## PREPARATION PLANS

Defense Council Maps Out Mobilization Project and Other Work.

## ARMY TO BE PUT IN SHAPE

Naval Awards Exceed Authority, Department Using Emergency

WASHINGTON, March 24. — Having taken virtually every defense measure possible before the assembling of Congress, President Wilson and his advisers in the executive branch of the

Visers in the executive branch of the Government are concentrating their efforts to prepare for the more sweeping steps for which Congressional authority will be sought.

The details of the steps to be recommended are held in closest confidence, but officials let it be known today that among the others a general military budget, co-ordinating many items of expense deemed imperative, will be laid before the House and Senate when the extra session begins a week from extra session begins a week from

Defense Council Meets. During the day the Council of Na-tional Defense held a long conference with its advisory committee of seven industrial leaders who mapped out mobilization plans for the country's economic resources; the Navy Department awarded contracts for 24 destroyers and called a conference of steel and other material companies for next wash other material companies for next week to consider means of speeding naval construction, the War Department an-nounced that failure of the Army ap-propriation bill at the last session of Congress would not be permitted to handicap the Army's preparations, and regulations were promulated to gride

be determined by the legislative body, and just what will happen is to be determined by the President and Con-

determined by the President and Congress.

"All that you can say of the War Department is that it is pressing ahead all purchases for everything that will be needed to keep an army, if the Army is to be called upon."

In awarding contracts for the 24 destroyers on the same day that blds were opened, the Navy Department established a precedent for quick action. All of the vossels, which will duplicate the 35-knot type already building, will be built on a basis of cost plus 10 per cent profit. Contracts for ten went to the Union Iron Works, San Francisco; eight to the Fore River Shipbuilding Company, Quincy, Mass., and six to William Cramp & Sons, Philadelphia. Emergency funds provided by Congress are to be used in hurrying these and other naval vessels to completion. Builders engaged sels to completion. Builders engaged on battle cruiser contracts conferred with the compensation board today, which will allot the emergency appro-

Purchasing System Praised. e Council of National Defense and The Council of National Defense and the advisory committee were in session virtually all day. It was stated that an official attached to the committee, a retired business man of wide experience, recently had spent several weeks in the quartermaster's department going over the Army purchasing system. As a result of his study he has reported to Secretary Baker that he was filled with admiration for the efficiency, seal and adequacy of the service.

Contracts for quartermasters' supplies, such as clothing, shoes, tentage, etc., have been placed up to the limit of available funds, with a provision for the automatic extension of the orders on a large scale as soon as additional funds are a vailable. In this connection it was stated officially today that the country was in a better position to get quickly an adequate supply of Army rifles than ever before in its history. The general military budget to be laid before Congress is expected to include many Army measures which clude many Army measures which failed at the last session and which

Hair Often Ruined By Washing With Soap

Soap should be used very carefully, if you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and ruins it.

The best thing for steady use is just ordinary mulsified coccanut oil (which is pure and greasless), and is befter than the most expensive soap or anything else you can use.

One or two teaspoonfuls will cleanse the hair and scalp thoroughly. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which rinses out easily, removing every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves the scalp soft, and the hair fine and silky, bright, lustrous, fluffy and easy to ware.

"LITTLE GRANDMOTHER" OF RUSSIAN REVOLUTION, WHOSE EXILE OF 30 YEARS IS ENDED.



handicap the Army's preparations, and regulations were promulgrated to guide the country's newspapers in a voluntion of details which might embarrass the Government. Wilson kept in close touch. Late it the afternoon, after a walk, he and Mrs. War building and pald visits to Secretary Issaed nearly an hour.

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Credit to Allies Planaed.

The underwriters have detailed information as to fire-fighting facilities for construction of the vessels can be found.

Regarding the activities of the War Department, Secretary Baker made this statement to the newspapermen:

"Of course, everybody knows that the international situation is tense. The War Department of the Government, but without attempt on the part of the Department of the Government, but without attempt on the part of the Department of the Government, but without attempt on the part of the Department of the Jersel to a state of preparation, but without attempt on the part of the Department of the Jersel to a state of preparation is for, except to put our National strength in a state of efficiency.

All Depends on Congress.

"Everybody realizes that this is a sort of unnatural situation. We are making preparations and buying supplies and all that sort of thing, and yet the policy of the country is still to be determined by the legislative body, and just what will happen is to be determined by the President and Congress and information as to fire-fighting facilities in formation as to fire-fighting facilities in formation as to fire-fighting facilities in throughout the country, and a highly trained corps of engineers and inspectors. These agencies were placed at the disposal of the Government, together with all the administrative machinery the organization has to meet any emergency. Secretary Baker referred the matter to the advisory commission of the council for consideration.

Returning Congressional leaders have begun to lay their plans for whatever the President may recommend at the primary purpose is to consider organization matters, the Government's fiscal situation is sure to be discussed. Members are talking among themselves of a huge Government's fiscal situation is sure to be discussed. Members are talking among themselves of a huge Government is fiscal situation in sure to be discussed. Members are talking among themselves of a huge Government. Signal and t announcement of his programme. On Monday Representatives Flood, of Virmonday Representatives Flood, of Virginia; Ragsdale, of South Carolina, and Harrison, of Mississippl members of the foreign affairs committee, will confer with Secretary Lansing. The specific diffe question to be discussed has not

MANIAN FRONT.

Five Hundred Prisoners Captured o Ridge Between Solyomtar and Czobanos Valleys, Says Berlin.

-Under pressure of German attacks against the Russian positions between the Rivers Silcha and Chavich, on the Roumanian front, says the official statement issued today, the Russian troops withdrew to the next line of defense about two-third of a mile to the castward.

BERLIN, March 24 .- (By wireless to Savville, N. Y.)-German forces under command of Archduke Joseph yesterday stormed the Russian positions on the Roumanian frontier ridge between the Solyomtar and Czobanos Valleys, according to today's official stateme

CABIN OCCUPIED BY TWO MEN NEAR KERBY WRECKED.

Ald Sought to Start Search, as Neither Big Snowslide.

is not known.

News of the slide and probable tragedy was brought to Kerby Friday evening by miners of the vicinity. A part of the cabin in which the men lived could be seen in the snow, but portions of it had been carried down the canyon.

Storm Stops Logging.

KELSO, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)
—Severe storms have forced the closing of nearly all the logging camps in this vicinity. Much snow has fallen in the uplands, where most of the logging crews were operating and the cold rains and wind have made woods work exceedingly disagreeable.

of years. On returning to Russia she was under constant surveillance of police

she was arrested.

Petitions for her release were circulated in the United States and sent to the Russian Fremier and the Ambassador at Washington. In 1910 she was sentenced to exile in Siberia, and again made an unsuccessful attempt to

escape.

Her activities as Russia's famous political prisoner caused her to be known throughout the world. She has many friends in this country.

## PETROGRAD, via London, March 24. EMBEZZLER EASY

MOLASSES BOUGHT AS OPIUM TO SELL AT BIG PROFIT.

ousand Dollars Paid by Los An geles Man for Sultense Full of Sticky Fluid.

LOS ANGELES, March 24 .- Ancel C. Boyett, whose confession of defalca-ion of about \$35,000 from the Bank of tion of about \$35,000 from the Bank of Italy branch here was made public yesterday, told today how Tia Juana racing touts swindled him out of \$6000, playing upon his feverish haste to retrieve gaming losses and restore bank funds. Within 10 days, he told his questioners, he had bought for \$5000 a suitcase which he was told contained opium he could sell for \$50,000. The "opium" proved to be colored molasses. A large suitcase could hold but a fraction of \$50,000 worth of opium, authorities said. It was cited as one of several instances that caused racing touts operating here to give the young touts operating here to give the young bank bookkeeper the nickname of "the betting fool of Broadway," according to the police.

GRANTS PASS, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—A rescue party left Kerby to-day to hunt for two miners who had a cabin near the head of Canyon Creek and who have not been heard from since a snowslide occurred there, 10 days ago.

The slide demolished the cabin and it is feared that both men are under the bank of snow that came down from the mountain. One of the men was named Stearns, but his partner's name is not known.

LOVE BRINGS CONFESSION

Theft of \$200 for Invalid Sister Follows Romance.

TACOMA, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—Lewis Herbert sinned, but his regeneration is being worked out through the purifying alchemy of purs love. Herbert gave himself up to the Federal authorities and asked to be TACOMA, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—Lewis Herbert sinned, but his regeneration is being worked out through the purifying alchemy of purs love. Herbert gave himself up to the Federal authorities and asked to be taken to California to be tried on an embezzlement charge. He admitted having misappropriated \$190 while he was postmaster at Button Willows, Fresno County, California. He told a Deputy United States Marshal that he took the money so that his sister in New Orleans might have medical attention.

After Herbert left Button Willows

After Herbert left Button Willows he went to Mobridge, S. D., where he met and fell in love with a young school teacher. He told her everything. She advised him to surrender and she promised that she would wait for him. Herbert worked his way to seattle and there was himself and the

# TO RUSSIA JOYOUS

Attaches of Embassy Cheer When Instructed to Recognize New Government.

CALL MADE AT EARLY HOUR

Ambassador Delighted at Being Able to Wear Citizen Clothing Without Comment - Ministers Give Cordial Reception.

BY ARNO DOSCH-FLEUROT. opright by the Press Publishing Com-pany (New York World). Published

PETROGRAD, March 23 .- (Via Lonon, March 25.)-When the cable ordering Ambassador Francis formally to recognize the new provisional Russian government came this morning a cheer shook the old building which passes for the American Embassy. The Ambassador, as well as all other Americans here, knowing the rottenness of the old government and the character of the men now sulley because of the men now ruling, had eagerly awaited authority to extend recogni-

The Ambassador called at the Foreign Office at the impossibly early
hour, for Petrograd, of 11 in the morning, but Foreign Minister Miliukoff
warmly welcomed him. Mr. Francis
and Professor Miliukoff had been
keeping each other closely informed for
several days, and Mr. Francis had been
received unofficially by the members
of the Russian government several
days ago.

American Clothes Acceptable. Professor Miliukoff imediately ar

The whole Cabinet nodded in agree-ment when Miliukoff said:
"We in free Russia are going to try to follow the highest ideals of freedom in America."

Mr. Francis made a quick reply, say-ng:

ing:

"To my Government's official, permit me to add my warmest personal recognition of the success of your united efforts. I am personally delighted by your success and my Government's ready recognition of it."

GIRL WELL KNOWN HERE TO MARRY EMBASSY ATTACHE.

Bride-to-be Is Daughter of Late Britis Consul-General Formerly Stationed in Portland.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-During a visit to this country she made the acquaintance of many prominent Americans and collected more than \$10,000 for the revolutionary cause. Soon after her return to Russia she was arrested.

Petitions for her release were circuiated in the United States and sent to the Russian Premier and the Ambassador at Washington. In 1910 she ington. March 24.—The marriage of Miss Violet Erskine, secretary in the Eritish Embassy, and Horace Seymour, third secretary of the Embassy, whose engagement was announced a few weeks ago, will take place Easter mondy will be performed in the Embassy by Manager Barnes, of New York, in bassador at Washington. In 1910 she by Manager Barnes, of New Fork, in the presence of Ambassador Cecii Spring-Rice and family and the mem-bers of the Embassy staff. There will be no attendants except a best man. Mr. Seymour and his bride had ex-pected to sail at once for England, but they will remain here for the pres-

Violet Erskine is the daughter of the

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fashionable wash fabric full 38 inches wide—comea
all wanted plain shades—one that will prove satis-Mercerized Taffeta at 35c Yd.

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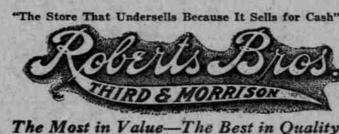
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late Thomas Erskine, British Consul in Portland until almost two years ago, when he was transferred to New Or-leans as Consul-General, and Mrs. Erskine, the latter now being a resi-dent of London, Eng. Miss Erskine is well known in Portland social circles.

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Saturdays

at 9 A. M.

CHINA NOTIFIES GERMANY

Minister to Berlin Announces End of Diplomatic Relations.

China severed diplomatic relations with Germany March 14, on which date the German Minister at Pekin received

—The Chinese Minister at Berlin, according to a dispatch received here to-day, has announced to the German Foreign Office the rupture of diplomatic relations between Germany and China.

Chine severed diplomatic relations

Lebanon Man Goes to War. LEBANON, Or., March 24 .- (Special.) Myrtle Creek Officials Elected.

ROSEBURG, Or., March 24.—(Special.)

ROSEBURG, Or., March 24.—(Special.)

At the regular city election held couver, B. C., on a British freighter for at Myrtle Creek Monday the following Liverpool, where he will join the army AMSTERDAM, March 24, via London, officers were elected; Harry Rice, May- for service in France.



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