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## **Committee for a Leninist CPUSA**

"A Specter is haunting USA – the Specter of Communism; why not?"

By Daniel Paquet

'States can no longer satisfy an advanced society's complex demands for health care education and personalized retirement planning' "— a strong and telling statement about the capitalist state from Anatoly Kaletsky, editor-at-large of *The Times* magazine; (reprinted in the Australian communist paper *The Guardian*, on

October 12<sup>th</sup> 2010, Ed.). [...] (Photo Internet: Canadian communists protesting against capitalism)



He defines these transformations of capitalism in terms of the relationship between government and 'markets', the latter meaning private enterprise. [...]

He fails to mention several decades of income tax cuts for the rich and the corporate sector of the billions of dollars lost to the public purse from the profits of privatized enterprises. [...]

US military spending, direct and indirect, consumes anything from 38 to 50 percent of tax revenues. It has been growing at a rate of around

nine percent per annum annually since 2000. [...]

Anyone studying the recent performance of the markets—the financial sector in particular which manages private retirement's savings—could hardly have confidence in it! Pension funds in OECD countries lost US\$3.5 trillion in market value during the global financial crisis and are still to fully restore savings to their 2008 levels."

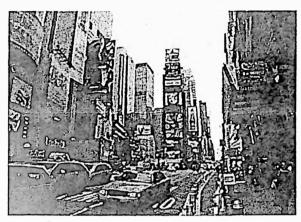
The Irish communist paper *Socialist Voice*, February 2011, in an article titled *Capitalism in the coming decades* follows on: "The Great Depression of the 1930s was an economic crisis that developed more rapidly and was more severe than the crisis of regulated capitalism of the 1970s. The latter developed slowly, with problems appearing from the late 1960s, when the international rate of profit began to decline. Crisis broke out only after 1973. Recent experience is consistent with this crisis trajectory. [...] If popular movements remain weak and are unable to influence the restructuring, then big capital will determine the course of restructuring. Big business will regulate the economy through the state, reinstating the stability and profitability of capitalism and allowing accumulation to continue over a lengthy period. [...] At the minimum this would require a stronger trade union movement (or, in the absence of that, a leftist or populist political movement)..."

## The reactions

Things are upside down within the Communist Party USA; the party should be in the forefront of the battles, like in the State of Wisconsin. But the General Secretary of the workers' organization, Sam Webb, is busy fancying. One has to read his last piece of 'literature': <a href="http://politicalaffairs.net/a-party-of-socialism-in-the-21st-century-what-it-looks-like-what-it-says-and-what-it-does/">http://politicalaffairs.net/a-party-of-socialism-in-the-21st-century-what-it-looks-like-what-it-says-and-what-it-does/</a>.

Almost everywhere around the world, communists are dumbfounded: "but what is going on in America?" For instance, a Canadian communist, Tim Pelzer, once writer at the US communist party, *People's Weekly World*, before it was liquidated, about one year ago, writes: "I just read Sam Webb's article in the PA (*Political Affairs*, the theoretical journal of the CPUSA, Ed.), and found it dismaying. Apart from being too wordy and contradictory, it does not offer any new approaches. [...] It entrenches the failed policy of working within the Democratic Party for change and using the Internet to exclusively build the party. It promotes the misleading view that Obama is some kind of progressive president committed to change but

is being blocked by the Republicans. [...] I can assure you that comrades in Canada, including the leadership, oppose the CPUSA's rightwing drift. [...] The Party here has no illusions about Obama." (Our italics, Ed.)



A prominent member of the CPUSA, Dr. Angelo D'Angelo from New York, underlines that: "One of our goals for a renewed CPUSA must be to firmly repudiate the American Exceptionalism which has been the fig leaf for so many right opportunist errors." (Photo Internet: New York City, USA)

Life is no more that rosy in USA. Just take for instance the struggle of the Wisconsin State employees. "Rallies. Crowds spilling into the streets. Seas of people marching together in solidarity. Every day this week, nonstop. This isn't happening in Egypt... but in Madison, Wis. Schools are closed. Workers, high school and college students, community members, religious groups and concerned citizens have dropped their daily lives to rally against Gov. Scott Walker's Draconian attacks on middle-class (sic) jobs and his proposal to strip Wisconsin teachers, nurses, social workers and other public employees of their collective bargaining rights. (The union is misleading the readers while avoiding acknowledging that as a true matter of facts those people belong to the working class and not to the petty bourgeoisie, or the middle classes like the bourgeois pundits prefer to describe some working people strata).

Walker's immediate attack is aimed directly at some 200,000 public workers —but the brave men and women taking to the streets come from every walk of life and recognize that all working people —public and private sector- are in jeopardy. And they know that if we don't all speak out and stand together, we'll all be targets. [...]

Gov. Walker crossed a line with this Draconian plan, followed by an announcement that he had alerted the National Guard to be ready in case workers strike or rise in protest. The last time the National Guard was used against public workers was the Postal Workers strike in 1970. The last time the Guard was called out in Wisconsin to quell a labor dispute was the 1934 Kohler strike by the UAW (United Auto Workers, Ed.)." (www.aflcio.org)

No wonder, that a courageous member of the CPUSA, John Carter, decided to call upon the World Communist Movement for help, and addressed a

letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Greece (KKE) where he stated that he is "one of the growing number of comrades who are engaged in actively resisting the right deviation that, as I think you will see, is threatening to liquidate the CPUSA as a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist party of the working class". (He referred to the above quoted Sam Webb's article in PA).

## (Logo Internet: The Communist Party of America, US Section of the KOMINTERN)

"It must be seen as the culmination of years spent undermining the democratic centralist structure of our Party, of tailing the bourgeois capitalist parties, of allowing critical mass organizations to fall apart, of the liquidation of the print edition of the

Party newspaper, of systematic failure to recruit new cadre, and of shameful neglect of the critical role of theoretical development."

Comrade Carter concluded his e-mail, convinced that the intervention of the KKE, backed by its considerable and ever growing prestige, "can be the catalyst for a movement to return the CPUSA to its Marxist-Leninist bearings. You all know that at a similar moment in the history of the CPUSA, [...] it was the comradely intervention of Jacques Duclos and the Communist Party of France that helped honest Communists here in the US regain their Party." La Vie Réelle in English invites all its readers and friends to support comrades from USA and write to John Carter at: <a href="mailto:tantivy@live.com">tantivy@live.com</a> or Dr. Angelo D'Angelo at: <a href="mailto:angelo4ny@aol.com">angelo4ny@aol.com</a>; or else if

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