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TIDE TABLE.

DEPTH OF WATER ON THE BANGKOK BAR FOR JULY, 1916.

July	A.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
1	3 00	11 0	11-12	5-6
2	4 00	11 11	...	...
3	5 00	11 11	...	...
4	6 00	12 0	...	...
5	6 30	11 11	...	...
6	7 30	11 10	...	...
7	8 00	11 7	...	...
8	9 30	11 1	...	...
9	10 30	11 0	...	...
10	11 30	10 6	6-7	7-0
11	...	...	7-8	6-0
12	...	...	8-9	6-0
13	...	...	8-9	6-0
14	1 00	12 4	9-10	6-0
15	2 30	12 0	10-11	5-0
16	4 00	12 0	11-12	5-0
17	5 00	12 0	...	...
18	5 30	12 0	...	...
19	6 00	11 11	...	...
20	7 00	11 5	...	...
21	8 00	11 1	...	...
22	9 00	10 9	...	...
23	11 00	10 5	...	...
24	11 00	10 0	5-6	7-8
25	...	...	5-6	7-0
26	...	...	6-7	7-0
27	...	...	9-10	7-0
28	...	...	10-11	7-0
29	...	...	11-12	6-0
30	2 00	11 0	11-12	5-0
31	3 30	11 9	12-0	5-0

July	P.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
1	7 00	14 10	...	...
2	7 30	15 0	1-0	5-0
3	8 00	14 10	1-2	5-0
4	8 30	14 7	2-3	5-0
5	9 00	14 6	2-3	5-6
6	9 30	14 5	2-3	5-6
7	10 00	14 1	3-4	6-7
8	10 30	13 11	4-0	7-0
9	10 30	13 11	4-0	7-0
10	11 00	13 0	4-5	7-8
11	11 00	12 10	...	...
12	5 30	13 10	...	...
13	6 00	14 7	...	...
14	6 30	14 9	...	...
15	7 30	15 1	...	...
16	8 00	15 1	...	...
17	8 30	14 8	1-2	5-0
18	9 00	14 5	1-2	5-0
19	9 30	14 1	2-3	6-0
20	9 30	14 0	2-3	6-0
21	10 00	13 8	2-3	6-0
22	10 00	13 4	3-4	7-0
23	10 30	13 0	3-4	8-0
24	11 00	12 8	...	...
25	5 30	12 11	...	...
26	5 00	13 2	...	...
27	6 30	13 7	...	...
28	6 30	14 4	...	...
29	6 30	14 8	...	...
30	7 00	14 9	...	...
31	7 30	15 0	...	...

PHASES OF THE MOON.

June 30th	○ New Moon	5.25 p.m.
July 8th	☾ First Quarter	6.37 p.m.
" 15th	☾ Full Moon	11.22 a.m.
" 22nd	☾ Last Quarter	6.15 a.m.
" 30th	○ New Moon	8.57 a.m.

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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. 36
INDIA—
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German News Service.

Headquarters, June 14.

Western theatre: Yesterday a part of the new German positions on the heights southeast of Zillebeke was lost. On the right bank of the Meuse, in the engagements of June 12 and 13, the enemy's positions west and south of Thiamont Farm were conquered by the Germans. 793 French among whom are 27 officers, were made prisoners and 15 machine guns were taken.

There were successful patrol enterprises near Marcourt, north of the Somme and in the Champagne.

Except artillery combats and patrol engagements, there were no events.

June 16.
On the left bank of the Meuse, the French attacked with strong forces on the southern slope of Morthomme. After having gained ground temporarily, the French were repulsed by a short counter-attack.

Eight officers and 138 men were made prisoners by the Germans and several machine guns were taken. Late in the evening, the French repeated their attack but with absolutely no success.

Enterprises against the German lines adjoining the Morthomme, in both directions, equally failed. The enemy suffered severe losses.

On the right bank of the Meuse, there was only strong activity of the artillery, besides some small infantry engagements on the Thiamont triangle, favourable for the Germans.

June 17.
On several places of the German front between the Franco-Belgian frontier and the Somme, the artillery and patrols have been very active.

On the left bank of the Meuse, infantry fighting took place during the night for the advanced positions of the trenches and the southern slope of Morthomme. On the right bank of the Meuse, the French after several hours preparation through artillery, made an attack which failed before the German positions in the forest of Thiamont. A small trench of the furthest advanced German line which had been taken by the French was cleared of the enemy during the night.

The attack on the military depots at Bar-le-Duc has been repeated. A French biplane fell down to the fire of the German anti-aircraft guns and was smashed.

In the section Deznage-La Grude, south of Chateau-Salins, Lt. Winzons brought down his sixth and Lt. Hohnsdorf his fifth aeroplane, the crew of one of them was found dead.

In the evening of June 16th, it was observed that the wreck of a biplane shot down in an aerial fight, was lying, northeast of the forest of Houdou.

June 14.
Eastern theatre: South of the Narotch Lake, German reconnoitring detachments destroyed the advanced hostile fortifications and brought in 60 Russians, whom they had made prisoners.

On the front north of Baranovitchi, the enemy began to attack. After a violent artillery preparation, crowded masses stormed seven times against the German lines. The Russians were completely repulsed and suffered the heaviest losses.

German aviators undertook far reaching enterprises, during the last days against the railways behind the Russian front. Several times Russian trains were stopped and railroad establishments destroyed.

June 15.
General Count Bothmer's army, near and north of Przewlowska, repulsed several Russian attacks, which were carried out in thick waves.

Balkan theatre: The situation of the German troops is unchanged.

June 16.
General Linsingen's army is engaged in combats in the Stochod and Styr districts. Parts of General Count von Bothmer's army are again fighting north of Przewlowska.

Balkan theatre: Besides successful attacks, which German aviators again made against the enemy establishments, there were no important events.

June 17.
The army group of General von Linsingen has thrown back the Russian attacks on the Styr on both sides of Kolki. Between Kovel-Lutz and the Turza region, the Germans in successful fights, have taken 3,446 Russian prisoners and 11 officers and have captured one cannon and ten machine-guns. The Russian attack on the army of General von Bothmer, north of Przewlowska, have already broken down in the German curtain line.

Berlin, June 15.
The German Admiralty reports: Admiral Jellicoe, in an order to the British fleet, said that he had no doubt the German losses in the sea battle off Skagerrak were not inferior to the British losses. The German Admiralty repeats that no German ships were lost besides those mentioned already. The superior British losses of ships correspond to the human casualties.

The British up to the present, have admitted that 343 officers are dead and missing and 51 wounded. The entire German losses of officers and non-officers was found dead.

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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.

commissioned officers amount to 172 dead and missing and 149 wounded.

The British total losses of men are 6,104 dead and missing and 513 wounded. The German losses in dead and missing are 2,414 and 449 wounded.

Besides the Germans made 177 British prisoners, while to the knowledge of the German Admiralty, no German prisoners came into British hands.

Turkish headquarters, June 11.
Irak Theatre: After an engagement near Chanikin, which ended in the defeat and retreat of the Russians, the Turkish troops began to pursue them and drove back strong detachments. During the night of June 9, the Turkish troops entered Kasr-i-Shirin.

June 14.
On the Persian frontier, our troops have beaten the Russians with the help of Persian volunteers and have driven them back to the fort of Bana. One cannon and one machinegun have been captured.

The enemy who had gained a footing on the island of Kensten, from where they attacked the neighbouring coast, have been forced by our artillery to evacuate Kensten.

June 15.
The British have tried to land troops on the northern shore of the Euphrates, between Kurna and Nasir. After six hours fighting the British retired in complete disbandment, leaving 180 dead.

June 16.
Deutsche Ueberseezeitung. During the night of June 13 and 14th, the German auxiliary cruiser Hermann was attacked by four Russian torpedo-boats in the bay of Norpooping. After heroic resistance the ship went up in flames. The crew then sank the steamer by an explosion. The commander and a great part of the crew have been saved.

June 17.
A Russian report of June 16 states that the Russians have sunk two German torpedo-boats and an auxiliary cruiser and captured their crews. Competent German authorities declare that no torpedo-boat or other man-of-war has been sunk by the Russians and that the crew of the destroyed auxiliary cruiser Hermann were saved by German boats.

Vienna, June 11.
Austro-Hungarian official telegram. East of Kolki, three Austrian regiments, the day before yesterday, reached the left bank of the Stry. Yesterday an outlying Austro-Hungarian counter-attack drove them back across the river. 8 Officers and 1500 men were made prisoners by the Austro-Hungarians and 13 machine guns were taken by them. Northwest of Tarnopol, the Austro-Hungarians by a counter-advance, reconquered the height, which had been taken by the enemy under heavy losses.

In the northeastern part of the Bukhovina, there was again exceedingly heavy fighting. The pressure of the outnumbering hostile forces

which were used with a reckless waste of human material, exceptional even with this enemy, made it necessary to disengage the Austro-Hungarian troops from the enemy and to take them back.

June 14.
North of Baranovitchi, the German and Austro-Hungarian troops yesterday morning, were exposed to the heaviest Russian artillery fire. The evening, the enemy attacked but were repulsed everywhere without exception. Finally the enemy's artillery fired into the retreating Russian masses.

June 11.
Italian theatre:—The Italians renewed their advances against isolated parts of the front, but everywhere were quickly repulsed, under heavy losses. On the Monte Lemerle, the Austro-Hungarians surprised a hostile detachment which had maintained themselves near the summit. The Austro-Hungarians occupied the mountain completely and took more than 500 prisoners.

June 14.
Austro-Hungarian naval aeroplanes again attacked the railway stations and military establishments at Giorgio di Nagora and the river port of Grado.

Berlin, June 16.
Deutscher Ueberseezeitung.—The Emperor, in Wilhelmshaven addressed delegations of all the ships which participated in the battle of Skagerrack. He reminded them that the German fleet had always been conscious that, in case of war, the world would have to face an enormous superiority in numbers. He recalled the long time which the German fleet had to pass in relative inactivity, since all attempts to draw out the enemy to battle had so far proved futile.

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Distance from Bangkok.	Train No.	STATIONS.		Distance from Meklong.	Train No.	STATIONS.	
		I. III. V. VII.				VI. VIII	
		A.M. A.M. P.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				B. Hlane			
Terminus Arr.	8.20	10.20	3.20 5.20	33.8 Terminus Arr.	10.20	3.20	
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BANGKOK-MEKLONG.				MEKLONG-BANGKOK.			
Distance from B. Hlane.	Train No.	STATIONS.		Distance from Mahachai.	Train No.	STATIONS.	
		III. VII.				II. IV. VI. VIII	
		A.M. P.M.				A.M. A.M. P.M. P.M.	
Km. B. Hlane				Km. Terminus Dep.	7.00	11.00	2.00 4.00
Terminus Dep.	10.50	3.50		33.8 Meklong Arr.	12.10	5.10	
33.8 Meklong Arr.	12.10	5.10		33.1 Bangkok Arr.	8.20	12.20	3.20 5.20

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Pit ...	2
Gallery ...	1

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BARKER & Co.,
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Chartered Bank Chambers,
26th June, 1916.
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3-14 e.o.d

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THE Great War.

French Capture Seventy- Six Guns.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 8.

Paris Communiqué.—We have taken
seventy-six guns and hundreds of
machine guns.

There have been local engagements
north of the Somme, but there was
no action on most of the front south of the
Somme. There was no infantry action
on the Meuse.

Russians Capture More Prisoners.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 8.

Petrograd Official.—The Russians
have taken over 10,000 more prisoners,
including 5,000 captured on the Dnie-
per.

Further Russian Successes.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 9.

Petrograd Communiqué.—We gained
further successes on the Stry and cap-
tured the small town of Gradie and a
village on the main road to Kolki.

The number of Austro-German pri-
soners is increasing.

We captured an enemy position east
of Delatyn. The Germans counter-
attacked south-east of Lakenarotch and
regained a part of lost trenches.

U. S. A. and Mexico.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 9.

Washington.—America has accepted
Carranza's proposal to settle differences
by direct negotiations.

General Haig's Report.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 9.

General Sir Douglas Haig, in his
communiqué says.—Despite the en-
emy's stubborn resistance, our infantry,
well assisted by artillery, pushed our
advance in the most gallant manner.
In the morning we gained several im-
portant points, stormed the immensely
strong Leipzig redoubt south of Thiép-
val, and forced our way to Ovillers
where fierce fighting continues. We
advanced on a front of 2,000 yards to
a depth of 500 yards. East of Laboissele
we drove the enemy from two woods
and from three lines of trenches north
of Fricourt.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. F. Elley (United Engineers) and
Mr. A. G. Morkill arrived by the s.s.
"Yugala" last evening.

THE s.s. "Kajang" left Singapore at
noon on Saturday the 8th inst., and
may be expected to arrive at the Bor-
neo Company's wharf on Wednesday
morning.

THE death is announced of Dr. Al-
fred Grace, the last of the Grace
brothers who attained world-wide fame
in cricket. Dr. Alfred Grace was at
one time a player of ability, but he
never reached the level of "W. G."
"E. M." or Fred Grace. He was seventy-
six years of age.

WE are informed by Messrs. the
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vice. Passage rates, conditions &c. will
be the same as those prevailing on
the s.s. "Tenyo Maru" type steamers.
The s.s. "Siberia" is expected to take
up the schedule of the s.s. "Chiyo
Maru" and will leave Nagasaki for San
Francisco on her first voyage under
the T. K. K. flag about 11th September.
The s.s. "Korea" is expected to sail
from that port to San Francisco about
a month later.

The Declaration of London.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

The following is an official telegram
to the French Legation signed by M.
Briand:—

Paris, July 9.

To-day there appeared in the Official
Gazette a decree abrogating the mea-
sures relating to the application of the
rules of the Declaration of Lon-
don of February 1909. To this decree
is annexed a memorandum which I
have addressed to all the representa-
tives of the neutral powers at Paris and
in which is to be found explanations
of the reasons which have determined
the Governments of France and Bri-
tain to hold themselves exclusively
to the application of the rules form-
erly recognized by international law.

The London Gazette also publishes
to-day the same memorandum as well
as the order in council which accom-
panies it.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 8.

Official.—A public decree appears
with respect to the London convention
on international maritime law.

Russo-Japanese Con- vention.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 7.

M. Sazanoff and the Japanese Am-
bassador have signed a convention the
object of which is to unite their efforts
to maintain peace and safeguard
territorial rights or special interests of
the Russo-Japanese in the extreme
orient.

The convention excludes the ad-
hesion to all other political combina-
tions directed against the contracting
parties.

The Russian Campaign.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 7.

Petrograd.—On the Stry—Barano-
vitchi front we took 8,000 prisoners, 6
cannon and 23 mitralluses.

Paris, July 8.

Petrograd.—We captured the villages
of Grodic and Doljitz and took a posi-
tion east of Delatyn.

The Western Front.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 7.

Yesterday on both banks of the Som-
me we repulsed counter-attacks.
The British progressed at various
points.

To-day there was calm on both banks
of the Somme. The British captured
a trench east of Laboissele, and took
the offensive east of Albert.

Paris, July 8.

Yesterday the British captured a
fortified redoubt between Thiépval and
Montauban and took the first lines of
defence at D'Ouvillers and north of
Fricourt. They routed the Prussian
guard inflicting enormous losses.

To-day we succeeded in a coup de
main in the neighbourhood of Belloy
en Sauterre and took 350 prisoners.

We made progress east of D'Estrees
and captured 51 prisoners.
On the British front we reinforced
the positions conquered the preceding
day.

Opium and Cocaine.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 8.

The Chamber has passed a bill
brought forward by the Senate pro-
hibiting trade in opium and cocaine.

Shooting.

The Shooting Section of the B. B.
S. C. is to be congratulated on the very
excellent and exciting match for the
Championship Cup of the season. Nine
guns competed at the 18 yards stance,
and the Cup was won by E. A. Lay-
daker, with 23 kills out of a possible
25, a performance of considerable merit
when taking into consideration that
it was his first appearance at the traps
since his departure for the front in
1914.

A close tie between A. J. Irwin and
C. L. Groundwater, the runners-up,
with 22 birds to their credit, added to
the excitement of the competition, as
there was both a sweep and a Tote on
the result.

In the following double rise, Ground-
water distinguished himself by killing
9 in 10, E. G. Gollo following with 5
birds.

The closing 5 bird sweep was won by
J. J. McBeth, C. P. Norman, T. H.
Pollard, and Groundwater tying for
second place, resulting in a win for the
latter by killing the next two birds.

The shoot-off tie for the June Cup
between P. Campbell and C. L. Ground-
water resulted in another tie, the score
being: Campbell 11 + 4 = 15, Ground-
water 13 + 2 = 15.

The final Handicap Cup of the
season will be shot for on the 23rd
inst., particulars of which will be duly
published.

The second Tie for the June Cup will
be shot off on the same day.

British Legation Telegrams.

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

A Summary of the Situation. (Unofficial.)

London, July 8.

On the western frontier the chief centre of interest is the zone of the British right wing on the western front, where with the co-operation of the French army a great offensive was begun on the 1st of July. For more than a week there had been heavy bombardments all along the front and many raids to puzzle the enemy and secure information concerning dispositions. On the night of June 30th the bombardment became intense and at 7.30 a.m. of July 1st an infantry attack was delivered by the British and French on a front of 25 miles. The Germans were ready on the British left at Thiepval, positions were won north and south of the village, but at Thiepval north of Gommecourt the struggle was severe and progress slow. There was severe fighting at la Boisselle and on the Somme, our troops advanced as far as Contalmaison. South of this point we of all our objectives. Fricourt salient was attacked on both sides and the capture of Mametz put it in a grave danger, our right wing took Montauban, a point of a mile and a half inside the German lines. Next day Fricourt fell and late in the evening la Boisselle was heavily counter-attacked but resisted all the German efforts. We cleared the woods east of Mametz and Montauban and severely handled the German reserves now flung in. One German battalion brought from the Southern Front was destroyed within half hour of its arrival. Some 700 prisoners were captured on Tuesday the 4th. Heavy thunderstorms impeded movements but on Tuesday and Wednesday there was fierce fighting around Thiepval. On Thursday 6th the British centre advanced east of Thiepval and on Friday 7th there was considerable advance east of la Boisselle where we penetrated the German trenches on a front of two thousand yards to a depth of five hundred yards. A counter-attack by the reserve division of the Prussian guard failed completely and 700 prisoners were left in our hands. At noon on Friday we carried Contalmaison but fell back in the afternoon under counter-attacks. The result of the week's fighting has been that on a front of 7 miles the British carried the whole of the enemy's first positions and considerable parts of their intermediate line also. This, with the great success of the French further south, has prepared the way for a further attack upon the German positions. In the meantime the whole western front has been active, many successful raids have been undertaken and British aircraft have bombed depots and railway stations behind the enemy's line. A remarkable feat was at Lille, where five British aeroplanes attacked the station, engaged 20 fockers, destroyed two and returned without loss.

Operations in East Africa.

London, July 8.

East Africa alone has been active during the week, General Smuts is pressing down towards the central railway which runs inland from Dar es Salaam. His left wing under General Lockyer penetrated to 40 miles south of Londoni and his right wing under General van Deventer has defeated the enemy with great loss at Kondon Rongi a point within 90 miles of the central railway. Meantime in the south General Northey has occupied the station at the head of lake Nyassa and Belgian columns are moving eastward between lakes Tanganyika and Victoria. The Germans have been forced back, as in the Cameroons and German South West Africa, upon the centre of the Colony and the Allies are closing in rapidly upon their last retreat.

F. M. S. Railway Construction.

Perlis—Siamese Boundary Reached.

Says the Malay Mail of July 3.—The Chief Resident Engineer for Construction, F. M. S. R., informs us that Railhead reached the Perlis—Siamese Boundary yesterday.

This is the terminus of the F. M. S. Railway which runs through Kedah and Perlis, and the point where the Siamese Railway will join with the F. M. S. system.

PADDY REPORT FOR JULY 9.

Nasuan 1940 coyans at Tes.	85/103 each
Samruang 840	" " 75/82 "
Namuang 230	" " 73/74 "
Total Coyans	3010 "
3 to 9 July 1916. (Last week.)	
Nasuan	13160 Coyans.
Samruang	6330 "
Namuang	1900 "
Total	21,390 "



Court Circular.

DUSIT PARK,
Sunday, July 9th.

In the evenings of the 8th and 9th instant His Majesty the King was present at the performance of English plays under the Royal patronage by officials in His Majesty's Service at the Theatre Royal, Dusit Park, for the benefit of the Cruiser fund.

Extracts From the Government Gazette.

(Of the 9th July 2459).

The black shirts of officers of the various Scout battalions have been changed into khaki.

The under Secretary of the Ministry of the Interior announces that the law with reference to the conservancy of forests has now been made applicable to the Mondhol of Patani.

Phra Svadi Vieng Chai has been raised to the rank of Amat Ek.

H. E. Lieut. General Phya Surindrakaj, Viceroy and Lord Lieutenant of Puket, had a farewell audience on the 29th ultimo previous to returning to his Mondhol.

H. E. Phya Dharmasakdi Montri, Minister for Education, notifies that Phya Pakdi Narubesa, Comptroller, has been made Director of the Text Books Department.

The Minister of Justice notifies that Nai Pan Krawiwong has been appointed Crown Prosecutor of the Minburi district.

A partnership has been registered for carrying on a rice mill business at Ban Mai between Pan Hay Leng and Phuen Neo, and the firm will be known as Chin Seng Chan.

Chao Chom Manda Ward has given Tes. 58 to each of the following institutions.—Wang Lang Hospital, Vajira Hospital, Military Hospital, the Police Hospital, the Insane Asylum and the Infectious Diseases Hospital.

In the month of June Currency notes were in circulation up to the value of Tes. 42,246,175 and against same there was in the Treasury in silver Tes. 21,838,936, and the balance in various scrip.

Personal.

His Majesty the King of Italy, on the proposal of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has been graciously pleased to confer upon Mr. Goffredo Bovo, Chancellor-Interpreter of the Royal Italian Legation in Bangkok, the Cross of Chevalier of the Crown of Italy.

Phya Sirendra Tararakas Sena, Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Lakhon Lampong has arrived in Bangkok and is residing at the residence of the late Phya Dep Arjan at Hua Lampong.

Monsieur Laurent, Assistant Legal Adviser temporarily attached to the International Court, has been transferred to the Borisph Court.

Phra Raja Yotha, Governor of Chiangrai, left this morning to resume his duties.

Alliance Francaise.

To-morrow Monsieur de Laforeade will give a "causerie" on "Some Aspects of the Eastern Question," from 6 to 7 p.m. at the rooms of the Alliance Francaise, Sariwongse Road.

All members are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Asquith's Physique.

The value of physique in a Prime Minister has never been more strikingly shown than in the last few years, says the "Yorkshire Evening Post." Even Mr. Gladstone could not have sustained the burden which has been laid upon Mr. Asquith. In all his long period of office the Prime Minister has had only two slight breakdowns. After the coal strike a touch of influenza and nervous worry compelled him to make a short holiday, and earlier this year an attack of bronchial catarrh kept him away from the House for about a fortnight. He has a splendid constitution, but he owes his immunity from serious ailment to the same cause as did Mr. Gladstone. Like Mr. Gladstone, he has the power of dividing his mind into water tight compartments, and when once a subject has been temporarily disposed of it ceases to worry him.

Amateur Theatricals at the Theatre Royal.

"The Earl of Claverhouse."

Under the gracious patronage and direction of His Majesty the King two plays in English were staged at the Theatre Royal, Dusit Park, on Saturday night. Evidently these productions are much appreciated for every available seat was booked, and the general tone of the comments to be overheard as the audience left the house after the final fall of the curtain was one of high satisfaction with the evening's entertainment.

The three-act farcical comedy "The Earl of Claverhouse," by Sir Ayndhya, was originally written in Siamese and has been produced on several different occasions under the title of "Nai Indas-n" and the English version produced on Saturday night was prepared by the author himself.

The main theme of the story is that of a practical joke in which the conspirators are duly hoist on their own petard. A fashionable solicitor and his friend, Archie Battersby, each having a reason for wishing to score off Sir Mark Medway, the proprietor of Medway's Meat Extract, instruct Jack Graham, the solicitor's clerk, to impersonate the Earl of Claverhouse—a veritable hermit of an earl who may pretty safely be trusted never to turn up.

This humble clerk then is duly coached in the peculiar walk and manner considered necessary to indicate such exalted rank, and having acquired these accomplishments he is taken off to the tailor to be suitably apparelled whilst the solicitor secures an invitation from the Medways to the earl to come and stay with them in Park Lane until a suitable town house be found. Quite a safe game to play, think the conspirators, for even when the Medways discover how they have been imposed upon the only course open to them will be to laugh the matter up and in so doing they will present the ever amusing spectacle of impotent rage.

In due course the clerk is received by the Medway family, who in their turn have discussed the various modes of address and the possibilities of curtseys, but we are relieved to see that the sound common sense of Medway and the frank schoolboy friendliness of his son Billy prevail, and the parties concerned, when they meet, act as quite normal human beings. Of course the inevitable happens and the clerk falls in love with Mary Medway (as was intended by the parents) which is the first blow to Archie Battersby who still had strong hopes of securing the lady and her jewels for himself. Then comes the disclosure by the defeated Archie and the just wrath of a bitterly disappointed mamma, but Mary sticks to Graham and Billy backs them up and again the sound practical sense of Sir Mark manifests itself in his recognition of the fact that the parents had deliberately thrown the two young people together and that the present moment of somewhat extreme heat was not one in which such a situation should be dealt with.

Then comes Graham of Glenlivet who at once recognises the solicitor's clerk and the astonished Battersby and Vereker can only explain feebly that their disclosure of the bogus earl was their idea of a joke, after which, knowing their way to the door, they anticipate assistance in that direction and depart.

Altogether a light, amusing play, with the interest steadily maintained. Inspite however of the levity of the plot the play contains touches of strong human interest yet each character is consistent throughout. The introduction of an element of this kind into the necessary absurdities of farce is, under an unskillful pen, apt to produce a patchy play, but in the Earl of Claverhouse this danger was evidently realised and carefully averted. The farce of the first act is well balanced by the family scene in the second where Medway's understanding of his son and his extreme patience with his wife's ambition to make the boy an intolérable young prig gives the actors every opportunity of showing what they can do—and that they all three availed themselves of this opportunity was evidenced by the convincing manner in which the scene went through. The curtain in this act too was especially well considered (and a curtain can make or mar an act) for after all the discussion upon the etiquette to be observed on the earl's arrival the father and son slip quietly out to share a bag of wrinkles secretly purchased by the boy on his way home.

Finally a word of praise must be given to the creation of Sir Mark. One is most agreeably impressed with the man of quiet tastes and fine feelings, especially when one remembers the long series of dreadful self-made men who have helped to supply the humour of so many farces. It is refreshing to find an author who does not consider that a meat extract millionaire must be fat and vulgar. And nobody more suited to represent Medway could be desired than Phya Liri Navarath who played in his usual restrained and yet thoroughly convincing way. In a sympathetic part Phya Bari knows how to draw and hold his audience and he evidently has the power of viewing his part in true perspective for his

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interpretation is always consistent. Prince Siddhivara in the none too easy part of the genial ass Battersby did some admirable fooling especially in his hopeless endeavours to persuade Miss Medway that he positively would commit suicide if she continued to refuse him. Prince Keehara did his best with the not very exciting part of the earl and Phra Raja Darunraksha was well cast for the solicitor's part. Wilbreham was certainly very well played by Sawang na Songkhla and the small parts of Edward and Frederick (footmen) and Tompkins (the under-gardener) played by Phya Baial Silpasutra, Phra Sri Vikaramaditya, and Prince Chuladisa respectively were excellently filled. Owing to the sudden illness of Phra Sunlara Likhit Graham of Glenlivet was played by Phya Subarna Sombati.

Out the two ladies in the cast Prince Sakol made an attractive Mary Medway and Phra Anubhas Siyanusur as one of those hard unhomey mothers whose ambition is only equalled by their ignorance, was quite unpleasantly realistic.

The Earl of Claverhouse was preceded by a farce in one act "Freezing a Mother-in-Law" by T. E. Penberton, and the production of this rather old-fashioned curtain raiser (brightened however by certain irresistible topical allusions) was made with the same care that marked the staging of the longer play.

Owing to the illness of Phra Sunlara Likhit Prince Siddhivara played Walter Litherland, the juvenile lead, and made the utmost of it. Luang Sondhi Vijakara as the down-trodden Mr. Watmuff was delightfully pathetic and Phya Subarna Sombati as his nephew Ferdinand Swift showed an adroit mixture of cocksureness and nervous uncertainty; his United States accent too was quite well assumed and his terse "some process" as Mrs. Watmuff collapsed under his ministrations brought down the house. Phya Medha Dhibadi as the terrible mother-in-law was at least massive, and Prince Dhani as Emily, her daughter,

who presumably did not inherit her mother's peculiar form of ancestor-worship, played with suitable simplicity.

The mounting of both plays was satisfactory and there were two good orchestras in attendance, one inside the theatre and the other in the pavilion where excellent refreshments were obtainable during the intervals.

The whole proceeds were given to the Royal Navy League for the benefit of the Cruiser Fund, the cost of the production being again defrayed by His Majesty's Privy Purse.

The Management expresses thanks to E. Healy Esq. for advice in designing and painting the scenery; Luang Pathani Raja Prasong for taking charge of the sale of tickets and announcement of the performance in the local papers; and to the Proprietors of the Siam Observer for printing the programme free of charge.

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Haig's Cautious Report.

London, July 1.—Reuter's correspondent at headquarters writing at 1.15 this afternoon (Saturday) says: We are making good progress into the enemy territory beyond the front line and have taken Serre and Montauban, important tactical points southeast of Hebuterne and northeast of Bray, and also portions of the village of Mametz and Contalmaison.

It is noteworthy that the British offensive was preceded by a bombardment of a week compared with a month before the advance at Loos but the shorter duration was more than compensated by the intensity of the fire. Correspondents agree there has been nothing equal to it hitherto on the British front. The new British trench-mortars firing thirty-five shots a minute were employed immediately prior to the infantry advance and were particularly destructive in smashing entanglements and wrecking trenches. The German front here forms a great bulge into territory held by the British. The southern end rests on the Somme which is a formidable river militarily because it breaks into many channels flowing through a broad marsh which in places is not surveyed. The country itself consists of rounded chalk hills densely wooded.

London, June 3.—General Haig's communique says there was heavy fighting to-day between the Ancre and the Somme, especially about Ercourt and La Boisselle. The former was captured at two in the afternoon and remains in our hands, and some progress was made eastwards of the village. The enemy is stubbornly resisting in the neighbourhood of La Boisselle but our troops are progressing satisfactorily.

Much war material has been captured. The situation on either side of the Ancre valley is unchanged. The general situation may be regarded as favorable.

German attacks on the Thiaumont work wherein we are established, were easily repulsed. An enemy attack north-east of Avocourt Wood was completely repulsed by a counter attack.

Various minor successful encounters took place on the rest of the front.

Paris communique, July 3.—The fight continued in our favour all day north of the Somme. In the region of Hardecourt and Curlu we captured a fortified quarry east of Curlu. We gained a footing in the second line at many points south of the Somme and captured the village of Arise in the wood, of Merencourt.

Unwounded prisoners now exceed

six thousand, including one hundred and fifty officers, guns, and much material captured.

Our losses are slight.

There was no infantry action north of Verdun but a lively bombardment.

The insignificant French losses in the Somme regions were due to the complete effective artillery preparation and the dash of the infantry.

The French aeroplanes did most effective work. They set fire to three captive balloons in the region of Verdun. Sergeant Chainat felled his fifth German aeroplane. The French air squadron on Saturday night dropped forty-eight bombs on the station of Longueval, eight on the station of Thionville, and sixteen on the station at Dun.

Another squadron dropped thirty-three bombs on the station of Brielles.

Twelve French aeroplanes during day-time on Sunday dropped sixty bombs on the station at Amagnelucqy hitting the buildings and railway lines and destroying a train.

The Germans to-day fired heavy shells in the direction of Nancy and Belfort.

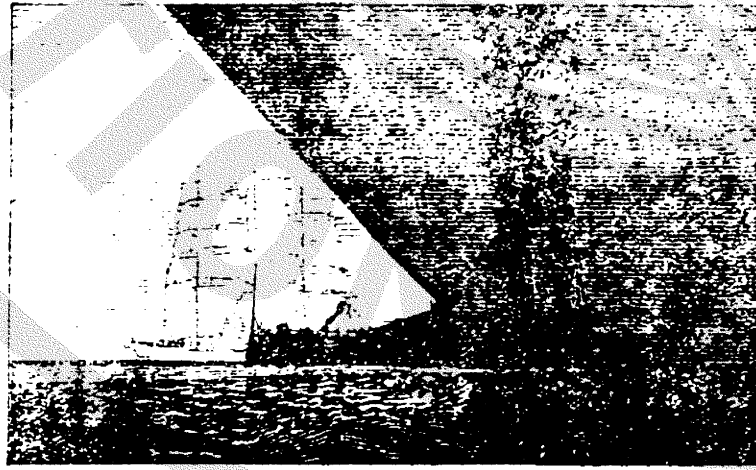
A squadron of enemy aeroplanes at three in the morning bombed the open town of Luneville. Reprisals will be taken.

London, July 3.—Only fragmentary details have yet been received of the infantry fighting but the episode which fascinated Paris is the story of how two Scottish regiments carried three lines of trenches at one bound and penetrated the village of Montauban, slaying with the bayonet several hundreds of the enemy and capturing a whole staff and regiment. In the present cautious and methodical push these have been apparently few instances of fatal overzealousness carrying men beyond their supports but the slowness and courage of the enemy is evidenced by the desperate fight at Thiepval. After the place had been apparently thoroughly cleared and the British had passed, the Germans emerged from deep dugouts and other strange hiding places and furiously attacked with machine-guns and bombs, while a tornado of all sorts of shells transformed the scene into a fierce conflict in a cauldron of green smoke, wherein the wonder was anyone could possibly survive. Indications show the Germans were in no way surprised and even knew the actual date of the advance, hence the success of the first onrush is all the more praiseworthy. Their strongest defence was put up in battered villages and field forts in which they fought with the highest skill and obstinacy. The weak point of the German resistance was the heavy artillery as he was throughout hopelessly out-gunned.

Paris, July 3.—A semi-official communiqué (Continued on page 7.)

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phases that progress must be slow but sure the tactics being to consolidate every gain before attacking the next objective.

London, July 3.—Reuters correspondent at headquarters cabling that at three this afternoon says the fighting continues intense on practically the whole British front. There is no change of importance above the Ancre. We heavily bombarded Thiepval and at la Boisselle there is severe fighting. North of Fricourt we pushed forward our positions to higher ground and the situation here is promising. The Germans continue to heavily shell Montauban but here we appear to be well established. So far we have taken four thousand German prisoners. The weather is favourable.

General Haig's communiqué speaks of heavy fighting south of the Ancre, but all gains were maintained. Fighting was most severe at la Boisselle and Ovillers.

Heavy fighting continues but is proceeding satisfactorily for us especially in the vicinity of la Boisselle where the remnants of the garrison surrendered. Further progress has been made in other parts of the battlefield and additional hostile defences have been captured.

Later—The communiqué says: The fight fluctuated in the afternoon about la Boisselle and south of Thiepval but was generally to our advantage. Hostile counter-attacks south of Thiepval drove some of our troops from a portion of the positions they had captured early in the morning. Many hostile attacks elsewhere were repulsed with heavy loss. We continued to make substantial progress. In some places very considerable armament and war material has been captured. The prisoners now exceed four thousand three hundred.

London, July 4.—Reuters representative at headquarters says a whole battalion of Prussian infantry surrendered to the British near Fricourt.

Paris July 3.—Official. South of the Somme the struggle continued yesterday evening and at nighttime was a complete success for us. We completely occupied two lines of trenches in the German second-line position on a front of more than five kilometres from Bois de Mercourt to the immediate approaches to Avesvillers, between which in the course of a brilliant engagement we carried the village of Herbécourt which the enemy had organised defensively.

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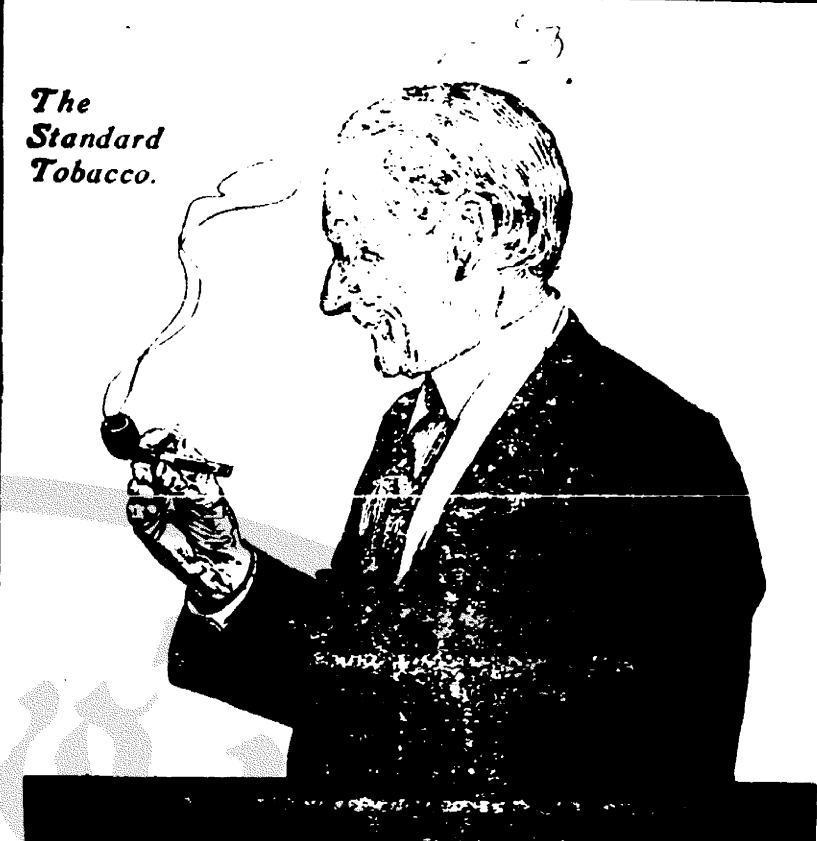
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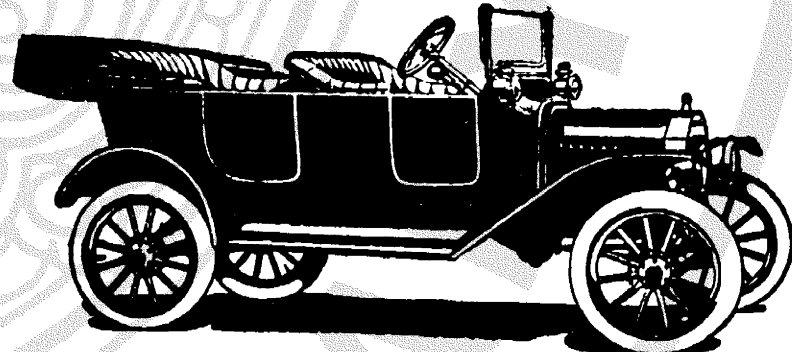
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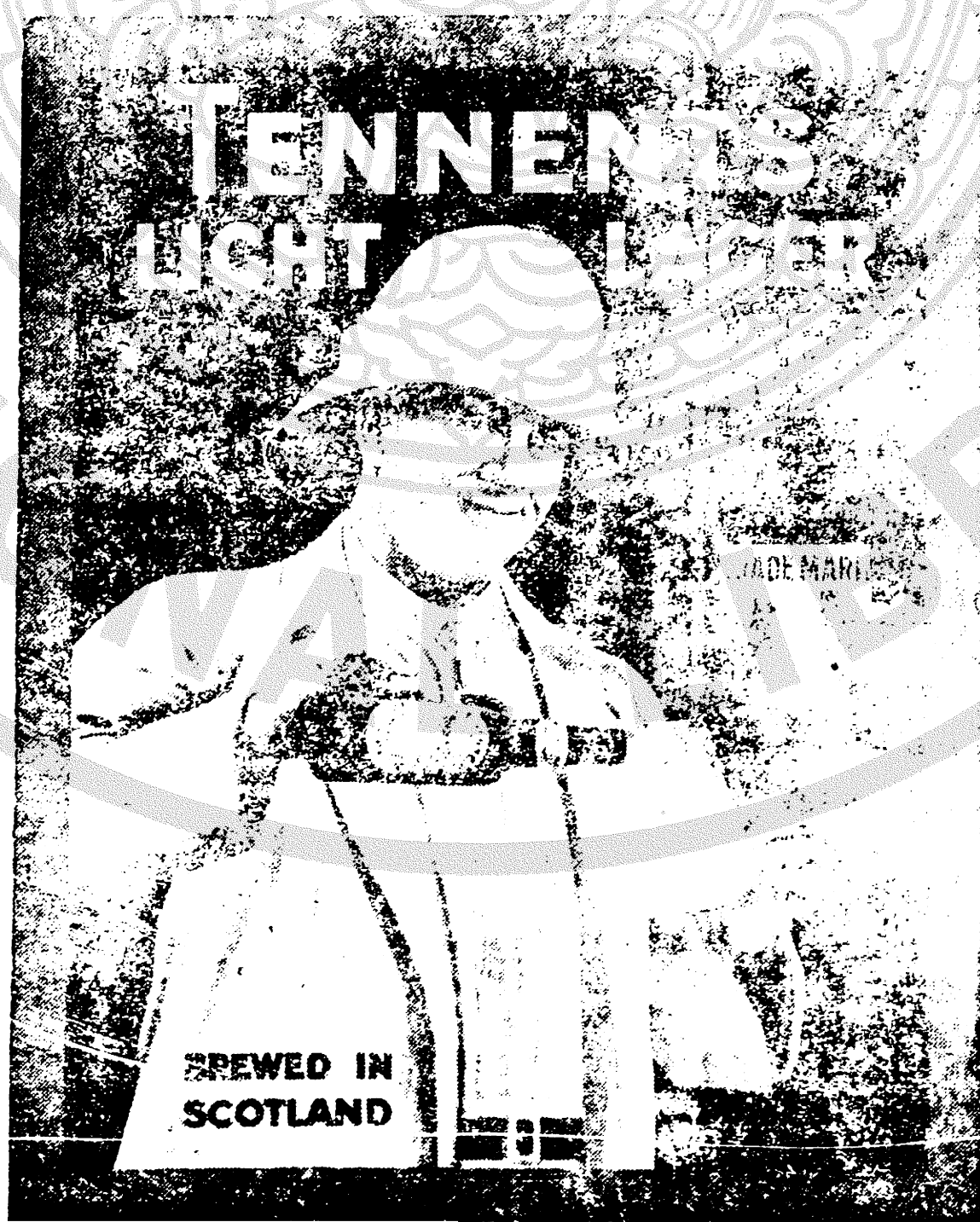
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