

For Mexico is not on the verge of the social revolution – far from it. Mexico has secured a reputation for Bolshevism which it does not deserve. From a fundamental stand-point, Mexico may be said not even to possess a revolution mass movement, in spite of the ten years of revolution and counter-revolution. In fact, as already stated, Mexico is at the beginnings of primitive organization and education.

There is at the moment no social class in Mexico capable of wielding political power, not even the bourgeoisie, who rule because of the weakness of the other classes and through the power of foreign capital. Foreign capital, particularly American, rules the country – and this factor enormously complicates the struggle of the Mexican masses.

But aggressive mass struggles will shortly develop, so terrible are the conditions of work and life. What the results of these struggles will be, depends upon the progress of organization and education.

I suggest that you send a Russian comrade as your representative to Mexico, one capable of giving direction to the work and program of the party, since the party will need that. I do not know what is your present policy on finances, but if support is still to be given, I suggest that it be limited in the case of Mexico. Comrade Katayama and I somewhat misjudged the situation, imagining that the movement was larger or capable of being made larger than it is, and accordingly our plans were bigger than could be carried through and expenses were according. You will note that in Nov and December I reduced expenses considerably in comparison with previous months. I did this largely under the conviction that we had been working and spending on too large a scale. I left \$ 1115.00 with the new party, to be spent solely on pamphlets and the weekly paper.

It is indispensable that the party in the United States should be in close and intimate contact with the Mexican party, giving the Mexican comrades moral encouragement and a certain amount of direction. The Mexican comrades themselves desire this. But up until now, the American party has absolutely ignored our work in Mexico, both while Comrade Katayama was there and after he left. It is impossible to convey here an adequate picture of the American party's boycott and sabotage of our Mexican work, "but three facts will convey an impression:

- 1) Of four articles on Mexico and one on Central America which I wrote and sent to the Central Committee of the American party for publication, not one has been published, and I am informed by a comrade in touch with the C.E.C. that the C.E.C. does not intend to publish them – simply because I wrote them. These same articles have been published in other countries, in-