chief point of argument being the advisability of raising the Ben Davis ap-

ple and the best method of pruning,

though cover crops, irrigation, fertiliza-

Governor Chamberlain welcomed the

"As chief executive of the common-

wealth of Oregon I extend to you a

promote the welfare and greatness of

this vast empire, and we welcome you to our state and city. Many once had

proved a mistaken one and we now know

that many portions are best adapted for

fruit culture. The time is not for dis-

Open the Columbia.

fortunes from your efforts.

the speaker said:

" Discussion on Varieties.

into the matter I will say the chief

reason plemen like the Ben Davis is be-

cause it has no juice in it to run over

the pan. It is a mistake and should no

unjustly holds."

make the change."

An Unchristian Apple.

first satisfied himself and his conscience

"I don't want to pose as a philan-

wants to put in either the Ben Davis

grape. For certain wine grapes this region is better fitted and adapted by

nature than even California, and I re-

cently tasted a very fine and delicious

"Eternal vigilance is the price of success against pests, and the entomol-

ogist can co-operate with the orchardist,

who often has neither the time nor the

money to experiment with insect and

wine made from Oregon grapes.

that he could grow nothing else.

the argument with this offer:

periment Station:"

their turn.

TOMORROW'S PROGRAMS

National Livestock and Wool Growers' Association (IN JOINT SESSION.)

9:30 a. m .- Music by the orchestra. 9:45 a. m.-Consideration of resolutions.

10:00 a. m.—Five minute addresses from members of the executive committee on livestock conditions in their states and territories.

Short addresses from representatives of the various markets-Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, National Stock Yards, St. Joseph, Sioux City, Fort Worth, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Pittsburg, St. Paul, Denver and

11:30 a. m .- Annual report of the secretary, Charles F. Martin.

AFTERNOON.

Music by the orchestra.

1:30 p. m .- Annual report of the executive committee,

1:45 p. m.-Consideration of resolutions.

2:15 p. m.—Address, "The Horse and the Horse Industry," Hon. C. E. Stubbs, Colorado. Discussion. 3:30 p. m .- Address, "Winter Feeding on the Range," Col. C. E. Wantland, Missouri. Discussion.

A reception will be tendered the visiting ladies at the Hotel Portland from 2 to 6 p. m. by the ladies of Portland.

Northwest Fruit Growers' Association

9:30 a. m .- Opening prayer, Rev. N. Mosessohn. Reports.

"The beneficial Side of the Pest Question," Rev F. Walden, Seattle, Wash. Discussion. "Apple Scab and Its Treatment," Prof. A. B. Cordley, entomologist, Oregon Agricultural college. Dis-

"Insect Pests," Prof. J. M. Aldrich, entomologist, University of Idaho. Discussion. "Control of the Codling Moth," Prof. C. W. Woodworth, entomologist, University of California, Discus-

1:30 p. m .- "Transportation."

Responses: Northern Pacific Railroad, S. G. Fulton,

Southern Pacific company, W. E. Coman. Oregon Railroad & Navigation company, R. B. Miller.

Great Northern railroad, William Harder.

CONSIDER RELIEF

(Continued from Page One.)

and which was first used in Southern Oregon, is shown in a box of apples packed by the Fruitgrowers' union at Hood River. Several samples of nuts are also on exhibition. This afternoon two important ad-

dresses were given, one being that by President E. L. Smith of the state board of horticulture, and the other by Col. Henry E. Dosch, President Smith said in part, his sub-

ject being "Adaptability in Fruit Grow-The day of the competitive railroad

is a thing of the past, still the grower is fortunate who has two or more lines over which he can ship. When the added element of boat competition enters into the field the grower profits proportionately. "One of the necessities is of course

good land, I would prefer a deep porous soil sheltered from keen winds and if possible on a northerly slope. Selection of trees is another important incidental to success.
"Trees, or varieties should be selected

for their quality in a given locality. The tree that gives the best fruit in color, form and flavor under the peculiar conditions the grower finds in his orchard is the one to choose

Too Many Apples.

formed to plant large areas to apples. formerly were accredited to California. An overproduction is bound to follow. Consumers have learned the difference for the demand, though increasing, is between our superior Oregon apples and not going to keep pace with the supply California apples, just as they will and the only salvation for the fruit learn eventually the difference between grower is to raise the best.

a model pruning method.

is the thing of greatest beauty, except of lover of nature who prizes a rare flower or fruit for the love of the beautiful and gives the tenderest care to his orchard because he loves it not for the money found in keeping the weeds down. Both of these men will make a success of their work but the latter will derive more pleasure."

The paper of H. E. Dosch next fol-lowed, which excited a lively discus-

Too Many Prunes.

prune, and the Fellenberg, commonly such proportions that the cry of there is a vast difference as to food to the difference in these prunes and quality; this difference is so pronounced as to the superior quality of the Orethat there should be no comparison, gon prune. but unfortunately this is not understood by the average consumer to whom usually a prune is a prune. Personally I do not think it is the fault of the producer or grower, for a finer, more toothsome fruit, either in the fresh

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M. Sullivan, employed in the street department of the city, who resides on Water street, at 1735, says: "Doan's Olintment is without any exception the best preparation on earth for the purposes for which its use is indicated and from my own experience I know that it does all that is claimed for it. For two years I was troubled with the worst kind of itching and bleeding hemorrand even sent East for a well-known medicine and was treated by physicians, but I got no relief until I learned about Doan's Olintment. I precured a box at the Laue-Davis Drug Co.'s store and the first application gave me relief such as I had not experienced for two years. I continued the treatment for two or three weeks, when I was completely cured, and since then I have been free from the tormenting affliction. Whenever I hear anyone complain of being annoyed with piles I never fail to tell them what to do to get cured. I would willingly give \$29 for a box rather than to suffer one night like I did before I used Doan's Olintment."

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state or evaporated, is not produced, R. B. Miller for the O. R. & N. and Gen-

scientist, and Dr. Sophie noted English food specialist, say that prunes afford the highest nerve and brain food, supply heat and waste, but are not muscle feeding; and again, analyals has shown that the Oregon prune possesses therapeutic properties not contained in the French or California prune. Dr. Lepper also tells us that people of a bilious temperament should avoid the sweet French prune, as it and development of plants and trees. Herein lies one of the mysteries of creation, the other hand the Fellenberg prune tion. Plants in their infancy need sedentary habit with torpid livers can speedily find relief and cure by eating a saucer of staward Constant care and watchfulsaucer of stewed Oregon prunes every day at breakfast, but the greatest medicinal properties contained in the Oregon prune is the prevention of scurvy. "Now as to the consumer. It is well known fact that the well-to-do

American is not a consumer of dried or evaporated fruits of any kind, because fresh fruits in and out of season are always at his command, so the producer must look to the masses of peo-

Price of Prunes Too High.

"In a journey through Canada and eastern states two months ago I noted the various fruit stands and displays at grocery stores, and the finest apples "We have had an apple mania since were Oregon apples, with sign on each in this respect is disastrous. Honesty 1900 and big corporations have been box. 'Choice Oregon Apples,' which formed to plant large areas to apples, formerly were accredited to California. ower is to raise the best. the evaporated Oregon prune and the "I would recommend low heading as sun-dried insipid California prune." "There are two classes of fruitmen, California product, while but few were one is the material for whom the dollar, Oregon prunes, but imagine my surprise course another dollar. The other is the Oregon prunes of size 40's, were marked two pounds for 25 cents.' A large box containing sizes 80 to 90 were marked three pounds for 25 cents,' while small Californians running sizes 100 to 140 state," were marked at the low figure of five Pres pounds for 25 cents; these were universal figures at Winnipeg, St. Paul, Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis and other cities, yes, even in this very city of Portland, the home of the prune, you can see 10-pound boxes marked \$1.00 or 10 cents per pound. Now do you won-Henry E. Dosch read a paper on "Too der why there is an apparent overpro-Many Prunes." He said, in part: duction of prunes? At the prices paid duction of prunes? At the prices paid The question naturally rises, why the producer, which is or was 2% to 3 is the prune market seemingly over-stocked, and who's fault is it? The these small prunes should retail 10 grower, the dealer or the consumer? pounds for 25 cents and the others And again no distinction is made be- preportionately less; then the consumer tween the French prune (Petite d'Agen), would feel he could afford the luxury known to the trade as the California of prunes, the demand would increase in and erroneously called Italian, but now many prunes' would be a thing of the known to the trade as the Oregon past. But above all things the con-While there is a similarity, sumer should be properly educated as

The Mikado and Prunes. "The best field for education and a Orient, for this prune, as I intimated above, has medicinal properties, which prevent and cure scurvy. There is perhaps no nation on earth among whom scurvy is more prevalent than Japan, owing to their mode of living on rice and fish. While at the exhibition at Osaka last summer I called the attention of the government officials to this fact and distributed a lot of prunes our exhibit among them. They seemed very much interested, notably their imperial majesties the emperor and empress, who have taken the matter under advisement-which should be followed up and induce them to make the Oregon prune a part of the army and navy ration.

judicious move, under the existing con-ditions, to establish distributing houses India

spoke of "Floriculture;" E. A. Bryan, a law on the size of boxes. Before the is only found by experiment. There is who discussed "Methods of Instruction legislature took up the question of but-in Agriculture," and J. B. Pilkington, ter weights we used to get a piece of study of orchard soils, for the best

nor a fruit which is more conducive to eral Agnet William Harder for the Great good health than this very Oregon Northern. This discussion will occupy the afternoon and will close the conven-

"Dr. Beutzer of Germany, the great clientist, and Dr. Sophie Lepper, the clientist opened with an address of welcome by the clientist of the control of the cont

The Mayor's Welcome.

Mayor Williams said in part: "I am here as mayor of Portland to extend to you a hearty welcome to this city. There is nothing in the productions of the earth more interesting or more deserving of attention than the growth and development of plants and trees. Plants in their infancy need vigorous growth. Plants, trees, flowers and fruits have their enemies. They come like the thief in the night and carry on their destructive work in secrecy and silence. To successfully fight these enemies and find the best means for their extinction is a problem not free from difficulty. This is one of the great questions for the consideration of fruitgrowers.

Preparing for Market. "To find a profitable market for what

they produce is an interesting question for fruitgrowers. Great care should be taken in preparing fruit for the mar-ket after it is gathered. Carelessness in this respect is disastrous. Honesty est farmer is no more honest than other people. There is much to encourage the

fruitgrower of Oregon. Demands for Most of the prunes displayed were the, Gregon fruit are increasing and broadening in all directions. Hood river strawberries have a national reputation. when I read the price; several boxes of The apples and peaches of Southern are not unknown to fame. Apples, plums, cherries, prunes and the smaller fruits may, with proper care, be produced in many parts of the

President J. R. Cardwell of the State Horticultural society responded. One of the papers of the morning that aroused much discussion, and that hit directly at the troubles and besetting sins of the local situation, as it affected fruitmen, was the paper by President Mason of the Hood River Fruitgrowers' association. Mr. Mason spoke of needed legislation. In part he said:

Pruit Legislation Meeded.

"We all know there are many good orticultural laws in Oregon-most of them on paper. We need executive laws and a sufficient appropriation to make them really worth while. We also need officers who are not afraid to perform their duty. "The state horticultural board is com-

prised of able and excellent men, but they have neither executive power nor financial backing, that are needed to make their work successful.

"We all know there is a law about compulsory spraying, but we also all know that it is a dead letter. The market for our Oregon prunes is the good and careful orchardst who sprays be protected from his lazy and careless brother across the road. We need law making it a serious crime to sell adulterated poisons for pure drugs. Last season I bought arsenic for spraying purposes that was sold me for 98 per cent pure arsenic. After using it and noting results I had it analyzed and it had but 50 per cent arsenic in it. The present law is a farce and we need one that will fine the druggist guilty of such practices and make him re-sponsible to the grower for the damage his poor chemicals do, a damage that may in a single orchard amount to thousands of dollars.

The Young Orchardist.

"The young orchardist often gets varities of an inferior sort when he ortime to knock at whomsoever is to ders and pays for the best. Rif-raf blame for the congested condition of the stuff is sold for choice varieties, and we are loaded up with stuff that would bankrupt any orchardist to keep alive. Careless, worthless and unscrupulous nurserymen are responsible and should be so held by the law. If they should knock down and rob a man on the highway they would commit a less serious crime, yet there is no legislation on this entire question. Out 1,260 trees I have in my orchard 566 are everything under the sun but what

Indifference on Front Street.

"The selling of San Jose scale apples is prohibited, yet if we walk along Front street and note the fruit on sale there we feel like exclaiming, any law so flagrantly violated is a disgrace.

"Competition is not the life of trade; greased paper for a two-pound roll of methods of packing, selection of plants butter. California export fruitmen, so use of waste products and the inocula-I am told, ship their goods in boxes tion of trees. There are a thousand that would be lost in one of ours and million mouths in the Orient waiting For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Bemember the name — Doan's — and take no substitute.

day will be the discussion of transporta- I am told, ship their goods in boxes tion of trees. There are a thousand million mouths in the Orient waiting that would be lost in one of ours and million mouths in the Orient waiting for our products and the man of science and the man of the orchard had best take no substitute.

legalized box. "We also need better roads, and I favor the state and county giving each 25 per cent of the roads cost when the residents interested and affected are willing to pay 50 per cent for a macadamized highway. Any one who had

inch to its length. We need a standard PREVAILING PROFITS ON THE JUICY PRUNE

cadamized highway. Any one was tried to get his fruit to market in decent shape over rough roads will symbol an interview with Henry Dosch in which he says that the Portland prune packers he says that the Portland prune packers only pay one cent a pound for prunes and the same fruit is sold by the re-The session of the Northwest Fruit- tailers for 10 cents a pound.

growers' association this afternoon was devoted to papers and discussions, the "It is a mistake," says W. H. Chapin of the W. B. Glafke company, prune packers, "that we only pay 1 cent a pound for prunes. The fact is that we paid this season on a 11/4 cents base. though cover crops, irrigation, fertiliza-tion and cultivation were touched on in their turn.

Governor Chamberlain welcomed the delegates for the state and said, in part:
"As chief executive of the common, the growers within 1/2 cent of what they sell the goods for to the Eastern trade, cordial welcome. Wherever you may come from you are one in desiring to pound cost the Eastern man 314 cents.

"The half cent that we get for prunes is not all profit by any means," he con-tinued. "As a matter of fact there is very little profit left when we come to the opinion that this region was alone fitted for grain, but that idea has been pay the expense of handling the stocks. Out of the half cent we get we have to pay for bringing the prunes from the trains and pay for sorting them into tant when you orchardists will realize the various sizes and grades.

"For boxing them we get an extra 1/4 cent for 50-pound boxes and 1/2 cent a pound for 25-pound boxes. It costs us "Whatever else we may be interested all of that to put them up. An addiin," said the governor, "we are all in- tional charge which the terested in the opening up of the Co-lumbia river to commerce. This is es-sential. Though the transportation com-linings and nailing. Other work conpanies have to a certain extent been nected with the packing of prunes costs liberal, still a too great per cent of them 21/2 cents a box, making the cost your profits have been absorbed by the to the Easterner 14 cents. The market transportation companies, and when the columbia is opened and boats and trains cents and instead of making a big profit compete for the carrying of your pro- on our investment we actually lose ducts you will be able to profitably mar- about 11/2 cents on every 25-pound box ket your fruits in the Orient that is that we sell.

holding out its hands for your commo-"In sack we don't get these extra dities. In this respect I congratulate charges, The freight to New York is you in securing a new line of steamers to the Orient which will afford ample tents costs us to ship to that city about carrying facilities for years to come."

"The Management of Orchard Soils"

"The Management of Orchard Soils"

Was then considered by Prof. J. B. Judcent a pound on the prunes that cost son of Idaho university, and after a him 3 cents here, or a little over 5 cents, brief discussion among the members it costs an additional 1/2 cent to get concerning the best cover crops and the the prunes to the retailer, and if he sort of a pruning method that would does get 10 cents a pound it does not allow of close cultivation and a sat-sisfactory tillage, the discussion of the isfactory tillage, the discussion of the day was started by A. Van Holderbeke, in a paper entitled, "Selection of Vari-

This talk about a large profit for the ties for the Fruitgrower." Incidentally jobber is all bosh. For instance, I forgot to say that out of the 1/2 cent we "The Ben Davis will always deceive get from the prune grower we have to the grower rather than the consumer and it will always be with us, because pay a brokerage in the East and also take chances on having some of our the farmer who grows it finds it is easily produced." cars rejected. If a prune packer should have a single car rejected during a season, it will take every bit of profit he has made during that time.
"The prices paid to the grower are just Hardly had Mr. Van Holderbeke re-

sumed his chair before one grower remarked that he and the Ben Davis had 1/2 cent a pound under those shown in always got along rather well. The the following table which are the prices speaker added that though in the words paid by the Eastern jobbers to Portland

	of President Smith of the state board	packers:
The state of the s	of horticulture: "It is hardly reputable for a fruitman to raise the Ben Davis," still the apple paid. The fact that the apple was the one most demanded by the people of small finances in the East and that it was almost entirely used by bakers and restaurants was added in its favor. Abuse of Ben Davis.	Sizes. 1% 2 2¼ 4 4½ 40 to 50 3 3¼ 3¾ 4½ 50 to 60 3 3¼ 2 ¾ 3¼ 3½ 60 to 70 2 ½ ½ 2 ½ 3½ 2 ½ 70 to 80 2 2 ½ 2 ½ 2 ½ 6
	President Smith answered:	CIPPLICUMO PROFI

"I don't want to discuss the Ben SIDELIGHTS FROM Davis, but since I have been brought THE CONVENTIONS onger be perpetrated on the public. It

it dishonest to sell such an excuse of an The Baker theatre is trimmed with apple; it is folly to raise it when there are good apples so easily grown. New Its beauty impresses the visitors, many York exporters stated this fall that farther forcing of the Ben Davis on the like. Many expressed their appreciation of the decorations.

gained the place in the market it so invitation to the delegates and ladies to steadily and stealthily for years in Man-

fruitmen growing the Ben Davis. He declared was a piece of the first capi- a few days at the utmost. "There is a demand for the apple and the seat of the state government was until we find some other variety that located at Oregon City. The other will grow as prolific and as well under piece, he said, was a section of root all conditions, some of us will stick to the Ben Davis. Where I live we can't the state, away back in the '40's.

grow anything else successfully. It is grow anything else successfully. It is C. F. Fulton, a cattleman at The the only apple that can be grown under Dalles, thinks that the government our peculiar conditions, and I think we should classify public lands and sell grow a very fair apple in our country, grazing lands to the highest bidder in even though it be a Ben Davis. Ninety tracts of 640 acres. This is owing to the per cent of the apples planted in the growth of the cattle business. Open Middle West of late years, I understand, range is impracticable, he thinks, and bouses of congress and among private are Ben Davis, and this is true because cattle men should be allowed to bid in there is a demand for this fruit that 640-acre tracts and fence them. there is a demand for this fruit that nothing else can fill. When you gentle-

It is the opinion of William Lindsay men give us an apple that will fill the of Glendive, Mont., a sheepman attendplace of the Ben Davis we will gladly ing the conventions here, that public lands should be so graded as to allow Other speakers stated that though they hated the Ben Davis, that though 160-acre homestead entries for grazing

grown when anything else could be raised profitably, still conditions deter- from Wyoming. mined the variety grown and believed a man might be a Christian and grow Ben

River Applegrowers' association closed will make a general coast tour, Among the striking personalities mak-

Col. James Jackson, chairman of the war with Russia the brave people of the team and take him out to my farm and convince him before he leaves, if it reception committee at the Commercial Island empire will have the good wishes akes a week, that there are two apples club, desires it to be known to all that that he should not plant and they are the Ben Davis and the Jersey Red." wives are welcome to the club's reception. In the invitations sent out to the The afternoon session closed with the livestock men, woolgrowers and fruit-reading of a paper on pruning by W. K. growers for tonight's reception, the wives of club members are especially Newell, commissioner of the state board of horticulture, and by Prof. L. F. Hen- desired to be present to assist in the derson of Idaho university on "The Food entertainment.

and Growth of the Tree."
Prof. James Withycombe, director of Among the delegates is one happy and jolly "big Injun" in the cattle industry the Oregon experiment station, said, in in Colorado, and he is G. W. Ballentine. part, when discussing "Co-operation Be- He says: tween the Horticulturist and the Ex-

"Everything is fine in my country. There is a large increase in business "The soil of Oregon is adapted for over last year. Next year we have the the apple, prune, pear, cherry, walnut and other nut crops. The sunny slopes ably be permanently located there. Denbest fitted for grape culture and the basaltic soil of Eastern and Southern Oregon is fitted for the peach and the grape. For certain wine grape, the solution of the state are ver is the city where the convention was first held, and it remained Denver's for two years. Denver is more centrally located than Portland or most any other ance to the convention than has ever been seen since its migratory run to different cities."

> A Rejected Recipe. Edith-Just think! Here's a new thought professor who teaches that one

can become beautiful by persistently thinking herself beautiful. "Competition is not the life of trade; fungous pests. The specific adaptation Irene—Oh, pshaw! We could point it is the life of dishonesty. We need of fruits for certain altitudes and soils out so many instances to the contrary

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GOVERNMENT WILL BE NEUTRAL But the United States May Have Some-

thing to Say When the War Is Over. Walter Wellman's Washington Dispatch in Chicago Record-Herald. Information received at the state de-

partment indicates that war between Russia and Japan is likely to break out at almost any moment. All hope of peace will not be abandoned till the first shot is fired, but, in the language of an offi-cial who is in position to know the facts.

are now in business for themselves, or "It will be almost a miracle if war is now averted." It is believed here that war will come without a formal declaration. The rival forces will simply come open all the year. Stude into collision. It is evidently the present ony time. Catalogue free. in this business, as well as in all others, is the best policy. When a man buys a box of apples fair on top and at bottom wormy, he is apt to think that the honest farmer is no more honest than other attend the reception to be tendered them churia. Unless Russia is prepared to back at the Commercial club this evening. down, this military advance by Japan will J. H. Forney, vice-president of the association for Idaho, residing at Moscow, ventured a word in defense of fruitmen growing the Ben Davis, He declared was a vice of the session opened yesterday afternoon a farmer drifted into the lobby of the theatre. He had with him two pieces of wood. One of these he at hand—perhaps a matter of hours or DIICINESS COLLEGE.

Although the attitude of the Washing-

ton government is to be one of strict neutrality, and Admiral Evans, in command of our warships in Asiatic waters has been given instructions to carefully avoid any appearance of favoritism, it is undeniably true that sympathy is very strongly with Japan. This feeling is unmistakable in all official and nonofficial circles. It is found in the administration in the executive departments, in both of opinion at the American capital could be taken not one man out of a thousand would be found favoring Russia. Senators and representatives with whom one to make homestead entry on 2,000 have talked tell me popular opinion to 3,000 acres of grazing land. He says among their people at home is running quite as strong. Not many years agothey knew it to be an abomination and purposes are impracticable.

a snare, and thought it should never be

C. W. Barney and Fred Caspar were in the United States. There were many three or four-Russia had many friends among yesterday's delegates to arrive who adhered to the "traditional friendship" between the two countries. M. Barrett of Montana, who is one myth that Russia helped the North at a of the biggest cattle owners in that critical moment during the Civil war has Davis apples, always provided that he state, is attending the livestock con-played a persistent part in effect upon vention. Mr. Barrett is accompanied public opinion. But that tradition has by the members of his family and af-President A. I. Mason of the Hood ter the close of the conventions they sia's treatment of the Jews, her tyranny in Poland and outrage of Finland, her threats to make trouble for the Swedes ing up the membership of the live- and the Norwegians by an encroachment stock convention is Col. J. B. Lynch of on the Scandinavian peninsular, and, thropist, but if any young apple man stock convention is Col. J. B. Lynch of on the Scandinavian peninsular, and, is thinking of planting an orchard and Pueblo, Col. He is general livestock above all, her trickery and mendacious agent of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa diplomacy, have disgusted millions of or the Jersey Red, if he will come to Fe railroad. He is widely known and Americans and led to a complete reversal of public sentiment. If Japan goes to

> This feeling is plainly reflected here What effect the trend of public opinion may in the future exert upon the attitude of our government no one can foresee There is very small probability that the United States will be drawn into the Far Eastern complication. President Roosevelt and his administration will pursue a policy of strict and correct neutrality, no matter what their private sentiments may be. It is, however, barely possible that at some stage of the struggle between Russia and Japan, assuming that war actually breaks out, the United States may join with Great Britain in de-manding that terms of settlement fair to Japan shall be imposed by Russia. It is the prevailing belief here that at first the Japanese arms will win many victories; but that in the end Russia will conquer. When the hour of settlement comes Great Britain and the United States are likely to have something to say. Speculation upon a distant contingency is not profitable, but it is interesting to know that the very moment public opinion in the United States sanctions an alliance between the United States and Great Britain for the purpose of preserving Japan and for saving China from complete absorption by the Muscovite such an al-

and sympathy of nine-tenths of the in-

habitants of the United States.

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capital since publication of today's frank statement of the Japanese attitude. It is commented on generally that Japan is fighting the battle of all civilization. She stands for the open door of commercial opportunity, for equal rights for all

nations in both Korea and Manchuria. Obviously the purpose of the Japanese government in giving out this statement was to let the world know that it was preparing to stand in the breach against the Russian advance toward the Pacific The response in sympathy and good wishes is cordial and almost unani at Washington, but unfortunately it is expressed only in private, while outwardly our government and our officials feel constrained to take up a position of correct neutrality.

DEMAND FOR SEATS AT PATTI'S CONCERT

The demand for seats to the Patti concert on next Thursday night at the Ar-mory continues unabated and the prospects are that the famous diva will be assured of a large and representative audience. The mail orders continue to come in from almost every point in the state and it is estimated that at least one third of the attendance will be from among the out-of-town element.

Patti sang at Minneapolis on Decemb 30 to \$10,000 and at every point she has been booked the receipts were tremens dous. There is no doubt but that Ports land will make a splendid showing come pared with other cities of this same size in which the talented vocalist appears. This is positively really-and-truly

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pan and for saving China from complete absorption by the Muscovite such an alliance will be made. The emergency may never arise, and if it does public opinion may not sanction interference by our government. At the same time it is well to bear these things in mind, for already they are not a little talked of in official and diplomatic circles here.

Sympathy with Japan is running stronger than ever at the Washington sissippi Ave. and Russell St.