

CONFIDENTIAL:

Ottawa, Ont., January 11, 1919.

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL CHAMBERS.

I have examined the attached issue of "THE RED FLAG", Volume 1, No. 1, dated December 28th 1918.

I find that this is a Socialist publication devoted chiefly to Bolshevist propaganda, the greater part of its contents consists of articles supporting the Bolshevist Government of Russia and its motive is quite evidently to arouse a similar movement in this country.

This publication is evidently printed in Vancouver as it bears the Vancouver union label, but it does not contain any imprint showing the name of the publisher or editor, and therefore under the Consolidated Orders Respecting Censorship, it is objectionable matter and its circulation is prohibited.

Section 1, Clause (L) of this Order in Council, defining objectionable matter, reads,-

"Any leaflet or pamphlet relating to the present war or to the making of peace which has not printed thereon the true name and address of the author and of the printer thereof".

This publication deals largely with the making of peace and therefore, I submit that it comes under this clause of the Order in Council.

Press Censor