

# INTERVENTION BY U. S. DESIRED BY SEMENOFF

### Russian Leader Expresses Gratitude for Unselfish Interest of America in Russia's Welfare.

Chita, Trans-Baikalia, Jan. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—General Semenov, who was quite seriously wounded by fragments of a bomb thrown in a crowded theater here recently, received the Associated Press correspondent today. With him he discussed briefly the crisis in Russia.

The dramatic background of the interview made it unusual. A sinister atmosphere dominates Chita. Cossack guards are stationed about public buildings and move ceaselessly through the streets.

Driving through the town behind the coat of arms, the correspondent reached General Semenov's house, on the outskirts of the town. Armed Cossacks stood guard before it. The correspondent was admitted, but as the door closed behind him the key was turned by a guard. A suave alet, an orderly and then an armed Cossack appeared, the Cossack demanding the reason for the visit. He was General Semenov's bodyguard.

Admitted After Parley.

A long parley ensued, during which the correspondent was subjected to the most rigid examination ever undergone. Finally his card was sent in to the general, who sent out word that he would receive the correspondent.

General Semenov's room showed evidence of the artistic tastes of its occupant. He waved a courteous welcome with his left hand, explaining that his right hand and leg had been injured by the explosion. A surgeon had just removed fragments of the bomb from the injured leg.

Referring to America, General Semenov was insistent in his declaration that American troops would be welcomed by Russians.

"The landing of foreign troops on Russian soil is naturally distasteful," he said, "but it is necessary now to overthrow the bolsheviks."

Asked if his differences with Admiral Kolchak had been adjusted he replied in the negative.

"Admiral Kolchak sent troops to Irkutsk," he said, "so I cannot say we are friends, but my Cossacks will always work for the best interests of Russia."

Sends Greetings to America.

He concluded his talk with a request that his greetings and an expression of his admiration and respect for the American people be sent to them. He especially spoke of his gratitude for the unselfish interest in Russia's welfare which has been shown by America.

The belief that American forces are coming seems general. A strong breeze of Japanese is encamped in the suburbs and is apparently sufficient to control the situation.

The attempted assassination of General Semenov caused a temporary reign of terror here. He was attending the opera and was seated in a box with a party, one of whom was a woman. Suddenly a man rose in the gallery and threw a bomb, which exploded at the feet of the general. The woman was unhurt, but another woman seated nearby was badly injured. A few others received wounds.

### Petrograd's Swains Will Save on Candy; No Courting Needed

London, Jan. 4.—The town council of Petrograd, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen, has decided that all unmarried women between the ages of 18 and 45 shall be provided with husbands selected by the council. The children of these unions, it is added, will not be allowed to remain with their parents, but will be educated under the control of the soviet government.

### Program Mapped Out for Peace Conference

Paris, Jan. 4.—(Havas).—The peace conference, according to the Parisian, will proceed as follows:

First—A conference of the four great powers.

Second—Representatives of Belgium and Serbia to be admitted for study of the general situation.

Third—Admission of the other allies for conferences on the problems interesting them.

Fourth—Presentation of conditions successively to Germany, Bulgaria, Turkey, Austria and Hungary and the signing of the peace preliminaries.

Fifth—A general conference concerning the questions of a league of nations, freedom of the seas, limitation of armaments and related topics.

### Reserve Officers' School is Authorized by War Dept.

St. Louis—Establishment of a Reserve Officers' Training school at Washington university has been authorized by the War department. A unit will be organized soon. Nearly 250 members of the S. A. T. C. have registered for the new unit. Uniforms and equipment will be furnished by the government, but the students will receive no compensation. Enrollment is for two years, with option of four years for full officers' training and commission.

### French Troops Are Given Welcome in Montenegro

Paris, Jan. 4.—French troops entered Cetinje, the capital of Montenegro, December 22, it was announced. They were greeted enthusiastically by the people and found that good order prevailed in the country. Five members of the national assembly have been charged with the management of the country's affairs until the union of Montenegro and Serbia under the Kara Georgevich dynasty has been completed.

## American Casualty List

The following Nebraska men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Sunday morning, January 5:

### WOUNDED SEVERELY.

Sergt. George H. Howisey, 2102 Chicago street, Omaha, Neb.  
Foster A. Lent, Comstock, Neb.  
Charles Nelson, Osmon, Neb.  
Arthur A. Weis, Geneva, Neb.

The following Nebraska men are named in the casualty list given out by the government for Saturday afternoon, January 4:

### DIED OF WOUNDS.

Charles F. McVey, Virginia, Neb.  
DIED OF DISEASE.  
Earl R. Hicks, Naponee, Neb.

### WOUNDED SEVERELY.

Corp. Chas. Slavik, 1402 Williams street, Omaha, Neb.  
Alfred F. Scheibe, St. Paul, Neb.  
John R. Seindell, Moorefield, Neb.  
Frank Kalina, Table Rock, Neb.  
Hjalmer B. Helsing, Wahoo, Neb.  
Soren C. Jensen, Dannebrog, Neb.

### MISSING IN ACTION.

Russell L. Williams, Scottsbluff, Neb.

The following Iowa, South Dakota and Wyoming men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Sunday morning, January 5:

### WOUNDED SEVERELY.

Sergt. Raymond B. Burns, Sheldon, Ia.  
Samuel H. Koch, Hot Springs, S. D.  
Roland D. Henigar, Graviton, Ia.  
Arthur E. Jones, Williamsburg, Ia.  
Herbert L. Turner, Waterloo, Ia.  
James E. Arthur, Boone, Ia.  
Thomas M. Corb, Ryan, Ia.  
Ivar H. Johnson, Hartley, Ia.

The following Iowa, South Dakota and Wyoming men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Saturday afternoon, January 4:

### KILLED IN ACTION.

Corp. Floyd E. Ferguson, Waterloo, Ia.  
Bernard White, Benedict, Ia.

### DIED OF WOUNDS.

Sergt. Harold J. Bedman, Lawler, Ia.  
Corp. Clifton H. Clark, Cedar Falls, Ia.  
John C. Christensen, Clinton, Ia.  
Harry S. Cooley, Magnolia, Ia.  
Richard Hoerhoefer, Maurice, Ia.

### DIED OF ACCIDENT.

Wm. J. Ira, Admison, Ia.

### DIED OF DISEASE.

John N. Porter, Delphi, Ia.  
August C. Bloom, Stanton, Ia.  
Harry J. Douma, Alton, Ia.  
Edward Dietrich, Victor, Ia.  
Herbert V. Rogers, Ottumwa, Ia.

## M'ADOO WANTS RAILROADS KEPT OUT OF POLITICS

### Fears Employes Would Become Objects of Solicitation If Ownership Made Issue at Election.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Existing rate structures would continue if railroads were turned back to private control until changes were made by orderly legal procedure, even where states have specific rate laws, in the opinion of Director General McAdoo, expressed today at the resumption of the senate interstate commerce committee hearings on the railroad problem.

The director general also expressed the opinion that railroads operating privately could maintain joint ticket offices without violating anti-trust laws.

### Senator Kellogg Challenges.

Senator Kellogg of Minnesota challenged this conclusion.

"Don't you know," the senator inquired, "that when a committee of railroad presidents tried to unify the roads before the government took hold that the attorney general inquired by what authority they were acting and intimated that they were violating the law?"

"Do you believe in the elimination of all competition between railroads? Don't you think that the competition of service has been a principal factor in promoting good railway service?"

Mr. McAdoo replied: "I don't know yet whether it would be best to eliminate all competition. That is why I want a five-year test period. I do not think competition is an unalloyed blessing, but a longer trial will show how much of it may be necessary."

Turning to the question of a threatened breakdown in morale among officers and employes, which he feared if the government con-

trol should be limited to 21 months, the director general said:

"It would be difficult with the impending presidential campaign to keep the railroad question out of politics. If the railroads are held only 21 months, I fear the employes themselves would become objects of solicitation for one plan of campaign or one group of candidates. The railroads of the United States must be kept out of politics."

## Red Guards in Minsk Are Winning Many Successes

London, Jan. 4.—Russian wireless service reports a number of military successes for the red guards. They have taken Novogrodek in the province of Minsk, while the Ukrainian reds have captured Homel. The offensive movement of the bolshevik continues in the Reval and Riga sectors.

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### The Best Fabrics Reduced

#### All Silk Chiffon Velvets From Liberty & Co. of London. For One Day Only \$7.50 a Yard.

These are considered the finest silk velvets in the whole world and sell from \$12 to \$15 a yard. Here is your opportunity to select the finest quality velvets for about half-price.

In Navy, Wisteria, Gray, Cope Blue, Primrose and rich Black. Tomorrow \$7.50 a yard.

#### Silk Specials

Crepe de chine, an extra heavy quality 40 inches wide, in good colors, \$2.25 quality, Monday \$1.69.

Figured Lining Silks in attractive colors and patterns 36 inches wide, \$2.50 and \$3.00 regularly, Monday \$1.95 a yard.

Haskell's famous black silks are being offered at very substantial savings.

Visit the silk section for the best of values during this January Clearance Sale.

#### Woolen Materials

Fine Winter Coatings—Velour, Bolivia, Gunny Burl and other desirable weaves in the best of shades.

The new low prices are indeed very attractive.

All wool jersey in gray, white, purple, brown, rose and khaki, 54 inches wide. The best quality. Sold all season for \$5. Tomorrow \$2.95 a yard.

\$3.50 Costume velvets (Velvetina) \$2.29 a yard.

A splendid range of colors (36 inches wide).

All wool French serges and poplins, sold regularly for \$2.25, Monday \$1.89.



## New Dresses for Southern Wear

Motifs for Nineteen-Nineteen.

For milady who journeys to warmer climes and for her who stays at home but desires to have spring fashions in advance of the season these frocks will prove delightfully interesting. They feature fine woolen fabrics and attractive new silks that are very appealing. We invite your viewing.

From \$50 to \$105  
No extra charge for the alterations.

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# It's Not the Practice of This Store to Raise Prices So That Reductions May Seem Greater



## Linens Bought Among the Heather and Shamrock In This Sale of White Fineness

From Perth and Dumfermline, Scotland, and Belfast, Ireland, have come these linens into this annual January Sale. These linens make up a sale that is most unusual in its values—values that cannot be replaced.

Most of these linens were purchased direct, thus saving at least one added profit—that of the importer, bought three years ago for the most part and stored here in the bonded warehouse in Omaha. The outlook for lower priced linens is far from promising, nor will there be any change for a long time to come.

It's the part of wisdom to share in these very important savings

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| <b>Pattern Cloths</b><br>\$7.50 Table Cloth \$5.89.<br>\$10 Table Cloths \$6.89.<br>\$12 Table Cloths \$8.89.<br>\$15 Table Cloths \$10.<br>\$20 Table Cloths \$15. | <b>Huck Towels</b><br>39c Huck towels 25c.<br>50c Huck towels, 35c.<br>65c Huck towels, 50c.<br>\$1.75 Huck towels \$1.25<br>\$1.85 Huck towels \$1.35<br>\$2 Huck towels \$1.50.<br>\$2.25 Huck towels \$1.75 | <b>Huck Toweling</b><br>75c quality fancy Huck toweling (15-inch) 50c a yard.<br>\$1.50 Fancy Huck (22-inch) for tomorrow \$1 a yard. | <b>Glass Toweling</b><br>All linen tea toweling, Blue and red checks.<br>35c quality 25c a yard.<br>75c quality 60c a yard.  |
| <b>Napkins to Match</b><br>Dozen<br>\$10.75 Napkins, \$7.89<br>\$15 Napkins, \$10.89<br>\$17.50 Napkins, \$13.50<br>\$20 Napkins, \$15.89<br>\$25 Napkins, \$18.89  | <b>Linen Toweling</b><br>Heavy linen crash toweling, Scotch and Irish, fine qualities.<br>40c crash 30c a yard.<br>55c crash 45c a yard.<br>75c crash 60c a yard.  | <b>Turkish Towels</b><br>39c Turkish towels 25c.<br>50c Turkish towels 35c.<br>75c Turkish towels 59c.<br>\$1 Turkish towels 75c.     | <b>Madeira Luncheon Sets</b><br>Hand Embroidered and Scalloped Each Set Consists of Thirteen Pieces.<br>\$10.00 sets, \$6.38.<br>\$12.00 sets, \$7.38.<br>\$13.75 sets, \$8.38.<br>\$15.00 sets, \$8.89.<br>\$17.50 sets, \$10.00.<br>\$20.00 sets, \$14.38.<br>\$30.00 sets, \$18.89. |

- ### Dress Trimmings
- Very Little Prices  
Chiffon in short lengths, \$1.75 quality, 29c a yard.  
All overs and fancy beaded laces, 59c a yard. Some have sold as high as \$8 a yard.  
Three-inch Venise banding, 19c a yard.  
Wide Venise banding, only 59c a yard.  
Circular Veils, 59c.
- ### Sale of Hosiery
- Silk lisle hose in black and white with garter tops and double sole. Monday 35c a pair.  
Children's Cashmere hose in black and white. Odd lines. Consequently not all sizes. Values up to 75c, tomorrow 49c a pair.
- ### Women's Winter Underwear
- A Timely Sale  
Cotton Union Suits, several styles sold from \$1.35 to \$2 a suit. Monday, 98c.  
Union Suits of cotton, silk and cotton and silk and wool; various styles, \$1.75 to \$3.25 regularly. Monday, \$1.49.  
Union Suits in wool and cotton and silk and wool, \$3.50 and \$4 suits for \$2.98.  
Beautiful Sterling Union Suits of silk and lisle, regularly \$6.50 to \$6.75. Tomorrow, \$4.98.  
All silk Sterling Union Suits, medium weight, sold for \$7.50. Monday, \$5.98.  
Women will enjoy choosing such fine underwear at such splendid savings.

## Wool Blankets \$9.50 a pair

Bought to Sell for \$13.50

These came in too late for fall business so are being disposed of during the January Sale at a remarkable reduction. Size 66x80, heavy quality of clean wool with a strong cotton warp. In block plaids of blue, gray, pink and tan. \$13.50 Blankets for \$9.50 a pair.

\$2.55 Bed Sheet for \$2.04 each

Superior quality, size 81x99. A splendid value, being \$2.55 regularly, but for this sale only \$2.04 each.

## The Sale of Undermuslins Provide Many Savings

- Regular stocks of gowns, skirts, chemise combinations, envelope chemise, drawers and corset covers are included Monday. Not a great lot of any particular line, but a splendid collection of low prices that will meet with instant approval.
- ### Prices on Gowns
- \$2 gowns are \$1.69.  
\$3 gowns are \$2.29.  
\$3.50 gowns are \$2.69.  
\$4.50 gowns are \$3.49.  
\$5.25 gowns are \$4.  
\$7 gowns are \$5.  
\$7.50 gowns are \$5.  
\$20 gowns are \$11.50.
- ### Combination Chemise and Envelope Chemise
- \$2.25-2.35 qualities \$1.69.  
\$2.50-2.75 qualities \$1.98.  
\$3-3.50 qualities \$2.69.  
\$4 quality \$2.98.  
\$5 quality \$3.69.  
\$6 quality \$4.69.
- ### Skirts
- \$2.25 skirts \$1.89.  
\$4.50 skirts \$3.49.

Other desirable undermuslins go at proportionate reductions. Plan to come early.

\$3.00 Quilted Jackets, long sleeves, \$2.49.



## Coats of Quality for \$69.50

Formerly \$95 to \$125.

These beautiful garments are limited in number so early comers will be the fortunate ones. These are hand tailored coats richly trimmed with fur and will delight the most discriminating. We are not overstating the value of these garments to say that they are by far the most unusual of the whole sale.

See for Yourself Tomorrow

Low Coat Prices Now on Suits, Dresses, Blouses

No better time than the present to make a pleasing choice.

## Children's Coats and Furs and Winter Hats--- REDUCED

Mothers Will Find Many Savings

The Coats are all new and seasonable—Smart fashions—the best of materials well made. Sizes, two to twelve years. Most every color.

\$27.50 Coats \$17.50.  
\$22.50 Coats \$13.50.  
\$18.75 Coats \$12.50.  
\$13.50 and \$15.50 Coats \$9.75.  
\$9.75 Coats \$7.50.  
Reductions are genuine.

Winter hats. Becoming styles for little folks.  
\$5.25 and \$6.75 hats \$3.98.  
\$4.25 and \$5 hats \$2.98.  
\$3.50 hats \$2.49.  
\$2.35 and \$2.85 hats \$1.69.  
\$1.75 hats 98c.

Children's Furs—A disposal of all that remain.  
\$10.25 furs \$6.25.  
\$6.50 furs \$4.95.  
\$8.25 to \$10 furs \$5.95.  
\$5 furs \$3.95.

Children's Wear—Third Floor