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## TROTZKY RAISES NEW ARMY, GETS GERMAN AIR PILOTS

Soviet Factories Capable of Turning Out 20,000 Rifles and Thirty Million Cartridges Monthly—Putoff and Singer Works Making Shells and Others Airplanes.

Paris, May 24.—While confirming the statement recently made by George Tchitcherine to The New York Herald correspondent that the Russian army is only 1,370,000 strong, the Moscow correspondent of the Journal today reveals the fact that Leon Trotsky, Bolshevik Minister of War, having brought the regular army out of a state of chaos is now devoting his attention to the formation of a militia of 800,000 men at a "house of elite," which will be kept up to the highest standard as far as equipment and care are concerned.

At the same time Trotsky has brought up the armaments reserve to a point which seems inexhaustible in view of the Soviet professions of pacifism. The factories at Touba and Djewek are now capable of turning out 20,000 rifles monthly as well as 30,000,000 cartridges. The noted Putoff works are manufacturing shells as is also Singer's Russian factory at Moscow, while other large factories at Moscow are turning out airplanes.

At the beginning of April the Soviet army was known to possess 1,500,000 more than 2,000 field guns, 800 pieces of heavy artillery and 10,000 machine guns.

"It must be admitted, however,"

says the writer, "that these arms are of a mixed nature, including French, English, German and even American types. Although German officers of army in large numbers, the supply of munitions or guns from Germany has not yet reached serious intensity. But it is significant that Russia is receiving regularly from Germany airplanes and pilots, which have hitherto been lacking in the Soviet army."

"Investigation of the official roster shows that Gen. Dvornikoff has been assigned as technical Commissioner of the army, although his duties are very vague, as he apparently is not yet enjoying full Soviet confidence. The other officers do not seem to have British or reputation. For instance the Ukraine forces are now under Frunze, a former service corps Captain, Tukatchewski, chief of the western front, is an ex-Captain who turned Bolshevik in a German prison. Ignoroff, now in the Caucasus, was one of the Czar's favorite Colonels. Radzinsky, head of the cavalry, was only a corporal when the revolution broke out, while Muraloff, who is striking terror in Moscow by his repressive edicts, had little military experience during the war, a sub-expert in the Government's Agricultural Department."

## Lenine Criticizes Concessions Of Third International

Russian Delegates at Berlin Conference Had No Right, He Says, to Niobe Provinces

Moscow, April 25.—(By Mail.)—Nikolai Lenin, the Soviet Premier, has sharply criticized in an article in the Pravda, the concessions made by delegates of the Third International to the non-Communist Internationales in the recent conference at Berlin.

The Russian delegates, said Lenin, made a mistake in promising that members of the Socialist Revolutionary party, now imprisoned in Russia and who are to be tried soon for plotting against the life of Lenin and other leaders, would not be sentenced to death. It was also a mistake, he declared, to promise that representatives of the non-Communist Internationales would be permitted to attend the trials.

He said there were victories gained by the bourgeoisie over Karl Radok and the Russian Communist delegates at the Berlin conference where the various internationales decided to endeavor to present a united front against capitalism.

Nevertheless, Lenin said, this promise, having been made, must be kept. The Russian Communist party, in resolutions adopted at its recent congress, made it exceedingly plain that this attempt at rapprochement with the other internationales outside of Russia did not mean that the Communists inside were to have any dealings with the opposition socialist parties within Russia.

The Daily Telegraph says a possibility of the Hague succeeding where Geneva failed, it says that Mr. Lloyd George has had "high and worthy aims and worked for them through his arduous work with energy, courage and resourcefulness which will be appreciated and admired by the majority of his countrymen. Failure—if it is called failure—of the conference is due to no fault of the Prime Minister, unless it was his error in trusting too freely to the generosity and charity of nations and groups to whom the old feelings of suspicion, resentment and jealousy still burn and smolder."

"That is what Mr. Lloyd George wanted and Mr. Lloyd George's countrymen have watched him with sympathy and respect as he waged to the end a great fight for a great purpose."

"The Westminster Gazette regrets that France 'does not yet understand Mr. Lloyd George as we have learned

to understand him, and expected to find in him a man of the same mind as the signatory of the Treaty of Versailles. Premier Poincare stands, as regards Europe, where he stood three years ago; Mr. Lloyd George has moved right away from the old position. France had not realized how complete has been his change in outlook."

"The Gazette admits that Lloyd and France don't see eye to eye, but believes that France is capable of a change of heart and attitude, with Earl Grey, who has been a member of the League of Nations. It adds that the most serious hindrance to the League is not the desire of America to stand aloof, but her lack of confidence in an honest and able man of Europe."

## HUNKERS OVER ZEALOUS LOST OUT IN GAME

Allies Discover Trick to Strengthen Fortifications—Huns Could Not Wait.

Yerlin May 24.—A humorous story of how over-zealous German military, by their impetuosity, brought about the extension of Inter-Allied control of German fortifications comes from Cuxhaven—the centre of the coast-defence belt protecting the entrance of the Elbe river and Germany's two leading ocean ports, Hamburg and Bremen. The impetuosity of the Inter-Allied naval control commission's representatives had already been announced, the fortifications having been placed in the shape requested by the peace treaty, and the Allied outfit planned to leave Cuxhaven on June 1. The German coast-defence officials, unable to wait for a few weeks, commenced to improve the existing fortifications of the forts, contrary to treaty requirements, disguising a device to exclude heavy shells before they penetrated the concrete embankments. For example, under the guise of hand railings for the convenience of visitors, the German officials noticed the improvements on their final inspection, and not only ordered their removal, but decided to remain indefinitely to check any untimely sale by the Germans.

Germany has gone into the hole since the first of the year to the extent of \$2,000,000,000 marks and now has a floating indebtedness of more than \$25,000,000,000 marks. The Treasury is steadily running behind despite the increased taxation and a reduction in reparations payments. The increase in the floating debt during the first ten days in May was more than sixteen hundred million paper marks or between five and six million dollars at the prevailing exchange rate.

Paul Von Schwanich, one of the group of leading German bankers and a partner in the Deutsche Reichsbank, has sailed for New York on the steamer Resolute. The Reichsbank firm was extensively interested in Mexican finances as well as other important German investments in the United States and the Western Hemisphere before the war. Von Schwanich goes as a representative of the German holder of Mexican bonds to participate with American, French and British representatives in the conference of the International Guaranty Commission with the Mexican Finance Minister Huerta.

August Tyssen-Nestor of German industrialists and father of the concept of "vertical trusts," on which German industry today is being entirely reorganized—eighty years old and still actively engaged in his work—coal, iron, steel, shipping and banking interests. Tyssen, who recently celebrated the golden jubilee of the foundation of his father's company, is also noteworthy for the fact that he always instilled into his sons the idea of "vertical trusts," succeeded in financing his immense interest in a share of the profits or by floating bond issues instead of disposing of his share in the company. He is known as the greatest credit wizard in German financial history and has preserved his enterprises as family holdings, and though rather overshadowed by Hugo Stinnes in public, since the war, he is little less, less important as an industrial factor. Many typical American stories of simple cabin life, modest and even cheap clothing, early retirement, and the like, are told of Tyssen, who probably ranks with Hugo Stinnes in the amount of his wealth.

The German State railways announce an increase of 25 per cent on all freight rates beginning June 1. The increase is forced upon them by the coming heavy advance in price of fuel, materials and labor which otherwise would impose a deficit of 19,000,000,000 marks in the State railways budget. The cost of coal advances 22 per cent, May 20, ties 46 per cent, and the new wage scale fattens the payroll by 13,000,000,000 marks. The freight increase reacts on the general cost of production in Germany.

J. E. Westheimer of New York, who with his wife is a guest at the Adlon Hotel, was robbed of a suitcase containing jewelry, cash, etc., to the value of 1,500,000 marks. The theft was made from his hotel room while he was at the theatre. "The suitcase was full of booty in paper marks justifies the newspaper headlines, 'American millionaire robbed,' the amount in real money being \$250,000. Westheimer had picked up in various places in Germany. The police believe it was an inside job by a band of experts who are operating continuously with the connivance of accomplices among hotel servants. There is no hope of recovering the loot.

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FRANCE LINES UP WITH WASHINGTON

Republic Is in Accord With American View and Bitterness Prevails Against Lloyd George.

Paris, May 19.—The refusal of America to participate in The Hague conference of experts was a bombshell in diplomatic circles here, where it was supposed that the ground had been tested before the promoters of the conference laid themselves out to the rebuff which completes the disfigurement of the advocates of conference methods.

France was prepared to go to The Hague had America consented, and indeed had hoped America would consent. But the definite impression at the Quai d'Orsay is that following the American refusal, France will refuse. This is the first impulse and it must not be regarded as final. For that matter the American refusal is not interpreted as final. Whether the wish is father to the thought or not, many people here in the respect for further precision, the suggestion that as a result of an exchange of communications, America will in the end decide, in view of the interests to be safeguarded, to send experts.

There is no doubt that certain American circles in Europe encouraged the belief that Washington would accept and they are now encouraging the belief that the door is still open. The Christian Science Monitor is convinced that France will not be the last to seek a solution of the Russian problem, but it is doubted here whether The Hague meeting will really be helpful. The opponents of the Geneva Conference see in The Hague proposal a mere device to save the face of Mr. Lloyd George by enabling him to declare that the conference is not finished and that its fruits may still be awaited.

French opinion is hardening every day against Mr. Lloyd George and the newspapers openly express their distrust of him and urge the refusal of France to work with him. This newspaper talk does correspond to some extent to a state of feeling existing in certain quarters on this matter. The chance of any proposal are not improved if the author is Mr. Lloyd George and it is thought he may possibly benefit by it.

This is not meant to indicate that the hesitation about The Hague is due to purely personal considerations. The discarded conference methods have resulted in so much ill-feeling and cross purposes is hardly admitted by the French. Mr. Tardieu, for example, points out that Raymond Poincare pretended that he was obliged to go to Geneva because Aristide Briand

## PRES. HARDING PROCLAIMS ERA OF PROSPERITY

More Than Trade Revival; Country is Finding Itself, He Says.

Washington, May 24.—President Harding speaking today before the Chamber of Commerce of the United States declared that the country "at this very moment is on the threshold of a new era; that business is reviving and the 'country is finding itself.'"

The Government, he said, was greatly interested in restoration of normal world business and economic conditions, and he added that there was no disposition on its part to hold aloof from other nations. American industry, however, he said, should not be destroyed to build up the commerce of other lands.

"If there is any realization," said the President, "which fixes itself more firmly than another in the mind of one charged with great responsibility, it is the conviction that the business life of the republic is the reflex of all its good fortunes. I think I can venture to say that commerce and civilization go hand in hand; and were it not for commerce there would be no civilization."

Commerce in Forefront. "From the viewpoint of one in authority and having responsibility comes another consideration. Commerce finds its place in all our considerations. Undoubtedly it has much to do with the bringing about of the world war, and I think I can say just as confidently that it was never once increased in the negotiations of peace. It is so inextricably associated with all we do that commerce is always foremost in the life of any people."

"We in America—I am sure it is not unreasonably to say it—is commercially a great people, and we ought to be. God blessed us most bountifully in resources in the citizenship of this republic is the blend of every people in the world, almost, and I like to say I believe we are unexcelled in genius; we are incomparable in the great gifts of nature, and we have the talent and the determination—the righteous determination—to be commercially one of the foremost nations of the world."

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"While I am speaking very briefly, I wish to speak, ladies and gentlemen, for a commerce with a conscience. 'If I were to bring only one admonition to you I would like to charge you men and women to take responsibility with the task of eliminating from American commerce those who do not have conscience, whose consciences are practically blind, and criticism which sometimes attends our American activities.'

"Something has been said, and I think aptly said, that there is a period in America with less Government in business and more business in Government. If the commerce of America were always conscientious, there never would be a single excuse for Government in American business."

There is not an agency in American life which can so quickly put an end to abuses and offenses in American commerce as those who are conspicuous in the leadership of that commerce. "It will not do to pursue the activities which we Americans are so eminently connected without a mindfulness of everybody involved. Commerce cannot be adjusted alone to the fortunes of the capitalists of industry."

"There always must be a thought of the great mass without whom there could be no productivity on the one hand and little construction on the other."

## CHITA TO EXPOSE JAPANESE POLICY

Moscow, April 23.—(By Mail.)—The Moscow Republic has determined to bring the Japanese military policy in Siberia to a definite exposure, according to a dispatch from Chita. The Red troops who some weeks ago scored a number of victories over the counter-revolutionists in the Amur region, are now declared to be advancing deliberately in the direction of Vladivostok, with the intention of forcing Japan either to help the anti-Soviet forces openly, or to open the road to the coast.

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had committed him, but he has not that excuse respecting The Hague. Objections to the Geneva Conference objections to The Hague.

There is confusion of thought about the real purpose of the Hague gathering. British sources plainly suggest that the Hague is a continuation of the Geneva Conference and is a truly political Conference. French sources indicate that The Hague gathering is to be one of experts charged only to report to their respective governments on technical matters. Doubtless the misunderstanding will be cleared up and a reply containing the necessary provisions sent immediately to Washington. The French Prime Minister will leave the ultimate decision to Parliament.

There is distinct tendency to urge France with America and to show an extreme view as against the British view. Washington on this Russian question is the pole star for France.

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GIFTS THAT LAST

## Moscow To Send Company Of Players To America

Moscow, April 23.—(By Mail.)—The Moscow Art Theatre which will send a company of players to America late this summer is considered in Russia to produce the highest form of dramatic art.

It is a government subsidised institution and maintains a number of studios where plays are rehearsed and actors trained before they are permitted to appear at the main theatre. In some instances the great Russian actor has been heard as many as 200 times and more than a year spent in detailed scenic preparation before the first performance at the main theatre.

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