

# WILSON SEEKS BROAD POWERS

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Late Next Week.

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TO PROTECT AMERICAN INTERESTS IF NEED BE.

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German-American Situation to Be Discussed—Wilson Will Be Careful That His Views Are Communicated to All Belligerents.

(Special to the Whig.)

Washington, Feb. 21.—President Wilson has practically determined to address the present session of Congress on the German-American situation, probably late next week. Unless the situation takes a vastly more critical turn the President's appearance before a joint session will be merely to ask for broad powers to protect American rights after Congress adjourns.

Owing to the delicate situation which might arise through a misunderstanding of an appearance before Congress the President will see to it that the exact facts and purposes surrounding his appearance at the Capitol are communicated to all belligerents.