

Browderism Resorts to 'Police' Propaganda

The attention of the Daily Worker has been called to a document in the form of a mimeographed dialogue purportedly between two members of the Communist Party. The purpose of this document is to undermine the unity of the Party by sneers, at the record and leadership of Comrade Foster. The tone is quite like the kind of documents smuggled into the working class movement by agent provocateurs.

The trick of the document, obviously inspired by supporters of Earl Browder, is to confuse the unwary with arguments of this type: America wants peace; America is imperialist; therefore, America cannot have peace so long as it is imperialist. But why then does the Communist Party fight for peace? The "solution" to this "riddle," as given by the anonymous stupidities of the Browder propaganda, is that American imperialism cannot be as bad as the Communist Party says it is. The hope for peace can only be based on assuming a "progressive"

American imperialism. If American imperialism is reactionary in its aims, then all is lost, since the working class can have no hope of effecting the course of events.

This Browderite rubbish is expressed in a typical quotation: "I know that war is not inevitable; but it is inevitable unless imperialism is defeated. I know that revolution and socialism will be the result of another war, but we are going to prevent that war and march forward to Socialism."

This is supposed to be a devastatingly crushing piece of Browderite sarcasm at the expense of the Communist movement. Actually, it merely echoes the stalest of police refutations of Marxism, long known to the working class and despised by it. For the essence of the above propaganda is that the struggles of the working class are meaningless, that in resisting the drive to war, the working class is engaging in a futile activity.

Other typical police ideas in that

propaganda are the notions that only by having war can the people win socialism, therefore, the people ought not to resist the drive toward war. The slavish dependence on the will of the capitalist class is always at the heart of this sort of propaganda. Ridiculing the struggles of the working class is its hallmark.

Browderism, the theory of the "progressive" nature of American monopoly, is daily refuted by events. But it's the disruptive activities that do not cease thereby. On the contrary, it is dedicated now to disrupt the working class party from within by every possible means.

One of these underhanded methods is the distribution of anonymous and distorted literature.

Members of the Communist Party will see in this anonymous kind of "underground" Browderite work within the party the hand of the class enemy and treat it as such.