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This conference did not succeed. Why? We got the railroad workers into the Conference, the conductors of the auto busses, - about 3,000 workers, - and from some other industries, but in the workers center, none of the unorganized workers came, not because they have no confidence in us, but the police has made so many raids upon the workers center, for example the attack of February 20th. So the workers say, we will do anything, but we won't come to the Workers Center. Some workers did come, and we can say that a partial success was achieved. But at that moment, the police came asking whether the workers wanted a repetition of February 20th. Our unions remained, but the workers went away. I believe this was an attempt at a united front from below. This method was repeated in the preparations for the first of May.

Another conference was organized when the arrested workers were to be sent to the ~~the~~ Isle of Pines. We found that the workers have come to the conclusion that it is possible to organize a united front from below.

Now on the position of the Party itself. At the time of the unsuccessful strike and the beginning of the turn in the Party's policy, where one half of the Central Committee was hidden away awaiting the result of the strike, and the other half has openly passed over into the camp of our opponents, then Comrade Hova and two more comrades decided to liquidate the local committee of Havana, taking some of the trusted comrades and three more from the old Central Committee to form a Central Committee. For the last five years there has been no Party Convention, and even not a National Party Conference. The Central Committee, - as a result of many persecutions and resignations from the Party, ~~from~~ (if the Secretary does not agree with the policy of the Party, he resigns) has constantly changed its composition, and it is impossible for such a Central Committee to have the confidence of the membership. As long as work proceeds normally and the workers see that the Party carries on good work, and there is no opposition against the Central Committee, - then the Central Committee is the Central Committee, - but as soon as there is someone interested in undermining the authority of the Central Committee, it is very easy to undermine it.

The comrades knew that a comrade from abroad was there, and there was no opposition against the Central Committee, and the work was carried on well. There was some dissatisfaction, and whenever I could I would explain the situation and smooth matters over. I wanted to conceal the fact that I was leaving Cuba, but it was impossible, and now I have received a fourth letter from ~~the~~ Hova, stating that there is a struggle carried on against him and that the Central Committee is not a Central Committee. If nobody arrives there immediately the Party will be bankrupt. I am not so vulgar as to think that at my departure things will collapse. This is not the idea. But the comrades knew that somebody was there and therefore they had no arguments against the Central Committee. But when this person from abroad was no longer there, and since Comrade Hova is one that demands work, and so they resist.

On the question of the 20th of March, where we have censured the comrade who was responsible for the failure of the demonstration, - this resolution went to the units while I was still there, and nobody spoke against it, and now these comrades have something personally against Hova and are trying to get the nuclei to adopt a resolution saying that the Central Committee wanted a blood bath because they wanted to have a demonstration in Cuba. This goes to show that I personally had the ability to keep the Party together, but somebody from abroad will be able to do it.

Secondly, the greatest weakness is that as long as there are so many comrades with deviations, petty bourgeois influences, it is not very good to have at the head of the Party a young Polish comrade. In Cuba, they are used to leaders, - martyrs. These few students, Cotona and the rest of them, and all of those that have been coming to Cuba, with the idea that they would become Mellas. So we decided that Hova shall not be known as general secretary of the Party, that we have three comrades, and these three comrades are working collectively