# WILSON NOT TO

# President Says Rights of Citizens Are Clear.

# ONLY ONE COURSE IS SEEN

Deliberate Violation of Position of America Not to Be Tolerated.

### HONOR TO BE PRESERVED

President, Will Follow if Expediency Rules.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.-President Wilson, at the end of two days of agitation in Congress for action warning Americans off armed merchantmen, wrote a letter tonight to Senator Stone, chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, saying that he could not consent to the abridgement of the rights of American citizens in any respect.

"The honor and self-respect of the Nation are involved," he said. "We covet peace and shall preserve it at any cost but the loss of honor."

### Humiliation to Be Avoided. He added:

"To forbid our people to exercise be a deep humiliation, indeed."

The President also pointed out that "once accept a single abatement of "once accept a single abatement of Leonard was summoned by W. W. right and many other humiliations Johns, a member of Finley & Sons, and would certainly follow."

The President expressed hope that explanations of the declared inten- BOY! PAGE tions of the central powers of Europe to sink all armed merchant ships with out warning put a different aspect on a situation which now seemed to pre-

### sent insuperable obstacles. Germany's Faith Not Questioned.

"We have had no reason to question their good faith or their fidelity to their promises in the past," he Bellingham. added, "and I, for one, feel confident that we shall have none in the fu-

written late this afternoon by Senator Stone outlining the situation existing at the Capitol, where, since yesterday morning, persistent demands had been made for some action which MILL TO ADD NIGHT SHIFT might lessen the possibility of war between the United States and Germany.

'The President's statement will be repeated tomorrow morning to Speaker Clark, Representative Kitchin, madent for a statement of the Administration's views.

# The President's letter follows:

"February 24, 1916. My Dear Sena tor: I very warmly appreciate your kind and frank letter of today and feel that it calls for an equally frank Black Hand Letters Followed by Rereply.

# President Does Not Want War.

"You are right in assuming that I ness about my course in that respect.

Through many anxious months I have riots there. The cases were postponed striven for that object amidst dif- until Monday, been apparent upon the surface, and sent to the owners of the Youngstown Vindicator at Youngstown, in which Judge Clarke is a large stockholder. doubt that I shall continue to succeed.

"The course which the central European powers have announced their intention of following in the future British Ministers to Accept Part with regard to undersea warfare seems for the moment to threaten insuperable obstacles, but its apparent meaning is so manifestly inconsistent with explicit assurances recently Ministers to set the country an example given us by those powers with regard of economy, preferably by accepting reto their treatment of merchant vessels the Ministers have agreed for the fuon the high seas that I must believe ture to accept one quarter of their that explanations will presently en- salaries in the form of five per cent sue which will put a different aspect

# GIRL, 14, CRUSHED TO DEATH BY AUTO

ESTHER GIBSON IS INSTANTLY KILLED UNDER TRUCK.

Child on Way to Practice for Church Entertainment Is Run Down by Slowly-Moving Vehicle.

Esther Gibson, aged 14, was run down and instantly killed by a heavilyloaded auto-truck at the intersection of Williams avenue and Fargo street, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The truck operated by the Alberta Fuel Company was driven by the owner and manager Weiser, of \$25 Alberta street.

Mr. Weiser, at police headquarters, said his view of the street corner was obstructed by telephone posts and until the girl was struck he did not observe her. He turned the truck quickly, but the hind wheel passed over her shoulders and neck. The AMERICANISM IS INTENSE truck was going no faster than six miles per hour, says the driver.

The mother, Mrs. John Gibson, of 681 Rodney avenue, is overcome with grief.

The little girl had left home only a few minutes before the accident, to attend a programme rehearsal at a neigh poring church.

The testimony of witnesses tends to Other Humiliations, Declares exonerate Mr. Weiser of blame for the accident. Mr. Weiser was permitted to

return to his home. Because of the death of Miss Gibson, the entertainment, which was to have been given tonight at the Central Methodist Episcopal Church by the was to have participated, has been that Elihu Root is preparing to make at

## HEARSE RUNS DOWN CHILD

Funeral Is Halted While 14-Months-Old Boy Is Carried Home.

Nick Falotio, the 14-months-old son Fourth street, was possibly fatally in-Sons hearse during a funeral yester-day afternoon. The funeral party tended to say things which would ad-toseburg schools here today. jured by being struck by Finley & stopped while the child was taken home vance the cause of Americanism. Coloand a physician summoned, and then

went on to Riverview Cemetery. The child was sitting in front of his Roosevelt. nome near Fourth and Sheridan streets when the funeral party approached. He jumped up and ran out into the road, evidently intending to cross the their rights for fear we might be street. He fell and the front wheel called upon to vindicate them would of the hearse struck the child's chest, crushing several ribs. The child was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital. The hearse was driven by D. D. Parks and stopped within six feet. Dr. H. F. the baby was hurrled to the hospital.

# DIOGENES!

Compensation for Sunday.

The State Industrial Insurance Commission recently allowed George Harvey Moore \$5.75 for four days' loss of Republicans in the House and Senate time on account of injury. Moore is a lineman employed by the Pacific States is that the party in New York is not Telephone & Telegraph Company at

Yesterday the Insurance Commission received back its voucher unsigned, accompanied by a letter from Moore explaining that one of the days allowed The letter was in answer to one as time lost was Sunday, when he wouldn't have been employed anyhow,

Aberdeen Plant Booked Up With Foreign Lumber Orders.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 24,-(Special.)-That the Wilson Brothers' mill jority leader, and Representative will operate day and night here after Flood, chairman of the House foreign March 1, was the announcement of Manager John Wilson today. He said affairs committee, who late today orders from South America and Ausasked for an engagement in order to tralia were piling up fast and that the explain the position in which the mill had made arrangements for tonnage in which to transport these. The House found itself and ask the Presi- night shift will employ 100 additional

Mr. Wilson intimated that the steamer Columbia would be restored to the Aberdeen-San Francisco trade.

# THREAT HEEDED BY JUDGE

tirement From Strike Case.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 24.-Black hand threats caused Judge John H. Clarke, shall do everything in my power to presiding in United States District keep the United States out of war. I Court here today, to withdraw from think the country will feel no uneasi- the trial of cases of four men charged

ficulties more manifold than can have | The threat was in the form of a letter

# BONDS TO BE CABINET PAY

Paper, for Economy.

LONDON, Feb. 24.-In response to agitation by the newspapers urging the exchequer bonds.

It is expected the whole body of the civil servants will be invited to accept "We have no reason to question a portion of their salaries in a similar (Concluded on Page 5, Column 1.)

# ROOT EXPECTED TO COME OUT FOR T. R.

Washington Looks for Announcement Soon.

# SPEECH THOUGHT FORERUNNER

Ex-Senator Feels Strongly on Foreign Policy.

Weakness of Country's Present Attitude Deplored and Colonel Regarded as Man Fitted to Voice Nation's Ideals.

BY EDWARD B, CLARK. Washington Correspondent of the Chicage Evening Post.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 .- (Special.)-Many Republicans here believe strongly an early date a public declaration in favor of Theodore Roosevelt for the Re publican nomination for President, Before Mr. Root made his speech it New York outlining the policies in whilh he believes, there were rumors in Washington that the ex-Secretary of

ranks of his former chief. of Mr. and Mrs. Rocco Falotic, 615 have not been made public, but it is rollment of the National Guard, was enough perhaps to say that there were the assertion made by Adjutant-Gen-"solid reasons" why the word should eral George A. White, of Portland, in

Washington Has Eyes on New York. Washington is watching New York just at the present moment with a good deal of interest. There are some tional differences in the Republican party in the Empire State and if Elihu Root, as he may, pronounces before long for Colonel Roosevelt, there will be more trouble, but it will affect only the Barnes element which, however, big as it is today, will be much smaller im-mediately following a Root pronouncement. Republican Senators and Representatives in looking over the political field have noted what has been fully said concerning the distaste in the Middle West and the West for any assump-Injured Workman Declines State tion by the Republicans of New York that they are entitled to the leadership in the party.

Several Republican leaders here have OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 24.—(Special.) Several Republic matter and have not been unwilling to disclose them. entitled to take the leadership on or dinary, occasions because generally what New York wants is antagonistic to that which the Progressive-minded

Republicans of the West want, Feeling Toward New York Changes. Today, however, the Republicans here say that things are different, that ceeded to Demerara, British Guiana. He desired the allowance reduced to the party in New York has taken the

# CRACK TRAIN HELD UP NEAR SEATTLE

OBBERS TAKE BAGGAGE AND MAIL CARS INTO FOREST.

Passengers on Cars Left Standing Hear Explosion Soon After. Flagman Is Made Target.

SEATTLE, Feb. 24 .- The Northern Pacific eastbound North Coast Limited, train No. 2, was held up at 8:45 o'clock tonight a mile and a half east of Covington, 25 miles east of Seattle. Th robbers uncoupled the baggage and mail cars and compelled the engine crew to haul the two cars up the track into the mountain forest.

Automobiles filled with deputy Sheriffs were dispatched from Seattle to apprehend the robbers. At 10 o'clock tonight the Northern Pacific officers here had not been informed concerning the action of the robbers after the disappeared with the baggage and mail

A short time after the engine an baggage and mail cars disappeared the track heard an explosion. It was supposed the robbers dynamited the ex-

The flagman who reported the holdup from Covington said that the robbers fired several shots at him as he ran down the track to give the alarm, but he escaped uninjured. The flagman ran back to Covington as soon as he learned the robbers' purpose and was unable to give details of the robbery.

Adjutant-General White Inspects Artillery at Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 24 .- (Special. -That high school boys 18 years old State eventually would be found in the are taking a great interest in military ranks of his former chief. There were some things known which aided materially in increasing the en-

nel Roosevelt's friends maintain this warring Nation," said General Whte, "it force ready to withstand the invader.' He believes the preparedness pro gramme will be in operation here by

# BIG MILL IS TO RESUME

Seattle Men Buy Lumber Plant on Vancouver Island, B. C.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 24.-H. A Dent and A. W. Milroi, Seattle lumbermen, today purchased the Canadian Pacific lumber mill and 25,000,000 feet of fir and cedar timber at Port Alberni, on Vancouver Island, B. C. The mill, which has been idle for 18 erated with 200 on or before March 10.

The plant will cut from 100,000 to 200,000 feet of lumber a day and will be kept running to its full capacity.

### COLONEL OFF TO GUIANA ern Pine Manufacturing Association, Return Home Will Be Made by Way of Trinidad.

BARBADOS, B. W. I., Feb. 24.-Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt arrived here today and prothree days, a decrease of \$1.25 in his based it on issues which must be acceptable to the party all through the (Concluded on Page 2, Column 1)

They will go from Demerara to Trinidad, where they will take a steamer direct to New York. Both Colone:
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They will go from Demerara to Trinidad, wive under an increased demand.

"It is now, however, confronted with a condition that, unless relief is speed-TODAY'S—Fair; casterly winds.

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War. They will go from Demerara to Trini-

# CAR RELIEF ASKED

Lumbermen Seek to Avoid I ANOVIG 3.

Co-operation Between Manufacturer and Retailer Urged.

assengers in the cars left standing on Standardizing of Product and Stabilizing of Market Declared Reforms Most Needed in Trade. Points Made by Speakers.

> The crystallization of a meeting of he trustees of the West Coast Lumber sia would be destroyed. Manufacturers, held yesterday morn ing in connection with the conference of both retail lumber dealers and man ifacturers in three days' session at the hamber of Commerce, was the offer ing of a resolution to the members attending the afternoon session, praying the Interstate Commerce Commission to relieve the car shortage that was making the distribution of lumber and fuel almost an impossibility.

The inability of shippers to obtain ottoms, thus tying up cars at seaport car shortage.

### Deliveries to Be Slow.

It was the statement of men repre entative of manufacturing interests esterday that orders should be placed now for deliveries many weeks hence, necessity would advance the cause of is a matter of defense to have a strong as the car shortage was of such magnitude that immediate delivery was mpossible.

The danger of lumber manufacturing plants losing a large per cent of their and two daughters. profit by inability to get the means o transportation to make deliveries, according to the natural laws of distribution, was emphasized in the conclud ing remarks made by George Cornwall, editor of the Timberman, at the close of yesterday's sessions,

He asserted that it was a fact there were many hundreds or cars waiting to be unloaded at Galveston, that Call fornia had a shortage of 2000 and that other seaport terminals were affected similarly.

### Resolution Is Presented. The following resolution was pre

wall's speech: "To the Interstate Commerce Com-

mission, Washington, D. C: "Members of the West Coast Lumber Manufacturing Association, the Westengaged in the manufacture of lumber and the products of lumber in the states of Oregon, Washington and California, and the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association, doing business west of the Rocky Mountains, respectfully represented the system of the first savings."

LONDON, Feb. 24.—A dispatch to the wine place into his head. Domor fell against the curb and was picked up in a semi-conscious condition and carried to the office of Dr. E. C. New the men in the Krupp works have lost their savings." the California Redwood Association, Rocky Mountains, respectfully represent that for years the industry has sion and but recently has begun to re-

# GUARD IS GIVEN TO TREASURE SHIP

BRITISH STEAMER AT SEATTLE HAS \$8,500,000 CARGO,

Anonymous Threat Received That Germans Would Destroy Blue Funnel Liner Talthybius.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 24,-When the big British steamer Talthybius, of the Blue Funnel line, docked at the ALL ASSOCIATIONS SIGN PLEA mith Cove terminal tonight every at proach to the wharf was close guarded by pollcemen and special watchmen employed as the result o anonymous threat that the lines \$8,500,000 cargo had been marked for Dirty Knife Used and Danger

estruction by alleged German spics. The Talthybius brought 5000 tons of ubber, worth \$5,000,000; silk worth \$1,000,000 and other Oriental products alued at \$2,500,000. The rubber wa hipped from Singapore and will be ADVERTISING TO BE TRIED rushed by rail to the East for use in merican automobile and tire factorie

Owners of waterfront property, al though skeptical of the authenticity the warning sent to Fire Marshal Harry their warehouses as a precautionar neasure. Several months ago pier 14, which was used by the Blue Funne fleet, was destroyed by fire, believed to have been of incendiary origin, and from time to time there have been vague threats that other plers used for the shipment of war munitions to Rus-

# MAN DIES WASHING HANDS

Effort After Heart Failure Attack Fatal to Olympia Resident.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 24 - (Spe ial.)-Confident that he had entirely recovered from an attack of heart failare, Albert E. Stanford stooped over to back of the head. The cut extended wash his hands in preparing for lunchon with his family at home here today. terminals, is the reason given for the He sank to the floor and died in a few oments.

and served the Northern Pacific as rious agent at Olympia for 25 years. He had worked two years in Portland prior to coming here, was a member of the hind ear.

Episcopal Church and the Elks. had been a railroad man all his business life. He leaves a widow, one son

## DRYS DON'T RIDE AT NIGHT

Street Railway Owl Patronage Has Decreased Under Prohibition.

Another effect of prohibition has been evealed through the statistical bureau talk. His sanity will be examined. of the Portland Railway, Light & Pownumber of nocturnal passengers on the away and, according to E. H. Langdon street railway lines has been material- 2222 Harvard avenue North, muttered y reduced since the first of the year. in a low tone. Yakich said: The figures show that patronage of "I'm going to kill every sented at the conclusion of Mr. Corn- the owl cars has fallen off approximately 20 per cent since prohibition has been in effect. Officials of the company attribute it entirely to the new condi-

# Important Bank at Essen Fails.

National. Brandels accused of evasive practices as lawyer. Page 3.
Senate retuses to tax power development on navigable streams. Page 3.
Houston suggests amendments to land grant bill. Page 3.

Pacific fiest could be defeated by one bat-tleship, says commander. Page 2.

President Wilson not to forbid travel on high seas. Page 1.

Text of Schater Stelle's letter to President. Page 5.

Rederal tox on the seasons

Pederal tax on power rejected. Page 4. Domestic. Ruot expected to announce support of Rosesvelt for President. Page 1. Prince Mislinoff's suit to end today, Page 2. Suffragists plan campaign before National conventions. Page 2.

# Dr. J. Grant Lyman believed caught in Plorida. Page 4.

Washington offers to meet Washington State at football in Scattle Thanksgiving day. Page 14.

Walter Miller refuses to risk his \$1500 championship belt in match with O'Connell. Page 14.

Washington offers to meet Washington her bed. Since the baby had not complained of the fall, the injuries were not thought to be serious.

Yesterday the mother noticed the child was sleeping unusually long and, Final league booker game to be played here tought. Page 14. Postball rules committee may require that players be numbered. Page 15.

British treasure ship, threatened, guarded at dock in Scattle, Page 1. Big Northwest dairy conference opens a Spokane Page 7. Spekane Page 7.

Munition train a: Tacoma is attacked; two Austrians arrested. Page 7.

Northwest is until in Congress for Columbia naval base. Page 6.

Northern Pacific train held up near Seat-lie; robben take three cars into forest. Page 1.

Seattle Mantagaria, seattle Mantagaria.

Pacific Northwest.

Commercial and Marine. Flour prices lower owing to decline in wheat. Page 19, Chicago wheat slumps on unverified rumor of trouble with Germany. Page 19. All stocks weak on selling, due to complex international situation. Page 19.

# lideas differ on proposed harbor line exten-sion. Page 18. Pacific Mail to create new freet of five steamers. Page 18. Portland and Vicinity.

Lumbermen ask Federal aid in previding car relief, . Page 1. Esther Gibson, 14, is instantly killed by auto truck. Page 1. Big Summer military camp near Pertland proposed. Page 18. New attack is made on life insurance stock sale. Page 9.

Ladies at Grand Army party wear gowns of duc Cadet Corps were destroyed by fire 1860. Page 8. Army man declares war within 10 years seems inevitable. Page 8.

Hop Sing tong displeased, but accepts truce. Page 8.

# IN SEATTLE CROWD

Threat Is Made to Kill All Germans in Sight.

# MONTENEGRIN RUNS AMUCK

of Infection Grave.

## "WAR COLLEGE" IS SCENE

While Death to Teutons Is Battle Cry, Victims Are All Neutral or Pro-Ally - Assailant, Overpowered, Refuses to Talk.

SEATTLE, Wash, Feb. 24.—(Special.) -With a threat to kill every German in sight, George Yakich, 22 years old, Montenegrin, ran amuck in a crowd t Second avenue and Union street hortly before I o'clock today and tabbed six persons one of whom is eriously wounded.

The maniac was overpowered by Pacolman G. B. Bilodeau and taken to olice headquarters. The victims are: R. M. Domer, 20 years old, who lives it the Hazelton Court, stabbed in the through the mouth and almost severed the common carotid artery. Domer's

condition is critical. Frank Wattle, 1814 Terry street, Mr. Stanford was 67 years old and stabbed in the back of neck; not se-Watter Taber, 23 years old, 2411

North Thirty-ninth street, stabbed be-Louis Ceberg, 24 years old, 1924 Six-He was born near Rome, N. Y., and tieth avenue South, stabbed in the back. J. M. Peterson, of the Standard Hotel,

### stabbed in the back of the neck Infection is Fenred.

Carl Erickson, manager of the Spear freek Mining Company of Dawson, who visiting Peterson and stopping at the Standard Hotel, slashed in the back of the neck. The blade was dirty and physicians say the wounds of the vic time may become infected.

At the City Jail Yakich refused to The "war college" was in usual diser Company, which shows that the cussion when Yakich suddenly turned

> "I'm going to kill every Ceberg, the first victim, was reading

### the war bullstins when Yakich drove the knife blade into his back. Doctor Saves Man's Life.

Yakich turned to Domer and Jabbed LONDON, Feb. 24.-A dispatch to the knife blade into his head. Domer

in his head. The maniac tried to stab E. Edwards. been laboring under a severe depres- INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS Domer's brother-in-law, who ducked and escaped. Yakich next drove the knife into Erickson's neck and repeat-

ed on J. M. Peterson. Darting about the crowd to escape interference, Yakich attacked Wattle and stabbed him in the neck. The last rictim was Taber. Traffic Policeman Bilodeau ran to the crowd and seized Yakich, who made a swing at him with

The policeman grappled, finally tearing the weapon from his hands and bandcuffing him.

# FALL FROM BED KILLS GIRL

Mother Finds Baby Dead When She Investigates Long Sleep.

DRYAD, Wash., Feb. 24.- (Special.) -Mrs. James Howard, of Doty, found her little daughter dead yesterday morning from injuries sustained the night before when the child fell from her bed. Since the baby had not com-

# on investigation, found her dead.

BOY DIES AFTER BOXING Friendly Opponent in School Sparring Match Prostrate.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 24.-During a friendly sparring bout between William Hildebrandt and August Naisel. both 14 years of age, at the Thirteenth District School here, HPdebrandt was struck on the jaw. He died a few min-

utes later. The Naisel boys grief was so great that he was p of d in the care of a physician

## UNIVERSITY ARMORY BURNS Field Guns and Rifles of Purdue

Cadets Destroyed. LAFAYETTE, Ind., Feb. 24.-The three-inch field guns of Battery B of Purdue University, 1200 Krag rifles and 7000 rounds of ammunition of the Pur-

# WHO'S RUNNING THIS CIRCUS?

