紅星照耀燕園—— 斯諾、燕京大學與中國共產黨人 Red Star Over Yenching University: Edgar Snow, John Leighton Stuart, and the Chinese Communist

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摘要

燕京大學是民國一所著名的世界級基督教大學,創始人及第一任校長司徒雷登為這所學校的精神與輝煌建立起了深厚的基礎。正因為這所大學的自由開放風氣,為這所學校的教師和學生開啟了他們對中國社會的參與和奉獻。《紅星照耀中國》的作者斯諾正是在這所大學的自由精神下投向對中國共產黨的關注,他在延安的採訪結果吸引了燕大學生對中共的興趣,前赴後繼地隨著斯諾的腳步去到了延安,許多燕大學生後來都加入了共產黨的革命。本文從燕大的自由風氣和基督教精神來理解斯諾及燕大學生如何造就了對共產黨的支持,列舉了許多紅色基督徒如龔澎、龔普生、雷潔瓊、張淑義等為作例證,以說明基督徒與中共革命之間的微妙關係。

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Abstract

Yenching University was a prestigious world-class Christian institution during the early Republic of China. Its founder and first principal, John Leighton Stuart (1876-1962) had contributed tremendously in its spiritual formation and laid a firm foundation for achieving its glorious status. It is precisely the spirit of freedom and openness of this university that its faculty and students were able to pioneer in civil movements. Edgar Snow (1905-1972), the author of Red Star Over China, was moved by the school's sentiment of freedom that he started to pay attention to the Chinese Communist Party. Snow's interviews in Yenan had successfully attracted the students from Yenching University to the Chinese Communist Party, and hence followed his footsteps in visiting Yenan. Many of these Yenching students later joined the Chinese Communist Party and participated in the party initiated revolution. This article intends to discuss how the sentiment of freedom nurtured by Yenching University and the spirit of Christianity has influenced Snow and Yenching students in advocating the Chinese Communist Party. Chinese Christian communists such as Gong Peng (1914-1970), Gong Pusheng (1913-2007), Lei Jieqiong(1905-2011), Zhang Shuyi, and etc. are used as illustrations to demonstrate the profound and subtle relationship between Christians and the Chinese Communist revolution.

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