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TENDENCY OF NATION TO SPLIT UP INTO SEPARATE REPUBLICS



This, the first photograph of the Bolshevik cabinet to reach the United States, shows (from left to right) Zlotowski, Michailow, Lunacharsky, Minister of Education; Tsotky, Foreign Minister; General Muzawow, and Nogin, Minister of Commerce. The woman on the other side of the table is Alexandra Kollontai.

LABOR SITUATION STILL CRITICAL

Washington, Feb. 20.—The labor situation, especially as it affects the navy shipyards, has assumed a critical aspect which, it is believed in many quarters, demands action on the part of the government, if the war program of the government is to be carried forward to success.

It is reported from many sections, it is stated, have shown a lack of co-operation, and a spirit of indifference among many workers which has developed into a serious menace. It is no secret that negotiations carried on up to this time, through various wage commissions and boards of conciliation, have not resulted in satisfactory adjustments and a maximum of efficiency.

The strike of 1,500 carpenters employed at Staten Island shipyards, because their demands for wage increases to meet the scale on the Pacific coast were not granted immediately, has served to concentrate attention on the general situation, with an insistent demand for a "showdown" which will reveal all of the existing conditions. These strikers, it is understood, were asked to await the decision of the shipping board's wage adjustment commission, and refused.

Reports have been heard in increasing numbers, also, of a tendency on the part of some groups of workmen in the shipyards to lag at their tasks, refusing to drive as many rivets as they were able to drive in a day's work, because other employees, not so efficient as they were, received the same wage. It has been reported also that in some instances rules recognized by organized labor were not conducive to the swift achievement of maximum results.

There have been increasing and insistent demands also for congressional action or open investigation in some other quarters, which would place before the public, without censorship, the actual facts in detail and prove or disprove the rumors which have been in circulation. It has been hinted here that President Wilson's attention has been called

to the necessity of speaking plainly to the employees as well as to capital if a cure for the reported existing conditions is to be found speedily, and anything approaching a satisfactory working basis arrived at in time to avoid a more serious crippling of the shipbuilding program.

Almost from the moment that the United States entered the war there have been insistent and sustained demands on the part of the great majority of workers in the shipyards and other vital government industries for wage increases, which frequently reached from forty to sixty per cent.

In almost every instance these representations have been in the nature of demands, and not requests. The shipbuilding industry was at one time actually threatened with an almost complete demoralization because of the attitude assumed by the men and the number of strikes which were called in face of the necessity for ships.

The situation today, admittedly, still is not one which is conducive to rapid construction of shipping and vessels are not being rushed ahead as had been expected. Increases which have been granted have, in some instances, been followed by demands for further concessions.

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The programme consisted of solos by Thomas Guy, Miss Louise Knight, Miss Gladys Grant and DeWitt Cairns; a recitation by A. E. McGinley; a violin solo by W. C. Bowdley; the unveiling of the rolls of honor by the three local lodges of the order by Past Chancellor F. A. Kincaid, and the anniversary address which was delivered by Robert B. Sillip, grand chancellor of the domain of the maritime provinces.

Excellent music was rendered during the evening by the 230th band, which played a number of selections. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

BOYS ENTERTAINED.

Despite the unpleasant weather of last evening, there was a good attendance at the Boys' Club when a splendid and enjoyable concert was given, the programme being in charge of Mrs. D. P. Chisholm. Readings were given by Mrs. A. C. Wilson, solo by Miss Frances McInerney; banjo solo by Redvers Masie and interesting talks by Judge Ritchie and A. M. Belding. Mrs. Coleman acted as accompanist for the musical numbers. Mrs. Chisholm treated the boys to

doughnuts, and Captain Mulcahy made a presentation of apples, both of which were greatly appreciated by the boys. Mrs. H. C. Groat and Mrs. J. H. Doody, Federation of Labor by refusing to seat the United Garment Workers' delegate to assist.

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