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itons Falling Back for Stroke, Berlin Critics Claim

OE'S PLANS UPSET

By JOHN GRANDENS BERLIN, March 21.

many is retreating to a victory; an-master stroke has been achieved by Marshal von Hindenburg and the En-plane for a great spring offensive

in brief, is the official explanation ay of Germany's retirement on the n front.

many is retreating to a victory be-her armies are taking their places in

ber armies are taking then places in positions, long prepared. The war. They will force the enemy in the trade of war all over again, would astound tacticians if their full a were revealed, according to Ger-minia of

hey may affect a transformation of the the character of war. It is meantime, Germany has been clear-the whole country in front of these new kions. They are miles back of the pres-line. The whole country intervening was the old German line and the new her be reconstituted of war and necessity by necessity of war and necessity new German plans, been made a s. Roads have been destroyed; all means of communication have effaced. Some villages have utterly ppeared. Some have been only partly ked. Not only has a free zone of fire obtained by such a procedure, but the my must come forward slowly over and basardous of passage.

nd hazardous of passage. their new positions the German forces face an enemy either hurriedly brought over this difficult wilderness, and, be-the of this hurry, insufficiently supplied; an enemy which has come forward very wiry, because of necessity of building the country.

Local Option

Bill Reported d from Page One

ad one lota in my position on this ques

wery one who believes in fair play Id give to the people of the counties of sylvania the right to decide this issue mselves.

This local option measure is a home is measure. I believe in home rule for communities that make up the State I urge the passage of this bill for that If for no other.

"Another thing, it is not fair to the judi-ary to require them to decide whether nor shall or shall not be sold.

"I have even heard that money has bee into the campaigns of many candidates the judiclary, because they were right this or that issue. It demoralizes the clary and the very foundations of our

He called upon the members of the Leg-ature to represent not only their con-tuents, but also the "progressive civilizaof the world

BILL STRONGLY CHAMPIONED

U. S. Landis, representing the Sunday bool Association, of Philadelphia, and barles S. Huston, of Coatesville, and A. G. ynett, of Philadelphia, representing the hiladelphia Methodist Conference, assailed liquor traffic.

Mr. Landis represented 280,660 adult embers of the Sunday-school Association his plea for the Sunday-school Association his plea for the passage of the bill. Mr. suiton is head of the Lukens Iron Works, ad asked that the bill be passed for the therment of conditions of the working a if for no other reason. Mr. Kynett labor leader and pledged the support of

a labor leader and pledged the support majority of the labor men to local option declared, however, that organized is opposed to prohibition. "Our senti-on that question." he said. "has been a expressed by Samuel Compers, who has lared unalterably against prohibition." The Rev. J. J. Curren, of Wilkes-Barre, o spoke on behalf of local option two re ago, urged State-wide and national abbition. Father Curran is the head of National Total Abstinence Union.

PRESIDENT WILSON CALLS CONGRESS FOR GERMAN WAR ACTION

Continued from Page One for revenge for Germany's killing of American citizens and destruction of American property in contravention of all international law and the ideals upon which the United States was founded and exists today.

NATION'S WAR PLANS

This is how one of President Wilson's Cabinet members described today the prob-able course of action, this nation should take if war with Germany comes, as is now expected :

Alignment with the Entente Allies. The British and French fleets now in western Atlantic waters would be released

for duty elsewhere, especially in the sub-marine sone, by being replaced by the United States Atlantic fleets.

This country does not at present plan sending an armed expedition to Europe, because the Aliles have all the men they need. Our ports would be thrown open to Allied

ships for all purposes. Extension of unlimited credit to the Allies so that they would be able to purchase all the necessary ammunition, food and sup-plies. American gold is what would make plies. American gold is what war felt the most.

AFTER LONG STRUGGLE

The President's course marks the end of his unprecedented efforts-efforts which have been alike strongly commended and bitterly condemned-to keep this country at peace even with Germany, in order that it might perform the greater service of estoring reason to war-mad Europe.

In reaching his conclusion to lay before to Congress the grave problem of determining upon this Government's national olicy toward Germany, the Presider ought to an end a struggle for peace-President policy not only with his advisers, but with him-self-perhaps the most dramatic in history. Holding out against all arguments for positive warlike action until the last, the President was loath to take a course which he believed might be construed as "forcing the issue.

Appeals were made to him by his Cabiner and through hundreds of telegrams from people of the country that aggressive action was demanded immediately not only for the sake of America's conscience, but for the sake of the peace of the world.

CONSTANT PRESSURE

In this connection it is recalled that Pres-ident Wilson about a year ago declared to some of his advocates that he had reason to believe if the United States entered the war actively there would be a termination of the struggle within a few months Executive advisers have told him within the last twenty-four hours that to assume now a positive stand against Germany

would be to encourage the new Russian Government, hearten the Allied troops in the field, perhaps create an irrepressible demand in Germany for the overthrow of the autocracy there, and, in all, bring lasting peace to the world vasily nearer. It became known today that in the last

It became known today that in the last few weeks many telegrams and much of the advice that have gone to the White House have counseled open war, and have been brutally frank in declarations that a high note of patriotism must be sounded at once. They have declared this to be no time for "walling to have from the countime for "waiting to hear from the coun-try": they have declared the country has need now of a leader who must tell the country and the people what they must do: they have declared it is finally up to the President of the United States to decide on active atoms present declared and the states of the country of the states of the stat

active steps against Germany and German military and naval ruthlessness and to lead he country without timidity over the ques tion; "Will the country want me to do this?" This, in effect, is what President Wilson

has been told by his most trusted advisers and counselors; in effect, it was what was told to President Wilson at the Cabine neeting It was in the face of such overwhelming entiment that the President today decided

not to await even the fourteen more days until April 16, the date he had set in a former proclamation for an extraordinary ession This action is interpreted by some of his

-and in all bring peace nearer.

The first apparently warlike step to baken by the Government following the

taken by the Government following the President's call for an extraordinary Con-gress Session April 2 was when the muni-tions standardization committee of the

'ouncil of National Defense met this after-

While nothing official could be learned

egarding the meeting, it is known that the

befensive Council for weeks has been con-

output with the least possible delay

It has also been one of the objects

Meantime, other Government branches

lovernment in former wars.

with Secretary Baker behind closed

able.

doors.

concerns

and expense.

Cabinet, as meaning the President at last has lost the last vestige of patience and pe that the war chasm might ultimately be bridged. Many of them, at first knowledge of the

news, believed actual hostilities and a spe-ARGUMENTS FOR WAR

The President's Cabinet and telegrams rom the country argue along the following ines in favor of Prompt assumption of an aggressive attitude toward Germany. The Despite a growing demand for a coalition are ready to go to war and need only abinet in event of the expected-open ostilities between the United States and the call. 'abinet in Sounding of a single patriotic note which would immediately augment re-cruiting in both the navy and army branches of defense service and enable Jermany-President Wilson at this time is not considering such a step, it was strongly ntimated today. the Government to man its war vessels up to full strength ; or

started at once to work on plans that have been formulated by the National Defense Council on other lines.

The first installment of bids for the 200 or more submarine chasers for the navy were opened at the department at noon. Nearly 100 additional bont-building concerns were requested to inform the Govern-ment of their capacity for turning out the ittle chaser boats.

Keels for sixty are being laid at the New York Navy Yard and for four at the New Orleans yards. Every speed-up measure, including suspension of eight-hour work-day regulations in the yards, will be put in

FOR MUNITIONS SUPPLIES Plans for obtaining an instant and adeaate supply of munitions are under way. Munitions firms which continue to hold out for exorbitant prices are expected to be unmarily commandeered by the Government.

Naval architects were directed to o completion plans for the three new 42,to completion plans for the three new ta-000-ton superdreadnoughts, fifteen destroy-ers and thirty-eight 800-ton submarines. It is probable the next move of the de-partment will be to assume control over all radio apparatus in the country to prevent information of the Government's defense measures from solve abroad

measures from going abroad. The general staff of the army has in its hands detailed plans for a complete and immediate co-ordination of all telestraph and telephone systems. Instantaneous com-munication with discussions communication with distant points will be established from army and navy headquar-ters to expedite an anticipated mobilization of the National Guard, naval militia and the Atlantic fleet. The matter of financing the expected call

to arms is under way at the Treasury De-partment. The first step will be the issu-ance of \$100,000,000 in bonds authorized in the last navai bill to meet a national emergency. MONEY A-PLENTY

Congress is expected to empower issu ance at once of another gigantic bond issue While the Navy Department has adequate unds to cover present naval plans, and inleed, an emergency appropriation of \$115. 000,000 to cover speed-up measures on the new warships and additional submarine chasers should Congress direct a more ex-tensive preparation, the department has

said it will ask-and get-more money. Senator Chamberlain conferred with ecretary of War Baker today relative to his plan for universal service. Doubt exists among military men that the intricate mahinery for putting universal service into practice could be placed in motion under two years. This would, of course, require adoption of the volunteer system, at least temporarily, in the present crisis, should troops be needed.

AIR SERVICE PLANS

A report from a joint board of army and navy officers late today recommended the immediate co-ordination of the military and naval aeronautic services "for maximum national advantage in war." The board urged also that aeronautical pilots and ob-servers be trained together in joint stations near the coast.

Co-ordination of the services, the board said, should include a general standardization of machines and motors. The naval air service, in time of war, would be charged with operations in connection with the fleet, oversea scouting from shore bases and for protection of naval reserves. The army section would be charged with de-fense of cities, fortifications, arsenals, navy yards, shipbuilding plants, powder works and national utilities; with fire control for coast defenses and operations in conjunction with the mobile army.

The board recommended, however, that no line of sharp demarkation be drawn. President Wilson has issued an executive order restoring to their former civil service status all national guardsmen, who as a result of border service lost their rating, the Department of Commerce stated today. The President's order was that the elie bility period be extended in cases of guards-men so that they should be restored to

the rating they held at the time of their call to the colors. Guardsmen were requested to write to the Civil Service Commission, giving the time of their call and the time of their mustering out. Several thousand men are affected.

NO COALITION CABINET

inet, it was stated, would be a broader au-thority for the National Council of Defense, the membership of which includes all the members of President Wilson's Cabinet.

STRONG DEFENSE COUNCIL. The defense council, authorized by Con gress, and a quasi-official body now i charge of the important work of mobilizin the nation's financial, industrial, social and individual resources, it seemed certain, will be made the President's, war council.

Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, will resign the presidency and become chairman of the board of directors, succeeding Oscar Mur-ray, deceased, Mr. Willard also has made plans to take the post of head of the "war

council's" transportation portfolio. Samuel Compers, president of the Amer-ican Federation of Labor, and head of the defense council's labor division, would, it is said, probably be given the post of head of a labor portfolio in the proposed war council **Removal of Racial Restrictions** war council.

The defense council, it was pointed ou today, is composed of the nation's biggest industrial, financial and manufacturing eaders of all political faiths. It was also pointed out that to create new Cabinet posts would take action by Congress.

While the nearest approach to officia ment of a stable Government of Russia and leclaration was that there were no changes the recognition of that Government by the United States. For more than six years the treaty of 1832 between the United States in the Cabinet being considered now, it is cnown that several present Cabinet memand Russia has been abrogated, the abro gation having been made by this Governbers have considered getting out in the foll

was officially stated that of course ment in Taft's administration because o the President "would try to get the best men for their places, should the places be vacant." but also that the new members would be Democrats.

More Gold for South America

the disabilities operating against variou elements of Russia's population, as the NEW YORK, March 21.-Gold to mount of \$390,000 was withdrawn from Jews, Poles, Armenians and Tartars, should the Subtreasury today for export to South be removed. As the result of this action, giving full civil liberties to the Jews, the commercial intercourse of Russia and the America and \$50,000 was taken for Spain The strength of Spanish exchange indicates further shipments of gold from this country United States will be greatly stimulated. The movement is very strong in the United States and Influential Jews have already in settlement for supplies furnished to the belligerents by Spain. discussed the matter with the State De-

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cupled the railroad junction of Tergnier and Aviators reports that the headquarters of the German armies lying between Berry-Au-Bac (the point where the Teuton line swings across the Aisne) and Lafere have been removed from Laon. are pushing eastward. New Agreement Will Take Place of One Abrogated

Under Taft

Will Make Broader Inter-

course Possible

From a Staff Correspondent

Negotiation of a new commercial treaty

with Russia, according to an official of the

State Department, will follow the establish

The treaty was abrogated by President Taft because for years Russia had refused

to allow American Jews to travel in Russia

insisting that they should have no more favor than the Jews of Russia. Prominent

American Jews were not permitted to go into Russia and on several occasions indig-nities were shown them. The series of of-fenses by Russia against the first article

of the treaty came to a climax when It was suddenly abrogated by Congress after Pres-ident Taft had denounced the attitude of the

Russian Government, Fx-flovernor Sulzer, of New York, who was then an active mem-ber of the House Committee on Foreign Af-

fairs, offered the resolution of abrogation, upon which Congress acted quickly.

The essential feature of the section causing the trouble reads

The inhabitants of their respective States shall, mutually, have liberty to enter the ports, places and rivers of the territories of each party, wherever

foreign commerce is permitted. They shall be at liberty to sojourn and re-side in all parts of said territories, in

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> PETROGRAD, March 21. --- Russian troops advancing southward from Persia have pentrated Mesopotamia, the War Office announced today. Bad weather has set in on the southern frontier of Persia, which may hinder mili-

tary operations. Southwest of Kirmanshah, Persia, says the War Office, the headlong tlight of the **Furks** continues

There, under one roof, are Mesopotamia was the scene of the recen being demonstrated time-and-British victories at Kut-el-Amara and Bag dad. The official announcement of the money-saving office appliances Russian War Office indicates that the Rus that tend to make office work sian and British armies engaged against the Turks may soon join hands. easier.

Judge Boyle Retiring From Court

the refusal of the Russian Government to give full liberties to Americanized Jews. Judge Boyle, of the Criminal Court, in Camden today sentenced Harry Lefling, twenty-five, 1127 Cooper street, to an in-determinate sentence ranging from fifteen Despite the abrogation of the treaty as a whole, the tariff and other provisions of the treaty are in effect by modus vivendi. The revolutionists in Russia insisted that

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It was his last official act, as he retired March #1 in favor of Senator John B. Kates Judge Boyle was appointed by Woodrow Wilson when the latter was Governor. Pros-ecutor Kraft and Albert F. Woodruff thanked

Judge Boyle for his services on behalf of the bar. Lefling was sentenced for lar-ceny. His mother fainted in the court-

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"Just as the tyranny in Russia was swept ide by the people," he said, "so will any ranny on the part of the State Legislature wept aside if the members of the Legis-ire do not carry out the wishes of their

the spirit of the present legislators and of the for the last fifty years has been to the every measure that tended toward al uplift, he continued. He pointed to long fight carried on through many long for the enactment of a workmen's meansation law as an example. The spensation law, as an example. The scholic Church, he asserted, has never posed either prohibition or local option. has left the question to the members of urch, he said.

fine object of the meeting is to plan im-mediate co-operation of the country's Gov-etnment and private munition-making state of Pennsylvania, he continued. acred the "gods of paganism

The two blackest States in the Union Pennsylvania in the East and Nevada a West." he said. "If these two States of heed the popular sentiment of the try, they will receive such a kick from other States in the Union that they will n wet to complete dryness.

Detensive Council for weeks has been con-sulting with the nation's largest manufac-turers of powder, explosives of all other descriptions and of rifles and all manner of guns, in the interests of standardizing W. McSparran, master of the State urged the enactment of a county a11 option law as a home rule measure counties

the munition standardization division to formulate the most detailed plans for the le Peter Bollenbacker, secretary of rades Union Liberty League, was in opposition to local option, his purchase of munitions and elimination of "supercharges" that have been made the of temperance brought forth a

s hissed when he declared that he the prohibitionists with anarchists. on William Cleveland Hicks, of indeacon William Cleveland Hicks, of inston, D. C., and who represents the icts of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Har-rg and Bethlehem in the Episcopal th, declared that the time is coming the whole country will be dry. yansylvania should get on the band-

" he said. hearing was closed by C. P. O'Mal-Beranton, who opposed the local op-

DOTING IN NEW RIOT AMONG SUGAR WORKERS

Man Shot in Trouble Growing Out of Refinery Strike

growing out of the sugar avenue and Reed not and physicians ay he will die. He

It was learned officially the President It was identice officially the President was considering no changes in his Cabinet. It was also learned positively that no formal resignations of present Cabinet members had been presented to the Presi-dent although such members has the Declaration of a state of war which would encourage the Entente soldiers in the field; encourage the Russian revolutionists in the prompt and definite formation of a sound democratic gov-ernment; materially depress Germany dent, although each member has, in accordance with custom, informally indicated to the President his willingness to retire should the President deem changes advis-DEFENSE MEASURES TAKEN able

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