

# NEW EUROPEAN ESSAYS COLLAPSE

We Must Act By Extending  
Credit to a Nation.

GRAVE MESSAGE TO U. S. A.

European War Would Involve  
America—Starvation and  
Disease Rampant.

Des Moines, Ia.—Speaking before the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Henry P. Davis, chairman of the Board of Governors of the League of Red Cross Societies, said: "As chairman of the convention of Red Cross societies composed of representatives of twenty-seven nations that met recently in Geneva, I am conscious of a serious and grave situation regarding the conditions among millions of people in the eastern Europe."

"One of the most terrible tragedies of the history of the human race is being enacted within the broad belt of territory lying between the Baltic and the Black and Adriatic seas."

"This area includes the new Polish states—Poland, Czechoslovakia, the Ukraine, Austria, Hungary, Rumania, Montenegro, Albania and Serbia."

"The reports which come to us make it clear that in these war-ravaged lands civilization has broken down. Disease, bereavement and suffering are present in practically every household, while food and clothing are insufficient to make life tolerable."

"Men, women and children are dying by thousands, and over vast uncivilized areas there are to be found neither medicinal appliances nor medical skill sufficient to cope with the devastating plagues."

"Wholesale starvation is threatened in Poland this summer unless she can procure food supplies in large quantities. There are now approximately 250,000 cases of typhus in Poland and in the area occupied by Polish troops."

Worst Typhus Epidemic in History. "This is already one of the worst typhus epidemics in the world's history. In Galicia whole towns are crippled and business suspended. In some districts there is but one doctor to each 150,000 people."

"In the Ukraine, we were told, typhus and influenza have affected most of the population."

"A report from Vienna, dated February 12, said: 'There are rations for three weeks. Death stalks through the streets of Vienna and takes us hindered toll.'"

"Budapest, according to our information, is one vast city of misery and suffering. The number of deaths is double that of births."

"Typhus and smallpox have invaded the four countries composing Czechoslovakia, and there is lack of medicines, soap and physicians."

"In Serbia typhus has broken out again and there are but 200 physicians to minister to the needs of that entire country."

"Returning to the United States a few weeks ago with all these horrors ringing in my ears, I found myself once more in a land whose granaries were overflowing, where health and plenty abounded and where life and activity and eager enterprise were in the full flood."

"I asked myself: 'What if this plague and famine were here in the great territory between the Atlantic seaboard and the Mississippi valley, which roughly parallels the extent of these ravaged countries and that 65,000,000 of our own people condemned to idleness by lack of raw material and whose fields had been devastated by invader and rapine were racked by starvation and pestilence and if we had lifted up our voices and invoked the attention of our brothers in happier Europe to our own deep miseries and our cries had fallen on deaf ears would we not in our despair exclaim against their heartlessness?'"

Only Three Ways to Help Europe. "There are only three ways by which these stricken lands can secure supplies from the outside world. One is by payment, one by credit and the third is by exchange of commodities. If these peoples tried to buy materials and supplies in America at the present market value of their currencies Austria would have to pay forty times the original cost, Germany thirteen times, Greece just double, Czechoslovakia fourteen and Poland fifty times. These figures are official and are a true index of the economic plight of these countries."

"It is clear, therefore that they cannot give us gold for the things they must have, nor have they either products or securities to offer in return for credit. If only they could obtain raw material which these idle millions of theirs could convert into manufactured products they would have something to render the world in return for its raw material, food and medicine. But if they have neither money nor credit how are they to take this first great step towards redemption. One half the world may not eat while the other half starves. How long do you believe the stages of typhus that is taking a hideous death toll in Estonia and Poland and the Ukraine and eating along the fringes of Germany and Czechoslovakia will continue to-if to these remain And?"

"Only one substitute our health and happiness of the U. S. A. is possible."

sailed for the other side just to measure the danger and take precautions against such an invasion.

"This is one menace at our threshold. The other, more threatening, more terrible, is the menace of the world's will. We can afford to die, but to be despised forever as a greedy and selfish nation is a fate that we cannot incur."

"The French government has many serious problems to solve, but the French peasantry is working and the French artisan, while still fully conscious of raw material, has not lost his habit of industry and thrift."

"Italy, despite her great shortage of raw material, is looking forward and not backward. Italy can be relied upon to do her part."

"England is meeting the problem of reconstruction just as those who knew her past should have expected her to meet them."

Plan to Aid Central Europe. "It is not for me perhaps to give in detail a formula for solution of the world's ills, but I have been called many times. What would you do? I am glad to give my own answer."

"Accordingly, I would, first, that congress immediately pass a bill appropriating a sum of not in excess of \$200,000,000 for the use of central and eastern Europe."

"Second, that congress call upon the president to appoint a nonpartisan commission of three Americans, distinguished for their character and executive ability and commanding the respect of the American people. Such a commission should include men of the type of General Pershing, Mr. Hoover, or ex-Secretary Lane, would invest that commission with complete power."

"Third, I would have the commission instructed to proceed at once, accompanied by proper personnel, to survey conditions in central and eastern Europe and then act for the restoration of these countries under such conditions and upon such terms as the commission itself may decide to be practicable and effective. Among the conditions should be provided that there should be no local interference with the free and untrammelled exercise by the commission of its own prerogative of allocating materials. Governmental politics should be eliminated; unreasonable and prejudicial barriers between the various countries should be removed, and such substantial guarantees as may be available should be exacted in order that the conditions imposed should be fulfilled."

"Fourth, as to financial terms, I should make them liberal. I would charge no interest for the first three years, for the next three years 5% per cent, with provision that such interest might be funded if the economic conditions of the country were not approaching normal, or if its exchange conditions were so adverse as to make payment unduly burdensome. I should make the maturity of the obligation 15 years from its date, and I should have no doubt as to its final payment."

"Fifth, immediately the plan was adopted I would have our government invite other governments in a position to assist, to participate in the undertaking."

"Sixth, to set forth completely my opinion, I should add that in the final instructions the American people through their government, should say to the commission:

"We want you to go and do this job in such a manner as, after study, you think it should be done. This is no ordinary undertaking. The American people trust you to see that it is done right."

"I would also say to the commission:

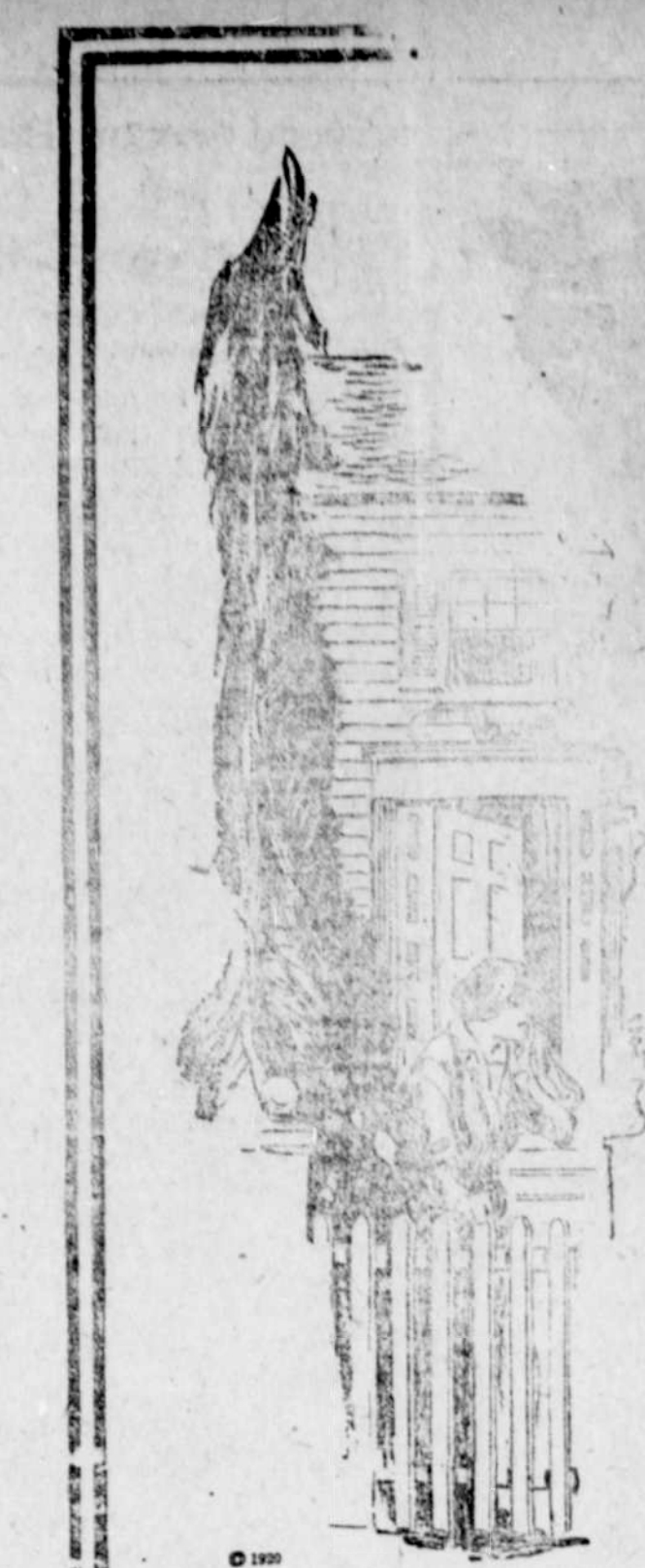
"Use as much of this money as is needed. Personally I am confident that with the assistance and cooperation which would come from other parts of the world the sum of \$200,000,000 from the United States would be more than enough to start these countries on their way to self support and the restoration of normal conditions."

"The whole plan, of course, involves many practical considerations, the most serious of which is that of obtaining the money, whether by issue of additional Liberty Bonds, an increase in the floating debt or by taxation. But I think we could properly say to the treasury department:

"We know how serious your financial problems are; we know the difficulties which are immediately confronting you; we know the importance of deflation, and we know that the government must economize and that individuals must economize, but we also know that the American government advanced \$19,000,000,000 to its allies to attain victory and peace. Certainly it is worth making the additional advance in order to realize the peace for which we have already struggled, for nothing is more certain than that until normal conditions are restored in Europe, there can be no peace."

"Above all things, I would say that whatever action is taken should be taken immediately. The crisis is so acute that the situation does not admit of delay. In the possibility of consequences one hardly dares contemplate."

"The situation that I have spoken of here is far beyond the scope of individual ability. Only by the action of government, our own and the other, whose resources enable them to cooperate, can aid be given in sufficient volume. I am also confident that our action would be followed by the government of Great Britain, of Holland, of the Scandinavian countries, of Spain and Japan, and that France and Italy, and Italy, notwithstanding all their losses, would help to the best of their ability."



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### WOOD LEADS IN LITERARY DIGEST

Leonard Wood is More Than 9,000 Votes Ahead of Nearest Competitor.

In its attempt to learn the composite choice of the nation for nomination for president, the Literary Digest on the week of April 24 publishes the second installment of its presidential poll of 11,000,000 voters. The returns include 119,904 votes. Leonard Wood continues to hold a big lead. Wood has 32,351; Hoover, 22,908; Johnson, 22,900; Harding, 10,422; Hughes, 6,922; Lowden, 6,449; Taft, 3,400. Among the Democrats, Edwards gets 7,508; McAdoo, 6,740; Wilson, 6,491; Cox, 5,649; Bryan, 3,885.

Hoover receives a Democratic vote of 9,974 which is larger than the Democratic vote cast for any avowed Democrat. McAdoo has the first place in the declared Democratic vote with 5,613 and Wilson is second with 5,342. The vote continues to come mainly from Ohio, New York, New Jersey, California, Texas and Washington.

New York Leans Ever Woodward. New York, April 24.—Although the people of Ohio will actually vote for the selection of only 48 delegates to the Chicago convention at the polls on April 27, the result of their balloting will materially influence 88 delegates from New York state at nomination time. A poll of the Empire state's 88 delegates, elected on April 6, shows that they are for the strongest candidate, with a leaning toward General Wood because he is in the lead. The remarkable showing General Wood made in Illinois against Governor Lowden has boosted his stock with the 88 New Yorkers and they are now watching Ohio. If General Wood makes as good a showing against Senator Harding in Ohio as he did against Governor Lowden, this fact will practically insure the vote of the New York delegation for him.

John J. Lyons, a leading New York delegate elected to go to Chicago, said: "Two things are certain about the New York delegation: First, it is not for Senator Johnson, because all the Johnson pledged candidates for delegates were beaten by three to one or worse in the recent primary election; second, it is going to vote for the man who is nominated. At present it looks like Wood is going to be nominated, for he has split the delegation in one favorite son's state and it looks like he has a chance to split another favorite son's native state's delegation. If he does the New York delegation will regard him as the man most likely to get the nomination and will support him after a complimentary first ballot for Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler. A recent poll showed Wood was the first choice of 75 per cent of the people of New York state, and if to this sentiment is added the Illinois outcome and a similar result in Ohio, it can readily be understood why Wood would stand second high with the New York delegation."

### Executrix's Notice of Sale of Real Property

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an order of sale heretofore duly made and entered of record in the county court of the State of Oregon for the County of Marion, in the matter of the estate of George Niebert, deceased, I will, as Executrix of the last will and testament of said decedent, sell at private sale for cash in hand on the day of sale all of the right, title and interest of the estate of the said George Niebert, deceased, in and to the following described real property, to-wit:

Commencing at a point 70 feet west of the Southeast corner of Block Number one (1) in the original town of Stayton, Marion County, State of Oregon, and running thence West 80 feet; thence north 72 feet; thence north 54 feet; thence south 18 feet; thence west 24 feet; thence south 22 feet to the place of beginning, being a part of Block No. one (1) in the original town of Stayton, Marion County, Oregon, as shown by the recorded plat thereof now on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Conveyances for said County and State; also

That said sale will be made at the office of Condit & Glover, attorneys-at-law, room 203 Oregon Building, in the City of Salem, Marion County, Oregon, on and after Saturday, the 5th day of June, 1920, and sealed bids will be received by the undersigned for said real property, or any particular tract thereof, at the above mentioned office up to 10 o'clock a. m. of said day.

That said order of sale was duly made and entered of record as heretofore indicated on the 14th day of April, 1920.  
Dated at Salem, this 14th day of April, 1920.  
Lena Yanneke,  
Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of George Niebert, deceased.  
April 22-29-May 6-18-20

also  
Lots Numbered one (1) and two (2) in Block number five (5) of the Ottonmar Luetlich Addition to the town of Stayton, County of Marion, State of Oregon, as shown by the plat of said addition now on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Conveyances for said County and State; also

Lots Numbered one (1), two (2) three (3), four (4), five (5) and six (6) in block number two (2) in Stayton's Addition to the town of Stayton, in Marion County, Oregon, as said lots are shown and designated on the plat of said addition now on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Conveyances for said County and State.

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