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OUR VERY USEFUL ARMY
Our guardianship of the world seems to have begun rather earOur guardianship of the world seems to have begun rather ear-
lier than we had expected. President Wison has informed the
Senate that the 8,000 American troops in Siberia under command of Major General Graves must be kept there until American railAn agreement with Japan makes this imperative, says the President trails of Timbuctoo and the water buffalo paths of Siam, while would not be surprising if our globe-trotting army would be re
quired to see that the polar bears of the Aretie kept union hour quired to see that the polar bears of the Aretie kept union hour
The Ameriean army surely is going to see the world. Exchange. American army surely is going to see the world.-Excha
What would the above writer have our Government do? What would the above writer have our Government dof
John F. Stevens, once a well known resident and railroad build er of Oregon, and one of the builders of the Panama Canal, was see
ta Siberia before Russia had been betrayed into the hands of th Germans and then drifted onto the roeks of Bolshevism.
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Mr. Stevens was charged with putting the Siberian railroa
ander runing order, and keeping it so-under an agreement with then into running order, and keeping it so-under an ag
nations that were at grips with the beast of Berlin.

This was a military measure, calculated to help Russia.
It has turned out to be a humanitarian measure-a
guarantee a large part of the Russian people fróm starving.
Mr. Stevens is still-there, with his commission, and still charge of that great railroad system, which as
Mr. Stevens and the men under him are capable of doing great good in the reconstruction of Russia-in g
its feet under auspices of decency and order.
All the world now, even including Germany, ought to be inte ested in purging that greatest plague spot of earth, Russia.
The real soldiers of the United States have had no othe
icism of the Rosssian poliey of our country exceptng that it has not ieism of the Russian policy of our country exceptng that it has no
been made sufficiently definite and adequately strong, to accomplis its legitimate ends.

If he were givs is a ine Christian gentleman, and a great man forees and resources to assert this authority, it would we the bile thing that could happen to Russia, and the best thing for all the

For the world has beome one great family,
Plague spots ought not to be allowed to exist anywhere-even In darkest Russia,

Raising wages that increase prices and thus add to the high cos gets nowhere. The people of the United States begin to realize th top. The great need is to eng down the high costs of living, in order that the dollar of wages may be worth more than fifty cent
necessities of life, instead of less than fifty cents, as now

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The Texan who resigned his seat in the State Legislature beone of that boy whom we all knew who wouldn't play if he couldn't have his own way


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