

# Peter Arshinov

## Russian, Anarchist Revolutionary and Makhnovist Partisan

(1886 - 1937)

**Description :** In prison he met Makhno. Both Makhno and Arshinov were released in 1917 and Arshinov joined Makhno in the Ukraine when the Makhnovite Insurrectionary Army took control. (From : Anarchy Archives)

**Tags :** anarchist, russian, nabat, mahknovitsi, ex-bolshevik, red terror victim, emigre, labor unionist, political prisoner.

### Quotes :

*"The question for anarchists of all countries is the following: can our movement content itself with subsisting on the base of old forms of organization, of local groups having no organic link between them, and each acting on their side according to its particular ideology and particular practice?"* (From : "The Old and New in Anarchism: A Reply to Comrade Malatesta," by Peter Arshinov, Delo Truda, No.30, May 1928, pages 4-11, from LibCom.org.)

*"For the masses sense the futility of contradictory notions and avoid them instinctively; in spite of this, in a revolutionary period, they act and live in a libertarian fashion."* (From : "The Old and New in Anarchism: A Reply to Comrade Malatesta," by Peter Arshinov, Delo Truda, No.30, May 1928, pages 4-11, from LibCom.org.)

*"Libertarian communism cannot linger in the impasse of the past; it must go beyond it, in combating and surmounting its faults."* (From : "The Old and New in Anarchism: A Reply to Comrade Malatesta," by Peter Arshinov, Delo Truda, No.30, May 1928, pages 4-11, from LibCom.org.)

### Biography :

Arshinov was a metal worker in the Ukraine who joined the Bolshevik party in 1904

and became an anarchist in 1905 after the 1905 uprising. He was later imprisoned but escaped to France, returning to Russia in 1909 when he was caught smuggling arms from Austria. In prison he met Makhno. Both Makhno and Arshinov were released in 1917 and Arshinov joined Makhno in the Ukraine when the Makhnovite Insurrectionary Army took control. He was the leader of "Nabat", a confederation of anarchist organizations in the Ukraine. In 1921, Arshinov left Russia, but returned in 1936 and was executed in 1937.

From : Anarchy Archives.

### **Works :**

Author of The Two Octobers (November 30, 1926)

### **Chronology :**

**November 30, 1885** : Peter Arshinov's Birth Day.

**November 30, 1936** : Peter Arshinov's Death Day.

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- **Anarchist Library: Pjotr Arshinov**

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