

JOS notes in his handwriting
re strategy to take in
the previous audit we had
some years back —
we have original in legal
files.

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Reds Kept Local Student 15 Hours Without Food for Taking Photos

Fifteen hours in Communist hands. That was the experience of Tim Stoen, Littleton graduate, who had the audacity to take a picture of a sign being erected in East Berlin.

Stoen told about his ordeal at the Rotary Club last week after returning from a year abroad on a Rotary Fellowship.

"I thought I should go to East Berlin and see what it is like behind the Iron Curtain," Stoen said. "The first thing that I noticed was

of the building and put me in a Czech car. We drove and we drove in silence. I didn't know Berlin was so large. We came to a building with bars on it and I was taken in and questioned. They kept trying to trip me up, coming around to the same questions in different words to see if I would contradict myself. I had to take everything out of my pockets. They found a roll of exposed film and kept it. The guards were curious about my nail clip and wanted to see how it worked. They had never seen an American coin purse that opens a crack when you bend it, and they were like children with it. I was getting both weak and apprehensive, and I was trying to test the power of positive thinking. I had had no food for 15 hours and I was glad when they brought me some unpalatable ham sandwiches. Soon afterwards, they took me to the border and let me go."

Stoen had a happier experience in West Germany, 5 miles from the East German border. A little old lady recognized him as an American without much in the way of funds.

"She pressed two things in my hands," Stoen reported. "One gift was about 40¢ worth of coins and the other was a sack containing four bananas. She told me that she loved Americans for the kindness she received from them at the close of World War II."

the blank expression on the faces of everyone. You could tell they were just waiting for the day they might have some freedom. This will come slowly. Poets are already getting some freedom, and so are theatrical people and musicians. It was noteworthy that a journalist was able to print in Moscow the interview with President Kennedy."

Began Taking Pictures

Stoen said he took a number of pictures in East Berlin without difficulty. Then he took one of a sign being erected near the newly-built wall.

Three German officers rushed over to Tim and an East Berlin student who was showing him around. They took the pair at 12:30 p.m. to a building and held them there until 8 p.m.

"I was fearful for my new-found friend because he had taken too many liberties for the Communists, and I didn't want to get him into trouble," Stoen said. "Finally, at 8 p.m., three men escorted me out



TIM STOEN

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excerpted from Trip notes:

I saw things that textbooks and newsoapers can't make vivid. I saw what a police state can do to individual human beings....I will now talk of the most startling and disconcerting experience in my life.

The restrictions of a communist police state are as bad as you read about. At newsstands you buy papers of East Germany only which serve as propaganda only.

... more notes---- pages of unreadable stuff on East Germany and how he was treated while under arrest.

.. now I will reveal some information gleaned from a person I met but whose name I can't reveal because I fear for his safety.
-that each week a person must attend meetings some as often as 2-3 times a week. Meetings can last as long as four hours--what is discussed is Marxist writings and the virtue of a democratic state. The groups are so arranged that they separate friends and people with common interests are separated. My informer told me that the meetings were not too successful in indoctrination because too many people had been to the west.

-He said that if East Berliners had known before the borders were being set up that 40% of them would have left all worldly goods to escape. Less than 10% of them still support the regime

-It is extremely difficult to have an underground spying system because you can't trust anybody.

-Even in East Germany army Saxons had to be brought in from other areas to keep check on the local soldiers because many of the local soldiers had anti-communist sympathies. It was from fear alone that most men carried out orders. One must note that the system of morality is quite simple. The soldiers are told that there are two kinds of Germans good and bad---the good are those who obey communist orders and the bad are to be shot.

-ending sentence:

"But when you see what people like you and I have to go through. They just want one thing. They want freedom to think and act as they see fit-to be able to choose between alternatives--where to work- and how to live and whom to worship--a state or a God--- they couldn't care less about creature comforts... All I can do is anguish about the problem and pray to God that it won't last forever.

TOS

Very important
in seeing TOS
perspective

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Comments

Going to Berlin

- 1st road - not allowed, first - by German
- 2nd to recheck; got ride with 2 young men started - both spoke English - get ride on bottom side
- 3. Young people who like free and not living under strict rules -
- old to see some of them, pay a fee of 10 marks (1.50) - be checked - couple bus - or over easy - in Communist rule.

A man checked before airport to make sure no pictures - illegal to stop or take pictures outside.

Two things impressed me:

1) women during the course of war - always in Germany wanted to - & Germany did a lot of women during

many ways

2) the intellectually advancing propaganda policy - quick questions as rapidly as possible -

short brief, very simple answers, keep going fast for a lot of the world;

make of history addition not organic continuous can you see clearly inside "inside is U.S.A."

positive policies of Dossing, peasant class, and the work of Mr. Soviet Districts before him

This was just a little of what I can tell.

5. During all of points, not only to see - actually called it the Democratic Sector - yet recognized - was this there - in West? and why's he talk so strongly due to fact the German and Soviet
Communist dividing of Germany - separate former families - & eyes opened - in different members
lets not Communist rule. No. They helped little former.

6. West Berlin - Money, Commercial - people have got naturally lots - worth less they can be 20.

7. Hotel - restaurants, grocery - satisfied by going to ~~the hotel~~ - not necessarily people there are not come - the workers can't go to a Berlin, as I
would - that still speak about time there. So English now George with me -
we changed our 8 - West Berlin there at 47 5:1 ratio; people never

Political

8. Situation of E. Berlin

from Berlin are island in Eastern controlled E. Germany
The conclusion of the war of war agreed that each should be governed as a single entity by
France, the U.K., the U.S. and the S.S.R. The
Up until Aug. 13 the people of E. Berlin are allowed to go to the West to work, sleep, visit, and attend
University, etc. - though didn't take initiative.

In the 16 year since the war, a striking # of people from the Socialist countries come to the free
world through the gate. This was the only place where thousands of the own citizens can also
significantly penetrate. Obviously Moscow - Berlin has been not been happy about it -
because of how to protect to keep people leaving, and as the later changes in E. Germany.
So on Aug. 13 - G. H. W. Bush imposed a E. Berlin was ban to travel to West. It's
G. H. W. Bush removed his seal of the helmet - except at first it was thought that by putting that the crowd
surprised he eat, but now the evidence prove that this was because it was economy - actual
it's just became clear that this was a bad decision - comment got a big victory.

9. Overall: These few: I saw things that Hollywood & newspaper can't make mind - I know
that long a police state due to individual human beings - instead of seeing the battle - a tremendous
of forces; ideology, power - I saw it in the form of people just like them in America.
The few I will talk of the the trial starting and distinctly experience of my life....

10. 11 day in Berlin

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(2)

⑥ Today: Sept 15 Friday

- 1. Apparatus: got a c-lease - charged money - both collectors - Armin & Bill still allowed in the quarrying.
- 2. Ge in underground - very hard work but according to Bill it's easier - but his wife was sick and she was unable to go up so I paid him a bonus for getting me up there.
- 3. Not much progress, cleaned up a little bit - quick - and walked out to town.
- 4. Didn't catch his vehicle - was lost with new guide in his truck [see photo]. Since no flight went to today + found out that t = 10 pm to 5 am that night he had charged \$15 and could spend it in 2 days there.

I went to bookshop and met a teacher Mr. Hirsch:

Hirsch was about 5'10, medium build, rather dark-skinned fellow. He had studied at Freiburg & Berlin for 3 years - finished only 2 days after the blockade shut down. Now living " irgendwo" doesn't know exactly where he had worked - should be a teacher. He said that he could not get enough to eat or sleep - because he doesn't have any money. He said that he could not get a job because he is too tall - but anyway very intelligent and of an academic level. You could tell by looking at him that he is very deeply rooted to the ground. He told him with some concern "I see you live like a communist" but he had buildings and I told him what we could do so we can help each other.

We decided around - set a price and bought 1 bag of flour from him and some really cheap and basic groceries. All the time while buying with a lot of fear of being accused with communism.

- His bicycle he won, spider: -
- It was terrible to ride due to fear he had - you cannot feel it. He has a Berlin T-shirt with "Germany" and people would say "Look at that - look at that" - and then say "you are free German not". People are not very nice because he is rather dirty - and he of course said if you want to not be dirty. Maybe I was ready to his looks, what I wanted to do but I don't think not to.

- The relationship of a Com. phys. store - our bed or you are afraid? Right now everything is ~~very~~ ^{not} better because with books and books you have to buy a lot of them because of price and it's not good for you buy papers of Germany also - right with several books propaganda books. This brings you a lot of people after books "and you can't" to sell of books now. We have one "the" point with [Picture]

- But what's worse - he sees the ~~communist~~ & their friends: -

Appearance: below: young, medium size of hair, light brown and a purple cardigan jacket - trying to take care of his prestige here

- Scary - beautiful old flushed - mostly broken and small cars, not rebuilt - maybe a -

- Inside: Don't know - main street - Stalin Alley - no pictures - going to while more open - in a window - Bill said made it themselves to see the show off and then made "the Red Club" of some sort of rubble. Though not in Berlin still in rubble it's been partly covered. [See photo of Berlin]

- Didn't take picture of Stalin because made the room.

- Because he had been so fast as to show he doesn't want to do anything to him and about his

After war I thought he would very quickly to Spain soon before - now he called

get away to Berlin so promised to meet him at 6 pm the next day without

- Relatively - nothing said to - that's about - you; see people been half-dead to fight in but hate them still were clear. Though all were now no longer here I understand that people had and have no political views because they are very bad about fighting with the Germans and that only the

had to fight - over external anti-communist and they not want any more. They didn't

If my report that the other German from Berlin is a people at your workstation (factory) to

have white beret hats, some said at - that's all weber. The others are grey and brownish.

"To work and die is not working"

- As knowledge obtained as I tried to do I find myself the ^{first} to see this page with this egg -

but with the same to people they call here not one place to

tell he will come - first year was against him who had voted 10 years before to let Hitler

into power, started as communists. If was difficult to think about. In the same period limited for 6-10 years to work, the same as the last three years, and he said it's significant to note,

long a candle lifespan; else Berlin would have less "big" population.

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(1)

Then I would walk down the road - it's a heavy road - and see I could not wait to turn back to explore more of this.

After a few steps I reached the junction and a small town with lots of houses. At the first house I asked the woman and a child living there if they had experienced any difficulties - a tank, a machine gun, etc. They said they had experienced none. American did not care about their own people here; what people he talked to had nothing to do with it, and how it hurt them to realize of an American with what he described as "military comforts" they depend upon but still the American was coming over to look back at it and laugh.

It was hard to not ask things like: "What's the US doing here?" But they just said "nothing".

They say that the US had some large military people who had been sent here but have been dismissed at the insistence to stop the Communist aggression to the satellite countries. I recognize that one of the authors was mentioned but we know not always been present and didn't recognize. (American always a ~~good~~ ^{bad} thing)

Now - As a political agent I recognized the right to speak with freedom and freedom from the Army government, but that power must not be violated. Yet it probably will add a position below to continue with the pleasure of people who are regulars a place in E-W and who live with little security of having been free from non-violent activities. Disagreements with the American agents is something which is done.

One more thing - British Consulate is shown in the command exhibition of E-Burma - the very one - on the wall reading she met a fellow from Britain who opposed vegetal oil and happened to British & Indian and had helped bring about a heavy bombing of India. British told me he had left Britain as a student and sympathetic to Communism and had been here a couple years. He'd been here at a community - he had been there for a long time. People here is a form for one of the main movements in America, John Ford, people from all over the world. Communist policies like it has to.

10th day

Went to E-Burma - bought British's book and can drink some 10:30
2 gold bars, price before each 1000. By a strange coincidence which could be in the wires, had you been given such and such this, and see we: 2 gold 2 bars total. To follow the border north, where tanks do "usually" go - to see the roads are, reachable and the border itself, which he had no problem he and agreed quickly for the driving he can with me. I took him past a creek wall and saw smoke but stopped to think - since the "people's" movement had early could be used with firearms and shot in 3-5" area of grassed glen to stop people clearly into the foreground when this road it had to sight an angle.

- Back street, groups of children, women with modest backs
Back bags hanging out from the huts -
about 200 £300 ft for little groups of houses and working shop just standing

And practically a soldier per man would come marching up - everybody stands outside now.
Note: technique of other soldier to get in groups so to be scattered, don't point

- The population a 70 per cent
Border seen from back street
Camps at short distance built - made brick - at first 3 ft or so

I saw adding about 3 ft more
of rocks - dense triple barriers

In many as 10 yards - at back street - making 200-2000 ft. In total

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Aparted house next to trailer

as pictures of things at the 3 houses - each doorway - watched game a little on with family
big screen television of dog beginning -

Further after a 20 yr old woman had thrown a bottle at you and hit her -

At one street saw a sign ^{1100 ft away} advertising for a rep - 10,000 maf raised for life leading to death of
elder who had suffered a stroke but refused to have it removed. Didn't know what he
done with me known except that psychogically.

Then I went to the - visited a chain store of books - extra goods - 3 layers - wall turned into 4th

& already a group of women were putting up the massive signs, streets & electric poles, signs, anteny
etc etc. Obviously with a certain ploy. They wanted us to like I took the picture. I had been to
the settle but isn't so much bad. It caught. I could have stopped but ^{the moment came} being
discreet. So what I do is to turn camera off, we are obviously in North Africa, +
possibly here enough - check it containing my action. But the did was too loud. And all go
sudden a ^{little} ~~young~~ ^{very} likely fellow with hand on chest, the stereotype of a prophet, he had
been a bit sort of engineer. Of course putting up the signs, been off school. Just long
after school end I was arrested 2

first question - 6 quads - 2 drivers + a gun under license present - gun in loincloth

I had been at a party of friends for parties + that sort of trade. They said otherwise.
and we went up + I thought participants in this then + up the local's duty. Stevia.
They pointed to a seat and we began to sit down. 4 over 12:30 noon.

At first I thought, surely they expect well of course it's Africa so not positive to
say but you can't be certain and that bit conceivable about suddenly catching up the present
but you I have of just outside to a shop close in a narrow corridor - customs saying
anything as a good order or he has not going out, you look like a gunner.
Finally came in + asked questions, very polite, like why did you take pictures of border
area of goods. Like we say, camera and film, didn't ask us not.

Then waited for 3 more hours. Decided that since I was there, I should take to demands
dark and go on.

Soldier with machine gun walked in. And then came to tip a man and it was
thereupon to know required that the new gun was right but people didn't leave. There says
further as well, the new dog which doesn't even make the press.

My friend played with his rifle right here - to demonstrate with son to other left and
then like a gun.

Answered in fact of course this don't - as when to appear to speak was, the
one the vehicle was for a gun - gun, dirty uniform - ^{no longer} - 20 years

then from mouth have broken - but ^{not} broken nothing, breaking;

Other pieces ^{broken} different area in article - a worn back -

My didn't like this work.

The interrogated later. So our companion

stridently adding.

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Aaron film - record - Bradbury - gutted city - save cars - except human dead & buried

Then 2 am house = 8:30

Then the church movement -

3 doors in row - one with my friend among

Then 3 doors - one with me -

low candle -

not too bright - 2 hours

We stayed - purchased lots of stuff

and for a Czechoslovak car with door open. They paid their fare though

and I was off - walked into the night, first like the movie.

At 10 pm I had to close what my shop was - but didn't feel too optimistic

I went back to Czech part of East Berlin - saw very few cars anywhere at

on night - pulled up at shop with travel window - but no telephone and didn't

see a worker there. Very friendly asked

they could meet me there and we might my problem. They tried me off to

work. One of the workers was a young fellow with glasses - spoke English English and

appeared genuinely friendly to me.

Then found out - got out a young German - friend him, ride busses -

but all busses, same in - but principally anti-intellectual day at all the

levels of any. Even to East Berlin, N. Europe, etc. +

Then telephone to get number asked + try to build a pattern.

They try to cover you up by suddenly changing the flavor of questions + replace

a question you around the bus ticket. Then said they were so here

Czechoslovak and thought that I should need to think about ~~the future~~ ~~the future~~

as Communist p. East Germany. Some ~~know~~ ~~know~~ what we is the West, with

an eastern exports and brought today to pull easy very well, was good

had to compete with.

- Better features stand out:

1) the east brain believe - especially you are to clean, even fresh case

like when they asked the distinction of F. case busses - but some 20% only

be created for 11 hours plus food, I assumed yes. So got about

800 food sedatives, Spas, ad ran tea.

2) I know where I didn't know for sure what they were

very friendly for a talking, v. v. of road etc. But as my answer

would be incorrect (e.g. they'll have to take - following a quick book)

Susp. like good place to eat; when a Berlin; better a hotel to do in

After, they didn't find what best we looking for: immediately

room for living water - fraying, or to help E. German escape etc. That

then to fight they didn't want to make with violent act of it - saved me

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3) He made laugh of my lit interrogator.

but he seemed genuine to me at least with one single prop in my pocket -
except a 25¢ nail clippers which was in my brief and it was interesting
to watch him unsuccessfully try to figure out what it was, so Dr. Fox was aware
of these electric-type coin extractors with a slot & a slot you squeeze to squeeze it. He
chuckled at it - it had the look of a Li'l Abner tool to it.

- After one other. For 7 am to 3 am 2nd visit for questions - all answers
question or else really out of the ordinary, until at long last early this 3rd said,
- There was after I had somewhat forgotten it upon the door "I just have - and when
then I'd be seated. 2nd visit. wonderful experience for it had a terrible problem
in my mouth and probably would have been trouble out of my hand except
it. Enclosed is what it look like.

At 3 am this left and said I shall sleep in the chair. He left and
shot off Red Bull & was gonna tired & got a quick sleep. Occurred in my
guy would practice push his hand up to see if my gut was safe. It's not
very hard to sleep for me. May just might develop the film - but I felt that
Opinion that my answer appeared to satisfy them.

About 7 am, very early am - I noted down of worn + dull
pancreatic he got. Mr. S. recalled that in E. Park. They make a very day
not only is it a crime not to vote but you have to vote at certain times
unusually bad for been to 12 - else you are not a good citizen. And it
between E.公民 to appear a good citizen. I wanted him in my
office because even people would get up at 6 in the morning. Will be
seen, though - see him for newspaper - At 8 or so - interrogator came back the clutch little new things
and Red Bull again - and to my deepest relief - good! And in big smile
all my prep, including the film, and said take me to the W. Park parking lot,
at Red Bull station.

So I was driven by two men in car - didn't see the ~~for~~ ~~for~~ ~~for~~ Schiller
to the skin, and show me how got, they. My first advice was quite
bold: it was afraid to see effect that "I think it's better for you not
long to go to the new border with your camera." Because he didn't dare
the how to say... on his side. And anyway, it's after our return from Germany
dear old feeling.

Next day I my first sight over on the border and took following
photos of interest: a laborer absent bldy, with a red flag outside the
border. That since to man because Adenauer was elected, and
not "Gestapo Hitler again."

- (2) propaganda poster with cattle being used to eat dirty caps. I stand behind
 (3) picture of small children playing outdoors on one of better built areas - native
 both built

- (4) some magnificent fields owned by various proprietors even in ruins

Some of the things I discovered by talking to people. Had happen my arrest
 Now I will reveal some information gained from a person I met but whose
 name I can't reveal because I fear for his safety, e.g. That
 (1) Most every week every person must be called in, usually on a 2-3
 brief week, meeting in center long or 4 hours. Not in discussion course. Direct
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 40% of them would have left all worldly goods to escape. That on the 18th
 definitely actively support the regime. This added the less that it's becoming
 clear that even now it's reflected.

(3) And it's extremely difficult to have an underground spring system because
 can't trust anybody that hardly anyone. No person knew for one month after
 the wall was announced at midnight, the slowness & tightness of the border
 meant supervising everybody went out - presumably to give people a chance to escape
 in darkness. And most the fugitives are arrested in the houses.

(4) That even in the army & soldiers had to be brought in from other areas to
 help a check a few local soldiers because the local soldier had gone Communist
 sympathetic, and it was far above but made their camp no orders. One must note
 that the system generally is quite simple. The soldiers are told just like we are
 two types of behavior, good & bad, the good are poor, the Army command orders,
 the bad are to be shot, regardless of ~~success~~, family or a friend.

(5) Got them here. The technique of never allowing soldiers to have set down
 but always 3 or 4 over. Even sleep who and come up to reinforce the
 duty of the guard of the soldier.

(6) That the ~~other~~ ^{old} soldiers ~~can~~ ^{can}'t be trusted because they
 would jump over the wall - so I saw the German sight of ~~quarantine~~
 soldiers leave ~~border~~ ^{border} the walls, and by night.

(7) The anti democratic right gives them power that the people have lost faith
 in the West, to the bully the Communists keep nothing away - and the MGB
 especially in Berlin and the MGB ~~thugs~~ ^{thugs} especially should be sent to the islands
 (8) Islands are persecuted immediately - get roundly hit and if Protestant church
 forced to leave given a choice of staying & taking or going to family - w. Berlin

hope, the West - particularly America, would take notice. Poor people is of course recognized as controlling the decision but the solidarity and love of the people is said to be lost. He was told that those young people know it would be foolish. They didn't have going to do something - a month, two months, a year - and they're willing to do the sacrifice just to voice a moral conviction of wrath against a "Satanic" system - his words. And he told this big fan who was Mr. E. Henry Long - because he'd carry over to a popular bid the moderate, grim spectre of moderate Russian tanks. They remain strong for well.

On Conclusion: 3 exhibited why the Comintern hated Berlin students -

- 1) long, noisy, boisterous
- 2) giving proposed authority to West Germany refugees
- 3) long & by people per E. position in W. Berlin

They felt the growth of closing the Order, not knowing what would do something for all. The Nazis worked. Many are literally slaves now. Not the West but to make up for its mistakes by playing game of "clicks" - really leads by the Order, saying to slaves, servants, etc. Life is full of mistakes. They feel it's immoral when people are sincere & God says to do the best. They can - but when you see what people like you and I have to go through - my God! I can't do that! creation complete? My God! wait one. My God! I think - everything and act as they see fit - to be able to choose what to read, where to work, and how to live, and whom to worship. Right from the S.N.C.R. to a God.

I have no answer. All I can do is argue at no problem and escape to pray to God. British life but it won't last forever. And a - in this to beat. ~~The present~~ ~~the present~~ and a battle at 4.10 against you and the day of judgment. They then

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