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SALEM, OREGON, THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 21, 1918

CHOLM GIVEN UP IN PACT BY UKRAINE

Polish Pressure on Austria Causes Revision of Peace Treaty; Own People to Decide Fate of Province

CENTRAL POWERS TO GET UKRAINE FOOD

Von Seydler Quotes President Wilson on Self-Determination Plan

BASEL, Switzerland, Feb. 20.—Dr. von Seydler, the Austrian premier, has announced to the reichsrath representative that the Ukraine ruda and the Austro-Hungarian government have signed an agreement...

GERMANS NOT TO PENETRATE LINE OF ALLIES

Secretary Baker Views Impending Offensive With Confidence

ENTENTE STRONGER NOW

Line Will Withstand Any Shock Is General Opinion From Abroad

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Secretary Baker, in his weekly communique issued today, regards the impending German offensive on the western front line with a note of confidence.

Marshfield Man Aboard Tuscania Among Saved

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Two names were added to the roll of known Tuscania dead by a dispatch tonight to the war department.

Mare Island Navy Yard Is Given Wage Increase

VALEJO, Cal., Feb. 20.—Increase in wages from 10 to 15 percent for workers in all trades, and helpers, employed at the Mare Island navy yard, were authorized in advance received here today from Washington.

Total of Americans Lost on Tuscania 204

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Two hundred and four Americans lost their lives on the Tuscania, according to the latest figures received at army headquarters.

STATE GRANGERS WILL COME HERE

Commercial Club May Stage Farmers' Week in Connection With Event

The Marion County Pomona grange and the Salem Commercial club are making preparations for the entertainment here the latter part of May of the state convention of the Oregon grange...

LAST DAYS OF U-BOAT IN PROSPECT

Officials Point to Successful Campaign Against Submarine With More Government and Neutral Ships

SHIPPING BOARD CHART SHOWS UPWARD TREND

Confidence Is Expressed in Ability to Add 4,000,000 Tons in 1918

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Over seas ship tonnage available to America and the allies passed its lowest point about February 1 several weeks earlier than shipping experts had predicted.

Germany Demands Peace Cabinet for Rumania

LONDON, Feb. 20.—It is asserted that on being asked by Rumania that he allow the proper time for the formation of a new Rumanian cabinet, Field Marshal von Mackensen, the German commander in Rumania, replied dictatorially that he expected the cabinet to be formed within 48 hours, and that it was to include no statesmen conspicuously hostile toward Germany or Austria.

110 Persons Perished As French Steamer Sank

PARIS, Feb. 20.—One hundred and ten persons perished when the steamer Divos was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on February 1, according to an official announcement.

Salvation Army Barracks Burn; Two Men Perish

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The bodies of two men, inmates of the barracks, were found in the ruins of the building yesterday where for a two-number shift, the former rate of 25 cents for a three-minute conversation and 10 cents for each additional minute will prevail between Salem and Portland.

Clyde Rupert Convicted on Charge of Stealing

PORTLAND, Feb. 20.—Clyde J. Rupert, formerly guard in the Northwestern National bank, was convicted by a jury in the circuit court tonight of the theft of \$5000 worth of liberty bonds from the bank.

WILSON WILL OPPOSE HIGHER PRICE OF WHEAT

Disturbance in Fixed Prices of Food Administration Claimed

\$2.20 BASIS IS FAVORED

Full Influence of Executive to Be Used to Check Proposed Measure

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The full influence of the administration will be used if necessary to prevent enactment of bills pending in congress to increase the price of wheat.

FRENCH CAPTURE 400 PRISONERS

PARIS, Feb. 20.—French detachments made a heavy attack on the Germans in Lorraine today, entering the German lines over a large front and capturing more than 400 prisoners according to the war office announcement tonight.

Quarrel Arises; Stockman Kills Another, Surrenders

BAKER, Or., Feb. 20.—Alex McGee, aged 35 years, was shot and instantly killed today by Fritz Rader, a wealthy stockman, at Long Creek in Grant county.

Government of Italy Adopts War Insurance

ROME, Feb. 20.—The Italian government has followed the example of the United States in instituting a system of war insurance.

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION RATE SALEM TO PORTLAND ADJUSTED BY AGREEMENT MADE YESTERDAY

Because of necessary readjustments to be made the commission rescinded the new airline rates early this month for purposes of further investigation and the hearing yesterday was on the basis of the investigations that followed.

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LONDON, Feb. 20.—British merchantmen sunk by mine or submarine in the past week numbered fifteen, according to an admiralty statement issued tonight.

AMERICANS AT MERCY OF HUNS IN AIR

United States Officers at Front Urge Speedy Appearance of Large Numbers of Airplanes for Quick Use

BOCHE FLIGHTS MADE LIKE PLEASURE TOURS

Altitude Too High for Effective Defense by Anti-Aircraft Guns

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Feb. 20.—Control of the air in the American sector belongs to the enemy.

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BRITISH SUCCESS IN AIR SETBACK TO HUN PRELUDE

Scouting Before Great Offensive Remarkably Hampered Is Report

MAURICE HAS COMMENT

German Move to Give Up Poisonous Gas Interests Entente Allies

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Major General Frederick B. Maurice, chief director of military operations at the British war office, said today there had been no developments on the west front during the past fortnight to indicate that the German offensive was near.

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HUN ADVANCE INTO RUSSIA NOT CHECKED

Teutons Enter Southern Estonia, Take Prisoners, Guns, and Roll up Vast Quantities of Booty

SLAV PEACE DESIRE WHOLLY OVERLOOKED

Hostilities Disappoint Austrian Populace—Russian Chaos Bloody

(By The Associated Press) The German invasion of Russia continued unimpeded.

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