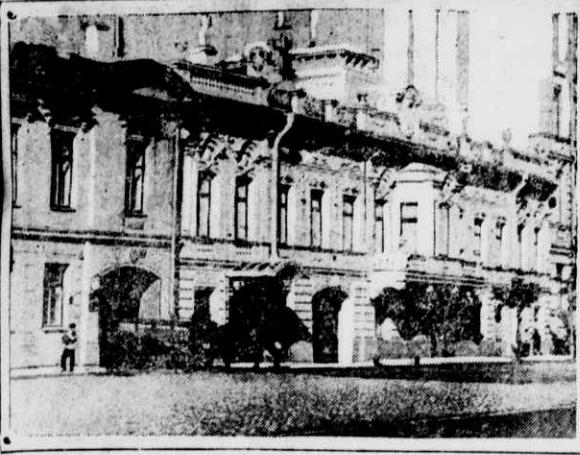


# SCENES IN FAMOUS CAPITAL WHICH HAS FALLEN INTO HANDS OF MAXIMALISTS



Three views of Petrograd, the Russian capital, where the Kerensky government was overthrown, show (left) the American embassy, a typical Russian cabbie, with his vehicle, and the Moscow gate, one of the city's most beautiful arches.

## KERENSKY REGIME IS OVERTHROWN

Maximalists, clamoring for immediate peace, control in Petrograd.

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The preliminary parliament had been dissolved.  
"Nikolai Lenin, who received prolonged cheers, outlined three problems now before the Russian democracy—first, immediate conclusion of the war, for which purpose the new government must propose an armistice to the belligerents; second, the handing over of the land to the peasants; third, settlement of the economic crisis.

**Maximalists Withdraw.**  
"At the close of the sitting a declaration was read from the representatives of the Democratic Minimalists of the soldiers' and workmen's delegates, stating that the party disapproved of the coup d'etat and withdrew from the council of soldiers' and workmen's delegates."

**HOW THE COUP D'ETAT WAS EFFECTED IN NIGHT**

No Disorder and But Little Bloodshed; Government Unable to Resist.

Petrograd, Wednesday, Nov. 7.—(P. M.)—The Maximalist movement toward seizing authority, rumors of which had been agitating the public mind ever since the formation of the last coalition cabinet culminated last night when, without disorder, Maximalist forces took possession of the telegraph office and the Petrograd Telegraph agency.  
Orders issued by the government for the opening of the spans of the bridges across the Neva river were overridden by the military committee of the council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates. Communication was restored after several hours of interruption. No where did the Maximalists meet with serious opposition.

**Only Isolated Fighting.**  
An effort by militiamen to disperse crowds gathered in the Nevski and Letayni prospects during the evening provoked a fight in which one man is reported to have been killed. Minor disturbances, some of them accompanied by shooting, occurred in various quarters of the city. A number of per-

sons are reported to have been killed or wounded, but there is no confirmation.

**Shops and Banks Close.**  
This morning found patrols of soldiers, soldiers and civilians in the streets maintaining order. Further than a continuation of suppressed excitement the streets of the city presented no unusual aspects. The shops and banks which had opened for business began to close up about noon. Shortly after noon a Soviet force occupied the telephone exchange, where a small guard had been stationed for weeks. An effort by government forces to take the exchange led to a brief fusillade, which it is believed, caused a number of casualties. The Maximalists remained in possession of the building.

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE MAXIMALISTS

Petrograd, Nov. 8.—(British admiralty per wireless press.)—The military revolutionary committee on the central Council of Soldiers' and Workmen's Delegates, in a proclamation to the army committee and to all soldiers' and workmen's councils, says:  
"We have deposed without bloodshed the government which rose against the revolution."

It proclaims the authority of the military revolutionary committee and says that the officers who do not openly join the movement must immediately be arrested.  
Uncertain military detachments, the proclamation adds, must not be permitted to leave the front for Petrograd. Where persuasion fails, the statement says, force must be used without mercy. The text of the proclamation of the military revolutionary committee reads:

"To the army committees of the active army and to all councils of soldiers' and workmen's delegates and to the carter and proletariat of Petrograd:  
"We have deposed the government of Kerensky which rose against the revolution and the people. The change which resulted in the deposition of the provisional government was accomplished without bloodshed.  
"The Petrograd council of soldiers' and workmen's delegates solemnly welcomes the accomplished change and proclaims the authority of the military revolutionary committee until the creation of a government by the soldiers' and workmen's delegates.  
"Announce this to the army at the front; the revolutionary committee calls upon the revolutionary soldiers to watch closely the conduct of the men in command. Officers who do not join the accomplished revolution immediately and openly must be arrested at once as enemies.  
"The Petrograd council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates considers this to be the program of the new authority:  
"First, the offer of an immediate democratic peace.  
"Second, the immediate handing over of large proprietorial lands to the peasants.  
"Third, the transmission of all authority to the council of soldiers' and workmen's delegates.  
"Fourth, the honest convocation of a constitutional assembly.  
"The national revolutionary army must not permit uncertain military detachments to leave the front for Petrograd. They should use persuasion, but where this fails they must impose such action on the part of these detachments by force without mercy.  
"The actual order must be read immediately to all military detachments in all arms. The suppression of this order from the rank and file by army organizations is equivalent to a great crime against the revolution and will be punished by all the strength of the revolutionary law.  
"Soldiers! For peace, for bread, for land and for the power of the people! (Signed)  
"THE MILITARY REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE."

**MAXIMALISTS RISE IS THREAT OF CIVIL WAR**  
Kerensky and His Followers to Set Up Their Government at Moscow.  
Washington, Nov. 8.—Kerensky's fall and the collapse of his government in Petrograd into the hands of the Maximalists, who propose an armistice to the end of an immediate and just peace is regarded here as threatening Russia with the civil war which all her friends hoped to see avoided.  
The state department, entirely with-

out official advice of its own, was silent, wishing to avoid making any statement until the situation could be accurately assessed on the basis of intimate reports from Ambassador Francis at Petrograd.  
The Russian embassy, too, preferred not to make a statement until later and until after there has been opportunity for communication with Ambassador Bakmeteff, who was traveling in the south.  
The embassies of the entente allies, realizing that the development means first of all probably a rearrangement of their war plans, were shocked, but not disconcerted at what is considered a triumph of insidious German propaganda.

**What May Happen.**  
The general opinion here among those in position to be best informed of Russian affairs is that Kerensky and his followers probably will at once set up a new government at Moscow, leaving Petrograd to the Maximalists and those troops who adhere to them. An armed clash is counted among the first probabilities, but it is said here that the greater part of the army is expected to remain loyal to the Kerensky government. Whether the new revolt will go the quick way of the Korniloff rebellion no one here ventures to predict; the realization is that it is infinitely more serious. The outcome and Russia's part in the next years of the war, while she restores her fighting power, no one here assumes to contemplate at this time.

**To Rearrange War Program.**  
The war council of the cobelligerents, just about to assemble in Europe to arrange questions of co-ordination of fighting forces is now faced with a new and great problem at its very outset. Coming close on the Italian reverse, the Russian debacle brings the allies, including the United States, face to face with action to rearrange their fighting power to deal the heaviest possible blows on the battlefronts while Russia works out her part and destiny in the great struggle for world freedom and Italy holds back the invader pouring through the Alps.

**What America Has Done.**  
The immediate effect upon the part of the United States must take in the shifting of world events which turns the burdens of war more and more to the American people cannot be assessed accurately at this time. The treasury already has authorized credits of \$325,000,000 to Russia, and of that sum probably half already has been drawn upon for supplies bought in this country. There has been some disappointment among American officials that some of the money was used for needs of the civilian population and not devoted wholly to war purposes, but in Russia's critical position consideration of the economic crisis there has permitted the expenditures to go on practically unlimited.  
American aid has not been limited merely to money and the confidence of the government in Kerensky and his adherents has freely and frequently been expressed. The visit of the American mission headed by Elihu Root is fresh in the public memory; every member and Mr. Root in particular returned optimistic and confident of Russia's future.

**As to Transportation.**  
An American commission of eminent railroad men is now there

bringing order out of chaos on Russia's transportation systems and already has increased efficiency in some directions at least 50 per cent. Meanwhile, millions of dollars worth of supplies have been piling up at Vladivostok and the Americans have been applying the best of methods to move them across Siberia.  
Japan, at the same time, has been supplying aid to Russia in practically every way, principally in war munitions, for which the Russian government has been able to pay practically nothing at all.

**Japan as a Factor.**  
A factor in the situation which has been reluctantly suppressed heretofore now comes to the front. It is the possibility that Japan might send troops into Russia to support the provisional government, both restore order and drive the recalcitrant factions up to the firing line. No one here who would be authorized to speak on the subject dares to do so, although it has been discussed by Japanese elsewhere, and the contents of their opinions, as published, has been that Japan would find some difficulties in supplying an army sent into Russia. Moreover, the argument has been advanced that Japan's forces were needed to preserve order in the far east.

**On Russia's Front.**  
Some idea of what Russia faces on her fighting lines may be gained from the latest report to the Russian embassy here. It was on Nov. 2 and showed that the Russian troops were engaging 147 divisions of enemy troops (including Germans, Austrians, Bulgarians and Turks, probably in all some 2,600,000 men). The possibility of those troops, or any part of them, being released for a drive against the eastern front, to join the invaders in Italy, or even for Balkan service, where many military experts believe Germany is planning an attack on Greece, is one of the questions which the interallied war council will have to consider.

**IT'S NO CRITERION OF RUSSIA'S INTENT**  
Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 8.—"The intent and spirit of Russia as a whole should be in no way be judged by the news from Petrograd," declared Boris H. Bakmeteff, Russian ambassador to the United States, when shown associated press dispatches relative to the reported overthrow of the Russian provisional government. "Until just now I did not have any personal or official information on the subject," said Mr. Bakmeteff, "and therefore you cannot expect any official opinion."

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**ESCAPED OFFICERS ARE ARRESTED NEAR LAREDO**  
Laredo, Tex., Nov. 8.—Lieutenant Hans Berg and Lieutenant Loeschner, who escaped from Fort McPherson, Georgia, Oct. 23, were arrested this afternoon by Customs Inspectors Robert Ramsey and John Chamberlain at a point six miles below Laredo near the Rio Grande. They were turned over to military authorities.

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