

UNITED STATES MAY QUIT RUSSIA

UNLESS THE RUSSIAN REPUBLICANS AGREE TO CONFER WITH THE BOLSHEVIKI

HAS ENGLAND 250,000 BOLSHEVIKI?

ALLEGED LABOR LEADERS WOULD DISCREDIT GIGANTIC STRIKE

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AMERICAN POLICY IS NEEDED

Republican Senator Johnson Is Opposed to American Boys Settling Europe's Back-Yard Quarrels.

(Special United Press Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 29.—Senator Johnson today outlined the policy the senate progressives will demand that the government pursue.
It is: That the government bring home all American soldiers overseas; restore American democracy; restore free expression; get American business into normal channels; let American life, social and economic, be American again.
Johnson summed it up as follows: "It's time for an American policy."
The senator took issue with Senator Lodge, republican leader, on the recently announced foreign policy, which, by virtue of Lodge's position, has since been construed as the republican party's policy, and said: "Recently the republican leader stated with clarity and precision his views of our future policy. Johnson stated that he deemed it essential to create a number of small nations, 10 in all, and to include independence of Russia's six Baltic provinces, and that, in addition, we must take and hold ample security from Germany and Austria.
He said that he had no quarrel with the creation of new states, but quoted Lodge's statement that the United States must do its share in the occupation of German territory and helping to stabilize a new government, saying he couldn't "subscribe to this doctrine," and said that it would mean "maintaining these nations with American soldiers."

"I am opposed to the American boys policing Europe and quelling riots in every nation's back yard. America wants peace. Let's have peace and get out of Europe," said Senator Johnson.

MONEY TO FIGHT FLU IN ALASKA

(Special United Press Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 29.—The senate yesterday voted an appropriation of \$250,000 for the Red Cross to be used for the relief of the influenza situation in Alaska.

RUSSIA'S PEOPLE FIGHT INVADERS

Archangel, Jan. 30.—The American and allied forces operating south of Archangel evacuated Shegovarsk Monday and retired 10 miles to the northward. The bolsheviks continue to shell the American and allied positions at Tarasovo and Tulgas.

MONTANA WEATHER. Fair today and tomorrow; not much change in temperature.

BUTTE DISTRICT. Generally fair; colder.

MERCHANTS DECIDE TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST BUTTE'S "BLACK FLAG" SHEET

That the Butte Whiner, owned by a man named Clark, who bribed his way in the United States senate, is disloyal, seditious and anarchistic, was the practically unanimous opinion expressed last night at the meeting of the Business Men's Free Press club.

Before the close of the meeting a committee was appointed to present facts and figures and clippings from the subsidized sheet and forward them to the federal government in an effort to show its lying, disloyal utterances and tactics.

The files of the paper have been secured and articles are being taken from same to show that the paper was pro-German previous to and shortly after war was declared and only changed its "tune" because it was compelled to.

The Business Men's Free Press club is rapidly gaining in membership, influence and power for the best interests of Butte and is in earnest in its fight against the Whiner, the "black flag," and is going to insist on right and decency in this community.

The entire time of the meeting last night was taken up with a discussion of the lying, anarchistic Clark publication, its aims and purposes and how best to suppress its loyalty

English Government in Quandary As Recognized Labor Movement Gives Way to Organized Soviets

London, Jan. 30.—General strikes throughout Great Britain and Ireland are bolshevistic, British labor leaders today declared. They said the strikes are under the direction of local boards, organized like the soviets, which are openly opposed to the authorized heads of the National Federation of Trades Unions. It is further

charged that the strikers are partially financed by the Russian bolsheviks. "The strikes are the result of agitation by 'shop stewards,' who are English bolsheviks," Frank Smith, national secretary of the Federation of Engineers and Shipbuilders, told the United Press.

Continuing, he said: "Shop stewards are receiving money from London. I have learned that the 'shop stewards' have invited local boards of England, Scotland and probably Ireland to attend a congress next week. The purpose is to endorse the soviet movement and draw up a definite program. 'Shop stewards' recently sent agitators through the districts which are now erupting. It is

NEW YORK PUBLICISTS TO PROBE RUSSIAN SITUATION

New York, Jan. 30.—Organization of the "Truth About Russia committee" by a number of American publicists was announced tonight, accompanied by a statement declaring that the soviet government is governing that country in an orderly fashion and advocating that in the solution of the Russian problem the allies and the United States should deal with Lenin.

The committee includes Alvin Johns, an editor of the New Republic; Henry H. Mussy, Albert J. Nock and William McDonald, editors of The Nation; Paul Kellogg, editor of the Survey; Martyn Johnston, Harold Stearns and Robert M. Lovett, editors of the Dial; Frank P. Walsh, former member of the war labor board; Jane Adams of Hull House, Chicago, and Anus Pinchot.

Its purpose is explained as an American movement to gather authentic information of Russian affairs and in general attempt to present to the American public opinion as accurate a picture as is possible to obtain of the present status of the Russian revolution.

HOG PRICE SET FOR FEBRUARY

(Special United Press Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 29.—The price of \$17.50 for hogs for February was unanimously agreed upon yesterday by a committee of packers, producers, commission men and the food administration department and the agricultural officials.

WILL ASK PERSHING TO GIVE HIS VIEWS

(Special United Press Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 29.—General Pershing, upon his return from France, will be asked by the house and senate military committees to appear before them to give his views on the country's permanent military policy.

Time Has Come for a Free Press and That Democracy Men Fought and Died for in France.

Just as long as it continues the attitude alleged by last night's speakers to be disloyal, seditious, anarchistic and a grave menace to the best interests of the city as a whole.

The question of using the influence of the club with advertisers to withdraw their support from the "black flag" was advocated last night, but cases were cited to show that merchants of Butte are black mailed into advertising in this red-headed sheet and that other steps would have to be taken.

The action of the alleged "Ad club" of Butte in recently announcing through the union having "black flag" columns that it was endeavoring to force Butte merchants to withdraw their advertising from the only independent newspaper in Butte, the Butte Daily Bulletin, was discussed and the caliber of men who "head" the "Ad club" was gone into.

Will Loutay, the grocery-trust man

of Butte, who is alleged to have profited to the extent of thousands upon thousands of dollars, while workmen of Butte fought for democracy in France; the merchant prince of Butte who stayed at home during the war and who paid fines in police court for watering oysters and shortweighting a widow woman; who now has a case before the supreme court in which County Attorney Jackson is endeavoring to collect from him a large sum alleged to be due as a license fee for dispensing trading stamps, was discussed for the reason that he is fighting the Bulletin.

Malcolm Gillis, manager of an out-of-town paper, with a Butte circulation that amounts to practically nothing, was also spoken of. Gillis addressed the alleged ad club and opposed a free press and free speech. Gillis is the father of a young man of draft age, who carried a gun on the "hill" during the war and who some months ago killed a miner.

William Cutts came in for some comment. Cutts is also fighting Butte's free press. Cutts is the one who went west instead of east during the war and looked for Germans in the spruce camps of the north.

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COMMERCIAL WAR HAS BEGUN

English Capitalists Put Embargo on Imports and America's Congress Urges Drastic Counter Action.

(Special United Press Wire.)
London, Jan. 30.—Protective measures in the interests of British manufacturers are to be inaugurated here, beginning March 1.

The measure consists of an order requiring special licenses for the importation of 53 classes of goods. A license must be obtained for each shipment.

(Special United Press Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 30.—In clamping an import embargo on more than 50 commodities the British have de-

OPEN UP THOSE WAREHOUSES IS DEMANDED

300,000 New York Union Men to Wage War on Profiteers. Organized Labor Coming to Life.

(Special United Press Wire.)
New York, Jan. 30.—"Organized labor will rebel at the continued high food prices," Ernest Bohm, secretary of the Central Federated union, declared after reviewing the stored food statistics. The union represents more than 300,000 organized workers in Greater New York. Plans are under way for that organization to wage a war on profiteers. "Food warehouses must be opened to the public," Bohm declared. "Organized labor is going to demand that they be opened."

BOLSHEVISM SPREADING IN THE UNITED STATES

(Special United Press Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 30.—Congress must legislate at once providing work for the unemployed, it spread of bolshevism in the United States is to be stopped, Secretary of Labor Wilson today declared.

NEW GERMAN OFFENSIVE AGAINST INVADING POLES

(Special United Press Wire.)
Berlin, Jan. 30.—German military preparations have been completed for a great offensive movement against invading Poles, which may soon be expected, it is announced. More than 20,000 volunteers left for the eastern front Tuesday.

DEMobilIZATION IS NOW BEING SPEEDED UP

(Special United Press Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 30.—Demobilization of soldiers in this country booked for immediate discharge will be completed within the next 15 days, according to official information given out here today.

"Fight It Out Among Yourselves" Is Contemplated Allied Message To Stubborn Russ Junker Class

Washington, Jan. 30.—The United States threatens to withdraw its support from the Russian republican factions unless they immediately endorse President Wilson's plans for ending Russian strife through meeting with the bolsheviks and allied delegates, according to diplomatic information. The recall of American troops

from the Archangel region and all Siberia and an embargo against exports to Archangel and Vladivostok and the withdrawal of United States recognition of diplomats of the Russian constitutionalists at Washington would be the most significant features of the step. Similar action could be expected from the allies, leaving Russians to "fight it out among themselves."

Hungary Pleased at Peace Conference Action

(Special United Press Wire.)
Budapest, Jan. 30.—Hungarians are conducting enthusiastic demonstrations throughout the country.

TREAT PRISONERS BRUTALLY SAYS OBJECTOR'S PARENT

Washington, Jan. 30.—Theodore B. Lunde of Chicago, yesterday mitted to the house military committee a statement in which he charged that 20 military and political prisoners, most of them conscientious objectors, had been "brutally treated" at federal penitentiaries and detention barracks.

Mr. Lunde asserted that the prisoners had been "placed in solitary confinement for weeks at a time, forced to go without sufficient food and water, strung up to the bars of their cells, beaten unmercifully by their guards and otherwise brutally treated, and that as a result 'some of them are dead, others are dying by inches, while all are more or less in constant jeopardy of life and health.'"

Citing the case of his own son, Erling H. Lunde, a graduate of the University of Chicago, Mr. Lunde said the young man had resented "coercive measures and intolerable conditions at Fort Riley, put in solitary, court martial at Camp Funston, sent to Fort Leavenworth for life, commuted to 25 years, in detention barracks, conditions of which caused a yearning for solitary confinement again."

ASKS PACKER PLUTE WHY HIGH PRICES

(Special United Press Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 30.—Citing figures showing a large surplus of foodstuffs in the United States at the present time, Senator Norris yesterday demanded of Louis Swift, the packer, a statement as to why prices were not lowered.

WOMEN TO BOYCOTT U. S. PROFITEERS

(Special United Press Wire.)
New York, Jan. 30.—A national boycott on all food dealers not reducing retail food prices immediately is being urged by the National Housewives' league. Telegrams have been dispatched to all state and city headquarters.

TEN UNIONS GO OUT FEB. 1. Strike Spreading Rapidly and May Soon Become International Affair.

Seattle, Jan. 27.—(By Mail.)—Indications are that on Saturday, Feb. 1, a general strike of the working class here will be in effect. Today 1,500 laundry workers, men and women, assembled and unanimously voted to wash no linen after Feb. 1 unless the masters of life concede the modest demands of the shipyard workers. In all 19 unions not connected with the shipyard industry have decided to strike Feb. 1—bargers, laundry workers, street car men, electricians, dock workers, teamsters, etc., will have accepted the gauntlet of the masters. Even the stevedores appearing in the press from Mr. Piez of the United States board to the effect that the shipowners must not concede the demands of the strikers, has aroused the militant spirit of the workers in other coast towns, and, according to reports coming in, the strike will extend into Vancouver and Victoria, B. C. It is therefore about to become international. The strikers, through their Co-operative market, are preparing for a strike. They are about to purchase a fishing trawler that will make three or four trips per week capable of bringing in 40 tons of fish each trip. An arrangement is being made with the Farmers' Grange for the supply of farm prod-

ARMISTICE THE ONLY TREATY

That Can Properly Be Considered at Peace Table, Is the Opinion of Many War Experts.

By FRED S. FERGUSON.

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Paris, Jan. 29.—Secret treaties effected by the allies before America entered the war, which were generally accepted as constituting the most serious menace to a permanent and democratic peace, are invalid.

They are swept away by acceptance of the armistice terms, including President Wilson's 14 principles, as outlined in his speech of Jan. 8, and subsequent speeches and were doubly nullified when the allies agreed to the principle of a league of nations.

The United Press is able to state this on the authority of the highest international law experts in Paris. According to them the terms of the armistice are binding and supersede every previous agreement.

The armistice, therefore, is the only treaty that can properly be considered at peace conferences. The formation of a league of nations will make certain that all "understandings" will be cancelled.

The American people consequently need entertain no fear that secret treaties will interfere with their ideas of a proper peace settlement. This authoritative opinion is especially significant in view of the discussion of territorial claims and probably explains the confidence in certain quarters that imperialistic ambitions of some of the associated powers will not be released.

Reports have been published of the secret treaty between Japan and Great Britain in 1916, giving Japan the right to retain the Caroline and Marshall island groups. The "part of London" also made certain concessions to Italy, especially regarding Dalmatia. Italy is understood to have already agreed to the relinquishment of her frontiers on lines of nationality, thus practically renouncing her contribution to secret treaties.

Japan is still making a fight for realization of her colonial claims, but it is believed certain that her ambition will be overwhelmed by a virtually unanimous determination to make the league of nations a repository for all territorial disputes.

By HENRY WOOD.
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Paris, Jan. 29.—Peace delegates have been notified that Peru will submit a territorial claim against Chile to the conference for final settlement. This decision is believed to have averted a possible clash between the two countries. Their relations have been considerably strained in recent months.

Peru demands the return of the provinces lost to Chile during the war concluded by the treaty of Ancón in 1884.

THE STRIKE SITUATION IN SEATTLE LAUNDRY WORKERS TAKE ACTION

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ucts, 100 tons of spuds is one daily receipt to the strikers' market, and other farm products in proportion. The masters can control their banks, but the workers will soon have control of life's necessities, and that is the all important in the battle. A wonderful unanimity of spirit prevails between the I. W. O. and the A. F. of L. unions. The rumored conclusion of the contracts of the government with the ship builders, by Mr. Piez of the United States shipping board, because the men who make the ships want a living wage instead of a mere subsistence wage, has only intensified the determination of the workers here, and if Mr. Piez speaks for the government, then is it candidly expressed, "so much the worse for the government."

An open rupture between the soldiers, sailors and the city authorities almost caused a riot in the city Sunday evening. An over officious police officer, reinforced by other uniformed wielders of the club, was endeavoring to prevent the soldiers and sailors and strikers from fraternizing. The police took some of the soldiers to the city hall and immediately the soldiers, sailors and strikers marched to the city hall and demanded the release of their comrades, who were willing to offer their lives if need be to save the world for democracy. It is needless to state that their comrades were returned to them. That the cowardly minions of the law are perplexed because their bull-dozing tactics of brutality have furnished only wild amusement for the strikers. No strike of modern times can be conducted with the reckless brutality of the police thugs predominating, due to the advanced thinkers in the workers rank profiting by past mistakes, and so much misplaced confidence.

That the strike will spread and yet become nation wide and have for a goal the control of the citadels of capitalism is among the possibilities of the very near future. The spirit shown by the men of labor who either went to prison or are about to go, persecuted by the minions of capitalism is bringing results, sooner than the most sanguine expected.