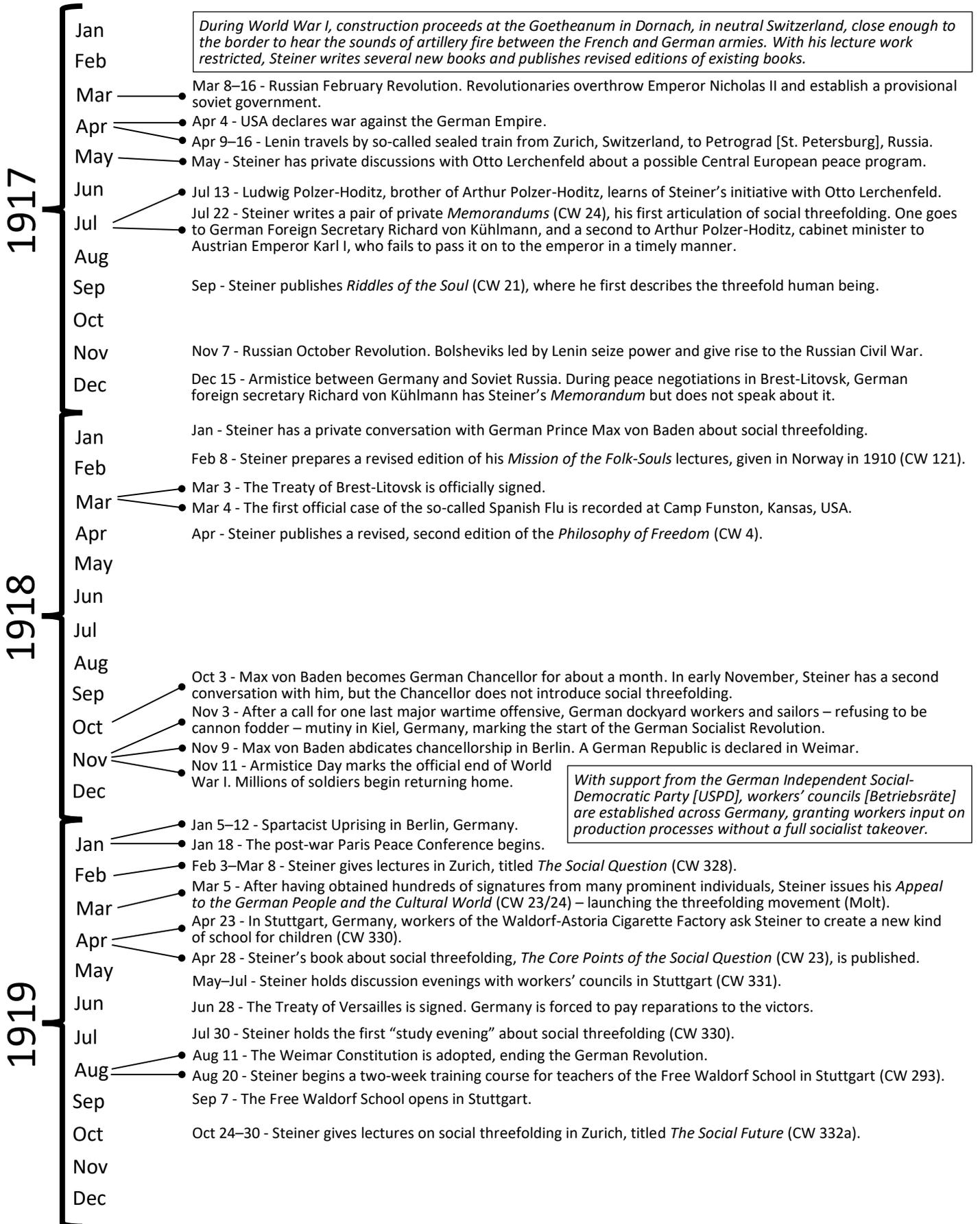


The Dawn of Social Threefolding – A Timeline



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Jan 16 - The newly formed League of Nations holds its first council meeting in Paris, France.

Mar 13 - *Der Kommende Tag AG* [The Coming Day Corp.] is incorporated in Stuttgart, intending to operate as a “surrogate” economic association (CW 337a).
Apr - The so-called Spanish Flu outbreak is considered by the public and governments to have ended.

Jun 16 - *Futurum AG*, an international bank-like institution serving economic and cultural initiatives, is incorporated in Dornach. This corporation later becomes insolvent and merges with Weleda in 1922-1924 (CW 337a).
Summer - Steiner publishes a revised edition of his book *The Core Points of the Social Question* (CW 23), adding a new Preface and footnotes, including one about his true price formula.

From 1919–1921, Steiner publishes many newsletter articles (CW 24) and gives a host of private and public lectures about social threefolding in various places across Europe. To some, Steiner becomes a household name.

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Feb 3 - Adolf Hitler gives a public speech denouncing reparations to some 6,000 people at the Circus Krone, Munich.
Mar 4 - US Democratic President Woodrow Wilson is replaced by Republican President Warren G. Harding.
Mar 15 - In the *Völkischer Beobachter* [Folkist Observer], Hitler disparages Steiner and his social threefolding as “one of the many completely Jewish methods of destroying the peoples’ normal state of mind.”

Jun 16 - Following a lecture to priests, Steiner declares that opposition prevents the social threefolding movement from continuing in the form it has since 1919. Now focus must turn to the free cultural life (CW 342).

Aug - Inflation in the German Papiermark increases due to changes in Reichsbank strategy under Rudolf Havenstein.

Oct 11–16 - Steiner gives a training course in Dornach on giving public speeches about social threefolding, called *The Art of Lecturing* (CW 339).

Steiner sometimes draws audiences of over a thousand people – particularly in 1922 on the two lecture tours in January and May promoted by Wolff & Sachs (CW 80a) and the public higher education courses [Hochschulkurse] in Berlin and The Hague, Netherlands in March and April (CW 82/83).

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Mar 5–11 - At a weeklong public conference on anthroposophy’s relationship to other areas, Steiner gives four sold-out evening lectures at the Berlin Philharmonic Hall, to 2,500 people each (CW 80a/81).
May 15 - After a lecture at the Vier Jahreszeiten Hotel in Munich, nationalistic-populist hooligans storm the stage and attempt to harm Steiner, who manages to escape (CW 80a).
Jun 10 - A failed Reparations Commission bankers’ committee conference in Paris organized by JP Morgan Jr. leads to the rapid escalation of hyperinflation in the German Paper Mark.
Jun 11 - Steiner gives a public lecture introducing social threefolding to a large audience at the Second International “East-West” Congress of the Anthroposophical Movement in Vienna, Austria (CW 83).
Jul 24 - Steiner begins his national economics course, *World Economy* (CW 340/341). Because people have not fully understood social threefolding, Steiner says he wants to try again, using a different language, with young people.
Aug 28 - At a lecture in Oxford, England, Steiner declares that threefolding must be put on temporary hold in Central Europe due to hyperinflation – but can continue in Russia and in the West (CW 305).

Dec 31/Jan 1 - On New Year’s Eve, the wooden Goetheanum is set ablaze by arsonists.
Jan 11 - As a response to Germany having defaulted on reparations payments, French and Belgian military forces occupy the industrial Ruhr Valley.

Mar 9 - After a stroke, Lenin loses his ability to speak. Lenin dies few months later, on 21 January 1924, and Joseph Stalin takes over as leader of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

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During 1923, Steiner continues to give many lectures at the Schreinerei at Dornach, on topics other than social threefolding. He calls for unity and organization within the worldwide Anthroposophical Society.

Nov 8 - Hitler leads the failed Beer Hall Putsch in Munich and is arrested two days later.
Dec 24–Jan 1 - Christmas Conference in Dornach. Steiner becomes terminally ill and subsequently dies more than a year later, on 30 Mar 1925.