwell Kent, Oct. 30, 1955; ECLC, speaker at meeting on attempts in Congress to hamper the Supreme Court, Worker, June 15, 1958.

Also, Hiroshima Commemorative Committee, sponsor, Daily Worker, Aug. 1, 1955; Interfaith Committee for Peace Action, sponsor, "Emergency Prayer Meeting and Vigil for Peace in Korea," Oct. 7, 1951; Mid-Century Conference for Peace, sponsor, May 29-30, 1950; National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions, signer of statement asking end to W. E. B. DuBois indictment, Daily Worker, June 29, 1951, and endorser of resolution for hearing Tunisia's demands in UN, Daily Worker, June 2, 1952.

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