

What is Lenin? A Book Reviewed. Friends Best Historians. A Powerful Man.

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The most mysterious, important character of the world today is Vladimir Ilyich Ulianov, known as Lenin, although that is not his name. It is one of many names signed by him to books and pamphlets in days when any one might have cost his life.

No matter what else he may be, Lenin is leader of the greatest, strangest and at this moment most consecutively successful revolution that the world has seen.

He and his followers declare, and believe, that they seek to give the wealth of the world to those that really produce it. In America we say that they represent the feet trying to take the place of the head, and must fail, no matter how many they kill in the interval.

Whatever Lenin may be, however he may end, the intelligent man wants to know about him, as he would want to know about a Messiah, if he arrived, or about the Black Death, if it came creeping from Asia.

To get information about a man ask his friends. If interested in mice, you would not question a dear old lady that grabs her skirts and jumps on a chair when a baby mouse appears. She is not a good mouse judge.

You could have learned more truth about Marat by talking to his friends than you can learn by reading Carlyle's "French Revolution." Full of hate that lasted long, Carlyle wrote that Marat was a "horse leech" to the Prince d'Artois, "a moon struck, much enduring individual, of Neuchatel in Switzerland, named Jean Paul Marat."

From his friends you would have learned some truth—that Marat was a skillful surgeon, one of the first to perform the operation for catarrh, and that for Charlotte Corday's knife he might have put through the revolution without the Napoleonic intermezze.

To learn about Lenin, read a book by his friends, though you may read too much praise. This is a review of "Lenin, the Man and His Work," written by Albert Riva Williams, published by Scott & Sellner, containing besides Mr. Williams' own story, conversations and impressions brought from his own personal knowledge.

He has been a revolutionist from the beginning, the greatest and most powerful among Russians for many years, undoubtedly. He was seventeen when his older brother, Alexander, was hanged after confessing his own acts against the czar, and taking on himself the political offenses of others—saving the others.

Fifty Are Believed To Be Dead In Dance Hall Fire In Louisiana

U. S. HAS PROOF OF CARRANZA SEEKS TO GIVE AFFRONT, SAYS SENATOR

FEAR DEATHS AS COAL BINS IN MID-WEST ARE EMPTIED

STATE ENJOINED FROM TAKING OVER MINES

BISMARCK, N. D., Nov. 23.—The supreme court has upheld the injunction granted by District Judge W. L. Nussele, restraining the State from taking control of the lignite mines at Williston.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—The Middle West has almost reached the bottom of its coal bin.

HUNDREDS OF APPEALS. Appeals for relief were received by the hundreds at the offices of fuel directors. A typical appeal was sent by Mayor Madden, of Danville, Ill., to Frank Farrington, president of the Illinois district of the United Mine Workers of America, attending the operators-miners conference at Washington.

Keeping Up With The Times A FACT A DAY

Yesterday's Times established a new record for volume of regular advertising in a Saturday issue—more than 105 columns.

Women and Children Killed In Rush to Escape Flames

VILLE PLATTE, La., Nov. 23.—Fifty persons are believed to have perished in a fire here last night, most of them women and children, when a building in which a dance was being held on the second floor caught fire and a panic-stricken crowd fought its way over the weaker.

Quiz Convict Regarding Whereabouts at Time of Slaying of Billy Dansey

TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 23.—Prison officials and officials of Camden and Atlantic counties are today grilling Henry Cobb, a convict, at the State prison here regarding his whereabouts and his movements at the time of the disappearance of little Billy Dansey, the three-year-old boy whose body was found in a swamp near the home of his parents Friday afternoon.

COBB IS NOW SERVING AN INDETERMINATE sentence of from five to thirty years for an attack on a seven-year-old girl at Hamonton, N. J., the home of Billy Dansey. He is twenty-four years old, and was committed to prison from Camden county November 2.

VETERANS URGED TO SHOOT REDS

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 23.—Gen. Harvey H. Hannah, officer of the Spanish-American war, in a speech here last night, advised members of Tennessee Post No. 6, American Legion, to "shoot on the spot the man who raises the red flag of anarchy in America."

PALMER WILL PROBE RIOT IN LA. IN WHICH 3 WERE KILLED

Attorney General Palmer today prepared to investigate the rioting yesterday at Bogalusa, La., where a pitched battle was fought between special officers and whites who attempted to run a negro labor leader, charged with inciting race violence, out of town.

POLICE SEEK NEGRO AFTER FATAL RIOT

BOGALUSA, La., Nov. 23.—Special police are patrolling every section here today to prevent recurrence of the rioting which broke out yesterday, when forty-five special police deputies fought a pitched battle with a small band of white men, who attempted to hold a negro labor suspected of inciting negroes to disorder.

ALLENBY BECOMES EGYPT'S DICTATOR

PARIS, Nov. 22.—A complete dictatorship has been established in Egypt by General Allenby, according to dispatches from Cairo.

Chevy Chase Girl Asks Annulment of Marriage To Bogus British Captain

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Florence Brainard Grimwood today is on her way back to her home in Chevy Chase, D. C., from New York city, where yesterday the last chapter of her disappointing war romance was acted in the New York supreme court, when Justice Thomas F. Donnelly heard argument for annulment of her marriage to Capt. W. Frank G. Grimwood, self-proclaimed British medical officer and war hero. Justice Donnelly reserved decision in the case.

TESTIMONY BY WITNESSES and reading of depositions sworn to by many who were unable to attend, wove a tale of a gentleman adventurer, charged with inciting race violence, out of town.

"Poison Pen" Author Is Sought In Military Post Near Washington

One of the military posts near Washington may harbor the mysterious "Lieutenant Brown," whose "poisoned pen" letters to the supposed fiancée of Miss Elizabeth Schmitter, of New York, drove the girl, in an agony of apprehension, to leap to her death a few days ago from a New York ferry-boat.

LETTERS WHICH CAME TO LIGHT in the metropolitan yesterday, written by the girl before her death, identified as her persecutor a military officer in whose net she became entangled, while on a secret visit to Baltimore and Washington last August.

Recluse Burns to Death Behind Barricaded Doors

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 23.—With no one to claim the body, the burial of Mrs. B. F. Bowman, the spiritualist and recluse, may be conducted by the county. Mrs. Bowman was burned to death in her home last night for up on one of San Francisco's hills.

NEGOTIATIONS STOP UNLESS MEXICO SETS JENKINS FREE

EL PASO, TEXAS, Nov. 23.—That the Carranza government is deliberately trying to affront the United States in connection with the kidnapping and later the arrest of William O. Jenkins, the American consul agent stationed at Puebla, Mexico, is the assertion of a member of the Senate subcommittee that has arrived here to probe international conditions.

THE REQUEST FOR THE WITHDRAWAL of the oil decree has been lodged in Mexico City, declares the committee member.

BELIEVE CARRANZA WILL FREE JENKINS

IF CARRANZA REFUSES TO COMPLY with the demand of the State Department that W. O. Jenkins be immediately released, the department will notify Carranza that there is no possibility of further negotiations with the department and that it will refer the situation to Congress for such action as it may take.