

# DOOM OF TYRANNY SEEN BY BROWDER



Ex-Red Chief, in Lectures at Rutgers, Asserts He Now Is a Marxist 'Revisionist'

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NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Nov. 11—Earl Browder, head of the American Communist party from 1930 to 1945, now forecasts that "man will indeed triumph over the police state." He says this will be in part because of "the training in analytical thought" absorbed from Karl Marx.

Mr. Browder, ousted by the Communists in 1946 as a "right deviationist," made his prophecy in the course of lectures he has been giving since Nov. 4 in three courses in comparative economic systems at Rutgers University. The series ended today.

Based on a thirty-eight-page copyrighted mimeographed pamphlet, the lectures discussed mistakes in Marxism as Mr. Browder sees them. The 66-year-old former Communist leader says he was "not a conscious 'revisionist' when in 1945 I had that label fastened on me," but he concedes he is now.

Mr. Browder notes that the great spread of Marxism came with the 1917 revolution in backward Russia. This, he says, refuted "Marx's central thought" that socialism must be the product of modern industrial civilization and caused its "greatest theoretical crisis."

## Cites Hungary and Poland

"Today's aspect of this crisis," Mr. Browder goes on, "\* \* \* is seen in the upheavals in Hungary and Poland, in the exposure of Stalin's crimes, and in the fever-chart of the Russian-Yugoslav split.

"In China and Soviet Russia the crisis, not so aggravated by violations of national sovereignty, is more hidden but we presume equally deep.

"In practice it shows itself in the conflicts between socialist forms of organization and the unprepared, backward economies and cultures upon which they are imposed, resulting in huge human dislocations, and the consequent use of mass coercion for unprecedented ends.

"On the plane of thought, it is the crisis of theory which, not being equipped to handle such problems, leaves them perforce to the shifting expediencies of a pragmatism masked behind rigid dogma, all combining to brutally frustrate active minds and therefore to breed discontent and rebellion."

## Sees U. S. Misjudged

Lenin and other Russian Marxists expected the Russian Revolution to be only a prelude to revolution in more advanced countries, Mr. Browder writes. But this underestimated "the vitality of Western European capitalism," drawing upon American resources. Mr. Browder calls "misjudging America a chronic failing of Marxists."

Mr. Browder considers Marx wrong in his dogmas about the impoverishment of the people under capitalism and about wages being held down to subsistence levels. The United States, he says, became the world's richest nation while eliminating poverty "to a degree unknown elsewhere."

"High wages are the secret weapon that won first place for America in world economy," Mr. Browder says. High wages, he contends, put a premium on technological advance here. Actually, Marx himself, Mr. Browder argues, had evidence showing that there was a social element in wages beyond the subsistence level, furnishing an impetus to progress.

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Earl Browder, former head of the American Communist party, who completed his talks at Rutgers University.