

SOVIETISM MORE DANGEROUS THAN WAS GERMANISM

The plight of Poland which has been called upon the State Department to formally announce to the world "moral support" of the United States brings a statement to the National Welfare Union of Washington from Major Washburn, our correspondent who was in Russia during the revolution, in which he terms Sovietism more dangerous to the peace of the world than the German armies ever were, prosperity today. There has been let loose on the world from the Pandora's

box, soviet Russia, the most unsettling philosophy which has ever found a foothold in human thought. We have beaten in the war the concept of materialism as a national aspiration. We are now facing in the propaganda of Soviet Russia fallacies more unsettling, they are a greater danger than was the menace of the German army. In Russia there has been released upon the world a system of thought which violates the four cardinal principles of an enduring state.

"History has proven that states prosper that remain stable in the direct ratio in which their spiritual and moral life dominates the people of the nation, continues Major Washburn, who was in Russia during the revolution. The first step of the all Russian Congress of Soviets in Petrograd was to strike a blow at this principle by forbidding the teaching of religion in any school, public or private, throughout Soviet Russia. All churches or ecclesiastical societies were forbidden to hold or bequeath property. All members of any church or religious organization were disfranchised.

"The attitude of Soviet Russia in regard to religion was clearly emphasized by Bucharin, editor of the Pravda, when he wrote: 'There are some soft-headed Communists who say that their religion does not prevent them from being Communists. They deny that they believe both in God and in Communism.' Such a view is fundamentally wrong; religion and Communism do not go together either in which protects the second generation. Bolshevist Russia has made marriage a civil contract, which can be consummated by applying to the registrar of marriages and can be broken at will by either party thereto applying in writing to the same official, no other reason than dissatisfaction being necessary. It is obvious that this leads to irresponsible parenthood and lays the way for the Bolshevist theorists to establish that institution which they have so ardently urged, namely: the socialization of children by the state.

"Thirdly, the new idea in Russia has destroyed representative government which since the Magna Charta we have come to believe the essential attribute to modern society; and lastly, it has introduced an economic system removing all personal property rights and destroying human initiative. The result of the destruction of these four principles has laid Russia in ruin and one hundred and eighty million people are now living in chaos and on the verge of starvation.

"It is our duty in this country to interpret to the people of all classes that unsound thinking in the final analysis represents death and poverty. We have Russia as a concrete demonstration of this fact. Until these fallacies are exploded, and every man and woman understands that the truth regarding morals, economics and industry is the salvation of the world, we shall not emerge from the critical period in which we are living."

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