## WESTERN MEMBERS **ASK EXTRA SESSION**

Republicans Would Not Concede Unlimited Power to Wilson in Recess.

### M'ARTHUR IS RESERVED

Hawley Would Call Congress to Convene and Remain in Capital Until Crisis Passes-Others Hold Similar Views.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash ington, Feb. 26 .- Northwestern Senators and Representatives were not disposed to comment freely on President Wilson's address to Congress today. comments, however, disclose general unwillingness on the part of Republicans to give the President unrestricted power, and there also was Ilmost uniform belief among Republicans that Congress should be called in special session and held here until the crisis passes. Among the authorized statements were the following:

Representative McArthur-While it is my uniform policy to support the President in matters pertaining to our foreign policy, I do not care to make any statement as to his request of today until I have had an opportunity to study the resolution prepared by the foreign affairs committee.

foreign affairs committee.

Representative Hawley—I believe Congress should immediately be convened after March 4 and continue in session until any danger of our being involved in the European war has passed, in order that the constitutional authorities may be in position to take such proper and patriotic action as may be necessary for the protestion of our he necessary for the protection of our rights and honor,

Fights and honor.

Senator Jones of Washington—The President's speech was a beautifully worded appeal to Congress to give him unlimited authority to do whatever he pleases. It was a thinly velled intimation that he does not have confidence in the next Congress.

Benrosentative Johnson—The guest-

Representative Johnson—The ques-tion must be divided. I am with the President for protection of American lives and property except contraband of war on the high seas, in Mexico and elsewhere. The power to declare war lies with Congress, and I am opposed to giving that power to the President.

to giving that power to the President. Ifow I shall vote depends upon how the resolution which will come from the foreign affairs committee is worded. Representative Humphrey—I am in favor of giving the President authority to arm ships for defense, but I am not in favor of conferring unlimited authority upon him. The declaration of war is a responsibility that rests upon Congress, and Congress should neither shirk nor delegate that power to the President. Congress should remain in session until the crisis is passed.

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### TOURIST INFLUX FORESEEN

make any comment until he knows what legislation is proposed to carry out the President's recommendation.

Phil K. Gordon, of Sunset Line, Expects Big Amount of Travel.

Phil K. Gordon, general agent for the Sunset line of the Southern Pacific Company, was here yesterday with the prediction that the coming Spring and Summer will see a heavy flow of the Champagne. the prediction that the coming Spring South of Cernay, in the Champagne, and Summer will see a heavy flow of the French made an attack without

Gordon said that the National Education convention would attract thousands of persons to Portland. He also said that the Southern Pa-cific had contracted for eight new ships to be used between New Orleans and New York, Galveston and New York and Galveston and Tampico.

## H. D. OLSEN IS APPOINTED

Oregon City Agent Succeeds R. D. Jennings in Portland.

H. D. Olsen, agent for the Southern

Mr. Jennings, who has worked out of the Portland office for several years, left for Spokane last night, accompanied by John M. Scott, general passenger agent. The Southern Pacific will formally open for business in Spokane on Thursday. This is the first invasion of the Spokane territory by that road. R. J. Neill, now in the Tacoma office, will become city freight and passenger agent in Spokane.

## REQUEST WILL BE GRANTED

(Continued From First Page.) ple to realize the tremendous gravity of the declaration of the President to observe "armed neutrality." The rupture of diplomatic relations was an act short of war.

Yet Intended

tends along a front of about 11 miles, according to the official report from British headquarters in France tonight. The text rends:

"The movements referred to in the communication Saturday and Sunday are meintained during the day on

to send convoys with American ships to sink any German submarines which show a purpose to attack either war-ships or merchantmen, to prevent il-legal operations by German raiders and to protect American citizens and Amer-ican ports from attack

lean ports from attack. It may become necessary to supply American merchantmen with guns and gunners for defensive purposes against German submarines.

Germany has declared that arma-ment of American merchant ships will be regarded as an act of war. Gage of Battle Accepted.

The President has accepted the German gage of battle.

Here is what the President told Congress today the United States is facing: Recourse to armed neutrality.
Here is what the President asked
Congress to authorize:

legitimate and peaceful pursuits upon the seas. 3. A sufficient credit, first, to enable him to provide adequate means of protection where they are lacking, and, second, to enable him to provide adequate insurance against the present

war risks.

Then Congress began to discuss the President's address and what he desired. The militarists criticised the Chief Executive for not seeking a declaration of war. The pacifists criticised him for going too far.

Committees in Session.

In the meantime the House foreign affairs committee and the Senate foreign relations committee were called into session. They met behind closed

into session. They met behind closed doors at 6 o'clock.

The House committee after considerable discussion decided to recommend favorably a bill which was introduced during the night session by Representative Flood, of Virginia, chairman of the committee. The House committee will hold another meeting tomorrow to consider the amendment of and changes in the phraseology of the measure.

The Senate committee was unable to reach an agreement. It decided to sleep over the President's message and will meet again in the morning, when it will draft a measure that can pass

Provisions of House Bill. The House bill provides: First-Authority for the President to

it will draft a measure that can pass the upper house.

Turks in Retreat Westward, Pursued by Cavalry.

Possession Regained of Strategic Point on Road to Bagdad Surrendered in April, 1916, by General Townshend.

LONDON, Feb. 26 .- Kut-el-Amara has been captured from the Turks by the British forces, according to a statement made in the House of Commons today by Andrew Bonar Law, member of the British War Council. The Turks are in retreat toward Baghallah, 24 miles to the west of Kut-el-Amara, pursued by British cavalry. British cavalry.

Mr. Bonar Law announced that as a

Bagdad, was surrendered to the Turks April 28, 1916, after General Townshend with a British force of some 9000 troops had withstood a siege since the pre-vious December

vious December.
On April 28, 1916, Major-General

MAP SHOWING KUT-EL-AMARA, CAPTURED BY BRITISH.



Turkish Lines Extended North of River (1-1), British Lines Extended South of River (2-2). By Means of a Boat-Bridge (2-3) the British Sent Their Troops Across, Cutting Off Turks From Kut-el-Amara, Which Consequently Fell.

supply American ships with "defensive arms," ammunition and means of making use of them in defense against unlawful attack.

Second—Authority to employ "such other instrumentalities and methods," as may in his judgment and discretion seem necessary and adequate to protect such whips and American citizens.

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such ships and American citizens.
Third—Appropriation of \$100,000,000 to be obtained through the sale of bonds

bearing 3 per cent interest and to be used for the purposes stated, and to in-sure American ships traveling through the war zone. So far as the armament of merchant ships is concerned, there is general ac-quiescence in the President's view that

yesterday by the French, it is ansounced officially. Following is the account of operations on the Franco-Belgian front:

and Summer will see a heavy now of tourists through the Northwest.

"Every place along our line from New Orleans west is full of tourists," he explained. "Thousands of them will travel through Portland and the Northwest western cities on their homeward tourney."

the French made an attack without success. Between the Moselle German reconnoitering detachments carried out successful enterprises.

"In numerous serial engagements yesterday our adversaries lost eight at the following streams." airplanes.'

PARIS, Feb. 26 .- 'Late yesterday French detachments broke into the German lines near Ville-sur-Tourbe, 25 miles west of Verdun, destroyed a number of shelters and brought back prisoners and materials," says today's official announcement. "Two surprise attacks by the enemy, one on one of our trenches north of Beaulne, north-east of Solssons, the other on one of our posts, northwest of Avocourt, were broken up. We took prisoners, includ-ing one officer."

The War Office statement tonight H. D. Olsen, agent for the Southern
Pacific at Oregon City, has been appointed traveling freight agent for the same road in Portland to succeed R. D.
Jenfings, who will become commercial agent for the new Southern Pacific office in Spokane.

The war Office statement tonight says:

"Our artillery carried out effective fires on the German organizations in Belgium in the region of the dunes and east of Malancourt wood. We delivered a surprise attack against an enemy effect in Spokane.

## British.

LONDON, Feb. 26,-The British advance along the Ancre River has at-tained a depth of two miles and ex-tends along a front of about 11 miles, according to the official report from

The declaration of "armed neutrality" is an announcement of a purpose to prevent by armed force the commission of illegal acts against American rights by German submarines or other instrumentalities.

It does not mean that the Decimal communication Saturday and Sunday were maintained during the day on both banks of the Ancre Our advance extends over a front of about 11 miles, from east of Gueudecourt to south of Gommecourt and has attained a depth of two miles.

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It does not mean that the President intends to use the American faval and land forces offensively.

It does mean that he will use them defensively should it be necessary.

It may become necesary—and the Navy is prepared for the contingency—

"A hostile attack made early this "A hostile attack made early this morning on one of our posts south of the Somme was driven off with loss."

CONSTANTINOPLE, via London, Feb. 26.—The War Office today announced withdrawal of the forces at Kut-el-Amara. The announcement follows:
"According to a prearranged plan, and in order to effect a junction with reinforcements which have arrived, our troops, which have held for a year advanced positions at Kut-el-Amara, as well as positions to the east and west of the town, have been withdrawn to the rear in an easterly direction. The movement was entirely unnoticed by the enemy."

## Germans on Eastern Front.

Congress to authorize:

1. Permission to arm American merchant ships.

2. Permission to use any instrumentalities or methods that might be necessary and adequate to protect American ships and American citizens in their acks were without success.

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cial news agency at Constantinople, the losses of the British in the recent fight-ing along the Tigris exceeded 30,000 men. Several steamships crowded with wounded British soldiers have been sent away, the news agency says.

GERMANS AND IRISH MEET

Congratulatory Messages Sent by Von Ludendorff and Zimmermann.

LONDON, Feb. 26 .- A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Amsterdam quotes a Berlin message as saying:

"The German-Irish League formed here recently has held its first meet-ing. General von Ludendorff, first quartermaster-general, and Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, Secretary of Foreign Aftairs, sent congratulatory messages. The league aims at the promotion of relations between Germany and Ireland and it will support all enterprises in this direction."

The Berlin dispatch adds, says the correspondent, that the formation of this league at this moment will be position on the Tigris River leading to valuable encouragement for an American-Irishman's league and it will prove to Irishmen in Ireland that they are not forgotten in Germany in these

### Juvenile Band to Be Engaged.

On April 28, 1916, Major-General Charles Townshend, commander of the British forces besleged at Kut-el-Amara since December, 1915, surrendered, All guns and munitions were destroyed by the British forces before surrendering. The army included 2700 British and some 6000 Indian troops. BERLIN, Feb. 26.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—According to the offi-

German Destroyers Bombard Broadstairs and Margate.

WOMAN AND CHILD KILLED

Two Houses Wrecked and Ten Others Damaged-British Destroyer Engages Enemy but Escape Is Made in Darkness.

LONDON, Feb. 26 .- German destroyers bombarded Broadstairs and Margate early this morning. One woman and one child were killed and two and one child were killed and two persons were injured. Two houses were damaged. This announcement was made in the House of Commons today by Sir Edward Carson, First Lord of

fire was continued for about ten min-utes. The material damage caused was slight. One occupied and one unoccu-pied house were wrecked and about

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The German vessels were lost sight to f. Carson said, but in the darkness another force of German destroyers bombarded the undefended forts of Broadstairs is also all English watering place on the east coast of the Isle of Thanet. It is two miles north-ceast of Ramsgate and has a population of about 600.

the Admiralty.

The following official account of the raid was issued by Field Marshal Viscount French, commander-in-chief of the home forces:

"Some enemy torpedo-boat destroy-ers approached the Kentish Coast at 11:15 o'clock last night and fired a number of shells at the unfortified towns of Broadstairs and Margate. The fire was continued for about ten minutes. The material description of the British vessels.

Sir Edward Carson said that one of four British torpedo-boat destroyers on patrol duty in the English Channel last night encountered several German destroyers and a short engagement ensued. The British destroyer was not damaged, though she was under heavy gun and torpedo fire.

The German vessels were lost sight of, Carson said, but in the darkness another the darkness another the approach of the British vessels.

Margate is one of the most popular watering places of England. It is situated on the Isle of Thanet, in the North Sea, a few miles from the North Foreland and 80 miles southeast of London. It has a population of about 24,600.

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pied house were wrecked and about British light forces in the vicinity The minhig industry in the Bluefields 10 houses were damaged.

"It is regretted, however, that one which remained only a short time, he developed.

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