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U. S. Embassy at Petrograd— one year
under the Czar and two years under the
Kerensky and Lenin and Trotsky regimes

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FOREWORD

Out of Darkest Russia come facts that make an American's blood run cold.

The Soviet Socialist Republic that Lenin and Trotsky have set up in the name of Marxian socialism is an attempt to establish a human stock farm, with all the science that breeds cattle for the market, even up to the slaughter house and bloody shambles.

Religion and the family, God and home, marriage and mother love, all are being wiped out.

Freedom of the press, freedom of speech, freedom of assemblage, the right to organize and strike—all the great institutions of democracy—have disappeared.

“Any worded opposition or criticism of the Soviet form of government constitutes a lie,” is the decree, and all newspapers, institutions or any person guilty of stating a lie in Soviet Russia is guilty of treason, and treason means jail or death.

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Lenin insists that the last wicked, capitalistic tool in the world is the family. It must go.

Education is turned into a study of Karl Marx and Marxian socialism first, and then the process of prolecult, or self-education.

Diplomas from universities are issued in thirty to sixty days after the communist begins to study law or medicine.

Children are sent from their families to communist schools hundreds of miles away, and the records destroyed, to break the ties of relationship.

The right of private property is torn out, root and branch, from the soul of the people. Workmen, moving from one town to another, may only take a change of garments. Every article owned or prized by a person must be left behind, to be used temporarily by the tenant of his former house.

Economic value alone counts. Lenin says that those who have no social or economic value must be treated as a horse or a dog or a cow that has no economic value. No sentiment, no love,

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no nobleness of thought, no high-minded purpose—everything reduced to a hard, materialistic matter-of-fact, sordid basis—just as one would breed animals in a barn yard. Ambition must be treated as a cancer and cut out.

The robbery of land and property and money has been literally carried out; even the working-man's body is not his own, and he is the most disappointed man in all Russia.

A hundred million peasants were told to help themselves to the lands of ten million who owned land. And then those who failed to get land in this grab were bidden to take it from those who had seized the land. The empty-handed, those who lost out, those who were kicked out became the "proletariat" in turn, and the Socialist Republic urges them to seize the possessions of the ones who are temporarily on top.

Religion of all kinds is spit upon. Even the communist schools spend hours in demonstrating to little children that religion is a myth and superstition and that God is a fiction as unreal as Santa Claus.

The Russian Socialist Republic is putting

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into practice in all its horrid reality the teachings that the Marxian Socialists have been preaching in parlor-Bolshevist meetings and on the soap-box for years.

The Russian people, in their wild joy at the downfall of the Czar, tried to establish a Republic founded on the democratic principles of our United States Constitution. But Kerensky was no match for Lenin.

The Bolshevists are but a small fraction of the two hundred millions of Russian people. Lenin said truly: "If ever I obtain five per cent of the militant proletariat of Russia, I will swing the revolution."

Over night, the Reds captured the democratic government at Petrograd and installed the "Black Police" of the Czar to carry out their bloody program.

Such are some of the facts related in Plankinton Hall, the Auditorium, Milwaukee, by Lieutenant Alfred W. Kliefoth, ex-attache to the American Embassy in Russia, in a speech under the auspices of the American Constitutional League of Wisconsin, by the courtesy of The

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American Russian Chamber of Commerce of New York.

Lieutenant Kliefoth is Wisconsin born and bred, a graduate of the University at Madison, receiving his degree of B. A. in 1913. For five years, and until a few months ago, he has been in the service of the State Department of the United States, and was clerk of the American Legation at Stockholm, Sweden; then Vice-Consul at Harparanda, Sweden; later American control officer at Torneo, Finland; then Assistant Military Attache with the American Embassy at Petrograd; and finally Military Observer with the Armies in Russia.

The last three years have been the most important in Russia's history. Lieutenant Kliefoth was not only there for months before the Czar was dethroned, but remained through Kerensky's rule and the dark days of Bolshevism until the fall of 1919.

Because of his knowledge of five European languages, and his thorough understanding of socialism, he was able to get information where others failed, and was most valuable to the American government on Bolshevik territory.