

and can triumph only on condition that the proletariat conquers the hegemony, the LEADERSHIP in respect to the peasantry and the oppressed nationalities and some of the ~~more~~ exploited elements of the small city bourgeoisie. But this is possible ONLY on condition that the vanguard of the proletariat, its CP, has a clear class line, independent of all hostile class influence.

One of the prerequisites for the victory of the bourgeois democratic revolution is the struggle against the petty bourgeois parties. We must recall the struggles of Lenin and the Bolshevik Party against the Social Revolutionaries and the Mensheviks and the rest of the petty bourgeois parties when the struggle for the bourgeois democratic revolution was going on. When the revolution of 1905 was taking place, the menshevik "theoretician" Martinov indicated the tasks of the proletariat and its party as follows:

"Organize the proletariat in an opposition party to the State of bourgeois democracy. And the best means for that is to develop the bourgeois revolution from below, by pressure of the proletariat on the democracy in power". In other words, in accordance with the petty bourgeois ideology of Martinov, it was not the task of the proletariat to take leadership of the revolution and lead it to its end, the socialist revolution, but to "follow" the bourgeoisie. Against this Menshevik position, Lenin indicated: "The revolutionary proletariat will take part in this revolution with all its energy, rejecting the miserable "tailism" (khvostism) of some and the revolutionary phrases of others, carrying ~~into~~ a clear class conception and consciousness into the raging torrent of the events, marching obstinately and bravely onward, without being afraid of revolutionary bourgeois dictatorship, on the contrary, wishing for it passionately, fighting for the republic and for real republican liberty, for serious economic reforms, with the aim of giving a vast field and really worthy of the XX century to the struggle for socialism"