

E. Communist Party Colonization Program

One method by which the Communist Party hopes to advance its Negro program in the South is through its so-called colonization program. It anticipates a very difficult struggle in that area and, in the latter part of 1955, issued instructions that a number of people, both Negro and white, should be sent into the Southern States where they are to obtain industrial jobs. These potential colonizers are to be childless couples, preferably between 21 and 34 years of age. Any person having a reputation as a radical or a communist will not be considered. Selections are to be made, at least in part, from Party members presently active in Labor Youth League* work.

Those individuals chosen as colonizers are instructed to remain in their new assignment on a more or less permanent basis, "root" themselves in their new jobs, and for the present conceal their communist tendencies. They will be concentrated in the larger cities of the South especially Birmingham, Memphis, and cities in Mississippi.

Those colonizers assigned to the textile industry are to be financed, if possible, through their own means or supported by their

*The Labor Youth League has been designated by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.