

They'd Hang Berger First. He Has a Fur Overcoat. Explain: Bolshevism. As Dante Explained Hell.

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When danger approaches, the Head Ostrich exclaims, "All bury your heads in the sand and avoid danger." The survivors never learn that the scheme doesn't work.

A big socialist meeting was to be held in Chicago last Sunday. The newspapers were asked not to say anything about it, not to let the people know.

The Chicago Tribune printed two columns about the meeting, the Herald and Examiner about half as much. Those newspapers thought that the adult American reader might be trusted with information as to events, happenings, and speeches in their own city.

Temporarily, for war reasons, it has been thought wise to suppress free speech. The American is a tractable being. He does not object when you tell him that he can't speak freely in war, for foolish speech spreads foolish action. But the American certainly should be allowed to listen, read, and know what is said, that he may understand his own affairs.

The American who reads Victor Berger's speech saying that socialists sympathize with Bolsheviks is ready to answer.

He points out the fact that the German socialists now ruling in Berlin, as the New York Times correspondent testifies with considerable conservatism, forbid Russian Bolshevism delegates to enter Germany. Next door to Russia, the German socialists probably would know more than the American socialists about Bolshevism.

To destroy Bolshevism, so far as this country is concerned, is only to let Americans know what it is.

If Bolshevism came to this country, Victor Berger—and he probably knows it—would be one of the first victims. The American Trotsky or Lenin would say:

"Citizen Berger, you are accused of having an umbrella with a silver handle and an overcoat with a fur collar. Citizens have testified that you live in a comfortable house, with the entire upper floor given over to bookshelves. It is further stated that you have a husband. Can you offer any good reason why you should not be hanged, your plutocratic \$4,000 mansion sold, and the money divided among the proletariat?"

There is no imagination about this. The Russian lives now in Milwaukee, Victor Berger's city, that would cheerfully move to hang Berger. Then somebody would hang that Russian. And when the people get tired of the well-known Bourgeois would arise and govern.

What happened in Paris 120 years ago?

Madame Roland, charming lady of the upper class, much interested in a young officer with revolutionary tendencies, worked for the revolution. She lost her young man and her head, and, too late, blamed liberty for the crime.

Des Moulins hopped on a tin table in the Palais Royal and started the revolution. Those who had adored him, chopped off his head. He said, a little late, "This is the reward destined to the first apostle of liberty. I go to the scaffold for having dropped a tear over the unfortunate."

He had dared to protest against excessive bloodshed.

Mirabeau saved his head by dying before they got ready to kill him. Danton's revolutionary armies were successful. Robespierre had Danton executed. Then Robespierre was guillotined in his turn and Marat was murdered by a lady.

After all the fine talking, a thin little Corsican who had been looking on, undecided whether to marry a rich widow or commit suicide, came to the throne as Napoleon Bonaparte and killed, every little while, ten times as many Frenchmen as the revolution had killed in all.

Then France had her Charles X, and Louis Philippe, and another Napoleon, as president first and Napoleon III later. Then came 1870, and Sedan and the loss of Alsace-Lorraine.

This revolution business is not all smooth, or pleasant as your party-baked orator thinks it. Let the average American know what it all means and he will take care of the much advertised, very foolish Bolshevism, and it will not bother anybody.

But, gentlemen of influence, don't justify socialists in their statement that you look on the little man as an inferior being, unable to manage his own affairs. Don't think he needs a guardian and a censor ALL the time. He does not.

The wisest words, they should be repeated every day, are these: "Give light and the people will find their way."

Dante said it six hundred years ago. It was easy or hard, it is true now. He did not hide the facts about hell. He told them all and added a little.

And people who read what he had to say did all they could to keep out of the conditions he described.

Let Americans SEE Bolshevism as clearly as Dante made the fourteenth century see hell, and there will be no Bolshevism here.

WEATHER: Cloudy tonight and Monday probably snow or rain. Slightly warmer tonight. Temperature at 8 a. m., 38 degrees. Average temperature on November 24 for the last thirty years, 42 degrees.

10,000 YANKS SAIL FOR HOME 40 N. Y. Unions Vote in Favor of Nation Wide Mooney Strike 500 MASSACRED BY BOLSHIEVNIK

First U. S. Troops Due to Reach Home By Thanksgiving LONDON, Nov. 22.—(Delayed.)—Ten thousand American soldiers from all parts of the United States left Liverpool for America today. These troops should arrive home by Thanksgiving. All troops in England will be sent back as rapidly as possible.

THE BLOW FROM BEHIND



HOHENZOLLERN FAMILY TO RETURN

BEWARE Of \$10 and \$20 Bills Without Seals. 3 DESTROYERS ORDERED TO FIUME

ROTTERDAM, Nov. 24.—All members of the Hohenzollern family, including the ex-Kaiser, are shortly to return to Germany, says the Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant. The paper adds the Berlin Soldiers' Council has promised to protect the returning royal.

PARIS, Nov. 24.—Admiral Benson has ordered three more American destroyers to the eastern Adriatic. They will join the American naval forces, including the scout cruiser Birmingham and thirty-six submarine chasers, already there under Admiral Bullard. Fiume is believed to be the port on Adriatic.

6,000 MARINE WOODWORKERS TO APPEAL FOR MOONEY'S LIFE

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Forty local unions of the Marine Woodworkers of the port of New York and immediate vicinity have gone on record with resolutions endorsing the proposal for a general labor strike throughout the United States unless the court decree to the execution of Thomas J. Mooney, labor leader of California, is annulled or amended.

GRAND JURY TO PROBE DENSMORE CHARGES IN MOONEY INVESTIGATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—Judge Edward P. Morgan, of the superior court, has announced that a grand jury investigation will be made into the allegations contained in Director General of Employment J. R. Densmore's report on the Thomas J. Mooney case.

D. C. POLICE HERO WINS MAJORITY

Coming through a twenty-two-day battle in the Meuse-Argonne without a scratch and to be promoted from a captain to a major for gallantry is the record today of Boiser Castle, Washington's hero policeman.

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PARALLEL CRIMES IN GIRLS' DEATHS HEARD TOMORROW

The mysterious parallel in the deaths of two girls of Virginia, each done to death in woods near their homes, may be cleared tomorrow, when two courts will consider cases which have proved enigmas to the State's best tracers of crime.

RUSSELL IS LIKELY TO OBTAIN RELEASE

LYNCHBURG, Va., Nov. 24.—The first suspect arrested in the Rosa Farmer murder mystery was virtually eliminated from the case today.

HALL DECLARES HE IS VICTIM OF 'FRAME-UP'

On the eve of the trial of Lou Hall for the death of Eva Roy, the prosecution today declared that new evidence has come to light that indicates the woodchopper, accused of killing the girl in the woods near Burke Station last summer.

MURDERER KNEW LOCALITY

There have been many detectives from this section of the country investigating the crime, among them one sent to Fairfax county by the governor of Virginia, Morgan Bradford, Washington detective, has also given much time to searching for the guilty party.

GERMAN FACTIONS FIGHT IN THE STREETS

LONDON, Nov. 24.—Armed clashes between opposing factions continued in various parts of Germany, according to reports received from neutral sources. At the same time the political situation is becoming more involved.

FRENCH ARMY TO OCCUPY VIENNA

PARIS, Nov. 24.—French troops are to occupy Vienna, according to indications today. It was rumored here that French troops probably would occupy Vienna after entering Budapest. In the absence of any official denial, it is accepted as certain that the French are going into the Austrian capital.

RED RIOTERS RAGE AGAINST FOREIGNERS IN RUSS CAPITAL

LONDON, Nov. 24.—Eastern Europe is again aflame with riot and rebellion. From Germany, Hungary, Austria and Russia today come messages setting forth chaotic conditions.

TERRIBLE BOLSHIEVICK MASSACRES

Petrograd, in which 500 former officers were being murdered, were reported in a Helsinki newspaper according to State Department advice from Stockholm yesterday.

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A Copenhagen dispatch says disturbances were reported between the Spartacists (Extremists) and the Moderates at Solingen, Remscheid and Hamburg. (Solingen is fourteen miles southeast of Dusseldorf, Remscheid is four miles east of Solingen.)

NEW GERMAN GOVERNMENT

A new German government is to be established, according to the Volkszeitung. The newspaper says it will consist of three members of the present government and three members of the Workmen's and Soldiers' Council.