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## Editorial

## Resolution No. 1


#### Abstract

With the new year fast approaching many persons may have their paper and pencil down for the time honored tradi tion of New Years Resolutions. Some will be trivial thing which need straightening out and others may take on a more important nature. One which falls into the important category is your pol tax. There is only a month left for the payment of this vital ppassport to representation. Many years ago the founding fathers of this state felt that there should be some safeguard agains a crooked politician working up the emotions of a large block of the voters and getting them to go to the polls and support hhim. They felt that the best way to guard against this was to have the interested citizens pay a poll tax early in the year. Any qualified citizen can pay the poll tax and thus prepare himself for selecting the officials to run the state and local government. However, if you don't care enough about voting to go down during January and pay the poll tax, then you cannot cast a ballot in the upcoming elections. So, if you are interested in who runs your government, prepare yourself now. Pay your poll tax!


## Communism Still Flourishes Here

 For many years one of the best known American com-munist artists was the novelist Howard Fast. Though he did
not formally join the party until 1943 , he hal long been a denot
dicated and a passionate Marxist, and he had come to the be-
lief that communism was lief that communism was ${ }^{\text {. }}$. an edifice dedicated singularly
and irrevocably to the ending of all war, injustice, hunger, and human suffering-and to the goal of the brotherhood of man."
His novels-which sold in tremendous quantities throughout the world-faith thly reflected this view in one way or another.
Then came the fateful day-June 5, 1956 when the New York Times published the long full text of the "secret" Krush-
chev speech which told in lurid detail of the terrors and brutalities perpefuated under Stalin. This, for Mr. Fast and a number of other American Communist Party members, meant the partGod," just published by Frederick A. Praeger, Inc. A section of it has been printed in the November 16 of The Saturday
Review, under the title "On Leaving the Communist Party." Poverty. hunger and despair brought this highly gifted writer to the left-wing movement. He accepted, apparently in ful
willingness, the harsh disciplines of communism. These disciwillingness, the harsh disciplines of communism. These disci plines are backed by the threat of expulsion from the party-
and to a sincere and devoted communist, Mr. Fast explains. worse.
He writes of party leaders under the Stalinist structure.
. leader, Mr. Fast says, is a man (and his name is legion) "who
dirties the page of history and blackens all the colors of men" dreams." He parrots the going party line ad nauseum. He contemptuous and threatening to those below him in the hier archy, and a boot-licker of those above. Mr. Fast writes: tence as a political prisoner years later ever treated me or any only in the Communist Party from Communist leadership have I experienced myself and seen
 a writer
that
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would serve party ends. Mr. Fast cites a famous Soviet writer
who, during a visit to New York, was asked what had hap-
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pened to a number of other Soviet writers of whom nothing
had been heard for a Jong time. He assured his audience that all were alive, well and working, and actually described in de
tail the works of each was supposed to be engaged upon. This was a pure deliberate fabr

 when he could no longer find a commercial publisher, he kept on writing and published his own books-an enterprise which
is almost invariably a failure for an author. Yet, he says, he we wask allowed to live and write even while he fought the poli cies of hisisown government. The Soviet writer who did that,
contract, ". . Was cruelly tortured and ... put to death." And now. Howard Fast tells us, he found freedom. There is. to him, many an imperfection in the is his work and in his rights, is recognized and defended. Then he says: Whatever best and boldest dreams. Tomorrow belongs to those who break down the prison walls that ens."
not to those who support such walls.

## Texas Briefs

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