

Terrorists Ordered to Grow Food To Defeat British 'Starve' Policy

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SINGAPORE (Reuters) — Malaya's Communist jungle terrorists have received orders temporarily to concentrate on growing food in order to defeat what they call the British "starve to death" policy.

This was revealed by an instruction, to Communist terrorists in Johore state, just across the water from Singapore island.

The document disclosed that in the last 12 months the Communist secretariat had admitted that plans for terrorism against

British rubber planters, Malay and Chinese rubber tappers and others, had been shelved because of hunger and starvation.

The starvation plan has been achieved mainly by cutting terrorist liaison with isolated Chinese villages occupied by "squatters" on the jungle fringes. Until the authorities started protecting the squatters, the terrorists had taken all their food requirements from the unhappy villagers at gun-point.

The Communist directive, referring to Johore terrorists, says:

"Due to shortage of food and lack of nourishment our work is greatly impeded and some tasks are left in abeyance . . . comrades are urged to make small jungle farms, camouflage them carefully and grow fast crops."

The terrorists were urged to grow millet, pumpkin, fast-growing tapioca, sweet potatoes and beans. They were told to read books on how their "brother revolutionaries" the Chinese Communists farmed to meet food shortages.

COMMITTEE URGES SENATE TO PASS HALIBUT PACT

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate approval of a halibut agreement between the United States and Canada has been recommended by the Senate foreign relations committee.

Chairman Alexander Wiley (Rep., Wis.) said the revised agreement would permit an estimated increase of \$1,000,000 a year, or 8 per cent, in fishermen's earnings by allowing more than one open season a year in any one area.

The agreement has operated since 1923. It is administered by

a joint commission which would be increased from four to six members, three from each country, by the revised agreement. The agency would be known as the "International Pacific Halibut Commission," instead of its present title, "International Fisheries Commission."

Canada already has ratified the changes in the commission which is to continue scientific investigation and improve regulation of the halibut industry in the north Pacific.

Malan Government Plans to Remove Natives From Illegal 'Tenements'

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) — Removal of natives from illegal "tenements in the sky"—rooftops and servants' quarters in "white" apartment buildings—is the latest proposal of the Nationalist government of Prime Minister Daniel F. Malan for implementing its racial segregation policy.

The overcrowded "tenements" are one of the results of the enormous migration of rural Africans to Johannesburg during the last 20 years, a migration brought about by a con-

tinuing boom in industry. Hostels and servants' rooms are jammed to overflowing and established African townships spill over continually into illegal and unhygienic squatters' camps.

Although the country's official policy is one of segregation, it is safe to say that the number of domestic servants, their families and lodgers almost equals the whites in all areas, even in the most exclusive white suburbs.

The total of illegal African "boarders" throughout the city's

white areas is believed to be about 150,000.

Domestic servants, "lodgers" who sleep on floors and pay \$2.25 a month, and "boarders," who are householders, who live for fear of losing their legal lodgers are liable to the police station, pay a fine, which may be as high as \$100, or each conviction. They turn to the same illegal areas and hope for the best, have nowhere else to go.



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