PRESIDENT SILENT ON AIMS OF JAPAN

Withholding of Assent to Military Occupation of Russian Manchuria Discussed.

NECESSITY TO ACT UNSEEN

Enterprise Does Not Come Within Scope of Declaration of Principles of American Government Upon Entrance Into Present War.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 26-(Special.)—Was news from Europe has overshadowed for the moment the question, "What will the United States do regarding the propased military occupation of Russian ria and Eastern Siberia by

The fact that the President is with helding his assent, supposedly awaited by Japan under the recent Lansing agreement, does not necessarily mean that he will oppose it, but rather that this plan of action by our Asiatic ally does not come within the scope of his declaration of the aims of the United States in its entrance into the

world war.

No necessity, in the opinion of the President and his advisers, exists which would warrant committing this Nation to become a party to this en-

Formal approval by this Nation might, and probably would, he construed by other powers as equivalent to an authorization to Japan to act on the Asiatic continent in our behalf, and to the consequent assumption of full responsibility for the carrying out of the Mikado's policies to whatever of the Mikado's policies to whatever

Responsibility Would Continue. President Wilson is said to consider that should the American Government accept responsibility for the entry of accept responsibility for the entry of Japanese troops into Russian Manchuria and Siberia it also takes upon uself the responsibility for bringing shout their withdrawal when the reasons for their presence, namely, the langer of Teuton aggression, has

remed to exist.

This, it must be admitted, is a heavy burden to shoulder. The experience of the post has shown repeatedly that it is nearly impossible to set a limit it is nearly impossible to set a limit upon military occupation, and that the latter, by force of circumstances beyond the control of the occupying power, is apt to develop into more or less of a permanenter.

Issue to Be Faced Squarely. That the occupation of Russia's pos-

the present time is not merely un ad vantage, but even an urgent necessity, it is difficult to deny. We must face the issue squarely. Are Manchuris and Sheria to be abandoned entirely and completely to the Germans, who and completely to the Germana, who would take advantage thereof to obtain political, and, above all, economic centrol of China, with all her rich markets? German control and possession, as we know by the experience of the past, would mean the exclusion of all foreign nations excepting these bound to the Kaiser by ties of political and economic alliance.

Moreover, Teutanto passession and domination would exercise a barbarous degrading and demoralizing influence on Eastern Asia, diametrically
upposed to all those principles of libcrty, demucracy, justice and right in
behalf of which the powers of the entente have spent their blood and their
treasure in such profusion.

Advantages to Be Gained. the the other hand, no matter how long it lasted, would mean the open door and equal, rights there for everybody and everything American.

Moreover, the cause of western civi-

mation, of enlightenment, progress, ustice and liberty is far more likely o he served by the presence of Japan Russian Asia than by that of the

U. S. Troops Accept Medals.

WASHINGTON, March 26 .- Upon the recommendation of the War Department Chairman Chamberlain, of the Benate military committee, today introduced a resolution to permit American military and naval forces to accept decorations from the allied govern-

The recommendation was made at added. The recommendation was made at the request of General Pershing, who suggested that the United States in turn might bestow honors on British and French soldiers. Such action, he thought, would do much to promote good feeling and closer relations with our allies.

"Bohemian Girl," "Martha" and "Il Trovatore" Make Up Repertoire. litter struggle

The Boston English Opera Company, which has been playing a successful season of opera in English, comes to

Girls to Display Bonnets.

the classes at the school have learned and girls in all the rudiments and the finest points of the art of millitery classes will be foresoon for the rate now ready for inspection. The night school millimery classes will hold by the local police, at the cells in outline as exhibition on April 11.

Pavement to Be Repaired.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power Company peakers and Kensieste and Easter bonnets, bars, amart head-wear of the latest model will be on

Pavement to Be Repaired.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power Company yesterday filed with City Commissioner Barbur an agreement to start work at once on repairing the tracks and the pavement between the tracks and the pavement between the tracks on Second street from Madison to Flanders streets. This improvement has been sought by the city for some time past because of the gundance of the conference at noon on Saturday.

The chief stamping ground of the land Ad Club, assigned to the formulation of plans for the raising of \$100,000 to the third liberty loan, will make its agent, is in West Madison street, just west of the river. Other rendervous provement has been sought by the city are the city's Teutonic settlements for some time past because of the sunies condition of the rails and the consequent trouble experienced by traffic over and along the car tracks.

BRITISH PREPARING FOR GREAT COUNTER ATTACKS TO OFFSET GERMAN DRIVE.



Detachment of Tommies and a Tank Making Their Way to a Position Schind the Lines. Where They Will Be Able to Strike Effectively When the Proper Time Com

Moreover, Teutonic possession and Berlin Announces Capture of More Than 100 Tanks.

Tentons Tell of British Troops Attacking Near Town of Albert and Assertion Is Made That Repulse Was Inflicted.

BERLIN, March 26, via London-ALLIES MAY SWAP HONORS The night report from general headquarters announces the capture Chamberlain Resolution Would Let Libons, Roye and Noyen, and declares that the German forces have crossed the old Somme buttle line at many

> BERLIN, via London, March 26 .- The number of guns captured by the Ger-mans in the battle now in progress has increased to 263, army headquarters an-nounced today. More than 100 tanks were lying in captured positions, it is clent evidence of guilt to warrant send-ing the case to the jury.

crossed the River Ancre. ENGLISH OPERA COMING Since the beginning of the battle, says the statement, 32 enemy airplanes and six captive balloons have been brought down.

brought down.

British troops just brought forward attacked the German lines violently from the direction of Albert. They were driven back, the report states, after a

German tanks, reinforced by captured German tanks, reinforced by captured
British tanks, says a semi-official
statement today on Sunday's fighting
in the West, 'took a leading part in
breaking the brave enemy resistance.'
Tanks attached to the German divisions fighting below St. Quentin stood
the test brilliantly, the statement says,
and their mobility was universally
presisted All the tanks which took part statement today on Sunday's fighting the Heilig Theater for three days, beginning tumorrow night. "The Hohemian Girl" will be given Thursday night and at the special matines Saturday. "Martha" on Friday night, and "Il Trovatore" on Saturday night. The cast of principals includes Joseph F. Sheehan. John W. Warren, Haisel Eden, Fforentine St. Claire, Etaine de Sellem, Altee May Carley, Francis J. Tyler, Arthur Deane and a half dozen others of like caliber. gun nests, was broken quickly. Troops manning a concrete redoubt near Urvil-lers are reported to have been over-

oups singing German songs and sching beer steins in celebration of he hun drive were arrested en mass

In other instances more secrety was observed and the special agents, operat ng on clews from loyal citizens, raided basements and attics and back rooms to get at the jubiles conferences.

Jubilees Held in Aftics.

BUTTE, Mont., March 26,-A letter which the authorities admit contain proof of a widespread seditious play was found on one of the prisoners a NUMEROUS TOWNS CLAIMED rested in the wholesale Industrial workers of the World raid here last night. Pederal officiate refuse to divulge the contents pending further ar-Important Letter Seized.

letter was taken from one of the en while he was trying to destroy on the way to the police station. It was considered so important that Fed-eral officials were at once notified. All of the 41 prisoners are being closely ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 16 .- Fred Gu

Schmidt, National organizer for the Butchers' and Meatcutters' Union, was held for the Federal authorities here today on a charge of pro-German acivities in fomenting labor difficulties PHILADELPHIA, March 26 .- A ver

dict of not guilty in the treason trial of Louis Werner and Dr. Martin Darkow, editors of the Philadelphia Tageblatt, a German language daily paper, was today ordered by Judge Dickinson in the United States Court

ing the case to the jury.

NEW YORK, March 26 .- Dr. Walter T. Scheele, the German-born chemist at whose laboratory in Hoboken. N. J., the Government alleges bombs were manufactured for the destruction of ships of the entente allies, was brought here today and placed before the Federal grand jury in Brooklyn. Scheele is under indictment by the Federal grand jury in Manhattan charged with others with placing bombs aboard ships, He fied more than two years ago and was recently arrested in Cuba. T. Scheele, the German-born chemist a

BATTALION TO BE ORGANIZED AT

Conference of Women's State Committer to Be Held in Portland to Formulate Campaign Plans.

There will be a woman's battalion in the third liberty loan campaign, and its organization will be undertaken on guard.

WAR RESUMED IN UKRAINE

to Defend Revolution-Stevens Asked to Help Reorganize Russian Railways.

LONDON, March 25.-Resumption of fighting in Ukraine between the Ger-mans and the Bolsheviki is reported in a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd. The Bolsheviki are said to have re aptured the city of Kherson, also Nikolalev, while the Germans have oc

MOSCOW, March 26.—(By the Asso-clated Fress.)—The Boisheviki organ Investia publishes an appeal signed by Leon Trotrky calling upon the people to co-operate in the organization of an army to defend the revolution and an-nouncing the coming publication of a decree for universal obligatory military

All former officers are to be called

mmissioners. The council of commissioners has issued a decree making the rallway com-missioner absolute dictator of railway transportation throughout the coun-try. He is authorized to employ the

come to Russia immediately to asist in the reorganization.

organization work

Jerman transport to Dantzig, Germany.

WASHINGTON, March 26. - During

Kherson, Nikolaiev Reported Wrested From Germans.

Trotzky Calls for Recruits for Army

cupied Krementschug.

to active service in the capacity of in-structors, under control of the national

military to enforce his orders.
The government has asked the United States to permit John F. Stevens, head of the American Railway Commission,

He said at the time that he xpected to return to continue the re-

STOCKHOLM, March 26 .- The correent of the Aftonbladet on the Aland Islands reports that the Ger-mans have landed considerable forces in Finland between Hango and Helsingfors, on the Gulf of Finland, and are now advancing toward Tammer-

Houtskar and Nagu Islands, off Abo,

the Senate debate today Senator Poin-dexier, Republican, of Washington, de-nounced the Government's attitude to-in charge of both ward Japanese intervention in Siberia. German and Austrian prisoners re-leased from Russian prison camps are gathering there, he said, armed with

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leather (not a split), sewed on corners, steel form handle, life catches. Very smart looking. Has the appearance of a bag of twice this price. Our Special Price \$7.50

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light and make your home

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Senator King, of Utah, interrupted to say he could give assurance that the allies' plans are receiving "most serious attention" by this Government and

DR. CARSTEIN BOUND OVER

Missionary Held Under Espionage Act Unable to Give Bonds.

HOQUIAM, Wash., March 26 .- (Speat.)-After a hearing in which sev ral witnesses were called by the Govinment and by the defendant, Dr. . E. Carstein, of Washington and Ore E. Carstein, of Washington and Ore-gon, was bound over to the Federal grand jury today by United States Commissioner McKay on charges of seditious utterances and violation of the espionage act in plotting to inter-fere with the draft. He was held un-der \$10,000 bond, but, falling to get it, was taken to Tacoma to be held in

Dr. Carstein acted as his own at torney and called as his witnesses four women, all of whom testified merely that they had not heard him make ditious statements. In Dr. Carstein's andling of his own case, it was necssary several times for the Commis-The principal witnesses for the Gov-ernment were not called. Dr. Carstein, it has been learned, was an attorney in Finland, his native country.

SKIPPER MARRIES HEIRESS

Senor Alguin Captures Chilean Houri and Fortune of 1 Million.

TACOMA, Wash, March 26.—(Special.)—Senor E. J. Alguin, skipper of the barge Pitrie, well known among Portland shipping men for his penchant for dainty pink calling cards and other things unskipperlike, did not return to his craft on its trip from its home port in Chile. His mates on the barge, which is now docked at the Tacoma smelter, tell a romantic story of his conquests since last he left Ta-

of his conquests since has he seed coma.

In Chile he met, wooed and won the daughter of the greatest financier in the land, a dusky maiden who owns more than \$1,000,000 in her own right. According to the men on board the Pirrie the lady in question is more beautiful than the morning star, the rising sun or any other of the customary comparatives for beautiful ladies. Senor Alquin has quit the sea forever and his pink calling cards will never more be distributed along Tacoma's water front. water front.

ENGINEERS IN BIG DEMAND

Mr. Stevens went to Japan last De- Uncle Sam Also Wants Linguists to Address Foreigners.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene March . 25.—(Special.)—There is an urgent and immediate need for 90 mechanical engineers, 50 civil engineers and ten instrument makers and repairers in the Army, according to a telegram received by Karl W. Onthank university adjutant, from the inter-collegiate branch of the War Service Exchange, asking that Gregon supply are reported taken by white guard as many as possible. Men in Class A. as many as possible. Men in Class A. as many as possible. Men in Class A. under the draft are preferred and when guard.

Passover services will be held at Temple Beth Israel tonight at 5:30 o'clock and tomorrow merning at 10 o'clock. Rabbi Jonah B. Wise will be War-Stamp Drive Nets \$1200.

BAKER, Or., March 26,-(Special)-

nachine guns, and "Japan is willing Although three committees are yet to will make all previous similar affairs machine guins, and "Japan is willing to do for Russia what we are willing in an inefficient way to do for France."

He praised the "generous hand" which Japan has displayed and her "disinterested part."

"From the American Government's dissent and refusal to assent in this undertaking, what can be expected to a sked. "And I say it is a mistaken policy," he concluded.

Although three committees are yet to preport, the war savings stamp sales grive here is said today to total more than \$1206. The record number of than \$1206. The record number of samps was made by Miss Emily Bernston, who sold \$480 worth of stamps. Baker school children to date have sold over \$7000 worth of stamps and 26 of them have earned memberships from a foreign policy such as that?" in the Rainbow Regiment by making sales of 250 or over.

Loyal Legion of Loggers Proposes to Wake Up Marshfield.

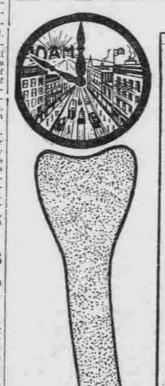
are going to give Marshfield a three-

They will take the initiative in every They way.

The speaker for the three-days will probably be Colonel Brice P. Disque. He it was who made the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen possible. He is the idol of the camps. To him MARSHFIELD, Or., March 26.—(Spe-for the celebration will be perfected

ial.)-The 2500 members of the Loyal in the next week. Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen are going to give Marshfield a three- Phone your want ads to The Orego day Fourth of July celebration which nian. Main 7878, A 6885.

various locals will meet and discuss the plans, entertainment, decoration, etc. All the work entailed by such a celebration will be done by the loggers.



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8 P.M.

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SATURDAY

Industrial Workers, Attention

 F^{OR} the convenience of Portland's industrial workers, beginning this Saturday, March 30, the Savings Department of the First National Bank will remain open until 8 o'clock in the evening.

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