

The Reds Say--

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We poor Communists have to be blamed for everything. When the Federal Farm Board didn't do anything for the farmers, it blamed the Soviet Union because it sold a few million bushels of wheat using a credit operation known as "hedging" in the Chicago wheat market. The howl went up that the wicked Communists were directly responsible for the low price of wheat and the starvation of the farmers. Hamilton Fish flopped a few more flops in his stale water, and pointed his war finger at the Soviet Union.

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But now it turns out that the Federal Farm Board has been using these awful hedging operations itself in the cotton and grain markets. When the Soviet Union sold wheat in this way it was terrible and almost cause enough for war. When the Federal Farm Board does it, it is the best procedure and is, as the Board says, "essential to successful operation." Fish doesn't set up a howl this time.

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Just now Fish is busy howling about something else, and he's got a whole bunch of alley rabbits joining in the concert. Lo and Behold! The Communists are responsible for the bank failures! Fish has made the discovery and he is going to have Congress adopt it in the form of a law providing for the arrest of Communists who say that the banks are failing, something any blind man can see for himself, even Fish. The New York bankers picked up his cry and said they would arrest and prosecute Communists who said banks were failing and that the depositors should try to save their hard-earned savings from the crash. They are doing it in Charlotte, too. We repeat, the banks are failing, and are continuing to do so in increasing numbers. The workers and farmers are suffering most from it. Who will call me a liar? No one except Fish and the whole set of financial scoundrels who would stoop to the lowest depths of lying to hide their own corruption and robbery of the worker and farmer depositors in the banks which are closing down. Another case of using the anti-Red gag to hide the boss robbery.

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President Hoover is very much "concerned", we learn, about the million dollar party given by the Oil King Doherty for his daughter to celebrate her debutante. A debutante, fellow-workers, is a sort of auction-block used by rich society to palm off their daughters in marriage to some millionaire's son. While Doherty's picked prospective sons-in-law and their Ma's and Pa's rolled into the garage at the back of the hotel where the party was given in their limousines, unemployed workers were being fed at a bread line in that very garage. Among the guests of this famous oil briber, were many of his cronies in the government who helped him pull that famous corrupt deal across by which he made his millions. It turns out that Secretary of War Hurley was among the guests as a token that the guns and army would be at the service of the oil king when needed. No wonder Hoover was "concerned." There is no worker dumb enough not to take his lesson from it.