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U. S. MEAT BARONS SEE NO LOWERING OF MEAT PRICES

CHICAGO, April 12.—The American Meat Packers association in a statement issued today declares that lower prices for meat may not be expected until the war-stricken countries of Europe are enabled to resume their quota of production.

The statement reads in part: "That high prices are caused largely by heavy demands rather than any control aimed to stimulate production has recently been illustrated very clearly in the case of hogs."

"High prices will continue for a long time. Each day that brings final peace nearer means a greater call on this country for meat."

Thirty colored American soldiers are reported to have applied for French citizenship, no doubt preferring Paris boulevards to the swamps of Alabama.

The new president of Bavaria being a Bolshevik bricklayer will proceed to demonstrate that bricks can be made without straw.

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THE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE.

ONE may talk until blue in the face about the League of Nations but the issue in the last analysis is this,—some sort of League of Nations or the ruin of modern civilization.

This does not mean that no criticism of the terms of the covenant should be made. The value of sincere and honest criticism has been demonstrated by the recent amendments to the former draft.

But friends of the league while naturally desiring the best working arrangement that can be secured, nevertheless feel that some international organization, even with some minor defects, is preferable to no organization at all.

For the alternative to no League of Nations is plainly to return to the old system of the balance of power. And the balance of power means a return to large standing armies, large navies, the increase of debts and taxes upon a world already staggering under obligations that only generations of peace can liquidate.

With the issue so apparent, with the lesson of the recent war so fresh in their minds, it is a complete mystery how thinking persons, can be opposed to the principle of the league. More than that, it is a mystery how they can risk the defeat of the league, by insisting upon minor changes, which however desirable, might be disregarded for the present, without defeating the fundamental purpose of the covenant, which is the establishment of a better and safer world.

The world war has plainly demonstrated, that modern civilization can not stand modern warfare. Russia was the first to break under it, but it is a matter of common knowledge that six months more, would have found all Europe in a similar predicament. And it should be noted that among the bitterest opponents of the League of Nations are Lenin and Trotsky. Why? Because they realize the best friend of Bolshevism is war, and its worst enemy peace.

No cure for cancer has been discovered but that is no excuse for opposing all methods of treatment; no cure for war has been discovered but that is no excuse for opposing every effort to reduce war recurrence.

This talk about investment in a Liberty Loan being sacrifice is Tommy-rot. No more sacrifice than depositing your money in the strongest savings bank in the world, paying the highest rate of interest.

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200,000 RUSSIAN PEOPLE STARVING DECLARES HOOVER

PARIS, Friday, April 11.—Herbert C. Hoover, the food administrator, has issued a statement with regard to the feeding of Russia. The statement says: "With regard to the rumors of food relief to Russia, Mr. Hoover stated that numbers of projects from various sources have been laid before him for provisioning the people in the larger cities of Russia."

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DEFULTING EXPRESS MAN IS ARRESTED IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, April 12.—Paul Eugene Staffleham, former agent of the American Railway Express company at Foville, Okla., was arrested here yesterday by police and a special agent for the company, on a warrant charging him with a shortage of \$27.50 in his accounts.

Mormon Chief to Resign. LAMONI, Iowa, April 10.—Fredrick M. Smith has offered his resignation as president of the Re-organized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints to the general conference in session here this week, it was learned today.

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CRITICAL PERIOD OF OREGON LABOR TO COME NEXT FALL

PORTLAND, April 12.—Oregon will face the most critical period of the soldier and sailor employment situation next fall, Captain James O. Conville, in charge of the employment service for returning servicemen, said today. This prediction is based not only on local observations but also on conditions which are general, Captain Conville stated. The prediction was made in a report filed with Mayor Baker of the work which has been accomplished by the service since it was initiated.

It is explained that new committees of at least 35 or 40 members should be appointed in every major town of Oregon and an outline of the work given each committee for consideration and guidance.

Captain Conville cited the following facts on which he based his conclusions that the hardest work in connection with providing work for the returning men will be in the fall:

"Advises say that about 50 per cent of the men in the army already have been discharged, but that less than 25 per cent of all overseas men have been relieved of duty."

"Few men have been discharged from the army and the marine corps and reports emanating from supposedly reliable sources are that the entire naval reserve shortly will be discharged. Possibility of slackening of activities in the Portland shipyards would throw thousands of workmen out of employment."

Captain Conville contends that reports that returned soldiers will not accept the positions on farms are erroneous. In the Portland bureau, he states, there is more inquiry about the possibility of returning to the farms, especially to small farm owners, than any other single kind of inquiry.

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