

The Origin of Communism*

Communists everywhere support every revolutionary movement against the existing political and social order of things. The communists disdain to conceal their aims. Let the ruling classes tremble at a communist revolution. The proletarians have nothing to lose but their chains. They have a world to win. Working men of all countries, unite! – Karl Marx, The Communist Manifesto

The story of communism is a story of contradictions. Despite Marx's call for the workers of the world to unite, communism has never been a working class movement. Its strength is in the intellectual and thought centers of the world.

Communism is commonly believed to rise out of poverty. Yet Fidel Castro was a product, not of the cane fields of Cuba, but of the halls of Havana University.

Joseph Stalin was not a simple peasant rebelling at the oppression of the Czar. He became a communist while studying for the priesthood in a Russian Orthodox seminary.

Dr. Cheddi Jagan, communist premier of British Guiana, became a communist, not as an "exploited" worker on a plantation of a British colonial colony, but as a dental student at Chicago's Northwestern University.

The membership of the first Communist spy ring uncovered in the U.S. Government was not spawned in the sweat shops of New York's lower east side or the tenant farms of the South. Alger Hiss, Nathan Witt, Harry Dexter White, Lee Pressman, John Abt, Lauchlin Currie and their comrades came to high government posts from Harvard Law School.

The Senate Internal Security Subcommittee's *Handbook for Americans* delves into why people become Communists. It says:

A trite explanation offered by the ill-informed is that communism is a product of inequalities under our social system. Hence, these people argue, if we will alleviate these conditions, we will never have to worry about communism.... The misery theory of communism runs contrary to actual facts in our country. New York State, for example, has approximately 50% of the total Communist Party membership. Yet it is second in terms of per capita income and per capita school expenditures... Conversely, Mississippi is lowest in the scale of Communist Party membership but is also lowest in per capita income.

The Senate committee comments on the facts, saying:

The misery theory of communism does not jibe with these figures nor with the fact that such wealthy persons as Frederick Vanderbilt Field, and prominent members of the Hollywood film colony, have been found to be members of the Communist Party. Indeed the misery theory of communism is exactly what the Communists would have us believe, in order to mislead us.

According to John Williamson, then organizational secretary of the Communist Party, USA, writing in the Party's top theoretical journal, *Political Affairs*, for February 1946, "71% of the Party in New York City consists of white collar workers, professionals and housewives."

Communism is a disease of the intellect. It promises universal brotherhood, peace and prosperity to lure humanitarians and idealists into participating into participating in a conspiracy which gains power through deceit and deception and stays in power with brute force.

Communism promises Utopia. It has delivered mass starvation, poverty, and police state terror to its own people and promoted world-wide strife and hatred by pitting race against race, class against class, and religion against religion. Treason, terror, torture, and Moscow-directed wars of "national liberation" spread communist "brotherhood, peace and social justice" around the world.

Communism is frequently described as a philosophy – but it is not a philosophy in which intellectually honest men can believe for long. It is a conspiracy in which hate-driven men participate.

Lenin confirmed this. In his important and authoritative work, *What Is to Be Done*, written in 1902, he set forth his views on the structure of the Communist Party, and said:

Conspiracy is so essential a condition of an organization of this kind that all other conditions....must be made to conform with it.

In other words, the philosophy of communism must be bent and twisted as needed to fit the conspiratorial needs of the situation.

There is much first-hand evidence that Communists quickly see through the fallacies of Marxism-Leninism but continue in the Party as blind believers, as conspirators against the established order, or for the personal power and privilege Party membership gives the select few.

Colonel Frantisek Tisler, former military and air attaché in the Czechoslovakian Embassy in Washington, D.C. defected from communism in 1959 and sought permanent asylum in America. A few months later he told his story to the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Tisler said:

I have not been a believer in communism for a long period of time, although in the early days of my association with the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia I was an ideological believer.

My initial disillusionment with communism in practice began to take place while I was attending Military Staff School in Prague. It was at this school that I witnessed many incidents which proved to me that communism in practice was greatly different from theoretical communism. I was exposed to numerous incidents where members of the Communist Party who were high-ranking officers in the Army took advantage of their position in order to obtain personal advantages and job security. The disillusionment which set in as a result of the excesses....began to shatter my faith in Marxism-Leninism.

This realization that communism was not an idealistic philosophy came while Tisler was still a relatively young student officer. He continued as a conspirator for ten years before he defected, rising in that time to a high ranking position in the Party and its international intelligence network.

What is the "philosophy" which traps the student intellectual and transforms him into a conspiring, conforming, never-questioning tool of the Communist Party? How are brilliant

young minds twisted to swear that "slavery" is "freedom", "dictatorship" is "democracy" or that "war" is "peace" – *and actually believe that it is so?*

Karl Marx compounded the theories which "explain" all the contradictions. He called it dialectical materialism. Marx, the 19th Century father of communism, was not a worker but a university-trained intellectual with a doctorate in philosophy. Although his ideas have had a deep impact and lasting effect on the intellectual world, he was not an original thinker. Marx concocted dialectical materialism by blending Feuerbach's atheistic materialism with Hegel's theory that everything in nature is in a state of constant conflict. In its simplest form, dialectic materialism teaches:

All people and things in the universe and the universe itself are simply matter in motion. As matter moves, opposites attract. When the opposites come together, **conflict results and from the conflict comes change.**

With this theory, Marx explains the origin and development of the universe, everything in it, and all life. Man, plants, animals, and their world are all products of "accumulated accidents." Ignored is the creative force which produced the first "matter" and made it "move" and develop in an orderly way. This First Mover and Great Planner, we know as our Creator, God.

Marx applied his theories of conflict and change to society. Human beings were arbitrarily divided into two classes (opposites). The bourgeoisie (propertied classes) were considered the degenerate class. The proletariat (unpropertied wage earners) was the progressive class.

Communism teaches that a state of continual conflict or class warfare exists between the two groups. In this conflict, according to dialectical materialism, the bourgeoisie will be destroyed. This **change** is "inevitable" and is defined by Marx as **progress**.

Scientific Socialism

Marx was a self-proclaimed scientist. His "scientific" theories explained the entire history of man and determined his future. They are to be used to transform man's nature. Being "scientists," communists have certain basic "scientific" laws which underlie their beliefs and teaching. They include:

There is no God. When communists deny God, they simultaneously deny every virtue and every value which originates with God. There are no moral absolutes, no right and wrong. The Ten Commandments and the Sermon On The Mount are invalid.

Accepting this concept of "morality" the communists teach that all is right which advances the cause of socialism. All is wrong which impedes its progress. For the communist, to lie, cheat, steal, or murder, is perfectly moral if it advances communism. Conversely, a communist who would refuse to lie, cheat, steal or murder to aid the socialist movement is immoral. In the words of Lenin:

We do not believe in eternal morality- our morality is entirely subordinated to the interests of the class struggle.

The second "scientific" law of communism follows the first logically. It is:

Man is simply matter in motion. As such, he is without soul, spirit, or free will and is not responsible for his own acts.

Marx taught that man was entirely an evolutionary animal, the highest animal form, without significant individual value or eternal life. Man is a body completely describable in terms of the laws of chemistry and physics.

The third "scientific" law, economic determinism, is to be the means for **transforming** man. It states:

Man is an economically determined animal. Qualities of human intelligence, personality, emotional and religious life merely reflect man's economic environment. The evil a man does is just a reflection of his environment.

After coming to this conclusion, Marx taught that the only way man could be improved or changed would be to change or eliminate the evil-producing elements in man's environment. He reasoned that the one common influence in man's life was the economic environment. Mid-19th Century Europe's predominant economic system was a rough-and-tumble combination of feudalism, mercantilism, and free enterprise. Marx called it **capitalism** and blamed it for all evil in man and the world. He concluded that the only way to eliminate evil and improve man was to destroy capitalism. Marx taught that this was both desirable and historically inevitable because the continued conflict between the classes had to produce **change**.

The inevitable outcome of the class war, according to Marx, was the triumph of the proletariat in a revolution which would destroy a decaying capitalism and replace it with socialism. Under socialism, the dictatorship of the proletariat (Communist Party) would work towards the establishment of communism.

Marx taught that once the material needs of man were satisfied, greed, profit-taking, avarice, and hate would disappear. The State would wither away. There would be no laws or need for a police force. A heaven on earth would result. Man's nature would be magically transformed. Each would work according to his ability. Each would desire to receive only according to his needs.

To reach this goal, the proletariat must achieve control of the entire earth, Marx taught. All poisoning traces of capitalism must be eliminated. In practice, as the communists conquer a country, and if they conquer the world, they are left with those people raised in a capitalist environment. It has formed their character and personality. They will transmit the "illness" to their children. Being materialist "scientists" the communists do not hesitate. All the "animals" infected with the "disease" of capitalism and freedom must be exterminated. To the communists, this is not murder. Murder means killing for bad reasons. They will kill the bourgeoisie class for a "good" reason, the establishment of world communism. The "end" justifies the "means."

The communists, therefore, are not interested in converting you, the reader, to communism, particularly if you are over 30 years of age. ***If you can be lulled into doing nothing to oppose the triumph of world communism, that is enough.*** Once the takeover comes, you, like millions of others, who believe in God and man's responsibility for his own life and actions, can be slaughtered like diseased animals or worked to death in slave labor camps or brothels for the Red Army.

The communists are after your children or grandchildren who can still be molded into obedient slaves of the State.

Gus Hall, General Secretary of the Communist Party, USA, told Americans what to expect when the communists take over. Speaking at the funeral of Eugene Dennis in February 1961, Hall said:

I dream of the hour when the last Congressman is strangled to death on the guts of the last preacher – and since the Christians love to sing about the blood, why not give them a little of it.

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