

Lovestone Renegades Lose in a Conspiracy Against the Party

To what despicable under-handed schemes the Lovestone renegades will stoop in their counter-revolutionary fight against the Communist Party, and how they are cutting their own throats in doing so, is shown by the following statement received by the Central Control Commission from George Papcun, of San Antonio, Texas:

"As the question of my re-entering the Party is before the Central Control Commission at this time, I consider it very important that I make a truthful statement on my present and past attitude towards the Party and the Comintern.

"First I committed a very shameful act when I joined the army. There can be only one explanation for this act; namely, that I was not a Marxist and a Leninist, that I was somewhat

workers, mean to renounce all their striving towards freedom and democracy, not to speak of Socialism. . . .

"Turning the present imperialist war into civil war is the only correct proletarian slogan. It is indicated by the experience of the Commune, it was outlined by the Basle resolution (1912) and it follows from all the conditions of an imperialist war among highly developed bourgeois countries. However difficult such transformation may appear at one time or another, Socialists will never relinquish systematic, insistent, unflinching preparatory work in this direction once the war has become a fact.

"Only along this road will the proletariat be able to break away from under the influence of the chauvinist bourgeoisie, and sooner or later, in one form or another, will it take decisive steps on the road to real freedom of peoples, and on the road to Socialism.

"Long live the international brotherhood of the workers united against the chauvinism and patriotism of the bourgeoisie of all countries!

"Long live a proletarian International, free from opportunism!

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of an adventurist, and that ever since, I joined the Party I had been utilized for factionalism by the Lovestone group, which then was in control of the Party.

"Second, when in May and June of this year I made an appeal for re-admission into the Party, I was not sincere. At that time I still believed that the right-wing Lovestone renegades were correct, and I made my application under their direction and with the understanding that, when re-admitted, I was to fight for their line and, if necessary, to issue a statement against the Party and its leadership.

"They also helped me to get my purchase out of the army.

"During the time when I made my appeal to the Central Control Commission I was in direct contact with the right-wing renegades. When I got out of the army and started to be active, I began to understand the incorrect anti-Party line, of the Lovestone renegades, and their role of misleading the workers and utilizing them for their attacks against the Party in San Antonio.

"About a week after I had been active I made complete break from the Lovestone group and at the first meeting of the Party unit that I attended I proposed the following motions:

1.) That we immediately combat Lovestonism by organizing mass activity, by carrying mass activity, by carrying on mass work, by taking leadership through organizing the Trade Union Unity league, Unemployed Councils, etc.

2.) That we organize the Unemployed Councils, and conferences under the Trade Union Unity League with a view toward an unemployed demonstration in the near future.

3.) That, to start this work, mass meeting be organized around the issues of Unemployed Insurance Bill, reports on Red International of Labor Unions, etc.

"The only reason for my not making the present statement to the Party at that time was my desire, realizing the strength of the Lovestone group in this locality, first to draw the attention of the Party to the situation here.

"I am making it now, fully realizing the consequences as to my re-admission into the Party.

"I only ask the permission to carry on work

here as before and I am rather numerous—who may not understand what they read." We positively agree that the Central Committee "does not support the expressions of Comrade Jorge in the Dec. 17 issue of the Daily Worker." But that, dear comrades, does not mean that the Central Committee is condemning what appeared before or after Dec. 17. If we had our wish in the matter it would, and thus we would be relieved of the unpleasant and frequently perilous job as Keeper of the Crocodiles. We could dedicate the ugly animal to the Bronx Zoo and find more time for the first duty of all Party members, attendance at unit meetings.

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under the Party's direction and to show to the working class that I am now sincere and will fight at all times for the line of the Party and the Comintern." —Signed —George Papcun,

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Thus the plot hatched by the Lovestone renegades against the Party came to grief and turned out against themselves.

As to Papcun's re-admission into the Party, the Central Control Commission has decided to postpone final action until such time when, by protracted work and real tests in the struggles he will have proved that he has stabilized himself and has lived down his black record of irresponsibility and under-handed dealings with the Party; in the meantime, while given opportunities to work in organizations sympathetic to the Party, he cannot be placed in any posts of responsibility.

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