# SEVERE HAND OF DISCIPLINE GRIPS RUSSIA WORKERS

## Dreams of Days of Leisure and Nights of Pleasure Have Not Come True Among Soviet.

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Washington, March 13.—Dreams of leisure days and pleasure-filled nights haven't come true in soviet Russia. Instead the rugged hand of discipline which like the governing classes of the past, threatens severe punishment to the slacker, is yoking millions of workmen in an army of toil. News from the inside of Russia is rare. Communication is difficult. But a budget of information has just come from authentic sources and through unquestioned channels. It tells of regeneration inside Russia but not by the nebulous programs and Uptopian methods so long preached by the demagogues but by the familiar process of conscription and enforced labor.

MEN WORKING OVERTIME

Large armies of labor converted from the soviet military forces are working Sundays and overtime on week days. Even women in the Petrograd section are working. Professional unions are registering qualified workmen. Idlers find no comfort in the new program of Bolshevist Russia—a program of "Get back to work."

Comrade Trotsky, himself, as president of the revolutionary war council, signs the proclamation ordering the first revolutionary army to work. He exhorts his followers to show "indefatigable energy" in their work "as much as if it were a combat or a fight."

After referring to the necessity for the production and collection of food supplies, Trotsky says:

"Spring is coming. This is the season of agricultural work. As the productive force of our factories have lessened the number of new farm implements which can be delivered has become insufficient. The revolutionary labor army will employ its work shops as well as its workmen in order to repair such tools and machinery as are needed.

"When the season arrives for work in the fields the Red cavalry and infantry will prove that they know how to plow the earth."

PETROGRAD SHOWS RESULT

The results are already beginning to show in cleaning up the territory controlled by the Bolshevik. Conditions in Petrograd especially have been improved. To conscription can be attributed an increase of 30 per cent in the labor force available for the Bolshevik government. With conscription goes intensive education. In Moscow, a campaign has been begun against illiteracy. The Bolshevists leaders have raised the slogan, "Illiteracy is the worst legacy of autocracy." After certain dates, no illiteracy will be allowed in the membership of trade unions. They must learn to read and write, though they will be paid for the time spent in studying.

From the conscription process, the supreme committee in charge states that this year's requirements necessitate the enrollment of 230,000 qualified laborers and more than 2,000,000 unskilled laborers. Individuals must be ready to proceed to any place and at any time just the same as the selective draft law was operated by the United States in time of war.

ALL WORKERS REGISTER

All persons between the ages of 18 and 50 have been required to register for work. Out of the total number, mechanics and workmen familiar with the production of equipment needed in transportation were promptly put to work in rolling stock factories. Large bodies of soldiers were mobilized to saw timber and produce agricultural machinery and mend farm implements. "The revolutionary tribunals" says Trotsky's order, "should punish the lazy and the parasites and the thieves of national property. Conscientious soldiers, workmen and revolutionary peasants should be in the first ranks. Their bravery and devotion should serve as an example to others and inspire all to act similarly."

The Bolshevik experiment still continues. But the latest information from inside the revolution-torn country shows that it is not the Russia of the soapbox orator nor the happy hunting ground of the proletariat but the same familiar day-by-day grind by which nations have given their men, women and children an economic sustenance for centuries.

"Are you sure, dear, that you are economising as much on the table as possible?" "Dear me, yes! Why, it is only costing us twice as much as it did before the war."—Life.

# TREATY SEEMS IN HOPELESS MUDDLE

## Debate Rages Around Borah Amendment, Accepted by Lodge, Opposed by Democrats.

Washington, March 13.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—The treaty situation remains in a muddle at the end of another week of intense conferences, with a general sinking of momentary hopes of ratification which followed a new effort to compromise on a basis of the amended Lodge reservation on Article X. McNary was apparently most hopeful of all that ratification will ultimately be accomplished. Barring any further complications his belief is that Republicans, plus a few Democrats, will adopt the modified reservation and enough Democrats will swing over to give two-thirds. Senator Hitchcock on the contrary is certain that enough Democrats will hold firm to prevent ratification in a combination with irreconcilable Republicans.

Careful polls by correspondents during the day seem to sustain Hitchcock's estimate, although there is doubt as to the final attitude of three or four Democratic senators. Meanwhile Lodge's position as Republican leader is becoming more and more uncomfortable. Irreconcilables were angered when he proposed modification on Article X, which they say leaves some shadow of obligation for the United States to perform, although Lodge denies it.

To pacify them and hold in line several Republicans who were breaking away, he accepted an amendment by Borah over which a new controversy now rages as to whether it makes any changes in meaning. Lodge's action in taking an amendment from Borah has apparently solidified the Republicans again, but promised Democratic support is slipping from the fact that Borah, an implacable foe of the treaty, has been permitted to write in an amendment which, in Borah's view, makes the reservation more drastic.

The general view is that ratification is improbable under any reservation that may be devised, because concession to gain votes on one side quickly led to losses of the other.

With the return of absent senators during the coming week a final vote is expected.

# BOLD BLOW AT THE INITIATIVE IS EXPOSED

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made to "bleed" was determined by Eastham, who set a "fee" for his "service" at $20,000, of which he was to take $10,000 and promise to "take care of Albright," while the remaining 50 per cent would buy the service and the silence of men he thought he had drawn into his scheme.

DID SAME THING BEFORE

Eastham was confident that he could "take care of Albright," without sacrificing much of his 50 per cent split of the spoils from his "conspiracy," and he declared openly that over Albright's head hung the shadow of a similar plan achieved when, for a pot of $6000, Albright sold to interests concerned heavily signed initiative petitions for a measure to stop commercial fishing in the Columbia river, which measure in consequence, never appeared on the ballot.

The lawyer trained himself for the part he was to take in holding up financial interests through his profanation of the initiative statutes, by collaborating with Albright on the preparation of the fishing bill, Eastham divulged.

Eastham did, in connection with the fishing bill, just what he has done and intended to do in connection with the interest limitation petitions, he said.

"I handled the fishing petitions just as I am handling this one," Eastham declared. "I am, in fact, what you might call the 'brains' of the venture."

OPPOSITION BELIEVED THWARTED

But Eastham sought other "brains" to augment his own in the "conspiracy" to put over the scheme that would extract $20,000 in "hush money," from bankers and others affected. To the persons he thought he could implicate in the deal he said:

"You want a written agreement? I would not do that. Neither of us could use such an agreement against the other without incriminating himself and there is always a chance of accident in placing a written agreement in some other person's hands."

Eastham expected opposition on the part of the banks in the early stages of his "conspiracy," and had fortified himself against anything he thought they might do.

"This isn't going to be a blackmail case, because I am going to force the Oregon State Bankers' association or their representatives to come to me and hire me as their attorney. The proposition must come from them and they will have to pay my price."

The "brains" of the venture, however, put up a different front when approached by disinterested inquirers at his office, 412 Henry building.

DISAVOWS ANY INTEREST

"As between Albright and me, Albright is it," he declared. "I have no connection with this measure and, in fact, know very little about it, aside from the mere formality of collecting $1 for notarial acknowledgments on each petition of 100 names."

Albright, whose name appears upon the petitions as the initiator, was asked outright whether or not his ambition was to blackmail financiers by "selling out" to them when his petitions were practically ready to assure the measure a place on the ballot.

"Whenever you get into politics you have to expect to hear charges of crookedness and that you are a grafter.

"I fought for the interests of the common people in the Oregon City council. Here is my card in the union and here is a recommendation from Hawley as a foreman in the mill. I'm straight.

"The reason the fishing bill didn't get on the ballot was because I didn't get enough signatures. This interest bill will have enough and it will get through, too.

"I don't think the bankers would be foolish enough to let me shake them down for a piece of money unless they paid Eastham a fee to try to defeat the bill."

The possibility of the "fee" was implanted in the Albright mind as early as the first of February, but even then he did not believe, he said, that Eastham could "double cross" him for the reason that Albright had the petitions and could file them as he chose.

Early in the year the Oregon Irrigation congress, convened in Portland, adopted a resolution urging the state legislature to educate voters to the viciousness of the proposals of Albright's petition, because it appeared to be a deterrent to Oregon development, so that it might be defeated if it ever appeared upon the ballot.

# HOOVER IS AN ISSUE IN THIS CAMPAIGN

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Hoover presents a problem in American politics. Of an "international" type, they claim he is a kind of physical embodiment of the Wilsonian idea of the new idea of things.

These experts, classing Hoover as the "independent progressive friend of the League of Nations," enemy alike of Democratic 'radicals" and Republican "reactionaries"; and admitted opponent of party machines as now run, agree that he thus personifies an issue requiring solution in the coming campaign.

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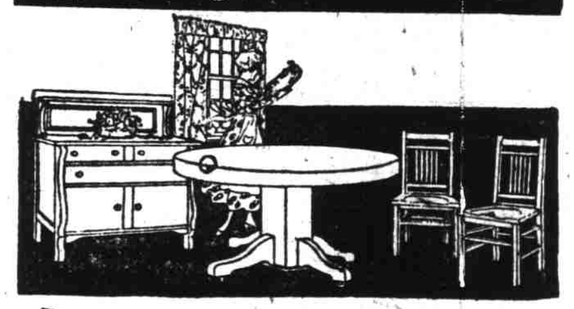

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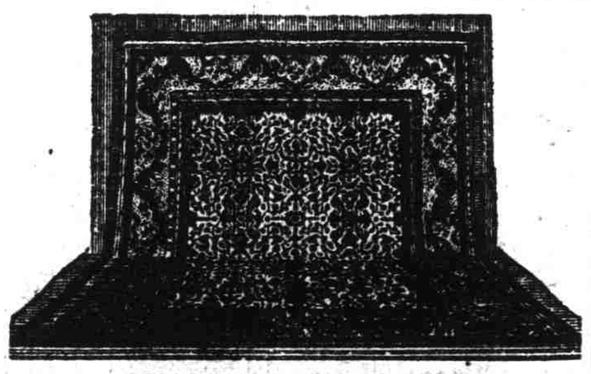

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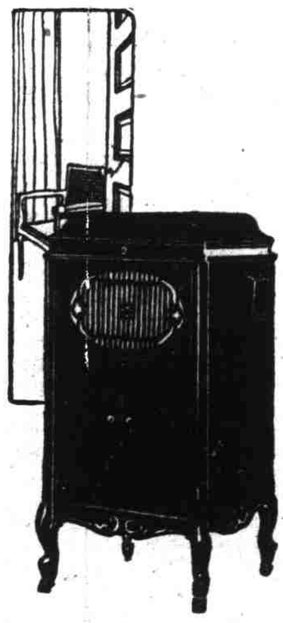

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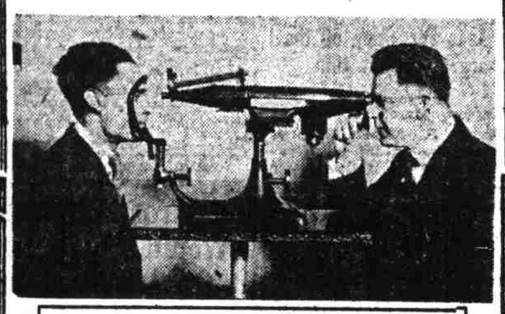

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