
85 Heads of Communists Are Indicted by US Jury: Charge is “Conspiracy to Cause Armed Revolution”: Bonds Put at \$5,000

[events of Jan. 23-24, 1920]

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CHICAGO.— Chicago authorities Saturday [Jan. 24, 1920] rushed plans to bring to trial here 85 leaders of the Communist Party indicted by a Cook County grand jury late Friday [Jan. 23]. The charge is “conspiracy to cause an armed revolution in the United States.” Bonds are fixed at \$5,000 on each charge.

Among those named in the indictments were:

Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes, now out on bond pending appeal to the Federal Court of Appeals at St. Paul of her conviction by the Kansas City federal court on three alleged violations of the espionage act. She is a member of the Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party.

***Novyi Mir* Editor Included.**

Nicholas I. Hourwich, editor of the *Novyi Mir*.

Charles E. Ruthenberg, Cleveland, O., National Secretary of the Communist Party.

Louis C. Fraina, editor-in-chief of Communist publications.

Isaac E. Ferguson, chief counsel for the Communist Party, now under indictment in New York state for “criminal anarchy.”

Oscar Tyverowski, member of the national [Central] Executive Committee.

Harry M. Wicks, member of the national [Central] Executive Committee, convicted last spring in Seattle of "criminal anarchy."

Batt Among Them.

Dennis E. Batt, Detroit, named as "an active member of the party."

L.K. England, former mayoralty candidate in Moline, Ill., and Perry Shipman, both State Executive Committee members of the Communist Labor Party, against whom indictments were returned Wednesday [Jan. 21] were brought to Chicago Friday night [Jan. 23] after arrest in Moline. They were to be arraigned Saturday.

Other leaders who are to face trial are: John J. Ballam, Boston; A. Bittelman, New York; Maximilian Cohen, New York; Charles Dirba, Minneapolis; Daniel Elbaum, Detroit; K.B. Karosses, Philadelphia; Jay Lovestone, New York; Paul Petras, New York; John Schwartz, Boston.

Remainder of Chicago.

The remainder, who are said to be in Chicago, are:

Federation Secretaries: V.J. Andrules, Joseph H. Costrell, Leo Frankel, Fred M. Friedan, Gus Shklar, Felix Sokolowski, Peter Stankovich, E.N. Titus.

Local Secretaries: L. Andruzlievitch, Max Anikovich, U. Baltuskis, M. Berson, J. Bolociuch, Frank Bush, W. Byozowski, A. Chernia, Seve Dems, B. Fabritz, Joseph Falkner, A. Fendrusjewsky, N.S. Hanoka, Joe Hovart, A. Jendrowski, I.A. Kaplan, Joseph Kowalski, Paul Ladan, P. Riaga.

Delegates to the Communist convention held here in September [Founding: Sept. 1-7, 1919]: E. Balchumas, George Selakovich, D.W. Spiro, Peter Omelianowich, Boris Shklar.

Heads Russ Federation.

Members of Russian Federation: Nick Conrad, Michael Garfinkel, Michael Geusenber, Morris Gordin, A. Ivanoff, Dr. S.A. Kopnagel, Engelbret Preis, T. Kavaliauskas, I. Kirrstukos, D. Kruzich, A.I. Lapka, John Machulaitis, A. Marinin, S. Markewicz, J. Nemoff, M. Okman, Frank A. Pellegrino, Julius Polansky, Frank Pop, P. Pouzoulis, Floyd N. Richardson, M. Ruchlis, P. Schoenbrun, F.I. Semenchuk, Joseph Shafir, N. Smith, L. Spitnalix, Joseph Varna, Stefan Wegielsky, F. Wilant, J. Lampolsky, Mrs. E. Was, Katherine Lanz.

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