

### BLOOD OF HIS WIFE IS ON CHIEFS OF SOVIET

#### American Schwartz, Former Enthusiastic Bolshevist, Adds to His Stories

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—(By Associated Press).—Bolshevik prison methods lack all elements of decency and civilization, says M. Schwartz, California socialist and labor leader who with his wife was thrown into bolshevist prisons in Moscow for four months after he had failed voice approval of the bolshevist government. His wife died of the effects of a hunger strike started while in prison, as he has made known in previous statements.

"My first two months in prison were the worst," Mr. Schwartz said after arriving in Berlin. "My wife, who could not speak a word of my language but English was taken from me. I did not know whether she was in the same prison, or what had become of her. I could not get a word of satisfaction from any of the prison officials.

"There was a small peephole in the door of my cell which opened into the main corridor. This had a little slide over it and there was a sign in Russian warning the inmates of the cell that they would be placed in solitary confinement if they peeped out into the corridor.

"Many times a day footsteps passed the door. Sometimes there were light steps and I imagined women were passing. To the horror of other men in the cell with me occasionally moved the slide the least bit in the hope of getting a glimpse of my poor wife. I became bolder and bolder. The corridor was so dark it was difficult to recognize the people who were passing.

"Finally, in sheer desperation, I pushed the slide far back one day when light footsteps were audible. To my horror the eye of the guard almost touched mine. He opened the door and asked me if I could read Russian. I admitted I could and explained to him that my anxiety about my wife was responsible for the violation of regulations.

"I was immediately taken to a dark cell in the cellar. It was full of hungry rats. Water and sewer pipes ran all around the walls and there was so much gas that I felt I was choking. I began pounding on the door but the guard warned me not to and three times he put me into a still lower cell if I didn't keep quiet.

"At the end of three hours I was so badly overcome by the gas that I pounded on the door, in desperation and asked to see the commissar who was in charge of the prison. The guard was apparently uneasy about my condition and called the commissar.

"I told the commissar my anxiety about my wife and asked him if he would not have peeped through the hole under the same condition. He was moved by my appeal and asked me if I would promise not to repeat the offense if he let me back into my old cell.

"You may be sure I promised, and I kept my promise. I had companions in my old cell and there weren't any rats and gas there. I can't tell you how horrible it is to be confined alone. Even if one's company consists of common language, human companionship makes a cell more endurable. Solitary confinement, such as my wife endured for two months, is the most horrible punishment that can be inflicted.

"Think of a cultivated, refined American woman being treated as she was by the bolsheviks! It is no wonder that her constitution was so undermined by her jail experiences that she died shortly after we were released. But her blood is on the hands of Lenin and Trotsky and Chitchevin (foreign minister). She appealed to them repeatedly for a hearing and so did I. She finally effected our release by her hunger strike, but her strength was not sufficient to survive the awful agony she endured."

### WILD AND WANTON WASTE AND PRIVATION IN VIENNA

#### Side By Side One Sees Starvation and Extravagance Without Limit; But Viennese Declare That in the Gay and Giddy Cabarets There Is Never a Native, That the Spenders Are Alien Profiteers

VIENNA, Jan. 25.—(By Associated Press).—Vulgar display of extravagance in food and clothing is a nightly picture at the gay restaurants here while only a few blocks away hungry and scantily-clothed persons are being poorly fed in community kitchens. Visitors to Vienna are shocked by this paradoxical economic condition. Others are either hardened to the contradictory sights or, in their inability to alter either extreme, can only shut their eyes to them.

Crowded theaters and operas at tremendously advanced prices, concerts sold out in advance, masked ball following masked ball in an endless riot against the coming of Lent, cabarets whose risqué dancers would bring out the police in New York and where nothing to drink but wine is served, cafes and restaurants with never an empty table, not a room to be had in the big hotels whose prices go up from week to week—that is one picture. On its reverse, foreign strings (and demanding unceasing contributions in aid of a suffering populace.

In Austria it is the custom on New Year's eve to bring squealing suckling pigs to public dining rooms and every red ribbon with which they are decorated is distributed in bits to guests as tallsmans for the coming year. The newspapers report that in one fashionable resort a woman seized the pig and stringing itself and demanding unceasing contributions in aid of a suffering populace.

No Real Austrian There

Viennese claim that in all these resorts where display and expenditure of the most vulgar kind are evidenced, not one real Austrian can be found, that they have not the money. They say they are supported by the horde of profiteers of every race and every nationality that infest and infect the city.

A recent demonstration of the populace is acknowledged to have been inspired by this prodigal display of extravagance and ready money on the part of this small element of the population.

The workmen demand the government shall suppress profiteering and eliminate the she-ba (profiteering wholesaler, middleman) and the sleigher (illicit trader) in an effort to lower the daily mounting cost of living, else they will undertake to do so on their own account. They carried a miniature gallows in a recent demonstration.

The authorities and thoughtful Austrians acknowledge that this superficial froth of extravagance and display is doing great harm to the city and the country. Casual travelers who spend a few days in the inner city, visit the gorgeous resorts and see the high-class restaurants crowded at every meal, tea dances in the afternoon, exceptionally well dressed men and women, and the display of furs and jewels and articles of luxury in the shop windows probably unexcelled in any capital, are hard to convince that beneath this veneer lies widespread privation and in certain strata bitter suffering.

American Feeds Children

Some 400,000 children are being fed one nourishing meal a day by American charity. Through American aid the hospitals are being refurbished with long absent necessities. Nearly 200,000 Austrian children are charity guests in other countries. Indeed, the charity of all non-suffering peoples is being extended bountifully to this country regardless of creed or race, and all investigators who dig deeply into conditions acknowledge it is needed.

But not infrequently the visitor, especially the American, when he is told this, gazes on the evidence of wealth and well-being about him and remarks that it might be well to spend some of this money at home instead of demanding aid from other lands. One answer is that this phase of Vienna life brings money in and keeps it circulating. Another is that the temperament of a people must be considered.

The billboards are filled with announcements of redouts (masked or fancy dress balls). Wine is always served at these affairs at high prices. Among those about to occur, the star

### THE TOWN OF FAIRFIELD WANTED THE PLAT OSBORN HAD PICKED OUT, AND SOUGHT AN INJUNCTION PREVENTING THE LATTER TOWN FROM MOVING IN.

#### Judge Hartley at Xenia, However, the Other Day Dissolved the Injunction, and as far as anyone knows now, there is nothing to prevent Osborn from changing its location.

The new Osborn will nearly adjoin Fairfield. Probably Fairfield's jealousy will extend so far that it will crowd to its windows when Neighbor Osborn's goods start to move in and criticize them. Maybe it will sniff disdainfully at the color of some of Osborn's buildings, and point out with superiority that if it had to do the moving it certainly wouldn't move such looking things.

Osborn's people are enthusiastic about their town, and feel a new lease on life for it, when it gets moved. Business men and officials are busily planning ways and means to bring new industries, and start the building of a larger and more modern town.

An expert is being sought to supervise the platting of the new site, which is to start March 1. Three concerns are seeking the job of removing Osborn. A contract is to be awarded soon. Plans now provide for the laying of railroad tracks between Osborn's old and new home, and transporting the buildings and dwellings on specially built railroad cars.

### BIDDLE SENIORS ON STRIKE

#### (Special to The Star)

CHARLOTTE, Feb. 24.—Because a member of the class was suspended for insubordination today, 100 members of the senior class at Biddle university, negro school, this city, refused to attend classes and are still on strike. Rev. D. McCrorey, president, has not yielded to the strikers. It is the first trouble ever had at the university.

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### WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Pursuance by the United States of its present

sliding program will offer "great, if not insuperable obstacles" to the consummation of an international agreement for disarmament, Senator King, Democrat, Utah, declared in a minority report filed today on the Senate resolution directing the senate to ratify the agreement. The report's ability of suspending naval construction for a period of six months.

Taking issue with the majority committee report which opposed any suspension of building, Senator King declared the majority apparently held the opinion that the "war taught no lesson except that savagery and sanguinary struggles are eternal and that moral forces in the world are too feeble to establish and usher in a reign of righteousness and peace."

The majority opinion that the battleship still remains the backbone of naval powers and that any suspension of major ship construction would place this nation at a disadvantage, Senator King declared, was based solely on views of the navy general board which, he said, was based solely on views of the navy general board which, he showed a "slavish adherence to the past" and a total disregard of the war's lessons as to the probable future development of air craft and submarines. The report advocated completion of five battleships and one battle cruiser of the 1916 program and suspension of building on eleven other major ships of the program.

### A WHOLE TOWN IS TO MOVE

#### JULY 1 ACCORDING TO PLAN

OSBORN, O., Feb. 24.—On July 1 if present plans are followed out, this town of 250 buildings and dwellings will gather up its belongings, pack up its buildings and start moving a mile and a half distant. Motion picture cameras will grind away, preserving the unique record of a whole town sliding away on railroad tracks.

Osborn has to move, because of the danger from flood in the Miami valley. It had its troubles finding a new home, as most house hunters do these days.

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### SAYS REDUCTION IN WAGES IMPERATIVE IN SHIPYARDS

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—The Atlantic Coast Shipbuilders association, at a meeting here, elected Clarence S. King secretary to succeed Henry C. Hunter of New York, who has been appointed consul. Mr. King announced the removal of the association's general offices from New York to Philadelphia. The association comprises substantially all the large shipyards on the Atlantic seaboard and Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. King will continue as secretary of the Atlantic coast shipbuilding industrial board established at the close of the war by agreement between shipyard owners and international labor unions to adjust all questions pertaining to rates of labor, hours of work and conditions of employment.

Immediate wage reductions are imperative, if the shipbuilding industry is to survive in this country, Mr. King said in discussing the association's labor policy. Virtually every shipyard in the east will have reduced wages of employes at least 10 per cent by March 1 or soon thereafter, he said.

### EMERGENT COMMUNICATION

St. J. Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M. Emergent communication this (Friday) evening at 7:45 o'clock, for the purpose of conferring the degree of Fellowcraft. All members and visiting Master Masons will be cordially welcomed. By order of the Master, A. S. HOLDEN, Sec'y.

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