Violence Weapon of Reds in the U.S.

The Commune in America is a story of violence. Communism in this country began during the industrial revolution. It was inspired by spiritual fanatics and the call to action by the workingmen to their ends. Communism has intermittently flared across the news pages of the nation in blood and violence and disaster. Here is its record.

The communist party in America still advocates the use of violence, notwithstanding its use of a free press and a democratic ballot to voice its feelings.

Labor Preyed Upon by Alien Fanatics

Police! and many of them hastened to the corner of Randolph street. Seven or eight companies of police, commanded by Inspector Bondfield, marched rapidly past the corner. Fieldsen saw them coming and stopped talking. Inspector Bondfield said in a loud voice, 'In the name of the law I command you to disperse!'

The crowd was rapidly dispersing. The police, marching slowly, were in line with the east-and-west alley when something like a miniature rocket suddenly rose out of the crowd on the east sidewalk. It rose about twenty feet in the air, describing a curve, and fell right in the middle of the street and among the marching police. It gave a red glare while in the air. The bomb lay on the ground a few seconds, then a loud explosion occurred, and the crowd took to their heels, scattering in all directions. The dynamite shell did terrible execution among the police.

Such was the feeling stirred up by the destructive doctrines of communism. Radical ideas, spreading in America for a decade or more before Haymarket, had prepared the stage for this first dramatic act in communism’s play.

The Knights of Labor, the independent trade unions, and the railway brotherhoods were all becoming impressive numerically and beginning to think of what they could do politically. The K of L, for instance, was...