

# NO MORE KINGS, NO MORE WAR; DREAM OF WORLD DEMOCRACY UPON WAY TO COMPLETE REALIZATION

Russian Revolution. If It Spreads to Central Empires, Spells Good Night to Absolutism, Declares Russell—With Passing of Monarchs Will Pass War.

Democracy began in England with the revolutions of the Cromwells and the expulsion of the Stuart kings. The seed spread to the English colonies in America, which became a limited democracy—the United States—in 1776. England in 1832 and 1867 reformed its parliament so that the mother country became more democratic than the younger nation. The democratic ideal, after the American revolution reached France, resulting in bloody upheavals there. The mountaineers of Switzerland and the mountaineers and seamen of Scandinavia also established democracies which are today more popular than the more bureaucratic form to which France returned. Democracy also spread to the self-governing British dominions of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. So rapidly has the democratic theory spread in the British empire that the royal family is now a mere powerless figurehead, which holds sway over the social affairs of the "better families" but interferes not at all with the liberties of the masses. Russia's granting of a limited measure of popular government in 1905 left Turkey the only absolute autocracy in Europe. Russia's latest step places it in the class with England, France and Italy. In Germany and Austria-Hungary there is a form of popular government, which is more or less fictitious.

By CHARLES EDWARD RUSSELL. WASHINGTON, March 28.—The dream of democracy come true! The dream that used to seem sometimes so far off and so improbable—come true at last! No more kings and no more wars! This world no longer a blood-stained arena for combats of wild beasts, but life redeemed in it and exalted. The bitter old days of tooth and claw, of grab and gain, of truth upon the scaffold and wrong upon the throne, gone forever and ever—the new day of freedom, equality and decency ready to dawn! We may see all of these things—yay, indeed we may. If we do see them, then all the splendors that have shown upon this earth will be nothing to that splendor.

Good Night to Absolutism. For let this magnificent revolution spread from Russia into Germany and from Germany into Austria—let the reactionary element of England keep its moldy fingers off—it is good night to absolutism in this world. Good night to monarchy, good night to oppression and autocracy everywhere. Yes—and good night to plutocracy! They are all bound together, they are all members of the same old beast, they were all invented by the same devil, they all go down together as men shake off the evil spell of it.

If the time has come for the death throes of this sombre and poisonous monster there is no end to the prospect of good that opens before the children of men—literally no end! Always, whenever the torch of democracy is lifted in one country it shines on all countries—it is always so. Suppose now Germany to awake also—in one month there will not be a king in all continental Europe! With Europe all republics the chances of war will be reduced 20 per cent.

War Chances Reduced. Democracies do not make war. The soul of democracy is utterly foreign to war. Monarchies mean war; democracies mean peace. Every throne is an incessant threat of war; every king exists behind a bulwark of spears. With the passing of the threat of war that always goes with monarchy there can be universal disarmament—in fact, and not in theory. With the dropping of the sword the mind of man will turn to higher things, the spirit of man will have a new birth, life will only just begin upon the earth! For fear should then begin to cease to be the chief influence in human

affairs. With Europe democratic and unarmed, what would there be to fear? Democracies fear autocracies; they do not fear themselves! Suspicion, distrust and hatred will begin to fade upon the heels of the grisly shape of fear. For these, too, democracy has no place. Democracy is based upon the essential goodness of the human heart. Democracy is faith, good will, tolerance and friendship. Race-hatred can never long survive where there is absolute democracy.

No End to Possibilities. No there is no end to the possibilities at hand. Already we have seen in the emancipation of Russia the greatest day for mankind since the fall of the Bastille. Let this thing spread and we shall see a far greater day than that.

For consider: If Germany revolts and applies to the Hohenzollerns the well-considered treatment the Russians have used upon the almost equally detestable Romanoffs—that will end the war.

Nobody wants to make war on the German people; nobody would make war upon them. Born into the German republic, with an end to the power of the depraved, degenerate and half-mad family that plunged the world into a sea of blood and tears, the German people would be welcomed with loud applause into the federation of democracies that is to be!

Such an end to the war, after all these sufferings and sacrifices, would see a reaction against force and a spiritual uprising alone able to carry us far upon the forward way.

Collective Wisdom. With the recognition of the great truth that there is no wisdom but collective wisdom, and no welfare but collective welfare, men will undoubtedly insist upon systems of business that will not produce gigantic fortunes on one hand and widespread poverty on the other.

With the enfranchisement of women in Russia women will have to be enfranchised all around the world. Even in darkest America there can be no troglodytes with the hardhood to prevent it. The old jungle notion of the inferiority of women will receive its death blow; woman will begin to take her due place in the affairs of the world.

With the addition of the greater spirituality of woman's influence, government will advance marvelously in civilization and decency.

The universal suffrage for men and women will force universal education; universal education will lift the world's mind.

All this wonderful and almost bewildering possibility of good dawns upon us in a moment. Down on your knees, democrats, and give thanks that you have lived to see it!

United States Part. And in all this has the United States, the mother of republics, nothing to do? Yes—it has much to do! To see that the inevitable back fire that dying autocracy will light gets no help from us. To see that all our expression of sympathy and interest are on the side of the democrats abroad. To see that the miserable old cave dwellers that still crawl and mutter around our own shrines get no chance to interfere with the prompt recognition by this government of the new-born republic of Russia, latest child of the faith first formulated on American soil and consecrated by American blood! That is our god-sent part in all this!

### ANNIVERSARY SERVICES AT PRESBYTERIAN THIS EVENING

Anniversary services commemorative to the organizing of the First Presbyterian church on March 29th, 1885 in this city by Rev. R. Williams, a pioneer missionary will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock. A brief history of the church will be given by Elder E. W. Jaqua, clerk of the session. Hon. W. H. Gore, on memories of the church. Rev. Alfred A. J. Hogg will speak on "The Presbyterian Church in the History of the United States." The church has one of the largest, most attractive and best auditoriums in southern Oregon, Oregon, and is in a most flourishing condition. The largest congregations in the history of the church are attending the services at present. More than five hundred people attended the service last Sunday evening.

The music is being furnished by Professor George Andrews' great chorus choir, and an orchestra of 12 musical instruments, directed by Professor H. H. Howell. The church is putting forth its best effort to make its evening service the most attractive place in the city to spend an hour.

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### EXCLUSIVE PICTURE OF FIRST WOMAN RECRUIT IN UNITED STATES NAVY



This picture is exclusive to the Mail Tribune and shows Loreta Walsh, the first woman naval recruit in the United States, ready for service, in her naval uniform made especially for her. She is chief yeoman and will be stationed in a Philadelphia recruiting office.

### Timely Hints for the Home Garden Radishes and Lettuce.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Radishes and lettuce are favorite plants in small gardens because while these are attractive additions to the table, they are in a way luxuries on which many housewives hesitate to spend money.

Lettsuce does not withstand heat well and thrives best, therefore, in the early spring or late autumn. In order to have the leaves crisp and tender, it is necessary to force the growth of the plant. The usual method of growing the plant for home use is to sow the seeds broadcast in the bed and to remove the leaves as rapidly as they become large enough for use. It is better, however, to sow the seed in rows 14 to 16 inches apart, and when the plants come up to thin them to the desired distance. With the heading type this should be about 12 inches apart. This will result in the formation of rather compact heads and the entire plant may then be cut for use. For an early crop in the north, the plants should be started in a hotbed or cold frame and transplanted as soon as hard frosts are over. In many sections of the south, the seeds are sown during the autumn and the plant allowed to remain in the ground over winter. Frequent shallow cultivation should be given the crop and, if crisp and tender lettuce is desired during the summer months, some form of partial shading may be necessary.

For head lettuce, Big Boston, Hanson and California Cream Butter are good varieties. The loose-leaf lettuce, Grand Rapids or black-seeded Simpson are recommended.

Radishes are so hardy that they may be grown through the winter in cold frames in the latitude of Washington, and further south in the open ground. In the north, they require hotbeds, but can be sown in the open ground as soon as the soil is moderately warm. They should be planted in drills 12 to 15 inches apart and thinned slightly as soon as the plants are up. On a quick, rich soil some of the earlier varieties can be matured in from 3 to 4 weeks after planting. If the plants are allowed to remain long in the open ground, the roots loose their crispness and delicate flavor, and, in order to secure a centage of the seed germinates and if should be made every two weeks. One ounce of radish seed is sufficient to plant 100 feet of row. A large percentage of the seed germinates and, if the sowing is done carefully, later thinning may be unnecessary. The first radishes to appear may be pulled as soon as they are of sufficient size, and this will leave enough room for those that are a little later. The plant is not suited to hot weather, but should be planted in the early spring and late autumn.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Many home gardeners are asking the specialists of the United States department of agriculture whether it is safe to plant any vegetables in the open ground while there is still some likelihood of light frosts. To aid these home gardeners the specialists have worked out the following grouping of common vegetables according to their ability, if planted in the open, to withstand spring frosts. These directions, of course, do not apply to the planting of seeds in hotbeds or seed boxes to secure plants which afterwards are to be transplanted.

Group 1. Plants not injured by a light frost. These may be planted as soon as heavy frosts are over, or usually as soon as the soil can be put in good condition. Cabbage, Irish potatoes, early peas (smooth types as distinguished from wrinkled) onion sets, salad crops, such as kale, spinach, mustard. At the same time start in seed boxes in the house or

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Group 2. Vegetables which should be planted only after danger of hard frost is over. Lettuce, radishes, parsnips, carrots, beets, wrinkled peas, early sweet corn.

Group 3. These should be planted after all danger of frost is past: String beans, sweet corn (late varieties). A few early tomato plants may also be set out, but care should be taken to protect them from any shelter of newspapers, boxes, etc.

Group 4. This group should not be planted until all danger of frost is past and the ground has begun to warm up. Included in this would be cucumbers, melons, squashes, pumpkins, Lima beans, tomatoes, eggplant, peppers. Plants of tomatoes, eggplant and peppers, which have been grown in boxes or hotbeds should be ready to set in the open at this time.

In order to insure a steady supply of vegetables, crops like peas, beans, and lettuce may be planted every three or four weeks, whenever the space is available. Some of these can be planted in the spaces made available by removing the other crops.

If your garden is small, do not attempt to grow potatoes or late sweet corn. It is better, the specialists say, to select half a dozen crops which the family likes than to grow 15 or 20. If the size of your plot is less than 40 by 100 feet, or 4000 square feet, it usually is not advisable to grow late potatoes or late varieties of sweet corn. It might be well to devote a small section to an early variety of sweet corn, such as the Golden Bantam, and to plant a row or two of early potatoes.

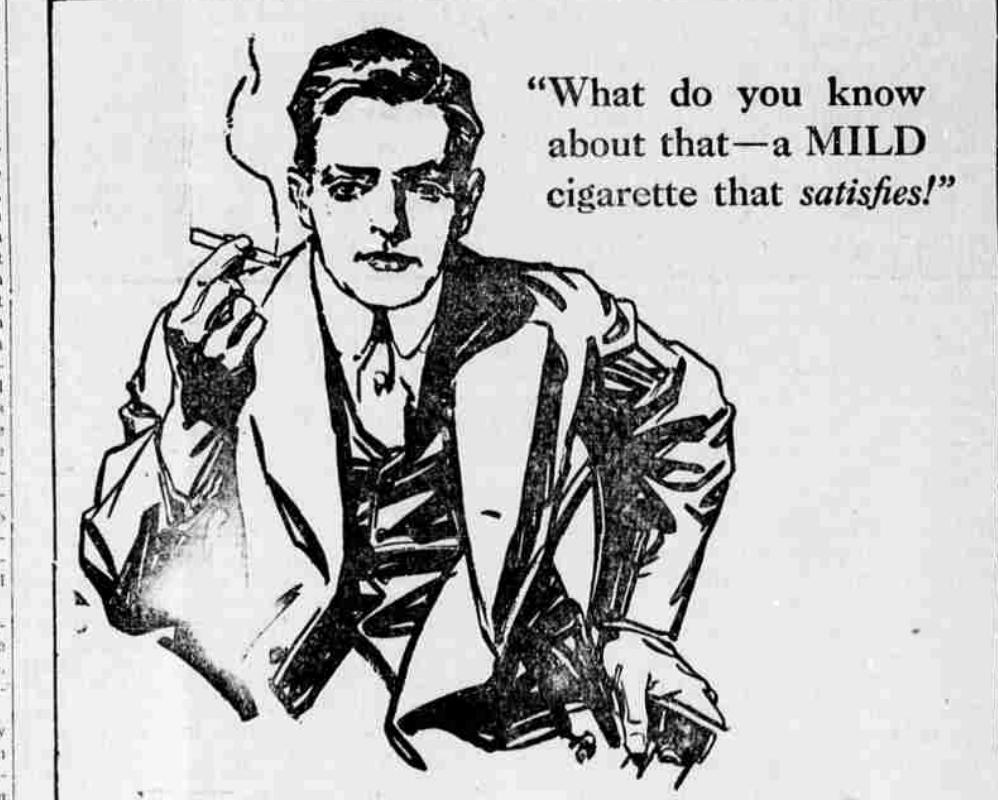
### FARM LOAN BANKS NOW ABOUT READY TO DO BUSINESS

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The farm loan banks are about ready now to do business. They have decided on the interest rate, which is to be five per cent to the borrower, and the farm loan board will pay on its bonds which are offered for sale, 4 1/2 per cent. Under the new law this flat rate of 5 per cent will prevail in every state in the union, and farmers will be permitted to borrow money to refund existing indebtedness, to buy land, to invest in livestock, to erect buildings, string fences, put in drainage systems, buy machinery or do anything else with the loan that will add to the value of the land or facilitate its cultivation.

Different states will be differently effected by this new government loaning agency. Some states have a high interest rate on farm lands, while others have a very reasonable one. In Massachusetts the rate, for instance, is 5 6-10 per cent on farm lands, whereas in New Mexico the rate is 10 1/2 per cent. Other states having a high rate are Wyoming, 10 per cent; Alabama, 9 4-10 per cent; Florida, 9 6-10 per cent; Texas, 9 per cent. The amount of farm loans varies greatly also. Texas lands are heavily mortgaged, the total being \$184,321,000; Iowa farms are mortgaged for \$469,063,000; Illinois lands carry loans of \$355,802,000; Missouri, \$223,107,000; Kansas, \$180,706,000; Nebraska, \$165,015,000; North Dakota, \$100,364,000. There is every indication that the farm loan banks will do a land office business.

### GERMAN BOATS FIRE ON FRENCH TOWN

PARIS, Mar. 29.—German torpedo boats fired sixty shells on the town of Dunkirk on the night of March 25-26 according to an official statement. The bombardment, which lasted three minutes, resulted in two casualties.



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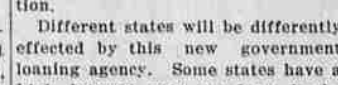
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### EX-CZAR SEEKS TO VISIT NORWAY

LONDON, March 29.—The former Russian emperor has asked the provisional government to permit his little son to go to Norway for the sake of his health, according to a Petrograd dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company. The dispatch says that permission has not yet been granted.

The former monarch and his family are said to appear cheerful under their imprisonment. The man who a few weeks ago was autocrat of all the Russians spends most of his time working in the little garden outside his room. At the services last Sunday in the church at Tsarskoe-Selo the former emperor was first to kneel when the prayer for the provisional government was read.

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