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STUDY GUIDE FOR CIRCLE STRUGGLE ON PARTY BUILDING

(To be pursued in addition to the "Party Building Study Guide" of the BWC and the longer study guide by the BWC/PRRWO, Section IV, "Build A Genuine Communist Party-A Party of A New Type")

(1) The Marxist Leninist Basis for a Party of the Working Class

- FOUNDATIONS OF LENINISM, Stalin, Ch 1&2
- KARL MARX, Lenin, Vol 21 pg 43-74
- THE THREE SOURCES AND COMPONENT PARTS OF MARXISM, Lenin, Vol 19 pg19-28
- MARXISM AND REVISIONISM, Lenin, Vol 15 pg 29-39

(2) The Party of A New Type

- What are the six characteristics of the Party outlined by Stalin?
- Why is the Party of the working class unique in regard to program, tactics and organizational principle?

- FOUNDATIONS OF LENINISM, Stalin, Chp 8
- THE REVOLUTIONARY PROLETARIAN PARTY OF A NEW TYPE, Lenin, FLP, 1960
- *PEKING REVIEW, "Party Building Must Be Closely Linked With Its Political Line," March 23, 1973, #12
- WHAT IS TO BE DONE, Lenin, Chp 1, Section D
- RED BOOK, Mao Tse Tung, Chp 1 on The Communist Party

(3) Pre-Party and Early Development of the CPSU(B)

3 Major points?

- Historical roots of the CPSU(B): Communist League(Manifesto), St. Petersburg League, the struggles against the Narodnicks, opportunists, economists...RSDLP, Iskra...
- What were the steps to hold the first Congress
- Why must a Party of a New Type be a Bolshevik Party?
- Why was the CPSU(B) the application of the scientific principles of Marxism Leninism to the concrete historical conditions of the SU?

- HISTORY OF THE CPSU(B), Stalin, Chp 1,2, Conclusion
- WHAT IS TO BE DONE, Lenin, Chp II,III,IV
- VOLUMES 6&7, Lenin (Readings listed on separate xerox)
- LEFT WING COMMUNISM AND INFANTILE DISORDER, Lenin, Chp II,III,IV, X

(4) Development of the "C" PUSA

- What are the ideological origins of the "C" PUSA
- What is American Exceptionalism? Browderism?
- What were the steps/stages in the revisionism development of the "C" PUSA?
- How did the "C" PUSA's positions on the national question add the abolition of fractions reveal its failure to apply Marxism-Leninism to the concrete historical conditions of the US?
- What were the positive aspects in the early development of the "C" PUSA that we should learn from? Negative aspects?

- DIALECTICS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMUNIST LEAGUE, CL
- COMINTERN RESOLUTIONS (Xeroxed)
- A COMMENT ON THE STATEMENT OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE USA, FLP, 1963
- (We are still researching this topic for readings)

*Further HCPUSA
Gottard Program Critique*

- (5) The Need For A Genuine Communist Party of a New Type in the United States
- What is the relationship between the objective and subjective factors of revolution in the US today? How long has it been this way?
 - Why is Party Building the central task for communist today?
 - Why is the theoretical form of struggle most primary of the three forms of struggle in this period? When will this change?
 - In a pre Party stage, why must we both carry on the struggle for ideological unity and clarity and dig deep roots within the class?
 - Why is propaganda more important than agitation in this period?
 - What are the ideological and organizational origins of RU, OL, CL and the BWC? Who will form the New Party in this country?

Anti-Dühring

ALBANIA TODAY, "The Objective and the Subjective Factors in The
REVOLUTION, Janu-Feb 1973 (Xerox available)
FOUNDATIONS OF LENINISM, "Strategy and Tactics," Stalin
AN ANALYSIS OF THE CLASSES IN CHINESE SOCIETY, Mao Tse Tung, Vol 1, pg 13-23
WHAT IS TO BE DONE, Lenin, Chp 1, Section D
REFORM OUR STUDY, Mao Tse Tung, Vol 3 pg 17-25
WHERE TO BEGIN, PARTY ORGANIZATION AND PARTY LITERATURE, THE WORKING
CLASS AND ITS PRESS, Lenin, Progress Publishers
THE BLACK LIBERATION STRUGGLE, THE BLACK WORKERS CONGRESS AND PROLETARIAN
REVOLUTION, BWC
PEOPLES TRIBUNE, "Build A Class Party"-Build A Mass Struggle," March 1971,
"Build A Revolutionary Press, Build A Communist Party,
October 1971, (Xerox available)

- (6) Principles of A Communist Party of A New Type-How it Works
- What are the program, membership and organizational principles of the Party?
 - What is the relation of the Party to the masses, to different classes?
 - What is the responsibility of a Party member? Who is in the Party? Why?
 - What are the differences between a communist organization and a communist party?
 - Why will a communist party unite in order to disperse?

CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHINA, 10TH PARTY CONGRESS
CONCERNING QUESTIONS OF LENINISM, "The Party -Dict of Prolet.." Stalin Vol 8 p33
THE PROLETARIAN CLASS AND THE PROLETARIAN PARTY, Stalin, Vol 1 pg63-74
WHAT IS TO BE DONE, Lenin, Chp IV
THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY IN THE NATIONAL WAR, Vol II, pg 195-212
PEKING REVIEW, "Democratic Centralism in Party Committees," November 23, 1973,
#47; "Communists Should Work for the Interests Of
the Vast Majority of People," December 7, 1973, #49.
CONCERNING METHODS OF LEADERSHIP, Mao Tse Tung, Vol 3, pg 117-222
METHODS OF WORK OF PARTY COMMITTEES, Mao Tse Tung, Vol 4, pg 377-381
PRINCIPLES OF PARTY ORGANIZATION, Lenin, Vol 10, pg 163
LETTER TO A COMRADE ON OUR ORGANIZATIONAL TASKS, Lenin, Vol 16 pg231

In addition, Comrades are encouraged to study the history and development of the Party of Labor of Albania, HISTORY OF THE PARTY OF LABOR OF ALBANIA; and the Chinese Communist Party, COMMEMORATE THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHINA, FLP 1971, INTRODUCING THE COMMUNIST, Mao Tse Tung, Vol II, pg285-296.

(7) Steps Toward Building the Party in the US

- What does Lenin mean by a "definite line of demarcation"
- What level of ideological and organizational unity are we striving for in this period? Collectives? Circles? Organizations?
- Plans of the BWC for June
- The Congress to form a New Communist Party, Fall this year
- Continuations Committee
- How to prepare for the Congress
- Why is a tactical retreat necessary at this time? * *
- How is a program for the party developed? *
- What is our plan to strengthen our ideological development and dig deep roots into the class?

May 74
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Road to -?

** Stalin - strategy + Tactics

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

- 1/ PARTY WORK IN THE MASSES, Lenin, Progress Publishers
- 2/ LENIN ON THE ORGANIZATIONAL PRINCIPLES OF A PROLETARIAN PARTY, Novosti Press
- 3/ OUTLINE HISTORY OF THE CPSU, Popov
- 4/ Available papers from the Continuation Committee on Party Building:
 - "What Kind of A Party Is The Party of A New Type"
 - "Party Building. Where We Base Ourselves!"
 - "The Continuing Struggle Against Opportunism"Also a study guide: BURNING QUESTIONS OF PARTY BUILDING
MARXIST LENINISTS UNITE!
- 5/ Regarding revisionism:
 - LENINISM AND MODERN REVISIONISM, FLP 1963
 - THE PARTY OF LABOR OF ALBANIA IN BATTLE WITH MODERN REVISIONISM, Naim Frasherri Publishing House, Tirana 1972
 - AN HISTORIC VICTORY OF MARXISM-LENINISM OVER REVISIONISM, Tirana 1971

"Leninism is Marxism of the era of imperialism and the proletarian revolution. To be more exact, Leninism is the theory and tactics of the proletarian revolution in general, the theory and tactics of the dictatorship of the proletariat in particular."
FOUNDATIONS OF LENINISM