

# GERMAN GOLD PAID BOLSHEVIKI FOR TREACHERY

### United States Makes Public Documents Proving That Lenine, Trotsky and Associates Were Financed and Acted Under Orders of German General Staff—Disclose Plans.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—The part played by the German imperial bank in financing the Russian Bolsheviki movement, the care taken by the German military authorities to prevent spread among their own people of the socialistic preaching of their Russian tools, and the plans laid for German control of Russia economically and financially during and after the war feature the disclosures in the second installment of the sensational series of secret documents, given out today, carrying the file numbers of the Reichsbank or the German general staff, and in some instances notations by Lenine or Trotsky, the Bolsheviki leaders now known to have been in the pay of Germany since long before they overthrew Russia's new democratic government and virtually tried the country over to the Teutons. There are illuminating explanatory notes by Edgar Sisson, of the committee on public information, who directed the investigation which resulted in the disclosures.

**Payments to Lenine**  
One of the Reichsbank memoranda, dated last January, announced to the commissioner of foreign affairs (Lenine) that fifty million rubles of gold had been placed to the credit at Stockholm of the representatives of the commissioners to cover the cost of Red Guards and agitators. Another of a few days later, tells of a credit of five million rubles for the assistant naval commissioner in the far east, who is entrusted with the task of carrying off or destroying the great American and Japanese stores of war material at Vladivostok—a scheme that probably was well underway when the landing of American and allied forces at Vladivostok ended the sway of the Bolsheviki there.

A resolution adopted by the German commercial banks under the auspices of the Reichsbank outlines an elaborate program for control of Russia by Germany and the barring of America and the allies from the Russian commercial and industrial field after the war. What has happened to this scheme is not definitely known, but it is suggested that it may be the subject of one of the secret sections of the German-Bolsheviki treaty.

**Betrayed Supporters**  
How Lenine and Trotsky were betraying their socialist friends along with Russia is disclosed by a sharp note to Lenine from the Nachrichten bureau demanding to know what steps he would take to make good his personal promise that socialistic and agitatorial literature would not be circulated among German troops. Trot-

sky wrote on the margin, "I ask to discuss it.—L. T."  
The concluding document of the installment is a German warning on January 29 to Lenine that unknown agitators were circulating propaganda telling in advance of the plans of the Bolsheviki to openly surrender to the Germans as they actually did later. Proofs removing any doubts that Lenine and Trotsky, the Bolsheviki leaders, are paid German agents—if indeed any remain—were laid before the world yesterday by the United States government in the first installment of an amazing series of official documents disclosed through the committee on public information.

**Paid Gold to Lenine**  
Secured in Russia by American agents, these documents not only show how the German government through its imperial bank paid its gold to Lenine, Trotsky and their immediate associates to betray Russia into deserting her allies, but gave added proofs, if any be necessary, that Germany had perfected her plans for a war of world conquest long before the assassinations at Sarevjo, which as the world is now convinced conveniently furnished her pretext. These documents further show that before the world war was four months old, and more than two years before the United States was drawn into it, Germany already was setting afoot her plans to "mobilize destructive agents and observers" to cause explosions, strikes and outrages in this country and planned the employment of "anarchists and escaped criminals" for the purpose.

**Prussian Intrigue**  
Almost ranking in their sensational nature with the notorious Zimmerman note proposing war by Mexico and Japan upon the United States, which was first given to the world through the Associated Press, these documents lay bare a new strata of Prussian intrigue, a new view of the workings of Kultur to disrupt the allies, standing between the world and kaiserism. They disclose a new story of human treachery for gold which might almost well be described without sacrilege as placing its perpetrators on a pedestal with Judas and his 30 pieces of silver.

The intrigue appears to have been carried down to the last detail of arrangements with typical German system. It will be revealed completely in a series of seven articles furnished by the Committee on Public Information for publication each morning, beginning today, until the series is complete.

**Paid German Agents**  
Not only do the disclosures prove that Lenine, Trotsky and their band are paid German agents. They show that the Bolsheviki revolution which threw Russia into such orgy of murder and excess as the world has seldom seen, actually was arranged by the German general staff. They show how the paid agents of Germany betrayed Russia at the Brest-Litovsk "peace" conference; how the German staff officers' secretary have been received by the Bolsheviki as military advisers; how they have acted as spies upon the emissaries of the nations with which Russia was allied or at peace, how they effectually have directed the Bolsheviki foreign, domestic and economic policy wholly in the interest of Germany and the shame and degradation of Russia.

They show how a picked German

commander was detailed to "defend" Petrograd against the German army and an extent of German intrigue and domination beyond the realm of imagination.

**Damning Documents**  
Originals of documents, photographs of originals and typewritten circulars, some of them marked "very secret," or "private," and many of them bearing the annotations of the Bolsheviki leaders themselves; some of them containing references to "Comrade Trotsky" or "Comrade Lenine," comprise the damning record. Some of the originals, it is shown, although deposited in the secret archives of the Bolsheviki, were required to be returned later to representatives of the German general staff in Petrograd, that they might be destroyed. But evidence of them remained in the fabric of rogues and into the vacancies they fit perfectly. The Bolsheviki leaders themselves informed their "comrades" that the German government had required the return of the order of the German imperial bank depositing fifty million gold rubles in a Stockholm bank for Lenine and Trotsky, and that at the same time the accounts of the bank had been "audited" to conceal the payments.

### REGARD OFFER AS SHAM.

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withdraw from Belgium and if she could secure a treaty barring Belgian territory to allied troops she would be protecting Germany against hostile attacks.

In the speech made at Manchester by Premier Lloyd George it is believed he replied in advance to any peace tentatives. In fact, it is believed, the premier knew Austria had this move in mind when he delivered the speech.

**Safety of Own Skins**  
"It is not humanity which they have in view, but the safety of their own skins. Mr. Wilson's great watchword, 'no peace with outlaws' applies to Austria. The allied attitude is clear. We require reparation, restitution and guarantees and since the fresh German outrages upon French territory we require the punishment of the criminals. We remind the enemy of President Wilson's words, 'there can be no compromise; no half way decision is tolerable.'"

"We must find a repentant and contrite Germany, and German policy carried out by very different rulers before we can even hope to discuss peace," says the Telegraph. "It is true that all nations desire the end of the war but peace must be lasting. Above all it must be peace which in Mr. Wilson's words, makes the world safe for democracy. As long as the kaiser and the pan-Germans direct with irresistible authority the destinies of Germany, so long can there be no question of an armistice or purely academic negotiations."

Mrs. S. T. Rhoads is spending Monday at Grants Pass attending to business matters.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPEN FOR YEAR WITH REGISTRATION

Vacation is over and this morning with happy faces and eager anticipation the many pupils of all ages from the little tots of the first primary grade to the more sedate and dignified students of the high school hurried to their various buildings early. This is the one day of the year when pupils are not tardy.

There was more than the usual confusion attendant on an opening day because of the reassigning of various grades to different buildings and classes, and no attendance figures can be obtained for a day or two. It will probably be Tuesday or Wednesday before the teachers and pupils can get down to the regular study routine.

The teaching staff was on the job early today with only one instructor missing and that in the high school, for as yet no manual training instructor has been obtained. Superintendent Davenport announced that this position will be filled within the next few days. A number of the older high school girls met with a disappointment this morning, for after they had arisen early and hurried to the high school building in order to choose choice seats before the crowd arrived, after having stood around for an hour or more they learned for the first time that seats would not be assigned until Tuesday.

### STOP ALL IMPORTS OF ALFALFA AND HEMP SEED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Import of hemp seed, canary seed, alfalfa seed, is prohibited under an order today by the War Industries board. Substitutes for these seeds are grown at home.

### ALLIES PUSHING AHEAD.

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increasingly difficult for troops to operate.

**French Take Vailly**  
PARIS, Sept. 16.—The town of Vailly on the north bank of the Aisne east of Soissons has been captured by the French the war office announced today. The French have continued their progress between the Oise and the Aisne and captured Mont Des Singes.

## Don't Let Catarrh Drag You into Consumption

**Avoid Its Dangerous Stage.**  
There is a more serious stage of Catarrh than the annoyance caused by the stopped-up air passages, and the hawking and spitting and other distasteful features. The real danger comes from the tendency of the disease to continue its course downward until the lungs become affected, and then dreaded consumption is on your path. Your own experience has taught you that the disease cannot be cured by

## PEACE OFFENSIVE BY CENTRAL POWERS AGAIN UNDERWAY

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discussion of the possibilities of peace was dispatched by Baron Burian, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, on the order of Emperor Charles, the Cologne Volks Zeitung declares.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 16.—An important conference of leaders of the majority parties of the reichstag was held Sunday with reference to the Austrian peace note, telegrams from Berlin today report.

It was said the deliberations would be continued today.

**Pronounced Risky Step**  
AMSTERDAM, Sept. 16.—The peace initiative should have been left to the entente allies, according to the Tages Zeitung of Berlin, which comments on the Austrian peace note.

"The fate of all previous announcements as to readiness for peace and a conciliatory spirit on the part of the central powers does not encourage great hopes that this offer will meet with greater success," the newspaper says. "It must naturally encounter great skepticism on our part."

Austria's move may prove quite a "risky step," says the Neueste Nachrichten of Berlin. The Berlin Post fears the offer will be again interpreted by entente countries as weakness and a sign of impending collapse, as well as a begging for peace.

The Vorwaerts says: "Austria's peace tentatives will be welcomed by the widest circles of the German people and many hopes will be placed in it but it is necessary to utter a warning over hasty optimism."

**Only Austria Bound**  
PARIS, Sept. 16.—(Bavas). The Austrian proposal for a peace conference was not much of a surprise in Parisian political centers where it is considered to be a consequence of the recent military successes of the allies. The general impression is that the new peace offensive cannot be fruitful.

It is reported from a Berlin semi-official source that Foreign Minister Burian's move in inditing the note inviting the belligerents to a conference constituted an act binding Austria alone, says a Zurich dispatch today. Germany, it is declared, took no part whatever in drawing up the note.

The Matin in commenting on this

assertion points to the interviews that recently took place in Vienna between Burian and Admiral von Hintze the German foreign minister.

"It is impossible to believe in the absence of an agreement between the two empires," the Matin adds. "This clumsy comedy will deceive no one."

## MEET AGAIN AFTER 50 YEARS SEPARATION

"Among the visitors at the G. A. R. encampment on Friday were Mr. and Mrs. William Bays of Medford, and to say they enjoyed the encampment and other events, can not be expressed in words," says the Grants Pass Courier in the Sunday edition.

"Mrs. Bays learned before coming to Grants Pass that a Philip Helmer lived in this city and immediately on her arrival started out to locate the gentleman, and after inquiry was directed to Helmer's furniture store, where he was found, and was approached thus, 'Do you know me?' Of course he did not, then she drew from a leather bag, a photograph which fairly made Mr. Helmer's eyes stick out, for it was his father's. A series of lightning guessing took place in the mind of the gentleman and he finally managed to say, 'Well, who are you, anyway?'"

"To make a long story short, Mrs. Bays was reared in the Helmer family from a little girl, when her mother came to keep house for Mr. Helmer's father, after the death of his wife, and therefore was like a sister. "This is the first time in 40 years these two have met."

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