

SOVIET REPUBLIC IN U. S., RED PLOT

Evidence of Projected Revolt Will Be Read Into Senate Records

RADICALS ARE UNITED Scheme for Reign of Terror Exposed by Postoffice Department

Washington, March 11.—Evidence gathered by the Post Office Department through seized mail matter, showing activities of the I. W. W., anarchists, socialists and other radicals since signing of the armistice, will be read into the records of the Senate committee investigating lawless propaganda today.

The evidence was submitted in the form of a memorandum from Solicitor Lamar, of the department, declaring that the radical elements of the United States were forming a union with a view to the overthrow of the government of the United States by means of a bloody revolution and the establishment of a Bolshevick republic.

Plan Reign of Terror

The I. W. W., Solicitor Lamar charged, were active in the support of this "common cause" through the organization's field force of recruiting and subscription agents. He said the reports submitted would show that the propaganda had as one of its objects "a nationwide reign of terror."

The I. W. W., he perhaps most actively engaged in spreading this propaganda and has at its command a large field force, known as recruiting agents, subscription agents and foreign uncassarily in the furtherance of the cause.

Thieves Attempt Subway Robbery

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not knowing what was transpiring, two dusky thugs forced T. G. Bedergeroff, an aged man of Thirteenth and Maricet streets, to get into a taxicab and rob him of \$100 last night. One of the men snatched his wallet in the unequal struggle, but Bedergeroff held on to him until the police arrived. The other man escaped.

At the Eleventh and Winter streets station the suspect gave his name as Edward Ryan and said he lived on Germantown avenue near Berks street. The waiter, according to the police, was found on him.

Representative James V. Lafferty's bill providing for drastic penalties on conviction of highwaymen was passed without a dissenting vote by the House last night and is regarded as a step toward checking outlaws in the state.

The bill, which amends an act of 1869 providing for the increase of the prison term from ten to twenty years, and the fine is increased from \$100 to \$500. It is believed that the Senate will speedily concur in the action of the House.

Wipe Out German Fort Along Rhine

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The minister, who recommended that nations like Brazil, Panama and Cuba, which had special interests involved in the action of these commissions or which had taken some part in the war, should in any case be represented. The small nations had asked that their representatives in the committee be members in order to satisfy all parties. The council decided to increase their representation to seven members on each commission, to be selected by the council itself.

The official statement issued after the meeting reads:

The supreme council met this afternoon at the Quai d'Orsay from 3 to 5:30 o'clock. The council decided that the representatives of the powers with special interests on the economic and financial situation of the Rhine should be invited to the committee.

Austria has not as yet come before the "Big Five" in a formal manner. It is being discussed here. Certain socialist elements in Austria are striving hard to prevent neutralization, but there are other influences which are anxious to see it effected, as it would give Austria protection similar to that enjoyed by Switzerland.

The proposed union of Austria with Germany is presenting many difficulties, and German interests are endeavoring to effect a division of Austria, so that the German section may be annexed. Many of the members of the Entente are unfavorably disposed toward the neutralization of any part of Austria, as it is regarded as undesirable and embarrassing to a country seeking membership in the league of nations.

Blue Law Fight Factions Line Up

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to any one on God's green earth. I was surprised at the attitude of a part of the audience.

"I was surprised, too, at the reference made by one of the speakers to people of foreign birth. I struck me at the time that if one were to go through a list of the ministers opposed to Sunday laws, the wider open that Sunday will be when it comes."

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Felt Opposition During War

"I understand that some of the men who are protesting now were in favor of Sunday amusements for enlisted men when the war was on. I am sure that these Sunday entertainments were wonderfully well attended. At times there were many who could not get admission because of the crowd. We abandoned the idea of having games in Shibe Park because of the opposition and the obstacles put in our way by the administration. I am afraid that some harm resulted because there were no places for the enlisted men to go."

A good many people think the orchestra is responsible for the bill, said Mr. Jackson today. "This is not the case," Mr. Forney told me he had introduced the measure because he thought it was time to put an end to the bickering about Sunday amusements. The bill would permit amusements by the Philadelphia orchestra. We are anxious to give such concerts. Therefore we are for the bill.

would like to contrast that with the temperate utterance of such men as Doctor Hart, Mr. Van Rensselaer and Mr. Stokowski.

"If the ministerial opponents of the bill would stop airing views and try to get down to facts they would realize that instead of trying to 'put something over' our effort is to do a service to people who could not enjoy orchestra music under other conditions."

"I wish I could get these ministers together and take them to a Sunday concert where people from Kensington, Frankford and South Philadelphia would be present, and then have these people explain to the ministers what time they get home from work in the evenings and what they do with their time on Sunday. They have nothing in the world to do. It's no wonder some of them get into trouble."

Double Ministers' Claims

"The ministers say they have 900,000 members of the churches behind them. Actually I do not believe they have 800,000. The trouble is that these men get in a back room and legislate without knowing the feelings and wishes of the people."

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Enlist All Protestant Bodies

In speaking of the campaign to increase the Sabbath quiet as it exists under the old blue laws, Mr. Forney said today:

"Our first protest was confined largely to Philadelphia. It now will include every Protestant organization of the state. We know the motion-picture industry is back of this move, and that it is merely a plan to commercialize Sunday."

"We have proof conclusive that the motion-picture people framed this campaign for an open Sunday, and that this Forke bill is merely an entering wedge that is intended to pave the way for a wider opening."

"All the Protestant organizations of the section comprising 1,000,000 persons, are opposed to the bill and mean to fight it to the end."

CIRCA GLI INCIDENTI DI SALOCH E LUBIANA

Una Commissione Investighera per una Piena Riparazione all'Italia

Washington, 10 marzo.—Notizie ufficiali giunte oggi da Parigi alla Regia Ambasciata Italiana recano che una speciale commissione del Supremo Consiglio ha, ieri, esaminato i problemi riguardanti la fornitura dei viveri all'Austria-Lingheria.

Delativamente all'attitudine del Governo Italiano per la chiusura della frontiera jugoslava, il Sig. Crepi descrisse gli incidenti a Saloch e Lubiana e propose, in nome del Governo Italiano, di nominare una commissione con autorità di investigare e prendere le necessarie misure per dare piena soddisfazione all'Italia. Il comitato approvò la proposta e a membro della commissione fu nominato il generale italiano Sere.

1918 Bridegrooms Wont Be Taxed

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with him. Perched on the packing boxes were five children.

"There's my exemption," he said, as he pointed to the children. "You count them as they go past. Mary, come here," and accordingly one of the group came hurrying to him. Then he continued the roll call, until he had included the five, while the collector tabulated each \$200 as they walked by him.

"There'll be no claim of false return on my income," said the proud father as he trotted his little troop down the corridor.

Warning has been issued by Internal Revenue Commissioner Epper that persons who fail to file income-tax returns with revenue collectors before next Saturday night will be subject to prosecution. He called on honest taxpayers to aid in the round-up of slackers by reporting any information they might have which would assist in detection.

Those who merely neglect to file returns are subject on prosecution to a fine of not more than \$1000, and those who "willfully refuse" are subject to fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment of one year, or both.

La lettera aggiunge che la commissione dovrà dare notizia che qualsiasi simile incidente nel futuro causera l'occupazione militare da parte degli Alleati. Francia ed Italia sono pienamente d'accordo nell'opporvi energicamente all'unione dei tedeschi austriaci alla Germania.

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