

# Cuban Pupils Indoctrinated

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HAVANA — In Cuban schools today, students learn a set of attitudes that amount to an indictment of the U.S. government and the U.S. people.

Moreover, they are taught that this is a revelation denied to them before the revolution and still denied to youngsters in the United States.

If doubts arise, boys and girls or teachers who once lived in the United States stand up before classes and testify as eyewitnesses.

In an English class at the Maxim Gorky High School in Havana the United States and Cuba were discussed one morning. Members of the class were English language specialists training to be interpreters and translators.

The students at Maxim

Gorky are fed, clothed, housed and educated at government expense. They live in houses that once belonged to private citizens, whose owners fled the country. Those who live far from Havana see their parents once a year, during a two-month vacation that begins in July.

Cuban Minister of Education Armando Hart has said the goal is to produce Communists. The students are an

example of progress in that direction.

Pastore Prado, 19, son of a Las Villas butcher, was one of two students who expressed typical opinions.

He said he was a poor boy who would not have been educated except for the revolution. He said his parents lived about the same as before, but really were better off because they did not have to worry about his education.

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"I see with bad eyes the government of the U.S., but not the people," Pastore said. "I know the people have to follow the road that the government gives them.

"The people are like us in the times of (Fulgencio) Batista. We wanted our rights. We fought for our rights. They can do the same. I think the only people who are fighting are the Negroes.

"The government is of the

rich people. I mean, (President) Johnson is a rich person. Rockefeller is rich, too. It is not from the poor people as it is here.

"Do you think the rich people are going to teach the poor? Do you think they are going to give the people the right to do what they want so they can overthrow the government?"

"The Negroes are asking for their rights, but what does the

government do? They put in jail the Negroes or they club the Negroes. They can't talk as I do now."

Delfina Arebu, 17, who lived in Tampa, Fla., where her father was employed for 4½ years, supported Pastore's views as an eyewitness. She left Tampa at 13.

"I think the students here have a real understanding of the U.S.," she said. There are good things about the U.S.,

but there are bad things also.

"I mean, think of the Negroes. They don't have rights in the U.S. They are treated like dogs. I would ~~say~~ they would treat a dog better than a Negro in the U.S. They would treat a Latin as a dog."

These are the young people chosen for special training as future leaders in Cuba. There are some 140,000 of them, convinced they have discovered truth and that it is wrong to question it.