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PROTEST IS MADE BY RUSSIANS OF SOUND CITY

Workers of Seattle Adopt Resolutions Against Kolchak and Support of United States.

The following resolution has been received by The Bulletin from Seattle with the request that it be published. The resolution, which is self-explanatory, is as follows:

Seattle, Wash., June 6th, 1919. To the Workers Soldiers and Sailors Council of Seattle.

Comrades: We beg to announce the following resolution passed by the Russian Workers Council of Seattle, at the last regular meeting, June 5th, 1919.

Whereas, the intervention of the Allied forces into the internal affairs of Russia is still continuing, and destruction of Soviet property is going on, and thousands of innocent and most honest workers are getting murdered, and

Whereas, the Russian revolutionists are engaged in a desperate, painful and deadly struggle against superior forces they might not be able to withstand, and give up their intentions to liberate the proletariat of the world from the clutches of capitalism, and

Whereas, the Workers of America and all other countries have no interest in establishing again the old tyranny of the czar in the person of Kolchak, and are opposed to it with heart and soul, Be it

Resolved that we declare our deepest indignation upon the occasion of recognition of the beastly oppressor Kolchak as the real representative of the Siberian people, and be it further,

Resolved that we protest the sending of guns and ammunition to the counter-revolutionary reptiles in Russia, and demand the immediate withdrawal of all foreign troops from Russia.

We request your honorable body to discuss the Russian situation at the earliest possible date and take action if possible, in calling a one day general strike to protest against the unjustified crime committed by your government.

Yours for Industrial Freedom. RUSSIAN WORKERS COUNCIL OF SEATTLE. (Under the Seal.)

War Dept.'s Sale of Copper Under Fire

Washington, June 12.—Demands for an investigation of the war department's sale of its surplus copper, amounting to 100,000,000 pounds, were made today by several members of the house military affairs committee. Reports have reached the committee that the war department's selling is resulting in giving a small ring of copper interests complete control of the production of this metal. Chairman Kahn stated.

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South America

Radicalism Rampant.

Cristobal, Canal Zone.—In South America radicalism is said to be more radical and more uncompromising than in the United States or even in Europe.

The reasons for this as explained to a representative of the Christian Science Monitor, are threefold:

1. The many revolutions that have periodically taken place have made victims of the wealthy classes, for these have been plunked into poverty. But when one learns further that "when a man wants to get rich in South America he tries to get possession of the government or to form one of a group of men" who have that purpose; and further, "no business man will go into business, but will make a foreign corporation work for him" because the "milking process" by corporations has become notorious, there may be some ground for "leaders and agitators of education and force, drawn from the formerly wealthy classes" to arise and "educate" the others.

2. Agitators find these people good soil for the seeds of their propaganda. "These people" means the people who cannot buy and obtain land for themselves from the few large land owners who refuse to cut up their estates, preferring to keep the mass of people as laborers and tenants.

3. Greater in number in Argentina than in other parts of South America, recent immigrants from Italy, Spain, Germany and the Slavic states are bitterly disappointed upon their arrival in a new country where land is so plentiful and should be cheap, to find that they can get none, because of the owners mentioned above, nor do they have an opportunity for independent business because of the monopoly of the corporations mentioned above.

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News of the Week in World's Labor Circles

If our controlled press really had an ear for really big news all the country would now know what the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor did at its annual convention at Harrisburg. It voted with tremendous cheering that organized labor, have nothing to hope for from Republican or Democratic machines, must turn to independent, political action.

It re-elected James H. Maurer as president. Maurer has been a staunch opponent, in season and out, of militarism. He has been framed up many times and his name was on the infamous Stevenson blacklist. Organized labor there has thus proved itself unflinching by the fake "loyalist" campaign, and it has returned a fearless, able and therefore untried leader.

The convention also denounced the allied and American policy in Russia, demanded the release of the political prisoners here, and urged the recognition of the Irish republic.

All this took place in the home state of the biggest boss in American politics today—Boss Penrose—whose presence has long disgraced our national capital. It took place in the conservative east and not in the woolly west where organized farmers are said to have started a lot of mischief. No wonder the controlled press, with full service at the Harrisburg convention found the news unfit to print.

The real peace conference is at last under way. That is, the parties which were at war are now talking to each other. The great meeting of representatives of the allies, which had been sitting for a long time at Paris, has merely been agreeing on terms which would be submitted at the peace conference. In the sense in which the term peace conference has always been used up to the present, both sides have to be present. The Paris meeting could be a peace conference only if it were true that the allies were virtually in a warlike mood over the amount of new territory, trade rights and damages each should bring home.

And again we are in the midst of secret diplomacy. Our representatives in Paris publicly admit that not all the terms handed to the German representatives have been made public. Therefore we are ignorant of the most important terms. We are likewise probably ignorant of the most important terms submitted by the enemy powers. Those who know only a part know nothing. How, then, can we form an opin-

ion except on the theory that what is not given us to know by those whom we have put in power, is what would be protested by us if we were informed?

It's a long road which has no turning, and the road the big special interests have been making in riding roughshod over the rights of the people is not going to be long enough to enable them to escape. A prominent case in point is the decision of the Arizona copper interests to compromise a civil suit growing out of the infamous Bisbee deportations at more than \$2,000,000.

On July 12, 1917, more than 1,000 citizens of Bisbee were dragged from their homes, most of them from their beds, and run out into the desert on cattle cars. Both the state and the federal governments refused to do the right thing in the way of protecting the wronged men. A federal judge dismissed a criminal indictment against 25 prominent copper trust officials. Now the copper corporations contest their guilt in agreeing on the compromise to escape civil trial. Married men with children will get \$1,250 in damages each, married men \$1,000 and single men \$500.

Nine members of the American peace party have resigned in protest against the peace terms worked out by the Paris conference. News reports declare that the sentiments of the nine are shared by the greater portion of the commission. One of these sums up the feeling in the declaration that "the treaty is a regular rivers and harbors bill." He is reminded of the way congress passes out the pork for very doubtful international improvements every session as a means of evening up political scores and feeding the party machines.

They feel that in the trades Wilson has made to get the league of nations through, he has paid too great a price. That these men on the ground have strong basis for their feeling is evidenced by the fact that many powerful interests are now urging the league of nations to save the world from the almost inevitable consequences of imperialistic peace terms. The reported willingness of Lloyd George and President Wilson to revise many of the terms is further evidence.

While the federal grain corporation is chewing over the problem of preventing congestion in the grain markets next fall the Mill and Elevator association of North Dakota is going ahead with a real remedy. J. A. McGovern, the recently appointed head of this new state enterprise, announces the association will push a system of storage units on farms. The farmers with bins that meet specifications can notify the grain inspection department. A state grain inspector will then visit the farm, grade the grain, seal the bins officially, and issue a warehouse receipt. But all this is merely preliminary. What solves the problem of grain congestion in the fall is the fact that this farmer will be able to take his warehouse receipt to the bank and borrow on it up to 90 per cent of the indicated value.

For the first time in America it is officially recognized that the farmer puts his grain on the fall market because he has to have the money. For the first time a real solution is found. Simple, most reasonable, urgently needed these many years; yet those "friends of the farmers" who warn him against political action with all their boasted wisdom could not find it. Direct representation in legislature and state scores again.

Contrary to the predictions of the anti-farmer interests, the increase in bank deposits in North Dakota would indicate that farmer rule had hardly been a calamity. The deposits of all kinds jumped from \$97,779,004.93 on March 4, 1918, to \$125,222,417.87 on March 4 of this year, or over \$27,000,000. Part of this growth can undoubtedly be attributed to the bank deposit guarantee law which the League legislators put across in 1917; another part to the efficient handling of the bank examiner's office under League management. No failures among 706 state banks is a record few states can equal for the past year.

There is just one reason why the failure of North Dakota looks black in so many influential quarters—the state is actually being run by and for the common people. No wonder, too, so unusual a thing in America attracts attention!

TIMKEN'S TOILERS REFUSE TO "SCAB"

Detroit, June 12.—Hammer men employed in the Timken plant refused to work with strikebreakers. When a small number of "scabs" were imported from Cincinnati they quit work. Despite lying press reports, the strikers are still out and their ranks are solid.

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LABOR'S DIVIDENDS. FOUR DIE IN MINE WRECK

Pateron, N. J., June 12.—Four are dead and several missing as a result of a cave-in at the Ringwood Iron Mines at Ringwood, N. J., on June 5.

The dead are: James Love, 24. Harry Bobbroza, 28. John Letak. Karl Onhenosszky, 31.

The men were working in an old mine. Defective timbering is believed to have caused the cave-in. Two bodies have been recovered, while others are buried in the debris.

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HOMESTEAD MINERS ON STRIKE FOR MORE CASH

(Special to The Bulletin.) Homestead, Ore., June 12.—All men employed at the Homestead Mining company's property near here went on strike June 9 for a raise of 50 cents a day in wages and a cut of 25 cents a day in board. If the demands are granted the scale will be \$5 per shift and \$1 per day for board. About 50 men are employed.

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