

FEAR OF BOLSHEVISM GROWING IN VIENNA

Need of Allied Help Urgent, Says ex-Emperor.

FOOD SUPPLIES EXHAUSTED

Russia's Experience Shows That Hunger Breeds Disorder—Danger Also Confronts Allies.

AUSTRIA, Nov. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—Declaring that there is pressing need in Austria for assistance from America and the allies, former Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary insisted today that the danger of Bolshevism is very great in his country.

The former Emperor, his wife and five children, are at Eckertau Castle. With them are a few faithful men and women, including Count Alexander Eotvosy, former chief of court to the Emperor, and Naval Captain Seeadark.

As the correspondent entered the gates he was met by Captain Seeadark and conducted through a lofty hall to the second story of the castle, where he was received by the former Emperor. Charles wore a general's uniform and was apparently vigorous, but lines about his blue eyes gave hints of the stress of recent days.

The former Emperor spoke first in English and then lapsed into French.

"I authorize the Associated Press to say that not a single day should be lost by America and the allies in helping the people here, so grave is the situation," he said.

"During the war one of my preoccupations was the task of obtaining food for the soldiers and people, but now, notwithstanding all my efforts, it is most distressing to find there is none left for them."

"We have done our best and more cannot be done. If food and coal are not brought, we shall have disorder in Vienna. Possibly that disorder from Russia, which we call Bolshevism, looking back, we may regret that Bolshevism started in Russia because of the lack of food."

Charles thinks of future. "Regarding the future—I cannot speak of the past—I can only repeat that I feel I did my duty. However, I do hope that peace will bring good fortune, happier days and a better understanding among all peoples."

During the interview the former monarch did not show bitterness toward the allies or America because of their military victory, though it may be inferred that he is heartbroken over the loss of his army and also over his failure to preserve his empire intact.

He feels that the breaking up of the empire into small groups of nations is bound to bring economic and political disaster to all and that some sort of central government is necessary for their common interests.

Charles inquired if President Wilson was well. He expressed no surprise when told that the President's hair has grown white since the United States entered the war, seeming, himself, to feel the underlying strain of the great conflict.

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