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## GERMAN RADICALS PLAN TO FORM SOVIET REPUBLIC DURING APRIL

### GOVERNMENT UNABLE TO STAMP OUT UPRISINGS

First Uncensored Dispatch From Berlin Tells True State Of Affairs.

### TROUBLE IS SPREADING TO OUTLYING DISTRICTS

### Even Officials Are Beginning To Admit Cabinets Position Is Threatened.

By Frank J. Taylor.  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
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Berlin, March 13.—(By courier to Paris.)—German radicals heartened by the failure of the government to completely stamp out the Spartacist uprising, are planning to proclaim establishment of a soviet republic next month.

While the cabinet continues to struggle with the Spartacists and tries to untangle the apparently hopeless food, industrial and political problems, all radical elements are uniting in perfecting their revolutionary program. They are confident they will win from the exhausted government. Even government officials are beginning to admit the cabinet's position is seriously threatened despite the optimistic reports given out by the official press bureau and the semi-official Wolff Agency. Conservative members of the foreign office, supporters of War Minister Noske and others are speculating as to the endurance of the Ebert-Scheidemann government. Although the government has by no means suffered military defeat, its troops have not succeeded in surrounding the Spartacists who have escaped from various posts and have retreated into the suburbs and cleverly. The government so far has been unable to muster enough troops to capture the Spartacists and at the same time effectively guard the large Berlin area. The newspapers are filled with advertisements calling for volunteers to fill up the republican regiments, but the responses are negligible.

### Stirring Up Trouble.

It is evident that large numbers of the Spartacists who escaped from Berlin are stirring up further trouble in outlying districts. These hatreds have been fanned by Noske's order to execute all who resist the government. The radicals regard this as a sign of weakness and final desperation on the part of the government, declaring these stories are being used in an effort to win the people's support of Noske's harshness. They admit that undoubtedly some escaped criminals have committed acts of cruelty, but say these infrequent occurrences have been capitalized by the government press bureau and the Wolff Agency. The people, following their usual custom, believe or disbelieve these



That time's comin' when a woman won't know whether she's been chased for her looks or her vote. A woman won't turn if you step on it right.

stories according to the faction with which they are in sympathy.  
Germany Becoming Converted.  
Regardless of any claims which may be made by government agencies, Germany is rapidly becoming converted to communism, as the result of radical propaganda and agitation. At the beginning of the year the vast majority of Germany was strongly opposed to the soviet on the ground that such organizations signified bolshevism. This idea is changing especially since the radicals have advocated equal representation of employers in all soviets, regardless of their numerical inferiority. It is now proposed that the hunderst (upper legislative house) be abolished and a new soviet congress established in its place, representing all working groups. This would provide representation for the people according to their social status, while the reichstag would represent them according to localities.

Supporters of such an organization are growing rapidly. The governments may provide for it in the constitution, hoping thus to avoid the April revolution, but there is a possibility that the radicals—confident they have the upper hand—will demand even more, although their program for governmental changes has not been made public. It is known, however, that the radicals believe it is necessary for the workers to exercise direct control over all industries. They fear otherwise that many industries will remain idle, since the capitalists are not eager to re-open their factories, in view of their impending socialization.

### MAJORITY OF NEXT SENATE PLEDGED TO VOTE DOWN LEAGUE

### Eleven Democrats Have Already Declared Opposition To Compact.

By L. C. Martin.  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
Washington, March 17.—A clear majority of the next senate is pledged to vote against the League of Nations constitution unless amended, league opponents declared today.

Eleven democrats, they say, have either openly or privately declared their opposition to the compact in its present form. Forty-one republicans are definitely on record against the covenant. This makes a total of 52, three more than a majority of the senate. In addition, a number of other democrats, are known to be opposed to some provisions of the constitution, but their objection may not be strong enough to lead them to vote against it.

### Two More Added to '37.'

The republican opposition to the present form of the constitution is made up of 39 signers of the "round robin" with Norris and Kenyon added since adjournment of congress. Democrats openly in opposition include Reed, Thomas and King. Those who have not come out openly are refraining from doing so, they said, because they see the strongest indications that amendments will be made which may satisfy them.

### General Pershing Reviewed Rainbow Division Yesterday

Coblenz, March 16.—General Pershing this afternoon reviewed and delivered a farewell message to the 42nd (Rainbow) division at Bemange, Belgium, (30 miles southeast of Sedan).  
General Pershing led 15,000 cheering men past their commander. The division, it was announced, will leave for home by way of Antwerp, the first week in April.  
Pershing awarded the medal of honor to Corporal Sidney Manning of Alabama, and the distinguished service medal to Brigadier General McArthur. Several men received the distinguished service cross.

At the same plating mill at Bandon Tuesday, A. O. Howell lost the four fingers of one hand and William Berger was seriously injured by being struck on the head with a board.

## REDUCTION IN LIVING COSTS, KEY TO PERIOD OF READJUSTMENTS

### This Is Opinion Put Forward Today By Federal Reserve Board.

Washington, Mar. 17.—Reduction in living costs to the consumer was put forward today by the federal reserve board as the key to the readjustment period. The sorely tried consumer must have an easing if the transfer from war to peace is effectually made, the board says in the bulletin, made public here.

### Each Factor To Bear its Share

The board says that each of these factors must bear its share in the general process of readjustment. If these do "team work" the board predicts a smooth recession from the great inflation of prices and the additions to the "consumers living costs on every side."

In connection with its analysis of the readjustment situation, the board directs attention to "shifting of investments without due appreciation of the hazards of the situation." It warns that dangers are particularly acute in this respect since a war loan is being floated at a time when the whole industry is busily reorganizing.

## Baker And March Visit Camp Lewis On Sunday

Seattle, Wash., March 17.—Secretary of War, Newton D. Baker and General Peyton G. March, chief of staff of the United States army, were entertained today on the muster rolls of American Legion of Liberty, return men's organization formed in Seattle. The war department heads accepted membership in the organization while on a flying visit to Camp Lewis Sunday. Major General Leitch, commanding Camp Lewis, who is a charter member of the organization presented State Adjutant Russ Simonson and Fraternal Secretary Arthur Anderson to the secretary.

## Chamber Of Commerce Opens Big Drive Today

Portland, Or., March 17.—The newly organized Oregon Chamber of Commerce formally opened a drive today for 10,000 members. The campaign started simultaneously in cities throughout the state.

Various commercial organizations of Oregon have been merged into the new organization. Some of the important steps the Chamber intends to undertake at once are the reclamation of arid lands and the development of highways, colonization, industrial, agricultural, lumbering and commercial facilities.

## U.S. CONFEREES STAND PAT ON QUESTION OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS

### President Will Make Strong Fight For Inclusion Of Covenant.

By Carl D. Great.  
Paris, Mar. 17.—Foreign Minister Pichon's claim that the league of nations will be included in the preliminary peace treaty was emphatically denied today in American official circles.  
President Wilson and the other American commissioners are standing pat on its inclusion, it was stated. Surprise was expressed that Pichon should hold views to the contrary.

### Early Peace Desired

An early peace is desired by President Wilson, it was stated, and he holds that inclusion of the league in the pact is vital to America. He was said to be especially surprised at Pichon's action, in view of the fact that the French, along with the others, sign the league resolution in January for the league's inclusion.

### Pichon's Statement

Pichon, who made his statement yesterday in his weekly conversation with correspondents, declared that although fundamental principles of the final peace are laid down in the preliminary treaty, the league of nations probably will not be included. He said that Wilson had not asked that it be included. The question is yet to be decided, he said, but inasmuch as neutral countries will be asked to submit their opinion regarding the league before final adoption of the covenant, he believed the preliminary pact would be signed before the league is completed.

The preliminary peace, according to Pichon, will end the state of war, but will not permit Germany to resume full relations with other countries. The blockade will not be lifted completely before the final treaty. He said the question of Germany's Austria has not been taken up but that the allies may offer certain advantages to that country if it remains independent, which will not be allowed if it persists in uniting with Germany.

## GOVERNOR OLCOTT ISSUES MESSAGE

### Guarantees Fullest Sympathy With Policy Of Progress In Oregon.

Efficiency, stability, conscientiousness—these three constitute the triad of elements that Governor Olcott proposes and demands from officials throughout the state of Oregon during his administration. His message, just issued to the people of Oregon, rings with a note of sincerity and determination and gives assurance both of devoted service on his own part and a strict account on the part of those in positions of trust. It also guarantees the fullest sympathy on the part of the Governor, with the policy of progress adopted in Oregon. His message, in part, reads:

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## OFFICIALS CONFUSED OVER SITUATION IN PARIS CONFERENCE

### Wilson Expected To Fight For Embodiment Of League In First Treaty.

By Robert J. Bender.  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
Washington, March 17.—Apparent disagreement between President Wilson and Foreign Minister Pichon, as to whether the League of Nations covenant could be embodied in the first peace treaty completed with Germany added fire to the league fight today.

Administration officials here were obviously confused at the situation arising in Paris. It had been the view here that the "first or second preliminary treaty" with Germany would be virtually only an extension of the armistice, not subject to ratification by the senate and therefore not necessarily containing the league covenant. United Press dispatches today, however, indicate that the preliminary treaty will be subject to senate ratification and will cover most of the peace treaty articles, including those for reparation and indemnities and for arranging boundaries.

### Obstacles In His Path

In view of this, the president will certainly carry his fight to a finish for embodiment of the league in the first treaty.

### To Regain Lost Ground

There was agreement, however, that the president would make every effort to regain the ground lost during his absence, and the opinion here was that the success of his battle now apparently depended upon how firmly the British and Italian delegates stood pat on the preliminary resolution calling for embodiment of the league covenant in the treaty itself.

## Tornado Sweeps Oklahoma Killing 7 And Injuring Many

Oklahoma City, March 17.—Seven persons are dead and scores injured, some of whom may die, following the series of tornados that swept Oklahoma from southwest to northeast Saturday night and property damage estimates run into six figures.

## Volcano On Hondo Island Became Active Yesterday

Tokio, March 17.—Asama-Yama, a volcano on Hondo island, and 90 miles northwest of Tokio, became active yesterday. Eruption had been expected for two weeks, following rumblings and a flow of hot mud.

No life loss is reported. Damage to crops was heavy, according to advices from Kanawa. One rock the size of a freight car fell in that city.

## SUPREME WAR COUNCIL TAKES LAST ACTION ON MILITARY TERMS TODAY

### Following Preliminary Peace With Germany, Separate Treaties Will Be Made With Austria, Turkey And Bulgaria.—Neutral Nations Have Already Selected Delegates To Confer With League Committee In Paris, March 20.

By Fred S. Ferguson.  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
Paris, Mar. 17.—Final action on the military terms of the preliminary peace treaty with Germany was to be taken by the supreme war council this afternoon.

## MUCH DAMAGE CAUSED FROM CLOUD BURSTS IN CENTRAL STATES

Kansas City, Mo., March 17.—Thousands of dollars worth of damage to farm lands and small towns was the result, it was believed today, of unprecedented rainfall in northeastern Kansas.

### Traffic Delayed And Floods Force Many People From Their Homes.

Man's families were forced to flee from their homes. Flood warnings were sent out today from Wichita, Lawrence and Bonner Springs where further danger was anticipated.

Two cloudbursts caused at least \$500,000 damage to business houses at Atchison, Kansas. Nearly 2 miles of Santa Fe railroad tracks was washed out near Richland, Kansas, and traffic on the Missouri Pacific was interrupted by inundated roadbeds.

## Des Moines, Iowa, March 17.—Traffic on the Burlington from St. Joseph, Mo., was greatly delayed today, due to the washouts near Albia, Iowa, officials of the road announced today.

Several hundred yards of tracks were washed out near Albia. Washouts on the Great Western delayed service on the west. A fourteen hour delay was caused yesterday and today's service was still delayed considerably.

## POLITICAL ROWS ARE AGITATING MEMBERS OF 66TH CONGRESS

Washington, March 17.—So many internal tempests have been stirred up for the 66th congress in advance of its meeting that it appeared today as though the first days of the session would need the services of the peace conference.

## Mann Resents Being Called "Reactionary" By Representative Longworth.

These "political rows" are agitating both the solons here and those who are to come.

## To Regulate Commerce

Germany's commerce will be regulated according to the agreement reached at the recent Brussels conference. The blockade commission was scheduled to submit to the supreme economic council today, its recommendations for ending the blockade of Germany and Austria.

The war council also was expected to discuss recommendations of the allied commission to Poland this afternoon. It was believed the council will approve establishment of a "corridor" sixty miles wide running northward to Danzig, cutting off East Prussia from the rest of Germany. Under this plan, the Germans will be allowed free passage across the "corridor" which will be demilitarized. Word was received today that the German delegation has returned to Potsdam and resumed negotiations with the Poles and allies.