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the Kerensky government. But eight months later, in October, 1917, about 36,000 Russian Communist Bolsheviks overthrew the Kerensky government and proceeded to repudiate all national debts and set up a dictatorship over, not of, the "proletariat," more autocratic than any Czar's. They confiscated all private property, murdered at least 3,000,000 persons of the upper classes and of those resisting dispossession. They abolished all religion, for Communists everywhere must not only be atheists themselves but also militantly anti-religious. They set up and financed, as part of the Soviet government, the Third International, whose purpose is (quoting U. S. Government Report 2290) "the stirring up of Communist activities in foreign countries in order to cause strikes, riots, sabotage, bloodshed and civil war . . . The ultimate and final objective is by means of world revolution to establish the dictatorship of the so-called proletariat into one world union of Soviet, Socialist Republics with the capital at Moscow."

As this U. S. report says (page 65): "There is a sharp distinction between the right to advocate in an academic way any doctrine we like and the right, which is not right, under any reasonable interpretation of our Constitution, to preach and plan the overthrow of our republican form of government by force and violence." This report says in regard to the Soviet "five-year plan": "Pravda, the Communist organ, of August 29, 1929, fully defines its purpose: 'It is a plan tending to undermine capitalist stabilization. It is a great plan of world revolution.' In spite of the efforts of radical Senators with Soviet sympathies, like Brookhart, Borah, LaFollette, etc., the U. S. Government has so far refused to officially recognize the Soviet government."

Atheism and Communism go hand in hand. The February 14, 1928, issue of the Communist "Daily Worker" announced an illustrated lecture by Carl Haessler on "The Twilight of Religion in Soviet Russia" under the auspices of the Russian branch of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism at Worker's Home, 1902 W. Division street, Chicago. On January 7, 1932, Haessler gave a lecture "The Twilight of the Gods in Russia" at the Communist atheist forum at 109 W. Chicago avenue, Chicago.

Haessler is a committeeman of the American Civil Liberties union, of which the U. S. report (2290) says: "The A. C. L. U. is closely affiliated with the Communist movement in the U. S. and fully ninety per cent of its efforts are in behalf of Communists who have come into conflict with the law. It claims to stand for free speech, free press, and free assembly; but it is quite apparent that the main effort of the A. C. L. U. is to attempt to protect the Communists in their advocacy of force and violence to overthrow the Government, replacing the American flag by a red flag and erecting a Soviet government in place of the republican form of government . . . Roger Baldwin, its guiding spirit, makes no attempt to hide his friendship for the Communists and their principles." It was this same Roger Baldwin who re-

cently threatened to sue Henry Ford for "countenancing the injury" of the Communist rioters at the Ford plant.

Roger Baldwin was the speaker for the Ravinia Woman's club January 14, 1931. Mrs. Haessler was then the club's program chairman. Ravinia residents tell of the community dinner which preceded the evening meeting of the Ravinia Woman's club March 3, 1926, at which the honored speaker was Scott Nearing, the well known Communist lecturer and a director of the Communistic Garland Fund. They tell how a patriotic school teacher challenged Nearing's statements about Russia and how this challenge was brushed aside. Scott Nearing and Arthur Fisher of Winnetka (A. C. L. U. Chicago chairman) staged a debate on a favorite Communistic subject "Imperialism" with Carl Haessler acting as chairman, at Plumbers' hall, 1340 Washington boulevard, Chicago, on March 10, 1928.

During the question period which followed Haessler's talk at the Ravinia Woman's club, I asked a question which showed my antipathy for Haessler's proposed revolution. The audience at once broke into a surging tumult of angry comment against me. Then, defying this hostility, I said: "Oh, you have been listening to the insidious propaganda of the voice of Moscow, whose government is attempting to overthrow our Government, etc. Just as in Russia, you would be the class first to be murdered in case of a revolution here. This meeting is an insult to a loyal American citizen!" Then, indeed, there was a near riot. The club president (wife of the President of the local public school board) quieted the meeting momentarily by apologizing to Haessler. Most of the audience applauded this act vehemently. She then came to me and to prominent members of patriotic organizations who were with me to criticize and to demand by what right we were there. I was the invited guest of two members but I refused to divulge their names, feeling that they had been persecuted enough in Ravinia for their patriotic leanings. At Ravinia, once again, as in the Leavenworth prison revolt, Haessler "led the great majority almost without the knowledge of anybody but the leaders and their opponents."

This is a time when the entire world is feeling the unrest caused by the strikes, sabotage, and revolutionary activities of Communists in India, Germany, England, South America, New Zealand, America, and so on. Wealthy Americans are now losing their fortunes, aging with worry, and turning to despair and to suicide. Every American is feeling the economic pinch caused by deflation and by the Communist "plan of economic unstabilization" or "plan of world revolution." The person who joins Communists in accusing our capitalists of closing their factories and ruining themselves for the purpose of ruining the poor is either blind or willfully seditious. We do need the Jeffers and Bachmann Federal Bills for our protection, but when loyal fighting Americans unite in insisting that our elected officials enforce the Illinois statutes covering sedition, then organizations like the Ravinia Wo-

man's club, Y. M. C. A., and University of Chicago (a hotbed of similar speakers) will lose their taste for hiring men of Haessler's calibre to preach revolution to audiences who are also held responsible under these laws for attending such meetings.

The Illinois Criminal Code (Chapter 38, Sections 558-564) provides a penalty of one to ten years in the penitentiary for advocating the overthrow of our Government by unlawful means, and a fine of \$500 to \$1,000 and imprisonment for six months to one year for knowingly attending a meeting at which such overthrow is advocated.

Mrs. Albert W. Dilling.

Post Meeting

The regular meeting of Dumaresq Spencer Post No. 145 will be held at the Elks hall, Highland Park, on Thursday evening, May 12 at 8 p.m. sharp. All members are requested to attend.

Warning to all business men and Ex-Service men: White Willhite, carrying card No. 421496 in Keokuk Post No. 41 of Keokuk, Iowa, is passing bad checks. Last reported at Joliet, Illinois.

Notice

To all members of Dumaresq Spencer post: The annual Commanders dinner will be held on Wednesday, May 18 at 7 p.m. at the Union hotel, Wheeling, Illinois. Every member is requested to attend this dinner. Good speakers and entertainment are on the program. Tickets can be secured from your adjutant at Legion headquarters, located on the

3rd floor of the Young Mens club or call H. P. 709. (Price of the tickets are nominal). A good time in store for all who attend.

Suggests Government Abandon Ft. Sheridan As An Economy Move

Abandonment of Fort Sheridan as a military post was one of several government economy proposals recommended last week in a questionnaire submitted to Chicago business leaders by Representative Henry T. Rainey, Democratic majority floor leader in the lower chamber.

In addition to this economy step, he suggested that a postponement of at least one year be granted on construction work on the Chicago postoffice building and that there be a temporary withholding of appropriations for the Illinois waterways project.

Rep. Rainey stated that first returns from Chicago business leaders indicated they favored all economy recommendations.

Miss Ruth Trepanier, 19, daughter of Mrs. Clara Trepanier of Waukegan, died suddenly at her home last week from a cerebral hemorrhage after having attended a dancing party at McHenry with her escort and another young couple.

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