

Post War Havoc



The Main Idea



- In the years following World War I, the United States was a nation of domestic chaos and violence.

The Main Idea (Red Scare)



- After World War I, a widespread fear of communism began to develop in the United States.

The Russian Revolution



Vladimir Lenin

- Overthrew the Russian Czar.
- World's first communist state created by Vladimir Lenin
- Promoted revolutions around the world

Fear In America

- Post WWI, there were many labor strikes.
- Many Americans believed that labor troubles were the result of Bolshevism.
 - The same ideas that led to the Russian Revolution.



STRIKE CALLED

ALL UNIONS TO GO OUT

PUBLISHED FOR THE PEOPLE AND BY THE PEOPLE THE RECORD WHO SERVES THE UNITED FRONT MOVEMENT

Seattle Union Record

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NO. 1000 PINE STREET

SIXTY THOUSAND TO RESPOND TO CALL

NO CONSTRUCTIVE LEGISLATION YET

It is called that Thursday morning 60,000 unemployed workers in the city of Seattle will stand shoulder to shoulder in the West end hall of the city hall to demand that the state legislature take action on the day of the meeting. Unusually and uncharacteristically the call will be the striking unions have been with the strike since it was called last week. They have up to a number of meetings and a meeting committee to the work of the workers who are striking.

The importance of the meeting before they have been called and that it is the only one that will be held in the West end hall of the city hall. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a. m. on Thursday, May 12, 1938. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a. m. on Thursday, May 12, 1938. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a. m. on Thursday, May 12, 1938.

35,000 SILK MILL WORKERS STRIKE

PITTSBURGH, N. Y., May 11. (AP) - More than 35,000 workers in the silk mills of Pittsburgh are on strike today, according to reports received here. The strike is the largest in the history of the city.

The workers are demanding that the state legislature take action on the day of the meeting. Unusually and uncharacteristically the call will be the striking unions have been with the strike since it was called last week. They have up to a number of meetings and a meeting committee to the work of the workers who are striking.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF STRIKE

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The Unrest Rises

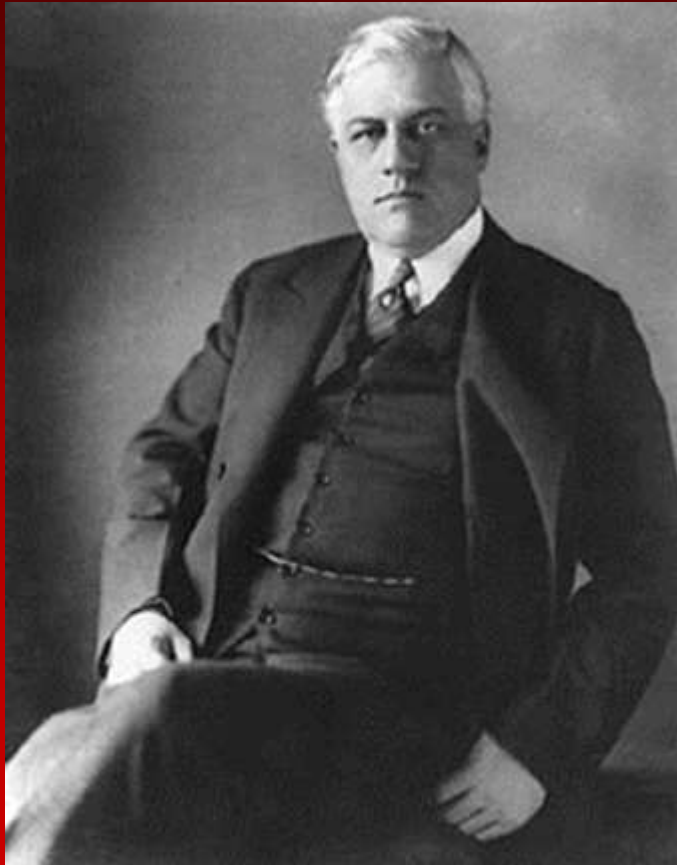


- Communism becomes popular with a small number of Americans.
- A fear that communism was spreading frightened many Americans.
- In 1919 & 1920, there were a couple of acts of violence that was associated with the communist.

Palmer Raids Video



The Palmer Raids



- Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer began to "tear out the radical seeds that have entangled American ideas in their poisonous theories." (Palmer aspired for Democratic pres. nom. in 1920)

The Palmer Raids



- Targeted groups that were viewed as radicals.
 - Communists, anarchist, etc.
- Had radicals arrested and deported to Russia.
 - Many were US citizens
- Many of these people were arrested without warrants or formal charges.
 - Violated their civil rights.

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The Impact



- Most Americans were against Palmer's actions.
- Palmer was eventually discredited and fell out of the public spotlight.
- Labor Unions fell apart.

RACIAL TENSION POST WWI (1919)

RIOTS AGAIN BREAK OUT IN NATIONAL CAPITAL, MARINE KILLS NEGRO

SOUTHWORTH EMPLOYEES ARE ON STRIKE

Men at Machine Shops
Demand 8-Hour Day
With Present Pay

A strike of the employees at the Southworth Machine shops on Preble street, involving 32 men, will go into effect this morning. An eight-hour day with the same amount of pay as hitherto received for the nine-hour day is demanded. The employees have today refused the demand and have issued orders to the effect that any employes not appearing for work Wednesday morning will be forthwith discharged.

According to a statement of the men, they have worked throughout the period of the war on the former nine-hour basis, and with no increase in pay, in order to assist the government in every way. This is the second time, they say, that they have presented their demands to the employes. On the former occasion...

City Detective Shot By Colored Woman; Many Are Injured

Washington, July 21.—At midnight tonight the known casualty list in Washington's race war totalled ten, including two deaths and two men probably dying, while unconfirmed but police reports placed the number at a much greater figure. Of the dead one was a city detective, shot through the breast by a negro woman, who was firing indiscriminately from the upper story of her house. The negress, a girl of about 17 years, also was shot, but not fatally. In another part of the city a black firing from a garage door kept a provost guard of soldiers, sailors and marines at bay for several minutes, but finally was shot down.

Major race riots and lynchings of the Red Summer

April to November, 1919



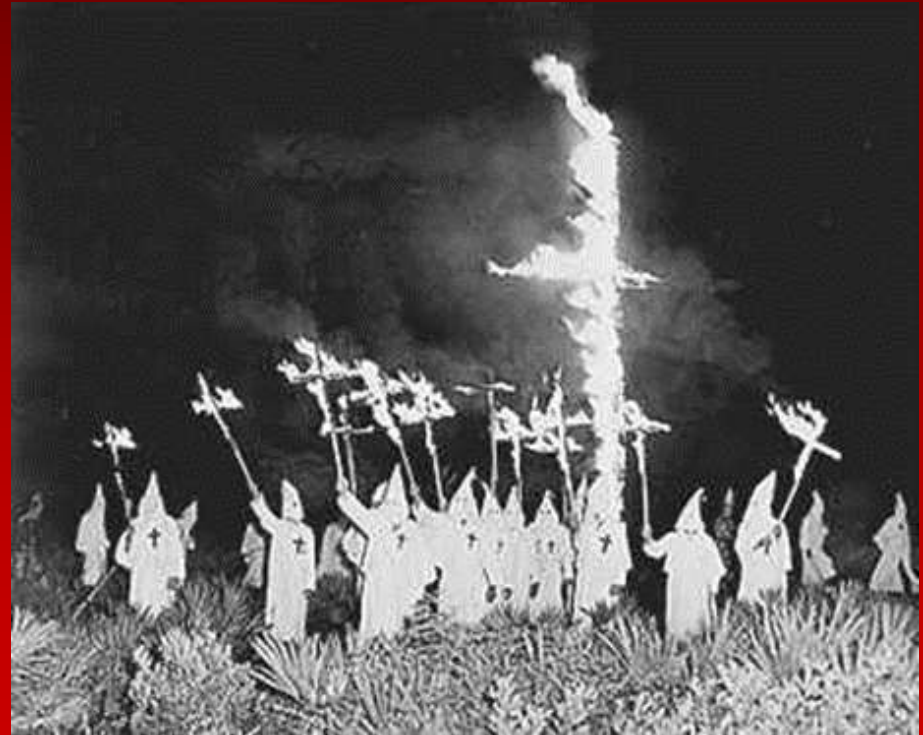
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- Immediately following World War I, there was social unrest and racial tensions in the United States.

The Rise of the KKK

- KKK reached height in the 1920's
 - 5 million members
- Platform
 - Against
 - Blacks
 - Immigrants
 - Jews
 - Catholics
 - Pacifists
 - Communists
 - Gamblers



Red Summer of Hate



- Many African Americans had migrated north during the Great Migration.
- This caused great unrest after the war as white males returned to their jobs occupied by African Americans and moved back into the cities.
- Racial Violence broke out and people were killed.

Race Riots Video



Order of Operations



- Complete the Post War Havoc Assignment