

### CALLS AMERICA IDEALIST NATION

#### Maeterlinck Declares Prohibition Proves Asceticism of United States

#### PAYS TRIBUTE TO ITS VALOR

New York, Jan. 2.—"I hope that the asceticism of America resulting from prohibition will prevent us from drinking the health of America," said Maurice Maeterlinck yesterday at a luncheon given in the apartment of Alexander A. Anderson.

"I am deeply touched by the extraordinary reception which America has given me," he added. "I find that this country is naturally the most idealistic and the most wonderful in the world. She proved this first in her wartime exhibits of valor and secondly when she was the first civilized nation in the world to have prohibition. The latter is supreme idealism.

"The democracy of America cannot be excelled by any other world-known country. However, I should like to tell a little incident which I believe illustrates the democracy of the royalties of my own little country.

Democracy of the Belgian King

"Before the war—it was in 1911 or thereabouts—I was attending a gala performance of one of my operas in the Opera House at Brussels. The king

and queen of the Belgians were in a box in the center of the house, and I was occupying one not far away.

"During an entr'acte an enquiry of his majesty came to me and said that the king wished to see me. As I had never before met a royalty I felt somewhat reluctant as to the procedure. I asked the enquiry what I should call the king. 'Oh,' he answered, 'be very familiar with him, but don't call him old fellow right away.' I had a very pleasant little audience with their majesties, and as I left the royal box I received the Grand Order of Leopold. Not knowing what this was and being rather nervous, I hastily stuffed it into my pocket. As I left the box the audience applauded and stood up to cheer me, and somebody said: 'Why don't you wear your decoration?' I did not know what they meant, as I believed the king had given me a macaroon.

**With King and Queen**

"Next day a messenger came from the king with a message that I was requested to set an hour for appearance at court. I answered that 3 o'clock in the afternoon would be convenient. The messenger returned to say that, although their majesties were in the habit of going out driving at 3 o'clock they had decided to stay in order to see me. The king received me in the queen's apartment, as he said his own was considered too ugly to receive artists. There were but two servants in the apartment and their majesties were most affable and interesting.

"The king talked to me about boxing, which he said he liked a great deal but could not indulge in at that time of the year on account of his fear of getting a black eye. He told me he believed he felt more awkward and embarrassed than I did the day before at the opera, as he said he was not in the habit of meeting literary men. The little children of their majesties left the palace with me. The queen told me she had asked for this audience to show me that royalties were human and were not as silly as they looked."

### CHICAGO CLEAN-UP NETS 200 RADICALS

#### State and City Authorities Begin Sweep in Defiance of A. M. Palmer's Orders

#### "PUSSYFOOTING" CHARGED

Chicago, Jan. 2.—More than 200 alleged members of approximately seventy radical organizations and cults, among whom members of the Industrial Workers of the World, the Communist Labor party, the Communists and the Anarchists and Syndicalists predominated, today were in jail awaiting action of state and federal officers, and raiding parties still sought other suspects.

The raids were directed by Maclay Hoyne, state's attorney, and marked culmination of a five months' investigation by agents of the state's attorney's office, private detective agencies and military intelligence operatives. State and city police officers made the arrests, federal officers withdrawing at the last minute on instructions of A. Mitchell Palmer, federal attorney general, according to Mr. Hoyne.

The raids on the 200 open and secret gathering places here of the alleged radicals were begun late yesterday, after Mr. Hoyne, according to a statement he issued, had received a letter from Mr. Palmer, asking him not to proceed with a plan for joint state and federal action agreed on several months ago. The attorney general based his request on the ground that the raids might interfere with government activities, said Mr. Hoyne.

"Apparently Attorney General Palmer and some of his friends are playing petty politics with the situation and are pursuing a pussyfoot policy," said Mr. Hoyne's statement.

He also asserted that radicals had been "tipped off" by some employe or attache of the Department of Justice" that the raid was to take place.

The prolonged investigation, the county prosecutor said, had revealed that members of radical organizations daily preached the overthrow of the government and that the I. W. W., the Communist party and the Communist Labor party and anarchists and syndicalists had distributed tons of seditious literature.

Chicago, New York, Boston, Cleveland, Detroit and Seattle were the centers of the "criminal conspiracy," the investigation disclosed, he said.

Several women were among those arrested. Search was continued today for William D. (Big Bill) Haywood, general secretary of the I. W. W., and other radicals.

A request that a special grand jury be impaneled to investigate activities of "Reds" probably will be made within a few days, Mr. Hoyne indicated.

Under the Illinois syndicalism and anti-radical law enacted at the last session of the Legislature a maximum sentence of ten years' imprisonment may be imposed on persons convicted of radical activities.

Among the places raided was the Russian soviet school, declared by the raiders to be under the direction of Ludwig Martens, Russian soviet ambassador to the United States, who has headquarters in New York.

A half dozen women were taken in later raids last night. Among them were Mrs. B. Dobrow and the Misses Vera and L. Dobrow, who the state attorney charged were brought from Russia to work among women.

Assistant State Attorney Henry A. Berger asserted that it had been learned that Russian radicals reach this country by way of Sweden and Mexico. He declared they obtain passports through the Swedish consul at Mexico City to the United States.

### SCIENCE TO FIND LABOR EFFICIENCY

#### Physiological Experiments to Determine Period of Greatest Production Reported

#### TESTS MADE IN FACTORIES

By the Associated Press

St. Louis, Jan. 2.—Results of an investigation to determine the most effective method of stimulating production by the proper use of the physical power of workmen were outlined today by Prof. F. S. Lee of Columbia University, New York, before the section on physiology and experimental science at the convention of the American Association for Advancement of Science here.

Professor Lee, who during the war studied industrial conditions abroad as a federal investigator, said that industrial physiology was a new science developed during the war. By the use of physiological rules it is possible to determine at what period in the workday the workman is most efficient in his duties, he said.

The old rule of industry has been to work a man to the limit and then throw

him aside, but that is not considered efficiency under present conditions and methods of study, he asserted.

In studying the physical industrial condition to develop accurate rules by which production can be enlarged, tests have been made in factories showing the effect of holidays on employes; the effects of rest periods and the effect of long hours on the number of accidents, he declared.

From these tests, he continued, efforts will be made to outline industrial plans by which each line of work may know whether the human machine may reach its greatest production by working six, eight or ten hours a day and at what period the most efficient work can be done.

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