

POLICE CATCH BOLSHEVISTS

Twelve Men, of Various Nationalities, Seized on Queen Street West

LITERATURE IS FOUND

Calling itself "The Central Committee of the Communist Party" and professing as its object "to organize and prepare the working class in Canada for social revolution and to establish a dictatorship of the proletariat," a body of twelve men, four Americans, one Scotchman, two Austrians, one Polander, three Russians and one Italian, was arrested by the police at 553 Queen street west yesterday afternoon. Following up clues which for some time past had been in their hands, the local police, with Assistant Commissioner Codrin of the Dominion Police, made the arrest early in the afternoon without meeting any opposition. The prisoners were taken to No. 2 Police Station, where charges of "having objectional literature in their possession" were laid against them.

The names of the men are: Andino Volesriv, Italian, Grange avenue; Matvey Blashkow, Russian, 113 McCaul street; George Vishtak, Russian, 202 John street; Anthony Madwcki, Augusta avenue, Russian; Mark Rochyld, 334 Huron street, Pele; John C. Ford, American, De Grassi street; Ben Davis, American, Pape avenue; Thos. Jas. Bell, Scotch, Heward avenue; Chester Clarke, American, Wardell street; Herbert Hite, American, Logan avenue; Luke Barylsky, Austrian, Richmond street west, and John Bychuk, Austrian, Camden street.

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"The Revolutionary sections of the working class must take the lead in the class struggle against the bourgeois and by agitation prepare the mass of workers for a decisive struggle for the establishment of communism," reads literature found in their quarters. "This party platform entirely supports the communists in Europe, not only in words, but in actions, and we are determined to take the same action in Canada." After declaring that the time will come "for putting into practise our program" the propaganda states that it does not oppose strike methods; on the contrary there are limitations to such actions. It urges workers to turn to the "greater struggle for the abolition of capitalism, slavery, misery and degradation of workers with far greater force." "You machinists who made so many splendid guns for your masters to sell—why do you neglect to provide yourselves with them before you strike. If you had done this you would not have been at the mercy of a gang of policemen who are paid to guard your masters."

The leaflets, after painting in lurid terms the conditions under which the proletariat now exist, says that the time is ripe for revolution.

"The soldiers will not interfere with their brothers; they are tired of fighting for the capitalists," concludes one of the leaflets.