

50 Years November Revolution

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The main question of every revolution, the question of state power found its expression in the November Revolution as „Räte Power (i. e. councils of workers and peasants) or National Assembly“. The development of the councils in Germany influenced by the October Revolution and the broad sympathy of the anti-imperialist forces under the leadership of the working class forced the leaders of the SPD to accept the councils. On this way their revolutionary essence as organs of the masses authorized to take the whole political power should be overcome. The councils could have either become appendant to the bourgeois state power or they could have developed on the ruins of the old state power as revolutionary organs of power. An inevitable precondition for the victory of the power of the councils was the leadership of the Marxist-Leninist Party in the councils. This was positively proved by the October Revolution.

The leadership of the Marxist-Leninist Party is not only necessary in the struggle for the erection of a new state power but also after the establishment of the power by the working class. Today the imperialist bourgeoisie tries to influence the question of the Räte Power or National Assembly in the socialist countries by a gradual shift in the balance of powers in its own favour. This is realized by allegedly maintaining untouched the existence of the socialist state and the main attack is directed against the leadership of the Communist Party in the socialist state. Such „modern Marxists“ as Ernst Fischer support the Bonn government.

But just the leadership of the Marxist-Leninist Party guarantees

the state its socialist quality. The development of state and society in the GDR has been a proof for this.

The main question of the home policy in the November Revolution had its parallel in the foreign policy in the position of the class forces acting in Germany to the Soviet State. The forces of democracy and socialism in Germany developed their foreign political conception to establish fraternal relations to the Soviet Power simultaneously with their actions for a change of the power relations in the country. The forces of the German and foreign imperialism succeeded by the active support of the Social-democratic leaders in making the German state the spearhead against the Soviet Power. The result of this policy was the catastrophe of World War II. Today the Bonn government continues this policy by the help of the right-wing socialists. But through its existence the GDR is an invincible, opposing force that realizes the universal co-work and friendship with the Soviet Union corresponding with the principles of socialist internationalism. This is a decisive guarantee for the further growth of the GDR.

The first Soviet Constitution and the struggle of the German belt

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On July 10., 1918, the V. All-Russian Congress of the Soviets affirmed the constitution of the first socialist state of the world, the RSFSR. Precondition for the drafting and passing of the first Soviet constitution was the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat, were the