

REDS PREPARED TO BATTLE THE WORLD

SUCH IS THE DECLARATION OF SELF-CONFESSED AMBASSADOR FROM SOVIET RUSSIA.

Declare Revolutionary Leaders Are No Longer Fired With Missionary Zeal Which Led to Preaching of World-Wide Revolt.

Washington.—Soviet Russia, transformed by assured success of its leadership at home, is no longer fired by the missionary zeal which led its agents and emissaries, during the first months of its existence, to preach world-wide revolution, Ludwig Martens, self-styled ambassador from that country, told a senate committee on Monday.

The soviet republic at present, Martens said, "does not care what kind of government other people have" and has indulged in general revolutionary propaganda only "when it was on the defensive, and hard-pressed by nations which had armies in the field against it. Today, because it is "strong enough to fight the world," it has abandoned, he added, principles first promulgated to the effect that it can be maintained only by destruction of other governments which recognize property rights and capitalistic organization.

These statements Martens made under oath in response to questions from Chairman Moses and Senator Borah, Idaho.

Denies Interference in America.

Senator Borah shot him query after query, repeating reported manifestoes of the soviet Russian republic, which called on revolutionary elements everywhere to organize working men to revolt against organized government and demanding to know if every soviet supporter was not bound to work for destruction of all governments recognizing capital. Martens met him with quick denials.

Martens denied all connection with revolutionary movements in the United States, though admitting some knowledge of them. He said they were "purely American, arising out of American conditions" and as soviet agent he had not helped or financed them or their followers. He had instructions, he said, to stay clear of interference with American affairs.

GOVERNORS' MISSION A SUCCESS

Arid Land Delegates Receive Promise of Aid From Congress.

Salt Lake City.—Governors of western states and member of the executive committee of the Western States Reclamation association, who went to Washington in an effort to obtain united action before congress for a bill providing a quarter of a billion dollars for the United States reclamation service, were able to extract a promise from the steering committees of both houses that efforts would be made to get a reclamation bill through that would be satisfactory to the interests represented in the delegation.

ERZBERGER SHOT BY STUDENT

German Minister of Finance Has Narrow Escape From Death

Berlin.—Mathias Erzberger, the minister of finance, was wounded by a shot fired at him Monday.

Herr Erzberger was shot as he was leaving the criminal courts building, after a hearing in the Helfferich libel suit. Only one shot struck the minister, who was slightly wounded in the shoulder. His assailant, who gave his name as Oltwig von Hirschfeld, was arrested. Von Hirschfeld is a former cadet officer.

AMERICANS CAPTURED BY REDS

Detachment From the States on Railroad Guard Duty Seized.

Vladivostok.—Thirty-eight Americans, members of the railroad guard detachment on duty at Posolska, near Verhyne-Udinsk, on January 10, captured one of General Semenov's armored trains, it has just been learned here. The Cossack general commanding it was killed and all officers captured. The train without provocation had attacked the American detachment, which was sleeping in box cars.

Americanization Measure Passed.

Washington.—The senate has passed the Kenyon Americanization bill by a vote of 36 to 14. The measure appropriates \$6,500,000 to teach aliens a knowledge of the English language and American institutions, and is designed primarily to counteract the influence of "red" agitators among illiterate foreigners.

Picketing Enjoined by Court.

San Francisco.—An injunction preventing picketing by striking union men against the Schaw-Bacher company's shipbuilding yards in South San Francisco has been issued by the United States district court.

Church Membership Grows.

New York.—America's churches have gained nearly 8,000,000 members since the last church census in 1916, but there has been a marked decrease in the number of Sunday schools and Sunday school pupils.

ALLIES INSIST ON TRIAL OF EX-KAISER

HOLLAND'S REFUSAL IS NOT EXPECTED TO FINALLY CLOSE THE INCIDENT.

Believed That Allies Have So Strongly Committed Themselves That They Cannot Withdraw Without Further Argument.

London.—In diplomatic quarters the belief is expressed that the Dutch reply with regard to surrender of the former German emperor does not close the incident. It is held that the allies have so strongly committed themselves in the peace treaty on this matter that they cannot withdraw without further conversations with Holland.

In the opinion of close observers, Great Britain in particular took such an emphatic stand at the peace conference that Downing street will have to make some further move. At the same time, public opinion in England regarding the trial of the former war lord has changed materially since the conference. At that time the country appeared very keen for bringing the ex-kaiser to justice. In recent days, however, the feeling seems to have become more or less apathetic.

A dispatch from The Hague says that while there may be a future exchange of notes with reference to the allied demand for surrender of the former German emperor, the government of The Netherlands is declared inclined to the belief that its decision will be considered as final.

The Dutch press does not expect any belligerent action by the allied powers, and the government is believed to share this view, on the theory that the demand for the former monarch's extradition was made merely to satisfy some political clamor in the allied states and was not intended to be pressed by the statesmen who signed it.

DUTCH EDITOR SCORES KAISER

Believes But Few Dutchmen Would Mourn Over His Surrender.

The Hague.—Only one Dutch newspaper, the Amsterdam Telegraaf, went beyond approval of the government's action in refusing surrender of the kaiser, and, while heartily approving the stand on national honor, said:

"Sentiment for the former kaiser here is below zero, and we believe that an extremely small number of Dutchmen would have been hurt if he had been called to account some way or other for the terrible responsibility which rests upon him. The Dutch people do not feel like standing as a bulwark about the former kaiser, and the best part of our government note is its total absence of sympathy for the accused."

Wyoming Tract Will be Opened.

Washington.—Approximately 10,000 acres of reclaimed land in Wyoming and Nebraska will be opened to homestead entry early in March, the reclamation service has announced.

Proposes Jail for Profiteers.

Washington.—Jail bars for profiteers was urged by Senator Capper, Republican, Kansas, in an address Saturday in the senate. Profiteers, he said, are more dangerous than "reds."

COL. DAVID P. BARROWS



Col. David P. Barrows, scholar-soldier, chosen by the regents and installed as president of the University of California to succeed Benjamin Ide Wheeler.

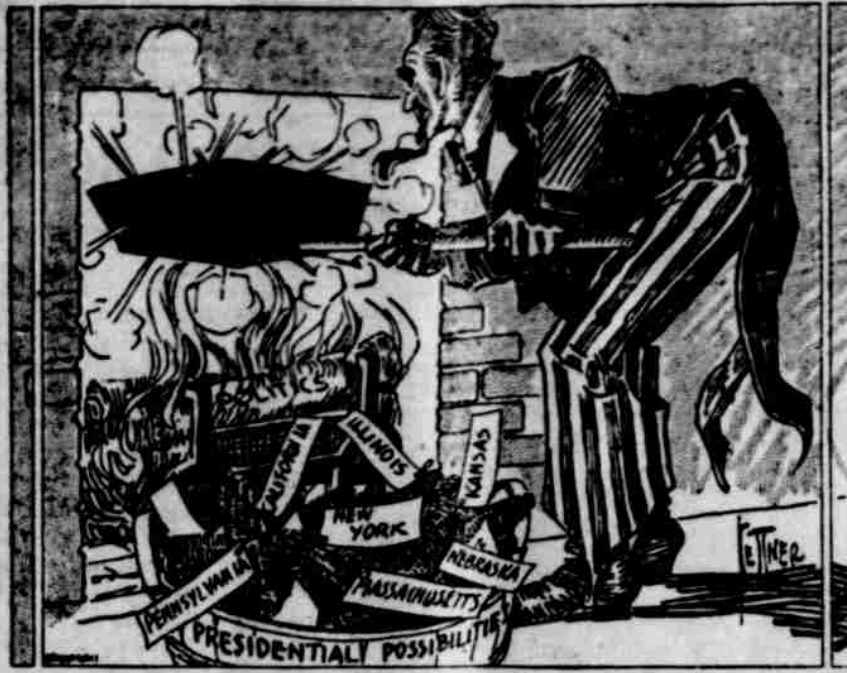
Strike Solution Called Unsound.

Chicago.—Dr. H. A. Garfield, former fuel administrator, in an article written for Farm and Home declares the compromise that ended the coal strike to be "unsound in principle and a menace to our institutions."

Predicts Decrease in M. C. L.

New York.—A decrease in the cost of living in the next few months is predicted by Arthur Williams, federal food administrator. He based his belief on the spirit of economy prevailing among the people as a whole.

Starting to Pop



SENATORS BALK AT COMPROMISE PLAN

JOHNSON, BORAH AND SIX OTHERS DELIVER ULTIMATUM TO SENATOR LODGE.

Senator Sherman Announces He Will Join Third Party if Republicans Support Emaculated Reservations.

Washington.—Protest by a large group of influential Republican senators against further compromises on reservations to the peace treaty on Friday gave the compromise negotiations a severe setback, and, senators declared, involved future solidarity of the Republican party not only in the senate but in the nation.

Eight Republican senators, headed by Senators Johnson of California and Borah of Idaho, and claiming to represent other senators, called Republican Leader Lodge into conference and delivered what was declared to be an ultimatum against proposed compromises of the informal bipartisan committees of senate leaders.

Some of the senators in the conference with Senator Lodge declared that the reception of the protests would affect the Republican leadership and unity in the senate, while one, Senator Sherman of Illinois, stated after the conference that he would leave the Republican party and join a third party if the Republicans support "emaculated" reservations.

The conference with Senator Lodge, which lasted nearly three hours, prevented the scheduled session of the bipartisan committee. This committee will meet again, but, with the compromise prospects thrown into confusion by Friday's developments, Democrats interested in the compromise negotiations expressed concern over the turn of events at the resultant possibility of success.

The movement of protest against compromising the Lodge reservations were almost coincident with a visit to the senate by former President Taft, who consulted with several "mild reservation" Republicans, including Senators McCumber of North Dakota, McNary of Oregon, Kellogg of Minnesota and Colt of Rhode Island. Mr. Taft urged compromise strongly, and during his visit, declared that a compromise on the Lodge reservation to article X of the league of nations covenant would not "kill" the treaty, because he asserted other provisions would make for world peace and cause resort rarely to article X.

ALLIES BALKED BY THE DUTCH

Belief is Expressed That Kaiser Will Never be Brought to Trial.

Washington.—Unless Great Britain actually invades Holland and takes the former kaiser by force, William of Hohenzollern will never be brought to trial, in the opinion of officials and diplomats here.

These officials discount the report that the kaiser will be tried in his absence for the reason that he has already been tried and found guilty by all of the allied nations.

It is regarded here as conclusive that Holland has rebuffed the allied diplomacy undertaking to effect the surrender of the kaiser.

Says Influenza is Unconquered.

London.—Official admission that the most mysterious disease germ of the ages—the influenza bacillus—has defeated the world's greatest scientists was made to Universal Service Saturday by Sir George Newman, chief medical officer of the British health ministry.

Exports Decrease in Value.

Washington.—December exports decreased in value \$60,000,000 from the \$741,000,000 recorded for November, while imports dropped to \$381,000,000 a decrease of \$44,000,000, according to a statement issued January 23.

Spanish Farmers Sow Less Wheat.

Madrid.—A sensation was created in the cortex when the food minister announced that as a result of the government's action in fixing a minimum price for wheat 200,000 hectares less will be sown than last year.

JAPANESE SOLDIERS WILL QUIT SIBERIA

DIPLOMATIC COUNCIL DECLARES OBJECTS OF AGREEMENT WITH AMERICA ATTAINED.

With the Final Withdrawal of the American and Japanese Troops, the Czecho-Slovaks Will be Left Alone to Stop the Reds.

Tokyo.—Japan's object in agreeing to cooperate with the United States in supporting Czecho-Slovak troops in Siberia has been attained and the withdrawal of Japan's troops from Siberia, will follow, it was decided at a meeting of the advisory diplomatic council on January 21, according to newspapers here.

It was asserted at the meeting, it is said, that Japan has no territorial ambitions in Siberia and that troops now being sent to that country are merely to replace losses. It was declared that the fundamental policies will not be affected by this step. The council is reported to have endorsed the cabinet's decision not to interfere further in the internal affairs of Siberia and to adhere strictly to the government's declaration, when it entered into its agreement with America in 1918.

Discussions in the Japanese press and utterances by political leaders have developed that probably a large majority of the Japanese people are averse to entering single-handed into such a vast enterprise as the invasion of Siberia.

All of the other foreign elements having been withdrawn from Siberia, there remain now only about 8000 American and perhaps 30,000 Japanese troops in addition to the Czecho-Slovaks, whose number has been vaguely placed at somewhere between 20,000 and 40,000. It is planned to remove all of these Czecho-Slovaks by February 16 and the American troops should have quit by March 1.

Gompers Opposes Sedition Bill.

Washington.—Opponents of anti-sedition measures, led by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, on Thursday urged the house rules committee to block the passage of the measures because of their drastic provisions and because sufficient laws now exist to prosecute dangerous radicals and communists.

THOMAS STERLING



Latest photograph of Thomas Sterling, United States Senator from South Dakota.

Race Riot in Arkansas Feared.

Little Rock, Ark.—A detachment of 120 federal troops from the military establishment at Camp Pike has been ordered to Dumas, Ark., where serious race trouble is feared at a negro settlement near there.

More Pay for Teachers.

Chicago.—An average salary increase of \$50 a month will be given to Chicago school teachers after February 1. More than 1000 teachers failed to report Wednesday and 15,000 pupils were without instruction.

BUSINESS OF NATION IN PECULIAR POCKET

DESPITE SHOWING OF PROSPERITY, INDUSTRY IS IN A SOMEWHAT PECULIAR STATE.

Crusades and Campaigns and Condition of Foreign Exchange Unsettles Affairs, According to Report of Conditions in West.

Chicago.—The general volume of business in the middle west continues at a high level and building operations and other activities will be sufficient to sustain the movement for the immediate future, according to a report of business conditions in the Seventh Federal Reserve district made public January 25.

The report states, however, that, despite this general show of prosperity, business is in a "peculiar pocket." "On one side," it says, "there are forays against high prices; Society women engineering film propaganda and quasi-boycotts against this or that commodity at the prevailing price, or else pledging themselves to refrain from buying until concessions are made. On the other side there is the obstinate fact that demand for commodities outruns any possibility of providing supply—that production is low in volume because of labor troubles and because raw materials are available in quantities much below necessary requirements. These factors, combined with a car shortage, motive power famine, inadequate transportation facilities and strike rumors, constitute a total of risk elements against which the average business man dreads to pit his capital."

Crowding all of the difficulties, says the report, is the foreign exchange situation, which is declared to be the most unfavorable in its bearings on American business hopes.

The wish is father to the thought, apparently, when it is asserted that prices are on the point of breaking, it is declared. Investigation has failed to show that occasional announcements of cuts in prices were representative of the general market.

Agricultural conditions in all parts of the Seventh Federal Reserve district were reported to be favorable. The acreage of fall crops in Iowa, however, was reported considerably smaller than that of a year ago, but crops "have gone into winter in good condition, with a good snow covering protecting them."

STRIKES BLOW AT COMMUNISTS

Secretary of Labor Holds Communist Party is a Revolutionary Party.

Washington.—The communist party of America is held by Secretary Wilson of the labor department to be "a revolutionary party," within the meaning of the statutes providing for deportation of aliens who affiliate with such organizations. In the specific case of Englebert Preis, an Austrian, arrested in recent raids, execution of a deportation warrant was ordered by Mr. Wilson on January 24, paving the way for deportation of a large number of aliens now in custody and against whom similar charges have been brought.

Wyoming Pioneer is Murdered.

Casper, Wyo.—John Corbett, 42 years old, a wealthy pioneer stockman of Natrona county, was found murdered at his ranch home, six miles southeast of Casper, when county officers made an investigation of his premises, which had been deserted for days. Robbery is believed to have been the motive for the murder, according to officers.

Famous Author Called.

Yonkers, N. Y.—The Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady, well known author and Episcopal clergyman, died of pneumonia, January 24, at the age of 61. Dr. Brady has written scores of books dealing with adventures and battles on land and sea, most of them novels with an historical foundation.

New York Papers to Merge.

New York.—Frank A. Munsey, owner of the New York Sun and the Evening Sun, who recently bought the New York Herald and Evening Telegram, from the estate of the late James Gordon Bennett, announced that the Sun and the Herald would be amalgamated February 1.

Alleged Embezzler Arrested.

Kemmerer, Wyo.—R. A. Collins, alias R. A. Thompson, wanted in Unadilla, Ga., on a charge of embezzling funds of the Commercial bank, of which he formerly was cashier, was arrested at Opal, near here Saturday.

Coolidge Not a Candidate.

Boston.—Governor Coolidge declared Sunday that he was not and never had been a candidate for president and that he would not enter a contest for the Massachusetts delegation to the Republican national convention.

Revolt and Plague at Moscow.

Helingsfors.—Report from Dorpat say a revolt has broken out in the red garrison at Moscow, and that the people's commissaries at Moscow have moved to Tver owing to the spread of the plague.

INLAND NORTHWEST

A three-year-old cow owned near Troy, Mont., recently gave birth to triplets. They weighed 30 pounds each and were healthy.

One result of the recent coal miners' strike was that it forced the city of Helena into the retail coal business, and the city is still selling coal.

Among the big irrigation projects now proposed in Montana is one planned to reclaim 150,000 acres of land in Hill and Choteau counties.

Verdicts acquitting Marie, Fay and Ted McDonald of the murder at Spokane last June of W. H. McNutt were returned by a jury in superior court.

Idaho has made a good record in the re-employment of former service men. According to figures issued, Idaho has given employment to a greater number of service men than any state in the union in proportion to population.

Ninety-four bills and a miscellaneous assortment of memorials and resolutions, some of the latter being pronounced more important than many of the bills, were passed by the special session of the Oregon legislature.

Billings Shriners will ask the imperial council, which is to meet in Portland, Ore., next June, for the necessary authorization for the establishment in that city of what would prove to be Montana's third Shrine temple.

The Idaho Honey company, organized at Idaho Falls, Idaho, last fall, has made a carload shipment direct to Copenhagen, Denmark. The company has 1200 stands of bees and operates two trucks taking care of the business.

General Pershing let it be known during an address at Seattle, that he does not want to talk about politics while on his tour of the country. "Everybody should know where I stand," he said. "I am not a candidate for president."

With every American Legion post in Colorado pulling for Denver as the convention city, a concerted effort will be made to secure the first American Olympic games of world war veterans, which will be held November 11, 12 and 13 of this year.

The Australian ballot, in use in Oregon for more than thirty years, has been discarded by a strong partisan vote of the Oregon legislature in special session. The straight party voting system is provided for as the official ballot of the state.

That part of the main state highway running east and west across Montana which crosses the Rocky mountains near Glacier park has been designated Roosevelt pass, and will be so designated on maps of the state highway commission in the near future.

Adrift in a rowboat without oars, two small boys were rescued just as they were about to be plunged over the seething rapids in Rogue river near Dillard, Ore., by Bert Laurence, a ranchman, who roped them with a lariat from shore and hauled them to safety.

The assessed valuation of livestock in Montana increased from \$46,235,493 in 1915 to \$157,501,960 in 1919. The total number of livestock in Montana on March 1, 1919, were: Cattle, all classes, 1,214,724; horses, all classes, 501,817; sheep, all classes, 2,107,797; hogs, 70,805.

Mrs. Nevada J. Haywood, wife of William D. Haywood of Chicago, "Secretary of the Industrial Workers of the World," died in Denver, January 22, after a long illness. Mrs. Haywood, who was born in Nevada fifty years ago, has made Denver her home for a number of years.

Work of dismantling shipping board wooden hulls left uncompleted on ways in Seattle, Tacoma and other northwest cities will be begun within a week or two by George F. Rogers, Astoria, Ore., shipbuilder. Mr. Rogers has been given a contract for the work by the emergency fleet corporation.

Representatives of the best sugar industry from all parts of the country will gather in Salt Lake, January 28 and 29, for a series of meetings which will deal with different phases of the business. The United States Beet Seed company will meet January 26 for a consideration of problems of beet seed production.

The historic pilot schooner Joseph Pulitzer, once in service off New York harbor and later off the Columbia river, has been placed in drydock at Portland for overhauling, preparatory to being sent to Alaska, where she is to be used in interport trade by private parties, who have purchased her. The Joseph Pulitzer was built as a sailing vessel in 1884.

Governor Emmet Boyle of Nevada has agreed to call a special session of the state legislature on February 7 to act on the federal suffrage amendment, provided the suffrage leaders of the state would guarantee the expense of the one day's session would not exceed \$980. The suffrage committees have asked legislators residing at a distance to promise not to attend.

By shooting into both rear tires of an automobile containing three alleged "moonshiners," deputy sheriffs captured three men and lodged them in the county jail at Tacoma charged with violating the prohibition law.

The executive committee of the Retail Merchants' association of Idaho Falls, Idaho, has indorsed the plan to raise funds to extend relief to the dry farmers east and west of town who did not produce a crop last season and whose livestock, particularly work horses, are suffering for lack of food.