

STATE & REV.
(SEL. WKS V pp. 3-113)

Preface---imperialist war///accelerated....transformation of
mon. cap. into STATE MONOPOLY CAPITALISM

I --Class Society & the State

- 1) state as product of irreconcilable class antagonisms
- 2) special bodies of armed men, prisons etc. vs SELF ACTING ARMED ORG.
- 3) state as instrument of exploitation
- 4) Withering Away of State--Dialectics & Eclectics

II--State & Rev, 1848-51 (CM--"abstract"; 18th Brumaire--"concrete")

- 2 institutions most characteristic of centralised state power that is peculiar to bourg. society in per or fall of absolutism:
- 1) BUR.)
- 2) STANDING ARMY

III-S & R--1871 1) Where Lay Heroism of Communards--smashing state machine

- 2) What is to supersede it--prol. orgd as ruling class
- 3) Abolition of parliamentarism--
- 4) National unity against bourg. military bur. central.
- 5) Abolition of parasitic state & its replacement by POL. FORM AT LAST DISCOVERED*COMMUNE

IV--Supplementary Explanation 1) Engels Housing Ques 1872

2) Controversy with Anarchists -1873

3) Letter to Bebel

4) Criticism of Erfurt

5) E's 1891 introd to CW in Fr.

p.63:(after planlessness ceases)

"Here we have what is most essential in the theoretical appraisal of the latest phase of cap., i.e., imp., viz., that cap. becomes mon. cap. The latter must be emphasized because the erroneous bourg. ref. view that mon. cap. or state monopoly capitalism is no longer capitalism, but can already be termed "state socialism" or something of that sort is very widespread. The trusts, of course, have not created, do not create now & cannot create full & complete planning."

Ch.V--The Economic Basis of the Withering Away"

p.92:"The ques. of control & acc'tg must not be confused with ques. of scientifically educated staff of engineers & agronomists &c on."

- 1) Mx's presentation of ques
- 2) Transition from cap. to com
- 3) 1st phase of communist soc.
- 4) Higher phase "

S & R, Cont.

VI--Vulgarisation of Marxism by Opportunists

- 1) Plekhanov's Controversy with Anarchists
- 2) KK's Controversy with opportunists
KK "SYSTEMATICALLY GRAVITATED TOWARD OPPORTUNISM PRECISELY ON THE QUEST OF STATE"

a) 1900-against Bernstein
b) 1902-Social Rev. ("there are enterprises that cannot be without bur", said KK, in reality. Workers will smash bur. apparatus. "THEY WILL NOT LEAVE A SINGLE STONE OF IT STANDING UP TO THE FORE")

ALL BUREAUCRATS
SO NONE IS

3) KK's controversy with Pannekoek
Under cap. democracy is mutilated by wage slavery "THIS IS WHY & THE ONLY REASON WHY . . . This is ESSENCE OF BUR."

L'S NOTEBOOKS ON MARXISM AND STATE JAN-FEB 1917 (cf. Letter to Kamnev, July 1917: "Entrez nous; if they do away with me, I ask you to publish my notebook "Mxism & the State" (lost in Stockholm). Bound in blue cover. Collected all quotations from M & E, precisely from KK against Pannekoek. There are some remarks & zamekot. Formulate. I think that the work can be gotten out in a week. Consider it important because it is not only Pl & K who have wandered. Conclusion: all this is absolutely entrez nous.)

- 1) E's letter to Bebel, 1875 "no longer a state"
- 2) Mx's Critique of Gotha Program -- "When in the course of dev class distinctions have disappeared & all prod has been concentrated in the hands of a VAST-ASSOCIATION OF THE WHOLE NATION, the public power will lose its pol. character"
- 3) Mx: Pov of Phil
- 4) THE CM ON THE STATE

VIL:

Selected Works.

I. Dev. of Cap. in Russ. "mission of cap."

II. What Is To Be Done

The 2nd Congress & Split
(Object to Plekhanov's Draft's as being
"characteristic of cap. in general" & not
of Russ. cap. & prol. & being "textbook"
instead of 2"fighting" program)

One Step Forward, Two Steps Back: The Crisis in
Our Party.

p.411 At the very outset Iskra in its announcement in
1900 which preceded the publication of that
paper declared that we MUST FIRST SEPARATE AND
THEN UNITE.

character of maj. of Congress not "accidental"

pp.461-6 Something about Dialectics

2 Revolutions

p.462: Our struggle cannot be understood unless a
study is made of the concrete situation in each
battle. When we have done that we shall find that dev. does
actually proceed dialectically, by way of contradictions

p.463: process in all its concreteness.

The fundamental thesis of dialectics is:
there is no such thing as abstract truth, truth is always
concrete.

Q p. 466

ground down by slave labor to cap

III. 1905--Two Tactics of S-D in the Democ. Rev.. Agrarian Ques.
The Party in the Per of the Rev., pp.431-519

His. Meaning of the Internal Party Struggle
in Russ., pp.499-518
End of 1910

eco. content of the Russ. Rev.--eco. conditions
of Rev. of 1905 brought the prol. into hostile
rels. with the liberal bourgeoisie

school of cap. bourgeoisie vs. school of cap.-ism.
ques. one of overthrow of hegemony of
liberals over peasantry...

IV--Yrs. of Reaction (1908-11)

8/1910 Notes of a Publicist pp.26/71

objective causes of lack of unity rooted in peculiarities
of present per. of BOURG. dev. in Russia,
"the per. of bourg. counter-rev. & attempts by the
autocracy to reorg. itself on the model of a
bourgeois monarchy.....are indissolubly linked
up with ch. changes in the character of the labor
movement....bourg. influence over
prol. ~~kekmgxxbaxx~~. create liquidations & otzovism

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The New Faction of Conciliators or the Virtuous, pp.82//LT only one
who gave conciliationism a theoretical foundation

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IV, Cont. -Yrs. of Revival -NQ, 1908-14

Violations of Unity Over cover for Unity--

May 1916

(Collapse of August Bloc)

pb wing of SD reveals itself as
Economism, (1896-1903), continues as
Menshevism (1903-08) &
"Liquidations" (1908-14)

V--Imp.

War, Rev. Crisis & Tactics of Party

Collapse of the 2nd Int.

Imp & the Right of Nations to S-D

VI--Feb. Rev.--Letters from Afar

Report delivered at April Conf.

pp. 88-105

p. 90: "Our task is to help those who are lagging behind us, the Soviets are important NOT AS A FORM; what is imp. is the classes the Soviets represent."

Imp. from point of view of Marxism means not one country but world analysis

p. 99. As far back as 1891, i.e. 27 yrs ago when the Germans adopted their Erfurt programme, Engels maintained that cap. could no longer be regarded as planless.... Monopoly has in general has evolved into state monopoly. Objective conditions show that the war has accelerated the dev. of cap. which advanced from cap. to imp., from monopoly to state control."

Speech in favor of Res. on Pol. Situation, May 1917

"Up to the war there were monopolies, trusts, syndicates; since the war we have had state monopoly."

Changes in Programme/ On the Road to October.

Oct. Rev. & Its Significance

(pp. 332: (Mar. 1918) "We must raise the ques. of piece work & apply & test it in practice; we must raise the ques. of applying much of what is scientific & progressive in the Taylor system.... The Taylor system, the last work cap. in this respect, like all cap. progress, is a combination of the subtle brutality of bourgeois exploitation & no. of its greatest scientific achievement in the field of analysing mechanical motions during work, the elimination of superfluous & awkward motions, the working out of correct methods of work, the introd. of the best system of the best system of accdg. & contd.

Left Childishness: p. 365: in 1918 two unconnected halves of soc. existing side by side like two future chickens in the shell of int. imp.

p. 378: a person unlike the present man in the street

VIL:Selected, XI

1914-July-Nov. KM

& again (p. 37) contacts of
class struggle VIL con-
trasts "vulgar conception
evolutionists" who see only
slow changes to
dialectics

Hegelian dialectics is contrasted to evolution "the idea of dev." as being "far richer in content than the current idea of evolution" as "a dev. by leaps, catastrophes, revolutions".

p.28: "The 3rd vol. of Cap. solves the problem
of the formation of the av. r of p on
the basis of the law of value."

p.30: "Further the equalisation of profit in all branches of industry & nat. eco. in general PRESUPPOSES COMPLETE FREEDOM OF COMPETITION & the free flow of cap. from one branch to another. But the pvt. ownership of land creates monopoly, which hinders this free flow....the landowner BEING A MONOPOLIST can keep the price above the av. & this monopoly price engenders absolute rent."

MONOPOLY is thus contrasted to competition and freedom to absolutism; so far as industry is concerned VIL still uses expression "large scale prod., cap. cartels, syndicates & trusts" and this gigantic increase creates "chief material foundation for the inevitable coming of Soc.", whereas proletariat is not an eco. but an intellectual force, thus "THE INTELLECTUAL & MORAL DRIVING FORCE THE PHYSICAL EXECUTANT OF THIS TRANSFORMATION IS THE PROL. WHICH IS TRAINED BY CAP. ITSELF."

(p.34). And same page (34) NB NB NB
Handwritten note: "The socialisation of production is bound to lead to the conversion of the m of p into the property of society, to the 'expropriation of the expropriators'....

Finally, p.38 Br. "monopoly" demoralizes workers and AS LONG AS THIS MONOPOLY lasts we will have a "bourgeois proletariat". Opportunism.

In His. Destiny of Mex's Doctrine, Mar.1913, where VIL divides his.
in 3 per.: 1848 1871 since 1905

"The Paris Commune (1871) completed this dev. of bourgeois reform; the rep., i.e., the form of state org. in which class rela. appear in their most unconcealed form, had only the heroism of the prol. to thank for its consolidation."

1872-1904--peaceful character which creates opportunism: "The opportunists interpreted the per. of preparation of forces for the great battles as a renunciation of these battles". The improvement in the position of the slaves for the struggle against wage slavery they rep. as the necessity for the slaves to sell their right to liberty for a mass of pottage."

From H's of Labour Press in Rus, Apr. 1914
divides periods: 1825-61 (Nat-icm; lib.onrt; anarchist on
1861-95 (appearance of Mxism 1883)
1895-present (but fully only with
St.Petersburg strikes, 95)
1905-7 test of Bol.&Men.; Martov: prol. "to
assist bourgeois liberal democrats in their attempts to remove the
reactionary section of the possessing classes from state power...."
BOL. on the other hand exps to t^eSSAfSF balance be f^eld sh by consolidating

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VII: State & Rev.
Prol. Rev. & Renegade Kautsky
Immediate Tasks, etc. (p. 2MS)
Left Wing Childishness

VIII--Speeches.

& Changes in Party program
to a man, p. 334

IX--TU debate

NEP

Socialist labour

X--Int.

XI--Marxism--

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Revisionism, 1908 incl. from the left (rev. syndicalism)
ideological struggle of rev. Marxists against

rev.-ism prelude to great rev. battles

AS LATE AS MAY 1914, in article on The Ideological Struggle in the
Lab'r Movement "VIL speaks of opportunism
in Rus. rather than other countries: "Of all
cap. countries, Rus. is one of the most backward, the
most p.b. It was therefore not fortuitous but
inevitable that the mass movement of the
wkr.s. should have engendered a p.b., opportunist
wing within this movement."

CONTRAST TO: IMP. & THE SPLIT IN SOC., AUTUMN 1916

XII* Cap. in Agriculture, incl. Data on Am. NB Himler=Sukhanov

Coll. Wks, XIX,

Aug. 1916, Junius pamphlet:

nat. war tr. into imp. & vv
p. 203 "Or ~~the~~ fundamental proposition of Mxian
dialectics is that all boundaries in
nature & soc. are conventional & mobile, that there
is not a single phenomenon which cannot under
certain circumstances be transformed
into its opposite...."
(dif. bet. sophistry & dialectics: concrete)
otherwise it can serve as bridge to
sophistry)

CONCRETE CONCRETE CONCRETE

Oct. 1916--Caricature of Mxism & Imp. Economism

"imp. economism which is a monstrous a
caricature of Mxism as complete a failure
to understand the rel. bet. soc. & dem. as
was the economism of 1894-1902..."

Mxism&Revisionism, 1908--

"The revived int. org. of the labour movement---
in the shape of periodical int. congresses--from Marx" p.704

In the 90s struggle within Mxism.

1st PER.

"cartels & trusts ... aggravated anarchy of prod."

Ideological Struggle in the Labour Movement, May 1914

1895 1st est. inseparable connection of S-D
with labor movement and "IMMEDIATELY began
an ideological struggle between the trends
in Mxism." (Eco.) vs. Iskra-ists, then

1903-8 Bol.&Men

1908-14--Liquidators against Mxists.
attributes opportunism to BACKWARDNESS & P.B. character of Russi.s

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Imp. & the Split in Socialism, Autumn 1916

"The substitution of mon. for free comp. is the fundamental eco.
feature, the QUINTESSENCE of imp." MON. MON. MON.

NB NB 2nd the difference bet. the democ. republical & the reactionary
monarchist imperialist bourgeoisie is obliterated.
precisely because they are both ROTTING ALIVE.....

p.749 p.750: "The tremendous SOCIALISATION of labour by imp. (what the
oppologists--the bourgeois economists--call
'interlocking') means THE SAME THING."

"Kautsky divorces imperialist politics from imp. economics,
he divorces (MON. POLITICS FROM MONOPOLY IN ECOS)."....

p.764: "Neither Mx. nor Engels lived to see the imp. epoch of world cap.,
which began not earlier than 1898-1900. But it had been a peculiar
feature of Eng. that even in the middle of the 19th century she
already revealed at least 2 outstanding characteristics of imp. 1)
vast colonies, 2) MONOPOLY profit....

p.757: "Imp. is monopoly cap. Every cartel, trust, syndicate,
every giant bank is a monopoly."

p.758: "Eng. enjoyed a monopoly that is why opportunism
could prevail in Eng. for decades for decades

p.782 ESSENCE OF MXIST TACTICS TO GO TO THE "LOWEST MASS"