Grigori Petrovitch Maximoff

Ukrainian Anarcho-Syndicalist Involved with the Bolshevik-Aligned Nabat

(1893 - 1950)

**Description**: Secretary of Russia's Anarcho-Syndicalist Confederation and editor of Golos Truda (The Voice of Labor). He experienced at first hand the Bolshevik repression which crushed other revolutionaries and subordinated popular revolt to party dictatorship. (From: AK Press Bio)

**Tags**: anarchist, anarcho-syndicalist, anti-bolshevik, writer, russian, nabat, hunger strike.

**Quotes**:

"Innumerable warehouses are filled with unsold wares, while other goods are destroyed so as to prevent a slump in market prices. Production comes to a standstill, unemployment increases, the destitution and political oppression of the people reach an unprecedented intensity, and bourgeois democracy turns into open dictatorship..." (From: "My Social Credo," by Grigori Petrovitch Maximov.)

"In the past, capitalism would have saved itself from deadly crisis by seizing colonial markets and those of agrarian nations. Nowadays, most of the colonies are themselves competing in the world market with the metropolitan countries, while the agrarian lands are proceeding in the direction of intensive industrialization." (From: "My Social Credo," by Grigori Petrovitch Maximov.)
"I believe that only a stateless form of society is compatible with human progress, and that only under such a form of commonwealth will humanity be able to attain full liberty, and therefore I am an anarchist." (From: "My Social Credo," by Grigori Petrovitch Maximov.)

**Biography:**

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Grigori Petrovitch Maximoff (Russian: Григорий Петрович Максимов; 11 November 1893, Mitushino Smolensk Governorate – 16 March 1950, Chicago) was a Russian-born anarcho-syndicalist who was involved in Nabat, a Ukrainian anarcho-syndicalist movement. Along with several other anarchists, he was imprisoned on 8 March 1921 following a Cheka sweep of anarchists in the area. After a hunger strike attracted the attention of visiting syndicalists, Maximoff was one of the 10 anarchists who were released from prison and deported.

Maximoff’s work was first published in the US by the Union of Russian Workers, an anarchist organization with nearly 10,000 members which had a substantial presence in New York City.

From: Wikipedia.

**Works:**

Author of Syndicalists in the Russian Revolution (December 31, 1969)

Author of Bolshevism: Promises and Reality (November 30, 1934)

Author of My Social Credo (December 31, 1969)

Author of Programme of Anarcho-Syndicalism (November 30, 1926)

Author of Russian Counter-Revolution (November 30, 1934)

**Chronology:**

**November 11, 1893**: Grigori Petrovitch Maximoff’s Birth Day.


Links:

• Anarchy Archives: G.P. Maximoff Archive
  http://dwardmac.pitzer.edu/Anarchist_Archives/bright/maximoff/index.html

• Anarchist Library: Grigori Petrovitch Maximov
  https://theanarchistlibrary.org/category/author/grigori-petrovitch-maximov

• Wikipedia: Gregori Maximoff
  https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gregori_Maximoff

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