

SOVIETS FACING STERN TEST OF COMMUNISM IN PRACTICE

Prospective End of Food Shortage Throws Russia Once
More Upon Her Own Resources.

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The recent statement of Col. Wm. N. Haskell, head of the American Relief Association in Russia, that the Volga grain shortage had been conquered is a great tribute to America, but a still greater blessing to Russia. Although America's initiative and generosity in sending Russian volunteer workers to every American relief official, a third of the funds were contributed by the Russian state itself, and the co-operation accorded by the Soviet Government turned out to be sincere and exemplary.

Merits Must Decide.

Friends and foes of the Soviet regime will rejoice alike over the prospective end of the emergency, for now Russia's experiment in Communism must stand or fall more clearly than ever before on its merits alone. If we take the statements of Tchitcherine and his associates at Genoa as their face value, the Soviets are facing the future with the highest possible assurance. What are the facts which give them this assurance?

Undoubtedly it is the utter failure of the unfortunate series of foreign-aided expeditions and counter-revolutions to cost them. The Soviet Government has defended Russia and it has reaped a prestige in so doing which will last for years. Secondly, the Red Army, the heritage of the defense, now numbers over 7,500,000, according to Trotsky, and is probably the one really efficient piece of human organization in Russia today. Thirdly, the autocratic system of the Soviets, a shadow of group control based on a stern dictatorship, has shown the working power of the Government shall remain in the hands of its present possessors, and to this end the government has control of food as well as the power of the courts and the army, makes opposition to its policy as hazardous and fruitless an undertaking as any rebel ever faced in the history of the world. Finally, the Russian people have been sustained through their recent extremities by a visionary impetus which, however ill-founded and howsoever costly in excesses, has carried the nation through a winter of troubles whose origin nine-tenths of the people have barely understood.

Complications Possible.

In spite of these things there is plenty of reason for the attitude of the American State Department that Soviet Russia is as near collapse today as it has been at any time since last year's statistics of foreign trade which have just been published reveal that in 1921 Russia's exports were only one-seventh of what they were before the war; while her imports, on the other hand, amounted to nearly one-sixth of the pre-war total.

The non-revival of Russian trade and the persistent arrogance of the Soviet government have induced Sweden, whose Socialist government has long been one of Russia's most tolerant and hopeful well-wishers, to throw overboard the policy of neutrality and to enter definitely the Russian market. Undoubtedly, the Soviet negotiators hoped to bring the Swedish treaty into the Hague Conference as a model for other nations, and its loss is a severe check. The trading treaties from England, Italy and Germany, meanwhile, it should be remembered, are little more than arrangements by which Russia should be allowed to establish purchasing agencies in those countries, paying for commodities with gold.

Communism Ending.

The question is not whether Russia needs the rest of the world more than the rest of the world needs Russia; it is simply to make a start somehow in the rehabilitation of the Russian people that provides a security consistent with the standards of the bourgeois governments and their bankers who have the money to lend. That is the issue the world is facing at the Hague. America's isolation from that conference represents a formidable barrier that Russia will fail to pull herself together on her own terms, and expresses a powerful policy already affected by its protagonist toward a Soviet collapse.

Meanwhile, observers in Russia itself report that the Government has now yielded, by one self-subsiding step after another, to the forces of private trade and even of private capitalist exploitation which are making the Communist regime at Moscow little more than a shadow.

The serious strike of Indian operatives on the East Indian Railway was one of the features of the non-cooperation movement, has ended, with the result that India's rich resources in coal are once more being put upon the market. The Indian outlook, upon the whole, therefore, justifies at least the optimism with which the British Government's statement last night was tinged.

MAGNESIA FINE FOR DISPEPTICS

Neutralize Dangerous Stomach Acids Which Cause Indigestion.

The almost universal use of Magnesia by physicians and stomach specialists is due to the fact that it instantly neutralizes the dangerous stomach acids which cause nearly all digestive stomach trouble. With acid gone and stomach sweet, easy and painless digestion invariably follows. Old dyspepsia, indigestion and sour, weak and sickly stomachs, have made miserable for years, find quick and lasting relief in this simple remedy, and are again able to eat what they please. A glass of hot Magnesia water after meals prevents all trouble.

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No Job for a Bachelor



"Soon every copper'll have to show a diploma from a nurse's school to make the force!" says Captain John Hughes, New York, who has to this case of the lost kids at Camp.

Radio Direction Control Achieved, Says Mr. Marconi

Further Freedom from Static Interference Is Desire of Wireless Expert.

New York, June 19.—"I have succeeded in reducing, but not in eliminating, static interference in wireless transmission," said Guglielmo Marconi today in a talk with a representative of The Christian Science Monitor aboard his yacht Elettra. "Great progress has been made toward a solution of the problem, which you understand is an atmospheric one; but please do not imagine that the difficulties are all disposed of yet. I have been quoted as saying that wireless transmission has reached a state of development that all undersea cables can be scrapped, or something of that sort. 'Pay no attention, I beg of you, to that kind of nonsense, but give heed to one or two things we actually have done.'"

"Large numbers of tests have been made for increasing the speed of transmission, and these have been successful. And when I say speed of transmission, you will bear in mind that I do not mean the speed with which a message travels through the air. That, of course, is so rapid as to need no hastening on our part. What I refer to is the practical speed of operating the wireless and getting messages through. We have increased the speed of receiving up to 100 words a minute, whereas formerly we could take but 50 or 60."

"We also have carried out experiments with a system whereby we transmit messages in one direction only, instead of sending them all around."

The interviewer asked if the illustration of a stone thrown in the water, causing ever-widening circles, was not a bit of a simile. "That's it," replied Senator Marconi. "We can send the messages now like a gleam from a searchlight. We direct their course just where we desire. Suppose a station were here aboard this vessel," he explained, "and another were over there on the shore, (pointing out of the cabin window to the New Jersey side of the Hudson River). A message goes from here to there without spreading. That now has been achieved up to a distance of 100 miles."

"It has been tried in England, although not elsewhere. That is a subject upon which I shall talk in an address before a gathering of New York engineers Tuesday."

DO YOUR EARS BUZZ? HAVE YOU HEADACHES?

When your ears ring, your head aches, and you seem slightly hard of hearing, beware of Catarrh. Mr. J. A. Hammill writing from Greenmount, P. I., was sincerely troubled and writes: "I could have worse Catarrh than I had for years. It caused partial deafness, bad taste, and my stomach, made me sick all over. I stopped the cough and gave me a clear feeling in my breathing organs. I am now absolutely well, thanks to Catarrhone." Nothing so certain as a Catarrhone Inhaler to strengthen a weak throat, to rid you of Bronchitis, to drive out Catarrh, coughs and colds. Sold everywhere, 25c, 50c, and one dollar for complete two months' treatment. Dealers, The Catarrhone Co., Montreal.

General Chen's Forces in Canton; Victory For North

Dr. Sun Yat-sen Seeks Safety Aboard Gunboat and Army Is in Precarious Position.

Peking, June 19.—(By The Associated Press).—The two greatest obstacles to the reunion of China, namely Dr. Sun Yat-sen and General Chang Tso-lin, apparently are eliminated and the prospect for bringing the whole republic under one government seems brighter today than at any time since the establishment of the South China regime at Canton in 1918.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen, head of the South China Government, has fled from his capital, according to official advice received today. The forces of Gen. Chen Ching-ming have occupied Canton and Dr. Sun has sought safety aboard a gunboat. General Chen is understood to favor the plans of provisional President Li Yuan-hung and Gen. Wu Pei-fu for assembling a constitutional All-China Parliament here.

Indorses General Wu

General Chen, one of the most powerful of the southern military men, joined 13 provincial military governors late last month in endorsing General Wu's call for the assembling of the Parliament. Only a few days ago Dr. Sun offered him the command of all the southern armies, for his support against the Peking Government. As the result of General Chen's coup at Canton, Dr. Sun's principal army is in a precarious position. These forces are facing 12,000 of General Wu's troops at Nanchang in Kiangsi Province, while the hostile army of General Chen occupies their base at Canton.

Complications in Manchuria

General Chang Tso-lin, the Manchurian leader, who not wholly eliminated, is in a conciliatory mood as a result of his recent defeat by General Wu's Chihli Army on the Chihli-Manchurian front. The opposing commanders on that front are reported to have boarded a British warship at Chinwangtao to arrange an armistice.

The situation in Manchuria has been further complicated, apparently by the proclamation through an assembly of the government for each of the three Manchurian Provinces. Dispatches said the assembly had appointed Gen. Chang Tso-lin commander-in-chief. It was represented as the purpose of the assembly to give Manchurian provinces separate administration, but to consider them still a part of China.

A Canton telegram of the Eastern News Agency reported that the coup d'etat that resulted in the fall of Canton was carried out at 3 o'clock yesterday morning by Commander Yeh-chung, acting presumably under orders of General Chen.

Advices say General Chen again has declared himself in favor of the Old China Parliament.

Dr. Wellington Koo, Minister to the United States, today was appointed by President Li Yuan-hung, to head a commission that will investigate China's financial condition with a view to reorganization.

Men are different. Husbands are alike.

ETHICS OF "BIG BUSINESS" DEFENDED BY JUDGE GARY

Corporations and Individuals Similar, He Said, With Highest Ethics Making for Greatest Success.

Evansville, Ill., June 19.—Robert H. Gary, chairman of the board of the United States Steel Corporation, in an address at Northwestern University today discussed "Ethics in Business."

"During the last decade the world's structure of civilization has been threatened, assaulted and damaged, even to its foundations," Judge Gary said. "At times faith in a merciful and all-wise Providence has been the only perfect assurance of safety. We are emerging from under the clouds of doubt and fear into the sunlight of hope and confidence, and with feelings of gratitude we may calmly survey our somewhat bettered institutions in order to determine what, if anything, can be done to repair and restore them and make them 'firmer and stronger than ever before.'"

"Our country is doing and will continue to do its part, and every citizen has a personal responsibility and must share in the work of reconstruction and readjustment."

Big Business More Exposed.

"In a recent public address President Harding characterized business as being the biggest thing in the world." By this he may have meant, and probably did mean, among other things, that business is necessary to human physical sustenance, which is fundamental in the consideration of all questions. Business is not confined to any line of enterprise. It is in some degree involved in the success of every calling. To the extent that it is attached to any human activity toward livelihood or gain, these remarks will apply in due proportion. Big business, so-called, is more liable to be exposed to the public view, but small business is no more exempt from moral responsibility.

"It has been said, and some of this distinguished audience may agree, that in practice at least, ethics has no application to business. You may refer to the threshold injunction of the father to his sons: 'Get money, honestly if you can, but get it.' There is a widespread belief that a very large percentage of business is carried on without any regard to ethical questions."

"Talking, as a business man, to men and women connected with or interested in, and in many cases, controlling large enterprises, I assert there has been good reason for believing business is occasionally unconsciously administered; though at the same time I aver that it is agitated in adverse criticism is himself unworthy."

"As compared with individual enterprises, corporations are no better and no worse. Attitudes and results depend upon the management by individuals. The degree of merit or moral turpitude only is involved."

Nations Disregard Ethics

"And the disregard of ethics by great nations has been especially noticeable during the few years past. The treatment of international compact and established forms of procedure at more 'crises of paper' or as inapplicable to exigencies, the unnecessary destruction of military forces temporarily victorious, the needless delay in promptly fulfilling agreements to compensate; in short, the apparent indifference to laws—all these furnish a deliberate intention to violate moral ideals."

"Misconduct by a few injuriously affects the reputation of large numbers of others, and for this reason professional men—lawyers, doctors, and even clergymen—have been assailed."

as dishonest and unworthy, sometimes without discrimination, by the thoughtless or incompetent. The same is true of industrialists and all others, regardless of their vocations."

"And it may be asserted with absolute confidence that within the last 20 years or more there has been a decided change in the standards and conduct of business. Handicaps upon hundreds, yes, thousands upon thousands of business men, all over the country, who 20 years ago believed that the subject of ethics had little if any, rightful place in business conduct, now assert, and insist, that it is essential and controlling. Business throughout the United States is today transacted on a higher plane than ever before. The world is surely growing better."

MASONS WARNED TO AVOID THE KU KLUX KLAN

Grand Master Denounces False Claim That Klan Is Allied With Masonic Body.

Masonry in Massachusetts is warned by Arthur D. Prince, Grand Master, to have none of the Ku Klux Klan, which, he says, is being organized in this State. The adjuration issued to the several lodges of the State is couched in language unusually emphatic and direct for official Masonic documents, thus indicating the depth of the thought of the first Freemason of Massachusetts on the subject.

Mr. Prince declares that this society, alleged to consist of night riders and self-appointed law enforcers, is un-Masonic utterly and that the propaganda intimating that Masonry is secretly in sympathy with the movement is entirely false and malicious. He indicates that there is no law in Masonry forbidding membership in the Klan or any such society, but plainly states that no Mason, mindful of his obligation, can belong to such an organization.

The text of the official communication to the lodges of Massachusetts follows:

Every member of this fraternity knows that one of the great fundamentals of Freemasonry is obedience to and respect for the majesty of the law. When our fathers wrote Masonic precepts into the constitutional law of this republic, they declared that every man was guaranteed "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." They also declared that every man was entitled to the protection of the law and could not be punished for crime except after due trial by a jury of his peers under duly constituted authority. They also declared that men could prevent interference with their freedom of conscience.

Freemasonry believes that any organization which does not uphold these principles is un-American and un-Masonic.

Within recent months we have heard a good deal about an organization called the Ku Klux Klan, the principles and financial foundations of which were quite thoroughly exposed in a congressional investigation, from which we learn that the objects of the Klan are political, sectarian and racial.

As a grand lodge, we would take no



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interest in this organization but for the claim made by its officer and organizers that its membership is largely Masonic and that it has Masonic approval and support. This statement is absolutely false, as the Klan has no connection with and neither does it have the support of any Masonic jurisdiction. To the contrary, in jurisdictions where the Klan has been active grand masters have repudiated its claims in the strongest terms, and some have issued edicts warning their members against the Klan under penalty of Masonic discipline.

It was not supposed that an organization with such principles could gain a foothold in this Commonwealth, but from information I have received the organization is beginning activities here, making the same false claims Masonic sympathy.

You have placed in the hands of the Grand Master the honor and reputation of the Masonic fraternity in Massachusetts, and I should fall in my duty if I did not, without fear or favor, warn our membership against a movement which, if not thwarted in its inception, will prove derogatory to the reputation of the craft in a dangerous degree.

Without hesitation I declare the Ku Klux Klan an un-Masonic organization, utterly without Masonic support or sympathy.

Its avowed principles violate Masonic law at every point and it would be impossible for me to conceive of a Mason who could so far forget his Masonic teachings as to affiliate with an organization which advocates taking the law into its own hands, condemning men and women in secret trials, and imposing the punishment of the whip, the tar bucket, or unlawful banishment.

How long will it be before the law-abiding people of this Commonwealth visit dire punishment upon those who forget or flout the sovereignty of the law?

This is not an edict against the Ku Klux Klan. We cannot prevent its organization from joining it and the arm of the law will soon reach those who join in its overt acts. But we must protect the fair reputation of Freemasonry from being spotted by any connection, official or otherwise, with such an organization. No Masonic temple or apartments must be used for their purposes, and let every Mason who is tempted to join the Klan consider well if he can harmonize his obligations as a Mason with the principles of the Klan.



THE GUMPS—A TOUCHING LETTER FROM MOTHER

