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As The Commonwealth is hav-
ing a large run of advertising
and changes are made daily in
some of the ads it has become
necessary to ask that all changes
be sent in the day before the in-
sertion is needed. We ask this as
a favor, but we also reserve the
right to leave ads over until the
next day if they cannot be gotten
up in time for insertion.

Friday — November 21, 1919

**STRINGENT SEDITION LAW
ADVOCATED BY ATTOR-
NEY GENERAL.**

In response to a recent Senate
Resolution calling upon him for
information as to action taken by
the Government for the suppres-
sion of radicalism throughout the
country and asking him to submit
draft of a law designed to pre-
vent seditious propaganda and
activity of all kinds, Attorney
General Palmer has sent to the
Senate a most interesting report
on the subject and also the draft
of a statute which seems fully to
meet the needs of the situation.

We quote below the substance
of some of the many important
statements contained in the At-
torney General's report:

At the present time there are
222 radical newspapers published
in foreign languages and 106 rad-
ical newspapers published in the
English language in this country.
There are also 144 radical news-
papers published in foreign coun-
tries which are received and dis-
tributed to subscribers in this
country. Large numbers of books,
pamphlets, and other publications
of a radical nature—many of them
in foreign languages—also re-
ceive wide circulation. These
newspapers and other publica-
tions openly oppose our form of
government and advocate its
overthrow by violent and unlaw-
ful means.

The radicals are, through these
many publications and by various
other well-organized means, en-
deavoring to convert the negroes
of the country to their views, and
in many respects have already
been successful. On this subject
the Attorney General says:
"There can be no longer any
question of a well concerted
movement among a certain class
of negro leaders of thought and
action to constitute themselves a
determined and persistent source
of a radical opposition to the gov-
ernment and to the established
rule of law and order."

In pointing out the inadequacy
of the present Federal law as a
means of dealing with the danger-
ous situation which confronts the
government on account of wide-
spread anarchistic, Bolshevik,
and other radical propaganda
which is flooding the country, At-
torney General Palmer says:

"(1) Those who have attempt-
ed to bring about the forcible

overthrow of the government of
the United States have committed
no crime unless their acts amount
to treason, rebellion, or seditious
conspiracy. This is defined in Sec-
tions 1, 4, and 6 of the Criminal
Code above quoted.

"(2) The preaching of anarchy
and sedition is not a crime under
the general criminal statutes of
the United States.

"(3) Advising the defiance of
law is not a crime under the gen-
eral criminal laws, whether the
same be done by printing and cir-
culating literature or by the spok-
en word.

"(4) Nor is advising and open-
ly advocating the unlawful ob-
struction of industry and the un-
lawful and violent destruction of
property a crime under the Unit-
ed States general statutes.

"I might state that this opinion
has been formed by me only after
consultation and advice from the
leading criminal lawyers of the
country.

The law proposed by Mr. Pal-
mer defines "sedition" and the
"promotion of sedition," in a
comprehensive manner, and
makes both acts crimes punish-
able by severe penalties, including
not only heavy fines and long
terms of imprisonment but also
the cancellation of citizenship in
the case of naturalized citizens
who are convicted of violating
the law. It also provides for the
deportation of such denaturalized
citizens as well as of aliens who
violate the law, after the expira-
tion of their terms of imprison-
ment, and undertakes to bar per-
manently from this country all
persons so deported.

The urgent importance of the
enactment of this proposed law is
clearly demonstrated by the At-
torney General's report, and it is
earnestly to be hoped that Con-
gress will take speedy and favor-
able action in this matter.

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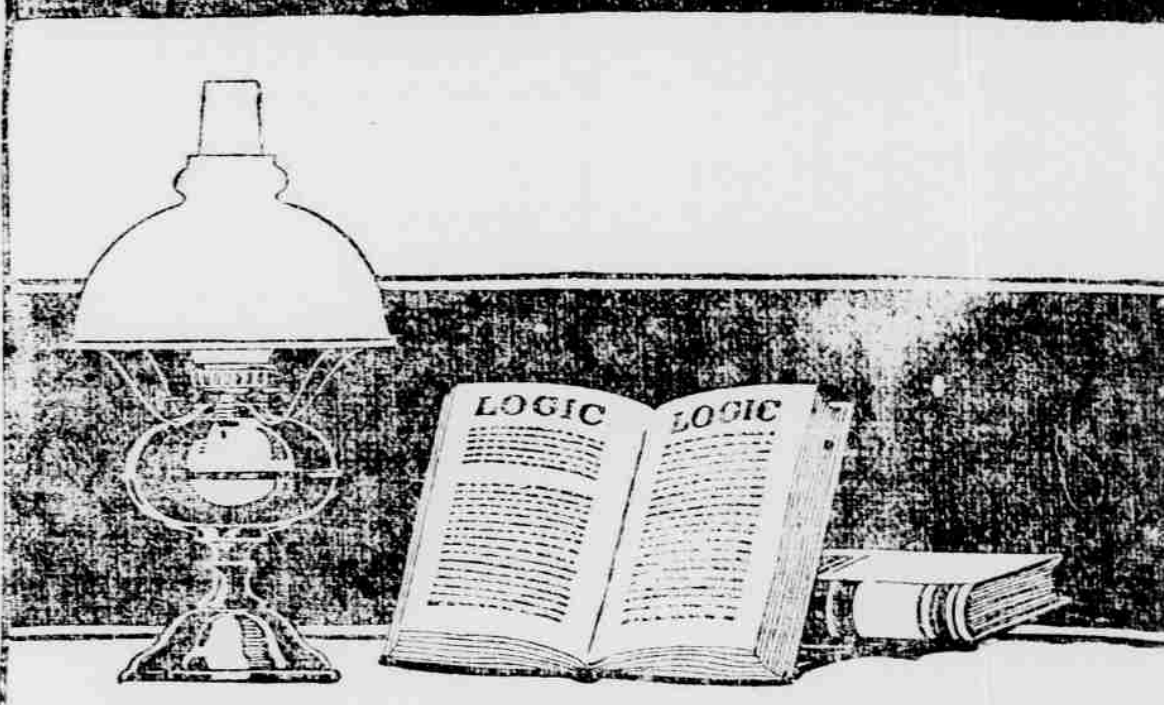
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