

The Road to Power

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66 **T**HE International that will serve the interests of the proletarian cause can be born only out of the self-criticism of the working class, out of the realization of its own power, of that power which was broken and shattered on August 4, 1914, but which yet will be called upon to cut down the centuries-old oaks of gigantic growth and strength of social injustice. The road to this power is the road to the re-establishment of the International."

Thus wrote Rosa Luxemburg, February, 1915, and her prophetic eye saw the truth. The self-criticism of the class-conscious workers and their organizations made a new International possible. It created a new power. It builds the young, strong Communist movement with its International that will finally cut down those imposing looking trees of class privilege, class exploitation, oppression, social injustice, corruption, rottenness and misery untold, in order to make possible a new world of happiness and equal opportunity for all humankind. On this Fifth Anniversary of our International, we feel deeply the loss of the great founder and teacher of Communism in action, Nikolai Lenin. We send greetings of true comradeship to his co-workers, promising to work with all our energy for the happy realization of our common aims in these United States.