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TO "CONQUER AND DESTROY STATE," U. S. COMMUNISTS CALL FOR LABOR REVOLT

Revolutionary Pamphlet, Found in U. S. Department of Justice Investigations, Gives Message of Communists in Chicago to Russian Headquarters.

Extracts from "Manifesto and Program—Constitution—Report to the Communist International" by the Communist Party of America, Chicago, Ill.

Communism does not propose to 'capture' the bourgeois parliamentary state, but to conquer and destroy it. As long as the bourgeois state prevails, the capitalist class can baffle the will of the proletariat.

In those countries in which historical development has furnished the opportunity, the working class has utilized the regime of political democracy for its organization against Capitalism.

The older unionism was based on the craft divisions of small industry. The unions consisted primarily of skilled workers whose skill is itself a form of property. The unions were not organs of the militant class struggle. Today the dominant unionism is actually a bulwark of Capitalism, merging in Imperialism and accepting State Capitalism.

The proletarian revolution comes at the moment of crisis in Capitalism, of a collapse of the old order. Under the impulse of the crisis, the proletariat acts for the conquest of power, by means of mass action. Mass action concentrates and mobilizes the forces of the proletariat, organized and unorganized; it acts equally against the bourgeois state and the conservative organizations of the working class. Strikes of protest develop into general political strikes and then into revolutionary mass action for the conquest of the power of the state. Mass action becomes political in purpose while extra-parliamentary in form; it is equally a process of revolution and the revolution itself in operation.

The Communist Party is the conscious expression of the class struggle of the workers against capitalism. Its aim is to direct this struggle to the conquest of political power, the overthrow of capitalism and the destruction of the bourgeois state.

The Communist Party prepares itself for the revolution in the measure that it develops a program of immediate action, expressing the mass struggles of the proletariat. These struggles must be inspired with revolutionary spirit and purposes.

The Communist Party is fundamentally a party of action. It brings to the workers a consciousness of their oppression, of the impossibility of improving their conditions under capitalism. The Communist Party directs the workers' struggle against capitalism, developing fuller forms and purposes in this struggle, culminating in the mass action of the revolution.

The Communist Party shall make the great industrial struggles of the working class its major campaigns, in order to develop an understanding of the strike in relation to the overthrow of capitalism.

(a) The Communist Party shall participate in mass strikes, not only to achieve the immediate purposes of the strike, but to develop the revolutionary implications of the mass strike.

(b) Mass strikes are vital factors in the process out of which develops the workers' understanding and action for the conquest of power.

(c) In mass strikes under conditions of concentrated capitalism there is latent the tendency toward the general mass strike, which takes on a political character and manifests the impulse toward proletarian dictatorship.

In these general mass strikes the Communist Party shall emphasize the necessity of maintaining industry and the taking over of social functions, usually discharged by the capitalists and the institutions of capitalism. The strike must cease being isolated and passive; it must become positive, general and aggressive, preparing the workers for the complete assumption of industrial and social control.

(a) Every local and district organization of the Party shall establish contact with industrial units in its territory, the shops, mills and mines—and direct its agitation accordingly.

(b) Shop Committees shall be organized wherever possible for the purpose of Communist agitation in a particular shop or industry by the workers employed there. These committees shall be united with each other and with the Communist Party, so that the party shall have actual contact with the workers and mobilize them for action against capitalism.

The Communist Party must engage actively in the struggle to revolutionize the trade unions. As against the unionism of the American Federation of Labor, the Communist Party propagandizes industrial unionism and industrial union organization, emphasizing their revolutionary implications. Industrial Unionism is not simply a means for the everyday struggle against capitalism; its ultimate purpose is revolutionary, implying the necessity of ending the capitalist parliamentary state. Industrial Unionism is a factor in the final mass action for the conquest of power, as it will constitute the basis for the industrial administration of the Communist Commonwealth.

(a) The Communist Party recognizes that the A. F. of L. is reactionary and a bulwark of capitalism.

(b) Councils of workers shall be organized in the shops as circumstances allow, for the purpose of carrying on the industrial union struggle in the old unions, uniting and mobilizing the militant elements; these councils to be united in a Central Council wherever possible.

(c) It shall be a major task of the Communist Party to agitate for the construction of a general industrial union organization, embracing the I. W. W., W. I. L. U., Independent and secession unions, militant unions of the A. F. of L., and the unorganized workers, on the basis of the revolutionary class struggle.

The Communist Party shall encourage movements of the workers in the shops seeking to realize workers' control of industry, while indicating their limitations under capitalism; concretely, any movement analogous to the Shop Stewards of England. These movements (equally directed against the union bureaucracy) should be related to the Communist Party.

The unorganized unskilled workers (including the agricultural proletariat) constitute the bulk of the working class. The Communist Party shall directly and systematically agitate among these workers, awakening them to industrial union organization and action.

BLACKDUCK

At last Blackduck is waking up to the fact that it is part of the world and has a place to fill in it. We have not heard anything from this thriving little village of the North Country, but in the future we hope, that the world can become better acquainted with this prosperous little city.

During the last year more land has been sold and more farmers have made their home here than at any other part of the state, and even now during the cold winter months when real estate business is at a standstill land is being sold to prospective farmers, and we are looking for a great influx of people here in the spring.

The lath mill, which was started here last fall, is now running night and day and is doing a big business, and judging by all the logs shipped and hauled in they have enough to keep them busy sawing both lath and lumber for some time to come. Mr. Stoner, who owns this plant, as well as many other plants, has spent his entire time here looking after his business affairs. Nels Ljep, who is manager of the mill and light plant, is always on the job and is Mr. Stoner's right hand. It has been rumored that Mr. Stoner will erect a up-to-date garage here in the spring, something Blackduck is very much in need of.

Mrs. M. Caswell and her three children, left last Friday for their home in America, N. D., after an ex-

tended visit with relatives and friends here.

Fr. Fonnosse spent Friday of last week at Bemidji.

Miss Lydia Austreng, who has worked at Crookston for some time, is spending her vacation at home.

G. Davis and two sons have bought the livery teams and leased Mr. Praught's livery barn for two months.

Ole Finstad, who has been in partnership with Carl Bye in the pool hall business, has sold his share to Mr. Bye. Mr. Finstad is leaving this week for Fargo, N. D., and from there he expects to make a trip to the west coast.

Rev. Ruskjer of Bemidji, conducted services at the Adventist hall here Saturday.

Rev. and Hulda Odegaard spent last Friday at the county seat.

Henry Kolden and family are up and around, after a severe attack of the "flu."

The Y. P. S. of the Lutheran church is making arrangements for a leap year basket social on Wednesday, Feb. 11.

Mr. Sandquist from Hines visited at the Melvin Austreng home over Sunday.

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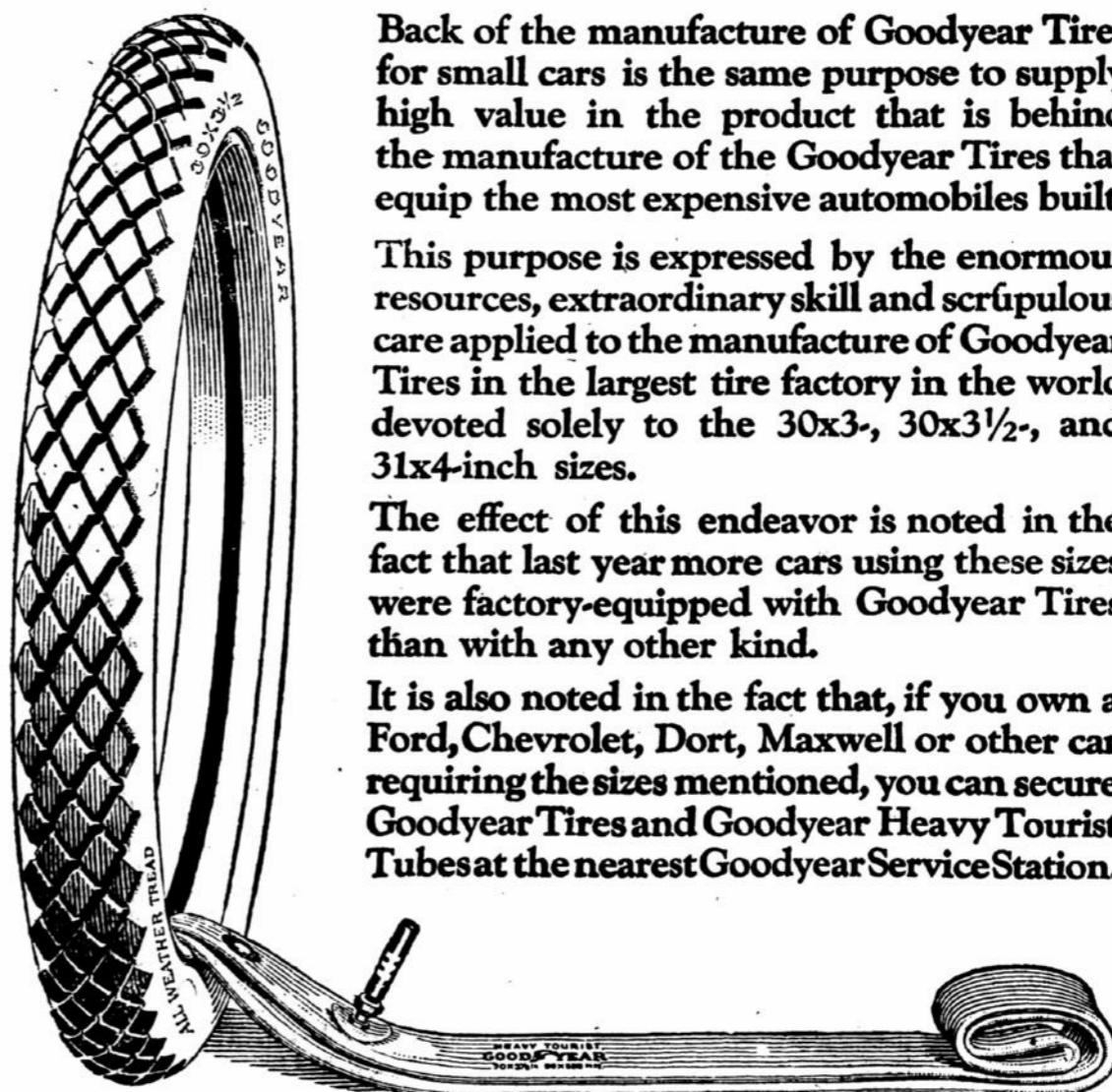
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