

TEUTONS TRY TO BREAK LINES IN THE CHAMPAGNE

Berlin Declares Attack Against the French is Successful—Fighting is Waged With Great Intensity.

HOPE TO BEND BACK FRONT

Slaughter is Tremendous But Little Has So Far Been Accomplished—Germans Report Capturing 200 Yards of Trenches in Alsace—French Regain Most of Territory.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—The Germans are strenuously attempting to drive a human wedge into the French lines south of Saint Marie in the hope of bending back the Champagne front. Berlin declares the attack thus far has been successful. Fighting in the Champagne is fiercer than anything since the September offensive of the allies. Berlin and Paris indicated a tremendous slaughter without causing any important changes in the general situation in Champagne and Artois. The casualties during the fortnight's fighting are believed between twenty and a hundred thousand.

Germans Take Trenches. PARIS, Feb. 14.—The Germans captured 200 yards of trenches in upper Alsace, it was officially admitted here today. The French regained most of the ground through counter attacks. Yesterday the French captured several German trenches at Frise. The German counter attack. Nearly a whole German company was killed and 70 captured.

Unmarried Men Called. LONDON, Feb. 14.—The first proclamation calling unmarried men to the colors under the conscription act was posted this morning at Wallasey, near Liverpool.

Bulgars Occupy Town. SOFIA, Feb. 14.—The Bulgars occupied El Bassan Saturday and are now heading westward to join the Austrians in cutting off the retreat of the Italians from Durazzo. An official statement said the inhabitants of El Bassan warmly welcomed the invaders. The Italians and Albanians face danger of envelopment unless they retreat successfully from Durazzo.

Routmanian Army Mobilizes. PARIS, Feb. 14.—Routmania has completed mobilization of her troops. The defenses of the Carpathian and Danubian frontiers are finished. It was officially announced. She now has almost her full war strength ready. It was freely predicted she will join the allies at almost any time.

Cattle to be Put on Ranch for the Swift Interests

BEEF WILL BE FATTENED ON 140,000 ACRES PURCHASED BY LIVESTOCK CO.

The Eastern Oregon Livestock Co. will use the Umatilla ranch near Stanfield as a fattening ranch for cattle raised on the 140,000 acre holdings in Harney county is the report brought here from the west end of the county. The company is controlled by the Swift Packing Co. of Chicago. It is said, and will grow cattle for that company's plant.

The Umatilla ranch consists of about 2000 acres, a good deal of which is alfalfa land. The conditions in this county are good for the fattening of or stock and it is said that the big Harney county ranch will furnish the feeders. It is also reported that W. H. Daugherty of the Union stockyards in Portland will look after this end of the business.

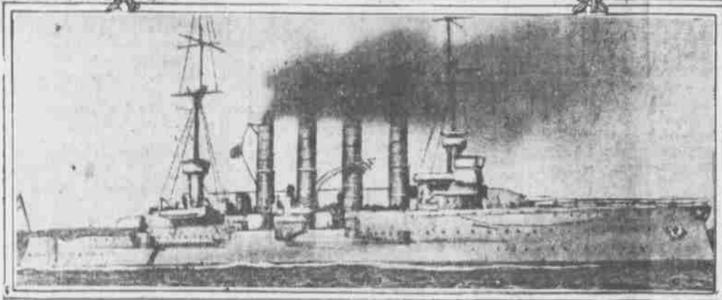
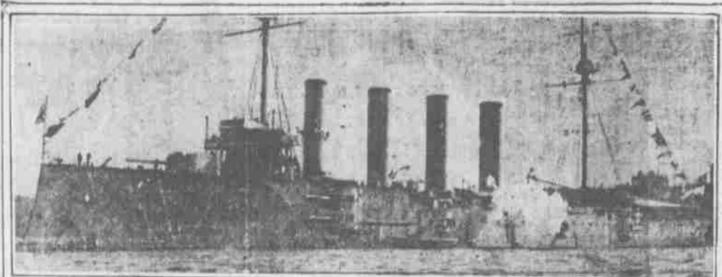
Wheat Down Slightly in Portland Today

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—(Special)—Wheat \$1.28 1-4, \$1.27 3-8; July \$1.21 1-2, \$1.20 3-4.

Portland. PORTLAND, Feb. 14.—(Special)—Club 94, 98 asked; bluestem \$1.07, \$1.10 asked.

Liverpool. LIVERPOOL, Feb. 14.—Wheat—Spot No. 1 Manitoba, 14s 8d; No. 2 hard winter, 13s 5 1-2d. In American terms the Liverpool top price is now \$2.14 per bushel.

Victor and Vanquished in Reported Sea Battle



ABOVE—H.M.S. DRAKE. BELOW—GERMAN CRUISER ROON. According to an alleged private cable message from Bermuda, the British armored cruiser Drake, after a three hour battle several hundred miles north-east of the Bermuda Islands, succeeded in capturing the German cruiser Roon, said to have been the "mother ship" of German commerce raiders which have been recently operating in the Atlantic. The report adds that two merchantmen, serving as a screen for the Roon were captured also.

Party Lines Are Forgotten When Men of All Political Faiths Gather at Banquet

Memory of Lincoln is Honored at Ga. hereing at Hotel Pendleton Saturday Night—About 80 Guests are Present.

A success in every particular was the Lincoln banquet held Saturday evening in the Hotel Pendleton dining room. It was attended by some 80 men of all political faiths and party lines were forgotten by the banqueters as patriotic American citizens, joining to honor the memory of the Great Emancipator.

Representative R. W. Ritter acted as toastmaster at the banquet, introducing the speakers after the savory dishes had come and gone. E. B. Aldrich was the first speaker introduced and he spoke briefly upon "Lincoln's Place in History," characterizing it as enduring in all ages by reason of the fact that his inherent great qualities enabled him to rise in a crisis to preserve a nation and free a manumitted people.

Dr. L. V. Temple delivered an address upon "Washington and Lincoln" both of whose birthdays occur in this month. He outlined in detail the sterling qualities that made each a national hero but left his hearers to draw their own comparison.

Louis P. Gambee, principal of the high school, took the subject "Lincoln, Typical American," discussing very clearly the qualities of mind and heart which, while winning him a lasting fame, secured for him a love.

STUDENT GOT BOTTLE BEFORE SEEING GIRL

FRIENDS OF WILLIAM ORPET TRY TO HAVE HIM RELEASED FROM CUSTODY.

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 14.—A drug-store clerk admitted selling William Orpet, university of Wisconsin Junior accused of the murder of Marian Lambert, 18, an empty two ounce bottle the day Orpet held his first with the girl.

WAUKESHA, Ill., Feb. 14.—Friends of William Orpet, a University of Wisconsin Junior, are endeavoring to free him from a charge of murder as the result of the death of Marian Lambert. Even the Lambert girl's mother has joined the Orpet family in denying the youth's guilt. Physicians, after an examination of the body, declared there was no reason why the girl should take abortive medicine. Orpet admitted being with the girl when she died in the woods from poison which she says she took herself. Meanwhile Orpet's fiancée, Celestia Youker, not knowing her lover is jailed, is seriously ill at the De Kalb hospital.

19 YEAR OLD GIRL TRIES TO END LIFE IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 14.—Miss Beadie Holladay, a pretty stenographer, attempted to jump from the Broadway bridge early Saturday night, and later told the police that she tried to kill herself because her fiancée refused to marry her.

"I loved him," she explained simply. "He told me yesterday that he didn't love me any more, so life isn't worth living."

The girl was penniless and had not eaten yesterday, she said. She absolutely refused to tell her fiancée's name, although she admitted that he formerly was her employer.

Miss Holladay first attracted attention by walking back and forth on the bridge and gazing over at the rushing water. Suddenly she threw her umbrella over the side and climbed upon the bridge rail.

Harold Fredericksen, who had been observing her from a distance, ran to her side and seized her skirt before she could jump.

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Miss Holladay said her mother now lives at Beach City, in Grant county. The girl rented a room in the Oak Hotel, Park and Oak streets yesterday morning, paying her last cent for it. She spent last night in the care of the Women's Protective Bureau.

BRITISH CRUISER STRIKES MINE; MAY BE TOTAL LOSS

LONDON, Feb. 14.—The British cruiser Arethusa was mined off the east coast. The admiral feared she will be a total wreck. Ten of the crew were lost.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Germans are trying to break French line in west. Wilson announces candidacy for re-election. No policy yet decided toward Germany's plan to sink armed ships without warning.

Local. R. L. Oliver succumbs to long illness. Lincoln banquet proved big success. Collection of taxes begins in earnest.

President Announces Himself as Candidate for Re-Election in Agreeing to Name at Primary

Wilson Writes Secretary of State of Ohio Saying His Name May be Placed on the Ballot so Democrats May Express Preference—No Comment is Made by White House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—President Wilson today formally announced himself a candidate for re-election. He wrote Secretary of State Hildbrand of Ohio, consenting to the use of his name on the Ohio primary. He said: "I am willing to permit the use of my name so the democrats of Ohio may make known their preference in regard to the nomination. To satisfy the technical requirement of the statute, I hereby consent to the use of my name as a candidate for the presidency by any candidate who seeks election as a delegate to the national democratic convention which assembles in June."

COLLECTION OF TAXES FOR 1915 IS NOW UNDER WAY

Collection of the 1915 taxes were commenced in earnest today by Deputy Sheriff A. C. Funk. Already quite a number have appeared to settle the tax claims against their property. To Assessor C. P. Strain went the first tax receipt. Robert Wheeler, who has assisted in the collection of taxes for a number of years, has come down from Weston to assist again this year.

Reserve Board Makes Annual Report Showing Great Value of Reserve Act to Country

In their annual report submitted to congress today the members of the federal reserve board class the reserve act as one of the most beneficial pieces of legislation ever enacted by congress. The board makes suggestions for further legislation on the subject.

In part the report is as follows: A condition of remarkable ease has been the outstanding feature of the money market of the country during the first year of operation under the federal reserve act. Whatever other causes may have contributed to this result, much of it is due to the stability established and the feeling of security inspired by the new banking system, so much of it, indeed, as to afford a striking vindication of the wisdom of the law and the efficiency of the agencies of its administration.

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The Men Who Never Came Back



13th Norfolk Regiment Leaving England. This is the last photograph taken of the Fifth Norfolk Regiment as it left England months ago for Gallipoli. Not one of these men has yet come back. On the peninsula they charged the Turks in a forest. Their comrades saw them whirling on, determined to carry the enemy. And that was the last ever seen of them. There is hope that some of the men are prisoners among the Turks and will ultimately return, but it is only a hope. The Turks are not very kind to prisoners.

NO POLICY YET AGREED TO OVER GERMAN ORDERS

Wilson and Lansing are Said to be in Accord Over Future Plans but Nothing is Made Public.

ARMED SHIPS POINT RAISED

Berlin Government Maintains It Has Right to Attack such Vessels Without Warning and Announcement of this Course is Made—No Distinction in Passenger Ships.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Wilson and Lansing are in perfect accord over the policy in the Teutonic plans to make unwarmed attacks on armed merchantmen. The attitude of this government toward the German and Austrian announcements has not yet been determined. The administration learned that Berlin is sending photographed copies of the British instructions to vessels to ram or run when sighting submarines. This, the Teutons declare, justifies their new course. The German note, announcing the policy will be operative March 1. Does not distinguish between passenger and freight merchantmen.

The Austrian announcement reached here today. Both will be made public tomorrow. It was admitted if America takes the German view, the state department must do more than restrict the entry of armed ships to American ports. A simple warning that American citizens keep off such vessels would not relieve government responsibility for citizens who disregard the warning. It is probable the administration would refuse passports to passengers sailing on armed ships.

Oregon Pioneer Says War Will be Fought on Coast

EZRA MEEKER SAYS TIME WILL COME WHEN WE MUST DEFEND OUR SOIL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The time will come when there will be war on the Pacific Coast," Ezra Meeker, 85, a pioneer of the Oregon trail, warned the president. Representative Dill of Washington, engineer of the bill, Meeker spoke in behalf of a military highway along the trail from St. Louis to Olympia.

Meeker said: "The Japanese are a proud people. They believe they are as good as anybody else and a little better. History will repeat itself. We must either abandon the open door policy in China or prepare to defend our own soil."

Representative Hay sent the president the following letter regarding military discussions: "The house military affairs committee has instructed me to convey to you the great appreciation the committee feels for the confidence you have shown in its good faith and patriotism, and to assure you of its desire to work harmoniously in perfecting a plan of the greatest benefit to the country."

Robert L. Oliver, Pioneer, is Dead at the Age of 66

WELL KNOWN AND BELoved RESIDENT PASSES AWAY AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

Following a long illness of several months, Robert L. Oliver, prominent pioneer resident of Pendleton, died at home today at his home. For several months he had been failing rapidly and death was not unexpected. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the funeral home, 591 Jackson street. The services will have charge of the funeral will be Rev. C. A. Holdrege of the Methodist church, with deacons, the graveside ceremonies.

Robert Lawrence Oliver was born at Thaumastville, Oregon, Feb. 8, 1849, and was then 66 years old. He lived in Michigan until 21 when he went with his parents to Missouri. In 1878 the Oliver family made its way westward to California and in 1878 came to this country where the deceased lived until his death.

During the first years of his residence in this country Mr. Oliver was his father, the late T. D. Oliver, was engaged in contracting and building, and many of the houses they built.

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