

# PROF SOROKIN URGES BAN ON COMMUNISTS

## Says Soviet Aims to End Western Social System

"There can be no doubt that the Soviet Government is doing its best to undermine, and even destroy, not only the Western economic system, but also the entire social system of Western society and civilization," Pitirim A. Sorokin, professor of economics at Harvard University, told a large audience yesterday afternoon at the luncheon-discussion of the Foreign Policy Association in the Copley Plaza.

"Impotent sentimentalism and mis-

directed idealism in dealing with Communism are the worst policy," he said. "Communist propaganda should be prohibited and Communist organizations declared illegal, as has been done in Finland."

The destructive work of the Soviet Government is being done by propaganda, espionage, stimulation of strikes, disorders, riots, and civil war, with the intention of aggravating class struggle and class hatred, Prof Sorokin said.

He considered naive the question for discussion yesterday: "Is Soviet Russia Undermining the World's Economic System?"

"The possessed," he quoted, "should be put in a strait-jacket."

Other speakers at the meeting, presided over by Christian Herter, chairman of the Foreign Policy Association, were A. F. Hinrichs, professor of economics at Brown University, and Miss Gertrude Ely of Bryn Mawr, Penn., a substitute speaker for John H. Gray, who was unable to attend.