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The Radicals have not yet declared open warfare. Government officials state that their information is that the revolution has been planned to follow the Presidential Election. The winter will be the decisive time for the success or defeat of the Reds.

Every Loyal Citizen Must Help Preparedness!

The American Defense Society is distributing literature which points out the fallacies of the radical creed. To the uneducated we are bringing a message of truth. Hundreds of thousands of pamphlets are being sent to workers throughout the country, in an effort to disillusion them of the false promises of the Bolshevists. Theodore Roosevelt's last message on Americanism, with his portrait, has been placed in thousands of schoolrooms by the Society, that our children, foreign or native-born, may take home the principles of the great patriot.

Investigation of the methods of the radicals is constantly carried on, and seditious words and actions are brought to the attention of Federal officials.

Citizens Committees of Defense have been formed and are in process of formation in a number of towns and cities. A practical plan for organization and operation has been worked out by the Society, and leaders are instructed as to how to meet the situation in their respective communities.

Our work comprises many other branches of activity along these lines.

We will gladly act as your agent in YOUR share of these important duties. We need your support at this critical time. The efforts and the dollars of loyal citizens must be matched with the forces of the Reds, and the large sums at their disposal. We feel certain that you will want to be represented in the fight. Will you kindly make your check payable to Robert Appleton, Treasurer, and mail it to:

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