

RUSSIA SITUATION WORRIES ALLIES

Bolshevik Menace Growing and Military May Be Needed

SENDING ARMY OPPOSED

Lenine Government Reported Increasing Forces to Invade Other Parts of Europe

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Public attention here has suddenly swung around to Russia, and the chance of the Allies being obliged to undertake military operations to restore order in that much-tortured land. So far there has been no authoritative statement on the matter, although Winston Churchill, during his election campaign at Dundee, maintained that England could not desert her friends in Russia, as without her protection they "would get their throats cut by the Bolsheviks, who hated them like poison."

However, today the Daily Chronicle publishes an article "from a special correspondent," which suggests that some definite decision may be reached in the near future. It says:

"The situation in Russia is causing great anxiety in official circles," and the point is the extreme difficulty of getting any reliable information. All that is coming out now by wireless through Denmark and Sweden, it maintains, is scanty, unreliable and heavily censored, and the most recent news that can be absolutely accepted is two months old and comes first hand from people who have made their escape."

The Chronicle correspondent then dwells on the horrors of the prisons and massacres, and says: "It may be asked how it is that with such horrors going on the Bolsheviks maintain their power. The answer is that it is a question either of adhering nominally to the party in power or being starved to death. No food can be obtained from any other source, and there are thousands of officers in the Bolshevik army as an alternative to dying of hunger."

No Great Bolshevik Army

"But the story of a great Bolshevik army of 3,000,000 is not credited in this country. The most reliable information puts the number at about 180,000, scattered all over the former Russian Empire. There is, however, a probability that in the near future a large amount of propaganda work has been carried on during the past year."

"If the ideas of the Bolsheviks are carried out in their entirety, Europe, in the opinion of diplomatic circles, is faced with a danger as grave as was the invasion of Genghis Khan or Tamerlane. Nor is it easy to say off-hand what should be done to counteract this menace."

"The late elections have revealed in some parts of the country a considerable amount of sympathy with the Bolshevik government in Russia, and it is certain that intervention by the Allies on a large scale would be hotly disputed and criticized."

"It is fortunate that President Wilson is now in Europe so that this important matter can be discussed by all the Allies. It would be advantageous if some line of policy could be decided upon by other nations in common so that the problem could be jointly tackled."

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Even now drafts of British troops, men who volunteered to fight the Germans and defend liberty, are being ordered to Siberia, to fight the battles of the Kolchak and the Semenovs. If the British Government does not support the disgraceful adventure of its own accord it will find it will soon be stopped for it."

The Westminster Gazette, which during the war maintained stoutly that the necessity of preventing Germany gaining control of Russia was an unanswerable argument against premature peace, is now anxious about England's commitments in that region. It fears the may drift into "a series of costly, chronic and indecisive expeditions in various parts of Russia, or at best to permanent occupation with large bodies of troops, of the various Russian provinces."

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Washington, Dec. 18.—(By A. P.)—The Russian problem already has been taken up by President Wilson with French statesmen, it was learned here. The determination of a definite policy on which all the Allied countries and the United States may agree, will be one of the first things undertaken at the preliminary meetings of the Peace Conference.

Russia's plight and the attitude to be adopted is recognized as one of the most serious problems of the conference. Every proposed solution so far is said to have been blocked by the unanswered question of whether the Allies are to be the Russian people.

The Government at Omsk, of which the United States and other Governments have expected much, is now in the hands of a dictator and split into factions.

The Entente nations have not given up hope that the Omsk authorities may evolve a stable government for Russia. This has not been accomplished yet, and none of the Allied Governments has recognized the Omsk regime officially, although all of them are dealing with Russian representatives who are in close touch with Admiral Kolchak and his Government.

Prince Lvoff, who was Premier in the Kerensky Cabinet, and who during the most of his life to the development of the Zemstvo system in Russia, and Boris Bakstetoff, Russian Ambassador in Washington, appointed by Kerensky, as well as Professor Paul Millukoff, Kerensky's Minister of Foreign Affairs, are on their way to Paris or already there with other prominent Russians to do whatever they can to aid the Allies in the solution of the Russian problem.

But whether they represent the people of Russia at this time is a question which is privately admitted cannot be answered here.

Prince Lvoff has recently been in Washington, where he discussed the situation in his country with President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing. Professor Millukoff, whose standing in Russia under the Czar and during the Kerensky regime was very high, has reached Constantinople from the heart of the Bolshevik-occupied territory. He is said to be in a very delicate condition.

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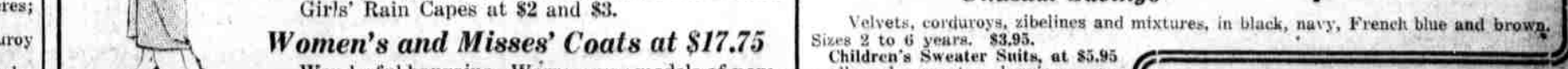
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