American Fleet Reaches Queenstown Harbor.

PATROL OF SEAS IS BEGUN

After Brief Conference With British Admiral.

WARSHIP ESCORTS LINER

English Officers Amazed by Full Preparedness of New Ally for War Duty.

QUEENSTOWN, May 16. - A squadron of American torpedo-boat destroyers has safely crossed the Atlantic and is patrolling the seas in

into the war zone already has been productive of a brush between a destroyer and a German underwater boat, according to an announcement by the British Admiralty, but the result of it has not been made public.

The destroyer squadron arrived in Civil War veteran. Queenstown after an uneventful voy age across the Atlantic, but almost GIRLS TO WEAR OVERALLS immediately after a formal exchange of greetings with the British naval Employers Are Strongly in Favor of officials, put to sea again for the hard work that is before it.

Crowd Cheers Americans.

A crowd of several hundred persons, some of them carrying tiny American Manufacturers that employers are flags, lined the waterfront and cheered the destroyers from the moment they tories have already supplied their girl first sighted the flotilla until it workers with that article of masculing reached the dock.

The crowd cheered again when a all shop and factory employes would be few minutes later the American senior wearing overalls within the year. officer came ashore to greet the British senior officer and Wesley Frost, EXPRESS RATES VIEWED ment, in a speech showed them the the American Consul, who had come down to the dock to welcome the flo- Plans to Petition for Increase Are tilla. Everything was done in a simple. businesslike manner. There was an entire absence of formality.

The commander of the British flotilla was waiting on board his ship, and sent wireless greetings to the American units as soon as they hove in sight, steaming in a long line into the harbor.

Full Preparedness Surprises.

After the exchange of shore greetings and the British commander had congratulated the American officers HARRY THAW COMMITTED on their safe voyage, he asked: "When will you be ready for busi-

ness?"

"We can start at once," the American commander replied promptly.

This response, so characteristically American, surprised the British commander, who said he had not expected sylvania Hospital for the Insane. the Americans would be ready to begin work on this side so soon after covered from his surprise he made a him with assaulting a schoolboy. short tour of the destroyers and admitted that the American tars looked YAKIMA VALLEY HAS FROST

Preparations Made on Way.

"Yes," replied the American commander, "we made preparations on the way over. This is why we are ready."

The equipment on board the destroyers was found to be in excellent condition and remarkably well suited to the requirements on this side of the ocean. It was said by the British officer that the only thing lacking in the equipment was heavier clothing. It appears that the Americans are WOOL CONTRACTED AT 52C wearing clothing too light for the varying conditions of weather they will encounter in these waters. This lack, however, was quickly provided

After the formalities had ended and the needs of the men were attended their 1917 wool clips for 52 cents a to, the American ships at once put to sea, the men, from captains to seamen, looking in the pink of condition and apparently enthusiastic for their

British Officer Praises.

"They are certainly a fine body of men, and what's more, their craft looks just as fit," said the British commander as he watched the destroyers file seaward.

One of the American destroyers be-General von Victinghoff Governor of Strassburg.

CONGRESSMEN TO

ONE REPRESENTATIVE RESIGNS TO ENTER ARMY.

Mr. Gardner Ordered Into Officers' Reserve-Others to Don Bluejackets' Uniforms.

WASHINGTON, May 16 .- One member of Congress has responded to the call to war by resigning to enter the Arm; and several others intend to enlist in the Navy.

Representative Gardner, of Massa husetts, has resigned from Congress n response to an order to report for ctive service as a reserve officer.

Mr. Gardner has been one of the nost active figures in the movement Flotilla Puts to Sea Again for military preparedness, and was a member of the ways and means committee. He is the first member of either House to quite Congress for miltary service in the present war.

Several Senators and Representatives, it was learned today, are planning to enlist as bluejackets in the Navy when the present session of Congress ends. They will go in for the period of the war, to serve during the ecess of Congress, and then determine whether they will resign from Congress or get a leave of absence from the Naval service during the next

SCOTTSBURG LOSES FLAG

War Revives Corvallis Veteran's Love for Pole of 43 Years' Standing.

CORVALLIS, Or., May 16 .- (Special.) -William Wade has received from his which he has had a flag floating for 43 years. Since the United States got into war with Germany Mr. Wade has has been inaugurated. The American Navy's actual entry felt a sentimental attachment for the pole upon which for so many years he down and sent to him in Corvallis.

The manual training department of the high school has undertaken to put it in shape for erection and it will fly a flag in front of Mr. Wade's Corvallia home in a short time. Mr. Wade is a

Masculine Garb.

CHICAGO, May 16.—It was made nown at the semi-annual convention of the National Association of Garment strongly in favor of their girl employes wearing overalls and that 10 large fac-

apparel. It was predicted at the meeting that

Rumored.

NEW YORK, May 16 .- Rumors are in circulation that the principal express companies were about to file with the Interstate Commerce Commission an application for an increase in

Today a statement from the execu tive office of the Adams Express Company said that the rates of the companies were now being analyzed "in con nection with the increased cost of conducting business."

Assailant of School Boy to Go to Insane Asylum.

PHILADELPHIA, May 16 .- Presiding Judge Martin, of Common Pleas Court, today signed a decree authorizing the removal of Harry K. Thaw to the Penn-

Thaw is in a hospital here, where he has been confined since an attempt at their long voyage. When he had re- an indictment in New York, charging suicide several months ago, following

Damage Not Serious Except in Few Small Districts.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., May 16 .-Frosts occurred in nearly all parts of the Yakima Valley last night, but with the exception of a few small districts, are reported to have done no serious damage. Predictions of a heavy frost tonight has caused much uneasiness This is the first time since weather records have been kept here that a freeze has come so late.

Montana Sheepmen Sell 1917 Clips at Record Price.

HELENA, Mont., May 15 .- H. J. Herin, of Wolf Creek, and Philip Chevalier, near Johns, have contracted to sell

This is as high as any price ever re ceived for wool in this district.

GENERAL DIES AT FRONT Berlin Announces Death of Former Governor of Strassburg.

AMSTERDAM, via London, -1ay 16 .-The death at the front of General von Victinghoff is reported in a dispatch General von Victinghoff formerly was

ENLIST FOR WAR RUSSIANS AGREE TO UNITY OF FRONTS MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE HERE

Confidence in New Cabinet Is Voiced.

PLENITUDE OF POWER GIVEN

Government Rejects Part of Soldiers' Conditions.

GENERAL STAFF HELPLESS

A. F. Kerensky, Previously Minister of Justice, Succeeds Milukoff in War Office-Radicals Modify Demands.

PETROGRAD, vin London, May 16 .plenary sitting of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates has indorsed the decision of its executive committee Socialist participation in the

PETROGRAD, via London, May 16 .ld home in Scottsburg a flagpole upon have been hampering its activities, have reached an agreement on three important points and Cabinet reconstruction

Following the publication of important Cabinet changes, including the reholsted his flag, and so had it taken tirement of Professor Paul N. Milukoff, Foreign Minister, from the Cabinet, the official news agency issued a state-

> Unity of Fronts Agreed. It said:

"The three cardinal points upon which the Duma and the Council of Workmen's district, was a Kelso business visitor and Soldiers' delegates have agreed

"The unity of the allied fronts.
"The fullest confidence of the revolutionary democracy in the reconstructed Cabinet.

Power Granted Government. "A plentitude of powers for the gov-

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critical condition of the country. Forty-four of the executive committee of the Council voted for participa- below the grade of Major, who have they were out together alone.

Early Peace Is Condition.

The Council enters on the coalition, it was announced here today by officers had the right to do as she liked.

The Council enters on the coalition, it was announced here today by officers of the Western Department of the Girl Taken to Physician. A definite statement that Russia's

TRADING LIMITED

VOTES NEW RULES.

Until Business Resumes Its Normal Course" Is Effect Placed on All Cereals and Mill Feed.

At a special meeting of the Merchants' Exchange Association yesterday it was voted hereafter to trade only in cash wheat until business reumes its normal course.

On cash trades made this month sellers had the privilege of delivering any time up to the end of June. On and after June 15, if the present arrangement continues, sellers will have the right to make delivery up to the end of July. The new rule covers other cereals and mill feed, as well as wheat

There has been no speculation in grain on the local board, as has been practiced at Chicago. Only actual grain has been dealt in here, either for prompt or later delivery, and deposits were required when all deals were put through to bind the bargains.

Portland grain men have worked hard against many obstacles to build up the Exchange, considering it one of the necessary factors in the upbuilding of this city as a great wheat port, and the prices established, as they were based on bona fide transactions, were accepted throughout the Northwest as representing the actual terminal values of grain. It deemed advisable, however, to limit trading for the present is cash business, as is being done in most of the American exchanges. The Merchants' Ex-The government and the radicals, who change at Seattle and the Chamber of Commerce at San Francisco will continue to accept separate bids for grain for later deliveries.

SNOW YET 66 INCHES DEEP

Spirit Lake Country Covered and Late Season Is Record Breaker.

KELSO, Wash., May 16 .- (Special.)facob Otto, manager of the Commonwealth mine, a short distance the government executive committee of Spirit Lake, in the Mount St. Helens today and reports that last Sunday he and a companion crossed Spirit Lake on the ice and that there is still 66 inches of snow on the ground at the lake level, and from 20 to 25 feet depth

on many of the ridges.

His company is hauling in large quantities of supplies, which have to be packed from the eight-mile post to the lake owing to the depth of snow over the road. The season is as late or later than last year, which was a rec-

Hundreds of competent officers for

SUITOR DENIES HE GAVE DRUG TO GIRL \$30,000 CONTRACTS FOR LUM-

Death Believed to Be Due to Weak Heart and North Need More Supplies Later.

- U of O Labor FAINTING SPELLS FREQUENT

Waltenberg Savs Medicines Given by Physician.

GIRL SELDOM LEFT ALONE

Mother of Anna Ranquist Said to Have Known of Visit to Office of Doctor and to Have Advised Taking Remedies.

In the County Jail, where he is held supplies will follow rapidly, o await a careful analysis of the contents of the stomach of Anna Ranquist, who dropped dead while on her way home from the circus Monday night, August Waltenberg, her sweetheart, yesterday denied vehemently slightest way to her death.

"As God is my judge," he said, "I know of nothing that could have caused her death. My relations with her were always proper, and I gave her no modicines at any time."

Irritants Found in Stomach. Yet doctors who performed an autopsy say she was in a delicate con-

dition and strong irritants were found in the stomach. Whether this was a poison could not be known until the analyses are completed. Waltenberg yesterday suggested to

vestigation made.

after a careful inquiry. Fainting Spells Frequent.

helow the grade of Major, who have they were out together alone. Indeed, a number of meetings to an executive session, suggested by below the grade of Major, who have they were out together alone. Indeed, of the measure may be held. tion in the government and 19 against clean records and were honorably dis- Mrs. Ranquist herself said that she charged, may be commissioned as offinever let her daughter go out with INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS cers of the Reserve Corps subject to age Waltenberg or anyone else until she requirements and physical examination, became 18 years of age, and then she

Girl Taken to Physician.

foreign policy is aimed at an early the Reserve Corps will be obtained girl's death was the result of another

WORK TO BEGIN AT **ONCE ON BARRACKS**

BER ARE AWARDED.

Grant Smith & Co. Order Stock of 1,750,000 Feet and Will

Work will be started immediately on the 259 or more new buildings at Vancouver Barracks to house the three new regiments ordered recruited there by the War Department.

Grant, Smith & Co., of Seattle and Portland, have received the blanke contract for the construction work, and yesterday local lumber mills received President Said to Have Delethe initial contracts for lumber. The Clarke & Wilson Lumber Com

pany, of Portland received a contract to supply 1,500,000 feet at once. The DuBois Lumber Company, of Vancouver, received a contract for 250,000 feet, deliveries to be started immeflately. The contract price was about \$17 a thousand feet, totaling practical ly \$30,000 for the Portland and Van ouver companies.

Eric V. Hauser, president of the Multnomah Hotel and vice-president of Grant, Smith & Co., said last night that about 250 buildings would be built at the start and that a large crew of men would begin work at once The two lumber contracts are among the first to be let, but those for other

The Clark & Wilson Lumber Company is arranging to sublet its contract to rush the lumber deliveries.

The buildings will include all descriptions of quarters for enlisted men and officers, some of the buildings being '0 to 60 feet long of two stories been the scene of such vehement atthat any act of his contributed in the and some larger. Accommodations must be provided for 5000 to 6000 Major Edwards, quartermaster at

Vancouver, has selected the sites for the buildings. PAIR SEPARATE 11 TIMES

California Man Finally Sucs For and Obtains Divorce.

FRESNO, Cal., May 16 .- (Special.)-Clifton W. Clinger became estranged the officers that a youth in the neigh-borhood of the Ranquist home in the but took her back each time until the but took her back each time until the Mount Scott district may have been re- 11th episode, according to his testisponsible for the condition of the girl, mony today in the Superior Court and upon this suggestion a trip was when his divorce came up for hearing, made there with Waltenberg and an investigation made.

This theory was exploded to the satisfaction of Deputy Coroner Smith, after a careful inquiry.

The couple were married in 1996 in

Pittsburg, Pa. PETROGRAD, May 15, via London
May 16.—(Special cable to the New
York World.)—The Council of Soldiers'
and Workmen's Deputies has agreed to
form a coalition government, after A.
F. Kerensky, the Socialist Minister of
Justice in the first provisional govern
Men With Clean Records.

Miss Ranquist, who was 1 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells since she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells since she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old last February, had been subject to fainting spells aince she was 3 years old local organization to work in Ling County in behalf of the proposed \$6.

Occurry February Hamburg and Occurry t Waltenberg told, also, of fainting County Commissioner T J. Butler and fits the girl had suffered at numerous B. R. Westbrook compose the execu-SAN FRANCISCO, May 15 .- All regu- times when he was at the house and tive committee. A number of meetings

YESTERDAY'S — Maximum temperature, 58 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees.
TODAY'S — Unsetted, probably showers; southwesterly winds. War. Senators criticise Wilson fave hours; war budget walts. Page 1.
Unity of allied fronts agreed by Russian factions. Page 1.

Mass of charging Germans shelled to pieces. mission. Senator Reed, of Missouri, nerican destroyer and diver battle; American fleet in British waters. Page 1.

National. Congressmen to enlist for war. Page 1. House agrees to raise income tax. Page 5. President reported about to offer commis-sion to Roosevelt. Page 2. House adopts conference report on Army bill. Page 6. Administration's views to be followed in new

food laws. Page 2. Domestic. Secretary Redfield calls on employers to meet labor half way to keep industrial peace during war. Page 3. Livingston police wound one in battle with

Sports. More entries in swimming championships purchasing of supplies, received. Page 17. "Rube" Evans. of Salt Lake team, Beaver castoff, leads pitchers in Coast League. Page 16.

Frank C. Oxman released on writ of habeas

corpus. Page 4.

Acidic Const League results: Portland 3, San Francisco 9; Salt Lake 5, Oakland 3; Los Angeles 7, Vernon 6, Page 16, Southpaw Watter Malls obtained by Walter McCredie from Pittsburg, Page 16. Tacoma golf players to meet Waverley Club Saturday. Page 17.

Pacific Northwest.

Commercial and Marine. Eighty-cent drop in local flour quotations.

Railroads lose half million in year on free transportation alone, says Public Service Commission. Page 5.

Portland and Vicinity.

Portland Merchants' Exchange limits future discussing conscription for three years. drugs to girl. Page 1. We've done it in both houses inside of

WILSON FIVE HOURS

Defense and Shipping Boards Scored, Too.

NO HEADWAY MADE ON BUDGET

gated Powers Unlawfully.

CURB ON COUNCIL PASSED

Advisory Committee's Activities Par-Arouse Irc - One Amendment Offered to Restrain Appointments.

WASHINGTON, May 16 .- In beginning consideration today of the \$2,350,-000,000 war budget, the Senate devoted of the executive branch of the Government. Seldom has the Senate chamber tacks continued for five hours behind closed doors and renewed after the doors were opened.

No progress was made on the bill, but tonight Senate leaders thought passage of the huge war appropriation seasure would not be long delayed. The Council of National Defense, mposed of Cabinet officers, its civilian advisory commission and the Government Shipping Board, were special targets of Senatorial wrath, and

President Wilson himself was sharply

Usurpation of Authority Charged. The Council was charged with usurpation of authority and with unlawfully delegating power to the advis-ory commission. The Shipping Board was assailed for alleged interference with private shipbuilders and for insisting upon its wooden-ship programme. The President was attacked for alleged lack of co-operation and

onsultation with Congress. The upshot was adoption of mendment by Senator Sterling,

Democratic Leader Martin consented cause the whole bill involved discussion of confidential military questions,

Five hours afterward the doors were opened because Republican Senators, including Lodge, Norris and Brandegee, suggested it was not proper that such statements as had been heard should be made without cognizance of the public and without opportunity for those attacked to offer defense.

Democratic Senators, it was said afterward, began the discussion by criticising certain acts of the advisory comwas said to have been particularly vehement.

Curb on Appointments Proposed.

Senator Lewis, of Illinois, vigorously condemned certain activities of commission, especially regarding the letting of Government contracts, and offered an amendment to the law creating the Defense Council to provide that hereafter men shall be appointed to advisory commissions subject to the

Senate's confirmation. Some Senators said President Wilson was not kept properly informed regarding supply purchasing. Others de-Real work of training camp gets under way. clared that the President and the Cabinet, without warrant of law, had conferred some of their powers upon the advisory commission, particularly the

Goethals Declared Overridden.

It was asserted that General Goethals opposed building of wooden ships, favoring steel, but had been compelled by the Shipping Board to proceed with wooden construction. Senator Weeks complained that members of the Shipping Board had prevented a private Fishing in vailey and coast streams im- shipbuilding company from raising proves. Page 17. capital and deterred individuals from investing, advising them against put-

Governor Lister directs enrollment of high school pupils for farm work. Page 13.

Pleods in Idaho checked by snow. Page 2.

Two thousand hold patriotic raily at Medford. Page 15.

Investing, advising them against putting money into specific corporations.

Upon the question of supply purchases, Senator McKellar, of Tennessee, and others criticised the Defense Countries. and others criticised the Defense Counford. Page 15.

Dr. E O. Sission. Comimissioner of Education of Idaho. quits. Page 3.

Tri-State Good Roads Association favors bond issue and decries sectionalism.

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Page 10.

and others criticised the Defense Council and the advisory commission for alleged mismanagement. Persons desirbent for the Council and Saverna an and Navy departments, it was asserted, were required first to confer with civilians of the commission.

Deiny by Senate Denied.

Senators Martin, Underwood and Chicago wheat continues to decline for lack Shafroth were among the few Demo-of support. Page 21. General upturn in New York stock market, branch. Senator Lodge refuted asser-Pertland harbor work reviewed by National City Bank writer. Page 18.

Ships warned of proposed Coast Artillery practice at mouth of Columbia. Page 18.

Lodge said. "We began by passing." four great appropiration bills. We Mr. Baker, if elected, to be Mayor of all departments. Page 10.

President Kerr, of O. A. C., returns from Washington, assured Oregon will get money for farm extension. Page 8.

"England and Canada have been

"England and Canada have been

drugs to girl. Page 1.

Father O'Hara resigns chairmanship of Industrial Welfare Commission. Page 11.

Minneapolis and St. Faul death-dealing weapon found in Portland pawnshop. Page 15.

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JUST A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE ONE OR BOTH WILL GET HIM.



and general peace on the basis of under this ruling of the War Depart- attack of these seizures. They came (Concluded on Page 5, Column 1.)