

# News at Home and Abroad

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## IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR SAYS RUSSIA SHALL HAVE PEACE: BUT GERMAN ARMY ADVANCES

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soldiers' delegates.

In many places Germans have announced police power and prisoners taken by the Bolshevik government are being released and promises given to transfer them to places where it will be impossible for them to be re-imprisoned by their old enemies.

The German Imperial Chancellor told the Reichstag yesterday that the Bolsheviks had accepted the entire peace terms offered by Germany and that peace should follow soon. In the meantime, however, ruthless war is being continued in the onward march of the imperial army.

Revo on the Finnish gulf has been captured, also Pskov on the railroad 160 miles southwest of Petrograd. In the south the invaders are pressing eastward, forming a junction with the Ukrainians near Kiev.

Since the renewal of hostilities the Germans have taken thousands of square miles of Russian territory.

Russian delegates are now on their way to the peace conference. The country is to be represented by Zinovieff, president of the Petrograd council of workmen and

### MEETING TO END ALL STRIKES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—The called meeting of labor and capital representatives held first session today for the purpose of reaching an agreement to prevent strikes and produce the maximum amount of products during the war period. Five men are here, representing each side, and they will choose two to represent the general public. Representatives of capital were named by the National Industrial Conference Board, and those for labor were named by the Federation of Labor.

Secretary of Labor Wilson outlined the purpose at the beginning of the session. They will meet daily for several weeks. The government will lay down a national labor policy for war duration period and seek legislation to enforce it.

### ROAD PROGRAM FOR 1918 TO GO THROUGH

SALEM, Feb. 25.—Sufficient funds to complete the 1918 road program in Oregon of the State Highway Commission were assured today when federal officers informed the commission that the government would sanction the sale of \$500,000 worth of road bonds.

Some time ago the government had requested that no bonds be offered for sale without approval of federal authorities during the war and all bond buyers ceased buying until such approval could be obtained for any bonds offered.

The action today clears up the matter and the Oregon highway program will be pursued for the year.

### PACKERS ON FOOD BODY

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—With the announced intention that Chicago packers had taken steps immediately after the United States entered the war to place several of their own men in the Food Administration Francis J. Heney, the celebrated prosecutor, today read volumes of letters before the court. The letters had been seized from the files of the packers.

Heney declared at least six men, who drew salaries from the packers, are holding important places in the Food Administration for the purpose of heading off any rulings that might be antagonistic to the interests of the big concerns.

### HOOVER DENIES WISHING TO FIX PRICES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—General price fixing of agricultural products is not a part of the Food Administration and will not be attempted, said Mr. Hoover in answer to requests from a delegation of farmers regarding the matter.

"There appears to be a great deal of misinformation in agricultural communities as to the policy of price fixing," said the food administrator. "We are not a price-fixing body except on products wholly dominated by overseas conditions which may cause loss to producer and hardship on the part of the consumer. Two commodities only are under regulation and they are sugar and wheat."

### JAPANESE TO ENTER SIBERIA

HARBIN, Feb. 25.—It is announced here that without questions the Japanese intend to take action in Siberia. For a long time Japan has contemplated this move and has been making ready for it.

### O'DELL IS THE CHAMPION

ST. PAUL, Feb. 25.—Newspaper critics gave Mike O'Dell the middleweight championship by a shade over Harry Greb of Pittsburgh at the end of a ten-round bout here tonight. Greb lead off but could not hold up.

### EASTERN OREGON TO GET CARS

SALEM, Feb. 25.—Public Service Commissioner H. H. Corey was today advised by Secretary McAdoo that R. F. Aishton, regular railroad director for the Northwest, will report the excess of cars on the Southern Pacific railroad and pass on the feasibility of having them transferred to the Union Pacific system to relieve the shortage of cars in Eastern Oregon where the pine lumber mills have had to close because of car shortage.

### AUSTRIA GREET'S RUSSIAN PEACE

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 25.—Count Czernin, minister of Austria, according to a Vienna dispatch, has sent a wireless message to Trotsky expressing a desire with the Central powers in concluding a peace with Russia.

### SEVERAL SAVED ON FLORIZEL

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Seventeen passengers and twenty-seven members of the crew of the Florizel, the Red Cross ship wrecked near Cape Race, have been recovered by a rescue ship.

### MORAN KNOCKED OUT

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 25.—Fred Fulton of Rochester, Minn., knocked out Moran in a 20-round battle here tonight.

### MANY KILLED BY EARTHQUAKE

AMOY, China, Feb. 25.—Nearly 10,000 people lost their lives in the earthquake in Amoy hinterland.

## RED CROSS CHAPTER MAKES GREAT SHOWING

That the La Grande Chapter, American Red Cross is doing its share in the relief work for the boys in uniform is shown in the detailed reports for the week just passed and also for the month ending February 20. The report shows an astounding lot of work done by the women of this vicinity. The output includes a total of 1290 operating leggings, 42 layettes and numerous other accessories needed by the soldiers. It is doubtful if this amount of work is exceeded by any other chapter in the State. The output for the last week shows:

- Box 87—Code 46, 24 layettes;
- Box 88—Code 127, 600 operating leggings;
- Box 89—Code 130B, 170 bed shirts;
- Box 90—Code 127, 600 operating leggings;
- Box 91—Code 131B, 88 pajamas;
- Box 92—Code 156B—125 sweaters;
- Box 93—Code 46, 18 layettes;
- Box 94—Code 14, 1375 gauze rolls, 3 yards;
- Box 95—Code 1, 8000 4x4 compresses;
- Box 96—Code 2A, 804 absorbent pads.

The output for the month ending February 20, was 26 cases and included:

- 1460 triangular bandages;
- 8000 gauze compresses, 4x4;
- 8000 gauze compresses, 9x9;
- 148 irrigation pads;
- 11,520 folded gauze strips;
- 289 suits pajamas;
- 250 bed shirts;
- 76 bed jackets;
- 397 comfort pillows;
- 320 sweaters;
- 365 pairs socks;
- 49 wristlets;
- 8 helmets;
- 22 mufflers;
- 207 petticoats;
- 4 boy's sweaters;
- 150 undershirts;
- 150 undershirts;
- 150 union suits;
- 32 layettes;

Branded As Untrue. All Regimental Commanders at Camp Lewis have been requested by Brigadier General Frederick S. Poltz to send requisitions to him for all Red Cross supplies needed by the men, especially sweaters and socks.

This means that a systematic and official check will be maintained by army officials and sets at rest at once the stories that have been cropping out to the effect that soldiers are using knitted socks, wristlets, etc., as gun wipes, as every soldier has to account for his Red Cross supplies the same as for others. General Poltz's order specifically states:

"These articles are to be issued to each regiment as part of the regimental equipment and not as the

personal property of the soldier, so that when a man is separated from the service these articles should remain with the regiment for re-issue."

Relief Does Not Miscarry. Another matter—that of the non-delivery and misappropriation of supplies furnished by the Red Cross—is summarily refuted in a letter of acknowledgement received by Mrs. T. N. Murphy from one of Uncle Sam's Marines now in Massachusetts. The letter reads:

"Mrs. T. N. Murphy:—Please accept my thanks for the woolen socks, sweater, wristlets and muffler which you made and which were given me in New York. We have had such cold weather lately that I think we would have perished if it had not been for the nice woolen things you people made. I am now in Boston and expect to sail again soon. My boat is in dry dock and we figure on going across in about a month.

"Please allow me to thank you again for I certainly appreciate what you gave me and only wish I could return your kindness. Very sincerely,

FRED W. DUNRAISE, U. S. S. C. No. 266, Neponset, Mass.

### SEND A SMILE

Buy a Smileage Book for the Boys at the Front—Are on Sale at Y. M. C. A.

As a means of furnishing some high class entertainments, lectures, musical programs, and theatrical performances for the boys in the various army camps the Council called to solve this problem have originated a type of book of tickets that members of the soldier's family and his friends may send to him at the front. They are called Smileage Books and will be made-up of coupons somewhat like the mileage books of the railroad.

Two Sizes of Books. In books of one size 20 coupons will be sold for a dollar. In books of another size 100 will be sold for five dollars. These coupons will be good for payment for seats at any performance in any camp theatre under the direction of the Commission on Training Camp Activities. These books are now on sale at the Y. M. C. A. Relatives, friends and everyone are urged to buy a smile for the boys.

### War Bread Just the Same

All the bread and pastry at Dutli's bakery is made in strict accordance with the government regulations. The wrappers have nothing to do with what's on the inside. On account of having on hand a large supply of the blue ribbon wrappers these are used, but the bread remains war bread just the same.

If you were away from home on the sea or in the trenches, wouldn't you like to get a copy of your home paper from your home town.

## CHEAP

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### STORES TO CLOSE ONE HOUR

Merchants of La Grande will suspend business from 2 until 3 o'clock tomorrow, during which time the funeral service of Mrs. Amaden will be held. Deceased was the wife of Mr. Amaden of the firm of Christie & Amaden.

### Loan Will Bear Four and a Half

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—On the floor of the House, Congressman Meeker said he had direct information that the next Liberty loan will bear four and a half per cent interest.

### Rummage Sale Saturday

There will be a rummage sale in the Salvation Army hall on Jefferson street all day Saturday, March 2nd. Men's, women's and children's clothing sold at a trifle. Any one desirous of sending any bric-a-brac or articles of clothing, Phone Main 707. 2-25-41.

### Constant Sufferers Find Relief

"I have been a constant sufferer from kidney trouble and three months ago was down sick in bed for my back ached so severely I couldn't get up," writes C. F. Reynolds, 412 Herrick St., Elmira, N. Y. "While in this condition we read of Foley Kidney Pills so I commenced taking them. In a few days I was up out of bed." Foley Kidney Pills strengthen kidneys and bladder. Recommended for backache, rheumatic pains, sore muscles, stiff joints. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

### Many Surgeons Dropped

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The surgeon-general announces that medical officers are being discharged at the

rate of about fifty a week. Over 5000 regular and reserve officers have been discharged since the beginning of the war.



## FOR ELECTRIC EQUIPPED CARS

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