

## Impressive Plea for United Action Against Foreign Aggression Causes Much Discussion.

## GRAFTING OFFICIALS SCORED

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) PEKING, July 31 .- rresident Yuan Shi-Kal uttered at a recent cabinet meeting an impressive plea for united action in China, which made a deep impression upon Chinese officials. Its publication in English today caused much discussion among foreigners. The Peking Gazette characterizes the address as "couched in the usual language of over-emphasis, ' but makes no attempt to discount the seriousness of the dishonesty and inefficiency of Chinese officials which the president denounced as a great menace to the republic at a time when outside pressure is threatening. "Our susserainty in southern Manchuria has gradually gone into the hands of forsigners," said the president. "The foreign aggressor has come to their doors. but our people are still dallying in the midst of a calamity. As I am advanced in age and have received the sacred and weighty trust from the Tsing dynasty. how can I let the country go to ruin when I am assuming the duties of chief executive of the republic? By all means, I must save the country. To avert the mpending disaster is the sacred duty which lies upon the shoulders of every one of us."

President Yuan Shi-Kai is less than 60 years old and in the best of health, conequently his allusion to his old age is largely figurative.

Heavenly Duty of Strong. "Sorrow comes into my heart whenever

I review our present situation," were the opening words of the president's appeal to the cabinet. "It seems to me that the general policy of the nations of the world is to conquer a weak country, to invade the country which has forfeited the confidence of the other nations, to force order upon the country which is in a state of chaos, and to take over by force the country which is on the verge of ruin. In other words, as many foreigners claim, it is the heavenly duty for the strong and civilised nation to annex and control a nation which is barbarous or aircraft. semi-civilized.

"Our country does not manifest any sign ninistrative affairs, the calamities of floods and drought throughout the prov-inces, the selfishness of some officials and the lack of public spirit among the A. Alseth, cashier. people, we cannot help realizing the fact posing on a bed of straw with a kindling fire beneath it. How many of us know the strength of our nation, the tendencies of our people and the general conditions of the world? What portion of our country has been free from the disturbance and molestation of the bandit and outlaws, and what percentage of the officials are enthusiastic and strictly carryout their duty?" Local Officials Corrupt.

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## German Aviation Station at Ghent

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 31.-(Via London.) -A telegram received here from Maarbode, says allied aviators last Saturday destroyed a large building at Ghent, Belgium, used by the Germans for housing

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awakened by the threatened calamity. Should they again quickly forget the indignity the country received the greater calamity of the country is bound to

President Yuan Shi Kat concluded his appeal with this warning:

'Now the situation of our country is comparable to a small boat on a wild sea. It is not the time for us to pursoe our pleasures and let things drift into the course of destruction. Above all do not forget the national disgrace of May 7. Take off your easy garment and cast away your habitual laziness and go ahead with all your effort to avert the fate of mpending disaster so as to protect the people and rave the country.



SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 31 .- The Alaskan Steamship company's freight steamer Edith, which was shandened by its crew off Cape Hinchinbrook, Alaska, yesterday and afterward picked up in the Gulf of Alaska by the passenger steamer Mariposs, which attempted to tow it to Cordova, was later cast off by the Mari-posa and was sinking rapidly when last Venuel and cargo were valued at 600T). \$250,000.

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