Eight Men to Form Board to Handle All Great Matters of Organization, Supply, and the Like.

CIVIC AND MILITARY POWERS TO COOPERATE

Advocates of "Preparedness" Say This Plan Is Substance of Alleged Conspiracy.

(United Press Leaved Wire.) shington, Dec. 17.—The serious ob-behind the current war departmen gitation of military unprepar was developed tonight, was the creation by congress of a council of national defense, combining the military with the legislative and financial control of

the army and navy.

That a "conspiracy," as alleged by Representative Tawney, did in some measure exist, is admitted by the supporters of this project, but the cooperation of the army and navy officials and their friends in congress was devoted not to an increase of appropriations so much as to a wise expenditure of these appropriations.

For several months Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, has been working in conjunction with Rear Admiral Richard Wainwright to perfect this scheme. It has long been realised by both army and navy that each has been developing its organization along hit-or-miss lines, absolutely irrejevant and often in controdiction of the development of the other arm of the service. This has resulted in a deplorable amount of maladministration, in both departments and the too frequent change of administration policy, with loss of efficiency and loss of money.

duty wen to fight against the appropriations asked by the military authorities and always to cut them.

While it is true that the war department does not consider the present appropriation for the maintenance of land forces adequate, it is much more anxious to impress congress with the fact that the army would be vastly improved by a judicious expendituse of present appropriations. It was for this purpose that the McLachian resolution was introduced and the report of the secretary of war concluded with a recommendation for the establishment of such a council.

SEES AMERICA IN 39 HOURS

IS FAVORABLY IMPRESSED

Washington. Dec 17.—The war scare continues to agliale the Washington shippard lobby, and the attect true fine allies in Representatives Humphrey of Scattle and McLashian of California. Most of the Pacific coast senstors and representatives attended a dinner given by Senator Piles last night at which Humphrey made some remarks of a warlike nature. He professed to fear that the Japanese would land an army of 100,800 men on the shores of Puget Sound, and intimated that this would be an easy task for the Japanese. He failed to show how it would be easy to 7 apan to send a fleet of 190 transports, 50 collièrs and supply ships and 15 or 70 battleships to guard them, or what they would do when they reached our shores, and were met by the copiling force that, of course, would be massed to meet them.

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OFF RIGHT QUICK

Says Chief-If Terms Not Made at Once, 32,000 Men Will Be Out by Christmas

three months goes."

This was the statement of W. S. Ltone, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, here founds. following a conference between repre-sentatives of the engineers and Com-missioner of Labor Charles P. Neill, who was called here by the railroads to endeavor to settle the differences ex-isting between the railroads and their

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No Delay of Months Goes," Bates & Cheesebrough Add Mills and Lyra to Equipment --- Will Operate on the Atlantic Coast

Ban Francisco, Dec. 17.—Two addi-tional steamers, the Mills and the Lyra. ave been chartered at New York by and trainmen are in dead corneat and unless Commissioner Neill is successful line they are now operating between in his efforts to arbitrate the wage dispute the 61 railroads of the central of Panama, in conjunction with the west will be completely the up within the next week. No delay of two or Atlantic coast. The steamer Mills will begin loading tomorrow and the Lyra about the middle of January.

These vessels are to operate on the Atlantic coast, sailing from New York and Philadelphia and the port of Colon and will act as auxiliary steamers for the excess freight that cannot be handled by the government's steamers. Owing to the heavy shipments of freight by the government to the Panama canal and the increasing offering of freight to the new line, the government's line has been unable to handle all the southbound freight and made it sary to get more vessels. H. B. Bates, one of the members of the firm, is in New York at the present time and his telegram announcing the signing of the charters for the two yesels was received in this city yesterday,

SHOPS FEAR RAID

Report That Government Is to **Extend Prosecutions to the** Pacific Causes Alarm.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 17.—Appro-San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 17.—Apprehensive of a raid by the federal officials, many of the local bucket shops have closed their doors and those that have continued in active operation have adopted a policy of extreme caution. During the last four weaks the word has been quietly passed along that the government intended to extend its prosecutions to the Pacific coast. Two of the largest manipulators in the city retired from business, intending to walt, at least, until the storm has broken and passed. In other haunts where the click of the telegraph and the chalking of quotation have been almost unceasingly there has come a decided full.

In those offices where the game has been running without interruption at full height, the new policy of caution is maintiest. At one of the establishments in lower Mentamenty street a sentinel was placed at the outer entrance today, prepared to flash a warning of impending interference. At his elbow a butten had been installed which connected with an incandescent globe within. At the approach of any one bearing the marks of a government raider to disguise, the guard touched the plans and into light flashed within. Then the calling and raiding ceased and the plans and touche a page land to the plans and touche a page land to the plans and touche a page land the plans and touche a page land to the plans and touch the semilars of

Land Fraud Prosecutor Withholds Statement of Probable Action Until He Scans Voluminous Mail.

DECLARES CONGRESS NOW IRRESPONSIBLE

Asserts Harmon Boom for the Presidency Is Most Laughable Affair.

Frances J. Heney dropped into Portad last night, coming from Chicago. Mr. Hency had been expected for the oast two weeks and mall from his San Francisco office has been piling up in the United States district attorney's ofthe United States district attorney's of-fice for him during that time. Mr. Heney pleaded his not having read this mail as an excuse for not throwing much light on what attitude he will take in the land fraud prosecutions now awaiting his action in the federal courts. One thing is certain—Mr. Heney will not try to go very deeply into any cases this trip. He expects to be in San Francisco for Chirstmas and will not stay in Portland more than two or three days. He expects to cover a good deal of ground in that time, he said, but of course will not attempt to try any cases.

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Awatting Mr. Heney's action are: The Binger Hermann case, tried once and resulting in a disagreement; the cases of Pierce Mays and W. N. Jones, convicted in the land fraud prosecutions and awaiting removal to jail, the mandates having arrived, and the J. N. Willemann case.

Can't Give Out Anything.
"I cannot tell what I will do in any of these matters until I have read my mail," said Mr. Heney at the Hotel Portland last night. "It is probable there are latters from the atterney general referring to some or all of these

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Changes Recommended in the Proposed 1912 Budget by Ways and Means Committee of Council Are Minor.

One of the most important sessions of the ways and means committee of the city council that has been held this the city council that has been held this year was that of yesterday a ternoon, when the committee considered the budget recommended by Mayor-Simon for 1911. It is practically assured that the action of the committee will be ratified at the special meeting of the council next Wednesday to pass upon the budget.

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While a few minor changes were recommended by the committee, the tax levy of six mills, as suggested by Mayor Simon, was allowed to stand. The levy for each department will be the same as that recommended by the mayor, with the exception of the levies for the police and fire departments.

The committee modified the mayor's recommendations by cutting down the police levy .05 of a mill, from 1.20, mills to 1.15 mills and by increasing the levy of the fire department fund from 4 mills to '.45 mills.'

When the mayor first submitted his annual budget his recommendations were based on an estimated valuation of \$248,000,000, the estimate of the value of city property made by the city assessor, less 116 per cant.

Since the mayor made this estimate

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YEAR'S END EDITION OF THE JOURNAL

Comprehensive Issue That Will Set Forth in Detail Facts and Figures Relating to Portland and Oregon

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Laredo, Texas, Dec. 17.—Reports re- it is impossible to get anything deficeived here tonight say that during the engagament between federal and rebel troops at Haclenda, General Naverre, commanding one of the government divisions, was wounded, and taken

ment divisions, was wounded, and taken a prisoner by the insurgents. He is now reported to be in their hands near Guerrero.

(United Freez Leased Wire.)

El Pasd, Texas, Dec. 17.—That the Mexican government does not longer attempt to conceal the gravity of the revolutionary situation in Chibuahua and other northern states, is indicated by the official anxiety to get engineers to haul troop trains into the districts disturbed. The situation has grown too grave for the government to wait to send reinforcements to the federal troops in the field overland and special trains are being made up to rush soldiers to the vicinity of Chibuahua.

This is taken here as practically official verification of the reports that the state of the vicinity of advices from revolutionary sources early today indicating that Navarro has been completely routed and his forces disorganized.

That there has been further desperate flighting throughout the state of the reports will be made.

Revolutionists here consider signifi-cant the fact that the Mexican government was forced to permit Ambassador Wilson at Mexico City to deny the reported capture of Guerrero by the fed-

Government Forces Nearly An. Thomas O'Rourke, Sent From nihilated by Insurrectos at La Junta; Will Insist on

(By the interactional News Service.)

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 17.—President
Diar Mexican unity suffered a loss of O'Rourks, committed to state's prison
950 men in dead and wounded in a batfrom Multnomah county November 12, the at La Junia, according to the latest news from the scene of hostilities. The federal troops engaged in the fight numbered 1980 men. When they raised the white flag there were only 50 able bodied men in the force that surrendered to the yietorious revolutionists.

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There has been fighting near Ojinigs, south of Marfa, Texas. Many horses belonging to Mexican troops escaped into Texas and it is believed that the foderals were annihilated. Reinforcements should have arrived there last night or today if they were not defeated, marching westward from the Orient railroad station at Falomir. They left Chibushud last Sunday for Falomir.

Troops sent out from Jimines, the railroad junction point for the road leading into Parral, have not been heard They were attempting to join (Continued on Page Six.)

Tunnel of Leyden Mine Caves Few Feet From Searchers, **Endangering Lives.**

Denver, Dec. 17.—Rescuers who early tonight penetrated the tunnels of the Leyden coal mine, where 10 miners were entombed Wednesday night, narrowly escaped death when a new cave-in orcurred, completely blocking the passage way leading to the shaft where the men perished. It not only cut off any lingering hope that any of the entombed men can survive but also made it impossible to bring to the surface the four hodies found in the mine early today. This means that a new route into the mine must be dug out and that none of the bodies of the 10 entombed men will be recovered until late next week.

The rescuers, numbering a dozen, were threading their way through the maze of passages, intending to bring up the four bodies found this morning, when there was a fall of earth less than 20 feat from them. Had it occurred 10 seconds later, all the rescuers must have been buried and killed.

Professor J. C. Roberts, in charge of the rescue work at the Leyden mine, notified the officials of the coal company tonight that there was absolutely no hope for the six miners who thus far have not been located. He based his anneuncement on the discovery by the rescuers of the fact that a beauty steel door in the tunnel near the point where the five broke out, has not been closed by the entombed men. He said they had succeeded in closing one door in the tunnel, but could not close the other because of a cave in. This door was designed to shut off deadly mass in case of accident.

The rescuers continued their search tonight penetrated the tunnels of the Leyden coal mine, where 10 miners were

Multnomah County for Assault, Cuts Guard Simpson

Attacks Without Warning.

According to Superintendent James, nished copy for the newspapers during Simpson, who is a guard in the foundry, met O'Rourke about 3 o'clock in the last few days.

"There is not the slightest reason for the corridor of the shop which is such a sensation. We are at peace shielded at short intervals from the with all the nations of the world and shielded at short intervals attained to the same and the like to remain so, as far ages where other guards sit with are quite likely to remain so, as f loaded arms to prevent mutinies and just such occurrences as that of this afternoon. The convict was muttering and oursing Simpson and the guard told him to desist. With sudden anger, O'Rourke attacked Simpson, wounding but very efficient army of 80,000 men, (Continued on Page Four.) .

Navy Very Good; Canal Will Make It Better - Country Will Never Stand for Standing Army on War Footing.

OUTLINES PROGRAM OF WHAT IS PRACTICABLE

One of Principal Items is the Training of Militia - "No Reason for War Scare."

Wishington, Dec. 17.—Following im-ediately upon the "war scare" raised opression of the report of Sec tonight at the banquet which co the three days' session of the confe of the American Society for the Ju dicial Settlement of International Dis putes, denied the alleged military un reparedness of the United States.

"There has been a good deal of talk in the papers and some reference lu ongress," said the president, "to the supposed helpless condition of this country in the event of a foreign invasion. "I venture to think that much more has been made of this than the facts, calmly considered, would justify. We have a very good navy and with the opening of the Panama canal it will be a much more effective one. It would be a much more effective one. It would be

a much more effective one. It would be useful to prevent the coming of an invading army across the seas.

Rever a Great Standing Army.

"The people of this country will never consent to the maintenance of a standing army which military experts will pronounce sufficiently large to cope in battle with the standing armies of the greater powers, should they get by our navy and our harbor defenses, and descend on our coasts. If this leaves us in a position of helplessess, so be it operation if was in in a dollar's involve the nation in a dollar's of expense until the emergency of expense until the emergency of expense in the control of the control o

Not Slightest Messon for Scare.
"I have said that, in order to allay the so-called war scare which has furnished copy for the newspapers during the last few days.

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KEATING & FLOOD SIGN LEASE FOR OF RESCUE PARTY! OLD ARLINGTON GLUB PROPERTY AND WILL BUILD \$100,000 THEATRE

By the terms of a lease signed yester-day afternoon for the property at the herthwest corner of Park and Alder streets, the old Ariington club building will be torn nown at once to make way will be torn down at once to make way for a \$100,000 theatre for Keating & Flood of the Lyric theatre. The new blood, of the Lyric theatre. The new house is to be known as the Lyric anglits builders hope to have it completed by April or May, 1911.

The lessees have secured the 100x 100 foot corner for a term of 10 years, paying \$750 a month straight during that time. In addition they have the option of securing the corner for the next five years. They are to make

next five years. They are to make all improvements and pay all taxes on the property, which is owned by the D. P. Thompson estate. The owners purchased the property at public auction last week for \$100,000. Plans for the theatre are now being drawn by Architects Bennes & Hendricks, and call for a steel frame, three story structure, the outer walls of which are to be of pressed brick. It is planned to cover practically the entire 100 by 100 feet with the structure. On the Alder atreet side, facing the new Olds, Wortman & King store, will be six or seven store rooms on the ground six or seven store rooms on the ground floor. Above these, in the second and third floors, will be offices. These stores will be about 29 or 22 feet deep. The thestre itself will be great deep. The theatre itself will be arranged to seent 1200 or 1400 people, and will have an outer passageway running the entire length of the structure on the side adjaining the Selling-Hirsch build-

houses in Vancouver, B. C., and in Se

Ar. Keating stated last night that a site has already been secured in Vancouver and Burns is in Seattle now negotiating for one on Second avenue in that city. Modern theatres are to be built in each place.

The construction of the new Lyris probably means bringing not only to Portland but to the the United States the attractions of an entirely new could

the attractions of an entirely new vaconcerned—that of Harry Rickards. English and Australian theatrics! vaudeville man. Rickards owns vaudeville houses in and shout Loss vandeville houses in and shout London. He also operates a string of hecks in Australia. It is the intention of Kenting & Flood, when their buildings are ready, to bring these sitractions to this Pacific coast while on their way to Australia. At present the trip from London is unbroken by any stops. The acts can come to the United States, play in Portland, Scattle and Vancouver, and embark at Vancouver for Sydney. Australia, without losing time and in addition doubtless make enough so pay all traveling expanses at least.

a turn. On the Mauretania, when she put out into the North river tonight was an exception to the rule, William Holt, special corresuondent of the London Daily Mall, who did a marvelous "sight-seeing America" act between sunrice of one day and sunset of another—and who declared be was hurrying back to England to tell the Britishers what a great country this is. Lord Northeliffe, proprietor of the Mail, wanted to teach American newspapermen a lesson in real enterprise. So when he heard the Mauretania was going to New York, pick up her Christmas passengers and hurry back to England in just 12 days, he sent Holt along to "see America."

New York, Dec. 17.—Most English writers who come to America make a tour of two or three mouths and then go back home to "roast" Americans to to the Mauretania in time for her sailing.

to the Mauretania in time for her sauling.

"I'll tell you!" he gasped as he shivered on the deck of the reasel, "you americans love to hustle. You very justly admire your aptness for doing things with a great hustle. Every little while you make the question academic. You set up a record for hustling, pure and simple, with no material object to be attained by it.

"You have set up championships with conditions all of your own framing and have won them all handly and in a manner to distinguish yourselves. But really, you know, there has not been very much compellion. So perhaps Lord Northcliffe saw in this quick trip of the Mauretania a chance to set it down on the record that fine hastlers as the Americans are, they have not a monopoly of that qualify. It is a minsion of education that I am taking, perhaps.