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Wall Street's World Conspiracy!

PLOTS WORLD CONFERENCE AGAINST SOVIET RUSSIA AND WORKERS' GERMANY

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Getting Shaky in Europe



It's Merely a Question of Time When the Real Tyrant—Capitalism—Will Have To Go.

The American government, that is, President Coolidge, the Steel Trust and Wall Street, have devised the most enormous conspiracy since the world war. Their objectives are, to rescue capitalism in Germany through a big international loan, to prepare a new invasion against Russia, and to halt the radicalization of the German workers and the United States.

This is the most ambitious plan of American imperialism. It is the biggest and boldest attempt to bring about a general capitalist restoration in the world.

That is the sense of the American-British plan for an international conference for solving the German reparations problem. This International Conference will be a gathering of the wolves of the Stock Exchanges of New York, London, Paris and Rome to pass upon the future of Europe and thereby also upon the future of America.

The U.S. Wants to Assassinate the German Revolution.

The backbone of the entire conspiracy is the great international loan by American bankers to Germany, guaranteed by the United States government. The primary purpose of the loan is to save the present capitalist rule in Germany.

The masters of Wall Street recognize with hearts and souls that the only battle being fought out today in Germany, between the forces of world capitalism and the world revolution. They know that without a huge international loan the German capitalist class would be unable to maintain its rule over the starving masses, and the road to the restoration of the urban population. They realize that the revolution in Germany is inevitable, not only because the Communist Party there is gaining more and more the support of the working class, but because the ruling class is no longer capable of fulfilling even the most elementary duties and tasks of leadership in production and government administration.

American capitalism perceives with growing anxiety that not only the workers, but also the lower middle class and intellectuals are coming to see more and more clearly that their only salvation from suppression by a military dictatorship, from national humiliation and starvation, is an alliance with the Russian Red Army and the overflowing stores of food of Soviet Russia. American capitalism is now broaching a plan for helping the German capitalist class in order to enable it to provide food, clothing and fuel to the hungry and half naked German masses. American capitalism is prepared to give an international loan to German capitalists, not from humanitarian motives, but because it cares whether the German workers perish or not, but to maintain the German Workers as wage slaves, to prevent the creation of a German Soviet Republic.

The United States could have said to Germany before, if it had taken a stand against greedy French imperialism, but it never made a move in that direction. It is only now, very very lately, that President Coolidge has declared the readiness of the United States to "help" Germany through an international loan. American capital was not willing to help Germany as long as such help would have meant a fight against French imperialism. But President Coolidge forthwith discovers the soft humanitarian heart of the United States at the moment that aid for Germany means a fight against the German workers, means hindering of a German Soviet Republic.

Calvin Coolidge is in his element at last. He was elected as president of the United States because he broke the political strike in Boston. Now he is wanted as a strike-breaker on a national scale. Coolidge now goes a step forward and upward; he is beginning his role of strike-breaker on an international scale.

Bringing Back the Kaiser.

An official statement of Coolidge shows still more clearly the criminal designs of American capitalism. Coolidge has declared that the policy of the United States is to "help" Germany through an international loan. The United States government does not desire to interfere in case the present republican form of government goes to a monarchical form of government.

What does that mean? This statement of the President of the United States is nothing less than the greatest and most brazen encouragement of the plots for a German monarchist counter-revolution since 1917. As that ambassador of the United States to Italy, Count de Spreti, said when he overthrew the elected government of the United States in Spain, was the first diplomat in Spain to congratulate General Primo Rivera, when he overthrew the elected government and parliament with the aid of American imperialism. American imperialism has made considerable progress since 1917. At that time American imperialism declared war against the Russian Revolution. It was the slogan of making the world policy for democracy. In 1922 American imperialism is again champion in Europe, of the most brutal form of anti-democratic, militarist dictatorship. In 1918

Wilson declared to the German people that it could not have peace before it drove out the Kaiser and the Hohenzollern dynasty. In 1923, Calvin Coolidge declares to the German people that they cannot receive a piece of bread as long they do not restore the monarchy, the Kaiser, and the Hohenzollern dynasty.

The reason of the big change is that American capitalism has a vital interest in conserving capitalism in Germany through a big international loan. But the steel trust and Wall Street know that the present half-pay bourgeois, half Socialist republic in Germany is impossible. It must collapse under the more and more powerful attacks from the right by the monarchists, that is, the big landowners and big industrialists, and from the left by the Communists, that is, the mighty German working class. American capitalism encourages monarchist restoration in Germany because this direct rule of the big landowners and big industrialists is a much greater security against the workers and for the international loan, than the vacillating, shilly-shally Stresemann government.

A New Invasion Against Russia.

The second motive of American capitalism for giving an international loan to Germany is to create possibilities for a new invasion against Soviet Russia. Coolidge knows that he cannot repeat the example of Wilson. He cannot send American troops to Munich. But he wants to revive the interventionist policy on a thousand times greater scale! He wants to destroy the German workers, to help the German monarchists to political power; he wants to arm and

to equip the German counter revolutionary army of Generals Ludendorff and Hoffman with American money. He wants to isolate Soviet Russia, and thereby prepare a new invasion against Russia, more frightful than any previous one.

They Want to Deceive the Farmers.

But American capitalism has another, third, motive. It wants to grant this big loan to Germany and eventually also to other countries of Europe, but wants to corrupt the farmers to purchase American wheat, corn and other food-stuffs.

The editorials of the newspapers are silent on this plan; but the financial reports state that Coolidge is ready to extend loans to Germany or other countries, either through reviving of the War Grain Corporation or in some other form, in order to make it possible for those countries to buy American wheat. American capitalism sees with growing anxiety that the bankruptcy of the farmers is producing an ever deeper and more radical revolutionary discontent in the farmer masses. It wants to buy the farmers off politically by giving them loans to save them from the ruin of the Bankrupt Europe cannot, however, buy wheat, hops and cattle from the American farmer unless the American capitalists lend money to Europe.

They Want to Postpone the Industrial Crisis.

But the trust rulers and masters of Wall Street have still a fourth motive when they declare their readiness to give Germany or other countries a loan of a few billions of dollars. They want to postpone the industrial crisis.

The prosperity of American industry is nearing its

end. The oil industry is in a deep crisis of over-production. Copper experienced the lowest price in a year, with 12½ cents a pound. The unfilled orders of the steel industry are diminishing. The building boom has come to a halt. The American trusts see with teeth chattering, a new crisis approaching, with the ceasing of production, with millions of unemployed, with an irremediable radicalization of the laboring masses. American capitalism is anxious to postpone artificially, the duration of industrial prosperity in America, through a loan to Germany. It is granting the loan, but in turn it will compel Germany to buy American steel, copper, oil and textiles.

The Party of Wall Street, the Republican Party, views with a deadly fear the presidential and congressional elections of 1924. It knows for a certainty that it will suffer a sure defeat if it fails to appease the dissatisfaction of the farmer, and if the laboring masses will be once more driven to despair by an industrial crisis.

The Republican Party is broken into factions. The lower middle class and farmers today no longer see their leader in the capitalists. The Third Party movement is becoming more and more concrete. Ford's candidacy on a Third Party ticket is now of greater probability. The Labor Party sentiment is crystallizing more and more, despite Gompers, Johnson and Hillquit into active organizations. If 1924 will be a year of industrial crisis, America will witness its greatest political and social crisis since the Civil War.

We Must Alarm the Workers!

The idea of the international loan for Germany as the most far-reaching plan of American imperialism. Wall Street's hope is that, supported upon the almighty, magical, most potent force of the most tremendous gold reserve of the world, it would be able to bring into realization this many-sided world conspiracy.

The American loan to Germany at this time means the destruction of the German revolution, the restoration of the German monarchy and the saving of German capitalism.

The American loan to Germany means the preparation of an invasion against Soviet Russia.

The American loan to Germany means handing the biggest gift to the grain gamblers and meat packers under the cover of the slogan that the government wants to help the bankrupt farmers. The exploited farmers do not own their own crops. Their product from the moment of harvesting, are not their possession, but the possession of a few big grain dealers, grain elevator companies, and greedy grain-brokers.

The American loan to Germany means the artificial postponement by a few months of the industrial crisis, in order then to render it so much the deeper and more devastating.

The American loan to Germany means the attempt to revive the industrial crisis in Europe into an American colony. It means a new war-menace. The bankers first send American dollars to Europe, and afterwards they will send American soldiers. In the first world war it was the same. America entered the war first with industrial products and international loans, and afterwards with armies. The bankers' conspiracy can postpone perhaps by a few months the industrial crisis, but it means compulsory military service for workers and farmers. Coolidge is but the pawn for General Pershing.

The American loan to Germany means the most ruthless attack upon the whole working class of the world. It means robbing the German workers of the eight-hour work day and reducing them to wage slaves. It means a menace for the workers and farmers of Russia. It means the cruelest deception of American workers and exploited farmers.

Against this conspiracy of the White House in Washington and the Stock Exchange in New York, the American working class must oppose a powerful and aggressive united front.

We must defend in Chicago and in New York and in San Francisco the German workers of Berlin and Dresden and Hamburg. We should not forget that the workers of Russia are even being forced to fight the workers' Germany. If it is too late to defend Russia, the Beresina. It must be defended at the Rhine. It is too late to fight in Petrograd and Moscow or in Odessa; the victory must be secured in Berlin and Dresden and Hamburg.

Let not the future American revolution forget that its first battle was fought in Petrograd and Moscow, and that the second battle is even being fought in Berlin and Hamburg. The occupation of the White Palace in Petrograd six years ago, on November 7, 1917, was the first assault against the citadel of American capitalism. And we must see that the barricades in Hamburg are barricades not only against Stinnes, but also against Gery, Morgan and Rockefeller.

The American workers must fight now for Soviet Russia and workers' Germany because the fight is for the life and future of the American working class.