

If Those Teutons Ever Again Attempt To Call Us Swine We Are In A Position To Retaliate Scathingly By Calling Them Germans

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MCADOO SENDS WIRE URGING FIVE-YEAR TRY-OUT FOR ROADS

Government Should Keep Control For at Least That Period

NO OTHER WAY FAIR

Says Powerful Forces of Reaction Are Dead Set Against the Plan

Santa Barbara, Cal., Jan. 27.—W. G. McAdoo, former Director-General of railroads and former Secretary of the Treasury, made public today a telegram in which he urged five-year government control of the railroads as a necessity for the development of inland waterways and for the coordination of the railroads and waterways with the new American merchant marine.

The telegram, addressed to Albert Kreh, chairman of the Miami and Erie Improvement Committee of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce was sent in response to an invitation to attend an inland waterways meeting today at Defiance, Ohio.

The message said: "Regret it is impossible for me to attend your inland waterways meeting at Defiance, Jan. 27.

"It seems to me futile to expend great sums of money on the development of our inland waterways unless our government adopts an intelligent policy about railroad control. The future of waterways development is absolutely dependent upon a government control which will enforce the operation of the waterways and the railroads and a co-ordinated and articulated system which will give the people the benefits of an efficient combination of water and rail facilities. This cannot be accomplished under the present railroad law, which provides that the railroads cannot be controlled by the government for a longer period than 21 months after the return of peace. Within a twenty-one months period no substantial development can be made nor can their operation in so brief a period afford any adequate test of their values.

"Upon the return of the railroads to private ownership, which must be made within the 21-months period, as the present law provides, the cut-throat competition of the railroads under private control with the artificially developed waterways will effectively destroy water transportation as heretofore and the people's investment in these facilities will continue to be of little, if any value.

"I have urged the Congress to extend the period of federal control of the railroads for five years because that will give us time to develop some of the most important existing water routes, co-ordinate them with the railroads for five years because that will give us time to develop some of the most important existing water routes, co-ordinate them with the railroads and prove their worth as a part of a great American transportation system.

"I also feel that the government should control the railroads and the inland waterways for a period of five years so that they may in turn be co-ordinated with our government merchant marine which has been built at a cost of more than two billion dollars and which under existing law the government controls for a five year period.

"Unless we look at this great problem with vision and from the standpoint solely of the American people instead of from the standpoint of the selfish interest of private railroad owners, private steamship owners, private investors, or any other single class, we shall not measure up to our obligations to the American people nor realize the great opportunities and destiny that lie ahead of us.

"The confusion of counsel about the railroad problem, made daily more evident by the great variety of conflicting views and opinions now being presented at the hearing before the Interstate Commerce Committee of the Senate at Washington, makes it more and more clear that the course of wisdom, sagacity and prudence is to extend government control of the railroads for five years, that our inland waterways be developed to the largest possible extent during that period and that these inland waterways and rail facilities be co-ordinated with our great merchant marine in an endeavor to get for American business enterprises full participation in the benefits of world commerce.

RED HOSTS MAKING DESPERATE EFFORT IN NORTH RUSSIA

Allies and Americans Stand Brunt of Blow Made by Bolsheviks

ARTILLERY EMPLOYED

Winter Season Hampers our Troops In Strange Country Far From Base

Archangel, Sunday, Jan. 28 (By the Associated Press).—The Bolsheviks are now on the offensive with infantry or artillery, or both, against four of the seven thin columns of the allies and Russians which have penetrated southward through the frozen forest swamps of the province of Archangel.

Last night the enemy entered Shenkusk while the third column of Americans, Russians and British which had evacuated the place, ranked in a detour over the deep snow on the road leading a force of several hundred of the enemy, who waited on the high road to trap the column in the morning.

In good spirits, despite the hardships of the cold and 10 days of hard fighting, the Americans and the other troops of the allied forces were today at Shenkusk, approximately 200 miles north of Archangel on the Vologda river. The enemy apparently is sending detachments to follow the retreating troops, but up to this morning no new attacks had been made on this sector.

Saturday the Bolsheviks attacked the allied positions at Tarskaya, a village about 40 miles east of Shenkusk in the sector between the Vologda and the Vetroda railroads.

TELEPHONE COMPANY FULL OF TROUBLES HERE AND BOSTON

P. C. S. Hearing to be Given Locally and Big Strike Brewing Elsewhere

These are strenuous days for the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, both locally and in other parts of New England.

The Public Service Commission is to give a hearing here in Caledonia county on the 11th of February to determine whether St. Johnsbury and vicinity subscribers should pay the increased tolls which other parts of the state are paying. And on the horizon looms a telephone workers' strike that may tie up the business altogether.

It was unanimously voted by delegates representing 49 local unions and 12,000 employees of the phone systems of New England at a meeting in the Quincey House yesterday, to strike if their demands for higher wages are not granted.

The meeting was addressed for nearly two hours by P. J. Noonan of Springfield, Ill., acting president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, with which the 49 local are affiliated. He told the delegates that the telephone employees all over the country are uneasy.

When it comes to troubles the phone business is almost as bad as trying to straighten out Russia—and keep it straightened.

"No part of our union is more vitally concerned in this question than the great States of the Ohio and Mississippi valleys, as well as those bordering on the lakes, the oceans and the Gulf. Many of their leading ports will continue to be starved and their development arrested unless they have a fair chance under the impartial control of the government of rail and steamship facilities.

"The powerful and sleepless force of reaction are solidly arrayed against this plan. They will defeat it unless the American people are aroused to the situation. The time is short. The matter is vital. My earnest suggestion to you and your associates is to press upon the attention of the Congress the importance of the five-year control in order that the things you want to accomplish may be brought about.

"W. G. McAdoo."

SMALLER POWERS FALLING IN LINE WITH BIG NATIONS

Delegates from Belgium and Other States Choose Committee Members

RESULTS COME FAST

Part of Yesterday's Sitting Devoted to Discussion of German Colonies

Paris, Jan. 27.—(By the Associated Press).—The peace conference today made a distinct gain when the smaller powers gave full adherence to the organization contemplated by the big powers, thus securing a united front of the great and small powers in the outset of the work of the main subjects before the members of the commission.

This is largely due to the skillful direction of Jules Cambon, French delegate and former ambassador at Washington, who was designated by the council of the great powers to preside over the meeting of the small powers last afternoon. This meeting was held at the foreign office in Paris at the same time as the council of the great powers met. The two separate gatherings proceeded simultaneously, one in the office of M. Poincaré, the foreign minister, and the other in the Salle de la Paix.

For a time there was some apprehension of the sequel to the different viewpoints expressed at Cambon's conference, but today's meeting of the small powers was without incident or removal of the claims then set up for increased representation on the various committees. Belgium, Serbia, Rumania and all the other small powers had their full delegations at the afternoon meeting.

Paris.—President Wilson is credited by the French Press with bringing forward during yesterday's discussion the subject of the taking of the German colonies under the general title of the League of Nations. The idea is generally and widely the more, but found difficult in practice.

LEGISLATURE AT MONTPELIER

The Legislature got back to business at the Capitol this morning, but no business of importance was transacted beyond the usual number of minor bills which were referred to committees.

Full percent of today's session will appear in tomorrow's Caledonian.

(Special to the Caledonian) Burlington, Jan. 27.—Albert Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baker of this city, who has made 12 trans-Atlantic voyages on the Transoceanic, is spending a short furlough in town. The Transoceanic was sunk off the coast of France, Dec. 28, running headlong into a rock. All the men on board were taken off by another ship which came to the rescue. Baker says that on nearly every trip to France the transport came in contact with a submarine, or what was supposed to be one, a number of suspicious objects being fired upon on many voyages.

Burlington, Jan. 28.—The Young Women's Christian Association will hold a meeting here today at the Sherwood, as part of the 1919 campaign to furnish an avenue of expression for talents of young women who responded to war calls. Mrs. M. D. Childs has called the meeting. The speakers will include Miss Mabel Southwick, executive secretary of the Y. W. C. A. war work council in Vermont, Mrs. W. J. Van Patten, Miss Annie Clarke, head of town and county work for the New England division, and Prof. Bertha Terrill of the University of Vermont.

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WEATHER
Partly cloudy.

THE OATH

(From the Hardware Age)

I will not drink from a German cup,
Or eat from a German plate.
I will not deal with a German man,
All foul with German hate.

I'll use no drug with a German name,
That's grown on German land.
I'll eat no food and drink no beer
If made by a German hand.

I will not use a German tool,
Razor, or knife, or saw.
I will not trade with a German shop
That lives by the German law.

I will not sail on a German ship,
Where the German songs are sung.
I will not breathe where God's clean air
Is soiled by a German tongue.

I will not forget those awful deeds,
To girls and little boys.
No more I'll hang on Christmas trees
Those blood-stained German toys.

I will not take a German's word,
He'll break it if he can.
There is no love in a German heart,
Or faith in a German man.

This is my oath when war is done,
I'll swear to keep it true.
And since I know you feel the same,
I'll pass it on to you.

—KENNETH GRAHAM DUFFIELD

EVEN GRAVE DIGGERS JOIN STRIKERS IN LONDON DISTRICTS

VERMONT FACTORIES FAIRLY WELL FIXED FOR ORDERS REPORT

Worst Strike Experienced in Great Britain Now On.

NO DAILY PAPERS

Theatres and Saloons Closed and Street Cars Are Not Running

London, Jan. 28.—It is estimated nearly two hundred thousand men and women are idle in United Kingdom and Ireland, because of strikes in various trades, creating one of the most serious situations industrially this country has had to face in many years. Half the strikers are in Ireland, where the strike movement is continuing to spread.

London, Jan. 28.—The strike now on here is the most serious ever experienced in this city of strikers, writes the Mail's correspondent. Belfast is like a dead city. It's entire society life is paralyzed. Theatres and saloons are closed, tram cars are not running; bakeries and hundreds are closing and there was no afternoon paper Monday. Telegraphic and telephonic communication with outside districts are seriously hampered. Things are in such a chaotic state that a change must come soon. Even the grave diggers joined the strike Monday.

Belfast, Jan. 28.—Strikers attacked shops here last night screaming to enter as adults on stores showing lights. The police engaged in dispersing rioters were fired upon but eventually succeeded in restoring order. Approximately one hundred thousand people are involved in the strike and twenty six trades are affected.

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If we were to take the attitude of the press as forming our opinions what intellectual gymnastics we would have to perform! Before the signing of the armistice, Karl Liebknecht was hailed by the press as "The bravest man in Germany" because he went to jail protesting against the acts of his country. Vials of wrath and scorn were poured out upon Seidelmann, David, Ebert, and the rest of the majority Socialist leaders, calling them bootlickers of Prussian Imperialism and militarism; but now the press hails Ebert and his party as statesmen and quakers with evident satisfaction the impious statement of a paper opposed to the Spartacist party saying the murder of their former hero Liebknecht and the disgraceless Rosa Luxemburg "an act of Divine Providence."

Of course the papers echo the pompous utterances of Liebknecht. But the method of opposing it seems to me to be incredibly stupid. Bolshevism is no mere phenomenon and too fraught with danger to be hushed out of court. Some of the ablest studies purporting to explain the economic theory of the Bolsheviks is a book not only of those who are trained in the study of social organization, but to even intelligent readers, and appear to give ground to the claim of the Socialists that the press willfully deceives the public in the interest of capital upon which it is dependent for its prosperity through its advertisements.

The leading attitude of the press toward American Socialists and its misrepresentations of their peculiar doctrines leads them into fury and wins them sympathizers among intellectuals who have no political party but are students of society. I do not think that there is large danger of Bolshevism in our country, but I do think that we are inviting disaster by the continual baiting of the Socialists. Nothing stirs up the radicals of this country like the handling by the press, and especially the handling by short-sighted local officials, of the present assembly of Socialists, and fanning the flames of the red flag, while allowing the display of the white clenched fist and the jackass of the two larger parties.

Intolerance and intolerance displayed toward the Socialists unites them, lifts them up, and wins them friends from liberals who are not Socialists. I think that the best way to avoid Bolshevism is to adopt an attitude of complete tolerance. Let Socialism be talked, printed, understood, and met at the polls. Efforts at suppression or oppression enriches the soil in which revolution thrives. I think an atmosphere of complete freedom of speech and propaganda for all shades of economic and social thought would make revolution, except by the way of the ballot-box, impossible. We hope that the leaders of the Socialist party are sane. The task of these leaders to keep in line the fanatical extremists is made more difficult by the press that distorts and ridicules the economic theories that they believe in so thoroughly.

—Harold Guy Don Scott.

A. F. STONE SELLS NEWSPAPER STOCK

Retires from Daily Newspaper Business to Run Government Employment Office

Because he felt that a vacation would not come amiss after the strenuous work of managing The Evening Caledonian during the absence abroad of W. D. Pelley, president and former manager of the local publishing concern, and because some time ago he received the appointment as manager of the local government employment bureau, which for the present at least provides him with a congenial job, Arthur F. Stone has disposed of his holdings in The Evening Caledonian to Mr. Pelley.

Mr. Stone, who did excellent work on the paper during Mr. Pelley's absence, retires with the gratitude of the other members of the company for his faithfulness and loyalty during the past six months and with the best wishes of the staff for his success in other lines of work.

Mr. Pelley this morning resumed the place which he left vacant on the 28th of last May to go abroad. He will personally manage the concern henceforward.

HENRY PAGE DIES PAST WEEK AT HOME IN DANVILLE, VT.

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CARD OF THANKS
We take this way to thank friends and neighbors for their kind acts of sympathy during loss of our dear one. Also to relatives and friends for the beautiful flowers.
Mrs. Henry Page and fan Ellen C. Page, George N. Page, Mrs. Will McCormick.

ROSA LUXEMBURG NOT KILLED, REPORT TODAY FROM BERLIN

Despatch Says German Woman Socialist Is Very Much Alive AT HOME OF A FRIEND. Considers Berlin Too Dangerous Place to Carry on Her Propaganda

Copenhagen, Jan. 28.—A Munich despatch reports that a correspondent has learned from quite a reliable source that Rosa Luxemburg, reported to have been killed in Berlin on January 15th, is alive and at the home of a friend. She will, he says, remain secreted until she has opportunity to escape from Berlin.

Washington.—Food Administration announces President Wilson signed proclamation in Paris removing restrictions on manufacture of so-called beer. Legislation prohibiting general immigration for a period of four years after signing of the Peace Treaty has been approved tentatively by the House Immigration Committee.