

# Togliatti Sees Change Needed In Marxist Theory on State

Palmiro Togliatti told the Central Committee meeting of the Italian Communist Party in Rome over the weekend that the Marxist proposition that the working class cannot use the apparatus of the bourgeois state to build socialism is no longer valid. In his report, Togliatti also said that Soviet society is now being changed. Referring to the revelations about the violations of justice and democracy in the Soviet Union, Togliatti said:

## FINGERPRINTING CHILDREN



BRITISH RULE of Cyprus has led to executions, curfews, and now, even fingerprinting children. Here, a 13-year-old girl in the village of Pilatres is being thumb-printed.

## TWINING SEES TRAINING OF SOVIET JET DESIGNERS

MOSCOW, June 26.—U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Nathan Twining today saw Russian scientists test jet engines and teach student plane designers. He called it the "best day I've had so far" on his tour of Soviet air installations.

Twining and aviation experts from 28 other countries visited the Zhukovsky Air Engineering Academy and saw detailed work being done in engine fatigue tests and on aerodynamics problems. It appeared to newsmen the visiting airmen were receiving considerable information

about Russia's massive air might.

Among other things, the Academy gives a five-year course in aeronautical engineering.

A senior British officer said: "The Russians showed us things we would only show our closest allies."

The western officers were permitted to see hitherto secret radar equipment, including a radar-controlled gun turret similar to those used on heavy military planes. They inspected the new Soviet Mig-19, believed to be as fast as the American Super-Saber jet.

## Court Orders Jobs Restored to Coast Screened Seamen

SAN FRANCISCO, June 26 (FP). — Seamen screened by the coast guard will get their jobs back under an order by Federal

## Jew Takes Office As Mayor of Dublin

DUBLIN, June 26.—A Jew took office today as Lord Mayor of the Capital of Ireland.

City Councillor Robert Briscoe, 61, father of seven children, took over from outgoing Mayor Denis Larkin in a ceremony last night at the Mansion House.

The City Council elected Briscoe to the one-year post by drawing

city is now being changed. Referring to the revelations about the violations of justice and democracy in the Soviet Union, Togliatti said:

"There arises the question of what made such grave errors possible and why it was that around them there should have been created an atmosphere of consent and acceptance which almost imply co-responsibility on the part of those who today denounce the errors.

"From this arises the question not only of the necessary corrections but of guarantees against the repetition of similar errors."

In defending the proposition of

a peaceful, parliamentary transition to socialism Togliatti stressed the importance of the mass struggles of the working class.

Togliatti cited various situations which arise in transition to socialism. For instance, where several parties are collaborating while other parties exist and are outside such collaboration. He also cited one country (Yugoslavia) which is considering the elimination of parties as such as instruments for building socialism, Togliatti noted.

For his own country, Togliatti said, the search for the Italian way to socialism continues.

## EXCERPTS FROM SPEECH BY TOGLIATTI ON TRANSITION

Following are excerpts from Palmiro Togliatti's speech that refer to the transition to Socialism:

The construction of Socialist society constitutes a transitory period between the revolution that strikes down capitalism and the triumph of socialism and the passage to communism.

There can be discussion about how long could and should this transition period last, and it is equally evident that in the course of it there may be different forms of democratic development.

In the Soviet Union there have been different phases.

We cannot exclude, indeed we consider very likely, that in the Soviet Union, while political direction remains in the hands of the working class and its allies, democracy may and should be developed in a new way, but keeping its original characteristics.

First Marx and Engels and later Lenin, in developing the theory (of the dictatorship of the proletariat), affirm that the apparatus of the bourgeois state cannot serve to build a Socialist society.

The apparatus must be broken the state directed by the working class and replaced by the apparatus of the proletariat state—that is, of the state directed by the working class itself.

Does this position remain fully valid today?

When we in fact, affirm that progress toward socialism is not only possible by democratic means but also by using parliamentary forms, it is evident that we correct something in this position, taking

into account the changes that have come about and that are in course in the world.

And here there arises the question of the existence of different parties in a Socialist society and of the contribution that different parties can make to the advance toward socialism.

It is useless, and indeed idiotic, for people to tell us that our solidarity over the decades with the Communist Party of the Soviet Union means that we hold that everywhere in the world and in all situations the same things must be done as are done in Russia.

What has been done in the Soviet Union is not the model of what may can be done in other countries.

We admit without difficulty that in a society where socialism is being built there may be several parties, of which some collaborate in this construction.

We admit that the thrust toward profound transformations of a Socialist nature may come from different parties, which succeed in agreeing with each other in order to bring these transformations about.

The point can be reached and, if I am not mistaken, is now being discussed between the leaders of a great country today ruled by the Communists where parties themselves are extinguished as a result of the attainment of a unitary Socialist society.

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