

AUSTRIAN TOILERS THREATEN TO RISE

Socialist Manifesto Calls on
Working Classes to Fight
for Their Rights.

PREMIER SEYDLER WARNED

Recent Political Developments in
Dual Kingdom Regarded as
Concessions to Germans
and Southern Slavs.

BERNE, Switzerland, May 7.—Labor and Socialist organizations in Austria threaten revolt against the government action in suspending Parliament.

Swiss newspapers print a telegram from Vienna quoting the Sozialdemokratische Korrespondenz to the effect that a committee of the German Socialist Deputies Club have decided to issue a manifesto to the working class in regard to the government action in which the following declaration will be made:

"If absolutism is re-established out of regard for the working class, which is prolonging the war, the working classes will be forced to fight for their rights."

The manifesto concludes by exhorting the workers to hold themselves ready to fight if necessary.

Government's Policy Denounced.

The Socialist Arbeiter Zeitung, of Vienna, describes as childish and criminal the government's policy, which it says soothes the passions of the mob and solves a crisis by simply proroguing Parliament. It warns Premier von Seydler and those behind him that they are on the brink of a precipice.

AMSTERDAM, May 7.—Premier Wierker, of Hungary, having agreed to attempt the formation of a new Cabinet, as was announced recently, a royal receipt was published yesterday in the Official Gazette, of Budapest, confirming him in his post and instructing him to make proposals for reorganization of the Cabinet and for carrying through the franchise reform project, if possible.

If he should be unable to bring about an agreement which would make it possible to adopt electoral reform in accordance with the Emperor's receipt of last year, the Premier is authorized to dissolve Parliament and issue writs for new elections, even though it should be desirable to avoid a general election during the war.

The power conferred on Premier Wierker to dissolve Parliament and postpone the general election, which after the war forebodes a situation in Hungary similar to that in Austria.

Both Kingdoms in Turmoil.

Last week Emperor Charles authorized the Austrian Premier to adjourn Parliament and adopt measures to render impossible resumption of its activities.

In Hungary, as well as Austria, there has been political unrest recently. The Wierker Ministry resigned last month.

LONDON, May 7.—The latest developments of the Austrian situation apparently can be summarized as "concession to the Germans and the Czechs and the Southern Slavs," says a dispatch from The Hague to the Daily Mail.

At least, continues the correspondent, "that is how the Czechs and the Southern Slavs regard the decision of Premier von Seydler to introduce for Bohemia alone the rearrangement of the provincial administrative boundaries which was promised nearly a year ago for all Austria."

The Austrian-Germans are pressing for a number of administrative changes which would give them influence over the machinery of the government greatly in excess of their numerical proportion.

Czech Party Disappointed.

"The Czechs consider that the concession to the Germans is an obstacle put in the way of the realization of their own demand for the political independence of Bohemia, one and undivided."

von Seydler's announcement has infuriated the Czechs. The Southern Slavs are furious over the proclamation that stern measures will be taken to repress disturbances in the South.

"The German reaction press is urging the government to quash the rebellious tendencies of the Czechs and Southern Slavs by force and to use the military to maintain order in the agricultural districts, pointing out that the Ukraine developments have shown that force alone overcomes obstacles when normal political administration becomes impossible owing to local conditions."

LLOYD GEORGE ACCUSED

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April 23, said the extension of the British front in France was not dealt with by the Versailles War Council and he asserts that the statement of the Chancellor of the Exchequer is incorrect. He declares:

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tion was decided by the Council to which it had been referred."

General Maurice then takes up Premier Lloyd George's assertion of April 9, that the British army in France was considerably stronger on January 1, 1917, than it was on January 1, 1917, adding:

"That statement implies that Haig's fighting strength on the eve of the battle beginning March 21 had not been diminished. That is not correct."

General Maurice also denies the truth of Premier Lloyd George's assertion that there was only one white division in Mesopotamia and that there were only three white divisions in Egypt and Palestine.

Conspiracy Charge Forestalled.

The former director of military operations forestalls the possible charge that he is engaged in military conspiracy and says he has not the least desire to see the government in the hands of soldiers.

"My reasons for taking the very grave step of writing this letter," he says, "are that the statements referred to are known by a large number of soldiers to be incorrect, and this knowledge is breeding such distrust of the government as can only end in impairing the splendid morale of our troops at a time when everything possible should be done to raise it."

"I have therefore decided, fully realizing the consequences to myself, that my duty as a citizen must override my duty as a soldier and I ask you to publish this letter in the hope that Parliament will order an investigation of the statements I have made."

Important Questions Raised.

"General Maurice's letter," said Bonar Law, "raised two questions—the question of military discipline involved in writing such a letter and the question of veracity of ministerial statements."

"As regards the first question, that is being dealt with by the army council in the ordinary way."

"As regards the second question, though it may be obvious to the House that the government could not be carried on if any inquiry into the conduct of ministers should be considered necessary whenever their action was challenged by a servant of the government who has occupied a position of the highest confidence, it affects the honor of the ministers, and it is proposed to invite two judges to act as a court of honor to inquire into the charge of misstatements alleged to have been made by the ministers, and to report as quickly as possible."

Press Admits Situation Grave.

No attempt is made by the leading newspapers to conceal the gravity of the charges made by General Maurice, and a searching parliamentary inquiry is demanded.

The Westminster Gazette finds there is a widespread uneasiness regarding what it terms the tendency of public officials to withhold information from the public, and it demands plain dealing by the government.

"Citizens have not been at all exacting in their demand for information from the government," says the Gazette. "They have cheerfully submitted to the familiar plea that it is not in the public interest to give this or that information. They have suspended their right of private judgment, even when the reasons of reticence seem remote and farfetched; but they expect such police as are made to be truthful and honest, and they are mystified and puzzled when time after time it is found that some answer to questions in Parliament means something different from what it appears to mean."

There must be a drastic change in all this, and if it involves change in government, that must come, too."

Searching Inquiry Insisted On.

"There can be no compromise. The question is one of fact, and of two contradictory ones, one of which must be false."

"We suspend judgment. We hope the public will do the same, but the only immediate promise that can be done is the immediate promise of a searching inquiry conducted by men with the highest authority and above all suspicion of either military or political influence."

WAR INSURANCE LIBERAL

BILL PENDING IN CONGRESS EXTENDS BENEFIT.

Payment of Compensation to Mothers and Fathers Who Are Dependents Is Proposed.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Extension of the war risk insurance law to make more liberal the payment of benefits to dependent relatives of soldiers is provided in a bill by Representative Sims, of Tennessee, now under consideration by the House Interstate and foreign commerce committee.

Under the proposed amendments, which are recommended by the war risk bureau, the conscientious objector who is discharged from service is left without benefits. Other honorably discharged soldiers, except those dismissed for coming under the enemy alien restrictions, are permitted to retain the insurance benefits. Those discharged after December 1, 1917, who are enemy aliens will be dealt with so far as the insurance is concerned the same as the conscientious objector.

Under the amendments, payment of compensation is broadened to meet all disabilities while in the active service of the United States. The original act provided only for the payment of compensation for injuries received in the performance of duty. The only restriction now proposed is that compensation will be paid where injury has been suffered because of "wilful misconduct."

Payment of compensation to mothers and fathers of soldiers who are dependents also is proposed. Under the existing statute only mothers who are widows are eligible for compensation.

WAR FOLLOWED BY FAMINE

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600 carloads of grain ready in Roumania for shipment to Germany, but even if it is transported it will do no more than to prevent a reduction of food in all countries.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—Approximately 15,000,000 pounds of excess wheat flour held in warehouses and by wholesalers, retailers, restaurants, bakers and individuals throughout the state, will be assembled immediately for direct shipment to France, it was announced today by Ralph P. Merritt, Federal food commissioner for California.

Exhaustive Survey Made.

The 15,000,000 pounds represents California's surplus over the official allotment of six pounds a month a person and had been acquired prior to the formulation of the new wheat saving program. The excess was determined by an exhaustive survey by county food administrators.

Military Mapping Ordered.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 7.—Army orders promulgated today direct Second Lieutenants Conrad A. Ecklund and Freeman C. Witt, Engineer Corps, to proceed to Cottage Grove for military mapping work.

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UKRAINE IRE STIRRED

Government Demands Recall of German Officials.

NEW MINISTRY MAY RESIGN

Rumors That Bolshevik Regime in Russia Has Fallen Denied.

May Day Celebrated by Soviets.

LONDON, May 7.—The Ukrainian government has sent a note to Berlin intimating that it will resign if several German officials are not recalled by Germany; says a Reuter dispatch from Moscow, dated Saturday.

The note specifically mentions General von Eichhorn, the military commander, and Baron Mumm von Schwarzenstein, the German Ambassador.

AMSTERDAM, May 7.—The uneasiness caused by Germany's policy in the Ukraine, as revealed in the recent Reichstag debates, was again reflected in yesterday's sitting of the main committee of the Reichstag.

Hugo Haas, leader of the Socialist minority, said it was remarkable that the peace treaty with the Ukraine was still unratified and that it must be ratified most speedily. He continued:

"The betman's assurance of his program is Great Russian. If the fact alone that the members of the ministry place themselves at our disposal is comprehensible, still more incomprehensible is the fact that Germany selects them."

LONDON, May 7.—News from Russia through independent Swedish and Dutch channels, as forwarded from Christians in a dispatch to the Times, definitely reports that rumors of the overthrow of the Bolshevik government, which have been current recently, are unfounded.

The council of national commissioners is being compelled to fight the anarchists, says the dispatch, just as Kerensky's government had to fight the Bolsheviks.

MOSCOW, Thursday, May 2.—(By the Associated Press)—May day was not celebrated throughout Russia by the Soviets.

The Moscow celebration centered about the Red Square adjoining Kremlin, where the victims of the October revolution are buried. Probably 100,000 working men and working women of the various unions marched in review.

Count von Mirbach, of the German embassy, together with the Turkish Ambassador, watched the parade from an automobile and later went to the drill grounds, where Leon Trotsky, War Minister, reviewed the troops.

RED WING, Minn., May 7.—N. S. Randall, a Non-Partisan League organizer who was recently convicted for having made disloyal utterances in a public address, was today sentenced to pay a fine of \$250 and to serve four months in jail. A stay of sentence for 90 days was granted pending an appeal.

ENGLAND RECALLS HORROR

Sinking of Lusitania Commemorated by Newspapers.

LONDON, May 7.—Today, the third Lusitania anniversary, is commemorated by the newspapers with big captions and special articles recalling the crime which the British public is not likely to forget.

The Daily Graphic in an editorial

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Ottoman Official Statement Says English Attempt to Take Army in Rear at Jordan Is Failure.

CONSTANTINOPLE, via London, May 5.—British troops which made an attack in Palestine on the eastern side of the Jordan River have been repulsed by the Turks, who brought up reserves and caused them to retreat toward the river, the War Office announces. The British are said to have suffered heavy losses.

The Turks are reported to be pursuing the British. According to the announcement, they captured booty, the amount of which has not been ascertained. The text of the statement follows:

"On Sunday the British made an attack on the eastern side of the Jordan, but were repulsed. They had made extensive preparations to capture the connecting roads east of the Jordan."

"On the morning of April 30, troops and artillery assembled on the heights and crossed the Jordan; others advanced near Artha Azit, with the intention of attacking our rear, but our troops, in conjunction with the German troops, repulsed the enemy's intention. Colonel Ali Fud Bey's troops withstood for eight days the stubborn assaults of the brave enemy."

"In various engagements our orders were speedily executed and the reserves came up quickly. The British retreated toward the Jordan, suffering heavy losses in men and material. They are being pursued by us. The booty has not yet been ascertained."

The British War Office announced yesterday that the advance troops holding Es-Salt were withdrawn on Friday night and that subsequently the bulk of the British forces east of the Jordan passed to the western side, leaving strong detachments on the east bank to secure the crossing.

BLACK WALNUT IN DEMAND

Boy Scouts Asked to Help Find Airplane and Gun Timber.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Scarcity of black walnut timber for the making of gun stocks and airplane propellers has resulted in President Wilson addressing an appeal to the 350,000 Boy Scouts of America to help him to communicate with the War Department the location throughout the country of black walnut trees, their sizes, and names of the owners and the price at which they can be purchased.

President Wilson's letter, containing this call, was made public here today by James E. West, chief scout executive of the Boy Scouts of America.

Delaney Envoy to Japan.

PARIS, May 7.—At the Cabinet meeting this morning a decree was signed appointing Marcel Delaney, former prefect of the Seine, Ambassador to Japan.

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