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"Novara" Oct. 27	"Morica"	Nov. 26
"Nore" Nov. 10	"Medina"	Dec. 10
"Nyanza" Nov. 24	"Mongolia"	Dec. 21
"Malta" Dec. 8	"Malwa"	Jan. 7
"Nellore" Dec. 22	"Kaiser-i-Hind"	Jan. 21

### OUTWARD-1916.

#### For China.

Due Singapore	Connection with	Leaving London
"Nore" Oct. 1	"Medina"	Sept. 1
"Nyanza" Oct. 15	"—"	" 12
"Malta" Oct. 30	"Malwa"	" 29
"Novara" Nov. 13	"—"	Oct. 12
"Nellore" Nov. 26	"Mooltan"	Oct. 27
"Nyanza" Dec. 9	"—"	Nov. 9
"Namur" Dec. 25	"Karmala"	Nov. 24
"Namur" Jan. 7	"—"	Dec. 5

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S.S. Iyo Maru Sept. 13	S.S. Hirano Maru Nov. 8
S.S. Miyazaki Maru Sept. 27	S.S. Kaga Maru Nov. 23

### FOR HONGKONG AND JAPAN.

1916	1916
S.S. Kitano Maru Aug. 13	S.S. Katori Maru Oct. 22
S.S. Fushimi Maru Aug. 27	S.S. Kashima Maru Nov. 5
S.S. Hirano Maru Sept. 10	S.S. Michima Maru Nov. 19
S.S. Kaga Maru Sept. 24	S.S. Sowa Maru Dec. 3
S.S. Kamo Maru Oct. 8	S.S. Atsuta Maru Dec. 17

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1916	1916
S.S. Katsukura Maru Aug. 8	S.S. Shizuka Maru Oct. 11
S.S. Yokohama Maru Aug. 30	S.S. Katsukura Maru Oct. 31
S.S. Sado Maru Sept. 19	S.S. Yokohama Maru Nov. 22

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1916	1916
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Departures from Bangkok.

S.S. "Prachitipok"	...	23. 9. 16.
S.S. "Mahidol"	...	26. " "
S.S. "Aswang"	...	30. " "
S.S. "Yugala"	...	3. 10. " "
S.S. "Boribai"	...	7. " "
No departure	...	10. " "
S.S. "Prachitipok"	...	14. " "

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## How Public Money is Wasted.

### A Flagrant Case.

When the war broke out a famous liner was in the last stage of completion, and, of course, all work on her was stopped, as our shipbuilding resources were concentrated on other and more important tasks. Later on the liner was chartered by the Admiralty for use as a hospital ship, and after several months of night and day work to transform her she left the port where she was built "as perfectly equipped a hospital," as one of her officers described her, "as was to be found in the world, ashore or afloat." Although exact official figures are not yet forthcoming as to the cost of the transformation, I believe a fair estimate to be £125,000.

On her new mission the liner did three trips, and was then laid up at an English port. Afterwards the Admiralty told the owners that the vessel would not be required again for the purposes named, whereupon the owners decided to send the ship back to the builders in order to be transformed again into her original design as a first class passenger liner. Of course, this meant clearing away everything in connection with hospital work, and for over a month huge squads of men were engaged tearing down and cutting away until last week, when the liner stood literally a shell of wood and iron.

No sooner was the last piece of wood was torn down and the last portion of metal cut away than a peremptory message was received by the builders from the Admiralty ordering the vessel to be equipped as a hospital ship at any cost, and to have the work finished in five weeks. So for the second time hundreds of skilled artisans are aboard the ship during the 21 hours of the day of the seven days of the week, working in the highest possible pressure, doing again what they had both done and undone. Of course, all the hospital fittings removed from the ship after she returned to port have been scattered, large quantities having been sold; and I am told that not more than one-sixth of the fittings will now be of any use, so that over another £100,000 will be spent before the liner is able to resume her work as a hospital ship.

The officials cannot offer the excuse that this waste of the public money was brought about by unexpected war developments. These officials knew that the big offensive was coming on, and no hospital ships have lately been lost. Such mismanagement is having a very bad effect on shipyard workers, one of whom said to the writer during the week end: "We have to fight not only the Germans but also British stupidity."

The Admiralty must also have been in an exceedingly generous mood

when they fixed the charter fee for this particular vessel, the fee payable per week amounting in three years to the entire cost of the ship, although a modern liner is supposed to be good for at least twelve years. In addition to the fee the Admiralty undertook to make the vessel, at the conclusion of the charter, exactly as she was when she was taken over by the authorities. (M. P.)

### Boots for Six Armies—100,000 Pairs a Week.

In the current issue of the *Shoe and Leather News*, a special number containing an illustrated directory of the shoe and leather trade in Northampton, which is the first of a series covering the whole of the trade throughout the British Isles, some interesting particulars are given of the work done by British manufacturers in shoeing the armies of the Allies.

It is computed that since the beginning of the war the boots branch of the Royal Army Clothing Department has given orders for about 26,000,000 pairs of boots, including British, Serbian, French, Russian, Italian, and Belgian boots, and that of the total demand Northampton alone has supplied one-fourth, or over 100,000 pairs a week. The following figures are given: Serbian boots, 600,000 pairs; Italian, 450,000; French, 2,000,000; Russian, ankle boots, 3,000,000; Russian "Cosack" boots (now being made), 3,000,000.

### Maoris in England.

"There are more Maoris in England to-day, I suppose, than ever before," says a writer in *Land and Water*. "The Maori soldier is a novelty, and particularly the Maori non-commissioned officer, under whom the white soldier now willingly, even proudly, serves. 'He is an aristocrat and a university man in his own country,' an Anzac explained to me, pointing to his Maori sergeant. Then the Maori himself explained that the Maoris knew that England did not think much of Maoris, and that every man of them in Gallipoli meant to show England what a Maori really was."

### The Lost Battleship.

Rome, Sept. 12.—A fire broke out close to the magazine of the *Leonardo da Vinci* which was anchored where there was no risk of an enemy attack. The Commander ordered the flooding of the lower parts but an explosion caused the ship to sink in forty-five feet of water. The complement aboard was thirty-four officers, eleven hundred and fifty-six men. Enquiry hitherto has proved the disaster was not due to an enemy attack or to defective explosives. Other possibilities of foul play are being investigated.

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Distance from Bangkok.	STATIONS.	Train No.		Distance from Meklong.	STATIONS.	Train No.	
		I.	VII.			VI.	VIII.
		A.M.	P.M.			A.M.	P.M.
Km. Bangkok Dep.	7.00	9.00	2.00	4.00	Km. Meklong Dep.	9.00	2.00
33.1 Mahachai					33.8 Terminus Arr.	10.20	3.20
Terminus Arr.	8.20	10.20	3.20	5.20			

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BANGKOK-MEKLONG.				MEKLONG-BANGKOK.			
Distance from B. Hame.	STATIONS.	Train No.		Distance from Mahachai.	STATIONS.	Train No.	
		III.	VII.			II.	VIII.
		A.M.	P.M.			A.M.	P.M.
Km. B. Hame							
Terminus Dep.	10.50	3.50		7.00	11.00	2.00	4.00
33.8 Meklong Arr.	12.10	5.10	3.31	Bangkok Arr.	8.20	12.20	3.20

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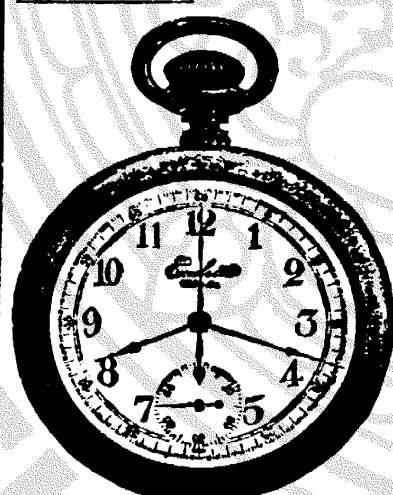
CHEESE  
Cheddar  
Gruyere  
Savoie  
Full Cream Gruyere  
(in small tins)  
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## THE Great War.

### The British Advance.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 18.  
General Haig's Communique.—Since  
yesterday we advanced one to two miles  
on a six miles front. We captured 1,700  
prisoners to-day.

### French Gains.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 18.  
Paris Communique.—A French at-  
tack south of the Somme captured the  
villages of Vermandovillers and Berny  
and also the strongly fortified interven-  
ing ground after a desperate struggle.  
Hitherto 700 prisoners have been  
counted.

### French and British Fronts.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 17.  
Yesterday in the region of the Som-  
me we made progress north of Baucha-  
vennes. In the course of engagements  
on the 14th and 15th instant, the Bri-  
tish captured 4,116 prisoners, six can-  
non and 50 machine-guns.  
To-day the British captured a front  
of 1,500 metres near Thiepval.

### The Eastern Theatre.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 17.  
Salonica.—The Serbians have arriv-  
ed near Vetrenik Kaimachalan. They  
have crossed the river Brod.  
The Franco-Russians have reached  
Florina.

### The Italian Front.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 17.  
Rome.—In the Fiemme valley we  
captured a strong position and took  
prisoner over a hundred.

### Indignation in Greece.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 17.  
Athens.—Calogeropulo formed (or  
will form) a ministry of Theotokiste  
tendencies.  
The deportation to Germany of a  
portion of the Kavallagarrison provoked  
great indignation in Greece. Colonel  
Christodoulos who succeeded in es-  
caping with 1,200 of the defenders of  
Kavalla and reached Salonika was  
enthusiastically welcomed.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Oriental Store wants an ex-  
perienced shipping clerk.

THE new list of the P & O steamer  
sailings appears on page 1.

THE Oriental Store advertise wines  
from the Schroder & Schyler cellars,  
Bordeaux.

THE "Bang Hong Liong" with 10  
bags of mail on board passed Paknam  
at 11 o'clock this morning.

TORPEDO destroyers Sua Gamron  
Sindhu and Sua Tayal Chol steamed  
upriver to the Naval anchorage to-day  
after a cruise in the Gulf.

M. COTTRET, the chief of the mer-  
cantile marine of the Government  
of Indo-China who is in Bangkok  
on a visit returns to Saigon by the  
Jade on Thursday.

THE s.s. "Bang Hong Liong" which  
left Singapore with the mails on the  
14th instant arrived to-day after a five  
days' voyage—a record voyage accord-  
ing to one way of thinking.

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### PADDY REPORT FOR SEPT. 18.

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Sauroapik 490	"	74.79	"
Namuang 120	"	72.73	"
Total	Ooyans	1849	"

## British Legation Telegram.

(British Legation telegrams are not to be  
regarded as official communications from His  
Britannic Majesty's Representative, unless  
they are marked "official.")

### New British Armed Motor.

(Unofficial.)

London, Sept. 16.

The Allied armies have brilliantly  
renewed their great push on the West-  
ern Front and swept further breaches  
deep into the German 3rd line of de-  
fences till now they have advanced so  
far in the region of Thiepval that the  
strong fortified eminence of Combles  
is likely soon to be isolated and com-  
pelled to capitulate. A novel feature  
of the advance is the use by the British  
of a new form of armed motor of such  
size and calibre that it can advance  
over trenches and shell holes without  
regard to difficulties of the ground, thus  
making a most formidable engine of at-  
tack. Language is far from conveying  
an accurate idea of the appearance of  
these mighty monstrosities which are  
in effect complete fortresses endowed  
with power locomotion quite impregna-  
ble to any attack short of direct im-  
pact with a shell. They are best pic-  
tured as huge prehistoric monsters of  
shape so uncouth and bulk so over-  
whelming that as they lumbered up  
the streets of Giers it was to a general  
accompaniment of laughter of Bri-  
tish troops, though such amusement  
depends on the point of view and this  
merriment is by no means shared by  
the Germans who saw these armoured  
castles sweeping at them across all  
gulfs and trenches imperturbably. An-  
other special feature of the new  
series of the allies' victories has been  
the increased use of whole fleets of  
aircraft flying low upon the hostile  
trenches, scattering destruction.

### Situation in Greece.

Elsewhere the allied powers have  
consolidated and increased their gains  
and in the turmoil the situation of  
Greece becomes hourly so much more  
difficult and obscure that it is  
impossible to unravel the course of  
events beyond saying that Greek par-  
ticipation with the Allies grows stead-  
ily more probable. Revolution against  
the existing regime spreads rapidly  
throughout the Kingdom and in the  
Aegean Islands and it is probable that  
the hand of the King ere long will be  
definitely forced. Emigrants in  
large numbers continue to leave  
the country and pass through Naples  
in vast crowds in miserable condition.  
Yet worse by far is the state of things  
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these frantic figments which describe  
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must be poor fodder for the fading  
hopes of the German people, for in  
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plete failure of Zeppelins to achieve  
any real effect.

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ment this afternoon in the case in which  
Nai Itt was charged by the Compro-  
adore of the Banque de l'Indo-China  
with embezzling Tcs. 21,000.

The Court dismissed the case on a  
point of law, holding that as embez-  
zlement was a compoundable offence,  
the prosecution must be instituted by  
the party suffering the loss, and in this  
the Comproadore, who prosecutes, is  
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armies cables from the Somme that the  
Allies' artillery preceding the latest at-  
tacks shook the windows of Cambrai.  
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troops going to the first line are pre-  
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#### Some Criticisms.

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Mr. Adam enquired how the Committee was going to raise money for all these purposes. (Laughter).

Mr. Nunn said that they ought to take the view that they were here as members of the Club and if there was any cause for complaint they had the remedy in their hands at the annual meeting.

Mr. Cranmer next made some general remarks. As regards the golf course, how many times he complained have they seen this year the turf taken off from the fairway. The tennis courts have been left to go on as they were. Courts that had been promised have not been given to them. It was put before them that if the representatives of sections were put on this committee that the committee will be unlimited. That is not so according to the rules at present. He specially dwelt on the state of the golf course and said that it can be vastly improved.

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Phys. Art. then to the Chairman: I have an amendment and if this resolution is carried it practically puts my amendment out of the discussion. You are now trying to pass a full set of rules on the spot. Am I in order if I move my amendment?

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Discussion ended here and Messrs. D. Robertson and Powell were appointed as tellers to count the votes for and against the amendment put in by Mr. Brighthouse. Eighty-two members were in favour of the amendment and 36 against.

The meeting then terminated.

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## Railway Traffic Receipts.

	Month of August.	
	Broad gauge (914 km.)	
	Approximate	Actual
	Year 2459	Year 2458.
Passengers	145500.	156271.
Goods	158800.	133312.
Others	47 0.	3961.
Total	309000.	293574.
Total from April to August	1976127.	1958421.

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The amendment was seconded by Mr. Wyon Smith.

### An Opposition.

Mr. Lyons in opposing the amendment said that this amendment is said to be the only one they can discuss. The amendment is one altering the constitution of the Club and it is one that will require a considerable amount of thought. Members present to-night have to consider what is the constitution of the Committee at present, how that Committee came into existence in its present form and whether in the interests of the whole Club it is advisable to change that constitution. During the past few years there were fewer sections and it was found by the members that some sections did not get the attention which they required and deserved. The General Committee contained some members who were not in touch with these sections and did not know their drawbacks or how to get facilities for them. As a consequence a section was organised and they sent a representative on the Committee. Why was it necessary to organise? Because it was found that the interests of that section of the Club was not properly looked after. It is quite necessary and very advisable that there should be on the Committee a certain number of old members. Their services in the past deserve every recognition. But the Club does not only consist of old members, it consists of new ones. Those that have come since should have a voice. By this he did not mean an absolutely controlling voice but that they should have some voice in the election of a Committee, and how can all those new members approach a Committee unless they come through the sub-sections of sport? The representatives of the sections of sport are representatives of the whole Club.

Mr. Jenkins also siding the opposition said that if they should take away the representatives of sections of sport they will be taking away the mobile part of the general committee and he thought that this would be a mistake.

Mr. Walton rising said he supported the amendment made by Mr. Brighouse. Mr. Brighouse he said has, as a matter of fact, in putting his amendment, missed out one point to which he attaches some importance. It was true about Mr. Lyons' reference to old members, but it is perfectly true that the method of voting is in a way unsatisfactory. Mr. Brighouse has put in an amendment in which he alters Rule 2. He thought that that part of Mr. Brighouse's amendment was important. There was another point to which he would like to call attention and that was that it is absolutely wrong for them to talk in sections or think in sections. Discontentment goes on increasing so long as they go on thinking in sections. If they elected their committee annually then the club will go on harmoniously and that way is the only way how this discontentment could disappear. (Hear, hear).

### Some Criticisms.

Mr. Sutton said that if Mr. Brighouse had been good enough to divide his amendment into two sections he would have received every

vote to-night. Mr. Brighouse has said that Mr. Wyon Smith had resigned from the general committee because he was dissatisfied with the size of the committee. Why Mr. Wyon Smith had resigned from the committee he, the speaker, was in a better position to say. It was all about a sum of Tes. 1,000 which was standing in the accounts of the club but an explanation of which Mr. Wyon Smith was unable to obtain.

The speaker then went on to explain the dissatisfaction felt by the members as regards the water supply of the club. Two years ago he asked that a proper water-supply be put in but up to date they have not got it. He considered this a downright shame. Another matter that had been overlooked by the general Committee was the supplying of a motor-cutter and roller, which he proposed a long time ago should be bought and used on the course. Do the general Committee think, to-day that that motor-cutter and roller are a necessity to the club? These were two points he has had personal experience of where the general Committee have failed to meet the needs of the members. He next referred to the opportunity the general Committee had in obtaining certain land but also failed in this. He asked: Are the tennis players satisfied with the number of courts? They had still the same number of courts, i.e. 8 which they had two years ago. The club needs 20 courts and those should be provided. He had conclusive proof that the general committee has not done well in the past.

Mr. Adam enquired how the Committee was going to raise money for all these purposes. (Laughter).

Mr. Nunn said that they ought to take the view that they were here as members of the Club and if there was any cause for complaint they had the remedy in their hands at the annual meeting.

Mr. Cranmer next made some general remarks. As regards the golf course, how many times he complained have they seen this year the turf taken off from the fairway. The tennis courts have been left to go on as they were. Courts that had been promised have not been given to them. It was put before them that if the representatives of sections were put on this committee that the committee will be unlimited. That is not so according to the rules at present. He specially dwelt on the state of the golf course and said that it can be vastly improved.

Mr. Sewell said he was in favour of the motion made by Mr. Brighouse and Mr. Wyon Smith. He agreed with Mr. Walton that if harmony was to be established it was necessary to do away with these petty section discussions. He thought they could all safely vote for this motion.

Phya Arthakara to the Chairman: I have an amendment and if this resolution is carried it practically puts my amendment out of the discussion. You are now trying to pass a full set of rules *en bloc*. Am I in order if I move my amendment?

The Chairman: No. If this amendment is lost then the other amendments will come in due course. If it is carried the other amendments fall to the ground.

Discussion ended here and Messrs. D. Robertson and Powell were appointed as tellers to count the votes for and against the amendment put in by Mr. Brighouse. Eighty-two members were in favour of the amendment and 36 against.

The meeting then terminated.

London, Sept. 11.—Sinkings. British steamer Lexie and a Greek merchantmen.

## Railway Traffic Receipts.

	Month of August.	
	Broad gauge (914 km.)	Approximate Actual
Passengers	Year 2159	Year 2458.
	145500.	156271.
Goods	Year 2159	Year 2458.
	158890.	133342.
Others	47 0.	3961.
Total	309000.	293574.
Total from April to August	1976127.	1958421.

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## From Dutch Sources.

The following special telegrams are from the *Sumatra Post* of September 8 and 9:

### Holland and the War.

Two German deserters arrived at Grosbeek. Two others have arrived elsewhere.

A German spy has been arrested at Vlaardingen.

The Premier, Mr. Cort van der Linden, receiving a Labour deputation, said that he would never tolerate any obstruction of the output of munition.

### Germany and the War.

A Telegram from Berlin reports that at a conference the Imperial Chancellor, Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg, declared that the general military position was favourable.

The Berlin communique admits the loss of Clerly and other British and French successes on the Somme. It also states that the Russians broke through the centre of the Austro-German front between the Zylotolips and the Dniester.

The Germans claim large captures of prisoners and war-material at Turtukui.

### Austria and the War.

Austrian accounts of the Rumanian invasion of Transylvania describe it as speedy but not over-hurried. Their advance-guard entered Hermannstadt, the historical capital of Transylvania, after the retirement of the Austrians, which took place in perfect order and as rapidly as possible in order that the detachment might not lose contact with the main forces.

The Vienna papers publish accounts of addresses by the Rumanian officers to the populace. They are reported to have said: "You, who also are Rumanians, now belong definitely to us. If you behave properly you will suffer no harm. We will pay for all that we take. Families which wish to depart may do so, though the men between 16 and 55 must remain. We will treat well not only the Rumanian but also the Hungarian and the Saxon population. We know that we are going to stay in this country and do not wish that here where the oldest and greatest episodes in our history took place, any harsh or arbitrary systems should be introduced. We have brought proclamations with us to ensure that no harm is done either to individuals or to property."

Perfect order prevails at Brassoe, where the residence of a rich merchant has been arranged as quarters for the Crown Prince of Rumania.

In the Hungarian Parliament Count Tisza, the Premier, admitted that the Central Powers had been surprised by Rumania's intervention before they

could adopt the necessary counter-measures.

Count Apponyi, the Opposition leader, pointed to the mistakes made by the Government in this respect at the time of the declaration of war and during the first invasion of Transylvania.

### The Eastern Front.

The Vienna communique admits small Russian success in the Carpathians and an Austrian retreat in the region of Halicz.

A later communique admits an Austrian withdrawal east and west of Olahopolca in order to avoid envelopment by the Rumanians.

### Allies and Greece.

The Allied fleet which arrived at the Piraeus consisted of cruisers, destroyers and mine sweepers, together with some hydroplanes. The fleet made a profound impression in Athens where enormous crowds flocked down to see the threatening silhouettes of the great warships. Meantime, despite the great calm in political circles, the town itself is very excited. Most of the German residents of Athens have departed. The majority of the Greek population are observing the course of events with satisfaction. Generally, the procedure of the Allies is approved, and one can gather from the expressions of their faces that the people are pleased to be relieved from the intolerable pressure which has been exercised against their country. The Greek people understand that the action of the fleet is directed not against Greece, but against the Germans who had obtained control of Greece.

The German press seems to fear that Greece will now intervene on the side of the Allies.

### Waste of Material.

"The casualty lists of the past week show the names of three fellows of Oxford Colleges," says a writer to the *Times*. "One had been a life-long student of military affairs, one was the most promising of the younger zoologists of the University, one had spent several seasons at the British School at Athens and knew Greece and Near East well."

"All three lives were lost leading infantry attacks in France. They would be less grudging if it was absolutely necessary to use the best brains of the country for this purpose: but is it really impossible to find no more suitable military work for them to do?"

"Intellect is as much part of the capital of the country as securities: but it differs from them in being irreplaceable. And a country which wastes it so recklessly will have only itself to blame if it feels the effects of the waste in time to come."



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## Rumanian Progress.

## The Turtukai Action.

Bucharest, Sept. 11.—The enemy forces at Turtukai were 25,000 Germans, 40,000 Bulgarians, 10,000 Turks. The defenders numbered 25,000. Reuter is authoritatively informed that the present enemy forces are quite inadequate to make a serious offensive against Rumania. Moreover they are still south of the Danube. Russians have severed the railway to Dobrudja while the Russian fleet has bombarded Varna.

Bucharest, Sept. 12.—A communique says: The enemy continues to retreat in the Olt valley. The Rumanians have occupied Helimbar. Enemy attacks west of Merisor were repulsed. The Rumanians assumed the offensive capturing two guns, machine-guns and three-hundred prisoners. There is rifle fire on the whole Danube front. Fighting in the Dobrudja continues.

## Russian Communique.

London, Sept. 11.—The Russian communique says that on the western front the situation is unchanged.

On the Caucasian front on September 9 and 10 fierce battles continued in the region of Ognot. We occupied Bana and the region of Sakkiz and are pursuing the enemy.

## The Salonika Front.

Salonika, Sept. 11.—The British crossed the Struma at several places. The enemy was driven out of Nevoljen and other villages after considerable opposition. Strong counter-attacks were repulsed.

Paris, Sept. 11.—The Salonika communique says: The British crossed the Struma at Orjacko under the enemy's fire and attacked the villages of Nevoljen and Karadzakey which the enemy are obstinately defending. We violently bombarded Bulgarian positions from west of the Vardar to lake Doiran hitting some enemy batteries. Fresh withdrawals of Bulgarian advanced posts are reported from the Serbian front.

## Greek Compliance.

Athens, Sept. 12.—The Government has accepted all the demands of the Entente. M. Venizelos has telegraphed to the Rumanian Opposition leader M. Filipescu and congratulates Rumania on her entry into the war.

Athens, Later.—M. Zaimis has resigned.

## War Minister at Verdun.

Paris, Sept. 12.—Mr. Lloyd George is visiting Verdun and was entertained at a banquet in the citadel. He said that he was happy to meet the guardians of Verdun's inviolable walls. He paid a tribute to the devotion and tenacity of the defenders of Verdun that had saved not only France but all humanity, which again turns to France to defend the great cause.

## When Will It All End?

"When will it all end?" asks "A Wayfarer" in the Nation.

"A common calculation among the officials is—September year."

"As the tale of sacrifices mounts up, the responsibilities of our silent rulers mount too."

"Is it not time to speak to them, and say: 'Enough, but not too much, so that the world we knew and loved two years ago becomes a wilderness; enough for Europe's safety, so far as one poor instrument can secure it; nothing for the false idealism of glory or revenge?'"

When will it all end? The question has also been put by the *Weekly Dispatch*, which publishes these replies from Lord Derby, Sir A. C. Doyle, and others, to the question as to how long the war will last and what will be the results.

Here is what they say:

Lord Derby says:

"1. Till Allied forces victorious."

"2. England, France, and Russia victorious. Germany and Austria accepting terms which will ensure the end of militarism in Europe and peace for many generations to come."

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle says:

"1. From six to nine months."

"2. Germany and Austria will be bankrupt. The Allies will be faced by a long period of taxation and economy."

Major-General Sir Alfred Turner says:

"My own opinion is that the war will be over before the end of this year."

"If the war goes on another year Germany and Austria will be bankrupt and depleted of manhood to such a terrible extent that it will take at least half a century for them to recover."

Mr. J. L. Garvin, editor of the "Observer," says:

"I think the war will result during the next twelve months in thorough victory for the Allies and a lasting peace. The end may, of course, come more quickly, but it is rather too soon yet to attempt a closer estimate."

Mr. Archibald Hurd, the naval expert, says:

"1. I believe Lord Kitchener's statement that the war would last three years will prove an outside estimate. I doubt whether after the blow inflicted at the battle of Jutland Germany can face another winter."

"2. Germany and Austria will have reached apogee in physical and economic exhaustion such as no Powers in the past have experienced."

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Stations.	Train No.				Stations.	Train No.			
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Paknam Dep.	6.30	9.30	12.45	3.45	Bangkok Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00	5.00
*Maha Wong "	6.35	9.35	12.50	3.50	Sala Deng "	7.52	10.52	2.07	5.07
*Ban Nang Greng "	6.40	9.40	12.55	3.55	Klong Toi "	8.00	11.00	2.15	5.15
Chorakhe "	6.45	9.45	1.00	4.00	*Ban Kluei "	8.05	11.05	2.20	5.20
*Samrong "	6.50	9.50	1.05	4.05	Prakonong "	8.10	11.10	2.25	5.25
Bangna "	6.55	9.55	1.10	4.10	Bangjak "	8.15	11.15	2.30	5.30
Bangjak "	7.00	10.00	1.15	4.15	*Bangna "	8.20	11.20	2.35	5.35
*Prakonong "	7.05	10.05	1.20	4.20	Samrong "	8.25	11.25	2.40	5.40
*Ban Kluei "	7.10	10.10	1.25	4.25	Chorakhe "	8.30	11.30	2.45	5.45
Klong Toi "	7.15	10.15	1.30	4.30	*Ban Nang Greng "	8.35	11.35	2.50	5.50
Sala Deng "	7.23	10.23	1.38	4.38	*Maha Wong "	8.40	11.40	2.55	5.55
Bangkok Arr.	7.30	10.30	1.45	4.45	Paknam Arr.	8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00

\*Trains stop only at the request of passengers.

Trains may leave intermediate stations 5 minutes before the stated time



**Rugby Football.****The Origin of the Game.**

An interesting article on the origin and development of Rugby football appears in the current issue of "Bally's Magazine" and in the course of his remarks the writer says:

Prior to 1823 running with the ball was unknown at Rugby, and its introduction was due to a breach of the then laws of the game. At that time a player catching the ball from an opponent's kick before it touched the ground was entitled to step back as far as he liked, and punt or drop kick the ball himself or place it for another of his sidemen to kick, his opponent meanwhile not being allowed to approach nearer than the spot where the catch had been made.

In 1823 a youth named William Webb Ellis, who is described by a contemporary schoolfellow as "having plenty of assurance and ambition of being thought something of," having caught the ball, instead of proceeding in the manner mentioned, gained undying fame by running with it towards his opponents' goal. From this impromptu action running with the ball little by little came into fashion, until it became the great feature of the Rugby game.

Though increasing in popularity in the decade 1830-40, running with the ball was not officially recognised in School's rules until the captaincy of Judge (Tom) Hughes in 1841, and then with these limitations: (1) That the ball must be caught on the bound; (2) that the catcher was not to be "off his side"; (3) that there must be "no landing on," but the catcher must carry the ball in and touch down "himself."

The players of that time at least equalled those of to-day in their love for the game. Yet their football would appear wearisome to modern ideas. There were no matches against other schools or clubs. No game could be won unless a goal was scored, and long afterwards were therefore spent in undecided struggles with a tangle of a hundred players on the side. Hacking flourished, both in the scrimmage and when the player was running with the ball (a skilful runner would jump the hacks launched at him to bring him down). Some of the rules are suggestively ominous: for instance—

"A player standing up to another may hold one arm only, but may hack him and knock the ball out of his hand, etc." and again—

"Any player obtaining the ball in a maul must have it down as soon as possible, and any players refusing to do so may be hacked. When a player has released his hold of the ball in a

maul he may not join in again, and if he attempts to do so may be dragged out by the opposite side," etc.

**Rainfall.**

We have received the following telegraphic reports of rainfall from the Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Lands and Agriculture:

**KRUNG DEB.**  
At Phra Pradaeng Sept. 13 43.5 mm.  
" Nondaburi " 14 3.5 "  
" Nondaburi " 15 13.0 "  
" Min. of L. & A. " 17 2.9 "

**MONDOL KRUNG KAO.**  
At Krung Kao Sept. 14 18.6 "  
" Sraburi " 14 8.5 "  
" Lobburi " 14 27.1 "  
" Krung Kao " 15 6.3 "  
" Angton " 15 3.0 "  
" Singburi " 15 78.2 "  
" Sraburi " 15 5.0 "  
" Lobburi " 15 66.6 "  
" Angton " 16 5.8 "  
" Lobburi " 16 11.4 "

**MONDOL NAGOR JASRI.**  
At Samudagor Sept. 13 9.2 "  
" Sraburi " 11 1.4 "  
" Samudagor " 11 23.5 "  
" Nagor Pathom " 15 13.1 "  
" Sraburi " 15 4.0 "  
" Samudagor " 15 39.5 "

**MONDOL RAJBURI.**  
At Rajaburi Sept. 14 21.6 "  
" Rajaburi " 15 47.4 "  
" Bejraburi " 15 13.8 "  
" Kanchanaburi " 15 30.0 "  
" Samudagor " 15 19.3 "

**MONDOL PRACHIN.**  
At Nagor Nayok Sept. 15 15.4 "  
" Jolburi " 15 6.8 "  
" Krabindraburi " 15 17.0 "

**MONDOL NAGOR SVARGA.**  
At Nagor Svarga Sept. 14 23.2 "  
" Udaidhani " 14 27.0 "  
" Tak " 14 27.4 "  
" Nagor Svarga " 15 29.5 "  
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"After a joyous evening spent in the Baltimore Beer Garden, the 'Deutschland's' crew returned to the submarine, where a German poet missionary held a special service, and inspired the Divine aid on behalf of 'this mighty undersea vessel,' which, like the Kaiser in Germany, is devoted to securing the highest ideals of civilization."

He compared the merry crew of the submarine, some of whom slept peacefully during the service, to the Crusaders of old, who went forth to defend the holy places and save pagan peoples. In another eloquent passage the Teuton pastor likened the crew to those Christians of early times who kept the faith burning in Rome during the persecutions.

"They, indeed, hid in the catacombs, but you must hide in the depths of the mighty sea, but both are equally inspired by love of what is best in humanity."

"On their return to Germany, the pastor said, the crew will each receive a letter from the Kaiser, and may wear a special Order Pour le Merite for the gallant captain."

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**MENAM MOTOR BOAT CO., LTD.****TIME TABLE.**

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**ROYAL STATE RAILWAYS.****(Broad Gauge Lines.)****TIME TABLE**

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Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.
Bangkok	Dep. 12.45	1.25	3.33	Lampang	Dep. ...	a.m.	a.m.
Ayuthia	Arr. 11.45	3.33	5.15	Don Chai	... ..	p.m.	p.m.
Ban Phaji	Arr. 12.20	4.24	6.30	Tha Sao	... ..	7.1	2.21
Ban Phaji	Dep. 12.45	1.39	...	Charat	... ..	7.18	2.40
Lopburi	Arr. 11.55	1.55	5.18	Ban Dara	Arr. ...	8.16	3.26
Chengket	Dep. 1.33	3.48	...	Sawa-loke	Dep. ...	a.m.	p.m.
Pak-poh	Arr. 2.17	5.40	...	Ban Dara	Arr. ...	8.24	3.32
Pak-poh	Dep. 2.26	6.40	...	Pitsaloke	Arr. ...	10.43	5.30
Pitsaloke	Arr. 6.11	11.5	...	Pitsaloke	Dep. ...	p.m.	a.m.
Pitsaloke	Dep. 7.1	7.2	...	Pak-poh	Arr. ...	1.15	7.1
Ban Dara	Arr. 9.5	1.18	...	Pak-poh	Dep. ...	6.20	10.34
Ban Dara	Dep. 9.20	1.40	...	Pak-poh	Arr. ...	3.52	a.m.
Skaboke	Arr. 10.21	5.41	...	Chengket	Arr. 6.21	...	9.22
Ban Dara	Dep. 9.10	4.26	...	Lopburi	Dep. ...	7.10	11.6
Udaidhani	... 10.6	5.29	...	Ban Phaji	Arr. ...	8.30	12.21
Tha Sao	Arr. 10.15	5.38	...	Korat	Dep. 3.57	...	7.1
Don Chai	... 11.57	...	...	Lat Bua Kao	Arr. 5.55	...	8.40
Lampang	... 1.52	...	...	Gengko	Dep. ...	7.12	11.32
Ban Phaji	Dep. 10.10	12.30	4.41	Ban Phaji	Arr. ...	8.22	12.29
Gengko	Arr. 11.7	1.26	5.51	Ban Phaji	Dep. ...	a.m.	a.m.
Lat Bua Kao	Dep. ...	4.2	...	Ban Phaji	Arr. 6.27	8.37	12.44
Korat	... 6.8	...	8.42	Ayuthia	... 7.13	9.25	1.23
Bangkok	Dep. 7.45	...	3.50	Bangkok	Arr. 9.28	11.35	3.16
Petrieu	Arr. 9.33	...	5.38	Petrieu	Dep. 7.50	...	3.55
				Bangkok	Arr. 9.38	...	5.45

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## Rugby Football.

### The Origin of the Game.

An interesting article on the origin and development of Rugby football appears in the current issue of "Baily's Magazine" and in the course of his remarks the writer says:

Prior to 1823 running with the ball was unknown at Rugby, and its introduction was due to a breach of the then laws of the game. At that time a player catching the ball from an opponent's kick before it touched the ground was entitled to step back as far as he liked, and punt or drop kick the ball himself or place it for another of his sidemen to kick, his opponent meanwhile not being allowed to approach nearer than the spot where the catch had been made.

In 1823 a youth named William Webb Ellis, who is described by a contemporary schoolfellow as "having plenty of assurance and ambition of being thought something of," having caught the ball, instead of proceeding in the manner mentioned, gained undying fame by running with it towards his opponents' goal. From this impromptu action running with the ball little by little came into fashion, until it became the great feature of the Rugby game.

Though increasing in popularity in the decade 1830-40, running with the ball was not officially recognised in School's rules until the captaincy of Judge (Tom) Hughes in 1841, and then with these limitations: (1) That the ball must be caught on the bound; (2) that the catcher was not to be "off his side"; (3) that there must be "no handing on," but the catcher must carry the ball in and touch down "himself."

The players of that time at least equalled those of to-day in their love for the game. Yet their football would appear wearisome to modern ideas. There were no matches against other schools or clubs. No game could be won unless a goal was scored, and long afternoons were therefore spent in undecided struggles with a tangle of a hundred players on the side. Hacking flourished, both in the scrimmage and when the player was running with the ball (a skilful runner would jump the hacks launched at him to bring him down). Some of the rules are suggestively ominous; for instance:—

"A player standing up to another may hold one arm only, but may hack him and knock the ball out of his hand, etc." and again:—

"Any player obtaining the ball in a Maul must have it down as soon as possible, and any players refusing to do so may be hacked. When a player has released his hold of the ball in a

maul he may not join in again, and if he attempts to do so may be dragged out by the opposite side," etc.

## Rainfall.

We have received the following telegraphic reports of rainfall from the Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Lands and Agriculture:

KRUNG DEB.		
At Phra Pradaeng	Sept. 13	43.5 mm.
" Nondaburi	" 14	3.5 "
" Nondaburi	" 15	13.0 "
" Min. of L. & A.	" 17	2.9 "
MONDOL KRUNG KAO.		
At Krung Kao	Sept. 14	18.6 "
" Sraburi	" 14	8.5 "
" Lobburi	" 14	27.1 "
" Krung Kao	" 15	6.3 "
" Angton	" 15	3.0 "
" Singburi	" 15	78.2 "
" Sraburi	" 15	5.0 "
" Lobburi	" 15	66.6 "
" Angton	" 16	5.8 "
" Lobburi	" 16	11.4 "

MONDOL NAGOR JAISRI.		
At Smudsagor	Sept. 13	9.2 "
" Subaraburi	" 14	1.4 "
" Smudsagor	" 14	23.5 "
" Nagor Pathom	" 15	13.1 "
" Subaraburi	" 15	4.0 "
" Smudsagor	" 15	39.5 "

MONDOL RAJBURI.		
At Bejraburi	Sept. 14	21.6 "
" Rajburi	" 15	47.4 "
" Bejraburi	" 15	13.8 "
" Kanchanaburi	" 15	30.0 "
" Smudsagor	" 15	19.3 "

MONDOL PRACHIN.		
At Nagor Nayok	Sept. 15	15.4 "
" Jolburi	" 15	6.8 "
" Krabindraburi	" 15	17.0 "

MONDOL NAGOR SVARGA.		
At Nagor Svarga	Sept. 14	23.2 "
" Udaidhani	" 14	27.0 "
" Tak	" 14	27.4 "
" Nagor Svarga	" 15	29.5 "
" Udaidhani	" 15	10.0 "

## Telegraph Lines.

The Post and Telegraph Department reports that all lines are in good order.

## CHRONIC DIARRHOEA.

Are you subject to attacks of diarrhoea? Keep absolutely quiet for a few days, rest in bed if possible, be careful of your diet and take Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This medicine has cured cases of chronic diarrhoea that physicians have failed on, and it will cure you. For sale by the British Dispensary.

## Prayer Meeting on the Submarine Catacomb!

This account of a remarkable prayer meeting held on the submarine liner "Deutschland" before sailing from the United States is sent by the "Telegraph's" New York correspondent:

"After a joyous evening spent in the Baltimore Beer Gardens, the "Deutschland's" crew returned to the submarine, where a German port missionary held a special service, and explored the Divine aid on behalf of 'this mighty undersea vessel', which, like the Kaiser in Germany, is devoted to securing the highest ideals of civilisation."

"He compared the merry crew of the submarine, some of whom slept peacefully during the service, to the Crusaders of old, who went forth to defend the holy places and shy pagan peoples. In another eloquent passage the Tenton pastor likened the crew to those Christians of early times who kept the faith burning in Rome during the persecutions."

"They, indeed, hid in the catacombs, but you must hide in the depths of the mighty sea, but both are equally inspired by love of what is best in humanity."

"On their return to Germany, the pastor said, the Iron Cross awaited each man, and may we not hope the Order Pour le Merite for the gallant captain?"

## Bangkok Mails Close.

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Wednesday 20th 10 a.m. ss. Chintatutch

## Exchange Rates.

### To-day's Quotations.

LONDON—	
Bank Bills, demand	1/6 7/16
Bank Bills, 3 months' sight	—
PARIS—	
Bank Bills, demand	—
GERMANY—	
Bank Bills, demand	—
NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, demand U. S. A.	—
INDIA—	
Bank Bills, demand	Rs. 113 3/4
SINGAPORE—	
Bank Bills, demand	\$65 5/8
HONGKONG—	
Bank Bills, demand	\$ 69 5/8
YOKOHAMA & KOBE—	
Bank Bills, demand	Y71 1/2
NOTE:—The rate of Interest on Advance Bills has been reduced to 6 per cent. per annum.	
Equivalent of Exchange demand London in Siamese Currency —	
Tos. 13.08.—(Bank Rate)	

## MENAM MOTOR BOAT CO., LTD.

### TIME TABLE.

LINE 1—BANGKABUE TO BANG QUANG & MUANG NAWN.	
Boats leave Bangkok to Bang Quang, Muang Nawn & Pakret.	
a.m. 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.10.	
p.m. 1. 1.30, 2.30, 3.10, 3.50, 4.40, 5.30. daily.	
Bangkabue to Samkut	2.30 p.m. daily.
" " Kai Koh Yai	1.00 " "
LINE 2—TANON TOK TO PAKLAT in connection with Paklat Tram Cars Thahin	
Boats leave Tanon Tok every full and half hour from 6.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. After 7.30 when sufficient passengers.	
LINE 3—THA CHANG WANG LUANG TO KLONG BANGKOK NOI.	
Boats leave Tha Chang wang Luang landing a.m. 7.30, 8.30, 9.30, 10.30, 11.30, and p.m. 1.00, 2.30, 3.30, 4.30, and 5.30. daily.	
LINE 4—KLONG SAMRONG LOCK TO BANG HIA.	
Boats leave the Lock in connection with the Paknam Railway train. 10.45 a.m. from Bangkok.	

## ROYAL STATE RAILWAYS.

(Broad Gauge Lines.)

### TIME TABLE

In force from 1st April, 1916.

	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.
Bangkok Dep.	7.00	9.48	1.25	3.33	Lampang Dep.	...	7.33
Ayuthia Arr.	9.3	11.30	3.33	5.45	Den Chai	...	12.35
Ban Phaji Arr.	9.47	12.20	4.24	6.30	Tha Sao	...	7.18
					Uttaradit	...	2.40
Ban Phaji Dep.	9.57	12.37	4.30	...	Ban Dara Arr.	...	8.16
Lopburi Arr.	11.5	1.55	5.48	...	Sawaloake Dep.	...	7.00
					Ban Dara Arr.	...	8.1
Chengket Dep.	12.35	3.33	...	7.25			
Pak'poh Arr.	2.17	5.40	...	9.54	Ban Dara Dep.	...	a.m.
					Pitsa'loke Arr.	...	10.43
Pak'poh Dep.	2.26	6.30	...	...			
Pitsa'loke Arr.	6.00	11.5	...	...			
					Pitsa'loke Dep.	...	p.m.
Pitsa'loke Dep.	7.1	2.2	...	...	Pak'poh Arr.	...	1.45
Ban Dara Arr.	9.5	4.18	...	...			6.20
Ban Dara Dep.	9.20	4.40	...	...	Pak'poh Dep.	p.m.	a.m.
Skaloake Arr.	10.21	5.41	...	...		3.52	7.20
							10.43
Ban Dara Dep.	9.10	4.26	...	...	Chengket Arr.	6.21	9.22
Uttaradit	10.6	5.29	...	...	Lopburi Dep.	...	11.6
Tha Sao Arr.	10.15	5.38	...	...		7.10	1.56
Den Chai	11.57	...	...	...	Ban Phaji Arr.	...	p.m.
						8.30	12.21
Lampang	4.52	...	...	...			3.4
					Korat Dep.	p.m.	a.m.
Ban Phaji Dep.	10.00	12.30	4.41	...		3.57	7.00
Gengko Arr.	11.7	1.26	5.51	...	Lat Bua Kao Ar.	5.55	8.40
Lat Bua Kao	...	4.2	...	8.42	Gengko Dep.	...	7.12
						...	11.32
Korat	...	6.8	...	10.32	Ban Phaji Arr.	...	8.22
						...	12.29
Bangkok Dep.	7.45	...	...	3.50	Ban Phaji Dep.	6.27	8.37
Petrien Arr.	9.33	...	...	5.38	Ayuthia	7.13	9.25
					Bangkok Arr.	9.28	11.35
						...	1.23
					Petrien Dep.	a.m.	p.m.
					Bangkok Arr.	7.50	...
						9.38	...
						...	3.55
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