

THE SAM DOLGOFF COLLECTION

Papers, 1907-1969

(Predominantly, 1922-1935)

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The papers of Sam Dolgoff were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in September and October of 1972 by Mr. Dolgoff and opened for research in July of 1983.

Born in 1902, Sam Dolgoff began working at an early age as an itinerant laborer in lumbercamps, steel mills and construction projects. He was involved in radical movements since the age of 15 when he joined the Socialist Party youth organization, later turning toward anarchism. His view of anarchism as a constructive social movement was influenced by his mentor Gregori Maximoff, a Russian anarchist. Using the pen name Sam Weiner, Dolgoff wrote widely in radical and anarchist periodicals. Two of his pamphlets are recognized as important critiques of American labor: Ethics and American Unionism (1958) and The Labor Party Illusion (1961). They are not included in this collection. He also served as a correspondent for a number of radical papers in Europe.

The papers of Sam Dolgoff which consist of pamphlets on anarchism, socialism and communism reflect his interest in and involvement with radical unionism and politics.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

Industrial Workers of the World Radical unionism
Communism

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Pamphlets and booklets on communism, socialism, and radical unions.

Non-manuscript materials

One copy of the newspaper The Industrial Worker received with the collection was removed and is available in the Archives Library.

Series I
Pamphlets, 1907-1969
Boxes 1-3

Pamphlets and booklets relating to communism, socialism and radical union movements. The bulk of the material covers the period of 1922-1935. Included is a substantial amount of publications from the Industrial Workers of the World. Files are arranged alphabetically by title.

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1. AFL and Industrial Unionism
2. A Forradalmi IWW (Hungarian ed.), Grover H. Perry
3. Anarchism - What It Is and What It Is Not, Joseph Labadie
4. Anarchy on Trial; Berkman and Goldman speeches, Jul 1917
5. An Economic Interpretation of the Job, Jun 1922
6. The Bloodstained Trail, Edward Delaney and M.T. Rice, Dec 1927
7. The British General Strike of 1926, Tom Brown, 1943
8. Building Construction - A Handbook of the Industry
9. Christmas in Prison
10. Coal Mines and Coal Miners
11. Communism - The Story of the Communist Party, Guy Aldred, 1943
12. Craft Unionism - Why It Fails
13. Crimes of the Bolsheviks, Ernest Riebe, 1919
14. Discorsi in Fabricca Sull' Economia Sociale (Italian ed.), Mary Marcy
15. Extracts from the 16th IWW Convention, Chicago, 1924
16. First Congress of the Red Trade Union International, 1921
17. A Guide to Spinoza, Will Durant
18. Hearst - Labor's Enemy No. 1, James Casey
19. Historical Catechism of American Unionism
20. History of "400" - Agricultural Workers' Organization
21. Hungarian Workers Revolution, c.1957
22. Industrial Autocracy, Mary Marcy
23. Industrial Unionism, 1936
24. The Inevitability of Communism, Paul Mattick, 1935
25. International Working Man's Association, 1933
26. Is Socialism Inevitable?, August Claessens, 1922
27. Italy After Mussolini, John Hewetson, 1945
28. The IWW, 1934
29. IWW - The Greatest Thing on Earth

Box 2

1. IWW Reply to Red Trade Union International, 1922
2. IWW Songs, 1928
3. The IWW - What It Is and What It Is Not

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4. The Last Best Hope On Earth, Harry Scherman, 1941
5. Lessons in Economics, C.H. Chapman
6. Libertarian Society
7. Life in the U.S. Army, Walter Trumbull
8. The Menace of Chemical Warfare, Arthur J. Gillian, 1932
9. Mother Earth, Jul 1917
10. Mutual Aid, Peter Kropotkin, 1945
11. The New Course, Leon Trotsky, 1923
12. The New Emancipation, Politicus, 1907
13. One Big Union
14. The Open Shop, Clarence Darrow
15. Our Labor Movement Today, Katherine Pollak, 1932
16. Reflections in Political Justice, William Godwin
17. The Revolutionary IWW, Grover H. Perry, 1916
18. The Roman Catholic Church and the Modern Age, F.A. Ridley
19. Shop Talks on Economics, Mary Marcy
20. Sit-Down, Joel Seidman
21. The Social General Strike, Tom Brown
22. So, You're Out of a Job, 1933
23. Spain, 1936-37, A. Souchy
24. State Socialism and Anarchism, Ben Tucker
25. The Story of the Sea - Marine Transport Workers' Handbook
26. Syndicalism, Earl Ford and William Foster
27. Tenant Farmer, Erskine Caldwell, 1935
28. The Tragedy of Spain, Rudolf Rocker, 1937

Box 3

1. Twenty-Five Years of Industrial Unionism
2. Unemployment and the Machine, J.A. MacDonald
3. What Is History?, J. Hampden Jackson, 1949
4. What is the IWW?
5. Why You Should Join the IWW
6. The Workers Opposition in Russia, A. Kolontay, 1921
7. World Labor Needs a Trade Union, F. Thompson, 1969
8. The World's Trade Union Movement, A. Losovsky, 1924
9. A World Without War, Walter Millis, 1961

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