

**END BOLSHEVISM
DUTY OF ALLIES**

**Intervention in Force in
Russia Is Advocated by
Entente Statesmen.**

NECESSARY TO PEACE

**France Especially Hopes to
Win President Wilson to
This View of Question**

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Paris, Dec. 20. No fixed order in which the main topics will be taken up in the peace preliminaries has been determined, but it is the desire of the French that when such a sequence and grouping are arranged the matter of intervention in Russia shall be made practically a co-ordinate question with that of fixing Germany's eastern boundaries.

That there must be intervention in force to end Bolshevism is the opinion of European and Entente statesmen; because otherwise, they say, there will be no eastern barrier to prevent Teutonic expansion. Their hope is that President Wilson will eventually take the same view of the matter. They don't consider Bolshevism as merely an internal Russian matter nor even one confined to Europe, but as a problem for both Europe and America to solve together. The only dissenting note here is that of the Socialists, who denounce every plan of intervention as a subterfuge to restore the old regime in Russia. This is one of the main points on which the French Socialists claim to be more in accord with President Wilson than any other group in Europe. Except for the Socialists, France is keen for intervention. This is in part due to sentiment, as she would like to rescue her old ally from anarchy, but chiefly due to a sense of self-preservation. For it is the unshaken belief of French statesmen that the menace of Germany will not be avoided if that country has to the east of her a weak, helpless Russia. When holders of this opinion are asked what is necessary in terms of number of troops they don't pretend to know, but reply that no matter how many troops are needed they must be sent by all the nations which joined in defeating Germany.

**FRENCH PUT LEAGUE
OF NATIONS FIRST**

**Plan Laid Before Clemenceau
by L'Estournelles de Constant
and Bourgeois**

Paris, Dec. 20.

Baron L'Estournelles de Constant today gave the Associated Press the French plan for bringing about a society of nations which the Baron and Senator Leon Bourgeois, formerly French Premier, presented to Premier Clemenceau several days ago. Explaining details, the Baron said:

"The essentials of the plan are: First, compulsory arbitration without limitation or exception. This leaves out the old exception of questions involving national honor and dignity. Second, limitation of armaments. Third, the establishment of a council of administration of the nations for the formulation of new international administration and international law procedure. Fourth, the application of 'sanctions' for making effective the decisions of the society of nations. 'Sanctions' is a diplomatic expression meaning the various steps for enforcing compliance. They are fourfold: 'First, diplomatic sanction. The society of nations shall break diplomatic relations with any recalcitrant nation and give its passports to the ambassador or ministers representing that nation. 'Second, juridical sanction, whereby the courts of all countries will be closed to a recalcitrant nation. It will thus virtually be quarantined and placed outside the pale of civilized States. 'Third, economic sanction, whereby the economic means of all nations shall be directed against any recalcitrant State. This economic weapon of the united nations will be a great power in levelling any offending nation, cutting off its foodstuffs and raw materials, when it acts in defiance of the society of nations. 'Fourth, military sanction. This is the last sanction by which the joint nations would undertake to enforce observance of the decisions of the society of nations. This military sanction is the most difficult and delicate of all the questions involved in creating the society of nations."

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PREDICTS EMIGRATION

**Food Problem Demands Im-
mediate Action by Allies,
He Declares**

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London, Dec. 20. H. T. Greenwall, the Daily Express correspondent, has interviewed in Berlin Doctor Rathenau, head of the German General Electrical Company, one of the largest employers of labor in Germany. He said:

"Germany is ruined for generations to come. It is the greatest calamity that has happened in any country for 2000 years. We are ruined politically, industrially and economically. 'All our people here do not yet know the truth. I told the German people that they would lose the war, but everybody scoffed at me. 'We have a population of nearly 70,000,000. Half of them can live on what grows on our soil or is found below it. The other half live on the industries for which all materials have to be bought and paid for by what they sell. 'Now our colonies are going, and Alsace-Lorraine too, with all the ores and the greater part of the potash production. There is danger of losing other parts of our country, the Danish and so-called Polish districts, which in reality are German. 'Then comes the question of indemnities. If the indemnities are high the interests and repayments will take our savings and we shall have nothing with which to expand our industries. Black ruin will face us and there will be a great tide of emigration, probably to South America and the Far East and certainly to Russia. It will be most dreadful and the result will be the Balkanization of Europe. 'The disappearance of Germany from a position of importance will be the most dangerous fact in history. Sooner or later the eastern Powers will press on the western civilization. 'Turning to the food question, Doctor Rathenau said: 'Germany has been hungry for three years, but is not yet starving. Everybody who sees Germany, and that is perfectly true. But if you talk of provisions to be found in Germany you must say truthfully that they will be exhausted in two months; and if you wait until then to send food it will be too late, because 70,000,000 people cannot be fed as easily as, say, 7,000,000 Belgians. Ships are the greatest factor in feeding Germany. 'If the Allies don't send food within two months, what will happen?' the correspondent asked. 'Fires and sickness,' was the reply. 'Doctor Rathenau said that he had seen the damage done in Belgium and northern France, and his estimate of the indemnity payable for this was \$5,000,000,000."

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ier people. They have now reached a point about sixty miles east of Riga and, unless checked, can soon overrun Finland and Courland.

The Lettish representatives contend that the Germans purposely hand over this territory to the Bolsheviks with a view to having the people apply to Germany for help unless Allied assistance is given.

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