

TROTSKY'S TRUMP CARD TIPPED OFF

Lenine Exposed Colleague's Hand in Game for Hun Revolution

BOLD APPEAL CHECKED

Former Bolshevik Foreign Minister Planned to Avert Russia's Humiliation

Washington, March 21.—The bold effort of Leon Trotsky, former Bolshevik Commissary for Foreign Affairs, to launch in the Teuton nations a revolution which would save the Russian democracy, has just been unfolded in all its dramatic details to the United States Government.

It is a story of Trotsky's "trump card" in world diplomacy—which failed to win him the post because Nikolai Lenine, his co-leader, boldly "tipped off" his hand. Trotsky staked his all on a revolution in Germany. He refused to yield to Lenine's counsel for a separate pincer pact—surrender of Russian rights—with the Teutons. He prolonged the meetings at Brest-Litovsk as he laid the foundation for his last play. Lenine let him work to the end he sought.

But the German military authorities were informed of the program by the date set for the great effort—January 25—Lenine did not accompany Trotsky to Brest-Litovsk. He awaited results in Petrograd.

Failed by the Military. Trotsky launched his appeal to the German people. It was checked in its prime by the military authorities. It never saw the light among the soldiers. It was suppressed everywhere. But it found its way into some parts of Germany and Austria. Whether it was the cause or not it is significant that the riots and strikes in Germany and Austria followed shortly afterward.

But the military were in control. Trotsky saw his effort fail. There was not the great response he expected. He couldn't understand.

Lenine, however, understood. When Trotsky returned to Petrograd, admitting failure, Lenine's hand was strengthened. His counsel was heeded. Russia submitted to Germany's terms and Trotsky, humiliated, resigned.

Trotsky's Fleeing Appeal. But Trotsky's appeal to Germany will go down in history as one of the most striking documents of the war. The United Press today is able to present the official text of the appeal in connection with the circumstances surrounding its issue. Here it is in its entirety, as it was wireless and through Bolshevik agents, after Count von Hertling had announced Germany's terms of peace.

"Brest-Litovsk. "The German nation remains silent, and only for this reason could a feeble old man, Count Hertling, appear before the chief commission of the German Reichstag and declare himself able to lead the German people through the Red Sea to a general peace."

"Hertling spoke about peace, but he wanted to be proved by reference to a few facts that Germany, with its 67,000,000 inhabitants, among whom are hardly any illiterate, had developed a wonderfully perfect technique in three and a half years of war, and that in proficiency and moral value it surpasses the other nations of Europe.

"And during this time, in which the costs of war—the logical result of a military mission carried to extremes—rest exclusively on the shoulders of the people, while every household mourns, at least one of its members, while the nation with its blood feeds a multitude of war profiteers who chatter away the tears of the poor for strings of pearls, while wives, during the time of misery, who speak in the name of the people?"

Hertling Called Hypocrite. "A Jesuit, more than seventy years old; a professor of philosophy, conservative from tip to toe, a friend of the Junkers and of the priests, the man to doubt the love of peace of the Russian proletariat, and so doing he reveals his whole hypocrisy. The German Chancellor knows well that the German people can again lead the Russian people into war if any danger should threaten the Russian revolution.

"When he pretends to be skeptical as to the love of peace of the Russian Government he does so only to divert the attention of the German people from the fact that the German Government offered unacceptable terms of peace to the Russian revolution. Hertling did not mention a single one of our protests against the German conditions. By no single word did he speak of the indignation which these peace proposals called forth in Russia.

"Just Peace" a Myth. "The Imperial Chancellor wanted to make the same speech, since 1915, every German Chancellor has made. The fundamental idea of these speeches is this: The German Empire, in the consciousness of its power, proposes a 'Just' peace to its enemies, but the wicked enemies refuse to conclude this peace and this proves that the enemies are solely responsible for the prolongation of the war.

"When formerly the German Government spoke of the 'Just' peace those who followed the German policy

Semiofficial Peace Parley Begun, Report

Amsterdam, March 21.—The Catholic Nieuwsblad Van Reuzeland declared today it has reliable information that semi-official negotiations have been opened between Germany and the Entente, the former displaying a strong inclination for peace.

found at once on how mendacious a foundation this policy was based, but the German people in those days had confidence in its Government and credited its explanations.

"But now this fairy tale has forever lost its meaning, for lately when the German peace terms were made known they read: The people of Courland, Lithuania and Poland are to be made slaves of the German Junkers; the Russian nation must pay war indemnity, thus causing this poor land to bear the whole burden of German imperialism.

"If the German peace proposals found no echo among the masses in France, Italy and England, it was simply and solely because these nations had long since seen through the Austrian construction the German Government is capable of putting on the expression 'a just peace.'"

The Trotsky statement then goes on to assail Count Hertling's attitude toward Belgium in his war aims address and Hertling's speech later, he says "will sow suspicion among the masses."

The "intentional ignoring" of the protest by Austrian imperialism against Germany's peace terms "shows how untenable are the arguments on which they rest," Trotsky says.

"If Count Hertling does not wish to see the situation as it really is or pretends that he does not see it, this will hardly banish the dissatisfaction of the proletariat, nor destroy the want in Austria. This dissatisfaction and this want of the Austrian proletariat will find an expression so much the stronger when it becomes known how much the German Government fears the influence which the Austrian proletariat exerts upon that of Germany.

"This is sufficiently proved by the muzzling policy of the German Government against the Russian press, the lack of occurrences in Austria which were everywhere passed over in silence. The Chancellor spoke as if it were still December 25, 1917, instead of which it is January 25, 1918, and behind us lie great events. And in Austria we approach the ideas of March."

DEATHS IN ARMY CAMPS INCREASE 21 IN WEEK

Pneumonia Leads With 83—General Health of Troops Reported Good

Washington, March 21.—Although the report for the week ending March 15, as made public by the surgeon general today, states the health of the troops in training continues good and the death rate continues low, the figures show an increase of twenty-four more deaths in the week than in the previous period. Pneumonia, with eighty-three victims, came up to lead.

Camp Union, at Yaphank, N. Y., with a total of fifteen, reports the greatest number of deaths of any camp. Of these twelve were from pneumonia.

The National Army reported eighty-one deaths, the regular army seventy-one and the National Guard twenty-eight. With the exception of the National Guard these figures show an increase.

In the National Guard, Camp Bowie, Fort Worth, Texas, has the highest admission rate and Camp Sevier, at Greenville, S. C., the highest non-effective rate, the report says. Ninety-one new cases of pneumonia were reported for all National Guard camps, against 87 last week.

HUNS BOMB HUN LEGATION

Then They Have Nerve to Ask France to Pay the Damages

Paris, March 21.—In the latest German aerial attack on Paris one of the enemy's aviators dropped a bomb which struck and damaged the embassy building of one of the Central Powers. Two days later the caretaker of the building requested the legation of the neutral Power representing the enemy country to present a bill to the French Government for damages done to the building.

France is asked to pay \$900 for destruction by the enemy of his own property.

B'Nai B'Rith to Purchase Bonds. At a meeting of the B'Nai B'Rith, 22, Independent Order B'Nai B'Rith, it was unanimously agreed to purchase \$1500 worth of the new Liberty Loan bonds. Jacob Singer, Registrar of Wills, made the principal address.

UKRAINE RESISTS AUSTRIA'S GRAB

Serious Differences Between Rada and Dual Monarchy

UNWILLING TO YIELD

German Troops Apparently Plan to Occupy Both Moscow and Petrograd

Petrograd, March 20.—Three of the people's commissaries, entrusted with organization of a Red Guard may, have been mysteriously murdered, it was learned here today.

Berlin, March 21.—The commercial town and harbor of Kherson has been captured, the German War Office announced today.

Kherson is an important grain and shipping center, 100 miles east of Odessa, on the Dnieper River, a few miles from the mouth. It has a population of about 20,000.

Petrograd, March 21.—Serious differences have broken out between Austria and the Ukrainian Rada regarding the division of territory, according to the administrative dispatches from Kiev received here today. Austria has demanded a portion of the province of Volin.

The Caucasian Zion (governing body) is reported to have broken off peace negotiations with Turkey.

Trotsky Calls for New Army. War Minister Trotsky, addressing Moscow Soviet today, received the widest applause when he pleaded for immediate creation of a large Russian army.

"According to foreign reports, 200,000 Austro-German prisoners are armed and ready to seize the transiberian region," Trotsky said. "The Japanese are spreading this report throughout the world in order to excite their occupation of Siberia. I have no doubt but that the French bourgeoisie will sell Russia if it were offered Alsace-Lorraine in return."

"If the western proletariat does not support us we will perish. We have no illusions regarding the attitude of the European bourgeoisie. There is need of an army for war against the whole of capitalist, imperialist Europe.

"Our army was destroyed in three years of war—unable to withstand the effects of a war with armies of other industrially developed countries. We must begin with a new army of 750,000 to create a new, collective military discipline under the command of experts, so when the European proletariat arises we will be able to say: 'We are here.'"

German Troops Beat Back. German forces have been repulsed near Voroshba, on the Kharhoff front (400 miles northeast of Odessa and 500 miles south of Moscow) strong attacks have been made by the Ukrainian soviet troops.

A Russian telegraph agency dispatch from Vladivostok describes a meeting in Pokin, March 19, said to have been attended by M. Putiloff, M. Gachoff (War Minister under Kerensky), Admiral Kuchak and Chinese and Japanese generals.

The Japanese representatives are said to have declared that the entire anti-Bolshevik portion of Russia is demanding Allied occupation of Siberia, as far westward as Irkutsk, promising to supply the necessary forces.

The Japanese stated, according to the dispatch, that America would receive the Ussurik region railway, China the Amur region as far as Irkutsk. A special Russian Government for the occupied region was discussed. M. Chervakoff, director of the East Chinese railway,

SPAIN WILL HAVE PRO-ALLY CABINET

Senor Maura, "Strong Man" and Former Premier, Directed to Form Ministry

Madrid, March 21.—Former Premier Maura, recognized as the leader of pro-Ally sympathizers in Spain, has been directed to form a new cabinet, it was announced here today.

Senor Maura frequently has been designated as the "strong man of Spain." He has figured in more than one ministerial crisis occasioned by turbulent elements that took up party politics of the country and the economic situation. He has been at the head of the ministry at periods of delicate retreating a high art of statesmanship and diplomacy, his liberal tendencies being always in consonance with the views, and enabling him to steer clear of dangers that threatened the wreck of the Government.

Since the outbreak of the war there has been evidence that the nobility and aristocracy of Spain were friendly toward the Teuton Alliance, while the "neutrality" of the King himself has apparently been tinged with benevolent sentiment for the Entente, the Queen an English princess. The appointment of Maura at this time, with his pronounced pro-Ally proclivities, may be regarded as more than ordinarily significant.

U. S. STILL REGARDS RUSSIA AS "ASSOCIATE"

Washington, March 21.—The United States position toward Russia is unchanged. This Government still regards her as an "associate" or co-belligerent in the war.

This was said officially today in an informal State Department discussion of Trotsky's reported request for aid in organizing the volunteer 2nd army. The department said that it was under the request and declined to outline a position toward it until the request came here.

The reported inquiry of the Entente Allies as to arming the German prisoners in Siberia apparently was understood without State Department participation. Rumors have come to the department that such arming was under way, but this far they have been entirely unconfirmed.

A Russian report from Odessa, reported to have moved to Rostov.

THEY BREAK IT GENTLY; BERRY PRICES TO BOOM

Growers See All Kinds of Conditions That Will Add to Cost of Living

Georgetown, Del., March 21.—With a million-dollar crop of strawberries ready in less than two months, growers are meeting with such serious difficulties that berries may be so high-priced they cannot be sold.

Although growers have been assured the care to haul their crop will be ready, the increased cost of ice, the shortage of labor and crates present a serious problem. The berries last year cost forty-five cents and now the price is fifty-five cents, with prospects of even a higher price. Pickers received 20 and one-half cents a quart last year, but already have demanded three cents.

HORSEWHIP TWO SUSPECTS

Pro-German Farmers in Oklahoma Warned to Leave

Attn, Okla., March 21.—O. P. Westbrook, a prominent farmer living seventeen miles north of here, was taken from his home during the night by the "knights of liberty," stripped to the waist, horsewhipped, tarred and feathered and then ordered out of town.

Westbrook is alleged to have grown hold with his pro-German remarks and utterances against the Government.

Signs have been posted today on all county roads and on the public buildings that read: "Pro-Germans don't let the sun set on you in Jackson County. This county must be 100 per cent American."

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Decisive Moment of War at Hand, Kaiser Declares

London, March 21.—Germany is at the decisive moment of the war, according to a telegram sent to the Rhenish Provisional Council by the Kaiser. The imperial message, according to a dispatch from Amsterdam, reads: "We are at the decisive moment of the war and one of the greatest moments in German history."

GENERAL SPEAKS, DISMISSED, INVESTIGATES

Commander of Ohio Guard Is in Washington to Look Up Record in Case

Washington, March 21.—Gen. John C. Speaks, of the Ohio National Guard, recently relieved from duty because of "temperamental disability," came here today to investigate the record in the matter of his dismissal.

Gen. Charles X. Zimmerman, of the Ohio National Guard, has been found physically fit by the plucking board.

OHIOANS TO BANQUET

Admiral Bowles and Senator Harding Will Discuss Hog Island

The Hog Island situation will be discussed from two angles at the annual banquet of the Ohio Society of Philadelphia in the ballroom of the Bellevue-Stratford on Saturday night. United States Senator Warren G. Harding, of Ohio, who was chairman of the Senate committee which investigated the American International Shipping Corporation, and Admiral Francis T. Bowles, now in charge of the shipyard, will be among the speakers.

Most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, Archbishop of York and Primate of England, has been invited and is expected to attend.

Congressman George S. Graham, of this city, will be toastmaster and about 200 sailors and marines at the Navy Yard who hail from Ohio will be guests of the society. W. F. Thurkinton is president.

\$6500 TO BISHOP M'CORT

Philadelphia Prelate to Receive Residue of Estate

Bishop John J. M'Cort, of the Philadelphia diocese, receives the residue of the estate of George Robert White, of Merion, amounting to about \$6,500, by the provisions of the will probated today at Newport. "For his own use absolutely."

This bequest comes as the result of the failure of a charitable bequest made of the same amount to the Catholic charity of the same name, which failed to make the church bequest effective, the only other bequest of \$2,000, is made to Catharine McClain.

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SHIP STRIKE CALLED OFF

Striking workmen of the Pennsylvania Shipyard, at Gloucester, returned to work today after being convinced by Hugh Ramsey, superintendent of the yard, that the wages paid the men had been fixed by the Government.

BAKER HOLDS FIRST U. S. REVIEW ABROAD

War Secretary and Pershing Thrilled by Parade of Divisions

With the American Army in France, March 21.—For the first time in history a Secretary of War yesterday reviewed American troops on foreign soil.

Mr. Baker, General Pershing and the staff generals stood on the brow of a great plateau and saw the regiments of the first division, fresh from the trenches, march past.

"Tin-hatted," laden with field equipment, the troops swung by with a new confidence and vigor. Men from those ranks were the first to give their lives in America's struggle against autocracy. They withstood German raids, gas attacks and hardships.

Their swinging stride and confident bearing indicated they felt: "Well, reviewing is all right; but our game is more than parading now."

It was a new chapter in American history. As the colors were passing the reviewing stand the sun burst momentarily through the low-hanging clouds, lighting up a picture that will be surpassed only by the review of Americans as victors.

Pershing, briefly addressing the officers, said he was proud of their showing in the trenches, which augured well for the future.

The reviewing field was heavy with mud and motorcars were unable to surround the plateau. Baker, Pershing and the others trudged a muddy, uphill mile.

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The Nation on a War Basis

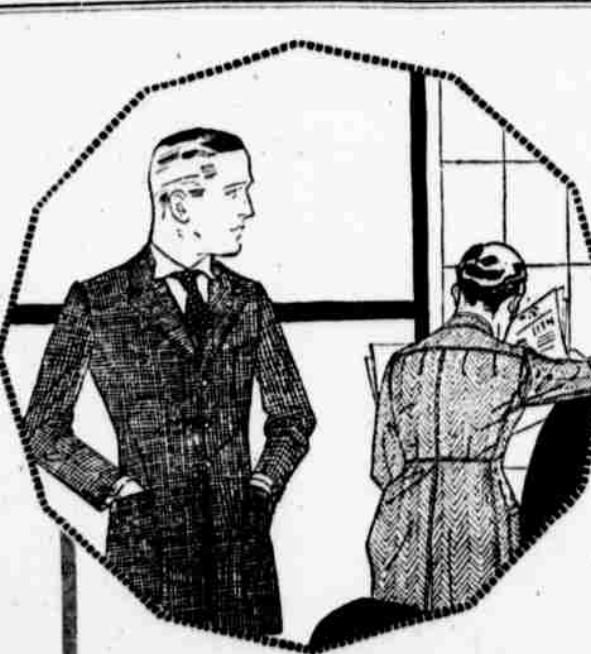
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