## SE BACKS WILSON'S WAR CREDIT BILL; TO VOTE TOMORROW

#### from Page On

and of the main objects of which is prelise the sinews of war to the Allied are with which the United States is aligned in common cause against the al German Government.

#### FEW CHANGES

before the debate was concluded it with before the two if any of the amend-its be proposed by Republicans would in the All of the debate was free from

or rancor. mestions that changes should all suggestions that changes should made, particularly in those sections ding unlimited authority to the Pres-and Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. war now exists between the United war now exists between the United and Germany, the President must a free hand in prosecuting the strug-tors and more as the time for the and more as the time for the drew year that argument seemed to y the House.

#### GARDNER TALKS

entative Gardner. Massachusetts, in, pleaded that Congress stop

ring." asked that it give the President arry draft bill, bespoke permission ar neel Rooseveit or any one else able to do is lead a division in Europe, and urged Congress "rubber stamp" the Presi-ty cenands. Gardner said:

Don't try to fight a duel with swords thirty paces. If Roosevelt or any ied piper can whistle 25,000 fpes after him. for heaven's sake him the chance. He'll not make otch of it. He'll do the same sort of a job with this division that he did

There are fourteen Democrats, nine ans and one Progressive on Ways and Means Committee. Thank the Lord, every man-jack of them voted to give \$2,000,000,000 to the Allies. You can't beat that for a

For four years this has been a rubstamp Congress when there was it is the imparative need of it and yet we start to boggle over the ce that so far as these war meas are are concerned. I propose to be a stamp Congressman, and I be hat the large majority of the eve that the dicans in this House have exactly he same intention. I arrowal to my Republican colleagues in this House to in with me in voting for what the resident wants without a day's delay. We have been talking a lot about ris ing above partisanship: now let's quit what the President save he needs the e President says he needs, that shall vote to give him, not because want to shove off my responsibility on im, but because he knows what is going on and I don't.

TROOPS IN FRANCE

Mr. Speaker, as sure as you are an inch high the people want us to send any troops we can spare over to France right off quick. Even if we can only and a small brigade of regulars, the people want the Stars and Stripes waving over those trenches just as lekly as the colorbearer can get They want a first class sample of our manhood to go over and clap on the back and wish them well and tell them to hang on till we get there to help them

If you don't believe what I say. in Speaker, I wish you could have over in Baltimore last Sunday to bear the people howl when one of the akers advocated a ertp to the aches for Uncle Sam's boys. In New York an sudience of several thouad shook the roof of the Hippodrome they heard the same thing sug-

on both sides of the chambe when Kitchin walked to the well the House and presented the war credit

#### KITCHIN IN CHARGE

Kitchin to'd the House at the outset that ill was the greatest bond issue measure or presented to a legislative body in the ry of the world He said he was gratii that the epochal bill came from and Means Committee wi Committee with a is report. He added :

The terms of the bill are simple propose to isaue \$5,000,000,000 in nds and \$2,000,000,000 additional in mry certificates of indebtedness, the r maturing in one year from date

fire of questions by members who wanted the deta is of the Government's plans. "What bonds are we going to buy?" asked Representative Huddleston, of Alabama. "The bonds of what particular nation?" "I would not care to mention the nation

"I would not care to mention the nation ; particularly," said Mr. Kitchin. "I understand the Allice have grouped Are we going to buy the bonds of one nation or a group of nations?" persisted Huddle-

"I think we will take the bonds of a separate nation, not a group," replied

PROTECTION OF U. S. BONDS Representative McFadden, of Pennsyl ania, a banker, asked if the sale per cent bonds would not have a had effect upon the market value of outstanding per cent bonds. "The 2 per cent bonds have the circuating privilege, which makes them valu-

lating privilege, which makes them valu-able and will steady their market value." said Malority Leader Kitchin Mr. McFadden said there were outstand-ing about \$641,000 000 in 2 per cent bonds carried by the banks of the country. Representative Madden on Illinois Re-

Representative Madden an Illinois Re-publican, asked how the United States was to protect itself if the bonds of foreign overnments are selling far below par-"Uncle Joe" Cannon, in a vein of sar-casm, suggested the advisability not only of

cash, suggested the advisability hot only of protecting the Allies from future schemes of bankers, but of adding to the bill **a** clause making it an ex-post facto offense to have profited in financial transactions with the Allies hitherto.

MOORE FOR BILL

Representative Moore, of Pennsylvania, Republican, declared that he voted for the war resolution and that he now felt it his duty "loyally to support all reasonable measures asked for by the President to prosecute to a successful termination th war thus proclaimed " He continued:

The bill now under discussion contains no official information as which foreign nations the President purposes to favor nor is it certain that he may limit the assistance intended "for foreign Governments" to those mitions which are now actually at war with Germany.

If the bill passes with Section 2 unnamed, the Prezident will, possibly, have power to purchase the securities of nations at war, if, in his judgment, such assistance may contribute to the early termination of hostilities and to a victory satisfactory to the United States. It was my intention to intro-duce an amendment to Section 2 limiting the powers of the President in the "arrangement" to be made with foreign Covernments to straight-out financial lean transactions, free from possible entangling atlances of a political or economical character, but I have been advised that such an amendment would not be agreeable to the Administration. and am nermanded it could not be

I do not hesitate, however, to exress the hope that such "arrange-ments" as the President may make with foreign Governments at war with Germany may be an made that all American rights may be securely safeguarded; so that, when the war ceases, the United States, with due consideration and regard for all other nations, whether in the past they have been our friends or our foes, may stand for the free and independent, generous to all. but eringing to none.

Apparently the Administration is not impressed with the thought that any one of the foreign Covernments, whose bonds may be purchased by the United States, will not be amply able to repay. I may be privileged to say that the

matter of repayment of these foreign oans, frankly speaking, is not clearly defined. If we are to send both men and money to the belligerests, apart from our direct participation in the war, it seems to me that, for the pret-ent at least, there should be fixed a limit of time for these foreign loans to run. A thirty years' period would not, in my judgment, be unreasonable.

BRING GERMANY TO TERMS

Representative Focht of Pennsylvania, Republican, asked Kitchin if the monsy to be loaned to the Allies was to carry out the President's purpose of bringing Ger many to terms and ending the war

following statement: question may seem sensational." said Focht, "but I want to know this: Do

## **NEW JERSEY READY TO GIVE GENERAL GOETHALS TO NATION**

#### To the Editor of the Evening Ledger:

NEW JERSEY is ready to make any sacrifice in the interest of the national defense. If General Goethals is needed for more important work than the construction of highways. military and otherwise, in New Jersey, he will, of course, be released for such responsibilities. However, it is quite possible that General Goethals, with his remarkable ability and the confidence that the American people have in his skill, will be able to continue his services to New Jersey and to the nation as well. The construction of military highways along the coast and through agricultural districts must be classified among the important preparedness and defense obligations it is necessary to hasten and develop. WALTER E. EDGE. Governor of the State of New Jersey

bill will be reported before next Wednesday

ing Republican member of the committee, is leading the fight for conscription, while Representative Deat of Alabama, the

chairman, heads those opposed to the war

Advocates of the volunteer plan are said

outnumber the Administration sup-

porters by at least two to one, with the majority of the Republican members fol-lowing Kahn's leadership

If the committee refuses to heed th

Administration suggestion, it appears likely that Representative Kahn will offer the con-

scription bill as a substitute thereby bring

Representative Kahn, of California, rank-

GOVERNOR WALTER E. EDGE Trenton, April 13,

or Thursday

together with their staffs. They are work. | determinedly. Secretary Baker stated the Administration's view when he was before the House Military Affairs Committee in ing out plans that must prove of enormous service to the work of "submarine chasing" Conferences between these naval experts pport of the universal training bill. "We stand firmly and unalterably in sup have definitely mapped out America's part in combating the submarine menance ort of that bill, without modification of keeping the ocean lanes clear for expeits least detail." he sold. shipments of food and supplies to The Military Committee continued discussion of the Administration plan for raising an army of 500,000 through the draft method indications are that no

the Allies. Upon the American navy will fall the task of meeting the submarine on this side of the Atlantic. The British and French maxai vessels which for almost two years have silently patrolled the American coast are released for duty elsewhere.

The army's progress is apace with that of the sea branch of the service. Officials are confident that the official announcemen the War Department that m enlisting will be released. If they desire, at the end of the war will bring a great influx of recruits. It is believed that many young men have hung back, fearing to get "fied up" with a long enlistment. Now, however, the nation is put on

war basis, and the volunteer system is on trial for its life. If the recruiting is not greatly stimulated within the next few days onscription will come. Officials state this ing the fight squarely before Congress

AMERICA WILL TURN WAR SCALES. IS GREETING OF BRITAIN'S LEADERS

LONDON, April 13. The entry of the United States into the world conflict is called "the decisive, turning point of the war" by the Daily Telegraph today. The Telegraph as well as almost all the other London patters devoted much comment to the Anglo-American meetings yestenday to celebrate the outer-vention of America on the side of the Allies. Particular attention was given to the speech of Premier Lloyd George at the American Luncheon Club. The Times and Daily Mail dwell at

some length on the effect of America's presence at the peace conference table The Mail says: We may rejoice with Lloyd George that America will be present at the

### GOVERNOR PLANS MILITIA RESERVE TO REPLACE THE NATIONAL GUARD

HARRISBURG, April 13. Governor Brumbaugh is preparing for the organization of a great millia reserve force to take the place of the National Guard of Pennsylvania when that organi-

trial situation during the war I will say in a public proclamation on Sunday. zation shall have been taken into the Federal State already is guarding bridges, muni-Explaining a request made upon tion class; and other preservy most liable to attack throughout the State, and the

tant General Stewart yesterday that he frame legislation for the protection of the State during the period of the war with Germany, the Governor today gave out the

In asking the Adjutant General to

conference table which will seat the neace when the Allief armies have marched to victory. Behind the settlement will be America's guarante backed by her vast strength and bound-'ers resources, which are equaled only by those of the United Kingdom.

The Morning Past concares the Louisd states to a powerful, well-poised and confident athlets who calmly and strips himself for a hard race. who calmly and deliberately

the triumph of freedom sure and final," says the Daily News. "Not in one country only nor in one hemisphere only, but all over the whole earth the message of the President has recalled the belligerent nations to the high purpose in which we encaged in this

tion or bearing upon labor conditions in

What I have to say about our indus-

A part of the National Giard of the

Governor is looking forward to the not

distant future when these men will be called upon for more active duties. The

this Commonwealth

mands such action.

"The United States has come in to

Brown. These conventions have be nonths. after considerable trouble, and it is now to late to change any of the plans. Man the whole matter has been settled.

ELETON. Md., April 13 -Friday, the

crty and stores throughout the United of land grant or contracts theretofore es-trol and supervision of such officers as the United States." U. S. EXPERTS ON TRACE It is stipulated, however, that all em President may designate." If the President does not deem it advisa-

ployes shall be paid at the same rate they received prior to draft. The bill provides for the increase of the ble to take complete possession of any of the carriers, he is authorized to exercise his discretion in limited supervision of them. Interstate Commerce Commission from

strength this country is able to throw into the war. Treasury Department authorities

today compiled the following figures show-

ing the relative wealth and indebtedness

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can put my heart head and hands be

sure to call upon me. I am ready t respond at any time of day or night.

There are many others in the So-ciety of Friends, which has always strongly advocated the principles of

who do not go so far as many others

who decline to fight or take any part in

advocates for neace and deplore the ne-

Union Embezzler Pleads Guilty

Edwin S. Mason, formerly treasurer of

he Woolen and Carnet Yarn Workers'

Union, Local No. 825, nlcaded guilty to-

day before Judge Wessel in Quarter Ses

sions Court to an indictment charging him

peculations amounted to more than \$1200. He was sentenced to two years in the County Prison, but he may be paroled

Persius Warns Against U. S. Power

AMSTERDAM. April 13 .- Warning that

lermany should not underestimate the se

riousness of America's entrance into the

war was voiced by the Berlin Tageblatt's critic. Captain Persius, "We must not make the same mistake we made regarding

Great Britain's military forces." he added.

with embezziling funds of the union.

after three months' incarceration

cessity for war as much as they do.

It is not as we wish it was.

ice, who think as I do. Those of us

prosecution of war are as arden

We must deal with human nature as

countries at the time of

the different

Country

entering the great war:

any of the carriers seized under the bill "shall be assessed and determined by the interstate Commerce Commission due to gard being had to the terms of any acts commission as a whole

# FIRM OF WILSON & M'ADOO, BROKERS. TO BE WORLD'S BIGGEST MONEY-LENDER

#### WASHINGTON, April 13. | Adoo is on the soundest financial basis of

any institution in the world today. The wealth of the l'nited States Govern-When Congress passes the five-billion bond issue bill President Wilson and Secre ment, which stands responsible for the loans negotiated by the two men, is approx-imately \$250,000,000,000 The liabilities of the Government now tary McAdoo will become the greatest individual money lenders of all time. mount only to a little over \$1,000,000,000. As an indication of the great financial

Under the liberal authorization of the bill they are given unrestricted power to

lend \$3,000,000,000 to foreign Governments. J. P. Morgan & Co., through numerous private investment firms, floated a loan to the Allies of approximately a billion dollars loan to but the one contemplated by President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo is already three times that amount, and before the war is

over may reach an even greater figure The British Government alone surpasses this money-lending feat of two American citizens.

 
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 Austria
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The latest available statistics show that Great Britain has loaned the Allies since the outbreak of the war about \$4,000,-

Since the war staries the debts of all the foreign countries involved have in-Incidentally the firm of Wilson & Mc- creased enorm

WILMINGTON MAN, PROMINENT FRIEND, ABANDONS PEACE IDEA: NOW FOR WAR

WILMINGTON, Dot. April 13.

subjects for a more liberal form, and which for the desire of supremacy in the world will ruthleesly sacrifice mil-George B. Miller, head of the American Vulcanized Fiber Company, and a promilions of its subjects in attempting tent member of the Society of Friends, today sent to Mayor Price a letter secure its ends, and in so doing slaughter millions of its neighbors must that he assigns to the background his hatred have herole treatment, and the instru-ment to do the work must be direct of war and regards the action of President Wilson and the Government in entering the great European conflict "as" the supreme and powerful. sacrifice it has to offer for the sake of I am physically incanacitated for greater liberty for all nations." Other Friends feel the same as he does, Mr. Miller fighting on account of my lameness, but if there is any service to which you

The letter continues SANA. I am not satisfied with my position among my fellow officens at this time

of grave national cross. I want to be counted among those who have seen the vision of a world democracy prevailing and accomplished by the entrance. our great nation in the conflict with the Entente Allies, who are so gailantly fighting for liberty and the law and against that autocratic governmen whose slogan is that might makes right The great and hideous ulcer of an autocratic government which threat-ens and crushes all aspiration of its

#### COMMERCIAL MUSEUM WILL NOT BE DRILL HALL

Board of Trustees' Head Confers With Mayor and Believes Question Settled

Following a conference with Mayor Smith

this afternoon Wilson H. Brown, president of the board of trustees of the Commercial Museum, announced that he believes the Mayor will stand back of the determination of the board not to accede to the da-mand of the University of Pennsylvania for the use of the museum building as a drill tall for military units.

"We consider the matter ended," said Mr. "and are going shead with the plans for the many conventions that will neet in the building during the next few cured for Philadelphia, in some instances, efforts have been made to secure the build ing for drill work, but as other buildings could easily be secured by the university that would be just as suitable, there seems no reason for altering our plans. The Mayor is not discussing the demand, as he widentally believes with other trustees that

#### Six Couples Get Elkton Licenses

thirteenth, had no terrors for five Philadelphians and one Pottsville couple who procured certificates to marry here this more

OF HIDDEN WIRELESS

Secret Code Words Transmitted From Station on Delaware River

By a Staff Correspondent CHESTER, Pa., April 13 .--- Government wireless operators stationed on the Atlantic coast have been haffled by stray words in code flying through the air, according to Government agents who have been on the task but unable to apprehend the private

coerators. It is said stray code words from a priwireless have been sent warships somewhere on the Atlantic. Inability to translate the code to an Amerlean code has caused much concern United States operators.

Government wireless experts have been put on the job since the Eddystone disaster and have been successful in catching a few words in code. Light was thrown on the mystery yesterday, when it WAS learned that a private station is situated on the banks of the Delaware River, about two miles from this city. As to whether the wireless was north or south of Chester would not be divulged by agents, but it was said by one official that the station was on the Pennsylvania side of the Delaware River.

Recently it was learned that two men in this vicinity accidentally ran into the wireless station while taking an early Sunday morning walk. At first little attention was given the matter, but later happenings, revealing that a strange wireless code was In service, aroused the men's suspicion. The experts have reached the conclusion that the private wireless in question is the device search that caused their perplexity. The search for the instrument was instituted late last evening, and agents predicted arrests during the next few hours.

#### DR. JOHN K. MITCHELL LAID TO REST TODAY

Funeral Services Were Held in Church of St. Luke and the Epiph-

any This Afternoon

Funeral services for Dr. John Kearsley Mitchell, son of the late Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, who succumbed to heart disease last Tuesday morning, was held this after-noon at 4:30 o'clock, in the Church of St Luke and the Epiphany, Thirteenth below Spruce street

he service was conducted by the Rev. David M. Steele, rector of the church. Interment was private in Woodlands Ceme-

Doctor Mitchell was fifty-seven years old, and had held many important posi-tions in medical societies. At one time he was commuting neurologist at the Penn-sylvania institution for the Feeble-Minded and lecturer at the University of Penn sylvania.

He spent several years of study at Vienna. He was a member of the Association of American Physicians, the American Medical Association, the American Neuro-logical Association and the College of logical Association and the College was Physicians of Philadelphia. He also was a member of the Philadelphia Club, the Rittenhouse Club, the University Club, the Pegasus Club and the Franklin Inn Club.

Burned to Death When Lamp Explodes MAHANOY CITY, Pa., April 13 .--- An exsloding lamp set fire to the clothing of loseph Sabol at his home in New Philadelphia today, and he was burned to death in the presence of his wife and seven children. The home also caught fire, but was saved.



His

terms and conditions of the is, their maturity, denomination and metaods of payment, are bill to the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury and the President, except that it is specifically provide 1 that the bonds shall bear three and one-half per cent interest and shall

Three billions of the provision, Three billions of the proceeds of these bands are to be used by the President of the United States and the Secretary the Treasury in making a loan to breign governments who are at war with the imperial German Government. It is further stipulated that in addi-ton if the United States shall issue any on at a higher rate of interest than per cent hefore December 1, 1918. herein authorized may be writed into the bonds bearing the

Two billions of the proceeds of our bonds will be given to this Govern-ment to enable it to proceed with the prosecution of the war against Prosecution of the war against smany. The two billions additional the certificates of indebtedness are enable the Government to have oney for war emergencies. spresentative Fitzgerald, chairman of Appropriations Committee, interrupted all with a part of the second sec

itchin with a protest against the last sec-m of the bond issue. Half that sum, ingerald said, would be sufficient for all

FOR SMALL ISSUE

resentative Caldwell, a New York percent J. P. Morgan & Co. or any bond bankers from making a "clean-en the Government cbligations. former Senator Mason, of Illinois, now house member, advocated bonds of small He said:

Pat these bonds out in denominations 120 to \$50 and sell them through postoffices, as we did in the Span-American war, when the issue was mubscribed many times, and you imply public second time. are public co-operation. Ritchin was subjected to a rapid

Administration

sum of mone mine for a mil we are able to lend is actually to be converted into implements of war to bring Germany to terms, or are we just antici-pating the close of the war and preparing

o rehabilitate the Allies financially me of peace?" "I think the m ney undoubtedly will be used to aid in bringing Germany to terms." responded Mr. Kitchin. "I do not regard

it as a loan anticipating peace and to reabilitate the Allies." Representative Sabath, of Illinois, Demo-

crat, insisted that a provision should be made that the money loaned to the Allies should be spent in the United Stafes whenever possible

LIMIT TO POWER.

Representative Kitchin opposed this. 'Is there any reason." queried Repre-sentative Lenroot, of Wisconsin, one of the Republican leaders, "why the authority given to the Secretary of the Treasnry should not be restricted to the period of the war with Germany? As it is the bill would be permanent law long after peace

is made. The idea met with the approval of the Democrats as well as Republicans, but Mr. Kitchin insisted that the necessities of the situation would be best met by imposing unlimited confidence and discretion in the

Administration. Opposition to unlimited Executive control of the bond issue grew as the debate pro-gressed. Representative Hill, of Connecti-

cut, thought that a financial committee should be appointed to act with the Presi-dent and Secretary of the Treasury in ad-

ministering the issue. BALR AT CONSCRIPTION

There is no material let-down in the op-position to the Administration's selective draft plan, however. There is a tendency to favor a compromise proposal for testing out the volunteer system to an even further extent than the bill provides, and if this

fails then resort to the selective draft. President Wilson and Secretary Baker, however, will stand by their guns, and Chairman Chamberlain, of the Senate Miltary Committee, was hopeful today that this firmness would result in victory for the

expressly understood that this force should be used : First. Only in case all the Guard is

called into the national service, and Second. Only for the purposes dis-those of the Guard, as set forth in the

Constitution, and not Third. In any way to have any rela-

raising of a large volunteer force to keep down disorder at fome and to protect proprty against disorder by plotters is in the Governor's mind, and within the next day or two the Adjutant General will be busy with the necessary bills.

A similiar step was made necessary during the Spanish-American War, when companies were organized to take the place of the units mustered into the national service

The board urges that action be taken by

ing. They were Harry Zimmerman and Rose Goldstein, Victor J. Ray and Florence Bernard, Henry W. Zink and Anna Wray Franklin K. Fries and Katherine E. Kraft and Herbert Douglas and Clara Leech, al of Philadelphia; Harold M. Chummel and Naomi E. Warmkessell, of Pottsville, Pa.

#### **Espionage Bill Favorably Reported**

WASHINGTON, April 13.-The Senate committee on Judiciary voted a favorable report this afternoon on the Administra ion's espionage bill





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# ANKEE GENIUS SPELLS THE DOOM OF GERMANY'S U-BOAT WARFARE its steantship and sailing

WASHINGTON, April 13. Will checkmate the German face by new methods. Action The will checkmate the German menace by new methods. Action taken gives officials promise of developments in the near future, one slogan in all of the confer-thich now are admitted to have ince between leading naval officers intante Powers and officials of the lates has been "Yankee ingenuity." insee or ciginating in a recent con-in the British Admiralty, has ap-taken hold of the leading experts the british Admiralty, has ap-taken hold of the leading experts in the British Admiralty, has ap-taken hold of the leading experts the british Admiralty, has ap-taken hold of the leading experts of foodstuffs, coal and essentials military population will be remedied to an hour and a half Ambassador last evening talked with the board about the needs of the public of Europe. As a result distance steps were taken today intence steps were taken today intence aten to use that they within the limits of France

its steamship and sailing vessels on the "seven seas" to fight the German under-water craft. From now on every com-mander of a craft flying the Stars and Stripes will take steps to determine the truth or falsity of reports that submarines are at given points. For the last eleven days an average of two submarines a day have been sent to the bottom by Entente war craft. The average, officials say, should increase as the days go by. For the first time since the German cam-paign of unrestricted submarine warfare was inaugurated officials feel confident. The toil of the undersea boats has been larger than the European censorship cared to con-

ton of the undersea boats has been larger than the European censorship cared to con-firm. They have been active in many quar-ters where it would have been dangerous to admit that submarines prowled. But today officials are certain that the maximum of submarine efficiency has been reached

today officials are certain that the maximum of submarine efficiency has been reached. From now on the steps already planned will be carried out. In this connection it was again admitted that the Entente naval board now in this country is of great service to the United States. Included in this board are Vice

JERSEY, TO GUARD NATION IN FOOD CRISIS, WOULD CLOSE UP BREWERIES face a crisis in respect to the feeding of ourselves and our allies that de-TRENTON, April 13.

The New Jersey State Board of Agriculture is holding a special session today at the State House to consider the threatened

the constitutional authorities to end the manufacture of luxuries and the release of food shortage of the United States in the next twelve months. It was declared at laborers in factories for the production of food the meeting that the public had not yet production of food in New Jersey is urged realized the extent of the calamity conto see to it that the acreage of corn is fronting it, and this shortage will be due greatly increased.

largely to lack of farm labor. The follow ing statement was issued by the board this morning

We believe that as a war measure the national Congress could not take a more important step toward increas-ing the efficiency of labor and preventing the inefficient use of foodstuffs than to prohibit the use of cereals in the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquor during the period of war. We

ing of many food crops by labor shortage. it is stated, but there remains abundant time to prepare land for corn. It is pointed out that this crop can b

A limit has been placed upon the plant-

Every owner of land capable of the

without incurring much expense for seed and will stand considerable neglect in tillage. Every bushel of corn, it is de-clared, is equivalent to the addition of four bushels of potatoes to the supply of table food.

## BILL WOULD LET PRESIDENT SEIZE RAIL, PHONE AND TELEGRAPH LINES

WASHINGTON, April 13. of the Government who interfere with move The President would receive full author ent of trains.

ity to seize and operate all railroads and Under the bill the President could "draft into the military service of the United telegraph and telephone lines of the country for the period of the war, under the States and place under military control any terms of a bill introduced in the House teand all of the officers, agents and employes day by Representative Adamson, chairman of the railroad, telephone or telegraph comof the Committee on Interstate and Forpanies whose lines are so taken into pos

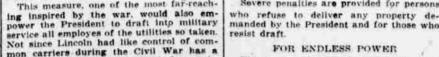
session. This measure, one of the most far-reach-Severe penalties are provided for persons

mon carriers during the Civil War has a President been vested with such far-reaching authority.

The bill has been approved by the Presi-The bill has been approved by the Presi-dent. The President recently sent for Rep-resentative Adamson, who is author of the railroad law which bears his name, and laid before him his ideas of a railroad conscription measure. Adamson then be-gan the draft of the bill introduced today after the President had approved it.

resist draft. FOR ENDLESS POWER The great authority which the bill would

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