

USSR Has Faith in Science

"THE SOVIET citizen, Government and Mr. Khrushchev have more faith in science and technology than in Marxism," Dr. John Turkevich, who will serve this summer as acting U.S. scientific attache to the USSR, believes.

This change of faith may hold a key to peace, he said. The Princeton University chemist spoke at a seminar for science writers at Ardsley-on-Hudson, N. Y., sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

He said the Soviet people do not tell visitors the USSR will better the U.S. because of Communist philosophy but because of scientific advances.

"Thank God for that," Dr. Turkevich said.

Dr. Turkevich's father, an immigrant from Russia, is an American archbishop of the Russian Orthodox Church.

The USSR's proletariat revolution did not liquidate the intellectual influence, Dr. Turkevich said. In fact, today the scientist is riding a great wave of respect.

Scientists foster East-West exchanges that may aid peace, he said, while blind faith in Communist ideology prevented Western ideas from getting into the USSR.

Dr. Turkevich estimates he talked to 40,000 people—including Premier Khrushchev—while lecturing at the recent U.S. exposition in Moscow. He speaks Russian fluently.

He said he found "tremendous affection and admiration for the people of the United States" among Soviet citizens. "Some of this admiration stems from our scientific and technological advances."

In another session, Dr. Frank Fremont-Smith, medical director of the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation, said specialists attacking the

same problem from different backgrounds benefit from free-wheeling bull sessions.

He said a chemist and a physicist working separately on the same general problem are often antagonistic. One listens with a chip on his shoulder when the other makes a formal presentation at a scientific convention.

The productive exchange of ideas often comes at these conventions only after the formal part is over and the scientists meet in give-and-take discussions.

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You should retain the form that will have been mailed to you late in March, even though your whole family may be hospitalized.

After making several tries to reach you, the census taker will leave a form for you to fill out and mail in when you return home. The census taker will come around again when the form is mailed in.

At that time, the census taker will pick up the advance questionnaire that was mailed to you in March.

Persons in hospitals will be checked on by census takers and the information thus gathered will be referred to the proper census district. Permanent inmates of various institutions will be considered residents and the census taker will count them as living at those institutions.

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