

The Bolsheviks & the WW by Gankin & Fisher

LENIN: THE RISE & FALL OF THE SECOND INT.

2nd Int. - July 1889 in Paris - result of German SD & followers of Guesde

1891, Brussels & (1892 ERFURT PROGRAM)

1893, Zurich - disturbance from anarchists who substitute

general strike for pol. action

1896 - London - anarchists expelled

1900 - Paris, ISB est. with headquarters at Brussels,

REVISIONISM ISSUE. (PRIOR to that, 1899, Bernstein

published his challenge; and Millerand entered ministry. KAUTSKY & BEBEL introduce Centrist Res. considering that a tactical, not a principled ques., passes 29-9 over Guesde's demand for unconditional condemnation of ministerialism.

strengthening of Rt wing & centrists in 2nd Int. EXCEPT

1907 - Stuttgart, 4 amendments endorsed by

RL, Martov, Lenin to Bebel's Resolution on

militarism passed (128-108, with 10 abst.)

1910 - congress at Copenhagen (Lenin defeated on

significance of int. labor movement of rising

opp. to militarism.) (Bul) approved RL's motion

on use of general strike

1912 - Basle

1914 - Collapse

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Geneva section of Bolsheviks on Lenin's Thesis, Letter of Karpinsky to VIL, 9/27/14: "Int. is undergoing a difficult crisis, it has suffered an ideol-pol. collapse, if you like, but

ON ONE QUESTION ONLY, the military ques....

So far no one, anywhere, or at any time, has declared the "fatherland to be in danger" to that extent.... (147)

1915 - Reply of (LT) to letter of GC on call for Conf. Furthermore, under no condition can I agree with

your opinion, which is emphasized by a res. that Russia's defeat would be a 'lesser evil'. This opinion represent a funda-

mental connivance with the pol. methodology, of social patriotism.... (-p. 170)

(what is necessary is a) "rallying of all int'ists REGARDLESS of their group affiliation or of the TINGE of their int'lism." (praises

Chkheidze's speech in Duma)

2/23/ 1915: Bukh's Thesis on Tasks & Tactics of Prol. (p. 187

NB Oct. 1916) begs L "not to force a split" (p. 217)

NB: 15 point platform: "10. The collapse is explained not so much by the treason of the leaders as by the objective causes of CHAUVINIST CONDUCT OF THE MASSES, by causes which have their roots in the conditions of the prol. struggle in the past epoch.

"11. These conditions by the very dev. of cap society in an epoch of finance cap. in an epoch of wars & internal shocks, are becoming matters of his."

L p. 223 speaks of "The scornful attitude of imp. economism toward democracy..." & then

p. 225: "Imperialism is highly developed cap. Imp. is progressive. Imp. is a repudiation of demc; "hence", demc is impracticable under cap.

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p. 226: "Cap. in general, imp. in ~~general~~ particular, transforms democ. into an illusion--and at the same time cap. generates democratic tendencies among the masses.////// (Rev. cap. ~~is achieved without~~) DEMOC. ORG. OF THEIR RANKS.

"soc. cannot be realized except THROUGH the dic. of prol. which combines force against bourg--the min. of the pop.--and a COMPLETE leg. of democ.---of the ENTIRE mass of the pop. in all the STATE affairs & in all complicated ~~aff~~ problems of liquidating cap."

GIVEN cap. society

civil war for soc. not only down of imp. war but CONNECTION bet. our struggle against war & struggle against opport n'ism/ no, w. against bourgeoisie is "a war DEMOCRATICALLY org'd."

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NEBUKARIN 12.1/1916 THE IMP. PIRATE STATE

p. 236: "The state is an imp. concept..."

p. 237: "The power of arms & murder has thus become brazen law of the state, of every form of state without exception

p. 238: "The indiv. cap. has become an associated cap-ist. a collective ownership by cap-ists.....

So there comes into being a single, all-embracing org., the modern imp. pirate state, an omnipotent org. of bourgeois dominance, with innumerable functions...

p. 239: "The present war has shown how deeply the roots of STATEHOOD have penetrated into the souls of the wksr...."